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THE BIGGEST QUESTION: “PAPASA BA KAMI?”

A new batch of training for social partners and sectoral representatives was conducted this 18th to 28th of June 2018 by the Department of Labor and Employment (DOLE) through the Bureau of Working Conditions (BWC). The training was made possible in coordination and participation of the Bureau of Labor Relations (BLR), Occupational Safety and Health Center (OSHC) and DOLE-RO XII. The training, entitled *Training on Labor Laws and Other Social Legislations for Social Partners/ Sectoral Representatives*, is a ten-day extensive and comprehensive program of the Department which was attended by thirty-five (35) participants originating mostly from the Mindanao region.



The recently conducted training was the fifth batch organized by DOLE. This was made possible pursuant to the directive of DOLE Secretary Silvestre H. Bello, III which is to engage social partners and sectoral representatives with the inspection activities of the Department. The primary objective of the ten-day training is to capacitate participants with the knowledge and skills needed to assist Labor Inspectors in the conduct of routine inspection of establishments as well as in the conduct of mandatory conference.

“I was raised to treat the janitor with the same respect as the CEO.” A quote from the group of Messrs. Reynante Lisbo and Harison Tatel and Ms. Charm Caryl Recla on a group activity when asked on their greatest learning. This was in relation to being impartial towards every individual in an establishment regardless of which side do they belong. This type of realization is what the training team seeks to impart and evoke to all of its participants. The biggest question given by the participants that as of this writing may not be answered with certainty is, “*papasa ba kami?*” Overall results of the Batch V training will be discussed and presented on the next meeting of Technical Working Group tasked to oversee the trainings for social partners.

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