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ABSTRACT

This is a correlational study that determined the factors associated with the compliance to the Ecological Solid Waste Management Act of 200 (RA 9003) of the inland resort establishments in the province of Iloilo. The data was collected using survey questionnaire from 118 managers and employees in all 23 inland resorts operating in the province.

Findings show that the inland resorts in the province of Iloilo are mostly micro enterprises with 1 to 9 employees and have in in business for an average of 2 years. Most of them are without DOT accreditation. Those with DOT accreditation, mostly are Class AA accreditation and few have Class AAA and have the availability of resources for solid waste management as mandated by local law. The managers and employees are fully are of RA 9003, almost always participate in public programs and activities related to the implementation of RA 9003. They said RA 9003 is totally enforced in their workplace and have always complied with RA 9003. Among the four predictors - level of awareness of RA 9003, extent of public participation, availability of resources, extent of enforcement of RA 9003, it is only the availability of resources found to be statistically significantly associated with inland resort extent of compliance to RA 9003, though it is weak ($R = 0.281$, $p\text{-value} = 0.030$). Further a 0.226 change in the extent of compliance is accounted for every unit change in the availability of resources