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# MAJOR HIGHLIGHT: 52nd Founding Anniversary of the National Meat Inspection Service (NMIS) and the 31st Meat Safety Consciousness Week (MSCW)



### USEC. DEOGRACIAS VICTOR SAVELLANO GRACED THE NMIS ANNIVERSARY

On October 14, 2024, the Department of Agriculture (DA) Undersecretary for Livestock, Deogracias Victor B. Savellano, attended the celebratory event marking the 52nd Founding Anniversary of the National Meat Inspection Service (NMIS). This significant occasion also coincided with the 31st Meat Safety Consciousness Week. The event took place at the SHE Hall, located within the MITDC Building, where Undersecretary Savellano delivered a heartfelt message on behalf of DA Secretary Francisco P. Tiu Laurel Jr. In his address, he highlighted the importance of meat safety in public health and the role of NMIS in ensuring the quality and safety of meat products in the country. The gathering was attended by various stakeholders in the meat industry, reflecting the government's commitment to promoting food safety and supporting livestock production.

"Our meat success relies on collective effort of all stakeholders. Addressing meat safety challenges cannot be achieved by any single sector alone. It requires cooperation from government, industry and consumers working together strengthens our initiative to ensure that safety and quality standards are upheld."

This occasion would not be possible without our united efforts and dedication to public health and food safety. All of us worked as a team amidst the challenges and triumphs brought by the past five decades.

- Dr. Roberto S. Umali



#### NMIS Launches 2024 Meat Fair to Promote Meat Safety Awareness

In an energetic kickoff to meat safety awareness, the National Meat Inspection Service (NMIS) inaugurated the 2024 NMIS Meat Fair: Diskartenng KARNE-bal. The launch included a ceremonial ribbon-cutting, led by Executive Director Dr. Clarita M. Sangcal, Deputy Executive Director Dr. Roberto S. Umali, and prominent figures from the hog industry, notably Hon. Gildo Aviles, Barangay Chairman of Brgy. Vasra, Quezon City.







#### October 9-12, 2024

#### **2024 National Livestock and Poultry Summit**

The summit serves as the major activity of the DA's Celebration of the National Livestock Month in October and venue to discuss pressing issues affecting the local livestock and poultry industries as well as possible interventions to address them to achieve a more robust and resilient domestic animal industry.

### UPCOMING EVENTS



# EVENT INVITATION National Association of State Departments of Agriculture (NASDA) November 5, 2024



## **EVENT INVITATION**Golden Harvesta: Swine Technical Forum November 7, 2024



# October 2, 2024 Consultation on the PH-EU Free Trade Agreement and PH-UAE Comprehensive Economic Partnership Agreement

The consultation session aims to give stakeholders an overview of the proposed PH-EU FTA and updates on the ongoing negotiations for the PH-UAE CEPA, particularly on the market access negotiations related to trade in goods. Please refer to the attached program for more details.