

MESSAGE

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On behalf of the Department of Science and Technology (DOST), I would like to congratulate the National Academy of Science and Technology, Philippines (NAST PHL) for successfully organizing the 44th Annual Scientific Meeting (ASM) with the theme “PAGTANAW 2050: *Agham Tungo sa Mabuting Kinabukasan* (FORESIGHT 2050: Science for a Sustainable Future)”.

At the dawn of the new administration, we look back at the achievements of the past and plan for concrete strategies on how to fulfill the new administration’s agenda on industrialization, energy program, climate change adaptation program, agricultural and food security program, and other economic development agenda through science, technology, and innovation. As part of our initiatives, we at DOST, together with NAST PHL, aim for the realization of these goals by harnessing the products of scientific inquiry and technological advancement that hopefully would translate to inclusive economic growth and development for the sustainable future of our country.

NAST PHL has been committed to fulfilling its duties of recognizing excellence in science and technology, engaging in projects and programs designed to promote scientific productivity, establishing scientific linkages, providing scientific advice to the President, the Cabinet, the Senate, and the House of Representatives, and promoting a strong science culture in Philippine society. These efforts are always appreciated with gratitude.

We commend NAST PHL for connecting with the regional offices as well as our hardworking scientists for their noteworthy concerns through their scientific research and endeavors.

It is our hope that through our combined efforts, we can create a better future through our service and dedication, and that our people will feel the benefits of science and technology and the sincerity of the government for our country and the Filipino people.

Mabuhay tayong lahat!

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