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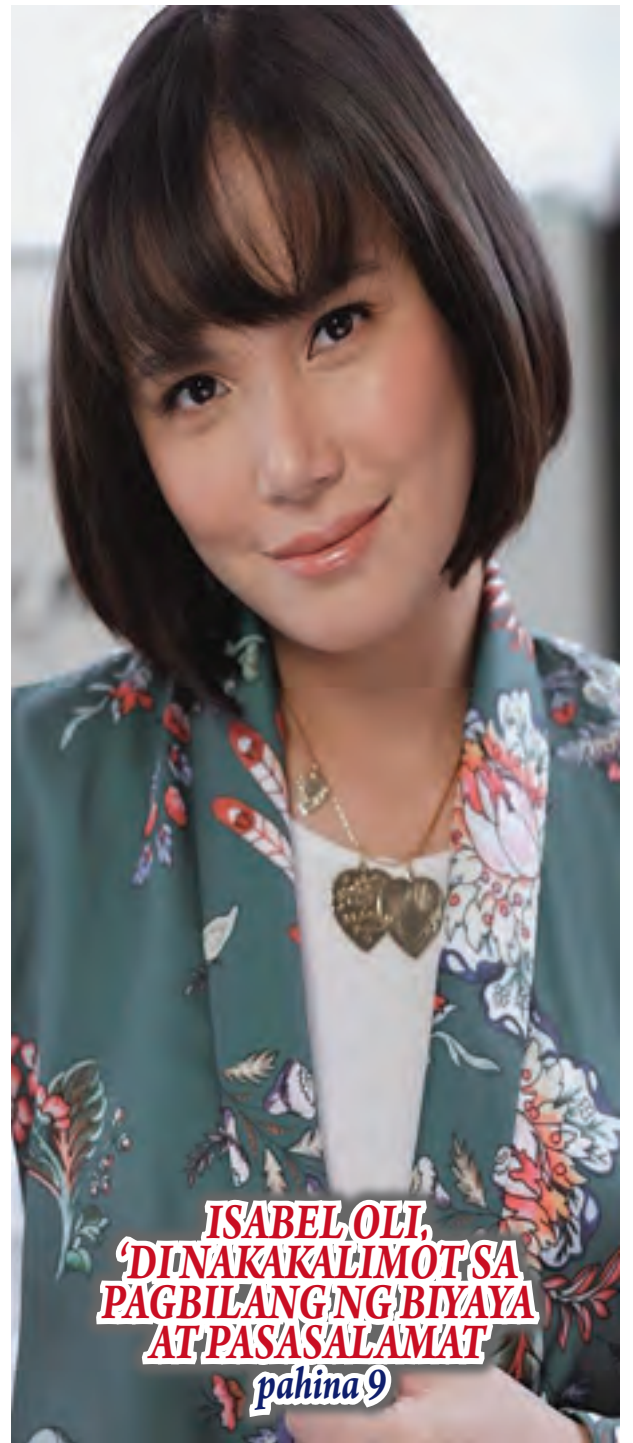
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'TIENDAS'

Mula 3-5 limang katao lamang ang pinahihintulatang makapasok sa loob ng TiendAs de Luisiana. Bago makapasok, tinitingnan muna kung valid ang quarantine pass, may nag-i-spray ng disinfectant alcohol sa kamay bago pumasok at paglabas ng isang mamimili habang ang mga nagtitinda naman ay pinagsusuot ng surgical gloves bilang pag-iingat laban sa COVID-19. (Larawan mula sa Luisiana Municipal Agriculturist)

DE LUISIANA PARA SA ^{p.2} PAYAK NA MAGSASAKA

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MARAMI tayong mga maririnig at mababasa sa iba't ibang uri ng media, telebisyon man, radyo o social media na mga pagkilala para sa ating mga frontliners na sila ang mukhang humaharap sa hamon ng pandemyang coronavirus disease o COVID-19 sa kasalukuyan.

Ngunit dapat rin na mamulat tayong mga Pilipino na may mga kababayan tayong tahimik na kumikilos sa likod nang lahat ng mga nangyayari para naman masiguro na tayo ay may ipanglalaman sa ating tiyan. Ang tinawag nating mga backliner, sila ang ating masisipag na mga magsasaka.

Ito ay dahil hindi man sila ang harapang tumutulong na malunasan ang mga maysakit dahil sa virus, sila naman ang sumisiguro na hindi mamamatay sa gutom ang mga mamamayan sa likod ng labang kinakaharap natin dahil sa COVID-19 at habang sumasailalim sa Enhanced Community Quarantine o ECQ ang buong Luzon.

Ganunpaman, alam natin na wala pa man ang pandemya ay isa nang pagsubok para sa ating magsasaka kung paano sila magkaroon ng sapat at makatarungang kita sa kabila ng kanilang pagpapagal.

Karamihan sa ating mga payak na magsasaka ay binabarat ng mga traders o middlemen na may kakayahang magdala ng mga kalakal na produkto sa mga pamilihan.

Kaya naman isang magandang pagtugon sa sulirang ito ang programang itinaguyod ng Office of the Municipal Agriculturist ng Lokal na Pamahalaan ng Luisiana sa probinsya ng Laguna na tinatawag nilang TienDAs de Luisiana o TDL.

Ang TienDAs de Luisiana o TDL ay programa ng pamahalaang bayan ng Luisiana, sa pamamagitan ng Tanggapan ng Pambayang Agrikultur, na layong tulungan ang mga lokal na magsasaka, lalo na iyong ang mga hindi ganoon kalaki at kalawak ang mga lupain at taniman, sa pagbebenta ng mga ani nila tulad ng gulay at prutas.

Inilunsad ang naturang programa noong ika-20 ng Setyembre, 2019, at isinasagawa tuwing Biyernes, ika-8 ng umaga hanggang ika-12 ng tanghali.

Higit naman na nakatulong ang programang ito sa kasalukuyang kinakaharap nating sitwasyon dahil sa COVID-19, kung saan nagkaroon ng suspensiyon ng mga pampublikong

'TIENDAS' DE LUISIANA PARA SA PAYAK NA MAGSASAKA

transportasyon at may higit na pangangailangan sa access sa pagkain ang mga mamamayan dahil sa ECQ.

Bagaman pinahihintulutan naman ang tuloy tuloy na transportasyon ng esensyal na mga produkto kasama na ang mga produktong agrikultural ay mahirap pa rin ito para sa ating mga magsasaka.

"Dahil sa hindi madaling transportasyon ng gulay at iba pang produktong agrikultural dahil sa ECQ, ang TDL ay nakakatulong sa mga magsasaka na patuloy na ma-konsumsi ang kanilang ani, lalo kung ito ay malawakang taniman na. Gayundin, nasisisigurado ng pamahalaan na mayroong maaaring bilhan ang mamamayan ng Luisiana ng sapat at murang gulay at prutas," paliwanag ni Municipal Agriculturist Engr. Christine Mae Roguel.

Ayon pa sa kanya, layunin ng TDL na matulungan na magkaroon ng dagdag kita ang mga magsasaka sa Luisiana at gayundin ay mabigyang pagkakataon ang mga mamimili na magkaroon ng access sa ligtas at murang presyo ng gulay at prutas.

"Ito rin ay programa upang mahikayat ang mga mamamayan ng Luisiana na magtanim kahit pailan-ilan lamang."

Sa panahon ng krisis gaya sa ngayon ay mas makikita nga naman natin na malaking tulong ang mayroong sariling pananim, dahil magkaroon man ng kakulangan sa suplay na mabibili sa mga pamilihan ay may makakain pa rin mula sa mga tubong tanim.

Malaking kaalwanan rin ito sa mga payak nating mga magsasaka dahil nawawala ang mga "traders o middleman" sa sistemang mayroon ang TDL, kaya naman ang presyo ng gulay at iba pang produktong kanilang tinitinda ay abot-kaya.

"Noong hindi pa sumasailalim sa ECQ ang Luzon, lahat ng paninda sa TDL ay galing lamang sa Luisiana. Ngunit noong nagkaroon ng ECQ, may ilang paninda tulad ng sibuyas at bawang na nagmumula sa trading

posts ng mga kalapit bayan dahil wala namang nagtatanim noon sa Luisiana," kwento ni Engr. Roguel.

Binuksan rin aniya ang TDL sa mga magsasaka mula sa mga kalapit na bayan ng Luisiana upang magkaroon ng mga suplay ng gulay at prutas na hindi makukuha sa kanilang bayan.

Oportunidad rin ito sa mga magsasaka mula sa ibang bayan para kumita.

Samantala, bilang pag-iingat naman o precautionary measure upang maiwasan ang pagkalat ng virus sa pamilihan, nagkakaroon ng pagbibigay ng numero sa mga mamimili para iyon ang pagkakasunud-sunod ng pagpasok sa pamilihan at hindi magkagulo ang mga ito sa pamimili.

Ang mga pinahihintulatang mag-sabay sa loob ng TDL area ay tatlo hanggang limang tao lamang.

Bago naman pumasok, may nag-i-spray ng disinfectant alcohol sa kamay ng namimili at nagcheck ng valid na quarantine pass nila. Pagkatapos mamili ay mayroon ring nag-i-spray ng alcohol sa kamay ng namimili.

Ang mga nagtitinda naman ay pinagsusuot ng surgical gloves para sa dagdag na pag-iingat.

"Sa ngayon, isinasagawa na ang TDL tuwing Lunes, Miyerkules at Biyernes. Ang TDL ay tuluy-tuloy na programa ng Tanggapan ng Pambayang Agrikultur kahit matapos na ang ECQ ngunit maaaring bumalik ito sa dating schedule na tuwing Biyernes lamang," sinabi niya.

Isa ito sa mga huwaring programa ng lokal na pamahalaan na malaking tulong di lamang sa mga magsasaka na nagdagagan ang kita dahil direktang naibebenta ang kanilang produkto kundi nakakatulong rin sa mga mamamayan na mas mura naman ang mabiling gulay at prutas.

Lahat ay makikinabang sa mga programang gaya ng TienDAs de Luisiana lalo na sa panahon ng krisis na kinakaharap nating mga Pilipino ngayon. **(Joy Gabrido)**

P21.5M ayuda para sa 1,078 barangay, ipinamahagi sa Batangas

LUNGSOD NG BATANGAS (PIA)- Ipinamahagi na ng pamahalaang panlalawigan ng Batangas ang P21.5M ayuda o P20K halaga ng tulong sa lahat ng 1,078 barangay sa buong lalawigan.

Ang halagang ito na nauna nang binanggit ng punong lalawigan sa kanyang panayam sa mga lokal na mamamahayag ay paunang tulong sa mga barangay upang makapagbigay tulong din sa higit na nangangailangang mga residente na pansamantalang nawalan ng hanapbuhay dulot ng enhanced community quarantine (ECQ).

Nauna na dito, hiniling ni Governor Mandanas sa mga miyembro ng Sangguniang Panlalawigan ng Batangas na aprubahan ang halagang P21.5M para sa naturang ayuda.

Kaugnay nito, isinagawa ng SP ang ika-10 session o kauna-unahang "virtual session" upang talakayin ang kahilingan ng Gober-

nador.

Pinangunahan ni Vice Governor Mark Leviste katuwang ang mga bokal ng bawat distrito at Atty. Marianne Tingchuy, kinatawan ng Office of the Provincial Governor ang pagtalakay sa pagbibigay ng P20K financial assistance para sa lahat ng 1,078 barangay sa panahon na may pangkalusugang krisis na kinakaharap sanhi ng pagkalat ng COVID-19.

Ang naturang halaga ay karagdagang pambili ng bawat barangay ng pagkain at iba pang pangunahing pangangailangan para sa mga higit na nangangailangan sa kanilang lugar.

Isinagawa din ng SP ang realignment ng pondo na gagamitin upang makabili ng karagdagang medical supplies para sa mga frontliners gayundin ang medical at sanitary equipment para sa itatalagang Quarantine Center.

Patuloy ang pamahalaang panlalawigan sa pagtugon

upang masawata at huwag ng tuluyan pang kumalat ang COVID-19.

Nauna na dito ang pagdedeklara ng lalawigan ng quarantine policy, pagbubukas ng Incident Command System, pagbuo ng Batangas Inter-Agency Task Force-Emerging and Re-emerging Infectious Disease (IATF-EREID) at ang pagtugon sa kautusan ng Pangulong Rodrigo Duterte na sumailalim sa Luzon-wide ECQ. **(Bhaby P. De Castro-PIA Batangas)**

LGU Imus makes shopping easy with Online Pamilihan

CITY OF IMUS, Cavite (PIA) --The local government of Imus recently devised an online shopping program to make shopping easy and safe for Imuseños while under enhance community quarantine.

Dubbed as "Online Pamilihan," the program is a door-to-door delivery service of basic prime commodities and other goods for everyday use.

To order, Imus residents must fill-up the order form with the following data: Full Name, Address, Landmark and Mode of Payment (e.g. BDO/PayMaya), Contact Number then list down the orders in 'Mga Order' portion. After filling up the order form, send it to YES Coop Facebook Page.

After ordering, payments are made thru online financial transactions like BDO Online Transfer, PayMaya Money Transfer, GCash, and BPI Online Transfer.

The program not only made shopping task easy but also safe. No need for residents to leave the comfort of their house as ordered items will be delivered right at their doorsteps. **(Ruel Francisco, PIA-Cavite with reports from official Facebook page of Mayor Emmanuel Maliksi)**

CHR to probe violent acts vs. health workers amid Covid-19 scare

MANILA—The Commission on Human Rights (CHR) on Wednesday vowed to investigate cases of physical violence and discrimination against health workers and medical practitioners amid the 2019 coronavirus disease (Covid-19) pandemic scare.

In a statement, CHR Commissioner Karen Gomez-Dumpit said they are strongly condemning the acts of violence against healthcare frontliners of Covid-19.

"As the country reels from the COVID-19 pandemic, such senseless acts do nothing but endanger the right to life of our health workers who most zealously guard the right to life and health of everyone," she said.

She cited a case wherein five unidentified assailants ganged up on a health worker and threw bleach at his face while on his way home from a private hospital in Tacurong City, Sultan Kudarat.

She added that several health workers are also being unlawfully evicted from their rented residences by actively working in health facilities that are treating Covid-19 patients.

She urged the public to be part of defending healthcare workers as they are only performing duties as allies of the government to fight against the dreaded virus.

"We should move beyond hailing our frontline heroes online. We must show that we also care and protect them offline," she said.

The duty to protect the right to life, she said, requires the state to take special measures of protection to people in situations of vulnerability.

"CHR joins the clamor for justice and will investigate these assaults committed against our health workers," she added.

The health workers, she said, whose lives are at stake against violence—must be protected. **(PNA)**

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'Ipako'

KASALUKUYAN pa rin tayong napapaloob sa lockdown at umaasang magtatapos ito sa itinakdang araw. Pero usap lang, may mga nagsasabing naroroon ang posibilidad ng pagpapalawig nito. Ang panananaw naman ng iba, sa ibinigay na pet-sa ay maaring aalisin na ang lockdown. Pero siyempre ay nakadepende sa mga hakbang at galaw ng ating pamahalaan. Magtatapos ito hindi lamang sa pamamagitan ng gobyerno bagkus ay nakasalalay din sa lahat ng Pinoy. Sabi nga, huli man daw at magaling ay maihabol pa rin naman. Para ring sa larangan ng basketbol, ang lahat ng

'best' ay isasagawa kapag 'last two minute' na. Meaning, mas naniniwala ang marami sa pagwawakas sa takdang araw. Kayo po, ano ang inyong pananaw? Basta raw ibigay lamang ang taus-pusong pananalig sa ating Panginoong Diyos. Pero paano na iyong walang pananampalataya? Paano na iyong mga natutuwa pa sa kasalukuyang sitwasyon at ginagamit na 'raket' ito? Lumalabas ang mga 'huhwad' na nagpapanggap bilang alagad ng simbahan. Ang misyon o pakay ay upang makapangalap ng mga donasyon gamit ang pangalan ng pari o simbahan. Sino itong isang nagpangalang Marlo na nagpa-

pakilala bilang isang seminarista? Gumagamit daw ng mga pangalan ng pari upang makapanghingi ng pera o donasyon. Mariin naman na pinabulaanan ng mga pari ang pangalang Marlo. Kasabay ng panawagan sa publiko na ang simbahan ay may sinusunod at ipinatutupad na mga tamang proseso hingil sa pagtanggap ng mga donasyon. Nakakapangilabot hindi po ba? Kinakaladkad ang simbahan, ibig sabihin ay ang Diyos na ang ginagamit para sa raket. Puwedeng sabihin o ihalintulad si Marlo kay Judas na 'hinuhudas' ang simbahan lalong lalo na ang Diyos. Tandaan na tayo ay nasa panahon ngayon ng Kwaresma, taun-taun ay ginugunita natin ito. Ito ay upang palaging ipaalala at ipamukha sa mga kristiyano ang napakapait na naranasan ni Hesus. Hinahatataw, pinalakad na pasan-pasan ang krus, pinatungan ng koronang tinik sa ulo at marami pang ibang pagpapahirap. Higit sa lahat ay ang ginawang pagpapapako sa

krus kay Hesus, sa magkabilang palad o kamay at sa mga paa. Bakit ito ginawa ni Hesus? Upang iligtas tayo sa mga pagkakasala. Ang tanong, makakaya mo bang ibigay ang pag-sasakripisyo at pagdurusa higit sa lahat ay ang pagpapapako? Sa mga pilosopo na tugon o sasagot, si Kristo iyon at tayo ay tao lamang. Tama po, tao lamang tayo pero magagawa rin natin ang dusa at sakripisyo. Ganoon din po ang pagpapapako bilang isang karaniwang tao. Ipako po natin ang ating mga sarili sa loob ng pamamahay kung hindi rin naman tayo dapat o kailangan sa labas. Tulad ni Hesus, iniligtas ang sanlibutan sa kasalanan kaya tayo bilang tao sa panahon ngayon ay isalba naman natin ang nakararami o sambayanan. Ulitin ko po, sa pamamagitan ng pagpako sa ating sarili sa loob ng tahanan. Iyan ay kung kinikilala at sinasamba mo si Kristo?

EDITORIAL

Diskriminasyon

ANG mga nurse ay maituturing na 'ga-hibla' ang tsansa upang maatake ng COVID-19. Hindimatatawaran ang kanilang serbisyo bilang frontliner na lumalaban sa kasalukuyang krisis. Nakakalungkot na karanasan ng isang nurse dahil sa pagpapaalis sa kanyang tinutuluyang boarding house sa Roxas City. Kinausap ang nurse ng landlady at pinaghahanap na siya ng ibang matitirhan. Ang paliwanag ng may-ari ng dormitoryo ay hindi na tumatanggap ng nurse. Umuupa ang nurse subalit dahil sa kanyang propesyon ay bigla ang pagpapaalis sa kanya sa boarding house. Malinaw ang mensahe, ang hakbang ay para sa pag-iingat subalit kaakibat naman ay ang diskriminasyon.

Pamahalaang bayan ng Pagbilao, patuloy ang pamamahagi ng bigas

PAGBILAO, Quezon 1 (PIA)--Namahagi ang pamahalaang bayan ng Pagbilao ng ayudang bigas sa mga residente ng 27 barangay at magpapatuloy sa pamamahagi sa mga susunod na araw sa kabila ng patuloy na pagpapatupad ng enhance community quarantine (ECQ) dahil sa banta ng coronavirus disease (COVID)-19. Ayon kay Mayor Shierre Ann Portes Palicpic, nagpapasalamat siya sa mga taong may mabuting ka-looban na nagbigay ng ayudang bigas kagaya ni Quezon 1st District Rep. Wilfrido Mark Enverga, 400 sako, at Gob. Danilo Suarez, 200 sako na ipamamahagi sa mga residente sa pamamagitan ng mga namumuno sa barangay. "Nagpapasalamat din ako sa pamahalaang panlalawigan at iba pang

mga taong tumulong sa pagkakaloob ng tulong na bigas para sa mga mamamayan ng Pagbilao sa panahong ng ECQ kung saan pansamantalang hindi nakapagtatrabaho ang ilan nating mga kababayan," sabi pa ng alkalde Matatandaan na ang pamahalaang bayan ng Pagbilao ay nauna na ring nagbigay ng tulong na bigas sa mga residente bilang paunang ayuda makalipas ang ilang mga araw na pagpapatupad ng ECQ. Ang pondo na ipinangbili ng bigas ay nagmula sa MDRMC trust fund na hindi nagamit noong taong 2016 at 2017. Sa ngayon ay nanatiling COVID-19 free ang bayan ng Pagbilao at patuloy na ipinapatupad ang mga preventive measures kagaya ng social distancing sa mga pamilihang bayan

First Biñan COVID-19 patient fully recovers, discharged from hospital

CALAMBA CITY, Laguna 1 (PIA)-- The first confirmed patient in Biñan City who was tested positive for coronavirus disease (COVID-19) has finally recovered and discharged from the hospital. The patient is a 58-year old woman without any travel history and a resident of Brgy. San Francisco in Biñan City. She was confirmed as the first patient of the city, nursed at the Unihealth Southwoods Hospital and Medical Center (USHMC) has been discharged March 29 after full recovery from COVID-19. Based on the video footage posted thru the official

Facebook page of Biñan City Information Office, the patient received a warm round of applause from the medical team of USHMC as they celebrate her recovery. On the other hand, the city's second COVID-19 confirmed patient was also discharged. The 2nd patient is in good health condition at this time and waiting for full recovery. According to the latest COVID-19 Update from the Laguna Provincial Government, as of 8:00 AM of April 1, there are 8 cases of COVID-19 in Biñan City. Overall, there are 54 confirmed cases of COVID-19 in the whole province of Laguna and the public is continuously encouraged to stay vigilant, strictly follow health protocols, stay at home nonetheless observe social distancing. (CO with reports from Biñan City Information Office)

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ONLINE INQUEST AVAILABLE FOR QUARANTINE VIOLATORS

MANILA — Newly-appointed Prosecutor General Benedicto Malcontento on Monday said the online inquest proceedings for persons apprehended during enhanced community quarantine will be done all over the country as long as courts, prosecution offices, and police units in their respective areas have internet connection.

"We ordered it to be applicable for jurisdictions which are internet-capable," Malcontento said. He said online inquest proceedings started last Friday (March 27) and will be implemented nationwide as long as the parties involved in the areas "are i-capable."

Malcontento said the online inquest may be undertaken through any internet platform based on the ba-

sic requirements of procedures and to be undertaken with close coordination between law enforcement agencies and office of the prosecutors.

Department of Justice (DOJ) Secretary Menardo Guevarra, for his part, said online inquest is "just the same procedure done online", referring to the filing and teleconferencing among internet-capable Philippine National Police (PNP) units, courts, and prosecution offices.

Lt. Gen. Guillermo Eleazar, PNP Deputy Chief of Operations, on Sunday said curfew violators during the Luzon-wide enhanced community quarantine will still face arrest and possible prosecution.

Eleazar, also commander of the Joint Task Force Corona Virus Shield (JTF CV Shield), said the PNP has reconsidered its earlier de-

cision not to arrest violators due to the increasing number of curfew violators and the activation of the DOJ's online inquest proceedings.

He said the PNP considered the appeal of the local government units (LGUs) not to be lenient on curfew violators, citing their own dilemma in convincing their constituents to follow the ECQ imposed in the entire Luzon to contain the coronavirus disease (Covid-19).

He said based on the PNP assessment, the number of curfew violators will just continue to rise if the police will be compassionate on the violators.

The JTF CV Shield said 42,826 violators of curfew were apprehended in the first 11 days of the quarantine implementation from March 17 to 27.

He said all the arrested vi-

Lola, nasawi sa motor

NASAWI ang isang 79-anyos na lola nang mabangga ng isang motorsiklo habang papatawid sa dis-oras ng gabi at may ipinapatupad pang curfew sa Dasmariñas City, Cavite. Namatay sa pinangyarihan ng insidente ang biktima ng Paliparan 2, Dasmariñas City, habang ginagamot naman sa Pagamutan ng

olators will be taken to the nearest police stations for investigation and filing of the cases.

Eleazar said the DOJ has already issued guidelines on procedures for the conduct of online inquest to the government prosecutors across the country.

He reiterated his appeal to the public to stay inside their houses and spend quality time with their families during the quarantine period to avoid being arrested, detained and charged. **(PNA)**

Dasmariñas City ang driver ng motorsiklong Rusi Rango 150 na si Jomar Carangan, 27, ng Block 9 Lot 7 San Lorenzo 2, Dasmariñas City.

Sa ulat ni Pat Norman Guerra, ng Dasmariñas City Police Station, dakong alas-9:00 ng Lunes ng gabi habang minamaneho ng suspek ang kanyang motorsiklo at binabagtas ang kahabaan ng Molino-Paliparan Road patungo sa direksiyon ng GMA nang pagsapit sa nasabing lugar nang hindi nito napansin ang pagtawid ng biktima at nabangga nito na nagresulta sa kanyang agarang kamatayan.

Dahil sa pagkakabangga ng suspek sa biktima, lumihis ang motorsiklo at tumama sa isang bangketa na nagresulta sa kanyang pagkakaaresto. **GENE ADSUARA**

Balo tiklo sa 'bato'

SA kabila ng Enhanced Community Lockdown sa buong lalawigan ng Cavite nagawa pang nakipagtransaksiyon ang isang 55-anyos na balo ng tinatayang P60K halaga ng shabu na nagresulta sa kanyang pagkakaaresto sa Bacoor City, Cavite.

Nakakulong sa Bacoor City Custodial Center ang naarestong suspek na si Pepito Lorenzo, alias Pong, ng 151 5th St., Brgy Aniban 2, Bacoor City.

Sa ulat ni PSSgt Jeremiah Baniasa, ng Bacoor City Police Station, dakong alas-8:00 ng gabi nang nagsagawa ng buy bust operation ang mga elemento ng Bacoor CPS at PDEA Cavite at sa kabila ng ipinapatupad ng community quarantine at curfew ay nagawa pang nakipagtransaksiyon ang suspek at sa poseur buyer sa nasabing lugar.

Sa isang itim na case ng eye-glass inilagay ng suspek ang tinatayang 15 gramo ng shabu na nagresulta sa kanyang pagkakaaresto kung saan narekorder ang hinihinalang shabu na may street value na P60,000. **GENE ADSUARA**

**Republic of the Philippines
Fourth Judicial Region
REGIONAL TRIAL COURT
Branch 90
City of Dasmariñas, Cavite**

MARIE SHELBY G. PINZA,
Petitioner,

-versus-

**SP.PROC. NO. DC-1136-19
For: CANCELLATION AND
CORRECTION OF ENTRY IN
THE BIRTH CERTIFICATE OF
SOPHIA MARIE SAHIB PINZA KHAN,**

**SAHIB ULLAH KHAN &
THE CITY CIVIL REGISTRAR OF
THE CITY OF DASMARIÑAS,
CAVITE,**

Respondents.

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ORDER

This verified petition for the cancellation and correction of entry in the Birth Certificate of Sophia Marie Sahib Pinza Khan was filed on February 28, 2019 by the above-named petitioner, through counsel, praying that, after due notice, publication and hearing, judgment be rendered directing the City Civil Registrar of the City of Dasmariñas, Cavite to make the following cancellations and corrections in the certificate of live birth (Registry No. 2013-8012) of **SOPHIA MARIE SAHIB PINZA KHAN:**

FROM	TO
Entry No. 1: Sophia Marie Sahib	Sophia Marie Pinza
Entry No. 14: Sahib Ullah Khan	Unknown
Entry No. 15: Indian	N/A
Entry No. 16: Islam	N/A
Entry No. 17: Front Officer Supervisor	N/A
Entry No. 18: 28	N/A
Entry No. 19: B10 L18 St. Mary's Home	N/A
	City of Dasmariñas
Entry No. 20a: May 12, 2013	N/A
Entry No. 20b: Muscat, Oman	N/A

Finding the instant petition to be sufficient in form and substance, this Court hereby sets the hearing thereof at the Dasmariñas Community Affairs (DASCA) Building, Brgy. Buro 1, Congressional Road, Dasmariñas, Cavite, on **April 22, 2020 at 8:30 in the morning**, whereby any interested persons may

appear and show cause, if any, why the petition should not be granted.

Let copy of this Petition and this Order be published, at the expense of the petitioner in a newspaper of general circulation, which will be raffled by the Regional Trial Court Branch 90, City of Dasmariñas, Cavite, among the duly accredited newspaper in the Province of Cavite, before the scheduled date of hearing, at least once a week for three (3) consecutive weeks.

Likewise, let a copy of this Order be posted by Sheriff Alvaro D. Mijares of this Court, at the expense of the petitioner for a period of thirty (30) days prior to the date of hearing in the Bulletin Board of the RTC of Dasmariñas City and Bulletin Board of Dasmariñas City Hall.

Let the Office of the Solicitor General and Local Civil Registrar of Dasmariñas City, Cavite, be furnished with copies of the Petition and of this Order.

SO ORDERED.

City of Dasmariñas, Cavite, January 23, 2020.

HELEN B. CONSTANTINO-BALBUENA
Assisting Judge

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**REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES
REGIONAL TRIAL COURT
FOURTH JUDICIAL REGION
BRANCH 17
CAVITE CITY**

**IN THE MATTER OF THE ADOPTION
OF MINOR MARCELINE S. BALTAZAR**

SP. PROC. NO. N-9187
For: Adoption

MRS. MARCELINA V. BALTAZAR
Petitioner,

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ORDER

A verified petition has been filed by **MRS. MARCELINA V. BALTAZAR**, praying that after due notice, publication and hearing, judgment be rendered:

a) **Declaring** the minor child **MARCELINE SACAPANO BALTAZAR** for all legal intents and purposes, the child of herein petitioner, Marcelina V. Baltazar;

b) **Adjudging** said minor child free from all obligations of obedience to her natural mother **JOCELYN SACAPANO**; and,

c) That thereafter the adopted child use and carry "VELACION" the maiden name surname of petitioner and retain the surname **BALTAZAR**.

It appearing that the petition and its attachments are sufficient in form and substance, hearing of this petition is set on **April 28, 2020 at 1:30 p.m.** on which date, hour and place, interested parties are cited to appear and show cause why the same should not be granted.

Let this Order be published in a newspaper of general circulation in the province and city of Cavite, once a week for three (3) consecutive weeks before the scheduled date of hearing.

The DSWD Social Worker is hereby ordered to prepare the Child and Home Study Reports and to conduct counselling sessions with the biological mother of the minor on the matter of the latter's adoption by the petitioner. The Child and Home Study Reports shall be submitted before the date of hearing.

Let copy of the petition and of this Order be furnished the Solicitor General, the Department of Social Welfare and Development, and the DSWD Social Worker concern.

SO ORDERED

Given this 10th day of February, 2020, Cavite City, Philippines

ROWENA R. MOJARES-AREVALO
Presiding Judge

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2019 BAR EXAMS RESULTS RELEASE ON APRIL 10 'FAKE NEWS': SC

MANILA – The Supreme Court (SC) on Thursday dismissed as fake news a document stating the release of the 2019 Bar Examination results on April 10, which has gone viral on social media.

In a press statement, Associate Justice Estela Perlas-Bernabe, chairperson of the 2019 Bar Examinations, cited "a spurious document currently circulating in social media and in various electronic messaging platforms stating that the results of the 2019 Bar Examinations will be released on a cer-

tain date."

Bernabe said that as chairperson of the exams, "I categorically state that the information is false."

She added that the high court has yet to meet en banc to decide on the schedule of the release of the Bar exam results. The fake document bore her forged signature.

Bernabe also called for an investigation so that those responsible for this act "shall be accordingly dealt with."

A total of 7,699 examinees are waiting for the Bar exam results. (PNA)

Isabela broadcaster 'signs off'

CITY OF CAUAYAN

-- Dubbed as Isabela's "broadcaster of all times", 69-year-old McArthur Andres Daguro, joined the Creator on Thursday, April 2, due to a lingering illness.

Daguro had previously worked as station manager of Nation Broadcasting Corporation's radio station DWSI-Santiago, DZYT-Tuguegarao, and DZYL-Ilagan.

He was also a former DZNC (now Bombo Radyo) staffmember under the previous owner Carayo Perez. In his late 60s, he became a member of various national

and local organizations.

He was also a local political analyst, joined various media groups and became director of the Publishers Association of the Philippines, Inc.

His friends remember him as someone "always smiling" and a man with a "golden voice".

Daguro's daughter, Teresa, said the veteran media practitioner would have been 70 years old on April 8.

His remains lie at their home in Cauayan City, Isabela. The interment will be announced soon. (PNA)

LGU Nagcarlan, mga volunteers nagtayo ng sanitation tent laban sa COVID-19

BAY, Laguna (PIA) – Magkatuwang na nagtayo ang Lokal na Pamahalaan ng Nagcarlan at mga boluntaryong propesyunal na residente rito ng mga sanitation tent bilang dagdag na proteksiyon laban sa COVID-19.

Inisyal na nagtayo ng mga sanitation tent sa mga entrada at labasan ng Pamilyang Bayan ng Nagcarlan ang lokal na pamahalaan at mga volunteer na Nagkarlangin sa ilalim ng proyekto ng SaniTents PH.

"This ensures disinfection ng community to fight COVID-19 the proper way. Which is the goal din naman ni SaniTent PH. At saka this helps din iyong nga tao na magkaroon ng disinfection sa labas (ng kanilang mga tahanan) kasi we never know where the virus is," paliwanag ni Darlene Aizel Bugia, tubong Nagcarlan na Registered Chemist at namuno sa implementasyon ng naturang proyekto.

Ang mga Sanitation Tents ay ginagamit para sa disinfection ng mga tao sa entry at exit point ng isang lugar gaya nga ng palengke kung saan sila unang nagtayo nito.

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"I was involved sa project thru SaniTents PH. Sila po kasi iyong gumawa ng prototype and all the testings ng solutions. So basically, all ideas came from them. Nag call out po sila ng chemists na gusto magvolunteer sa kanilang respective LGUs."

Bilang boluntaryo sa pag-sasakatuparan ng proyekto, naghanap si Bugia ng mga makakatulong niya at sa umpisa aniya ay kaunti lamang ang mga propesyonal na kilala niya sa larangan ng pagiging Chemist. Naglaon ay nakahanap naman siya ng makakatulong na mga microbiologist, chemical technician at chemical engineer.

Lumapit rin aniya siya sa Municipal Health Officer na si Dr. Cindy Quebrado

upang ipaalam ang kanilang plano na magtayo ng mga tent para gamitin sa sanitasyon particular sa palengke kung saan maraming tao ang pumupunta upang mamili.

"Then may FB group kase ang mga taga-Nagcarlan. So, doon kami nag-call out rin ng mga pwede o gustong mag-donate. Sobrang swerte rin namin na ang daming nagrespond kaya mabilis namin nagawang tent with the help rin ng high school classmates ko na engineers," kwento niya.

Si Bugia ang namuno sa grupo at pangunahing nagiging responsable sa pag-sisiguro sa kaligtasan ng kanyang mga kasamang mga boluntaryo rin. Paliwanag pa niya, "Sa akin rin ipinagkatiwala ni Sanitent PH iyong formula for disinfection. Yung mga kasama ko, sa compounding sila at saka implementation rin. Iyong proper way."

Ang "Compounding" aniya ay ang maramihang pag-gawa ng solution na gagamitin sa pag-disinfect.

Malaking bahagi ng pondong ginamit upang maitatayo ang kasalukuyang naka-install na sanitation tents sa bayang ito ay nagmula sa donasyon ng mga kapwa nila Nagkarlangin at ang pondo naman na gagamitin upang masustena ang pagpro-produce ng disinfection solution ay mula sa lokal na pamahalaan.

Tents are mostly donated by fellow Nagcarlangin (yung nakainstall ngayon) pero yung pang sustain na solution is sa LGU na.

Balak rin aniya nilang magtayo ng mga kaparehong tent sa Rural Health Unit o RHU at Ospital sa bayan ng Nagcarlan.

Aniya malaki ang bahagi ng SaniTents PH na siyang pinagmulan ng konsepto at kaalaman para matagumpay silang makapagtayo ng sanitation tent sa kanilang bayan.

Nagbigay naman ng paalala si Bugia na kung gagawa ang mga grupo o lokal na pamahalaan sa ibang lugar ng sarili nilang disinfectant solution ay mahalaga na ikonsulta muna ang pag-gawa nito sa mga eksperto ng propesyunal na mas nakakaalam nang tamang pormulasyon nito.

"Or do some research. It would also be better if iyong disinfectants na gagamitin nila, especially sa

tao ay ginawa ng mga marurunong talaga," pinunto niya.

Mahalaga aniya na eksperto ang gagawa ng pormula ng disinfectant para sa tao upang masiguro na ligtas ito na gamitin para sa mga tao.

Ang inisyatibong ito ay isa

lamang sa mga patunay nang kahalagahan ng kolaborasyon ng gobyerno, mga indibidwal at pribadong sektor sa pagharap sa krisis na tulad ng nararanasan natin sa ating bansa at buong mundo ngayon. (Joy Gabrido)

DBP offers assistance to expand health care facilities in the country

CALAMBA CITY, Laguna (PIA) --State-run Development Bank of the Philippines (DBP) has offered to provide financing to public and private health care institutions and boost the overall capacity of the health care system in the country, a top official said.

DBP President and Chief Executive Officer Emmanuel Herbosa said the bank's initiatives under its Strategic Healthcare Investments for Enhanced Lending & Development (SHIELD) program would be beneficial to companies and local government units seeking to enhance accessibility to health care services especially to low-income groups in underserved communities.

"DBP is prepared to fill in the need to develop new health care facilities in the country and improve overall preparedness of the nation especially during outbreaks and national public health emergencies" Herbosa said.

Based on government data, there are approximately more than 1,400 hospitals in the country with about 32 percent or around 463 government-run. Out of the total number, about 58 percent are located in Luzon, 17 percent in the Visayas, and 19 percent in

Mindanao.

DBP SHIELD is a specially designed program that provides funding support to hospitals, laboratories, diagnostic centers, clinics, and primary care providers including pharmacies, family physician clinics, and the like that need to develop or construct and acquire health care facilities and equipment.

Herbosa said as of end January 2020, DBP SHIELD has lent out a total of P11.25-billion to 85 borrowers in various parts of the country.

He said the program has a longer repayment period of 15 years at prevailing rates and inclusive of a three-year grace period.

"Interested borrowers may coordinate with any of our 23 Lending Centers nationwide and/ or access the DBP website at www.dbp.ph to get the program mechanics of DBP SHIELD," Herbosa said.

President Duterte recently issued Proclamation No. 929, placing the entire country under a State of Calamity in the wake of the rising number of COVID-19 cases in the Philippines. As of April 1, 2020, there have been 2,311 cases across the archipelago. (PIA-4A/DBP)

Jalajala agrarian beneficiaries lend a helping hand amidst COVID-19

ANTIPOLO CITY, Rizal (PIA)-- Agrarian Reform Beneficiaries (ARBs) give back in Jalajala, Rizal through donated goods, the Department of Agrarian Reform-Rizal reports.

Two DAR-assisted ARBs have extended help in line with the COVID-19 situation. The Palaypalay Maunlad Farmers' Association, Inc. (PMFAI), a DAR-assisted ARB organization, distributed 7 cavans of rice packed into 300 bags for locals of Brgy. Palaypalay on March 30.

Meanwhile, the Llano Farmers' Multi-Purpose Cooperative (LFMPC), a Brgy. Bayugo-based ARB, also recently distributed fresh milk and chocolate milk products to frontliners such as municipal employees and volunteer barangay tanods.

LFMPC's Dairy Delights product line also includes other locally-produced goods such as yoghurt, yema, milk-o-jel, pastillas and other dairy products. (PIA-Rizal with reports from DAR Rizal)



ANG checkpoint sa Barangay Baclaran na pinangangasiwaan ng mga tauhan ng PCP-1 sa pamumuno ni P/ Major Jolly Soriano bilang tugon sa COVID-19. Kuha ito sa Quirino Ave., Airport Rd., Baclaran, P'que City. (JIMMY HAO)

Mga lugar ng PSC magsisilbing pansamantalang medikal na pasilidad

Ang pasilidad ng Philippine Sports Commission (PSC) ay malapit nang maging pansamantalang mga medikal na pasilidad upang matulungan ang mga decongest na mga ospital habang ang digmaan laban sa coronavirus disease (Covid-19) ay nagagamit sa mga impeksyon na umaabot sa higit sa 1,418 hanggang Linggo. Kinumpirma ni PSC Chairman William Ramirez na ang dalawang sports complex ng gobyerno sa Metro Manila, na ang Rizal Memorial Sports Complex sa Maynila



PSC CHAIRMAN
William Ramirez

at ang PhilSports Complex sa Pasig City ay kapwa sinuri ng Department of Public Works and Highways upang masuri kung paano ang iba't ibang mga pasilidad sa loob ay maaaring magamit alinsunod sa mga kinakailangan ng Kagawaran ng Kalusugan. Kaugnay ng Executive Order ng Pangulong Rodrigo Duterte na naaayon sa Covid-19 fight, sinabi ni Ramirez na ang PSC ay nagboluntaryo na magalok ng mga pasilidad sa gobyerno ng sports bilang mga pagpipilian sa lugar. "Ang mga ito ay mga pasilidad ng gobyerno kaya inaasahan namin na maaaring dumating sa puntong iyon," sabi ni Ramirez, na idinagdag na tinalakay na niya ang bagay na ito kay Executive Secretary Salvador Medialdea. Maliban sa halos 30 mga atleta at coach, mga kawani ng medikal at administrasyon na tumutulong sa kanila at mga tauhan ng seguridad na nagbantay sa mga kumplikado, hiniling ang pambansang mga atleta na umuwi bago pa ipatupad ang Luzon na napahusay ng quarantine ng komunidad. Tiniyak ni

Senior Executive Assistant at National Training Director na si Marc Velasco na ang management committee ng PSC ay nakagawa na ng mga plano upang matiyak na ang natitirang mga atleta at tauhan ay ligtas at ihiwalay mula sa mga lugar na gagamitin bilang mga medikal na pasilidad. "Malubhang pagdidisimpekta ng mga lugar ay regular na isasagawa at pagkatapos ng kanilang paggamit," tiniyak ni Velasco. "Ang mga oras na ito ay nanawagan para sa hindi makasariling patriotismo. Ang mga oras na ito ay tumawag sa lahat na maging bayani, kahit na. Umakyat tayo sa punto

upang magsalita. Ito ang sa amin, ang pamayanang pampalakasan na lumalakas, "sabi ni Ramirez sa isang post ng social media ng opisyal na social media account ng ahensya. Ang mga lugar na isinasaalang-alang para magamit sa PhilSports Complex ay ang Multi-purpose Arena at ang track oval. Ang mga posibleng lugar na gagamitin sa RMSC ay ang makasaysayang Rizal Memorial Coliseum, Ninoy Aquino Stadium at ang Rizal Baseball Stadium. Ang lahat ng mga lugar na ito ay ginamit bago bilang evacuation o warehouse at repacking center para sa mga relief goods.



PHILSPORTS ARENA - Magiging pansamantala din na medical pasilidad ang PhilSports Arena sakaling magpatuloy pa ang mga dagsa ng PUI Person Under Investigation dahil sa laganap na Covid-19. (RGN)

Nag-donate si Federer ng \$ 1M para sa mga pamilyang Swiss na apektado ng Covid-19

Si Roger Federer at ang kanyang asawang si Mirka ay nagbigay ng isang milyong Swiss francs (USD1,020,000) para sa mga pamilya sa Switzerland na naapektuhan ng coronavirus. "Ito ay mga mapaghamong oras para sa lahat at walang dapat iwanang. Kami at si Mirka ay personal kong nagpasya na magbigay ng isang milyong Swiss Francs para sa pinakamahirang na pamilya sa Switzerland," sinabi ng dating nangungunang Swiss tennis player sa Instagram. Sinabi ni Federer, 38, na ang kanyang kontribusyon ay isang pagsisimula at inaasahan niya na ang iba ay sumali sa pagsuporta

sa mga nangangailangan ng pamilya. "Sama-sama nating malampasan ang krisis na ito! Manatiling malusog!" Ang Switzerland ay mayroong 8,015 na mga kaso ng virus na kilala bilang Covid-19, na may kamatayan na namatay sa 66, ayon sa World Health Organization (WHO). Matapos lumitaw sa Wuhan, China noong Disyembre, ang virus ay kumalat sa hindi bababa sa 172 mga bansa at rehiyon. Ang WHO ay nagpahayag na ito ay isang pandemya. Sa higit sa 438,000 mga kaso sa buong mundo, ang kamatayan ay umaabot sa 20,000, habang higit sa 111,800 ang nakuhang muli.

Mga Larong Olimpiko sa Tokyo sisimulan sa Hulyo 23, 2021

Inihayag ng International Olympic Committee (IOC) kamakailan na ang Olimpikong Laro ay gaganapin sa Hulyo 23-Ago. 8, 2021, habang ang Mga Palaro ng Paralympic sa pagitan ng Agosto

24 at Septyembre 5, 2021. "Ang mga pamunuan ng mga pangunahing partido ay nagsama sa pamamagitan ng pagpupulong sa telepono, sinamahan ni IOC President Thomas Bach, Tokyo 2020 Pangulong Mori Yoshiro, Tokyo Governor Koike Yuriko at Olympic at Paralympic Minister Hashimoto Seiko, at sumang-ayon sa bagong iskedyul," ang komite sinabi sa website. Samantala, ipinagpaliban ng komite noong Marso 24 ang Palarong Olimpiko ng Tag-init para sa isang taon habang ang mundo ay nakakakuha ng epekto ng coronavirus disease (Covid-19). Ang coronavirus ay unang nakita sa Wuhan, China noong Disyembre at kumalat sa hindi bababa sa 177 mga bansa at teritoryo. Ang bilang ng mga kumpirmadong kaso sa buong mundo ay malapit na sa 738,000, ha-

bang ang kamatayan ay lumampas sa 35,000, at higit sa 156,500 ang nakuhang muli hanggang ngayon, ayon sa datos na pinagsa-

ma ng Johns Hopkins University na nakabase sa Estados Unidos. Sa kabila ng pagtaas ng bilang ng mga

kaso, karamihan sa mga nahawahan ay nagdurusa lamang mga sintomas ng banayad at gumaling.



IOC President
Thomas Bach



Mori Yoshiro
Tokyo 2020 President



RIZAL MEMORIAL COLISEUM - Ito ang Rizal Memorial Coliseum kung saan ang venue na ginamit kamakailan sa ginanap na 2019 sea games. At ngayong patuloy ang nagaganap na pag dagsa ng mga nagiging positibo sa cove2019 ay magiging pansamantalang medical pasilidad. (RGN)

2 BIG FACILITIES AS QUARANTINE AREAS OPERATIONAL BY APRIL 10

MANILA – At least two big facilities in Metro Manila would start accepting people suspected to be carriers of the coronavirus disease 2019 (Covid-19) by the second week of April, Cabinet Secretary Karlo Nograles announced on Thursday.

In a virtual presser, Nograles said the Philippine International Convention Center (PICC) in Pasay City and the Rizal Memorial Sports Complex in Malate, Manila are being readied to be used as “fully-functional” quarantine sites by April 10.

“We would like to report that the PICC will be ready by April 10. The facilities are being prepared by the DPWH and EEI Corp.,” he said. “The Rizal Memorial Sports Complex being readied by PRIME-BMD or Razon Group will be ready by April 10 as well.”

Nograles said the PICC and Rizal Memorial Sports Complex would have 700 beds and 600 beds, respectively.

He also said the World Trade Center in Pasay City, which can accommodate 650 potential Covid-19 carriers, would also be operational by April 12.

“It is being set up by ICCP and Ayala or Makati Development Corp. and it will have 650 beds,” Nograles said, noting that the PICC, Rizal Memorial Sports Complex, and World Trade Center can house a total of 1,950 individuals.

The government has also identified other facilities that can be used as quarantine areas, among them the Quezon Institute, Amorranto Stadium, Quezon Memorial Circle Complex, Veterans Memorial Medical Center in Quezon City; Philippine Sports Complex in Pasig; and Duty Free Philippines in Parañaque.

“Decisive action has been taken to ensure that millions stay home in order to contain this outbreak, and the government has marshaled all its resources to ensure that every Filipino family is taken care of during this trying period,”

Nograles said. The Inter-Agency Task Force for the Management of Emerging Infectious Diseases (IATF-EID) has sought the conversion of maritime vessels, hotels, and other private establishments into quarantine and isolation facilities.

Government facilities, including public schools, would also be transformed as quarantine sites to arrest the spread of Covid-19 in the country.

The IATF-EID has already directed all local government units to identify government facilities that can be used as quarantine centers.

Meanwhile, the use of public schools for quarantine and isolation purposes will be subject to the approval of the Department of Education regional directors.

On Wednesday, the Department of Health reported that the Philippines has 2,311 confirmed Covid-19 cases, with 96 deaths and 50 recoveries. **(PNA)**

A Statement of Assurance to All Covid 19 Patients and Their Families from PhilHealth

THE Philippine Health Insurance Corporation (PhilHealth) wishes to announce that it will continue to shoulder the cost of treatment for all Covid 19 cases until 14 April 2020.

The reason for this accommodation window is due to the novelty and the wide range of severity of the disease in the country for which no existing case rate or package based on accepted protocols has yet been established.

PhilHealth is confident that by the above mentioned date more about the behavior of the disease in the Philippines can be learned, a final protocol established and an appropriate case rate developed that will provide adequacy and sustainability to the anti-Covid 19 campaign.

Before then, it shall issue a new set of guidelines which will include the appropriate case rate and protocol in dealing with the disease. PhilHealth wishes to assure all Filipinos that even under the period of this pandemic it intends to fulfill its mandate under the Universal Health Care Law of providing adequate health service to all Filipinos when needed.

AYUDA ng Philippine Amusement Gaming Corporation sa mga health workers at frontliners. Kasama rin sa ayuda ng PAGCOR ang iba't ibang government hospital sa loob at labas ng Metro Manila. **CHRISTIAN HERAMIS**



PH, Singapore post largest manufacturing drop in Asean in March

MANILA – Performance of the manufacturing sector in the Philippines and Singapore posted the biggest deterioration among surveyed Southeast Asian countries, the latest Manufacturing Purchasing Managers' Index (PMI) of IHS Markit reported Wednesday.

Asean's headline PMI for March plunged to 43.4, the lowest for nearly eight years.

Readings above 50 reflect improvement in the sector, while indices below 50 show deterioration.

Singapore's manufacturing PMI in March registered 27.7, Philippines at 39.7, Vietnam at 41.9, Indonesia and Myanmar at 45.3, Thailand at 46.7, and Malaysia at 48.4.

Asean's manufacturing sector fell last month due to contractions in terms of output, new orders, inventories, and employment, the survey said.

“Restrictive measures stemming from efforts to contain the Covid-19 (coronavirus disease 2019) outbreak and substantial uncertainty surrounding the outlook also eroded firms output expectations during March,” the IHS Markit report said.

Of the seven surveyed Asean countries, Malaysia, the Philippines, and Thailand imposed lockdown last month. Vietnam just announced the same measure on the last day of March.

For the Philippines, the Luzon-wide community quarantine dragged the country's manufacturing performance for the month.

“The Covid-19 pandemic took its toll on goods production in the Philippines in March, as the enforced lockdown of Luzon island led many manufacturers

to halt operations until restrictions are lifted. These shutdowns led to sharp declines across the sector, with output, new orders, employment and stocks of purchases all falling at record paces,” IHS Markit Economist David Owen said.

Owen added that with the uncertainties of the situation brought by the Covid-19 pandemic, businesses were much less optimistic about their operation for the next 12 months.

Another IHS Markit economist, Lewis Cooper, forecasted that Asean's manufacturing sector will continue to decline for several months amid the Covid-19 outbreak.

As of April 1, reported Covid-19 cases in Asean reached 9,934 with highest confirmed cases in Malaysia at 2,766 and the Philippines at 2,311. **(PNA)**

BOC implements Tax & Duty-Exempt Importations of PPEs, Medical Emergency Supplies

THE Bureau of Customs (BOC) issues Customs Administrative Order (CAO) 07-2020 that will serve as the guidelines for Tax and Duty-Exempt Importations of Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) and other medical emergency supplies under Section 4(O) of Republic Act 11469 otherwise known as the “Bayanihan To Heal As One Act” in support of our nation's fight against COVID-19.

The aim of this CAO is to expedite customs clearance of tax and duty-exempt importations of PPEs and medical goods which are urgently needed by the country's citizens, frontliners, and medical supplies manufacturers in this public health emergency we are currently facing.

To achieve this, Importers of PPEs and medical equipment and supplies for

commercial purposes are now exempted from presenting the Certificate of Product Notification (CPN) or Certificate of Product Registration (CPR) issued by the Food and Drugs Administration (FDA) prior to release from the Bureau, provided that they present a copy of their License to Operate (LTO) and proof of application for product notification with the FDA. However, those importing ventilators, respirators and their respective accessories for commercial purposes only need to present a copy of their LTO.

In addition, imported health products for donation which are certified by regulatory agencies or accredited third party organizations in the originating countries shall be automatically cleared, while an FDA clearance will not be required prior to re-

lease of foreign donations of PPEs, ventilators, respirators and their respective accessories which will be used in treating COVID-19 patients.

Imported goods under Section 4(O) of the RA 11469 which are released under Provisional Goods Declaration are subject to the submission of Tax Exemption Indorsement (TEI) issued by the Department of Finance-Revenue Office (DOF-RO) after 12 April 2020 or upon lifting of the declaration of ECQ, whichever comes earlier.

In relation to this order, the Bureau of Internal Revenue issued Revenue Memorandum Order 10-2020 in which Authority to Release Imported Goods (ATRIG) is no longer required for importations of PPEs and medical emergency supplies.



PAGSASARA NG KARERAHAN!

Sinusubukan ng Metropolitan Association of Race Horse Owners (MARHO) na pigilan ang napipintong pagsasara ng isang karerahan. Hinikayat ni horse owner Sandy Javier ang iba pang horse owner na tumulong na huwag matuloy ang pagsasara ng isang karerahan at tumulong din na mapalakas ang race track sa bansa. Ayon kay Javier, kailangan na kumilos para pigilan ang pagsasara ng karerahan at tulungan ang pagbagsak ng industriya sa patuloy na paghina ng benta sa takilya. Labis na idinaraing ngayon ng mga horse owner ang mahinang nakukuhang premyo ng bawat kabayo. Apektado din ang mga horse owner sa pagtaas ng buwis na binabayaran bukod pa sa patuloy na pagtaas ng gamot at vitamins ng mga kabayong mananakbo. Kaya maraming mga horse owner ang nangangayaw ngayon sa industriya ng karera dahil sa maliit na kinikita ng bawat kabayo idagdag pa ang mahal na gastusin ng bitamina at gamot ng mga kabayo. Sinabi pa ni Javier na panahon na para magkaisa ang mga horse owner na ibangon ang pagbagsak ng karerahan. Si Javier ang itinanghal na Horse Owner of the Year ng taong 2019 ng MARHO at nagsabing hindi siya papayag na may magsarang karerahan sa bansa. Patuloy pa rin na pinag-uusapan ang kinakaharap na problema at ang napipintong pagsasara ng isang karerahan.

DEPED RELEASES GUIDE FOR SCHOOLS USED AS SPECIAL QUARANTINE SITES

QUEZON CITY (PIA) -- The Department of Education (DepEd) has released its set of guidelines for local government units planning to tap public schools as special quarantine areas for suspected COVID-19 cases.

In a memorandum issued by Education Secretary Leonor Briones, she advised LGUs to first make proper coordination with their agency for such as purpose.

"The matter of utilization of schools as quarantine or isolation areas has been discussed in the IATF [Inter-Agency Task Force for the Management of Emerging Infectious Diseases]," Briones said in the memorandum.

"The agreement was that any decision concerning public schools should be made in consultation with DepEd, and in cooperation with DepEd officials on the ground and in compliance with the Department of Health (DOH) guidelines, with due consideration to specific conditions," it read.

Briones also left it to the regional directors to decide on the requests of the LGUs as long as there is an evaluation by the schools division superintendent, in consultation with the school heads and with the DOH.

In the guidelines, the LGU is reminded to include in its request the specific intended purpose or use for the school, and identify the particular facility in the school that will be used as well as the duration of their use, subject to extension, if necessary.

It said the LGU must also show that all other facilities have been duly assessed and were found to be inadequate. Schools can be recommended only when no other facilities are available.

Further, the LGU must present not only an assessment by the municipal, city, or provincial health officer that the facility within the school is suitable for the specific intended purpose, but a plan on how to manage the facility under the supervision of the City/Municipal Health Officer,

and must conform to existing DOH standards and guidelines.

Finally, any LGU request must include an undertaking: for the safekeeping of all property and valuables in the school premises during the operation of the facility; payment of utilities for the period; the conduct of the general cleaning and fumigation, and repair and/or replacement of damaged school facilities as a result of the use of the school; and, payment of expenses related to the setting-up, operation and clearing of the areas used, the memorandum added.

Briones, meanwhile tasked DepEd regional directors to craft an appropriate system for monitoring the use of schools within their jurisdiction as quarantine or isolation areas. **(PIA NCR)**

DOF releases guidelines on 30-day extension for loan payments under the Bayanihan Act

CALOOCAN CITY (PIA) -- The Department of Finance (DOF) has issued the implementing rules and regulations (IRR) on the granting of a 30-day grace period or extension of payment of all loans falling within the enhanced community quarantine period.

Under a provision in the Bayanihan To Heal As One Act, the DOF directs all lenders to grant a 30-day grace period or extension for the payment of all loans, including credit card payments and pawnshop loans, that fall falling within the ECQ period without slapping interest or any additional charges and fees on the borrowers.

In a statement, Finance Secretary Carlos Dominguez III said this provision, as stated under Section 4 (aa) of Republic Act (RA) No. 11469 or the Bayanihan Law, covers banks, quasi-banks, non-stock savings and loan associations, credit card issuers and pawnshops.

Other credit granting financial institutions under the supervision of the Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas (BSP), Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) and Cooperative Development Authority (CDA), whether public or private, including the Government Service Insurance System (GSIS), Social Security System (SSS) and Pag-IBIG Fund, are also covered by this provision, he added.

"All Covered Institutions shall implement a 30-day grace period for all loans with principal and/or interest falling due within the ECQ Period without incurring interest on interest, penalties, fees and

CITY OF SAN FERNANDO, Pampanga (PIA)

-- The Inter-agency Task Force on Emerging Infectious Diseases has approved the grant of a 30-day grace period or deferment on commercial rental payments falling due to micro small and medium enterprises (MSMEs) during the Enhanced Community Quarantine (ECQ) period.

"Under the approved proposal, no interest, penalties and other charges shall be imposed on the deferred payment due. Our agency made the proposal in order to help MSMEs cope up with the slowdown in economic activities because of the coronavirus disease pandemic," Department of Trade and Industry (DTI) Regional Director Judith Angeles said.

Department of Finance (DOF) has also issued a policy instituting a 30-day

other charges. The initial 30-day grace period shall automatically be extended if the ECQ period is extended by the President of the Republic of the Philippines pursuant to his emergency powers under the Bayanihan to Heal as One Act," states Section 3.01 of the IRR signed by Dominguez.

The IRR that shall take effect immediately upon publication, was published Thursday (April 2, 2020) in a newsdaily. Under the IRR, the ECQ covers the period from March 17, 2020 to April 12, 2020 as cited in Proclamation No. 929 issued by President Duterte last March 16.

Section 3.02 of the IRR also states that: "All Covered Institutions shall not charge or apply interest on interest, fees and charges during the 30-day grace period to future payments/amortizations of the individuals, households, micro, small and medium enterprises (MSMEs) and corporate borrowers."

All lenders are prohibited from requiring their clients to waive the application of the provisions of the Bayanihan Law, including among others, the mandatory 30-day grace period.

"No waiver previously executed by borrowers covering payments falling due during the ECQ Period shall be valid. Nonetheless, the grant of grace period by the above-mentioned Covered Institutions shall not preclude the borrowers from paying their obligations as they fall due during the period of ECQ should they so desire," the IRR added.

The mandatory 30-day grace

period also applies to each of the multiple loans of borrowers with the principal and/or interest falling due within the ECQ period.

"Borrowers covered under the rules include MSMEs, corporate borrowers, individuals, households and other counterparties. Under the guidelines, loans shall not incur interest, penalties, fees and other charges for the 30-day grace period," Angeles explained.

Covered institutions required to implement the policy include banks, quasi-banks, non-stock savings and loans associations, credit card issuers, pawnshops and other credit granting financial institutions under the supervision of the Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas, Securities and Exchange Commission and Cooperative Development Authority as well as the Government Services Insurance System and the Pag-ibig Fund. The Imple-

menting Rules and Regulations was issued by DOF as part of the Bayanihan to Heal as One Act or RA 11469.

SB Corporation, one of the largest providers of MSME financing of the national government, has announced to its partner financial institutions and MSME borrowers of its 30-day moratorium on payment for the period March 16 to April 14.

In the statement, SB Corporation said borrowers have an option to pay only the interest portion of their monthly payments for up to six months or until October 2020.

"This will give the MSMEs affected by the ECQ to channel their finances in

their efforts to rise above the challenges caused by the pandemic and help them recover from possible losses," Angeles furthered.

To further support consumers and MSMEs during the ECQ, DTI has also enjoined supermarkets, groceries, agri-fisheries stores, public markets and drug stores and retailers of basic needs and prime commodities to extend their operations to a maximum of 12 hours to spread the flow of consumers and support social distancing.

As such, local government units are enjoined to allow such establishments to operate under the extended operation hours. **(CLJD-PIA 3)**

DA offers free veggie seeds, seedlings

PASIG CITY (PIA) -- Amid stringent quarantine measures to address the threat of the coronavirus disease (COVID-19), the Department of Agriculture is encouraging everyone to grow healthy foods at home.

"Happy planting. Stay calm amidst COVID-19 by growing your own healthy food," the Bureau of Plant Industry said in a Facebook post.

The Department of Agriculture (DA), through the BPI's

Crop Research and Production Support Division, is giving out free vegetable seeds and seedlings.

Among the seeds and seedlings the BPI is giving away include okra, pechay, kang kong, mustard, and peppers.

Each interested individual gets one set comprised of five different seeds.

Interested may contact DA at (02) 8525-7313 or 8524-0837, or may email at bpi.crpsd.planning@gmail.com. **(PIA NCR)**



CHECKPOINT. Personnel of the Philippine National Police (PNP) of Dasmariñas City enforce the Luzon-wide enhanced community quarantine (ECQ) to prevent the spread of coronavirus disease on March 30, 2020. The Department of Health (DOH) has been directed to finalize the "analytical model" for determining whether there is a need to extend the ECQ which is set to end on April 12. **(PNA photo by Avito C. Dalan)**



ISABEL OLI, 'DI NAKAKALIMOT SA PAGBILANG NG BIYAYA AT PASASALAMAT

MAGANDA ang mensahe ni Isabel Oli na kahit nasa panahon ngayon ng matinding krisis dulot ng COVID-19 ay mahalaga para sa lahat na hindi nakakalimot sa pagbilang sa mga tinatamong biyaya.

Higit siyempre ay ang pagpapaabot ng taus-pusong pasasalamat sa Poong Maykapal.

Ano mang biyaya, maliit o malaki ay huwag aniyang kakaligtaan ang magpasalamat.

Maikokonsidera ng aktres na sa ngayon ay natatamo niya ang napakalaking biyaya.

Ito ay ang sanggol na nasa sinapupunan ni Isabel para sa kanyang magiging ikatlong anak.

Pang third baby ito ng aktres at ng kanyang mister na kapwa celebrity na si John Prats.

Sina Isabel at John ay nag-isang dibdib last 2015 and year after ay ipinagkaloob ng Panginoon sa kanila ang panganay na anak na

si Lily Feather.

After two years ay ipinagkaloob naman sa mag-asawa ang kanilang pangalawang anak na lalaki na si Daniel Freedom.

Now, heto at paparating naman na ang ikatlong babay kaya hindi nakakalimot ang aktres sa pagbilang ng mga biyayang natatamo.

Tunay naman na isang napakagandang biyaya na natatamo ang pagkakaroon ng anak o mga anak kaya walang hanggang pasasalamat ang aktres.

Batid ni Isabel ang kabog sa dibdib na kinakaharap ng lahat dulot ng krisis lalo na ang mga buntis na matatapat ang pagsisilang na panahon ng lockdown.

Sa darating na Hulyo ang kabuwanan ng aktres at sana ay nagtapos at nakabangon na ang mundo sa hagupit ng COVID-19.

Kabilang din ang 38-anyos na aktres na nananawagan sa publiko na manatili na lamang sa bahay para sa kaligtasan.



(Ika-53 labas)

PAGKARAAN ng mga ilang araw ay muli na namang nagkita sina Ramil at Cecile.

"Ganyan din ang ipinapaalam sa akin, 2 nights and 3 days daw ang kanilang campus activities."

"Tama! Out of town nga raw ang kanilang activities. Ang paalam sa akin ay sa parteng Batangas daw."

Ganoon ang paalam ni Jane kay Ramil at ganoon din ang paalam ni Bernard kay Cecile.

Kaya naman nagkita sina Ramil at Cecile upang makapag-usap at makapagplano.

"Ano'ng magandang gagawin natin?"

"Masyado na akong tensyunado, ano pang sinasabi mo riyan na relaks lang."

Ang pagkabalisa ni Cecile ay may kahalang matinding pagkakagalit kaya nagtanong siya ng dapat gagawin kay Ramil.

"Ako man ay sobrang nagagalit pero 'di dapat manag ang galit na 'yun kasi mawawala tayo sa tamang diskarte."

Ang isa sa mga payo ni Ramil ay kailangang malaman muna talaga nila kung totoo ba o hindi ang paalam na iyon nina Jane at Bernard.

Kailangang makapunta

sila mismo sa pinapasukang campus nina Bernard at Jane.

Dapat ay sila mismo ang magtatanong at hindi basta maniniwala lamang sa ibang kaibigan o kaklase ng magkasintahan.

"Ang sabi mo 'pag totoo ay hayaan na lang sila. Eh 'panu nga kung nagsisiningaling lang sila?"

Naipantsa na ng dalawa ang kanilang plano sakaling hindi nga totoo iyon.

"Sa Friday ng hapon ang alis kaya magdadala na ako ng mga damit at ibang gamit na kakailanganin."

"Doon na sa campus manggagaling ang service at Sunday ng tanghali ang balik."

lisa ang sinabi o paalam nina Jane at Bernard kina Ramil at Cecile.

Nakikita ng dalawa na kalmado lamang sina Cecile at Ramil subalit ang hindi nila alam ay nakapagtanong na ang mga ito.

Kung sila ay may sariling plano ay walang alam ang magdyowa na sila ay pinagpaplanuhan din.

Dumating na ang Biyernes at kasado na ang plano nina Jane at Bernard.

Kasado na rin ang plano nina Cecile at Ramil.

"Makinig kang mabuti, ganito ang gagawin natin.

(Sundan)



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PINAGMAMASDAN ni Lea si Mikel, kitang-kita niya ang sitwasyon.

Dali-daling inilabas ni Lea ang kanyang cellphone at sinimula ang pagkuha ng video.

"Ngayon mo sabihin apo na dapat dahil binata ka na ay kailangang solo ka na sa kwarto mo."

Sa hapag-kainan habang nag-aalmusal ay ipinakita at ipinanuod kay Mikel ng kanyang lola ang kuhang video ni Lea.

"Tingnan mong maigi ang sarili mo riyan, mauwi sa bangungot 'yan."

"Paano kung wala si Lea sa loob? Mainam na 'yung mayroong nanggigising sa 'yo."

"Kaya sana apo ay pakinggan at sundin mo na lamang si lola. Unawain mo si lola ha?"

Tumango na lamang si Mikel at itinuloy ang kanyang ginagawang pagkain. Kagaya ng mga dating napapanaginipan, hawak siya ng isang mahiwagang babae.

Sa pagkakahawak ng mahigpit sa braso ay pinipilit si Mikel ng babae na sila ay tatalon sa napakatarik na bangin.

Magulo ang panaginip subalit iyon ang nakarehistro sa isipan ni Mikel.

Hindi niya ganap na mai-paliwanag o mai-describe ang itsura ng babae.

Ang tanging alam lamang ni Mikel ay napakaamo ng mukha ng babae sa kanyang panaginip.

Hindi lamang batid ni Mikel ang pakay o dahilan ng babae kung bakit hinahatak siya papatalon sa matarik na bangin.

"Aalis na ako, bahala na kayo rito."

Nagpaalam na kay Mikel ang kanyang lola dahil aasikasuhin pa ang maliit na negosyo nito.

"Ikaw naman kasi, 'wag ka ng nailang pa sa 'kin. Isipin mo na lang na tita o ate mo ako."

Nang makaalis na ang matanda ay nagsalita si Lea at binato lamang siya ng tingin ni Mikel.

"Ako na ang magliligpit ng pinagkainan natin, sige na at kumilos ka na baka mahuli ka pa sa pagpasok."

Tinapos ni Mikel ang pag-aalmusal at nagpasalamat naman kay Lea bago siya nagtungo ng silid.

"Ate Lea, papasok na ako."

Pagkaraan ng ilang sandali ay nakagayak na si Mikel para pumasok.

Nagpaalam pa si Mikel kay Lea, na kasalukuyang naghuhugas ng mga pinagalmusalan.

Tumutulong na rin si Lea sa ilang gawain sa bahay kahit pa na ang kanyang trabaho lamang ay babantayan si Mikel.

Dinadagdagan kasi ng lola ni Mikel ang suweldong napagkasunduan nila.

Kaya kahit pagluluto, paglilinis at pati paglalaba ay ginagawa na rin ni Lea.

"Sige, ingat ka."

(Itutuloy)

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PAGSALUDO SA MGA PINOY DESIGNER

Bigyan din natin ng pagkilala ang mga ipinagmamalaki nating fashion designer sa bansa.

Ito ay ang kanilang mga kontribusyon kaugnay ng coronavirus.

Nananahi sila ng mga protective gear na lubhang kailangang-kailangan ng mga health worker.

Marami ang itinuturing na

frontliners subalit ang mga health workers ang may maselang partisipasyon sa nangyayaring virus.

Ang Manila Protective Gear Sewing Club ay inilunsad ng isa sa mga sikat na fashion designer na si Mich Dulce.

Nakakatuwa naman dahil lumobo ang mga nagbibigay ng donasyon upang makagawa ng maraming Personal Protective Equipment.



SM distributes PPEs and medical supplies to over 50 hospitals nationwide



Through SM Foundation, SM is donating over PhP 170 million towards the fight against COVID-19, surpassing its initial allocation of PhP 100 million, to help ensure:

- Healthcare workers in hospitals nationwide are armored with personal protective equipment (PPEs) – full protective suits (including for ICU use), face shields, gloves, N95 masks, surgical masks, goggles, and including raincoats as requested by some hospitals as back-up alternatives
- Testing is made more widely available, by supporting and donating the local Manila Healthtek test kits developed by the UP-NIH team (upon DOH approval), providing the testing needs of RITM, and donating FDA-approved PCR kits sourced from Korea.
- Providing ICU-grade ventilators to help hospitals manage patients with severe cases.

Among the hospitals that received PPE donations as of March 27, 2020 are the following designated COVID hospitals:

- University of the Philippines PGH
- Lung Center of the Philippines
- Jose N. Rodriguez Memorial Hospital Major Government Hospitals:
- Research Institute for Tropical Medicine (RITM)
- National Kidney and Transplant Institute
- San Lazaro Hospital
- East Avenue Medical Center
- Jose Reyes Memorial Medical Center
- Philippine Heart Center
- National Children's Hospital
- Rizal Medical Center



SM distributes PPEs and medical supplies to over 50 hospitals nationwide
Delivered medical supplies and ICU-grade ventilators to PGH.

Other hospitals include, Jose Fabella Memorial Hospital, Chinese General Hospital, University of the East Ramon Magsaysay (UERM) Memorial Medical Center, Manila Doctors Hospital, University of Sto. Tomas Hospital, Makati Medical Center, The Medical City, Ospital mg Muntinlupa, and more.

Several shipments of PPEs are also on their way to provincial hospitals nationwide, including Rizal, Pampanga, Bataan, Quezon, Pangasinan, Catanduanes, Cebu, Iloilo, Samar, Tacloban, Surigao del Sur, Cagayan de Oro, Davao, Marawi, Zamboanga, and more. SM has committed to be of service to the Filipino public, its hospitals, and its government, in ensuring that we all contain and overcome the COVID-19 crisis together.

COURAGE AMIDST FEAR WITHIN THE CRISIS: THE STORIES OF SM CITY BACOOR FRONTLINERS



In these times when most of us would think about ourselves and our own families, there would still be heroes standing out who never wear capes just to show off their courage. Truly, a great crisis would bring chaos, the worst in people, but on the other hand would still bring the best out of humanity. When all of us were scared to go out and be exposed, others are taking risk of their own safety, as well as of their family just to provide all the essentials we need. From food we put on our tables, medicines our families would need, trashes that needs disposal, to establishments and borders that needs safekeeping and hospitals that needs to keep running, these are the stories of some heroes we would frequently meet.

Raymart Cortez is one of the front liners from SM City Bacoor residing at the same city. As one of the members of the Janitorial team who keeps the mall premises clean and sanitized especially now that we need more stocks from the Supermarket, his work is one of the most important. Despite being a breadwinner, he still would take risk and attend to his job despite of the pandemic. "Napakahalaga po sa akin ng trabaho ko ngayon kasi dito ko po kinukuha ang pang araw-araw naming gastusin. May takot ako kasi po kung sakali naman na ako ang mahawaan-huwag naman po sana, ay magugutom ang aking pamilya, magugutom po ang aking mga anak at asawa." said Cortez who despite of his fear would diligently do his duty to protect not just his family but also the community. The same courage is seen with Redel Silva, a front liner and one of the Janitorial team from SM City Bacoor who's also residing at the same city. Despite of his fear for himself and his family, he still attends to his job to protect the community and the shoppers who are seeking food, medical and hygiene supplies in the mall. "Mahalaga sa akin ang trabaho ko lalo na ngayon."

While all of us are worried sanitizing our home, Haidee Mansarate of EXTRAORDINAIRE Manpower Agency, another front liner from SM City Bacoor sees to it that she and her team are at their best in sanitizing the establishment for the safety of our front liners and the shoppers so they won't catch the deadly virus. "Para saakin, isa ito sa pinakaimportanteng trabaho sa panahon ngayon. Ang pagpapanatili ng kalinisan ay magbibigay ng kaligtasan sa lahat ng customers upang maiwasan ang pagkalat at paglaganap ng nakakahawang virus. We have safety measures, safe kami." Said Mansarate who despite them being at risk, is grateful that SM assures their safety as well. "People should listen and follow all the safety precautions. Social distancing is the key. Sa panahon ngayon mas okay ang mag stay sa bahay to keep safe. Covid-19 is a serious crisis we are facing right now. All of us must cooperate.

Amidst the crisis, let us not forget to thank and salute to these hard workers who are keeping us safe and protected in our battle against COVID-19.

PROOF OF LIFE REQUIREMENT NG SSS, ISINANTABI MUNA SA GITNA NG ECO

CALOOCAN CITY (PIA) -- Ibinalita ng Social Security System (SSS) nitong Lunes na hindi na muna kailangang ipakita ng mga pensioners ang patunay na buhay pa sila, sa mga tanggapan nito, upang patuloy na makatanggap ng pensyon.

"Sa ngayon po nagluwag kami ng karamihan ng requirements para sa mga benefit claims," ayon kay SSS president and chief Aurora C. Ignacio sa regular na Laging Handa briefing ng Presidential Communications Operations Office na hosted nina Secretary Martin Andanar at Usec. Rocky Ignacio.

Ibinalita rin ng SSS na maagang ni-release ang April pension para sa kapakinabangan ng mga miyembro nito.

"Ang atin pong April pension ay ibinigay na ho natin at unti-unti na ho itong naike-credit sa kanilang account simula pa ho noong March 23," ani Ignacio.

"So lahat ho na nag-expect ng April pension ay nagsimula nang magbigay simula noong March 23. Kung kanilang contingency date ay birthday nila ay nasa end of April pa ho, ngayon pa lang ho ay pwede na ho nilang matanggap, actually, depende ho sa bangko na nagke-credit sa kanila. Kung na-accommodate na ho lahat ng bangko ang pag accredited, malamang ho hanggang first week of April ay na-credit na ho lahat ng pensyon ng April," dagdag pa ng opisyal.

Ang tinaguriang "proof of life" bilang requirement ng SSS sa mga pensioner tuwing sasapit ang kanilang kaarawan ay isinantabi pansamantala habang umiral ang enhanced community quarantine sa buong Luzon upang mapigilan ang pagkalat ng COVID-19.

Ayon sa SSS, magpapatuloy ang pinaluwag nilang patakaran hanggang sa katapusan ng buwan ng Abril dahil sa "humanitarian consideration" na hindi na kailangan munang pumunta sa kanilang tanggapan ang mga pensioner upang makatanggap ng kanilang buwanang benepisyo. Matatandaan na niri-require

ng SSS ang mga survivor, retiree at total disability pensioner na mag-report sa pinakamalapit na SSS office isang beses isang taon sa kanilang buwan ng kapanganakan.

Ang mga hindi nakakatu-pad dito ay pansamantalang nasususpindi ang pagtanggap ng kanilang buwanang pensyon mula sa SSS.

Ito ang ginawang patakaran ng ahensiya upang matiyak na buhay pa ang nakatatanggap ng benepisyo.

Samantalang binibisita naman ng SSS sa kanilang mga tahanan ang mga miyembro nitong 85-anyos ang gulang pataas, o iyong mga kasaping hindi na makalakad, o mga nawalan ng paningin.

Inihinto rin muna ng SSS ang pag-proseso ng aplikasyon para sa unified multipurpose identification cards o UMID cards dahil nangangailangan ito ng physical contact sa mga tanggapan ng ahensiya.

Kaugnay nito, pinalawig din ng SSS ang filing deadline para sa sickness notification at sickness benefit claim mula Marso 1 hanggang Abril 30, nang 60 calendar days o hanggang Hunyo 30, nang walang penalty. **(PIA NCR)**

Customs Davao donates various medical equipment to SPMC

IN view of the current medical crisis caused by COVID-19, the Bureau of Customs Davao donated various medical equipment to Southern Philippines Medical Center.

Being the central care unit of Davao Region and the largest government hospital in Mindanao, this donation will boost their patient-care capacity making sure that all patients coming in are properly taken care of and accommodated.

Led by District Collector, Atty. Erastus Sandino B. Austria, the Port of Davao Collection District XII delivered a total of eight 40-foot container vans delivered in three batches: three vans on March 28, another three on the 29th and the remain-

DA-APCO visits checkpoints in Cavite to disseminate info on continuous delivery of agri & fishery products

CALAMBA CITY, Laguna (PIA) --The Agricultural Program Coordinating Office (APCO) of the Department of Agriculture (DA) Region IV-CALABARZON in Cavite visited checkpoints around Cavite province March 26 to intensify information dissemination on important Memo Circulars issued by the DA and advisories from the Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG). "We gave copies of DA Memorandum Circular Numbers 7 and 9 and DILG Advisory to checkpoint personnel and explained to them carefully the provisions of the memo circular," Eda Dimapilis of DA-APCO said.

DA issued Memo Circulars Nos. 7 & 9 to make sure that deliveries of both agricultural and fishery products continue to ensure that every Filipino household in Luzon and high dense metropolitan areas will have access to safe and affordable food while under enhanced community quarantine to arrest further spread of COVID-19 in the country.

On the other hand, the DILG issued an advisory for the continuous movement of agricultural and fishery products in response to some reports that small farmers and fisherfolk were not allowed to pass thru checkpoints thus restricting their movements in delivering agricultural products and/or inputs or farming/

fishing activity.

Dimapilis, said most of the personnel in the checkpoints they visited are not yet informed of the Memo Circulars and the advisory.

PH has enough rice supply, DA chief says

MANILA -- The Department of Agriculture (DA) on Wednesday said the country's rice supply remains adequate amid the Luzon-wide enhanced community quarantine imposed to contain the coronavirus disease (Covid-19). In a Laging Handa press briefing, DA Secretary William Dar said around 1.3 million metric tons (MT) of rice purchased by private importers have yet to be delivered to boost the country's stocks.

This is in addition to the 500,000 MT of rice that have already arrived, bringing the total rice imports to 1.8 million MT to tide the country over towards the lean months.

"Meron tayong expected arrival na 1.3 million MT at ito 'yung binabantayan natin with Vietnam, Thailand, and Myanmar (We have an expected arrival of 1.3 million MT that we are awaiting from Vietnam, Thailand, and Myanmar)," Dar said. Dar said the national rice inventory as of March 2020 is good for 75 days.

"Hindi po tayo kukulangin, hindi tayo kakapusin. Sapat na sapat po (We won't have any shortage. We won't have any supply deficiency. We have enough [food])," Dar said. "By the end of June 2020, meron tayong national rice inven-

tory na 67 days, so dapat na sapat po (we have a national rice inventory of 67 days so we should have enough supply)." On Tuesday, Cabinet Secretary Karlo Nograles said the Inter-Agency Task Force for the Management of Infectious Diseases (IATF-EID) has recommended the DA proposal to import a total of 300,000 MT of rice to President Rodrigo Duterte.

DA's proposal to import more rice comes following reports that exporting countries are expected to hold rice shipments to ensure food security amid the prevailing Covid-19 situation. Dar earlier warned of the possibility of "a tightened global supply" as countries

like Vietnam, the world's largest exporter, decided to halt rice import to favor securing stocks for their own people. To avoid potential shortage, Dar said the agency has laid out measures to continuously expand local food production. In a March 21 letter to Executive Secretary Salvador Medialdea, the DA sought for a supplemental budget of around PHP1 billion to fund programs meant to ensuring food security and stable prices amid the Covid-19 outbreak. Dar also requested for a PHP31-billion supplemental budget to finance a food security program, dubbed as "Ahon Lahat, Pagkaing Sapat (ALPAS) Kontra sa Covid-19." **(PNA)**

Bagong extension building ng BMC, gagawing Central Quarantine Facility

LUNGSOD NG MALOLOS (PIA) -- Gagawin nang isang Central Quarantine Facility ang bagong tayong tatlong palapag na extension building ng Bulacan Medical Center o BMC. Ito'y isang hakbang ng pamahalaang panlalawigan upang tuluyan nang masugpo ang coronavirus disease o COVID-19.

Ayon kay Gobernador Daniel Fernando, ang bagong kapalidad na ito ay kayang makapaglulan ng 250 na mga pasyente. May laki itong 5,817 square meters na itinayo sa tulong ng Department of Health noong 2018.

Matatagpuan ito sa harapan ng BMC compound na katapat ng Camp Alejo

Santos ng Bulacan Police Provincial Office.

Binigyang diin pa niya na dapat ihiwalay muna sa mismong pamilya ang mga person under investigation o PUI at mga person under monitoring o PUM upang hindi maging mabilis ang pagkalat, sakaling maging positibo sa COVID-19.

Ito aniya ang pinakamakatatohanang paraan upang tuluyan nang matuldukan ang pagkalat at pagkakahawa-hawa sa COVID-19 sa Bulacan.

Kaya't sa pamamagitan nito, iuubliga ng gobernador ang lahat ng PUIs at PUMs na dito na masailalim sa quarantine at hindi sa kani-kanilang mga bahay. **(CLJD/SFV-PIA 3)**

Kelot, dedo sa engkuwentro

PATAY ang isang lalaki matapos umanong makipagbarilan sa mga awtoridad sa buy bust operation sa Dasmarias City, Cavite.

Kinilala ang nasawi na si Jeorgie Badiang, nasa wastong gulang, ng Sitio Bisaya Amuntay Road Brgy Zone 3, Dasmarias City.

Sa kabila ng mahigpit na checkpoint na ipinapatuloy ng Cavite police ay nagawa pa umano nitong nakipagtransaksiyon

sa pouser buyer dakong alas-5:00 ng hapon sa Sitio Bisaya Amuntay Road, Brgy Zone 3.

Pero nang napansin na napaligiran ng mga awtoridad, imbes na sumuko ang suspek ay nagtatakbo ito habang nakikipagputukan sa pulisya na nauwi sa engkuwentro at nagresulta sa kanyang kamatayan.

Narekober sa suspek ang isang baril, buy bust monyep at ihinihalang shabu. **GENE ADSUARA**

"PASABUY" NG INDANG MPS, EPEKTIBO

SA gitna ng pagpapatupad ng enhanced community quarantine at social distancing, epektibo sa isang bayan sa Cavite ang pagpapatupad ng "PasaBUY."

Ayon kay PMaj Mark Jason Gatdula, hepe ng Indang Municipal Police Station at ang utak sa pagpapatupad ng "PasaBUY," layon nito na naiwasan ang paglabas ng mga residente sa kanyang nasasakupan dahil isang tao na lamang ang bibili ng mga pangangailangan ng mga tao sa pamagitan ng pakikisabay sa kanilang bibilhin.

Dagdag pa ni Gatdula na sa sistemang "PasaBUY", isa lamang sa isang pamilya ang maaring pumunta sa kanilang presinto at

magdala ng listahan ng kanilang bibilhin, ang pam-bayad at quarantine pass at bahala na ang kapulisan ng Indang na bibili at hinatayin na lamang nito.

Paliwanag ni Gatdula na basic essentials lamang, partikular ang mga gamot kung saan dumadayo pa sa ibang bayan o lungsod ang kapulisan dahil sa kawalan ng malaking botika sa bayan.

Samamantala nanawagan din si Gatdula sa sasampahan na ng kaso ang mga maarestong "repeated violator" na naging pasaway sa mga nagdaang araw sa pagpapatupad ng enhance community quarantine kabilang ang liquor ban at curfew. **GENE ADSUARA**

Tondo barangay official ordered to explain selective relief packs distribution

A barangay chairman in Tondo, Manila has been ordered to explain why his office was allegedly selective in distributing relief goods provided by the Manila City government.

In a letter to Barangay 251 Chairman Reynaldo Angat, the Manila Police District Special Mayor's Reaction Team (MPD SMaRT) said a complaint was filed regarding a "spurious list of names/constituents of your barangay" which was the basis of the distribution of relief goods.

Police Major Rosalino Ibay Jr., MPD SMaRT chief, ordered Angat to explain why 29 persons living in 1781 Alameda Street in Tondo, Manila in his alleged list were considered as 29 separate families.

According to Ibay, the address was discovered to be a private business establishment owned by the barangay chairman.

The police official also or-

dered Angat to explain why the subjects of their investigation were the barangay chairman's "relatives" and "connected workers" in the establishment.

Ibay said the barangay chairman may face charges for possible violations of Republic Act No. 11469 (Bayanihan to Heal as One Act), Republic Act No. 6713 (Code of Conduct and Ethical Standard for Public Official and Employees), and Republic Act No. 3019 (Anti-Graft and Corrupt Practices Act).

As of writing, the Manila City government has already distributed about 168,272 food boxes to residents amid the implementation of an enhanced community quarantine due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

The city government's target is to distribute 350,000 food boxes for 350,000 families or about 1.8 million Manilenos. **(MPIO)**

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Bago pa mahuli ang lahat

PUMAPASOK na po tayo sa ikaapat na linggong lockdown dulot ng COVID-19.

Sa Abril 14 ang dapat na inaasahang pag-aalis ng lockdown.

Sinusulat ko ito ay wala pang anunsuyo ang pamahalaan kung ito ba ay tatanggalin na o palalawigin pa.

Nagdaan ang tatlong linggong lockdown, kaliwa't kanan ang ating napansing post sa social media.

Hindi naman ako mahilig magkomento sa kung ano mang post basta binabasa ko lamang.

Kasi nga ay kanya-kanyang opinyon iyan na dapat ay irespeto ng bawat isa.

Nakakatuwa iyong ang mga post ay para sa mga kaukulang mahalagang impormasyon na may kinalaman sa kasalukuyang nangyayari.

Ganoon din ang mga nagbibigay ng makabuluhang suhestiyon na maaaring makakatulong sa kinakaharap na krisis.

Napakarami pa ang ating napansing post sa social media sa loob ng tatlong linggong nagdaan.

Tapos na iyon at tayo nga ay lumalakad na sa ikaapat na linggong lock-

down.

Napapanahon talagang dapat ay isagawa na ang tinatawag na 'kamay na bakal' na pagpapatupad sa lockdown.

Pero dapat ay may katugunan ang gobyerno sa pangangalam ng sikhura o tiyan ng mas nakakarami sa pamamagitan ng wastong sistema.

Kung plantsado na ang lahat ay wala ng dahilan upang lumabas pa ang mga tao.

Higit sa lahat ay ang ating mga kagamitang pang-medikal na tutugon sa COVID-19.

Kung hindi man matutupad sa Abril 14 ay napakalaki ng tsansa na mapalawig man ay nasa isa o dalawang linggong ekstensiyon lamang ay mabubura na natin ang epidemya.

Mangyayari ito kung mas lalong seseryosohin ng gobyerno subalit nangangailangan ng partisipasyon ng bawat isa.

Basta huwag din kalimutan ang napakahalagang sandata sa paglabang ito...ang tunay o nasa pusong panalangin.

Tandaang ito ay laban mo, laban ko, at laban nating lahat. Bago pa mahuli ang lahat.

Rapist, kilalang 'tulak' at isa pa; utas sa buy bust

SA kabila ng umiiral na Luzon Enhanced Community Quarantine (ECQ), nagawa pang magtulak ang tatlong hinihinalang kalalalahan, kabilang ang kilalang drug pusher at ang Top 1 Most Wanted dahil sa kasong 5 counts na rape sa bayan ng Sorsogon, pero napatay nang nakipagpalitan ng putok sa mga awtoridad sa isinagawang buy bust operation sa magkahiwalay na lugar sa Cavite.

Ininugod pa sa Bautista Hospital si Ariel Vanta, alias "Ayie", 46, ng Bagong Pook Brgy 48A, Cavite City pero idineklarang dead on

arrival habang dead on the spot naman si Rolando Docog, may live-in partner, ng Brgy. Muzon I, Rosario, Cavite at Reynier San Agustin @ Rairai, nasa wastong edad at residente ng Brgy Bucandala 3, Imus City, Cavite.

Sa ulat ni Corporal Jumar Bedural, ng Cavite City Police Station, dakong alas-8:05 ng gabi kung saan ipinapatupd na ang curfew sa Brgy 48A ay nakipag-transaksyon pa si Vanta sa isang poseur buyer at nagtapo ang dalawa sa City Public Cemetery.

Pero nang naitarya ng sus-

pek ang "itinitinda", nagpakilala ang poseur buyer at nang tangkain arestuhin ay pinaputukan ang huli subalit nagmintis kaya gumanti ang awtoridad na nagresulta sa pagkakabariil sa suspek.

Ininugod pa sa ospital ang suspek subalit idineklarang dead on arrival.

Narekober sa suspek ang isang kalibre 9mm, bala at sachet ng hinihinalang shabu.

Si Vanta ay kilalang tulak sa Cavite at nakulong sa BJMP Cavite City noong October 2019 kung saan ibinunyag ng mga kasa-

mahan nito na siya ang pinangkukunan ng mga illegal na droga sa lugar.

Hind rin napigil ng ipinapatupad na curfew sa Rosario Cavite ang paglabas ni Docog at nakipagtransaksyon ito sa poseur buyer dakong alas-10:30 ng gabi sa Brgy Muzon 1 Rosario.

Pero nang nakunsumo ang transaksyon sa pagitan ni Docog at poseur buyer ay nagpakilalang awtoridad ang huli subalit imbes na sumuko ang una ay nagbunot ng kanyang kalibre 9mm Glock pistol habang nagsalita ng "P-ina niyo, hindi niyo ako mahuhuli" at ipinutok sa awtoridad pero agad na gumanti ang huli na nagresulta sa kanyang agarang kamatayan.

Narekober sa suspek ang baril, tinatayang 1.82 gramo ng hinihinalang shabu na may street vakue na P32,000, buy bust money at karagdang sachet ng hinihinalang shabu.

Nabatid na sa record ng pulisya, si Docog ay Top 1 Municipal Level Most Wanted Person (MWP) sa Juban, Sorsogon City sa kasong limang (5) counts ng Incest Rape na inisyu ng Fifth Judicial Region Branch 51 Sorsogon City sa ilalim ni Presiding Judge Jose L. Madrid at walang inirekomendang piyansa.

At habang ipinapatupad ang curfew, nakipag-transaksyon naman si San



CHECKPOINT ng Manila Police District Station-5 sa kahabaan ng Mel Lopez Ave. (formerly R10) sa paanan ng Delpa Bridge, Port Area. Sasalang sa thermal scanner ang lahat at ang walang barangay quarantine pass ay hindi pinapasok o pinaparaan. **CHRISTIAN HERAMIS**

Agustin sa isang pouser buyer dakong alas-11:20 ng gabi sa NIA Road, Malagasang 1-G Imus City pero nang natapos ang transaksyon at arestuhin ito matapos na nagpakilala ang huli ay tumakas at sumakay sa kanyang motorsiklo kaya nagkaroon ng habulan hanggang sa naabutan ng awtoridad subalit imbes na sumuko ay nagbunot ng baril at ipinutok sa pulis.

Pero nagmintis kaya gumanti ang kapulisan na nagresulta sa kanyang kamatayan.

Narekober sa kanyang pag-iingat ang isang kalibre 38 na baril, bala ng 9mm Microbike Motorcycle na may side car na kulay pula, sling bag, 24 piraso ng sachet ng hinihinalang shabu at mga drug paraphernalias. **GENE ADSUARA**