

EMB PARTNERS WITH INDUSTRY SECTOR IN CURBING CARBON EMISSIONS



The 2nd leg of the nationwide training for entity GHG inventory has gathered representatives from the industry sector and EMB offices in Cebu City.

In the continuous effort to curb the country's greenhouse gas emission, the Environmental Management Bureau (EMB) of the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR), through its Climate Change Division, has organized the "Orientation-Training on Greenhouse Gas (GHG) Inventory and Management Program for Private/Industry Partners" in Cebu City. This two – day event is the second leg of a nationwide training on entity level GHG inventory and has

gathered representatives from different private sector representatives, EMB Regions 7, 8, 9, and the newly-constituted Negros Island Region. The training aimed to build the capacity of the participants in establishing their own entity level GHG inventory as the first step in the identification of emission reduction opportunities within their operations and facilities.

Engr. Marcelino B. Tabuco, the OIC-Chief of EMB Region 7's Environmental Monitoring and Enforcement Division (EMED), welcomed the participants and has expressed great support on this activity. In his remark, he emphasized the urgency of addressing climate change and the significance of each contribution from everyone.

During the training, participants were briefed on the current global and local trends on climate change, the national initiatives on addressing climate change, and a background on the national GHG inventory on the first day. The highlight

of the day, however, was the introduction of the concepts and principles of an entity level GHG inventory. More importantly, the benefits of the inventory were emphasized in order to encourage the participation of the delegates from the industry sector. The discussion on the steps of establishing the GHG inventory was immediately followed by a workshop to familiarize the participants on calculating GHG emission from activity data for fuel use, purchased electricity,



Engr. Tabuco as he welcomes the participants emphasizing on the importance of everyone's contribution towards addressing climate change

and air business travel. The second day was devoted to quantifying emissions from solid waste



Participants work on their calculation over refreshments.

and waste water, and setting data management and reporting standards. Overall, the participants had been very eager and active especially during the exercises.

As most of the participants as well as the Negros Island Region have yet to establish their inventory, concerns about the reporting template and standards were expressed. In this regard, the EMB GHG Inventory Report was shown as an example for the participants

to have an idea on crafting their first GHG inventory report. The

participants showed interest in pursuing an entity GHG inventory and expressed hopes of launching incentives in the future for private industries that would participate in this program, a point well shared and noted by the organizers.###