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On 01 March 2024, DOST-ITDI participated in the DOST-Wide Kick-Off Activity of National Women's Month. DOST Secretary Renato U. Solidum Jr. led the opening program. Various activities organized by the DOST Central Office were actively participated in by ITDI employees, such as the parade, wherein colorful floats designed by the attached agencies were displayed. Attires developed and produced by DOST-PTRI were also presented during the event, and the highlight of the event was the DOST GAD Bazaar, wherein various SETUP beneficiaries showcased their products.

ITDI, together with MIRDC, facilitated the "Palarong Pinoy." ITDI organized the first game, which is the "Bayahihan para sa Bagong Pilipinas." Participants from different DOST attached agencies had fun and displayed teamwork, coordination, and excellent decision-making in playing the game. The second game, "Two-Tier Tsinoy Garter," was spearheaded by MIRDC. Players also had fun and demonstrated agility, flexibility, and dexterity in the game.

With the theme 'Lipunang Patas sa Bagong Pilipinas,' this year's celebration emphasizes the need for a Bagong Pilipinas where women have equal opportunities, free from gender biases and discriminatory stereotypes. With the slogan 'Kakayahan ng Kababaihan, you patutunayan!,' the goal is to highlight and unlock the full potential of women and girls, enabling them to actively contribute to and benefit from national growth and development.

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