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“Karapatan at Kalagayan ng Batang Manggagawa: Sagipin, Tugunan, at Protektahan ng Bayan”

On 27 June 2022, the National Council Against Child Labor (NCACL), chaired by the Department of Labor and Employment, spearheaded the *2022 World Day Against Child Labor Celebration Culminating Activity* at the Ichikawa Hall, Occupational Safety and Health Center, Diliman, Quezon City.

The culminating activity marks the Philippines’ 20th international observance of World Day Against Child Labor (WDACL) in the month of June with the theme *“Karapatan at Kalagayan ng Batang Manggagawa: Sagipin, Tugunan, at Protektahan ng Bayan.”*

The theme for the 2022 Philippine celebration was adopted from the global theme – *Universal Social Protection to End Child Labour* – which calls for increased investment in social protection systems and schemes to establish solid social protection floors and protect children from child labor.

In her opening remarks, Assistant Secretary Teresita Cucueco emphasized that this year’s celebration of WDACL is focused on strengthening the call for adequate, attainable, and comprehensive programs that will alleviate the poverty of every family and protect and ensure the rights of every child to keep them away from the danger and harm of child labor.

The activity featured a statement of support from various stakeholders, Talakayang Pambata talk show, global and national child labor situation, announcement and awarding of winners of the NCACL Logo-Making Contest, flash mob, and exhibits.

Present in said activity are members and partners of the NCACL from government agencies, workers’ sector, employers’ sector, and non-government organizations; youth advocates; and other stakeholders.

“Protektahan natin ang bawat bata at itaguyod ang isang child labor-free Philippines! Para sa Batang Malaya!” calls on Asec. Cucueco as she concludes her speech for the 2022 WDACL Celebration Culminating Activity.

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