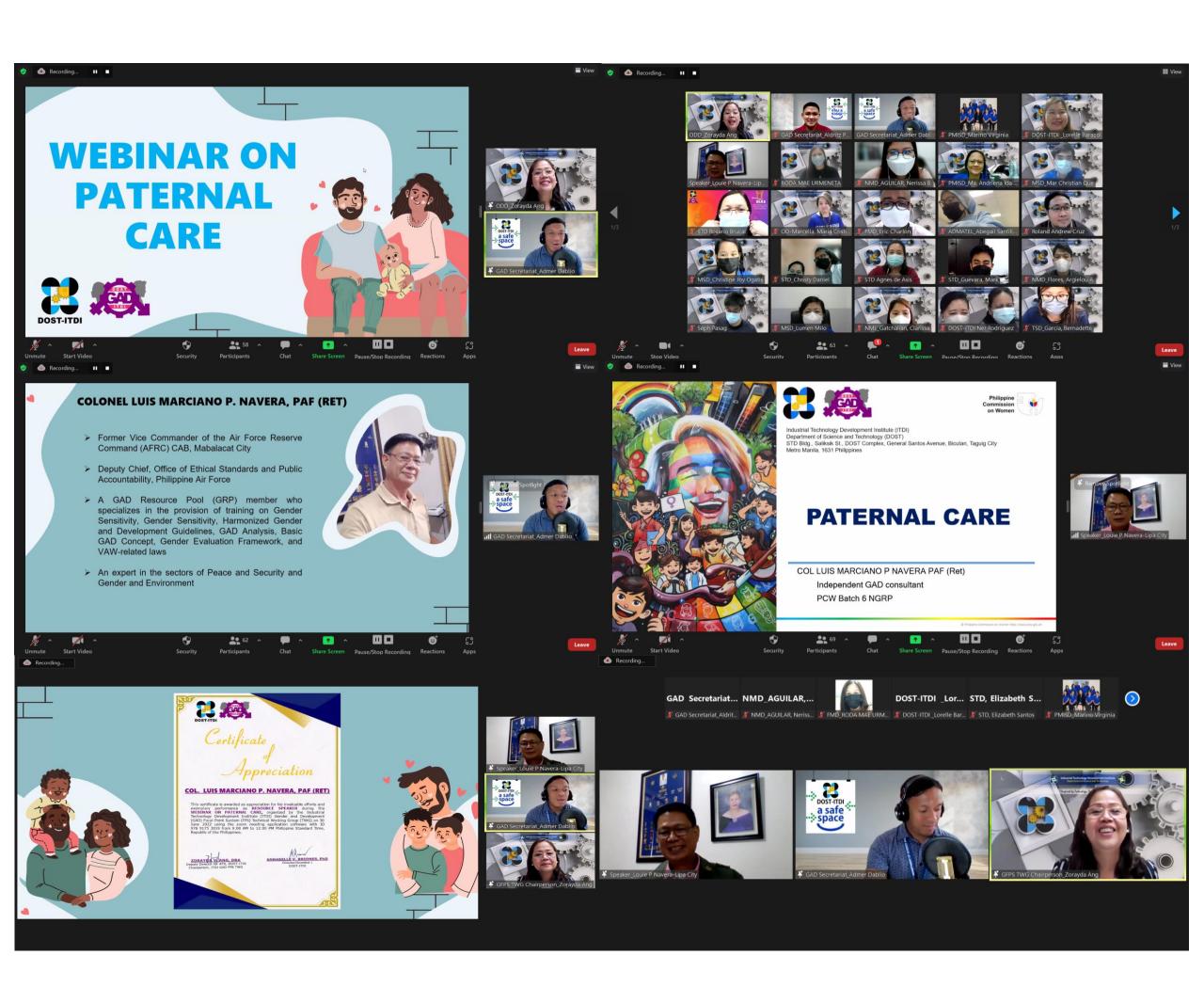


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As part of the celebration of Father's Day last 19 June 2022, the Industrial Technology Development Institute (ITDI) Gender and Development (GAD) Focal Point System (FPS), led by Deputy Director for ATS and GAD FPS Technical Working Group (TWG) Chairperson, Dr. Zorayda V. Ang, has organized the Webinar on Paternal Care on 30 June 2022, via Zoom teleconference platform. Attended by 78 staff of the Institute, the webinar was dedicated not only to the patriarchal figures in ITDI, but also to single parents who diligently raise their own child/children and act the dual role of mother and father.

DD Ang welcomed the participants and thanked them for their continual support to the gender mainstreaming efforts of the Institute. As DD Ang delivered her welcome remarks, she emphasized the importance of fatherhood, since most of the Institute's personnel were fathers already.

ITDI GAD invited Col. Luis Marciano Navera, PAF (ret), a former vice commander of the Air Force Reserve Command (AFRC), to be the keynote speaker of the webinar. Aside from being an independent GAD consultant and member of the GAD Resource Pool from Philippine Commission on Women (PCW), Col. Navera is also an expert in peace and security concerns, as well as on gender and environment.

Col. Navera expounded on the context of family pursuant to Executive Order 209 or the Family Code of the Philippines. He also elaborated on the four parenting styles, which are permissive, uninvolved, authoritarian, and authoritative. He also showed some emotional videos that touched the heart and put tears to some participants. He also discussed the different father archetypes, namely birth father, biological father, social father, etc.

During the open forum, DD Ang shared her experiences on how their policeman father raised them, while Col. Navera also shared his own way of being a father to his children.

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