

## **NUTRIDENSE now licensed to produce DOST-ITDI-developed RTE food products**



Seated in the middle and showing the signed agreement are key signatories Dr. Annabelle V. Briones, ITDI Director, and Dr. Racky D. Doctor, President of Nutridense Food Manufacturing Corporation, was joined by the parties' witnesses.

Nutritious ready-to-eat food variants are soon to fill the market shelves as Nutridense Food Manufacturing Corporation has officially secured a Technology Licensing Agreement (TLA) with the Department of Science and Technology—Industrial Technology Development Institute (DOST-ITDI) during the ceremonial signing on April 22, 2025, at the ITDI's KM-STICA Building in Bicutan, Taguig City

The partnership comes after years of collaboration between DOST-Food and Nutrition Research Institute (FNRI) and Nutridense to introduce innovative and nutritious food packed in retort pouches to the Filipino consumer market.

Under this newly established TLA, Nutridense is authorized to commercialize a range of ready-to-eat products developed by ITDI's Packaging Technology Division. These include savory and protein-rich variants of chicken arroz caldo, chicken corn soup, and ginisang munggo, all intended to provide convenience and nutrition to busy individuals and families.

Key signatories were Dr. Annabelle V. Briones, ITDI Director; Dr. Teresita A. Tabaog, Director of DOST Region 1; and Dr. Racky D. Doctor, President of Nutridense Food Manufacturing Corporation, while witnesses were Dr. Janet F. Quizon, Deputy Director for Administrative and Technical Services, ITDI; Ms. Floridel V. Loberiano, Chief

Packaging Technology Division, ITDI; and Ms. Divina C. Doctor, Financial Officer, Nutridense Food Manufacturing Corporation.

The parties commit to working together to redefine healthy eating options for Filipinos while promoting local food innovation. (DDGotis, TSD; Photo credits: RRUDelaCruz, TSD)