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CAVITE GOV'T BRINGS FREE MEDICAL SERVICES TO COMMUNITIES

TRECE MARTIRES CITY, Cavite (PIA) — Around 300 individuals benefited from free medical and dental services during the recent medical mission organized by the Cavite provincial government in Brgy. Navarro, City of General Trias.

According to the Cavite Provincial Information Office, 196 individuals received free medical consultations, while 107 people took advantage of dental check-ups and tooth extractions.

The event was made possible through the efforts of medical professionals from the General Emilio Aguinaldo Memorial Hospital (GEAMH) and the Office of the Provincial Health Officer, along with the support of the Cavite Dental Chapter, ensuring quality services for the community.

In addition to consultations, the medical team distributed free prescribed medications and multivitamins to the residents.

The Cavite PIO added that the collaborative effort

underscores the provincial government's commitment to providing accessible healthcare services and promoting a healthier community.

Meanwhile, in observance of World Tuberculosis Day, Barangay Tua in Magallanes served as the latest venue for the Department of Health's (DOH) PuroKalusugan services. This community-based initiative aims to deliver essential healthcare directly to underserved areas, ensuring that everyone has access to quality medical care.

A total of 137 residents benefited from various services offered by the PuroKalusugan initiative, such as chest X-ray screenings, HIV testing and counseling, and prenatal check-ups.

The initiative also focused on rabies prevention, providing anti-rabies vaccinations for pets and offering an educational Rabies Awareness Lecture to inform pet owners about responsible care and disease prevention. **(RBF/R. Tanael)**

P680K Worth of Shabu Seized in Bacoor

Camp BGen Pantaleon Garcia, City of Imus, Cavite — In line with the intensified campaign against illegal drugs, operatives of Bacoor Component City Police Station, Drug Enforcement Unit, successfully arrested a High-Value Individual (HVI) during a buy-bust operation at around 4:15 PM of April 9, 2025, in Latero, Brgy. San Nicolas 3, Bacoor City, Cavite.

PLTCOL JOHN PAOLO V CARRACEDO, COP, BACCOOR CCPS, identified the arrested suspect as alias "Mars", and a resident of 150 Gawaran Street, Brgy. Digman, Bacoor City, Cavite. The suspect was apprehended for violating Sections 5 and 11, Article II of Republic Act 9165 or the Comprehensive Dangerous Drugs Act of 2002.

The buy-bust operation was conducted with PDEA coordination which led to the seizure of the pieces of evidence three (3) pieces of heat-sealed transparent plastic sachets containing suspected shabu with an estimated weight of more or less 100 grams and a standard drug price of Php

680,000.00.

The operation was properly documented using an alternative recording device in compliance with standard protocols and to ensure transparency during the enforcement procedure.

The confiscated suspected illegal drugs will be forwarded to the Cavite Provincial Forensic Unit for confirmatory testing, while the suspect remains under the custody of Bacoor CPS pending the filing of appropriate charges.

PCOL DWIGHT E ALEGRE, Acting Provincial Director of Cavite PPO, lauded the efforts of Bacoor CPS and its Drug Enforcement Team. "This arrest of a high-value drug personality marks another milestone in our campaign against illegal drugs. Our men and women in uniform continue to perform their duties with utmost dedication. We are determined to rid our communities of drug offenders and urge the public to be our partners in this fight by reporting any illegal drug-related activities," PCOL ALEGRE emphasized.

Provincial-Level Most Wanted Person Arrested by Magallanes MPS

Camp BGen Pantaleon Garcia, City of Imus, Cavite — The relentless anti-criminality efforts of the Magallanes Municipal Police Station led to the successful arrest of a Provincial-Level Most Wanted Person at about 3:00 PM of April 9, 2025, in Barangay Ibayo Silangan, Naic, Cavite.

PMAJ RAYMOND T BALBUENA, Chief of Police, Magallanes Municipal Police Station, identified the arrested suspect as alias ROLLY, and a resident of Barangay Halang, Naic, Cavite.

The law enforcement operation was conducted by the team of Magallanes MPS, equipped with an Alternative Recording Device (ARD), in strict compliance with PNP operational procedures. The arrest was made by virtue of a Warrant of Arrest for Violation of Theft under Criminal Case No. AC-53-2022, issued by the Municipal Circuit Trial Court, Fourth Judicial Region, Alfonso-Gen. Aguinaldo, Cavite, dated August 8, 2023, with service of sentence.

The accused was properly apprised of his constitutional rights and the nature of his offense in a language known and understood by him. The use of ARD ensured the documentation of the arrest in lieu of a Body-Worn Camera.

This successful operation stands as a testament to the unwavering dedication of the Cavite Police in pursuing justice and maintaining public safety. The arrest of a wanted individual reaffirms our commitment to hold accountable those who have long evaded the law.

PCOL DWIGHT E ALEGRE, Acting Provincial Director, Cavite PPO, urges the community, "Patuloy na pinaigting ng ating mga kapulisan ang kaniyang pagtugis sa mga taong nagtatago sa batas. Nararapat lamang na makamit ng mga biktima ang nararapat na hustisya. Kaya't kami ay patuloy na humihingi ng tulong at suporta mula sa ating komunidad sapagkat sa Bagong Pilipinas, ang gusto ng pulis ligtas ka!"

Provincial-Level Most Wanted Person Arrested by Silang PNP

Camp BGen Pantaleon Garcia, City of Imus, Cavite—The relentless campaign of the Cavite Police against wanted persons has led to the successful arrest of Most Wanted Person – Provincial Level, at about 5:00 PM of April 04, 2025 in Barangay Malaking Tatiao Silang, Cavite.

PLTCOL LOUIE DC GONZAGA, COP SILANG MPS, identified the suspect as alias Warren and presently residing at Barangay Malaking Tatiao Silang, Cavite.

Personnel from the warrant section of the Silang Municipal Police Station, conducted police operation (with the use of alternative recording device) Against Most Wanted Person which resulted in the arrest of the accused by virtue of

Warrant of Arrest issued by Regional Trial Court Branch 134 Tagaytay City, Cavite, for the VIOLATION OF SECTION 5 ARTICLE II R.A 9165 CONVICTED BY REASON OF HIS OWN OFFENSE OF VIOLATION OF SECTION 12 ART. II OF R.A 9165-VIOLATION OF PROBATION under criminal case number 17-877 (AS) dated December 09, 2024, SERVICE OF SENTENCE.

The accused was currently detained at Silang Municipal Custodial Facility.

This arrest highlights the unwavering commitment of the Cavite Police to ensuring justice and security in the province. We reaffirm our dedication to tracking down and arresting fugitives to uphold the rule of law.

Two High-Value Drug Suspects Nabbed in Cardona Buy-Bust; Over P1.2M Worth of Shabu Seized

Camp BGen Vicente P Lim - Two High-Value Individual identified as aliases Niño and Arman, were arrested and ₱1,212,372.00 worth of shabu were seized in a successful buy-bust operation conducted by the Cardona Municipal Police Station's Drug Enforcement Team at around 5:15 PM on April 9, 2025, in Sitio Ampucao, Brgy. Iglesia, Cardona, Rizal.

Based on report, the operation was carried out after receiving information from a concerned citizen through a cellphone call, reporting the selling of illegal drugs (shabu) in Sitio Ampucao, Brgy. Iglesia, Cardona, Rizal.

During said operation, 3 pieces of heat-sealed sachets containing suspected shabu weighing 178.29 grams with standard drug price of Php 1, 212, 372.00, a caliber .45 pistol with serial no. 202752 loaded with 4 live ammunitions, a gray Toyota Corolla with Plate No. PMN449, a navy-blue Euro motorcycle with Plate No. 497XOC, a green sling bag and marked money were recovered from the arrested suspects possession.

The operation was documented using two (2) Alternative Recording Devices (ARD).

The suspects, along with the confiscated pieces of evidence, were immediately brought to the Rizal Provincial Forensic Unit in Hilltop, Taytay, Rizal for appropriate laboratory examination and drug testing. Upon completion of the forensic procedures, the suspects were turned over and are now under the custody of the Cardona MPS Custodial Facility.

"This operation highlights our continued dedication to the fight against illegal drugs. We commend the cooperation of the community and the swift action of our personnel. Let this serve as a warning that we will not tolerate any form of drug activity in the region," said PGen Paul Kenneth T Lucas, Regional Director of PRO CALABARZON.

Charges for violation of Republic Act 9165 (Comprehensive Dangerous Drugs Act), RA 10591 (Illegal Possession of Firearms), and the Omnibus Election Code (Gun Ban) are being prepared against the arrested individuals. **(RPIO4A)**

Cavite Police Ops Nets Regional Most Wanted Person in Drug Case

Camp BGen Vicente P. Lim – Warrant Section and personnel of Sector 3 of the Silang Municipal Police Station successfully arrested a Regional Most Wanted Person during a police operation on April 9, 2025, 1:30 PM, in Barangay Pasong Langka, Silang, Cavite.

Authorities identified the arrested suspect as alias "Joel." The arrest was made by virtue of a Warrant of Arrest for violation of the Comprehensive Dangerous Drugs Act of 2002 - Possession of Dangerous Drugs (R.A. 9165, Article II, Section 11) under Criminal Case Number TG-21-750 (AS). The warrant was issued by the Honorable Gian Enrico Cammayo Navarro, Presiding Judge of the Regional Trial Court, Branch 133, Tagaytay City, Cavite, dated March 21, 2025, with no bail

recommended.

Regional Director PBGEN Paul Kenneth T. Lucas commended the success of the operation, highlighting the crucial role of collaboration in tackling criminal activity.

"This arrest serves as a testament to the dedication of our police force in pursuing wanted individuals and dismantling illegal activities that threaten the peace and order in our region. Rest assured that PRO CALABARZON, in partnership with our communities, will continue to work tirelessly in safeguarding the security and well-being of our citizens," he said.

Meanwhile, the arrested individual is currently detained at the custodial facility of Silang MPS and will be returned to the court of origin for proper disposition. **(RPIO4A)**

**BANTA NI ENRILE NA BABAWASAN
ANG PREBELEHIYO PARA MGA OFW,
HINDI IKINATUWA NG PINOY WORKERS**

Mariing kinondena ng AKO-OFW Partylist ang ginawang pagbabanta ni Chief Presidential Legal Counsel Juan Ponce Enrile matapos nitong sabihin na babawasan ang prebelehiyo ng mga overseas filipino worker (OFW).

Ito'y kasunod ng isasagawang 'zero remittance week' ng mga OFW bilang pag-suporta kay dating pangulong Rodrigo Roa Duterte. Ayon kay AKO-OFW nominee Joseph Rivera, hindi katanggap-tanggap at kagaspangan ng kapangyarihan kung mangyaring ganoon ang gawin ng pamahalaan para sa mga sinasabing 'bagong bayani' ng bansa.

Binigyang diin ni Rivera na ang pagtigil ng remittances ay isang ligal at hindi marahas na pagpapahayag ng mga paniniwala sa pulitika ng mga OFW, tulad

ng isang nationwide strike. Aniya, hindi dapat gamitin ng gobyerno ang Kongreso bilang isang sandata para sa pampulitikang paghihiganti laban sa mga migrant wokrsers at sa kanilang mga karapatan. Aminado si Rivera na malaking bahagi ng paglago sa ekonomiya ng Pilipinas ay dahil sa pamamagitan ng kanilang mga remittances o pinapadala.

Noong 2022, ang mga padala ng mga OFW ay umabot sa \$32.54 bilyon, na kumakatawan sa humigit-kumulang 9-10% ng Gross Domestic Product (GDP) ng Pilipinas. Ang pahayag ni Rivera ay tumalakay sa kahalagahan ng pagprotekta sa mga karapatan at kapakanan ng OFWs na may mahalagang papel sa paglago at pag-unlad ng ekonomiya ng bansa.

**KINIDNAP SA MAKATI,
INIWAN SA CAVITE**

ISANG babae na kinidnap sa Makati City ang umano'y iniwan sa Amadeo, Cavite. Ayon sa report ng Amadeo MPS, nakatanggap sila ng tawag mula sa Tagaytay Component City Police Station na isang biktima ng kidnapping na naganap sa Makati City ang iniwan sa harapan ng gasoline station sa Bgy Banay-banay, Amadeo bandang

alas-8:00 ng gabi. Agad na rumespode ang Amadeo MPS kung saan kinuha ang biktima na si alyas Jesan sa harapan ng Petron gasoline station sa nasabing barangay. Nakipag-ugnayan ang Amadeo MPS sa Makati City Police sa pag-turn over sa biktima. **(Gene Adsuara)**

Mga baril, bala; nasamsam

IBA'T IBANG kalibre ng baril at mga bala ang nasamsam sa isang lalaki sa isinagawang buy bust operation sa Bacoor City, Cavite.

Kasong paglabag sa RA 10591 o Comprehensive Firearms and Ammunition Regulation Act at Omnibus Election Code o Gun ban ang kinaharap ng naarestong suspek na si alyas Jay.

Sa ulat, bandang alas-4:00 ng hapon ay nagsagawa ng buy bust operation ang mga operatiba ng RID4A Special Team, TSC RMFB4A at Bacoor Component City Police Station (CCPS) sa Brgy Molino 2 Bacoor City na nagresulta sa pagkakakumpiska ng mga baril at mga bala. Kabilang sa mga nakumpiska ang isang

pirasong KG9 long firearms na may marking na ABJ-BB, tatlong pirasong KG9 Long firearms na may marking ABJ-3, ABJ-4 at ABJ-5, dalawang pirasong AR15 Long firearms na may marking na ABJ-1 at ABJ-2, isang pirasong kalibre 45 pistol na may marking na ABJ-S1, isang pirasong kalibre 22 pistol na may marking na ABJ-22 at pawang walang mga serial number, 6 na pirasong 9mm double magazine, anim na pirasong 9mm long double magazine, isang pirasong lower frame ng kalibre 45, tatlong piraso magazine ng kalibre 45, isang box caliber live ammunition, isang ziplock plastic bag ng 9mm live ammunitions at buy bust money. **(Gene Adsuara)**

4 nasa listahan ng SLI, tiklo sa P272K halaga ng 'bato'

TINATAYANG mahigit sa P270K halaga ng hinihinalang shabu ang nasamsam sa pagkakaaresto sa apat na tulak na pawang nasa listahan ng Street Level Individual (SLI) sa isinagawang magkahiwalay na buy bust operation sa Bacoor City, Cavite.

Kinilala ang mga naaresto sa mga alyas na Jokjok, Hajie, Jayson, at Jemer. Sa ulat, bandang alas-11:00 ng gabi ay nagsagawa ng buy bust operation ang mga operatiba ng Bacoor Component City Police Station (CCPS) sa Brgy Panapaan 4, na nagresulta sa pagkakaaresto kina Jokjok, Hajie at Jayson. Narekober sa kanila ang humigit kumulang 15

gramo ng hinihinalang shabu na may Standard Drug Price na P102,000.00 at buy bust money. Makalipas lamang ng ilang oras ay muling nagsagawa ng buy bust operation ang Drug Enforcement Unit ng Bacoor CCPS sa Brgy Maliksi bandang alas-2:30 ng madaling araw na nagresulta sa pagkakaaresto kay Jemer at nasamsam ang humigit kumulang na 25 gramo ng hinihinalang shabu na may standard drug price na P170,000.00 at buy bust money. Sa kabuuan ay tinatayang P272,000.00 halaga ng shabu ang nasamsam sa magkasunod na buy bust operation. **(Gene Adsuara)**

Obrero, arestado sa panghoholdap

ARESTADO ang obrero na nangholdap ng customer service representative sa Bacoor City, Cavite. Nakakulong sa Custodial Facility ng Bacoor Component City Police (CPS) ang suspek na si alyas Ceven, 23, at tubong Tangub City, Misamis Occidental dahil sa rklamo ni alyas Audre, 26, at ng Soldiers 4, Brgy Molino 6, Bacoor City. Sa reklamo ng biktima, nag-aabang siya ng masasakyang tricycle sa Brgy Molino 6, Bacoor City

bandang alas-11:00 ng gabi. Nilapitan lapitan siya ng suspek na naglabas ng patalim at pagkatutok ay nagsabing "akina ang bag mo." Kasabay nito ay tinakpan ng suspek ang bibig ng biktima at hinablot ang dalang bag na may laman na cellphone at P250. Humingi ng saklo ang biktima sa barangay tanod na nagresulta sa pagkakaaresto sa suspek. **(Gene Adsuara)**

Basag-kotse, nakaw 'lakad' ng riding in tandem

RIDING in tandem na hinihinalang mga miyembro ng basag-koste ang tumangay ng P300K cash, baril at mga ATM card sa nakaparadang sasakyan sa harapan ng sabungan sa Kawit, Cavite. Inilarawan ang mga suspek na magkaangkas sa puti na scooter na tumakas sa direksiyon ng Toclong sa Kawit.

Sa reklamo ni biktima na si Arturo Dianang Jr., ipinarada niya ang Toyota Hi Lux Conquest pick up na may plakang DAZ 3581 sa parking area ng Kawit Multi-Purpose Amusement Arena sa Toclong San Sebastian Road Brgy San Sebastian, Kawit bandang alas-3:40 ng hapon upang magsabong o derby. Pagbalik niya bandang

alas-9:00 ng gabi ay basag na ang salamin sa passenger side at nawawala ang kanyang sling bag na naglalaman ng iba't ibang ATM cards, divers license, dalawang baril, ID at cash na nagkakahalaga na P300,000.00 Base sa CCTV footage ng sabungan, bandang alas-7:40 ng gabi ay dalawang lalaki na magkaangkas sa motorsiklo ang tumigil sa tabi ng sasakyan ng biktima. Ang angkas ng motorsiklo ay tumabi sa passenger side habang ang driver ay nakatigil sa harapan ng sasakyan ng biktima at nakalipas ang ilang minuto ay tumakas ang mga suspek sa direksiyon ng Toclong. **(Gene Adsuara)**

Editorial

Babalik bang muli o hindi na?

HALOS nasa kalagitnaan ng termino ni dating Pangulong Rodrigo Roa Duterte kumalas ang Pilipinas mula sa International Criminal Court. Batay sa tagapagsalita ng ICC na si Dr. Fadi El Abdallah, sa kasalukuyan ay wala naman ano mang natatanggag na impormasyon ang international tribunal mula sa ating gobyerno hinggil dito. Gayunman ay welcome o malugod na tatanggapin ng ICC sakaling magpapasya ang ating pamahalaan para sa muling pagbabalik. Matatandaan na noong Nobyembre ng nakaraang taon ay nabanggit ni Pangulong Ferdinand 'Bongbong' Marcos Jr. na masusi ang pag-aaral ng ating gobyerno sa naturang usapin. Mayroon ding resolusyon noon na inihain sa Kongreso hinggil sa panghihikayat kay Pangulong Marcos na kahit kumalas na ang Pilipinas sa ICC ay kailangan pa ring makipagtulungan ang ating gobyerno. Kung magkakaroon ng kapasyahan parasamuling pagbabalikay nangangahulugan na sasailalim uli ang Pilipinas sa kapangyarihan at tungkulin ng ICC. Ang bawat pagpapasya sa ano mang aspeto o kahit sa usaping ito ay dapat ikonsidera ang dalawang bagay o katanungan na higit bang mananaig ang tama kaysa sa mali.

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AFP, COMELEC, and PNP intensify security measures for 2025 Midterm Elections with MOA signing

CAMP AGUINALDO, Quezon City— The Armed Forces of the Philippines (AFP), Commission on Elections (COMELEC), and the Philippine National Police (PNP) heightened their commitment to ensuring a safe, secure, and orderly election process for the upcoming 2025 Midterm Elections with the Memorandum of Agreement signing on April 4 at the Chairman's Hall, Palacio del Gobernador, Intramuros, Manila. The event was led by COMELEC Chairperson George Erwin Garcia; LtGen Jimmy DLarida, Vice Chief of Staff of the AFP, representing AFP Chief of Staff, General Romeo S Brawner Jr.; and Philippine National Police (PNP) Chief, PGen Rommel D Marbil. Together, they outlined the government's comprehensive security

measures to safeguard the electoral process and ensure the integrity of the elections.

In his address, LtGen Larida emphasized the AFP's commitment as it stands ready to carry out its mandate with dedication, impartiality, and unwavering adherence to the Constitution in support to the integrity of the electoral process.

"Today, we reaffirm the strong partnership between the AFP and COMELEC in safeguarding the sanctity of our democratic process," LtGen Larida said. "As stipulated in this agreement, the AFP is committed to ensuring that the 2025 national and local elections are conducted in a free, orderly, honest, peaceful, and credible manner in adherence to the Constitution." (AFP)

PBBM launches job fair in Antipolo City

President Ferdinand R. Marcos Jr. led the launching of a job fair in Antipolo City on Friday for beneficiaries of government aid programs. During the launching of the "Trabaho at Serbisyon Pangkalusugan sa Bagong Pilipinas," the President said the job fair was meant to employ 2,000 beneficiaries of the Assistance to Individuals in Crisis Situations (AICS), who are also graduating the Pantawid Pamilyang Pilipino Program (4Ps). The government agencies participating in the job fair were the Department of Labor and Employment (DOLE) and the Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD). "Kaya po lahat po ng departamento, lahat po ng ahensya ay sinasama po namin sa lahat ng mga programa na ganito," President Marcos said during the launching of the job fair. "Kaya po 'yan po ang patuloy naming ginagawa.

At hindi lang po namin ginagawa rito sa Rizal, kundi sa lahat ng iba't ibang lugar sa buong Pilipinas," he said.

A centralized hub of government agencies called "one-stop shop" was established to provide job seekers with the necessary documentary requirements for job applicants.

Among the government agencies included in the one-stop-shop were the Social Security System (SSS), Pag-IBIG Fund, Philippine Health Insurance Corporation (PhilHealth), and the Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA).

Ten local employers offered over 700 jobs in various sectors, including administrative and support services, manufacturing, wholesale and retail trade, and financial insurance.

The event's medical missions provided free services such as ECG, X-ray, consultations, laboratory, and free anti-dengue vaccinations and medicines.

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PBBM: Support for law enforcers, Filipino people key to lasting peace

President Ferdinand R. Marcos Jr. said the government's unwavering support for soldiers, law enforcers, and the people is vital to achieving lasting peace in the Philippines.

"May tamang paraan para tiyakin ang kapayapaan. 'Yan po ay tuluyang pagsuporta sa ating mga

kababayan, sa ating mga law enforcements, sa ating mga sundalo, sa atin pong lahat po na nagserebisyo sa tao," President Marcos said.

The President spoke during the Alyansa campaign rally in Antipolo on Friday. He said continued development can be

sustained by a system that upholds and protects the people's rights, not through bloodbaths and violence.

"Sa laban naman kontra sa krimen at sa droga, wala po sa amin ang naniniwala na kailangan pong pumatay ng libo-libo na Pilipino para lutasin ang problema na 'yan. Ang kailangan po ay dapat po tulungan po natin ang ating mga kapulisan, suportahan po natin, suportahan po natin ang ating mga LGU," President Marcos said.

"Yan po ang solusyon. Hindi and karahasan na nakita natin na dapat ay huwag natin uulitin at Hindi naman kailangang gawin. May paraan po para matuklasan natin o mabigyan natin ng solusyon ang problema sa kontra droga, ang problema sa krimen. 'Yan po ay ang aming paniniwala, 'yan po ang aming ipaglalaban," he added.

On the economy, | PND

PBBM endorses 'experiential tourism' through Filipino delicacies

President Ferdinand R. Marcos Jr. encouraged local and foreign tourists to enjoy "experiential tourism" by sampling diverse delicacies as they explored various country regions.

President Marcos made the pitch during the Filipino Food Month (FFM) or Buwan ng Kalutong Pilipino National Kick-Off Celebration in Quezon province on Friday.

Speaking during the event at the Quezon Provincial Capitol Grounds in Lucena City, the President explained how Filipino cuisine has evolved throughout the country's history.

"Sa pagdiriwang ng Buwan ng Kalutong Pilipino, ginugunita natin ang ating mga kusina bilang santuwaryo ng ating kasaysayan, ng ating kultura, at pagkatao bilang Pilipino," he said.

government has recorded 351 applicants hired on the spot, including over 250 beneficiaries of the 4Ps program. This figure is based on eight organized Trabaho sa Bagong Pilipinas events.

Between July 2022 and January 2025, the government organized over 4,000 job fairs nationwide, resulting in more than 160,000 people hired on the spot.

President Marcos thanked national agencies, the local government of Antipolo, and the private sector for participating in the job fair.

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The President said of the Filipino Food Month: "Ipinagdiriwang natin ang linamnam ng ating mga putahe at ang lalim ng ating kakayahan bilang isang bayan."

"Mahalaga ang lahat ng ito sa ating isinusulong na tinatawag na experiential tourism," he also said.

The President noted that most tourists seek more than just relaxing on the beach; they desire joyful and enriching activities rather than merely sightseeing.

"Napakalaking halaga na ipakilala natin ang pagkaing Pilipino. Dahil kapag nakakain na ang isang dayuhan nang masarap, kahit ano man na klaseng Filipino food, basta't natikman na niya, malaki na ang kanyang pag-unawa sa kultura ng Pilipino" he said.

The President stated that tasting regional delicacies is the quickest way to appreciate Filipino culture and discover the culinary skills of Filipinos in creating delicious dishes.

He specifically cited Ilocos region's "bagnet", Pampanga's "sisig", Cebu's "lechon", Quezon's "pancit habhab," Bicol region's "laing", Lucban's "longganisa," and Mindanao's "piyanggang manok."

The President shared that he, too, sampled "pancit habhab" before inaugurating the Filipino Food Month.

"At siyempre po, dito naman sa Quezon -

President Marcos said the government will not allow a return to the era when illegal gambling flourished in the Philippines, mainly through Philippine Offshore Gaming Operators (POGOs).

He said employment opportunities, livelihood programs, and government support for the Filipino people are the genuine solutions to economic challenges.

Bagong Pilipinas Para sa Bagong Pilipino Citizens Movement Youth Representative Hanna Lane Garcia supported the President's call to back the Alyansa slate fully.

"We defer to his wisdom in his choices of these candidates," Garcia said.

"We realize that the President needs all the support that he needs in the Senate for his program in next three years, the Bagong Pilipino Para sa Bagong Pilipinas Citizens Movement is here to give full support to him and his administration," she added.

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EXTRA-JUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF REAL PROPERTY WITH DEED OF ABSOLUTE SALE

NOTICE is hereby given that the estate of the late **NAPOLEON RAMOS, REMEDIOS R. RAMOS and RINAR R. RAMOS** who died on April 07, 1980, July 20, 1996, January 20, 2004 at Manila and Cavite left no will and testament covering a parcel of land located at Brgy. Talon, Municipality of Amadeo, Province of Cavite, more particularly described as follows:

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"A parcel of land, Lot 968, Case 1, Cad-482-D; Amadeo Cadastral Mapping Project, situated in the Barrio of Talon Municipality of Amadeo, Province of Cavite containign an area of **SEVEN THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED ELEVEN (7,711) Square Meters**" was extrajudicially settled by the legitimate heirs, executed before Notary Public Atty. Cherrie B. Belmonte-Lim as per Doc No. 223; Page No. 49; Book No. LXIV; Series of 2025.

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natikman po natin kanina ang pancit habhab—pansit na kinakamay at kinakain na diretso mula sa sariwang dahon ng saging. Mas lalo pa sumasarap ito 'pag nilagyan pa natin ng topping ng ano pa? Longganisang Lucban na may tamang asim at masarap na bawang," the President said.

"Mga kababayan, sa pamamagitan ng ating mga pagkain, matutuklasan natin ang ating pagka-

Pilipino—malikhain, matatag, at may malasakit sa kapwa," he added.

Presidential Proclamation No. 469 designates every April as FFM to conserve, promote, and popularize Filipino cuisine as a national culinary heritage.

The month-long celebration includes activities like the KAINCON Filipino Food Conference and the AngSarap! Philippine Food Festival and other events. |

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TANZA POLICE SEIZE PHP122.4K WORTH OF SHABU, ARRESTED TWO STREET LEVEL DRUG SUSPECTS IN A BUY BUST OPS

Camp BGen Pantaleon Garcia, City of Imus, Cavite – In a relentless campaign to combat illegal drugs in the province, the Tanza Municipal Police Station arrested a two street level individuals during a buy-bust operation conducted on 9:30 PM of April 8, 2025, in Brgy. Amaya 1, Tanza, Cavite. PLTCOL AL-RIEZA S KINANG, OIC TANZA MPS, identified the suspects as Jela and Matthew, both residents of Barangay Amaya 1, Tanza, Cavite. They were apprehended for Violations of Sec 5 & 11 and 26 Art II of RA 9165.. During the operation, personnel of Tanza MPS seized a total of more or less 18 grams of suspected shabu with a standard drug price of Php 122,400.00. The recovered pieces of evidence include five (5) pcs heat-sealed transparent plastic sachet containing suspected shabu with an estimated weight of more or less 18 grams with a standard drug price of Php122,400.00. The said operation was conducted using an alternative recording device. The entire operation was documented using an

Regional-Level Most Wanted Person Arrested by Kawit PNP

Camp BGen Pantaleon Garcia, City of Imus, Cavite—The relentless campaign of the Kawit Police against wanted persons has led to the successful arrest of Most Wanted Person – Regional Level, at about 11:50 AM of April 8, 2025, in Barangay Batong Dalig, Kawit, Cavite. PLTCOL Socrates S Jaca, OIC, Kawit Municipal Police Station, identified the suspect as alias Nolexander and presently residing in Barangay Timalan, Naic, Cavite. Personnel from the warrant section of Kawit Municipal Police Station, conducted a law enforcement operation targeting the Regional Most Wanted Person that resulted in the arrest of

alternative recording device to ensure transparency and adherence to proper protocols. According to initial report, the suspects will be facing criminal charges in violation of the pertinent provisions of RA 9165. The confiscated suspected illegal drugs will be forwarded to the Cavite Provincial Forensic Unit for confirmatory testing, while the suspects remains in the custody of Tanza MPS.. PCOL DWIGHT E ALEGRE, Acting Provincial Director of the Cavite PPO commended the dedicated efforts of the Tanza MPS and the entire Drug Enforcement Team for their steadfast commitment to eradicate illegal drugs. "This successful operation is a testament to our form resolve in combating illegal drugs. We will continue to intensify our anti-illegal drug operations to safeguard our communities and ensure a drug-free Cavite. We urge the public to remain vigilant and work closely with law enforcement agencies in reporting suspicious activities that threaten peace and order," the PCOL ALEGRE stated.

the accused by virtue of a warrant issued and signed by the presiding judge of Regional Trial Court, Fourth Judicial Region, Branch 123, Imus City, Cavite, for violation of Section 5 and 11 Article II of RA 9165 docketed under Criminal Case Nos. 27064-23 and 27066-23 dated March 3, 2025, with no bail recommended. The police operation was executed in adherence to standard protocols, including the use of an Alternative Recording Device (ARD) in the absence of a Body-Worn Camera (BWC). Furthermore, the accused was informed of his constitutional rights in a language he understands. This arrest highlights the

Inflation Rate recorded at 1.8 percent in CALABARZON for the month of March 2025

[Lipa City, Batangas] – The Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA) CALABARZON reported the March 2025 inflation in the region via hybrid press conference on 08 April 2025. Regional Director Charito C. Armonia announced that the prices of commodities in the region increased by 1.8 percent, lower than the 2.1 percent rise in prices observed in February. Lower increase in prices for Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages commodity group averaging at 3.6 percent compared to the previous month's rate of 4.0 percent contributed to the deceleration in the overall inflation rate (IR). In addition, Transport and Restaurants and accommodation services commodity groups contributed to the decrease in overall IR, with recorded IR of -1.0 and 2.3 percent, respectively. Likewise, lower increase in

prices of commodities were recorded in all provinces and one highly urbanized city of the region. Quezon posted the highest inflation of 3.4 percent, from 4.3 percent inflation in February 2025. Laguna posted an IR of 2.2 percent, from 2.3 percent in February; City of Lucena at 2.0 percent, from 2.6 percent in February; Rizal at 2.1 percent, from 2.3 percent in February; Batangas at 1.2 percent, from 1.7 percent in February. Cavite posted the lowest inflation of 1.1 percent, from 1.4 percent in February. The PSA will continue to closely monitor regional inflation patterns throughout the year, providing monthly reports to the public. For more information and inquiries on the results, visit <https://rso04a.psa.gov.ph>.

Regional Level Most Wanted Person Arrested by Carmona PNP

Camp BGen Pantaleon Garcia, City of Imus, Cavite—The warrant personnel of the Carmona Component City Police Station arrested the Regional Level Most Wanted Person on April 8, 2025, in Brgy. Bancal, Carmona City, Cavite. According to the report of PLTCOL Jack E Angog, ACOP, Carmona CCPS, identified the suspect as alias "Joebert," 24 years old, and a resident of Brgy. Anahaw 2, Silang, Cavite. The arrest was made by virtue of a warrant of arrest for the crime of Statutory Rape with Criminal Case number CRM-2025-119. The Warrant of Arrest issued and signed by Hon.

unwavering commitment of the Cavite Police to ensuring justice and security in the province. We reaffirm our dedication to tracking down and arresting fugitives to uphold the rule of law.

Niven Redillas Canlapan, Presiding Judge, Regional Trial Court, Carmona City, Cavite, dated March 24, 2025 with no recommended bail. The accused is currently detained at the Custodial Facility of Carmona CCPS. This successful operation underscores the police force's dedication to maintaining law and order and reinforces their commitment to the safety and security of the community. PCOL DWIGHT E ALEGRE, Acting Provincial Director, Cavite PPO, urges the community, "Patuloy na pinaigting ng ating mga kapulisan ang kanilang pagtugis sa mga taong nagtatago sa batas. Nararapat lamang na makamit ng mga biktima ang nararapat na hustisya. Kaya't kami ay patuloy na humihingi ng tulong at suporta mula sa ating komunidad sapagkat sa Bagong Pilipinas, ang gusto ng pulis ligtas ka!"

Regional-Level Most Wanted Person Arrested by Trece Martires PNP

Camp BGen Pantaleon Garcia, City of Imus, Cavite—The relentless campaign of the Trece Martires Police against wanted persons has led to the successful arrest of Most Wanted Person – Regional Level, at about 3:55 PM of April 8, 2025, in Barangay Tiwi, Barotac Nuevo, Iloilo. PLTCOL Orlando A Carag JR, ACOP, Trece Martires Component City Police Station, identified the suspect as alias Raffy and presently residing in Barangay Tiwi, Barotac Nuevo, Iloilo. Personnel from the CIDG Iloilo CFU (lead unit), together with the warrant section of Trece Martires Component City Police Station, conducted a law enforcement operation targeting the Regional Most Wanted Person that resulted in the arrest of the accused by virtue of three (3) warrants of arrest for violation of Section 5, Article 2 of R.A. 9165 with criminal case no. TMCR-818-14, no bail recommended; Section 12, Article 2 of R.A.9165 with criminal case no. TMCR-819-14, bail recommended of Php40,000.00, and Illegal Possession of Firearm with Ammunitions (R.A. 10591) with criminal case no. TMCR-820-14, bail recommended of Php200,000.00, issued and

signed by the assisting judge, Regional Trial Court, Branch 23, Fourth Judicial Region, Trece Martires City, Cavite, dated December 5, 2014. The arrested accused was informed of the nature of his offense and apprised of his constitutional rights and the Anti-Torture Warning Act in a dialect known by him. An Alternative Recording Device (ARD) and SJCAM were properly used during the service of the warrant of arrest. The arrested accused was brought and detained at the CIDG ICFU Office at Barangay De Leon Oñate, Mandurriao District, Iloilo City, for documentation and proper disposition. The police operation was executed in adherence to standard protocols, including the use of an Alternative Recording Device (ARD) in the absence of a Body-Worn Camera (BWC). Furthermore, the accused was informed of his constitutional rights in a language he understands. This arrest highlights the unwavering commitment of the Cavite Police to ensuring justice and security in the province. We reaffirm our dedication to tracking down and arresting fugitives to uphold the rule of law.

Most Wanted Person Regional Level Arrested by Magallanes PNP

Camp BGen Pantaleon Garcia, City of Imus, Cavite — The personnel of Magallanes Municipal Police Station (lead unit), together with the personnel of Lubang MPS, successfully apprehended a Most Wanted Person Regional Level on April 06, 2025 at about 09:30 AM in Brgy. Araw at Bituin, Lubang, Occidental Mindoro. PMAJ Raymond T Balbuena COP, Magallanes MPS, identified the accused as alias Michael, 22 years old and presently residing in Brgy. Kanluran, Looc, Occidental, Mindoro. The personnel of Magallanes Municipal Police Station (lead unit), together with the personnel of Lubang MPS, conducted a joint operation against a Most Wanted Person Regional Level, which resulted in the arrest of the accused for the Crime of Rape Under ART. 266-A PAR.1 (A) of the RPC as Amended by RA No. 8353 under Criminal Case NO.

NC-203-23 issued by Hon. Lario C Castigador Acting Presiding Judge, RTC, Fourth Judicial Region, Branch 15, Naic, Cavite, dated March 20, 2023 with no bail recommended. The arrested person is now under temporary custody of Lubang MPS. Said operation was recorded thru Alternative Recording Device.. The Cavite PPO commends its officers for their dedication and hard work in enforcing the law and ensuring the safety and security of the community. We assure the public that the Cavite PNP remains steadfast in its mission to uphold justice and safeguard the well-being of every Caviteño. We always count on your support and active participation in ensuring a safe and secure environment for everyone. Together, let us work hand in hand to build a community rooted in trust and mutual respect.

NHA sa ika-50 anibersaryo ngayong Hulyo 31

Sinabi ni Joeben A. Tai, General Manager ng National Housing Authority (NHA) na ang ika-50 Charter Anniversary ng NHA ay gaganapin sa Hulyo 31, 2025. Ang unang charter ng NHA ay mag-e-expire sa araw na iyon. Makaraang ganapin sa Pandesal Forum sa Kamuning Bakery Cafe na pinangasiwaan ni Wilson Lee Flores, nagpasalamat si Tai sa Kamara de Representantes at sa Senado ng Pilipinas sa pamamagitan ni Senador Cynthia Villar.

Sinabi ni Tai na "ang bagong Charter ng NHA ay naaprubahan, na may P10

bilyong capital infusion para sa 2025 budget." Ito ay para sa lagda ni Pangulong Ferdinand R. Marcos, Jr. I'm 100% sure na si Pangulong Marcos ang pipirmahan niyan."

"Nais naming matugunan ang maraming benepisyaryo hangga't maaari ng P33 bawat kilo ng bigas sa iba't ibang NHA housing at resettlement sites," sabi ni Tai.

Ang NHA ay may 1.2 milyong benepisyaryo sa buong bansa, ngunit karamihan sa mga proyekto ay nasa Region 3 (Central Luzon) at Region 4 (Southern Luzon Region). Sinabi ni Tai na ang 1.2 milyon ay para sa buong

pag-iral ng NHA sa nakalipas na 50 taon. "Ang aming mandato ay magbigay ng mga yunit ng pabahay para sa pinakamahihirap sa mga mahihirap, na may 500,000 sa mga benepisyaryo ay mga informal settler family," sabi ni Tai.

Ang housing unit ay hindi maaaring upahan o ibenta kung ang 20 taon o 30 taon na amortization ay hindi pa natapos, kung hindi, ang housing unit ay kanselahin at ibebenta sa iba pang kwalipikadong benepisyaryo.

Ipagpapatuloy ng NHA ang kasalukuyan na proyekto sa pabahay. Sinabi ni Tai "Nais talaga ng Pangulo na mapabuti ang buhay ng bawat Pilipino sa pamamagitan ng "whole of government approach" sa pamamagitan ng 'People's Caravan' at iba pang aktibidad." "Isang buong diskarte ng gobyerno. Nais naming tulungan ang aming mga kababayan upang ang interes at parusa ay mas malaki kaysa sa prinsipal," sabi ni Tai.

Gumawa ng "bold move" ang NHA sa pamamagitan ng P3.7 bilyon na kabuuang halaga ng condonation, kasama na ang interes at penalties, upang ang mga benepisyaryo ay magkaroon ng titulo para sa housing unit na maibibigay nila sa susunod na henerasyon.



NHA GENERAL MANAGER JOEBEN TAI AND WILSON LEE FLORES ANG kaganapang pagtalakay kaugnay ng bagong Charter ng NHA ay naaprubahan na may P10 bilyong capital infusion para sa 2025 budget. "maging ang may P33 bawat kilo ng bigas sa iba't ibang NHA housing at resettlement sites," ay naging tampok na usapan sa pangunguna ni Joeben A. Tai, General Manager National Housing Authority (NHA) na pinangasiwaan ni Wilson Lee Flores ang ginanap Pandesal Forum sa Kamuning Bakery Cafe. (REY NILLAMA)

DOST scholarship in Central Visayas turns dreams into reality

Growing up in a low-income family, 23-year-old Danica Carreon thought she would never achieve her dream of becoming an engineer.

But, thanks to the scholarship offered by the Department of Science and Technology (DOST), Carreon was able to pursue a degree in civil engineering.

"The DOST scholarship changed my life in ways I never imagined. Coming from a low-income family, I once thought that pursuing a degree in civil engineering would be out of reach," shared Carreon.

Now working as a project engineer for a private firm in Cebu City, Carreon attributes to DOST her chance at a better life.

"When I became a DOST scholar, it was as if a door to my dreams had finally opened. It wasn't just financial aid, it was hope. It gave me the freedom to focus on my studies without constantly worrying about financial needs," Carreon said.

Scholarship promotion Central Visayas is one of the regions in the country with a high number of DOST

scholarship passers or qualifiers.

"Daghan gyud ta'g mga passers, qualifiers kay ato pu'ng gibuhay, gi-intensify pud nato ang promotion. Ang ato gyung mga scholarship personnel nanuroy gyud sila sa lain-lain municipalities," Abando said.

(We have a lot of passers, qualifiers because that's what we're doing, we've also intensified the promotion. Our scholarship personnel have been going around the municipalities.)

Abando said they aim to have scholars in each local government unit.

"Ang ato man gyud target na dapat kada municipality naa gyu'y scholars," he said.

(Our target is that every municipality should have scholars.)

DOST in Central Visayas has partnered with state universities in the region in promoting the scholarship, especially those offering secondary education.

There are a total of 2,527 DOST undergraduate scholars as of December 2024, while 1,848 new incoming scholars passed the examination in

2024. For the school year 2024 to 2025, there were a total of 966 DOST scholars who graduated.

DOST scholars are required to maintain their grades up to at least 80 percent rate. If the scholars are unable to accomplish this, their scholarship can potentially be terminated.

However, Abando said scholarship termination in Central Visayas remains low. DOST scholarship benefits include a monthly living allowance of P8,000 and P40,000 per academic year for tuition and other school fees.

Scholars also receive a book allowance at P10,000 per year, clothing allowance for 1st semester of First Year only at P1,000, thesis allowance at P10,000, group health and accident insurance and transportation allowance for those studying out of their home province, among others. For the full list of DOST scholarship benefits and the various scholarships offered by DOST, visit <https://www.dost.gov.ph/products-and-services/s-t-scholarships>.html. (JTT/PIA7)

DOST chief calls for collective action in leveraging technology for public safety

EL SALVADOR CITY, Misamis Oriental (PIA) –

Science and Technology (DOST) Secretary Renato U. Solidum, Jr. called for collective action in using advanced technologies to protect communities from disasters.

Speaking at the inauguration of the Cagayan de Oro River Basin Flood Forecasting and Warning System (FFWS), April 4, Solidum emphasized the responsibility of all sectors in ensuring the effectiveness of these innovations.

"Technology is one thing, but the involvement of our community in terms of preparedness and actual exercises will strengthen the impact of this flood warning system," Solidum said. He stressed that preparedness involves infrastructure, education,

collaboration, and action.

Solidum acknowledged the importance of the FFWS, which was funded by the Government of Japan through the Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA) for improving flood forecasting and early warning. He noted, however, that the success of such technology depends on its integration into local disaster preparedness and community response.

"To our local officials and disaster response teams, I encourage you to integrate the Cagayan de Oro River Basin Flood Forecasting and Warning System into your emergency response planning and strategies. To our communities, I urge you to stay informed, be proactive, and make full use of the vital service this facility provides," he added.

Solidum further emphasized that disaster preparedness is more than just risk reduction. "This is not just about saving lives. It is about protecting businesses, helping farmers plant their crops, and ensuring that our tourism industry remains strong," he said.

He also stressed that resilience should extend beyond survival. The goal should be to build economic strength and prosperity, even in the face of adversity.

"At the DOST, we firmly believe in the power of science, technology, and innovation. We are not powerless against disasters when we have the right knowledge, the right tools, and the right behavior to act at the right time," Solidum said. (APB/PIA-10)

Pickleball Gains Momentum at SM City Rosario's Active Hub

As part of **SM Supermalls Active Hub**, Pickleball is bringing fun and fitness to **SM City Rosario!** Enthusiasts from various Cavite groups joined the action, enjoying this fast-growing sport that blends tennis, badminton, and table tennis.

With **Pickleball gaining popularity in the Philippines**, having it at the mall makes it more accessible for players of all levels. Whether you're a pro or a beginner, **SM Active Hub** offers the perfect space to enjoy the game in a safe and welcoming environment.



Pickleball groups in Cavite came together to experience the excitement of Pickleball at SM Active Hub in SM City Rosario, enjoying the sport in a fun and dynamic mall setting.



Pickleball is a sport for everyone—welcoming players of all ages and skill levels to join the game and have fun.

Pickleball can be played as singles (one-on-one) or doubles (with a partner), making it a versatile and engaging sport for all players.

Experience a whole new level of excitement as you play Pickleball at SM Active Hub, SM City Rosario!

Get in the game and experience the Pickleball excitement at SM City Rosario!

Racasa kampeon sa Battle of the Calendrical Savants Tournament

TAGUMPAY nakamit ni Woman National Master at Arena FIDE Master Antonella Berthe Racasa sa Araw ng Kagitingan, ang titulo bilang kampeon ng 1st Battle of

the Calendrical Savants Tournament na ginanap sa Eurotel Vivaldi Tower sa Cubao, Quezon City. Nanguna si Racasa si eight-man field upang makuha nito

ang titulo sa three-rounder contest kung saan sinubok ang kakahayan ng mga kalahok sa pagmemoryado ng mga araw at petsa sa kalendaryo. Nagwagi naman bilang first runner up si Rommel Cariño kung saan may dikit na agwat na 11 puntos sila ni Racasa base sa final scores na binigay ng mga hurado, habang si Jeanne Marie Arcinue naman

ay nanalo ng second runner-up honors. "It wasn't an easy task. It was all difficult rounds but i think from my practice to here, i did well. I am excited for the hard challenge because i would be training more and challenging more to learn and have fun.", sinabi ni Tonelle. "Of course, im looking forward sa higher level of competition

with the calendrical savants but that will happen only when its God's time.", dagdag ni Rommel. Para naman sa main organizer at 7-time World Memory Championship Philippine bet Roberto "Memory Man" Racasa, masaya siya sa naging turnout ng nasabing competition kung saan nagpamalas ng angking galing

sa memory sports hindi lang ang mga kabataan kundi ang mga beterano na nasa memory sports. "Makikita natin sa mga sumaling kabataan, that's very tough kasi kailangang nilang i-memorize ang codex information at yung fast lightning ng calculation involved para mag-come up with a fastest answer on a quick time. We do hope na yang mga young competitors in the soonest time, sila naman ang magrepresent ng bansa sa mga international competitions.", pahayag ni "Memory Man". Balak naman ni "Memory Man" na magkaroon ng training camp at competition sa Visayas at Mindanao sa mga susunod na buwan at ang mananalo sa mga nasabing legs ay isasalang sa Battle of the Champions na mangyayari sa Disyembre kung saan inimitahan rin ang mga international competitors gaya ng Germany, USA, Japan, Mongolia at iba pa. Nagpapasalamat din siya sa suporta na binigay ng Eurotel Hotel, NJC Peak Designs, Legal Edge Review Center, Jessie Villasin, PHILRACOM Chairman Reli de Leon at sa mga tagapagtaguyod sa nasabing unang torneo



Bagong Artificial grass sa Rizal Memorial Stadium kumpleto na, PSC Chairman sinubokan na

NALALAPIT na pagbubukas ng Rizal Memorial Stadium para sa mga kaganapan ng football. Inaabangan na ang konstruksyon na sinimulan noong nakaraang Enero ay kumpleto na, ito ay mula sa Esports International, na silang kontratista na inatasan ng Philippine Sports Commission na ayusin ang field. Ang Acoustoscan, isang sports surface at sports testing laboratory na nakabase sa Australia, ay sumubok bilang bahagi ng proseso ng pagkuha ng sertipikado sa mga pamantayan ng FIFA na magpapahintulot sa istadyum

na mag-host muli ng mga internasyonal na paligsahan. Sinabi ni PSC chairman Richard Bachmann na ang pag-aayos ng football field ay bahagi ng mga proyekto ng ahensya ng gobyerno upang mapabuti ang mga pasilidad sa palakasan na kinokontrol nito. "Salamat sa lahat ng nakibahagi sa pagtataas at pagtiyak ng mahusay na pamantayan ng aming mga pasilidad," sabi ni Bachmann sa opisyal. "Patuloy nating pangitain ang isang mataas na kalidad na serbisyo na nararapat sa lahat ng mga atletang Pilipino.



AWARDING CEREMONY 1ST BATTLE OF CALENDRIAL SAVANTS RACASA KAMPEON @ EUROTEL CUBAO QUEZON CITY

MAKIKITA sa (kanang larawan) si Woman National Master at Arena FIDE Master Antonella Berthe habang seryoso sa kanyang three-rounder contest kung saan kampeon sa 1st Battle of the Calendrical Savants Tournament. Habang sa (kaliwang larawan) ang awarding ceremony group photo kasama ang ibang nagwagi at ang organizer na si 7-time World Memory Championship Philippine bet Roberto "Memory Man" Racasa, **(REY NILLAMA)**

Pablo ng Petrogazz huling PVL Press Corps Player of the Week

Ang beteranong spiker na si Myla Pablo ay nakayuko sa likod nang humantong sa Petro Gazz sa 2024-25 Premier Volleyball League All-Filipino Conference finals dahil sa kanyang muling pagbangon. Si Pablo ay isang two-way na banta sa semifinals, na ipinakita ang kanyang kahusayan sa pag-atake na suportado ng patuloy na pagharang upang matulungan ang kanyang koponan na bumalik sa championship round sa unang pagkakataon sa loob ng dalawang taon. Sa likod ng kanyang solidong pagganap, nakumpleto ng Angels ang three-game sweep ng round robin semifinals upang makabuo ng best-of-three championship series laban sa five-peat-seeking na Creamline. Ang two-time Most Valuable Player ay nagdulot ng kapahamakan sa frontline sa pamamagitan ng limang kill blocks upang tapusin ang 13 markers nang talunin ng Petro Gazz ang Choco Mucho 24-26, 25-18, 25-17, 27-25 para sa ikalawang sunod na panalo sa semis noong Martes sa Philsports Arena. Pagkaraan ng dalawang araw, naglabas si Pablo ng game-high 16 points na nakaangkla sa 11 kills, apat na kill blocks at isang ace sa finals-clinching

ng Angels sa 25-22, 25-20, 25-18 panalo laban sa Akari sa Smart Araneta Coliseum. Ang pagbabalik sa finals sa isang uniporme ng Petro Gazz sa kauna-unahang pagkakataon mula nang maglaro ng relief role sa 2022 Reinforced Conference ay nagtapos sa muling pagsilang ng 31-taong-gulang na hitter. Nagpahayag ng pasasalamat si Pablo sa tiwala na ibinigay sa kanya ng Japanese coach na si Koji Tsururabara at sa walang katapusang suporta ng kanyang mga kasamahan sa koponan na pinamumunuan ni Brooke Van Sickle, na inialay niya sa kanilang finals run. "Sobrang happy nga po na nasa finals na kami. Hindi lang naman ako 'yung nagtrabaho. Halos lahat din kami, nagsstep-up, pati 'yung mga subs namin, sina Nang (Aiza Maizo-Pontillas), sina (Djanel) Cheng, gumawa rin." sabi ni Pablo. "Sabi ko nga, kung bibigyan ako ng opportunity ni coach to play, ba't hahayaan ko pa na mawala kaya binigay ko 'yung best ko at kinailangan kong tulungan si Brooke sa opensa at blocking. Happy rin ako sa mga setters na binibigyan ako ng kumpiyansa sa loob ng court." Sa kanyang solidong semifinal showing, nakuha ni Pablo ang

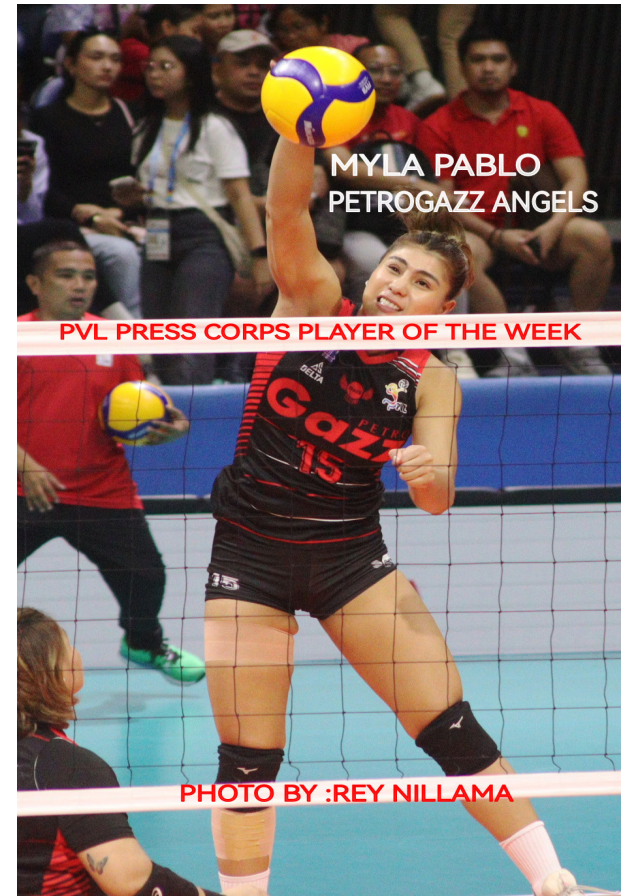
huling PVL Press Corps Player of the Week na inihandog ng Pilipinas Live ng season

para sa panahon ng Abril 1 hanggang 3.



PSC CHAIRMAN RICHARD BACHMANN TESTING THE ARTIFICIAL GRASS IN RIZAL MEMORIAL STADIUM

Personal na sinubok nila Philippine Sports Commission Chairman Richard Bachmann kasama sina Esports International managing director Audriz Romualdez. Acoustoscan at International Director Anthony Apparailly ang katatapos na Artificial grass para sa Football Field ng Rizal Memorial Stadium. Kung saan ay nalalapit na itong pasimulan sa pag gamit para sa pang internasyonal na kompetisyon bilang pag host ng bansa sa hinaharap. **(REY NILLAMA)**



MYLA PABLO PETROGAZZ ANGELS

PVL PRESS CORPS PLAYER OF THE WEEK

PHOTO BY :REY NILLAMA

MYLA PABLO PETROGAZZ LAST PVL PRESS CORPS PLAYER OF THE WEEK

INDUSTRIALIST VICTOR LIM ELECTED AS NEW PRESIDENT OF FFCCCII

MANILA, PHILIPPINES – The Federation of Filipino Chinese Chambers of Commerce and Industry, Inc. (FFCCCII) today April 6, 2025, announced the election of industrialist and philanthropist Victor Lim as its new President following a three-day biennial national convention and three rounds of voting by 800 delegates representing 170 Filipino Chinese business chambers and organizations. The convention was held at SMX Convention Center in Pasay City. Lim succeeds outgoing President Dr. Cecilio K. Pedro, who led FFCCCII's post-pandemic recovery and digitalization initiatives from 2023-2025. The transition marks a new chapter for the 71-year-old federation, the Philippines' largest coalition of Filipino Chinese entrepreneurs and philanthropists. Aside from progressive business and economic advocacies, FFCCCII spearheads numerous socio-civic and cultural charities. A PROVEN LEADER WITH DEEP ROOTS Victor Lim brings four decades of executive experience across manufacturing, trade, and

education advocacy:

- President/CEO of VECO Paper Corporation and Everwealth Traders and Development Corporation
- Former EVP of FFCCCII and past leader of multiple industry groups:

- President: Philippine Stationeries Association, Alliance of Paper Traders Association, Philippine School Pads and Notebooks Manufacturers Association

- Adviser: Philippine Paper Industry Council

- Education Advocate:

- Vice President, St. Stephen's High School Board of Trustees

- Past President, St. Stephen's High School Alumni Association

- Community Bridge-Builder:

- Former leader of the Grand Family Association and Philippine Sejo Lim Family Association

A graduate of University of Santo Tomas (BS Chemical Engineering) and St. Stephen's High School, Victor Lim embodies FFCCCII's motto: "Business Excellence with Social Responsibility." He is also first cousin of the late FFCCCII President Dr. Henry Lim Bon Liong of the Sterling Paper Group.

MALACAÑANG WARNS AGAINST USE OF EMERGENCY ALERT SYSTEM FOR POLITICAL CAMPAIGNS

Presidential Communications Undersecretary and Palace Press Officer Claire Castro on Tuesday warned against using the Emergency Cell Broadcast System (ECBS) for political campaigning. Castro was reacting to reports that the ECBS was used by an unnamed local candidate for the May 12 elections to transmit emergency alerts to residents, which included his name. In a press briefing at the Palace, Castro stressed that the ECBS should be used strictly for emergencies. "Huwag po sanang abusuhin itong emergency cell broadcast system dahil ito po, 'pag sinabi pong emergency ay dapat pang-emergency lamang po," Usec. Castro said.

The ECBS is a vital communication tool used by the government to issue critical public safety and life-saving notifications during natural disasters, security threats, and other emergencies.

The system is closely coordinated with the Department of Information and Communications Technology (DICT) and the National Telecommunications Commission (NTC).

Castro stressed that any unauthorized use of the system is a grave violation of public trust.

"Hindi po 'to dapat inaabuso ng sinuman para sa pansariling kapakanan," she said.

Castro said the DICT and the NTC are investigating the alleged misuse of the ECBS. She said the government will take

PBBM leads public condemnation of P3.26-B worth of vape products seized and forfeited by BOC

President Ferdinand R. Marcos, Jr., together with Finance Secretary Ralph G. Recto, led the condemnation of PHP 3.26 billion-worth of electronic vapes, vape parts, and accessories seized and forfeited by the Bureau of Customs (BOC) to warn the public against smuggling. The BOC successfully destroyed 2,977,925 pieces of seized and forfeited vape products on April 7, 2025. They were confiscated through the conduct of 10 seizure operations led by the Port of Manila (POM), Manila International Container Port (MICP), and the Intelligence Group (IG) in 2024.

The effort is in accordance with Republic Act No. 11900 or the Vaporized Nicotine and Non-Nicotine Products Regulation Act, which mandates strict adherence to regulations concerning the importation, distribution, and taxation of vaporized nicotine, non-nicotine, and tobacco products.

This is to ensure that only safe and compliant products reach Filipino consumers. "Patuloy nating gagawin ito, and I just wanted to highlight the efforts and the dangers that – the efforts that we are doing and the dangers that accompany these smuggled vapes far and beyond the loss and revenue to the government. More important to us are the health issues that these smuggled vapes are raised," President Marcos, Jr. said in his speech.

"I commend the BOC on its stronger and stricter crack down on smugglers. Our fight against smuggling goes beyond just border

protection. It is a defense of our economic integrity. By shutting down illicit trade, we protect our people's access to affordable goods and boost our revenue collections that allow the government to provide more public services to Filipinos," Secretary Recto said on the sidelines of the activity. To ensure the continuous success of its seizure operations against illicit trade, the BOC is implementing a multi-pronged approach that includes strengthened local and international collaboration with law enforcement agencies, advanced intelligence gathering, regular site visits, and stricter port control measures.

The BOC has been in close coordination with agencies such as the Department of Trade and Industry (DTI); Office for the Special Mandate on Vaporized Nicotine and Non-Nicotine Products, their Devices, and Novel Tobacco Products (OSMV), Regional Intelligence and Liaison Offices (RILO), and other international customs authorities for a stronger enforcement against the illegal trade.

Equipped with its Risk Management System and Cargo Targeting System, the BOC is able to efficiently profile and detect undeclared or misdeclared vape shipments. The Bureau is also able to legally hold regular site visits on imported goods available for sale or stored in warehouses or establishments by implementing Letters of Authorities (LOAs).

Stricter port control measures are in place through the issuance of a Pre-Lodgment Control Order or Alert Order, as well as the conduct of physical examinations on targeted shipments at airports and seaports to immediately prevent the entry of vape products.

Also present during the event were DTI Secretary

Ma. Cristina Roque; Bureau of Customs (BOC) Commissioner Bienvenido Rubio; Bureau of Internal Revenue (BIR) Large Taxpayers Service Representative Atty. Peter Dator; OSMV Supervising Head Atty. M. Marcus N. Valdez II; and representatives from the Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA). (DOF)

DA imposes ban on bird imports from Belgium due to bird flu outbreak

The Department of Agriculture has imposed a temporary ban on the import of both wild and domestic birds from Belgium after the European country reported an outbreak of bird flu.

Belgian veterinary authorities had earlier informed the World Organisation for Animal Health of an H5N1 High Pathogenicity Avian Influenza outbreak in Sint-Niklaas, Oost-Vlaanderen, which was detected among domestic birds on February 17, 2025.

Agriculture Secretary Francisco P. Tiu Laurel Jr. issued a memorandum order no. 20 to prevent the entry of wild and domestic birds from Belgium, citing the need to safeguard local poultry industry from the HPAI virus.

In addition to wild and domestic birds, the ban also covers avian products, including poultry meat, day-old chicks, eggs, and semen.

The poultry industry plays a critical role in the country's food security, job creation, and investment generation within the agricultural sector.

Secretary Tiu Laurel further ordered the immediate suspension of the processing and evaluation of applications for sanitary and phytosanitary import clearances for these agricultural goods.

Shipments from Belgium that were in transit, loaded, or accepted at the port before the official communication of the import ban will be allowed entry, provided the products were slaughtered or produced before February 3 of this year.

Shipments not meeting these conditions will either be sent back to Belgium, shipped to a third country, or seized and destroyed. Veterinary quarantine officers are required to confiscate all non-compliant shipments, except for heat-treated products. (DA)

DepEd grants 30-day uninterrupted flexible vacation for teachers

PASIG CITY, 07 April 2025

— In a significant move to support teacher well-being, the Department of Education (DepEd) has introduced a 30-day uninterrupted flexible vacation without school-related commitments for teachers in a recently amended policy.

The amended policy highlights President Ferdinand R. Marcos Jr. administration's ongoing efforts to enhance the work-life balance of teachers and ensure that they have time

to rest and recharge without the burden of additional work-related responsibilities.

The updated guidelines of DepEd allow teachers to schedule their 30-day uninterrupted break between April 16 and June 1, 2025, either continuously or on a staggered basis.

The revised order also clarified that Alternative Learning System (ALS) teachers and those directly involved in teaching Arabic Language and Islamic Values Education (ALIVE) classes are included in the 30-day vacation period. Additionally, learners participating in mandatory summer programs will have their vacation scheduled outside the period of May 13-June 6, 2025.

"This break is a well-deserved

opportunity for our learners and teachers to relax after a long academic year. I hope they spend this time wisely, unwinding with their families and loved ones, and return to work energized for the new school year," Sec. Angara said.

During the declared 30-day vacation, teachers will not be obligated to participate in any activities related to the Performance Management Evaluation System (PMES). They can complete and submit their electronic Individual Performance Commitment and Review Form (eIPCRF) by the end of the first month of the SY 2025-2026. Teachers applying for promotion may submit the required performance evaluations before the last day of classes.

While participation in professional development activities or summer training is voluntary, such events will be scheduled outside the declared vacation period. Teachers who engage in these activities will earn Vacation Service Credits (VSC) on top of the 30-day limit.

School heads, however, are not included in the vacation benefits as they are responsible for managing the school during the break. However, they are entitled to vacation and sick leave credits during the said period.

Teachers are allowed to visit the school or participate in activities like the May 2025 elections and sports events, during their 30-day vacation. (DepEd)

New App to Connect, Support, and Promote Filipino Inventors Nationwide

Manila, Philippines – The Filipino Inventors Society Multi-Purpose Cooperative (FISMPC), supported by the Department of Science and Technology (DOST), continues to spotlight Filipino innovation through its program INVENTREPINOY. In a recent episode, the program welcomed Engr. Jimson Uranza, CEO of Lead Core Technology Systems Incorporated, and Raymond Mark Bimbo Doran, President of Carlita R. Duran Herbal Corporation, as featured guests. During the segment, the guests discussed various opportunities and local inventions that aim to contribute to community development and national progress. A major highlight of the episode was the recent signing of a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) between FISMPC and RBS Software Solutions for the development of a mobile application specifically designed for members of the cooperative. The app will serve as a platform to streamline communication within the cooperative and to showcase member programs, technologies, and products to a broader audience. Key features of the app include a business matching system and an iPOPHL assistant to support intellectual property concerns, especially for grassroots innovators. The digital platform is seen as a critical step in scaling up the commercialization potential of local inventions. The MOA signing, held a day prior to the airing of the program, marked the formal collaboration between FISMPC and RBS Software, with the participation of Engr. Jimson Uranza as the new Vice Chair of FISMPC, FISMPC President Raymond Mark Bimbo Doran, and RBS Managing

Director Lemuel Aceron. The ceremony was witnessed by Outsource Solution (DOS 1) President and CEO Gary Cayton, along with members of the Board of Directors and Officers of the cooperative. Several notable officials expressed their support for the program's aim. Dr. Renato U. Solidum Jr., Secretary of DOST, commended INVENTREPINOY for amplifying Filipino innovations and reaffirmed the DOST's commitment to advancing science and technology. Engr. Sancho A. Mabarrang, DOST Undersecretary, and Atty. Marion Ivy Decena, Director of DOST-TAPI, both extended their full support to the program. Mr. Nelson Santos, President of the Publishers Association of the Philippines, expressed confidence in collaboration's power to promote Filipino inventions globally. Popoy Pagayon, Chairman of FISMPC, reinforced the cooperative's dedication to providing resources and visibility for inventors. During the program, Engr. Uranza also shared information about promising renewable energy technologies he encountered in Malaysia. These technologies are currently being explored for potential partnership with the DOST, with the goal of launching localized applications in the Philippines by June of this year—aiming to address both economic concerns and gaps in the country's renewable energy sector. Through these initiatives, FISMPC reinforces its commitment to empowering Filipino inventors by providing them with tools, platforms, and partnerships that can enhance the visibility and viability of their innovations. **(Nelson Santos)**

DOST Region 1 facilitates regional SalikLakbay Solutions training in Ilocos Norte

THE regional office of the Department of Science and Technology recently conducted the SalikLakbay Solutions Mapping training and immersion in Ilocos Norte. The initiative, which was conducted through the Grassroots Innovation for Inclusive Development (GRIND) program of DOST-Region 1, was held on March 26 to 28 at the Mariano Marcos State University (MMSU) campuses in Batac City, Nueva Era, and Pasuquin, all in Ilocos Norte. The program seeks to empower local innovators and marginalized communities by equipping them with essential skills to develop sustainable, science-driven solutions. It is also aimed at creating sustainable, scalable, community-driven solutions through Science, Technology, and Innovation (STI). The three-day event was attended by regional officials, among them, DOST Region 1 Director Dr. Teresita A. Tabaog, former regional director Armando Q. Ganal, GRIND project leader and ARD for Field Operations Decth-1180 P. Libunao, DOST-Ilocos Norte OIC-provincial director Benjamin S. Mercado Jr., the DOST-Ilocos Norte Team (DOST-IN), GRIND Support Staff, Rio Dyan B. Adviento, and the DOSTOneGRIND Core Group, who underscored the government's commitment to promote innovation and inclusive development at the grassroots level. Representatives from the GRIND Core Group, GITEC, and local communities, including Nueva Era's Tinguian basket weavers, Pasuquin farmers, fisherfolk, and salt makers' associations participated in the training and immersion activities, which included solutions mapping methods to identify and improve innovations in communities, focusing on heritage foods, endangered crafts, and grassroots innovations for the circular economy. The DOST said the participating groups are vital in preserving traditional knowledge while using modern science to improve local livelihoods. On the first day of the training, Dr. Tabaog welcomed participants and emphasized the significance of the program in promoting regional development; while Libunao provided the rationale for the activity, followed by a message from Dr. Anthony C. Sales, the regional director of DOST Region XI. Kent Jerico Ramil, Science Research Specialist II of DOST-IN, introduced the

resource persons, which included Althea G. Rojo from DOST-XI who gave a brief introduction on the GRIND program and outlined its core objectives and goals; and Cathleen P. Montano, also from DOST-XI, who presented the SalikLakbay Solutions Mapping Concept and provided an overview of its application in the region. Dr. Lily Ann D. Lando, a freelance consultant, shared valuable insights on field research and techniques for conducting field observations and interviews. In the afternoon, John Rey E. Viernes, Nurse II from the Technical Management Service Division of NCIP I, led a session on cultural awareness and sensitivity, emphasizing the importance of understanding the cultural dynamics of the communities involved in the program. An orientation on the SalikLakbay mobile

application and website was also conducted by Rojo, where participants learned how to navigate and effectively use the platform for field operations. The event concluded with a sharing of best practices by Montano, followed by the closing remarks which was delivered by Ginee R. Tacasa, Science Research Analyst. The day ended with a photo opportunity to commemorate the success of the event. A key feature of the training was its emphasis on collaboration among stakeholders. Experts from various fields guided participants in co-developing strategies to address pressing socio-economic challenges. Furthermore, the program highlighted the importance of gender inclusivity, recognizing the vital role of women in innovation and entrepreneurship. Special platforms were also provided to encourage

leadership and active participation in community-driven development projects. The immersion component on the second and third day allowed participants to engage directly with local communities, providing an experience in applying learned concepts and refining their solutions. By promoting real-world application, the program ensured that these innovations were relevant, practical, and beneficial to the target communities. Through the SalikLakbay Solutions Mapping Training and Immersion, DOST Region 1 seeks to bridge the gap between grassroots innovators and formal innovation systems by equipping local communities with the necessary tools and knowledge and enhancing resilience, economic opportunities, and environmental sustainability in Ilocos Norte and the entire Ilocos region. (Rio Dyan B. Adviento & Lemuel G. Castigo)

Strengthening Food Safety and Gastronomic Tourism: DOST RO2, DOST-FNRI and DOT RO2 Conducate Training on Food Safety Grading System

To enhance food safety standards and elevate food-related tourism in the region, the Department of Science and Technology (DOST) Region 02, in collaboration with the Department of Tourism (DOT) Region 02, conducted a two-day training on the Food Safety Grading System from April 2 to 3, 2025, at Go Hotels, Tuguegarao City. Through experts from the DOST-Food and Nutrition Research Institute (DOST-FNRI), the training introduced a standardized Food Inspection Checklist (FIC), Code of Standards (COS), and Operations Manual (OM), providing participants with essential tools to strengthen food safety measures in micro, small, and medium enterprise (MSME) food establishments. This initiative also aims to support regulatory enforcement and further establish the region as a premier gastronomic tourism hub. The first day of training, focused on discussions led by food safety experts from DOST-FNRI. Ms. Claire Malibiran-Gacias, Science Research Specialist II, explained the FIC and COS, while Ms. Mary Ann D. Gironella,

Supervising Science Research Specialist provided a detailed guide on the OM for Risk-Based Inspections. Moreover, Mr. Eirene Agustin B. Arnejo, Science Research Specialist I demonstrated the Risk-Based Inspection process, covering evaluation criteria, required documentation, and compliance measures. On the second day of the training, participants applied their knowledge in mock inspections at two well-known Tuguegarao City food establishments. This practical exercise allowed them to assess real-world compliance with the Food Safety Grading System, identifying strengths and areas for improvement. The participants were grouped and assigned to different criteria, allowing them to inspect two establishments. The activity reinforced the importance of systematic food inspections, equipping participants with the necessary skills to conduct regulatory assessments, which they can apply in their respective institutions. With this initiative, Tuguegarao City becomes the first LGU in the country to conduct training on the Food Safety Grading

System. The training gathered 60 participants from various institutions, including Quirino State University (QSU), Cagayan State University (CSU), Medical Colleges of Northern Philippines (MCNP), University of Saint Louis Tuguegarao (USLT), and University of Cagayan Valley (UCV). Representatives from key government agencies, such as the Cagayan Tourism Office, City Tourism Office, Provincial Warden Office, and City Health Office, as well as representatives from the Provincial Offices of DOST Region 02, also participated in the training. By strengthening food safety enforcement, the DOST Region 02, under the leadership of Dr. Virginia G. Bilgera, DOT Region 02 led by Dr. Troy Alexander Miano, DOST-FNRI and other agencies partnership ensures that local food establishments adhere to high safety standards, benefiting both residents and tourists. As Tuguegarao City the implementation of this pioneering training initiative, other LGUs in the region may soon follow, setting a new benchmark for food safety and quality in the country.

Santa Rosa leads CALABARZON's smart city transformation

LOS BAÑOS, Laguna (PIA)

— The city of Santa Rosa in Laguna is leading the charge for the smart city revolution in CALABARZON, becoming the first local government unit in the region to pursue international certification for smart city development.

DOST CALABARZON Regional Director Emelita Bagsit said during the Kapihan sa Bagong Pilipinas that the city's cutting-edge digital initiatives and sustainable urban solutions is setting it as the benchmark for other cities aiming for digital transformation.

"Just two weeks ago, we signed a Memorandum of Agreement with the City of Santa Rosa that they will undergo a certification under the international accreditation in the United Kingdom for this smart city initiative transformation. If all goes well, they will be the first city in Southeast Asia to be certified," Bagsit said.

Smart and Sustainable Cities and Communities program of DOST in collaboration with the Department of Information and Communication Technology (DICT), Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG), and the Development Academy of the Philippines is an initiative aimed at integrating technology, innovation, and sustainability into urban development across the Philippines.

It focuses on digital transformation, environmental conservation, and disaster resilience to improve the quality of life for citizens.

The program is also part of the broader Harmonized National Research and Development Agenda (HNRDA) and aligned with the United Nations Sustainable Development

Goals (SDGs).

Aside from Santa Rosa, four towns in the Calabarzon region are also making significant strides toward becoming smart and sustainable cities and communities through integrating technology and innovation to enhance urban living while promoting environmental responsibility.

"For the SSCP or smart and sustainable city program here in Calabarzon, we have Carmona, Cavite, Lipa City in Batangas, we have Taytay in Rizal in Quezon and we are working with Lucena City," the director stated.

To avoid digital divide among communities, the science department also works on a recognition program for smart cities, which will categorize and acknowledge LGUs based on their level of digital transformation and technological adoption.

Bagsit explained: "DOST will also be introducing the official recognition of smart cities that have been enrolled across all provinces. LGUs will be categorized or re-recognized based on their progress in digital transformation, ensuring that each one receives the necessary assistance to bridge the digital gap."

The DOST director said that they will assist LGUs in securing funding, research support, and technology deployment as the department encourages more local governments to embrace digitalization, as smart cities are seen as key drivers of economic and social development.

DOST believes that with these advancements, CALABARZON is on track to becoming a hub for smart and sustainable cities in Southeast Asia. (AM/PIA-4A)

DEED OF EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE OF SPOUSES FRANCISCO AND ROSARIO ORCULLO WITH SALE

NOTICE is hereby given that the estate of the late **SPOUSES FRANCISCO J. ORCULLO and ROSARIO ILAWAN ORCULLO** who died on April 18, 1994 and January 23, 1998, the said deceased spouses left a certain real property described as **TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE No. T-191898** located in the Municipality of Imus, Province of Cavite, containing an area of **FIVE HUNDRED SIXTY (560) SQ. METERS** has been extrajudicially settled by their legal heirs executed before Notary Public Atty. Andres Jose M. Alba as per Doc No. 164; Page 74; Book CII; Series of 2025.
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Republic of the Philippines
 Fourth Judicial Region
 Regional Trial Court of Cavite
 Office of the Clerk of Court & Ex-Officio Sheriff
 New Justice Hall, J.P. Rizal Avenue, Kaybagal South, Tagaytay City

HOME DEVELOPMENT MUTUAL FUND (PAG-IBIG Fund),

Petitioner/Mortgagee,

-versus-

EJF NO. TG-24-149

FOR: ExtraJudicial Foreclosure of Real Estate Mortgage under Act 3135, As Amended by Act 4118

LUNINGNING C. VALLE MARRIED

TO GENEROSO C. VALLE,

Respondents/Mortgagors,

x ----- x

NOTICE OF EXTRA-JUDICIAL SALE

Upon extra-judicial foreclosure sale under Act 3135, as Amended by Act No. 4118, filed by *Petitioner/Mortgagee*, **HOME DEVELOPMENT MUTUAL FUND (otherwise known as PAG-IBIG Fund)**, a government financial institution duly organized and existing under and by virtue of Republic Act No. 9679, with principal office at The Petron Mega Plaza Building, No. 358 Sen. Gil Puyat Avenue, Makati City, pursuant to the terms and conditions of the Loan and Mortgage Agreement executed and notarized on September 08, 1998 by *Respondent/Mortgagor* **LUNINGNING C. VALLE married to GENEROSO C. VALLE**, both of legal age, Filipino citizen with postal address/es at: (1) 44 B.A. Cruz St. Taytay, Rizal; and (2) Lot 14, Block. 36, Rancho Imperial De Silang, Barangay Tartaria, Silang, Cavite, in favor of the *Petitioner/Mortgagee*, over a real estate property including improvements thereon, described in and covered by **Transfer Certificate of Title No. (T-822887) 27205**, of the Registry of Deeds for the Province of Cavite, in order to satisfy the outstanding loan obligation of the Respondents/Mortgagors in the amount of **TWO HUNDRED EIGHTY ONE THOUSAND FOUR HUNDRED SEVENTY EIGHT PESOS AND 15/100 (Php 281,478.15)** inclusive of interest, and other charges, as of June 25, 2024, the undersigned Clerk of Court & Ex-Officio Sheriff of the Regional Trial Court of Cavite thru her deputy, Rhiz Sañel C. Toledo, will sell at public auction on **July 15, 2025 at 10:00 o'clock in the morning** or soon thereafter, at the **New Hall of Justice of Tagaytay City**, to the highest bidder, for Cash or Manager's Check and in Philippine Currency, the following property with all its improvements thereon, to wit:

TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. (T-822887) 27205
 Registry of Deeds for the Province of Cavite

"IT IS HEREBY CERTIFIED that certain land situated in the MUN. OF SILANG, PROV. OF CAVITE bounded and described as follows:

A parcel of land (Lot 14 Blk. 36 of the cons./subd. plan Pcs-04-012899, being a portion of Lots 8014, 8015, 8017, 8018, Cad. 452-D, Silang Cad., Lots 8016-A to 8016-H, Csd-04-006071-D, Lot 15709-A, Csd-042118-012810-D & Lot Blk. 71, Pcs-04-011250, LRC Rec No.), situated in the Brgy. of Tartaria, Mun. of Silang, Prov. of Cavite. Bounded on the NE., along line 1-2 by Lot 6; on the SE., along line 2-3 by Lot 13 both of Blk. 36; on the SW., along line 3-4 by Rd. Lot 37(6.50 m. wide); on the NW., along line 4-5 by Lot 15 and along line 5-1 by Lot 5 both of Blk. 36, all of the cons./subd. plan. Beginning at a pt. marked "1" on plan being S. 65 deg. 39'E., 5028.36 m. from BLLM No. 1, Cad. 452-D, Silang Cad. thence S. 24 deg. 19'E., 3.49 m. to pt. 2; thence S. 65 deg. 41'W., 10.00 m. to pt. 3; thence N. 24 deg. 19'W., 4.50 m. to pt. 4; thence N. 65 deg. 41'E., 10.00 m. to pt. 5; thence S. 24 deg. 19'E., 1.01 m. to pt. 1; beginning, containing an area of FORTY FIVE (45) SQ. METERS. All pts. referred to are indicated on the plan and are marked on the ground by PS cyl. conc. mons. 15x60 cm.; bearings true; date of orig. survey, Dec. 7, 1973-Dec. 4, 1975 and that of the subd. survey, Aug. 1-30, 1997 and was approved on Dec. 5, 1997. is registered in accordance with the provisions of the Property Registration Decree in the name of **LUNINGNING C. VALLE, married to Generoso C. Valle, both of legal age, Filipino.**



YANA'S SPECIAL, NAKASUNGKIT NG PANALO!

Nakasungkit ng panalo ang dehadong kabayo na si Yana's Special sa naganap na 3YO Maiden Race (Non Placer) na ikinasa sa karerahan ng Metro Manila Turf Club Inc. (MMTCL) sa Malvar Tanauan City, Batangas. Ginabayan ng hineteng si Conrad "Bojie" Henson ay napabilib ni Yana's Special ang mga dehadista matapos bumandera mula simula hanggang meta. Sa pagbukas ng aparato ay bumandera antimano ang bida na si Yana's Special at lumamang ng dalawang kabayo sa pumapangalawa na si A.M. Espresso. Sa kalagitnaan ng laban ay ganado pa rin sa unahan si Yana's Special kaya umabot na sa limang kabayo ang kanyang bentaha sa humahabol na si River South, habang nagkumpulan sa likuran ang iba pang kalahok. Pagsapit

ng far turn ay bahagyang lumalapit sina River South at A.M. Espresso kay Yana's Special ngunit papasok ng home stretch ay sina Yana's Special at River South na lang ang nagbabakbakan sa harapan dahil bumuka ng malayo si A.M. Espresso. Pagdating sa rektahan ay agresibo pa rin sa unahan si Yana's Special habang nagbabadya sa gawing labas si River South at gumagapang din sa tabing balya si Levitating. Pero hindi na binitawan ni Yana's Special ang bandera at napanatili ang kanyang kalamangan pagtawid sa meta. Sumegundo kay Yana's Special si River South, tersero si Levitating habang si Daijober Express ang pumang-apat. Nirehistro ni Yana's Special ang tiyempong 1:30.6 (13'-22'-24'-30) para sa distansyang 1,400 meter.

In the event the public auction should not take place on the said date, it shall be held on **July 22, 2025** without further notice.

Prospective bidders or buyers are hereby enjoined to investigate and verify for themselves the **Transfer Certificate of Title No. (T-822887) 27205** the encumbrances thereon, if any there be.

All sealed bids must be submitted to the undersigned on the above stated time and date.

Tagaytay City, Philippines, April 4, 2025.

ATTY. VARBRA ANN A. VARIAS-DIMAYUGA
 Clerk of Court VI & Ex-Officio Sheriff

RHIZ SAÑEL C. TOLEDO
 Sheriff-in-Charge

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IT IS ABSOLUTELY PROHIBITED TO REMOVE, DEFACE OR DESTROY THIS NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE ON OR BEFORE THE DATE OF THE AUCTION SALE UNDER THE PENALTY OF LAW

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AKSIDENTE SA KALSADA, 2 KATAO NAKUHANAN NG BARIL, BALA AT DROGA

NABUKING ang baril, bala at ang mga iligal na droga sa dalawa katao na nirespondehan makaraang nasangkot sa aksidente sa kalsada ang kanilang mga sasakyan sa Bacoor City, Cavite.

Naka-hospital arrest si alyas Mary habang binitbit naman sa Bacoor Component City Police Station (CCPS) si alyas Ken.

Sa ulat, bandang alas-1:00 ng madaling araw ay nakatanggap ng report ang Bacoor CCPS hinggil sa aksidente ng motorsiklo sa kahabaan ng Evangelista Road, Brgy Sinbanali, Bacoor City.

Agad na rumesponde ang kapulisan kung saan naabutan ang dalawa habang

nakahandusay sa kalsada. Habang inaalalayan ang dalawa patungo sa rumespondeng ambulansiya ay nakita ang isang kalibre 9mm na baril at nahulog mula sa pouch bag ni Ken ang ilang sachet ng hinihinalang shabu habang narekober din mula kay Mary ang ilang sachet ng hinihinalang shabu.

Diniretso sa ospital ang dalawa pero matapos suriin si Ken at maayos ang lagay ay binitbit na sa Bacoor CCPS.

Narekober sa dalawa ang isang itim na shoulder bag, itim na pouch bag, isang weighing scale, 2 gramo ng hinihinalang shabu na may Standard Drug Price na P13,600, isang kalibre 9mm at 8 bala. (**Gene Adsuara**)

Sirang telebisyon, natangay ng 4 kawatan

HINDI gumaganang telebisyon ang nahakot ng apat na kawatan matapos pasukin ang tindahan ng milk tea sa Silang, Cavite.

Tinutugis ng pulisya ang apat na suspek matapos pasukin ang Enyong's Milk Tea na matatagpuan sa Pasong Langka, Silang.

Sa ulat, bandang alas-11:30 ng ay pinasok ng apat ang Enyong's Milk Tea sa

pamamagitan ng pagsira sa salamin na pintuan nito.

Tinangay ang isang television set at isang tablet saka mabilis na tumakas.

Pero nabatid na ang tinangay na telebisyon ay hindi gumagana.

Nagsagawa ng baktracking ang pulisya sa CCTV para sa pagkakakilanlan ng mga suspek. (**Gene Adsuara**)

P/BGen. Ibay, itinalagang OIC ng PRO-Negros Island Region

NAITALAGA ng bagong puwesto ang director ng Manila Police District na si P/BGen. Arnold Thomas Ibay.

Si Ibay ay naitalaga bilang acting chief ng bagong likhang Police Regional Office (PRO) Negros Island Region.

Kabilang si Ibay sa tatlong high ranking police officials sa pinakahuling reorganisasyon ng Pambansang Pulisya ng Pilipinas.

Pinangalanan naman ni Philippine National Police chief Gen. Rommel Francisco Marbil si P/BGen. Benigno Guzman bilang officer in

charge ng MPD.

Itinalaga naman si P/Col. Aladdin Collado bilang officer in charge ng Office of Executive Assistant, Office of the Chief PNP.

Ang kautusan ay may petsang Abril 8 na isinapubliko ng Abril 9 at epektibo ang nasabing reshuffle nitong Abril 10.

Kaugnay nito ay hinimok ng PNP Chief ang mga pulis na panatilihin matatag sa kanilang sinumpaang tungkulin na patas ang pagkilo at itaguyod ang dignidad bilang mga alagad ng batas. (**RUBEN LACSA**)

Quezon Police Seizes 860K Shabu, 3 High Value Individuals Arrested

Camp BGen Vicente P Lim – The Drug Enforcement Unit of the Quezon Police Provincial Office, together with the Regional Intelligence Unit 4A and the Philippine Drug Enforcement Agency (PDEA) 4A, successfully seized P863,600.00 worth of illegal drugs and arrested three high-value individuals (HVIs) in coordinated anti-illegal drug operations conducted in Lucena City, Quezon on April 4-5, 2025.

Based on the report, on April 4, 2025, members of the Drug Enforcement Unit of the Quezon Police Provincial Office and the Station Drug Enforcement Team of the Lucena Component City Police Station, in coordination with PDEA, conducted a successful buy-bust operation against two HVIs identified by the aliases "Yna," female, 27, and "Michael." The operation resulted in their arrest and the confiscation of 5 plastic sachet of suspected shabu weighing 97 grams valued at P659,600.00, along with marked buy-bust money. Following the operation, at around 4:00 AM on April 5, 2025, in Brgy. Ibabang Iyam,

Lucena City, Quezon, the Drug Enforcement Unit of the Quezon Police Provincial Office conducted another anti-illegal drug operation. This resulted in the arrest of a third HVI, known by the alias "Rey," and the seizure of 3 plastic sachet containing suspected shabu weighing 30 grams valued at P204,000.00.

PBGEN Paul Kenneth T. Lucas, Regional Director of PRO CALABARZON, expressed his gratitude to the Quezon operatives for the success of the anti-illegal drug operations. "I would like to commend the relentless efforts of our drug operatives in upholding the law and protecting the community from the dangers posed by illegal drug activities. Their unwavering commitment sends a strong message in our ongoing fight against drug-related crimes," RD Lucas stated.

Meanwhile, the arrested suspects will face charges for violations of Sec. 5 and Sec. 11 of R.A. 9165, also known as the Comprehensive Dangerous Drugs Act of 2002. (**RPIO4A**)

BI opens new OFW wing at NAIA Terminal 3

MANILA, Philippines—The Bureau of Immigration (BI) announced the opening of a dedicated Overseas Filipino Worker (OFW) wing at Ninoy Aquino International Airport (NAIA) Terminal 3, ensuring faster and more efficient immigration processing for Filipino workers traveling abroad.

The new expansion aligns with the President Ferdinand 'Bong Bong' Marcos, Jr.'s goal of improving services for OFWs, recognizing their significant contributions to the country's economy.

BI Commissioner Joel Anthony Viado expressed gratitude to airport authorities for the expansion of the immigration area, which will help decongest processing lines, especially during peak travel seasons. He said that the government continues to prioritize measures that enhance ease of travel while ensuring border security.

He added that the change has resulted in shorter queues of departing passengers, including Filipino and foreign tourists, who are processed in the airport's regular immigration counters.

"This dedicated OFW wing is a testament to our commitment to making immigration procedures smoother and more efficient for our modern-day heroes," said Viado. "We

recognize their sacrifices, and we want to ensure they experience faster and more convenient processing as they leave for work abroad."

The expansion includes six additional counter spaces, manned by 12 immigration officers.

The move comes just in time for long holidays this month, traditionally one of the busiest travel periods of the year. With increased counters and a dedicated processing area for OFWs, the BI expects to provide faster service and reduced waiting times for outbound Filipino workers.

Viado thanked the Department of Migrant Workers (DMW) and New NAIA Infrastructure Corp. (NNIC) for their support in facilitating the successful implementation of the project. The BI records an average of more than 3,400 OFWs departing from NAIA daily, hence the need for special lanes that will exclusively conduct immigration formalities for these travelers. "This is just one of the many steps we are taking to modernize immigration services," Viado added. "We will continue working with our partners to enhance facilities and ensure that our kababayans receive the best possible service when they travel." BI

PBBM LAUDS DTI FOR ADVANCING DIGITAL EMPOWERMENT OF MSMES

President Ferdinand R. Marcos Jr. on Wednesday praised the Department of Trade and Industry (DTI) for its pioneering efforts to boost digital innovation and economic inclusion through its Bagong Pilipinas Marketplace. The Bagong Pilipinas Marketplace is a business-to-business (B2B) e-commerce platform for "Proudly Filipino" products and services.

It was launched to support product development and the adoption of advanced technologies, particularly in food manufacturing and other key sectors.

Speaking at the DTI-Bagong Pilipinas National Food Fair 2025, President Marcos hailed the platform as a major step forward in the country's digital transformation and a powerful tool to empower Micro, Small, and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs).

"I would of course acknowledge the efforts of the DTI for introducing the DTI Bagong Pilipinas Marketplace platform," the President said.

"It is an initiative set to become a robust business-to-business e-commerce platform that will highlight the products and services that are Proudly Filipino," he added.

The President underscored the platform's capacity to provide MSMEs with a digital space where they can showcase their offerings and enable them to be more visible and competitive in a broader market.

"The platform will empower our MSMEs by providing them a space where their

products can be seen, recognized, and valued by a wider market," he said.

Highlighting the impact of every online purchase made through the platform, President Marcos said Filipinos are not only supporting small businesses, but also helping turn dreams into reality.

"With every online order that is placed, we are not only supporting the local products and services of our MSMEs, we are helping our Filipino entrepreneurs realize their dreams," the President said.

"We are validating our local producers' capability to create high-quality products worth every peso, every centavo, and can be marketed internationally," he added.

First Lady Louise Araneta-Marcos joined President Marcos at the event, accompanied by their son, William Vincent Marcos.

Also in attendance was Pampanga Vice Governor Lilia Pineda, who proudly showcased Kapampangan products and culinary specialties.

Department of Trade and Industry (DTI) Secretary Ma. Cristina Roque, Department of Tourism (DOT) Secretary Christina Garcia Frasco, and Special Assistant to the President for Investment and Economic Affairs Frederick Go were likewise present to support the event.

The First Family and key officials sampled a variety of dishes from Kapampangan cuisine, celebrating the rich flavors and traditions that the region is known for. | **PND**

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DEED OF ADJUDICATION WITH SALE OF A PARCEL OF LAND

NOTICE is hereby given that **MARIO A. GOMEZ SR.** died intestate, and is a conjugal owner of a parcel of land at BLK 5, LOT 26, Phase 6, Ilang-ilang St., ACM Homes Calsadang Bago, Imus, Cavite, particularly described as "A parcel of land (Lot 26, Blk 5 of the cons/subd Plan, Pcs-012219 being a portion of the cons. of Lots 1287-A, 1287-B, 1287-C & 1287-D (LRC) Psd-123938, LRC Rec. No. 8843), situated in the Brgy. Calsadang Bago, Municipality of Imus, Province of Cavite, Island of Luzon. Covered by **Tax Declaration No. A-239-0011-03572** and **Transfer Certificate of Title No. T-786257** under the name of the **Spouses MARIO A. GOMEZ SR. and EMERITA J. GOMEZ.**" which has been the subject of **DEED OF ADJUDICATION WITH SALE OF A PARCEL OF LAND**, executed before Notary Public Atty. Charmaine Ignacio Dagonoy as per Doc No. 255; Page 52; Book 7; Series of 2025. **Publication: HANEP March 31, April 7 & 14, 2025**

LEGARDA, NAKIISA SA TAUNANG PAGGUNITA NG EARTH MONTH NGAYONG ABRIL

Sa kanyang pakikiisa sa taunang paggunita ng Earth Month ngayong Abril, muling pinagtibay ni Senadora Loren Legarda ang kanyang paninindigan para sa pangangalaga sa kalikasan at laban sa pagbabago ng klima sa pamamagitan ng panawagang protektahan ang planeta laban sa banta ng climate change. Bilang tagapagtaguyod ng pangangalaga sa kalikasan at katatagan laban sa sakuna, binigyang-diin ni Legarda ang agarang pangangailangan

na tugunan ang lumalalang epekto ng climate change tulad ng pagtaas ng temperatura, matitinding pag-ulan, mas malalakas na hangin, at pagtaas ng antas ng dagat. "Ngayong Abril, habang ating ginugunita ang Earth Month at International Mother Earth Day, tayo ay pinaaalalahanan sa ating kolektibong pananagutang alagaan at protektahan ang ating planeta," ani Legarda. "Bawat maliit na hakbang ay mahalaga, at bawat desisyong ginagawa natin ay may epekto



sa kinabukasan ng ating mga anak at mga susunod na Kaakibat ng tema ng International Mother Earth Day 2025 na "Our Power, Our Planet," binigyang-diin ni Legarda ang kahalagahan ng pagkakaisa sa pagkilos at ang paglipat sa renewable energy tungo sa mas sustenableng mundo at layuning magkaroon ng malinis na kuryente pagsapit ng taong 2030. Kilala si Legarda sa mga makasaysayang batas na kanyang isinulong para sa climate action at pangangalaga sa kalikasan tulad ng Ecological Solid Waste Management Act (RA 9003), Philippine Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Act of 2010 (RA 10121), at Climate Change Act of 2009 (RA 9729), na patuloy na nagsisilbing gabay ng bansa sa pagtugon sa mga hamon ng klima at kapaligiran. Samantala, hinikayat din

niya ang publiko na isabuhay ang mga makakalikasan at sustenableng gawain lalo na sa gitna ng matinding init ng tag-init na nararanasan sa maraming bahagi ng bansa. "Ngayong tag-init, nararanasan natin ang labis na init na may mapanganib na heat index. Hinahanap natin ang malamig at preskong hangin kaya't tulungan natin ang ating planeta na makahinga sa pamamagitan ng pagpili ng mga makakalikasang opsyon gaya ng pag-unplug ng appliances na hindi ginagamit at, kung posible, paggamit ng mga solar-powered na kagamitan para makatipid ng enerhiya," aniya. Patuloy na isinusulong ni Legarda ang mas matibay na batas para sa kalikasan at klima, at hinihikayat ang mga komunidad na kumilos nang sama-sama at isabuhay ang sustainability sa kanilang tahanan at pang-araw-araw na pamumuhay.



SERBISYONG MALIKSI SA KONGRESO

Bakit maraming Imuseno ang napupusuang maging kongresista nila si dating Imus City Mayor Maliksi? Dating bise-alkalde at dating municipal at city mayor si Maliksi na kilala rin sa initial niyang ELM o palayaw na Manny. Nang magpaalam noong 2022, matapos ang ikatlong termino niya bilang city mayor, sinabi ni ELM na masaya siya na nabigyan ng pagkakataong makapagserbisyo sa mamamayang Imuseno. "Maraming-maraming salamat po sa pagtitiwala sa inyong lingkod. At ngayon na kumakandidato po ako bilang inyong kongresista, kasama si Mayor Kap Robert Rey (Lacson) at ang buong Team Imus, gagawa po kami ng mga programa na mararamdaman nyo na magpapabuti sa lahat ng Imuseno," sabi ni Maliksi. Binanggit ni ELM, ang ilan sa matagumpay na programa na sinimulan niya noong Hulyo 2007 na ang naging bunga ay ang pagbabagong-anyo-ng-buhay ng dating munisipalidad ng Imus ba ngayon, isa ito sa pinakaprogresibong siyudad ng Cavite. Libo-libong Imuseno ang nabigyan ng mga oportunidad sa trabaho at hanapbuhay at ikabubuhay; masigla ngayon

at maalab ang pagmamahal sa kultura at kasaysayan ng Imus. Sa edukasyon, libo-libong iskolar ang mga propesyonal na ngayon ay nag-aambag ng kanilang kakayahang talento sa paglikha ng kabuhayan ng bayan; maraming naipatayong gusaling paaralan, tulong na pag-aaral sa out-of-school-youth, alternative learning system (ALS) sa mga dinakatapos ng elementarya at high school. Nariyan ang ipinatayong Ospital ng Imus, mga Laboratoryo, Dialysis Center, at ang di-malilimutang maliksing kilos na nagligtas ng maraming buhay sa kasagsagan ng pandemyang Covid-19. Lumago ang lokal na turismo, pagpapahalaga sa kalikasan, pagpapatibay ng kooperasyon at ugnayan sa kapwa lokal na pamahalaan, mga serbisyo para sa mga senior citizen, PWDs, solo parents at sa maliit na sektor, at ang pag-alalay sa iba-ibang non-government organizations (NGOs), kooperatiba at iba pa. Dahil sa pagsisikap ni ELM, kilala ngayon ang Imus City bilang Flag Capital of the Philippines na iniugnay sa matagumpay na Labanan sa Alapan (Mayo 28, 1898).

Ngayon, tuwing Mayo 28, inaalaala ang Labanan sa Alapan na pinamunuan ni Col. Hipolito Saquilayan -- ito ay isang sagisag ng kabayanihan ng Katipunerong Caviteño sa matagumpay na paglupig sa dayuhang lakas ng Espanya. Sa panahon ni Maliksi, nagkuwintas ng maraming parangal, pagkilala at papuri ang Lungsod ng Imus, tulad ng Seal of Good Local Governance (SGLG) Award Hall of Fame ng Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG); Seal of Child-Friendly Local Governance ng Council for the Welfare of Children, at ang 2017 Philippine Quality Challenge Award by the Department of Trade and Industry (DTI), at marami pang lokal at internasyonal na papuri. Noong 2018, Uliang Ama Awardee si Maliksi -- na kaloob ng Uliang Ama Foundation na ginanap sa Manila Hotel --, ito ay bilang pagkilala sa kanyang mahusay na pamamahala sa Lungsod ng Imus. Noong 2016, nakamit ng siyudad ang Gawad Kalasag mula sa Calabarzon Regional Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Council (RDRRMC), at ang National Anti-Drug Abuse Council

(ADAC) Performance Silver Award noong Disyembre 29, 2018. Mula 2016 hanggang 2021, tumanggap ang siyudad ng karangalang Good Financial Housekeeping at kinilalang City of the Future bilang Most Competitive Component City in the Province of Cavite in 2016, at kasunod pa ang maraming karangalan, pagpuri sa lungsod sa ilalim ng Epektibong Lingkod Mamamayan programa ni ELM. "Tayo po ang isa sa most awarded cities sa buong Calabarzon, lalo na sa aspeto ng good public governance," sabi ni ELM. Hindi tsamba ito, "Kasi po may tootong programa tayo na nakikita, nararamdaman at napakikinabangan. ng ating mamamayan." Nangyari ito, sabi ni Maliksi, bunga ng pagtitiwala ng mamamayang Imuseno, dahil sa pakikiisa ng city government officials, ng mga opisyal ng barangay. Sa eleksiyon sa Mayo 12, ang serbisiyong Maliksi ay kanyang itutuloy sa Kongreso. "Sa Kongreso, muli po nating gagawin ang pagpapaunlad ng ating lungsod at kasama po natin si Mayor Kap RR (Lacson). Maibabalik po ng



Peke; yes, or no?

AYAW natin sa peke, kinamumuhian natin ang peke at higit sa lahat ay galit tayo sa peke. Pekeng mga kasuotan, pekeng pagkain o inumin, pekeng nakikita, pekeng naririnig, pekeng kasama, pekeng nakakaharap o nakakausap, pekeng kaibigan, pekeng sasakyan, pekeng pulitiko o ano mang propesyon, at kung anu-ano pang peke. Pero teka, nagawa o nasubok na ba natin na humarap sa salamin at magtanong sa ating sarili. Ipikit ang mga mata at huminga ng malalim na pagkadilat sa harap ng salamin ay itanong kung peke ba tayo. Malamang sa malamang na labis tayong mahihirapan na sagutin ang naturang katanungan. Tanong na hindi uubra na ang kasagutan ay nakabatay lamang sa oo o hindi or yes or no. Dapat ay batid natin ang tunay na kahulugan ng peke, ano nga ba ang peke at paano sasabihin o dedeterminahin ang katagang peke. Ang peke sa pinakamabilis

na pagkakaintindi at paliwanag ay itinuturing na hindi totoo. Kaya nga peke kasi hindi totoo o kaya naman, hindi totoo kasi nga ay peke. Maaari sigurong sabihin o isagot na yes or no na kumbaga ay parehas lamang batay sa pagkakapaliwanag. Yes, peke tayo dahil sa pagsisinungaling o kaya naman ay, no na peke tayo kasi nagsasabi ng totoo. Pinakamirap nga lamang hanapin at tukuyin ang katotohanan. Sa mga kapatid natin sa pananampalataya bilang katoliko na ngayon ay nasa panahon tayo ng Semana Santa, naririnig natin na kung walang bahid kasalanan o kasinungalingan ay kumuha ng bato at ipukpok sa sariling ulo. Walang makakagawa dahil halos lahat tayo ay kaakibat ang pagiging peke. Ang mga nakikita o naririnig ay maaaring sabihing totoo o kaya naman ay peke at lalong sa ating pagsasalita o mga sinasabi ay pwedeng totoo at pwede ring peke. Minsan ay totoo pero minsan ay peke na kung tawagin ay balatkayo o plastik!

2 katao na nagbenta ng libreng produkto, tiklo

SAKU-SAKONG produktong kemikal para sa agrikultura na nasa milyong pisong halaga ang nasabat ng mga awtoridad sa dalawang indibidwal sa lalawigan ng Isabela kamakailan. Sa kabila na ang mga nasabing produkto ay libre na ipinamamahagi sa mga benepisaryong magsasaka ay pinagkakitaan ito ng dalawang suspek sa pamamagitan ng pagbebenta. Nauna rito ay nakakatanggap ng mga ulat ang Department of Agriculture sa lalawigan na ang nasabing mga produkto ay ibinebenta ng mga kahinahinalang indibidwal. Kaagad namang umaksiyon ang Criminal Investigation and Detection Group ng Philippine National Police at nagkasa ng buy-bust operation ang CIDG-

Isabela kasama ang DA-2 (Cagayan Valley) nitong Abril 5 sa Barangay San Fermin, Cauayan City. Sa pagkakaaresto sa mga suspek ay nakumpiska ang 43 sako ng DA-marked agricultural chemical inputs na nasa halagang P1.75 milyon at ang puting L300 van na ginamit sa pagbibiyaha ng mga nabanggit na items. Libre lamang ang mga nabanggit na produkto dahil nakasaad sa marking o label nitong "Not For Sale" na ipinagkakaloob sa mga farmer-beneficiaries sa ilalim ng agricultural support program ng gobyerno. Dahil dito ay naharap ang dalawang suspek sa mga kasawang paglabag sa ng Seksyon 8 ng Presidential Decree 1144 (Fertilizer and Pesticide Authority) para sa pagbebenta ng mga kemikal na pang-agrikultura na walang lisensya mula sa Fertilizer and Pesticide Authority; at sa Republic Act 7394, o ang Consumer Act of the Philippines, para sa labag sa batas na pagbebenta, pamamahagi, at pagmamay-ari ng mga produktong agrikultural na ibinigay ng pamahalaan. RUBEN LACSA

buong Team Imus ang mga napabayaang programa, at ipadarama namin ang totoong serbisiyong may puso at at malasakit sa buong mamamayang Imuseno," pagtatapos ni ELM. (Kontribusyong panulat ni ET 11)