BAKUN

LAND OF THE ETERNAL SPRINGS

Bakun is a rugged, mountainous region located at the north-eastern part of the Province of Benguet. She is bounded on the south by the municipality of Buguias, on the northeast by the municipality of Mankayan and on the west by the province of Ilocos Sur. While Bakun is the fourth biggest town of Benguet, having a total land area of 28,550 hectares, her population is a sparse 6,500. According to the Department of Finance, her average annual income is Php 10,669.20 placing her among the 7th class municipalities of Benguet. Bakun's main products are rice, camote and vegetables.

Despite a poor road system, Bakun's natural resources are being tapped. According to reliable sources, the Heald Lumber Company had started logging operations in the municipality's thick forest. Same sources stated that some mining companies are busy evaluating the mineral deposits in the locality. These industries could easily make Bakun a first class municipality.

Bakun is one of the few municipalities which had preserved most of its pristine forest, in whole midst, her boosters claim, abound wild game. Her residents speak of Bakun's beautiful mountains, cascading waterfalls and intriguing caves. From the prolific imagination of the residents came interesting stories, the favorite of which is that a natural rock formation of a man from whose genitals spring palatable water. Go on to Bakun. See this rock formation and other breath-taking sites for yourself. Bakun calls to the lover of nature, to the study adventurer, to you.

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