

KABAYAN

HOME OF CENTURY-OLD MUMMIES

The name Kabayan is synonymous to the name of Henry A. Kamora, the late grand old man of the community. Kamora worked for the completion of the road of Kabayan, the market building, and a hospital. He donated five hectares of fertile land for an animal breeding station at Adaoay.

Kabayan is the home of the aromatic Arabian coffee, red “kintoman” rice, and century-old mummies. Within its boundaries towers Mt. Pulag, the Philippines’ second highest mountain.

Kabayan’s main source of income are rice, coffee, vegetables and lumber products. She has an average annual income of Php 12,661.62 placing her among the seventh class municipality of Benguet.

Kabayan is bounded on the north by the municipality of Buguias, on the east by the municipality of Hungduan, Ifugao, on the south by the municipality of Bokod and on the west by the municipality of Atok. Her population is a sparse 7,500 concentrated mainly in the poblacion and some outlying barrios. Pocket population centers are spread thinly over the 19,490 hectare area of the municipality.

At present, Kabayan has six primary school, five intermediate schools and one barrio high school. The elementary school enrollment of 1,229 is handled by 50 teachers.