

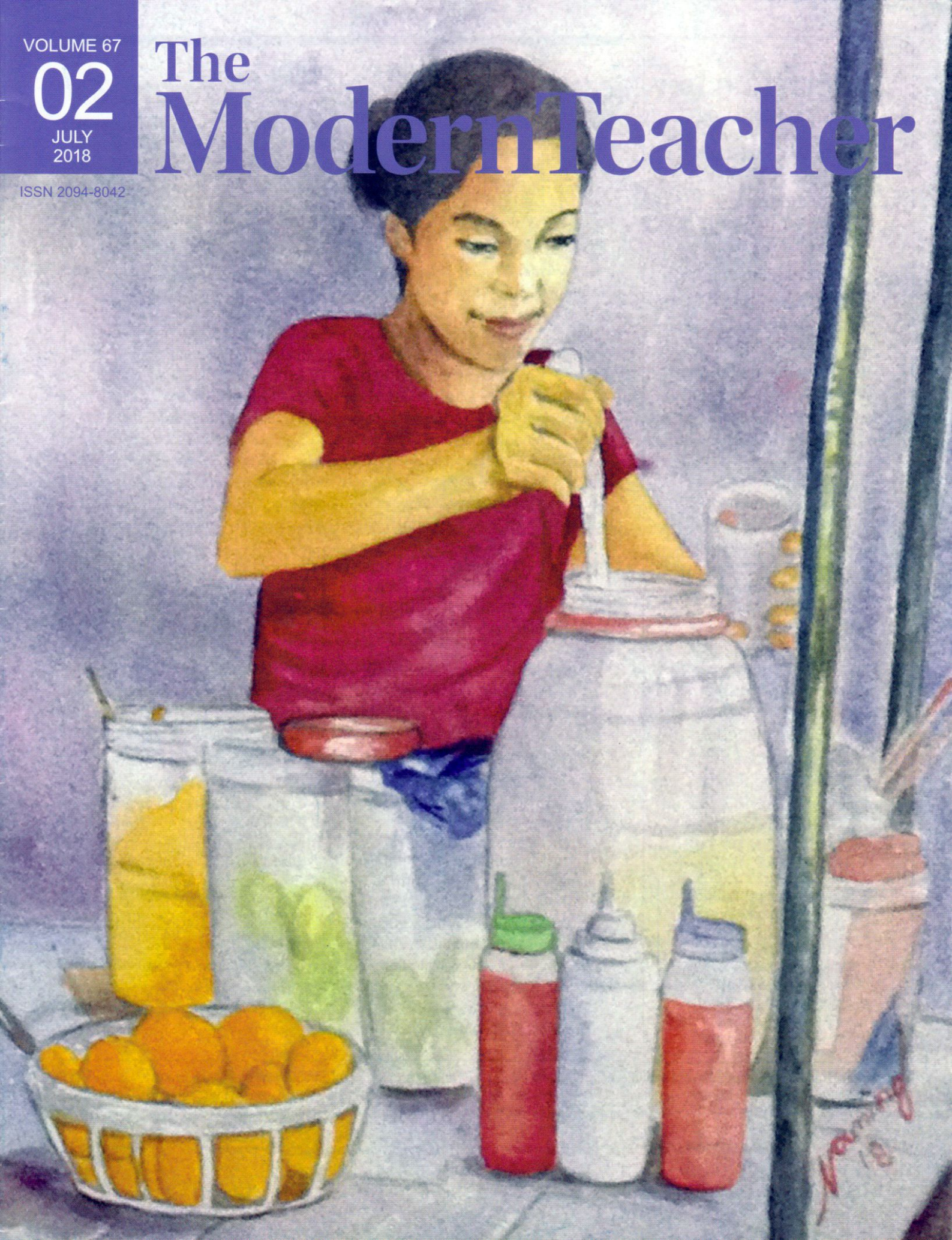
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SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, AND INNOVATION:

The Road to a Smarter Philippines

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The children of today are very techy. Because of the constant inventions in Science and Technology, it has become very easy for a Filipino child to know things and the facts behind them. At their young age, there are thousands of facts about the world they want to know and the answer to those questions can easily be found through the use of high technologies brought by the non-stop developments in Science. And because of this, I may say now that, Filipino children can take the road to a smarter Philippines through the help of continuous innovations in Science and Technology.

Once, a politician said that Philippine development can be best described as a man walking two steps forward, one step back, always at the boundary of explosive growth that never quite ignites, always the country with so much potential, and yet lagging behind its once closest comparisons.

Nowadays, we suffer from different natural disasters due to climate change. The number of disasters from natural hazards in the country is enormous. These disasters from natural hazards cost the Philippines to spend a large amount of money and the worst is that millions of lives of people were taken away in an instant.

On the other hand, everyday disasters abound and many families experience involuntary hunger.

The Filipino community remains troubled by environmental threats that will ultimately affect livelihoods. Continued degradation of our coral reefs is decreasing the productivity of our fisherman. Even more threats to our food supply come in the form of massive fishkills and other related incidents. With each disaster that we allow to happen in our environment, in our communities, Filipinos are dragged even deeper into poverty.

So we, even just a small citizenry of our country, must make intelligent decisions on how we can protect our country from the impact of disasters and climate change. We should start now to act more swiftly, more wisely, and more decisively and with the use of science and technology, we can make it. Today, the role of science and technology is to make a better future for Filipinos through various projects that encourage economic and social development. It creates activities to develop skills and talents, to generate new knowledge and to get a lot of experiences concerning Science and Technology that can help the progress of our country and make every Filipino proud of it.

Let us use the new technologies we are now enjoying for the betterment of our country. Let us save our countrymen by making small projects in school which we can use to prevent natural disasters. Let us improve our investigatory projects for they can help us to prevent the spreading of diseases. Filipino children, let us make a move now because if we will not take the road today, then when?

Filipino children can take the road to a smarter Philippines through the help of continuous innovations in Science and Technology.

SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY ADVOCATING A SUSTAINABLE AND DISASTER FREE ENVIRONMENT

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Would you like to stay in a place where there is a sustainable environment? Would you like to live in a home where species of your own kind destroy their homes?

“Anything that is excess is dangerous, learn what is enough.”

This applies to science and technology. Its mission is to invent, discover, and explore to make life easier and better. These inventions are made to reach science and technology’s main goal – growth, progress, and development in all aspects of our lives.

Our world is already where sustainability lives. Disaster free environment is what we are polishing in the moment. This is the work of the humanity and science and technology.

Our problem is money, too much, for money leaves us producing more pollution. The progress we had from the inventions are worth so much money that we abuse our ability to discover wonderful things from our abusive character. We cause waste products to multiply which leave us accepting ourselves as abusive, irresponsible money faces.

We should remember that in every improvement we make, there is a negative effect. This is same with science. Though it is improving, we should never forget its brother, destruction. Though we are complete in gadgets, we always find a negative effect. Though we have our food already touched by science we still know having preservatives in our body is bad for our health. That is the power of science and technology.

If we human beings use science and technology

to harm our environment, then science and technology is the solution to this environment protection problem. We just need to find a positive way of using science and technology to save our home from the harm we cause.

We can use the incredible inventions to help ourselves to achieve our goal. Having internet access is an advantage because we can use social media to spread consciousness and share phrases, quotes that encourage their minds to take care for our home. We can use different science techniques to recycle wasted paper, plastics, and cups. We can apply our knowledge in science when we plant and grow a tree. We can use our intelligence in technology to improve some electronics.

Positively, we can still continue promoting sustainability in the community by protecting the environment from causing us harm from our actions. Public education and implementation of environmental strict laws can prevent global warming. We can still change to be responsible, accountable, and contented so that we will not be abusing science and technology for money.

Each individual is responsible for the environment for our benefit and for the next generation. Take responsibility, control inhumane actions to prevent the terrible result. Let us all act to make our world a better place to live in.

“Learn what is enough. Never should we abuse it, for the law of nature is beyond our control.”

We can still change to be responsible, accountable, and contented so that we will not be abusing science and technology for money.