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**Megawide Foundation and Citicore Summa Waters Supply Water Filtration System to 400 Families in Cotabato Affected by the Mindanao Earthquakes**



**Cotabato City, Mindanao** – Megawide Corporate Foundation, Inc. (Megawide Foundation), and Citicore Summa Waters recently led a disaster support program at Barangay Bulakanun, Makilala, Cotabato City, supplying potable water to 400 evacuee families by installing a special filtration system in the area. The Malasila River served as the source of water for this project.

After the recent series of earthquakes, the families in Makilala had no access to safe drinking water,” said Sheila Lynn Nawata, Megawide Foundation Chief Operating Officer. “As a result, the Foundation partnered with Citicore Summa Waters to install a filtration system for the community, and is committed to providing it until the supply of potable water is stabilized,” Nawata continued.



Following the quake, Barangay Makilala was declared as a “No Build Zone”, which means residents can no longer stay in the area.

The filtration system was officially inaugurated and turned over on 20 November 2019. Vice Mayor Ryan Tabanay, barangay officials, representatives from the office of the Municipal Sanitary Inspection, as well as the evacuees were present during the launch.

The Municipal Sanitary Inspector evaluated the quality of the water and declared that it far surpassed the standard parameters for potability. A ceremonial water drinking was led by Vice Mayor Tabanay during the event to assure evacuees of the water’s safety.

According to Vice Mayor Tabanay, the filtration system is the only one in the province currently providing potable water for evacuees.

“This is a very important project for us as clean drinking water is one of the most pressing needs of Filipinos after a natural disaster like this. We are very happy to provide clean and safe water supply for the people of Makilala until the community is back on its feet,” said Nawata.

Megawide Foundation is dedicated to providing underserved Filipino communities with First-World solutions.



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### About the Project Partners:

**Megawide Corporate Foundation, Inc. (Megawide Foundation)** is a non-profit organization dedicated to aiding the public through its various programs and initiatives providing high quality technical education and eco-friendly community building. Among its flagship projects are the Megawide Engineering Excellence Scholarship Program and the Megawide-SKILLS Builder Program. Megawide Foundation is part of the Megawide group. It was incorporated in 2012.

**Citicore Summa Waters (CSWater)** is a total water solutions company providing bulk water supply and water distribution. It is a joint venture company between renewable energy company Citicore and water technical and operations company Summa Water Resources, Inc.