## **GAD** workshop conducted

Through the advocacy of Administrator Diony A. Ventura to support gender and development (GAD) programs in the agency, NAMRIA conducted a workshop on Harmonized GAD held on 25-26 June 2008 at the Lecture Hall. Eighteen employees from the different departments participated in the event which aimed to review existing GAD guidelines to ensure that GAD principles are mainstreamed in the workplace.

Mainstreaming is the main strategy for ensuring that the government pursues gender equality in all aspects of the development process to achieve the vision of a gender-responsive society where women and men equally contribute to and benefit from development.

During the workshop, participants were familiarized with the background and rationale of the Harmonized GAD guidelines. The guidelines are divided into three modules, namely: project development and design, project implementation and management, and project monitoring and evaluation.

Ms. Carina A. Santos of the NAMRIA Human Resource and Development Unit headed the training secretariat while Ms.Monette S. Santos of the Ecosystems Research and Development Bureau acted as the resource person of the workshop.



ADir. Vicente
Outstanding Professional of the Year



ADir. Vicente receives the prestigious award from PRC Chairperson Leonor Tripon-Rosero.

The Professional Regulation Commission (PRC)conferred upon Mapping Department OIC Assistant Director Randolf S. Vicente the honor being 2008 Outstanding Professional of the Year in the field of Geodetic Engineering. The awarding ceremony was held last 20 June 2008 at the Manila Hotel.

The Outstanding Professional of the Year Award is the highest award given by the PRC to a professional for having (1) demonstrated exceptional professional competence and integrity in the practice of one's profession as recommended by one's peers and (2) contributed significantly to the advancement of the profession and to the effective discharge of the profession's social responsibility through meaningful participation in socio-civic activities.