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Apex Mining celebrates Mandela Day with South Africa Embassy
Gold producer spreads safety mindset to Nayon ng Kabataan wards



MANDALUYONG, 18 July 2025 Apex Mining supported this year's initiative of the Embassy of South Africa to celebrate Nelson Mandela International Day (18 July). This year, Nayon ng Kabataan was the partner institution of the Embassy. Apex Mining donated fire extinguishers and conducted a short talk on fire safety to familiarize the older wards of Nayon ng Kabataan on how to use these fire extinguishers. With this donation, the Nayon ng Kabataan now has the requisite number of fire extinguishers required for a facility of its size. Plus, the older teenagers have a basic knowhow in using a fire extinguisher.

“Fire safety is not always top of mind for most people. But it is actually a very important aspect of safety behavior,” says Luis R. Sarmiento, Apex Mining’s president and CEO.



Mandela Day is a global campaign encouraging people around the world to celebrate Mr Mandela's legacy through voluntary work with a social justice focus.

In photo are Apex Mining's Pres and CEO, Luis R. Sarmiento, ASEAN Eng (3rd from left) and South Africa's Ambassador Bartinah Ntombizodwa Radebe-Netshitenzhe with Nasyon ng Kabataan's Helen Pereyra (2nd from left). Also in photo are Apex Mining's Ma Teresa L Pacis (communication lead) and Darren Derpo (safety officer).

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About Apex Mining: APX is a publicly listed company. It operates the Maco Gold Mine in Maco, Davao de Oro while its fully owned subsidiary, Itogon-Suyoc Resources, operates two mines in Benguet (Sangilo Mine in Itogon and Suyoc Mine in Mankayan). Another fully owned subsidiary, Monte Oro Resources, Inc. operates the other business interests of APX, both in the country and abroad. In February 2023, APX took over Asia Alliance Mining Resources Corporation (AAMRC).