

Kingking and Coffee Farmers Pen MOA

Kingking, Pantukan – The Kingking Mining Corporation (KMC), developer of Kingking Mining Project, signed on March 30, 2017, a Memorandum of Agreement with Pantukan coffee farmers at the Arancon Building, Barangay Kingking.

KMC, in support of the Department of Environment and Natural Resources' (DENR) thrust for its expanded National Greening Program, distributed coffee seedlings to local farmers.

The national agencies' agro-forestry and agricultural initiatives is parallel to KMC's priority programs to "enhance farm productivity and provide extensive economic opportunities for the community."

KMC and the local farmers agreed "to continue to contribute in the sustainable development and productivity of the land and other proven sustainable agro-forestry designs. These programs are envisioned to improve food security, to increase income, to sustain livelihood, and to minimize land erosion."

The KMC nursery crew underwent intensive training at the Nestle Philippines Demo Farm in Tagum City to ensure that proper and appropriate technology is shared to farmers,

The company commissioned its trained nursery crew to assist the recipients in the monitoring and share-farming techniques to keep tab on the effectiveness of the program's implementation,



OM Petronilo Cancino and Mayor Yugo sign MOA

The farmers' responsibility is to take good care of the seedlings for high quality growth results.

Pantukan Mayor, Hon. Roberto Yugo, graced the occasion as one of the esteemed witnesses to the MOA Signing.

Mayor Yugo commended KMC for its solid support to the National Greening Program and its partnership and support to the local farmers.

This program will indubitably capacitate them in boosting their farm productivity and will eventually stabilize and sustain their income.

“I’m grateful for this program of Kingking Mining, for this partnership. This will give farmers the right skills and technology, for good results,” said Yugo.

Petronilo V. Cancino, Operations Manager of KMC, expressed his appreciation to all the coffee beneficiaries who became eager partners of the company’s greening program.



Beneficiaries and KMC Operations Manager Petronilo Cancino (middle) sign MOA for coffee distribution to the community. Municipal mayor Roberto M. Yugo served as witness.

“Napakasaya namin sa kompanya na meron tayong mga farmers who are willing partners of this initiative. The MOA we signed today did not go through the usual process where we first sign the MOA and distribute the seedlings after. This time, we distribute the seedlings first, then we provide technical assistance to farmers, monitor sprouts which should be properly planted and cared for. We will also make sure that the farmers shall have had their harvest before the signing. Although it took us almost 3 years, but it’s worth the wait”

“This is an effective approach for us to make sure we have a high percentage of survival rate for the distributed plantlets, as this will also be our bases for the report we submit to the DENR”, Cancino explained.

KMC's Mine Environmental Protection and Enhancement Officer, (MEPEO) Lenna Mae Leopoldo, apprised the beneficiaries that in conjunction to the DENR's thrust, the Company is focused in protecting the environment through reforestation, promotion of eco-tourism and agro-forestry developments. She also stressed that aside from coffee, the company is now doing nursery expansion for cacao production.

The farmers were elated because KMC's environmental programs enabled them to start small but sure. In turn, they expressed their staunch assurance to the proponent that they will remain compliant to their obligations as agreed in the MOA.



Coffee Beneficiaries, together with barangay officials, KMC personnel and Mayor Roberto M. Yugo, pose for photo during MOA signing held in front of KMC office