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MGB Celebrates 119th Anniversary

The Mines and Geosciences Bureau under the Department of Environment and Natural Resources is celebrating its 119th Anniversary this month of November. A weeklong activities to highlight the celebration is set on November 21 to 24 as the 64th Annual Mine Safety and Environment Conference (ANMSEC) will commence in Baguio City.

Baguio City being the host of ANMSEC for several decades has declared November 21-24, 2017 as the Annual National Mine Safety and Environment Conference week being sponsored by the Philippine Mine Safety and Environment Association (PMSEA), an umbrella organization of mining stakeholders in the country.

This year's theme is anchored on "**Responsible Mining...in the hearts and minds of the Filipinos**". Apart from mining symposium, the weeklong celebration starting from November 21, 2017 include activities like Mining Exhibits at the Camp John Hay Trade Center and Sports Competition, Minerals Industry Parade, Mine Safety Field Demonstration and Field Competition.

The celebration will be highlighted by the giving of the prestigious Presidential Mineral Industry and Environment Award (PMIEA) to any Mining Company, one for metallic and for the non-metallic category excelling in environmental protection, occupational safety and health practices and corporate social responsibility.

For 2017, Holcim Resources Development Corporation (formerly Holcim Philippines Manufacturing Corporation) Lugait Plant, under the regulation of the Mines and Geosciences Bureau, Regional Office No.10 is vying for the Best Mining Forest Award. To recall, HRDC has been a Hall of Famer on this esteemed award being a winner for 10 consecutive years.

Locally, MGB-10 will be celebrating its Anniversary on November 29, 2017 with a Thanksgiving Mass, followed by a program on the giving of recognition to MGB employees who have served 15 to 35 years of service to MGB.

In the afternoon will be a seminar for MGB 10 employees on Public Accountability and Ombudsman Deterrence.

The celebration will be held at the MGB-10 Office in Macabalan Cagayan de Oro City.

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