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## The Philippine Coral Bay Nickel Corporation and the Taganito HPAL Nickel Corporation win four awards between them from the Department of Environment and Natural Resources

Sumitomo Metal Mining Co., Ltd. (Head office: Minato-ku, Tokyo, President and Representative Director: Akira Nozaki) subsidiaries Coral Bay Nickel Corporation (CBNC) and Taganito HPAL Nickel Corporation (THPAL) have received four awards from the Philippine Department of Environment and Natural Resources.

These awards were given to our subsidiaries in the metal smelting and refining category recognizing the environment management and safety management at plants, protection of the local environment, and contributions to local communities. CBNC received three awards: the 2022 Presidential Mineral Industry Environmental Award (PMIEA), first place in the Safest Mineral Processing - Extraction Category Award and first place in the Best Mining Forest Contest. THPAL took second place behind CBNC in the Best Mining Forest Contest, and the two companies won a total of four awards between them.

The PMIEA is the highest honor that can be awarded in the Philippine mining industry, and this is the eighth time that CBNC has received the award. This award is given to CBNC and THPAL in recognition of their continuing operations that give consideration to both safety and the environment. The award ceremony was held in Baguio City in the Philippines on November 18.

Moving forward, CBNC and THPAL will continue to strive to operate in a socially responsible manner by contributing to the surrounding area through building infrastructure for local communities, increasing employment, and sourcing materials locally alongside other such actions as well as operating with the minimum environmental impact, preventing environmental accidents, restoring the ecosystem by greening tailings dams created by CBNC, and preserving biodiversity.





\*Picture: Awarding of the trophy at the ceremony (Left: CBNC, Right: THPAL)

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