

Republic of the Philippines Department of Environment and Natural Resources MINES AND GEOSCIENCES BUREAU

Region: Region XIII (Caraga) Province: Agusan del Norte (ADN) City: 1 Municipality: 10 Barangays: 252 Population (2015 Census): Total: 691,566 Density: 130/km<sup>2</sup> (340/sq mi) Income Classification: 3<sup>rd</sup> Class Province Major economic activities: Nickel mining, farming and fishing

### **Economic Contribution**

#### PhP 19.90 Billion or 20.10%

Estimated Gross Regional Domestic Product (GRDP) of Region XIII, Caraga from mining and quarrying at constant 2000 prices. It accounted 20.10% of the total GRDP of the Region in 2016.

# AGUSAN DEL NORTE Mineral Profile

The Philippine government promotes the rational exploration, development, utilization and conservation of mineral resources guided by its commitment to responsible minerals development.



# Land Area and Mineral Potential

273,024 hectares Total land area of ADN in hectares

#### 3.21% or 8,758.05 hectares

(as of December 2017)

Percentage of the ADN's total land area covered by mining tenements. However, it should be emphasized that said area is still subject to the mandatory relinquishment as provided by law.

# **Environmental Protection and Rehabilitation**

The Philippine government ensures the adequate protection of the environment, before, during

#### Mining Investments PhP252.77 Million (as of December 2017)

# **Gross Output**

Nickel Ore (2017) PhP4.94 Billion Estimated value of nickel ore produced by AMVI and SRMI.

#### Export US\$ 98.54 Million (2017)

Total estimated export value of nickel ore. China is the major trading partner for nickel ore.

# Employment

**644** (employed as of December 2017) While estimates vary, it is conservatively projected that for every basic job in the mining company about four (4) ancillary and indirect jobs may be generated in the upstream and downstream sectors.

The emergence of small enterprises/ businesses in the host and neighboring communities due to the presence of mining operations in the area, and the livelihood projects supported by the mining companies, which generate both employment and income, cannot be discounted. These economic activities will naturally stimulate the local economy.

### **Economic Growth**

The Philippine government commits to provide a competitive investment climate and adequate protection of the rights and privileges of mining investors.

# mining operations and beyond the life of the mine.

# Social Development and Management Program

PhP52.89 Million (as of December 2017) Amount committed by operating mines and mineral processing plant for the development their of host and neighboring communities through their approved Social Development and Management Program. Around 16 barangays stand to benefit from the implementation of approved SDMP of the companies.

# Environmental Protection and Rehabilitation

**PhP105.30 Million** (as of December 2017) Amount committed by operating mines for the implementation of approved plans/programs/projects/activities under their Environmental Protection and Enhancement Program, and Final Mine Rehabilitation and/or Decommissioning Plan, respectively.

Taxes and Fees Paid PhP 326.93 Million (2017) Amount of national and local taxes, fees and royalties generated and contributed to the Philippine economy by operating mines in the province. Mineral Resources Development Projects

2 Nickel Mines
Agata Mining Ventures, Inc. (AMVI)
SR Metals, Inc. (SRMI)

# Mining Forest Program

**339,862 seedlings** (as of December 2017) Number of seedlings planted by operating mines in more than 435.60 hectares of mined-out and other areas.

Social Equity and Development

The Philippine government recognizes the rights and participation of the communities and Indigenous Peoples and ensures the fair and equitable sharing of benefits among the company, the government and host communities

"Mining shall be pro-people and pro-environment in sustaining wealth creation and improved quality of life"

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