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Dr. Prose Ivy G. Yepes
President
Visayas State University
Visca, Baybay City, Leyte

Dear **Pres. Yepes**,

ISRDS will spearhead a two-day training entitled **“Advancing Local Leadership in Nutrition for Sustainable Program Outcomes”** in partnership with the Leyte Provincial Nutrition Office on September 25–26, 2025 at VSU. This is a somewhat late celebration of our 44th anniversary today. Nonetheless, we intend to acknowledge how this milestone empowers us to engage potential partners and elevate outcomes from our community development and local governance projects, specifically the VSU-BIDANI extension program.

Beyond skills and knowledge transfer, this initiative aims to advocate for wider adoption and institutionalization of BIDANI across the province. We aspire to empower local leaders to be more proactive, innovative, and accountable in advancing community nutrition and development, thereby, contributing to the broader vision of inclusive and sustainable growth for the people of Leyte and Eastern Visayas.

The training primarily targets the 41 City and Municipal Nutrition Action Officers (C/MNAOs) in the Leyte Province, recognizing their critical role in steering local nutrition programs, and ensuring their alignment with broader development goals. The training will be conducted on a cost-sharing scheme.

In line with this, we will be honored by your presence at this training. We also kindly request that you deliver the Welcome Remarks. Please refer to the attached program.

Thank you for being ever supportive of our programs and activities.

Very truly yours,


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