

BLR Co-organizes Orientation on Human Trafficking, Illegal Recruitment and Labor Standards

The Bureau of Labor Relations (BLR) through its Workers' Organization Development Program (WODP), together with the National Anti-Poverty Commission-Formal Labor and Migrant Workers Sectoral Council (NAPC-FLMWSC), organized an Orientation on Human Trafficking, Illegal Recruitment and Labor Standards on 30-31 August 2017 at the Icon Hotel in Quezon City.

The two-day consultation and capability building activity focused on human trafficking and illegal recruitment and on labor law compliance system. Orientation on human trafficking and illegal recruitment aimed at educating labor leaders, Overseas Filipino Workers and their families on the rights of migrant workers, legal protection and remedies, and programs and interventions for migrant workers by the government, non-government organizations and private sector. Another objective was to orient and familiarize union leaders with the DOLE Labor Law Compliance System (LLCS).

A total of 100 representatives from several labor groups from the migrant sector in Luzon including the NAPC-FLMWSC members attended the activity.

Data and information gathered during the activity shall serve as inputs to the FLMWSC position paper on human trafficking and illegal recruitment and on deputization of unions and labor organizations as labor inspectors through the LLCS.

The NAPC-FLMWSC, represented by its Sectoral Representative Mr. Edwin Bustillos, expressed gratitude to BLR for providing workers and their organizations opportunities for empowerment through the WODP.

BLR Director Benjo Santos Benavidez said that WODP aims to enhance the capabilities of labor organizations and their members in the areas of leadership, organizational development and management through provision of training assistance and support.

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