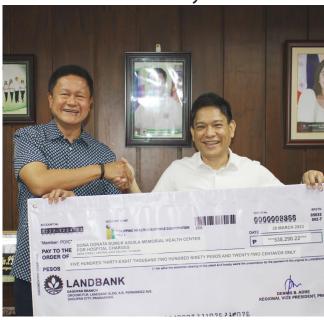


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these are the words of Hon. Eulogio Clarence Martin P. De Guzman III, Municipal Mayor of Bauang, La Union, when he received the PhilHealth check amounting to Php 538,290.22 as payment for the Konsulta services rendered by Bauang Rural Health Unit (RHU) for the month of February 2023.



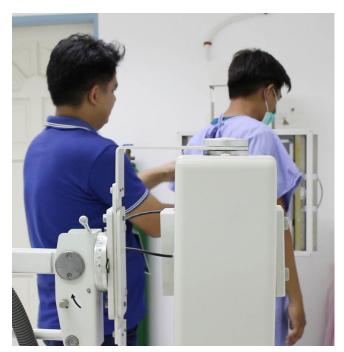
PRO I RVP Dennis B. Adre (right) handed over check amounting to Php 538,290.22 to Bauang La Union Mayor Eulogio Clarence Martin P. De Guzman III, (left) payment for the Konsulta services rendered by Bauang RHU.



Mayor De Guzman has always believed in government programs which he referred to as "for the common good". When he learned about the PhilHealth Konsulta, he immediately informed the RHU headed by Municipal Health Officer (MHO) Dr. Erwill O. Nunan to coordinate with PhilHealth for their accreditation. He openly admitted that his initial expectations from the program were modest. However, as time passed,







he came to understand that PhilHealth Konsulta is a commendable program and that PhilHealth did not fall short in delivering its performance to support the delivery of primary care services for the people.



As an accredited Konsulta provider, Bauang RHU provided health screening and assessment, diagnostic and laboratory tests, and medicines to their townspeople. With the continuous Konsulta program implementation and payments received from PhilHealth, Mayor De Guzman pledged to give it back to the people through strengthened health services for all. He said that the funds coming in from PhilHealth is a big help in meeting the health care needs of their constituents. MHO Dr. Nunan also said that the funds will be allocated for the procurement of medicines for non-communicable diseases to support patients with hypertension and diabetes, among others.



He claimed that one of their concrete contributions to the progressive realization of Universal Health Care is the implementation of the Konsulta program in their municipality.

The check was personally handed over to Municipal Mayor of Bauang, La Union by PhilHealth Regional Office I (PRO I) Regional Vice President Dennis B. Adre together with La Union Chief Social Insurance Officer Raymund O. Maningding and Field Operations Chief Josephine Q. Quiton in simple rites held at the Bauang Municipal Hall in La Union on March 28, 2023.



