

REPUBLIKA NG PILIPINAS KAGAWARAN NG PANANALAPI **KAWANIHAN NG INGATANG -YAMAN** (BUREAU OF THE TREASURY) INTRAMUROS, MANILA

A Talk on Sex, Gender, and Sexual Orientation, Gender Identity and Expression (SOGIE)



In celebration of *Pride Month*, the Bureau of the Treasury (BTr), spearheaded by the Gender and Development (GAD) Focal Point System (GFPS), conducted a seminar entitled, "*A Talk on Sex, Gender, and Sexual Orientation, Gender Identity and Expression (SOGIE)*" last 25 June 2019 at the Sergio Osmeña Lecture Theatre, Ayuntamiento Building, Intramuros, Manila. The talk aimed to spread awareness and deepen the understanding among the participants towards achieving gender equality.

Mr. Arnold Jarn Ford Buhisan, a Training Specialist from the Department of Social Welfare and Development, acted as the guest speaker for the three-hour session and gave an overview on the concepts of Gender and Development Advocacy, Gender and Sex, and SOGIE itself.

Aside from the BTr employees, the talk was also attended by personnel from the Bureau of Local Government Finance, Landbank of the Philippines, National Tax Research Center, and Social Security System.

The speaker ended the talk by underscoring the importance of respect for individual sexual orientation and preference on gender identity.



Overall, the seminar was a success due to the strong support and efforts of the GFPS in organizing the event, the active participation of the audience and most of all the impeccable presentation skills and mastery on the topic of the speaker.



Deputy Treasurer Sharon P. Almanza CESO II, Deputy Treasurer Atty. Gisela F. Lood, Mr. Arnold Jarn F. Buhisan together with the GFPS and guests from various government agencies.