Women's Month kicks off in NAMRIA

Т celebration of National Women's in Month NAMRIA kicked off last March 03 through a fivekilometer Fun Jog. Walk, Run held inside the agency's compound. There were



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around 50 participants in the event. On the following day, the employees wore a purple ribbon and clothes in the colors of purple, lilac, lavender, and violet. In his message during the agency's regular flag-raising ceremony, Administrator Diony A Ventura encouraged the employees to participate in and support the activities lined up to mark the occasion.

Also held last 04 March at the NAMRIA Lecture Hall was the life-shop (seminar) called *Abundance!* by Mr. Carlos "Pido" Aguilar Jr. The life-shop focused on positive attitudes and a

good disposition in life. The mantra of the seminar, "Those who invest in abundance. receive abundance!" enjoins a person to do good things to others in order to harvest the same. "When you live life in abundance, you do not only have enough money, but a good heart, values, relationships, happiness as well," emphasized Mr. Aguilar. "Give more time for your



self, family, friends, rest, recreation, health, faith, and mission. Wealth and work are just but two factors in the equation."

Other slated activities of the agency include minimarkets

(tiangge) to be held at the walkway on 13-14 and 27-28 March; seminars on pastry making and food processing at the NAMRIA Lecture Hall on 24 and 26 March; and showing of Gender and Development (GAD)-related films at the NAMRIA Lecture Hall. The films are *Anak* (06 March), *The Flor Contemplacion Story* (11 March), *Ang Tanging Ina* (13 March), *Sister Stella L.* (18 March), *Kubrador* (25 March), and *Madrasta* (27 March). The agency's bulletin boards will feature for a month the seven significant laws on GAD.

The United Nations declared 08 March of each year as International Women's Day and expanded the celebration for a month in recognition of women's significant roles and capabilities in society building as well as their invaluable support to family and development. This year's local theme is "CEDAW ng Bayan: Yaman ng Kababaihan!"

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"... and off they go!" Those who emerged as top finishers in the male category were Mr. Rey Geraldino of the ESD (gold medal), Mr. Melchor Delovino of the SID (silver medal), and Mr. Eric del Rosario of the RSRDAD (bronze medal). For the female side, top finishers were Ms. Mary Rose Uy of the MD (gold medal), Ms. Mikaela Lagunday of the SSD (silver medal), and Ms. Ana Victoria Labor of the RSRDAD (bronze medal). For the one-kilometer kiddie event participated in by children of employees, John Matthew Capito won the gold medal while Leal Lequin won the silver medal.