

## COTABATO LIGHT TL's TRAIN FUTURE LEADERS

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***LEADING THE FUTURE LEADERS:*** Cotabato Light MMD Supervisor Oliver Makilang and Brand Officer Donjie Vertuoso speak to 80 SK officers, student-leaders and out-of-school-youth during the 2011 Youth Leadership Summit.

“The youth is the hope of our nation.” That was the famous quote by our national hero Dr. Jose P. Rizal which is widely taught in every school. Indeed, the youth is undeniably the successor of today’s leaders. Thus, we need to nurture and guide them to become productive citizens and patriotic leaders someday.

Embarking into this idea, the 6<sup>th</sup> Infantry Division through the 2<sup>nd</sup> Mechanized Infantry Brigade

of Philippine Army had organized a

### **Youth Leadership Summit 2011**

held at Pendililang Elementary School, Datu Saudi Ampatuan, Maguindanao on May 24. The event was participated by Eighty (80) Sangguniang Kabataan Officers and Out of School Youth from four (4) municipalities of Maguindanao. Some of them are believed to be children of the rebel group residing at the locality.

The Philippine Army believes that Peace can be better achieved through education and community service rather than armed confrontations. And, these young and future leaders hold the key toward a peaceful and better future as they will have an important role in nation building.

In this occasion, the organizer invited two of Cotabato Light team leaders through their local organization Junior Chamber International (JCI) – Cotabato Jaycees to serve as resource speakers on **Leadership and Team Building**. These Cotabato Light team leaders are Branding and Corpcom Officer Donjie Vertuoso and Material Management Supervisor Oliver Makilang, who were also concurrent officers of JCI-Cotabato.

The delegates were so enthusiastic and participative as they listened to short stories on leadership and team building lectures. All were energetic during the rope course and trust-fall workshops that taught them to trust their team mates and how to excel on what they do with right leadership and strategic team efforts.

According to the famous writer Peter F. Druker "Management is doing things right, leadership is doing the right things." How beautiful it is if you can have and practice both with your leadership and team building skills. //