

Updates on

## BatStateU Research Centers







## US Marine Biologist lectures on Coral Reef Destruction in the South China Sea



As part of BatStateU's commitment to protecting and preserving marine ecosystems, the university, in partnership with the United States Embassy, hosted a lecture-forum with Marine Biologist Dr. Kent Carpenter on November 20 at the CITE Building, BatStateU Pablo Borbon Main I.

Industry expert Dr. Kent Carpenter who is also a professor from the Biological Sciences at Old Dominion University in Norfolk, Virginia, served as the speaker for the lecture-forum, which was attended by students from different colleges.

Dr. Carpenter's lecture entitled, "Environmental Damage to Coral Reefs in the South China Sea and International Arbitration Under the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea," provided insights and raised awareness about the detrimental effects of human activities to the coral reefs. Sjo



VIP CORALS conducts fieldwork in Isla Verde for NAGAO-funded project



VIP CORALS team conducted their fieldwork on December 11-14 at the Verde Island for the project "Biodiversity of seaweeds and associated flora in the Verde Island, Batangas City, Batangas, Philippines."

The said project was funded by Nagao Natural Environmental Foundation (NEF).

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## VIP CORALS Focal Person attends International Training on EAFM



VIP CORALS Focal Person Dr. Jayvee Saco attended the International Training on Ecosystem Approach to Fisheries Management (EAFM) on October 1-4 at the Richmonde Hotel, Iloilo City.

The EAFM was co-organized by the Philippine Council for Agriculture, Aquatic and Natural Resources Research and Development (DOST-PCAARRD), and the University of the Philippines Visayas (UPV).

The training program aimed to provide its participants with the basic knowledge on the sustainable ecosystem approach to fisheries management.