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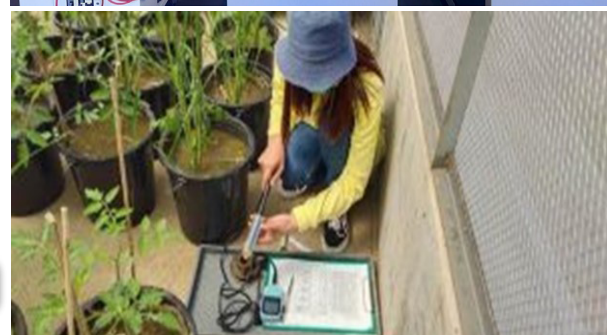
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## CAVITE PPO HOSTS OFFICERS DEVOTION TO STRENGTHEN MORAL AND SPIRITUAL FOUNDATIONS

The Cavite Police Provincial Office, in collaboration with My Brother's Keeper (MBK), held an Officers Devotion on April 21, 2025, at Mayo Hall, Camp BGen Pantaleon Garcia in Imus City.

The event aimed to promote spiritual growth and reinforce moral integrity among police leaders.

The gathering commenced with a solemn prayer led by Pastor Bong Varona, the Provincial Values Coordinator, setting a reflective and reverent tone. PLTCOL Willy B Salazar, Deputy Provincial Director for Administration, welcomed attendees and highlighted the crucial role of faith-based values in effective leadership and public service.

Key inspirational messages were delivered by Rev. Leo P. Decinal, National MBK Coordinator, and PMGEN Mao R Aplasca (Ret.), National MBK Convenor. Both speakers underscored the importance of ethical leadership, spiritual renewal, and the transformative power of faith in law enforcement.

An open forum followed, allowing participants to engage in meaningful dialogue and share insights on integrating spiritual values into professional responsibilities.

The program concluded with a heartfelt closing prayer led by PCOL Elmar B Sillador (Ret.), also serving as a

National MBK Coordinator. This devotion is part of Cavite PPO's ongoing commitment to nurturing integrity, compassion, and unity within its ranks through faith-driven initiatives. *(Photo and story from Cavite PPO)*

## BACOR CITY CONTINUES "TARA BASA" TUTORING PROGRAM WITH NEW CAPABILITY BUILDING INITIATIVE

The City Government of Bacoor, in partnership with the Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD) and the Department of Education (DepEd), launched a Capability Building program for the ongoing "Tara Basa" tutoring program today. The event, held at the Revilla Hall, aimed to equip volunteers with the skills and knowledge needed to effectively teach reading and writing to struggling students.

Mayor Strike B. Revilla, along with representatives from the DSWD Field Office Region IV-A Calabarzon and the DSWD Central Office, graced the occasion. The program is designed to help Grade 1 students who are transitioning to Grade 2 and are facing difficulties with reading and writing. A team of Cavite State University students, working alongside experienced Youth Development Workers, will serve as tutors under the "Tara Basa" program, guiding the students in their literacy development. The program

## CALABARZON's economy accelerates by 5.6 percent in 2024

The economy of CALABARZON accelerated by 5.6 percent in 2024 compared to the 5.2 percent growth in 2023. The main contributor to CALABARZON's economic growth was Manufacturing, which contributed 1.5 percentage points. The top three fastest growing industries were: Financial and insurance activities with 13.0

percent; Human health and social work activities with 12.8 percent, and Public administration and defense; compulsory social security with 11.7 percent. Conversely, Agriculture, forestry, and fishing (AFF) declined by 0.7 percent, the only industry which recorded a contraction in 2024.

CALABARZON was the only region in the country that was predominantly industrial. Among the major economic sectors of the region, Industry had the largest share with 49.0 percent. This was followed by Services with 46.8 percent share and AFF with 4.2 percent share.

Of the 5.7 percent growth of Philippines' GDP in 2024, CALABARZON contributed 0.8 percentage point, the second highest among the 18 regions. Moreover, the region remained second in terms of share, accounting for 14.7 percent of the national GDP.

CALABARZON's Government final consumption expenditure records highest growth in 2024

Among the major expenditure items, Government final consumption expenditure recorded the highest

growth of 6.5 percent in 2024. It was followed by Household final consumption expenditure at 5.2 percent and Exports of goods and services to the rest of the world at 3.8 percent. On the other hand, Gross capital formation declined by 2.1

percent.

The per capita HFCE of the region was estimated at PhP 159,767, which grew by 4.0 percent from PhP 153,645 in 2023. It was higher by 11.9 percent than the national level, which was estimated at PhP 142,837.

## PNP CALABARZON Nabs High Value Drug Suspects in Series of Drug Bust Operations

**Camp BGen Vicente Lim-** The Police Regional Office CALABARZON arrested several high value drug personalities and confiscated a significant amount of illegal drugs, in a series of intensified anti-illegal drug operations conducted across the CALABARZON region from April 23 to 24, 2025. In Cavite, alias "GARY" and "JAB", both residents of Dasmariñas City, were arrested on the evening of April 23 at Brgy Datu Esmael, upon the confiscation of approximately 53 grams of shabu valued at P360,000.00 Cavite Police Drug Enforcement Unit together with the members of Dasmariñas Component City Police Station.

On the afternoon of the same date, Drug Enforcement Team of the Lucena Component City Police Station, together with the Quezon Police Drug Enforcement Teams, Intelligence Unit, and Maritime police arrested alias "ALAN" during a drug bust operation in Brgy Ibabang Dupay, Lucena City. He was confiscated with roughly 80 gramss of shabu valued at P544,000.00 and drug bust money.

In Antipolo City, alias "BOS", a resident of said place was also arrested by the members of Antipolo Drug Enforcement Team on April 23 around 8:35 in the evening at Brgy. Dela Paz Antipolo City, Rizal. Confiscated from his possession were 7-heat sealed sachets of shabu weighing more or less 25 grams valued at Php 170,000.00, other drug paraphernalia and drug bust money. Also, on April 24 in the morning, at Barangay Mambugan, Antipolo City, alias "ZETTE", was arrested in

possession of more or less 35 grams of shabu valued at P238,000.00.

Meanwhile, 3 Street Value Individuals were arrested on the evening of April 23 at Brgy San Jose, Rodriguez, Rizal. The suspects were identified as alias "ACON", "PONG", and "CHELSEA" who were arrested by the Rodriguez Drug Enforcement Team in a buy-bust operation. Confiscated from their possession were 9 heat-sealed plastic sachets of shabu with an estimated weight of 25 grams valued at Php 170,000.00.

PBGEN PAUL KENNETH T. LUCAS, Regional Director of PRO CALABARZON, lauded the operatives for their diligence, coordination, and dedication to rid the streets of CALABARZON of the scourge of illegal drugs.

"This series of successful drug busts reflects our commitment to cleanse our communities of illegal drugs and dismantle the networks that threaten the safety and well-being of our kababayan," said PBGEN Lucas.

The Regional Director also reaffirmed PRO CALABARZON's stance on illegal drugs, emphasizing that under his leadership, the region will continue to pursue drug peddlers with utmost resolve. "We remain relentless in our campaign against illegal drugs. We will not stop until we have fulfilled the promise to the people kung saan dito Sa Bagong Pilipinas, ang gusto ng pulis, ligtas ang lahat," he added.

All arrested suspects are now in police custody and will face charges for violation of Republic Act 9165, otherwise known as the Comprehensive Dangerous Drugs Act of 2002. *(RPIO4A)*

## EXTRA JUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE WITH WAIVER OF RIGHTS

**NOTICE** is hereby given that the estate of the late **AGUSTIN DELA CRUZ LOZADA** who died last August 09, 2016 is the owner of parcel of land described as, "A parcel of land (Lot 51, Blk. 16 of the consolidation/subdivision plan, Pcs-04-005853, being a portion of the consolidation of Lots 6506 & 6507, Imus Estate, L.R.C. Rec. No.\_), situated in the Bo. of Molino, Mun. of Bacoor, Prov. of Cavite, Is. of Luzon, containing an area of THIRTY-FIVE (35) SQ. METERS registered under the name of HEDIE C. GANUELAS married to ROMELITA C. GANUELAS" was extrajudicially settled by the heirs, executed before Notary Public Atty. Maricel S. Gaité as per Doc No. 247; Page No. 50; Book No. XIV; Series of 2025.

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## PGC's medical and dental mission benefits Poblacion 12, Amadeo residents

The Provincial Government of Cavite, once again, showcased its commitment to provide community care to the constituents as its team rolled to Brgy. Poblacion 12, Amadeo for another medical and dental mission, on April 15, 2025.

Despite the intense heat, a total of 118 patients lined up to access the health services extended by the

Office of the Provincial Governor and Office of the Provincial Health Officer which include medical check-ups, dental services including tooth extraction, and medicines.

The program wrapped up with warmth and gratitude for the PGC's medical and dental mission team that fosters healthcare for a healthier Cavite.--- J. Reyes *(CPIO)*

## Healthcare provided to the constituents of the City of Imus

On April 16, 2025, a total of 285 Imuseños accessed the basic healthcare services, free of cost, in the medical mission program delivered by the dedicated professionals from the Provincial Government of Cavite at Brgy Alapan I-B,

City of Imus.

This initiative continues to roll its wheels to serve and deliver healthcare services, ensuring healthy lives of the constituents across the province.--- J. Reyes *(CPIO)*

## Pagpapatuloy ng gov't projects kahit magpalit ng administrasyon, mandato ng itinatag na DEPDev

By Divine Paguntalan/IBC

Sa layuning mas palakasin ang plano at direksyon ng ekonomiya ng Pilipinas, nilagdaan ni Pangulong Ferdinand R. Marcos Jr. noong Abril 10 ang Republic Act No. 12145, na nagtatatag sa Department of Economy, Planning, and Development (DEPDev). Ito ay nagsisilbing reorganisasyon ng National Economic and Development Authority (NEDA). Sailalimngbagongahensya ay magkakaroon nang mas malawak na mandato bilang pangunahing ahensyang tagapayo at tagapagsubaybay sa progreso ng mga proyekto para sa ekonomiya ng buong bansa. Kasama sa mandato ng DEPDev ang tiyakin na ang pambansa at panrehiyong plano ay magkakaugnay at tuluy-tuloy ang implementasyon sa kabila ng pagpapalit ng liderator o administrasyon sa pamamagitan ng pagbuo ng isang long-term infrastructure master plan. Layunin ng DEPDev na iwasang maantala o makansela ang mga mahahalagang proyekto at agad na matugunan ang tunay na pangangailangan ng mga mamamayang

### Naaagnas na bangkay, nadiskubre

**HALOS** naaagnas na ang bangkay ng hairdresser na nadiskubre sa loob ng kanyang bahay sa General Mariano Alvarez, Cavite. Kinilala ang biktima na si Ernesto Rosal, alyas Trixy, binata at residente ng Block 2 Lot 53, Brgy Granados, GMA. Una rito ay nagrereklamo ang ilang residente dahil sa masangsang na amoy na nagmumula sa bahay ng biktima. Dahil dito ay pumunta ang isang barangay kagawad kung saan nadiskubre ang bangkay. Masangsang na ang amoy at naaagnas na ang katawan ng biktima. Ayon sa mga kamag-anak ng biktima, dumaranas umano ng depresyon at huling nakitang buhay umaga ng Abril 19. **(Gene Adsua)**

Pilipino. "The new law gives that mandate to DEPDev, serving as a link between the outgoing administration and the incoming administration," saad ni NEDA Secretary Arsenio Balisacan. "In other words, once a long-term infrastructure master plan is adopted by the Cabinet through DEPDev, it will not be easy for any Cabinet member, like a Secretary of Public Works or Secretary of Transportation, to just ignore the presence of such masterplan and not unless the Cabinet and the President convene to approve the masterplan," dagdag niya. Palalakasin ng DEPDev ang kakayahan ng mga kinauukulang ahensya sa pambansa at lokal na pamahalaan na bumuo ng mga polisiya na magbibigay ng pantay-pantay na oportunidad para sa lahat ng nasasakupan. Binigyang-diin ni Balisacan na makatutulong ang DEPDev sa pagtiyak ng "future-ready, well-coordinated, and institutionally robust system" para sa pamamahala sa ekonomiya ng bansa. — **VC**

### Lalaking patay, biktima ng salvage?

**NAGSAGAWA** ng imbestigasyon ang pulisya kung biktima ng salvage ang natagpuang patay sa gitna ng kalsada sa Dasmariñas City, Cavite. Inilarawan ang biktima na lalaki, tinatayang edad 30-40, nasa 5'3" ang taas, payat ang pangangatawan at may mga tattoo sa ulo pati sa buong katawan. Sa ulat, bandang alas-8:0 ng gabi ay natagpuan ng mga rumurondang barangay tanod ang bangkay na duguan sa San Marino Phase 5 along NIA road. Brgy, Salawag, Dasmariñas City. May tama ng bala ng baril sa ulo at iba't ibang bahagi ng katawan ang biktima ng kalibre 45 kung saan narekober ang basyo sa crime scene. **(Gene Adsua)**

## Babaing nakainom na nagmaneho ng traysikel, dedo; 8 sugatan

**PATAY** ang babaing driver ng tricycle habang sugatan ang walo nitong pasahero, kabilang ang 9 buwang sanggol at 10-anyos na batang babae, dahil sa umano'y pagmamaneho na nakainom sa Carmona City, Cavite. Pawang isinugod sa Pagamutang Bayan ng Carmona sina Kristela Ramos Y Laca, 49, driver ng pulang tricycle; Rachelle Ann Villare y Loyola, 33; Kyla Garlan, 21; Jeffrey Espina y Loyola, 43; Jane Mate, 44; pawang ng Brgy Langkiwa Biñan, Laguna; isang 9 buwang babaeng sanggol at 10 anyos na batang babae subalit idineklarang dead on arrival si Kristeta habang sa Carmona Medical Center isinugod

### Kelot, tepok sa lunod

**ISANG** 25-anyos na lalaki ang hinihinalang nalunod dahil sa paliligo sa ilog na umano'y nakainom sa Silang, Cavite. Isinugod pa sa Silang Specialist Medical Center ang biktima na si Eddie Niel Dela Cruz, gardener, ng Ramos St., Brgy Lalaan 2nd Silang subalit idineklarang dead on arrival. Sa naantalang ulat, nagkayaan ang biktima at mga kamag-anak na maligo sa ilog sa Brgy Lalaan 1st Silang bandang alas-3:00 Huwebes ng hapon.

### 'Resto ni kagawad, nilooban

**TINATAYANG** mahigit sa P200K halaga ng cash ang tinangay ng kawatang pinasok ang restaurant na pagmamay-ari ng barangay councilor sa Tagaytay City, Cavite. Inilarawan ang kawatan base sa footage ng CCTV na lalaking nakasuot ng cream na jacket na may hood, puting short, itim na medyas at naka-hand gloves. Base sa CCTV footages, pumasok ang suspek bandang alas-2:01 ng madaling araw sa likurang bahagi ng pintuan ng Tito Bees sa Brgy Kaybagal South Tagaytay City sa

sina Margie Loyola, 61; at Jaime Garcia III, ng 21 ng Brgy Langkiwa, Biñan. Sa ulat, galing sa outing sa Paligawan Matanda River sa Barangay Lantic, Carmona City ang mga biktima at papauwi na sakay ng tricycle na minamaneho ni Kristeta. Habang binabagtas ang kahabaan ng Davilan Road patungo sa direksiyon ng Sugar road at pagsapit sa pababang kurbadang bahagi ng kalsada ay umano'y nawalan ng kontrol ang manibela at tumaob ang tricycle bandang alas-5:35 ng hapon na nagresulta sa pagkakaaksidente. Sa imbestigasyon ng pulisya, nakainom umano ang nagmamaneho ng traysikel. **(Gene Adsua)**

Kasabay ng kasiyahan ay nag-inuman ang biktima, kaibigan at kamag-anak habang nagpabalik-balik sa ilog upang maligo. Nakailang beses na umanong naligo ang biktima subalit hindi na siya nakitang umahon. Isang bagay umano ang natadyakan ng tiyuhin ng biktima sa ilalim ng ilog at doon lang naiskubre ang pamangkin. Tinangkang i-revive bago dinala sa ospital ang biktima subalit idineklaraang dead on arrival. **(Gene Adsua)**

## Editorial

**Balik sa normal na pasukan NAKATAKDA ang school year 2025-2026 sa dating na Hunyo 16. Ito ang simula ng pagpasok ng mga estudyante sa mga pampublikong paaralan sa bansa batay sa Department of Education. Nakapaloob ito sa DepEd Order No. 12, Series of 2025 at ang pagtatapos ay sa Marso 31, 2026. Nangangahulugannamayroong 197 araw ng pagkaklase ang mga public school students. Pero sa paliwanag ng kagawaran ay may mga posibilidad na pagbabago depende sa hindi inaasahang mga kaganapan. Ilan taon din nagkaroon ng pagbabago sa school calendar bunsod ng pagtama sa bansa ng Covid 19 o pandemiya. Minabuting ibalik sa dati o normal school opening sa kabilala ng mahirap na prosesong pinagdaanan sa layuning igitas ang mga mag-aaral sa napakatinding init ng panahon kasama na rin ang mga guro at iba pang kawani ng paaralan.**

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## Local gov't, farmers, thank PBBM for agri support

A local government official led farmers in Misamis Oriental in expressing their gratitude to President Ferdinand R. Marcos Jr. for the government's support to the agricultural sector.

"Let me express my deep appreciation for him to come to Balingasag despite his very busy schedule. Despite the noise going around, he's still focused. That's character. And I would like to thank him for that," said Mayor Alexis Quina, of Balingasag, Misamis Oriental.

"And with his project in place in Balingasag, we are very, very optimistic to have a bright future for our people, not only for Balingasag, but for the province as well. So maraming, maraming salamat po, Mr. President!," Quina added.

President Marcos led the launching and turnover of agricultural support to farmers in Barangay San Isidro, Balingasag on Tuesday.

Farmers' cooperatives and associations (FCAs) and local government units (LGUs) from Cagayan de Oro City and Misamis Oriental received various agricultural interventions from the Department of Agriculture-Regional Field Office 10 and its attached agency, the Philippine Center for Postharvest Development and Mechanization (DA-PHilMech), and from a public-private partnership focused on accelerating the development of the coconut industry.

Quina said the assistance given is among Chief Executive's legacy projects.

"And Balingasag is very, very grateful. This will help us a lot in terms of revenue generation, employment, livelihood, especially for our coconut farmers. This is a very, very good project, and we are forever grateful to the President," Quina said.

For his part, farmer beneficiary Neri Cagaan, 53, chairman of the Salay Farmers Agriculture Cooperative, also thanked President Marcos on behalf of the

farmers.

"Una po, malaking pasasalamat namin dito sa Misamis Oriental. Nabigyan po kami ng magandang facilities. Ito po yung first time na nangyari po (ito) sa Mindanao para po sa pagpapaunlad sa system po sa agriculture, especially sa coconut," he said.

"Itong project na ito, magbibigay ng mas mataas na kita sa farmers. Nandoon na processing sa system, sa juice, at lahat, lahat na po. Pati na po na gagawin na fertilizer. Sa ating mahal na Presidente maraming salamat po. Two years ago po nag-groundbreaking at natuloy na ngayon," he added.

The cooperative handles farms planted with coconut, rice, and high-value crops.

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## PBBM: Gov't builds with a 'heart for people's comfort, security, progress'

President Ferdinand R. Marcos Jr. on Tuesday said his government is committed to building and developing infrastructure projects "with a heart for people's comfort, security, and progress."

The President made the declaration as he led the launching of the P430.39-million Balingoan Port Expansion project in Balingoan, Misamis Oriental. "Ito po ang diwa ng aming tinatawag na Build Better More: Gumagawa tayo ng mga imprastrakturang may puso para sa ginhawa, seguridad, at pag-angat ng ating mga kababayan," President Marcos said.

"Ipagdiwang natin ang araw na ito—isang makabuluhang hakbang pasulong, para sa mas maginhawa, mas maayos, at mas maaasahang biyahe para sa bawat Pilipino," he said.

The Build Better More (BBM) is the infrastructure program of the Marcos administration, which started in 2022 and will continue until 2028.

The President enumerated other port projects under his administration, citing the expansion of the Passenger Terminal Building in the Port of Batangas, which was completed last year.

The terminal can now handle 8,000 passengers, compared to its previous capacity of 2,500 people.

The Currimao Port Expansion and Restoration

In a sectoral meeting in Malacañang on DICT's programs and projects, President Ferdinand R. Marcos Jr. on Monday recognized the need to have a strong mechanism to combat misinformation and disinformation, in light of rapidly evolving digital technologies.

President Marcos acknowledged that regulating online platforms would be challenging, considering that any proposed regulation will be weighed against the right to freedom of expression.

The President expressed support to the Department of Information and Communications Technology (DICT) and the Presidential Communications Office (PCO)'s anti-fake news campaign. However, he also emphasized that any measure should be clear as to what is being regulated and how the regulation will be undertaken without infringing on this

Project in Ilocos Norte is also part of the initiative, the President said, noting the project intends to strengthen the port facility to accommodate cruise ships that will boost the province's tourism sector.

In the Visayas, the President said the government started the construction of the New Cebu International Container Port aimed at enhancing trade in the central Philippines.

He added the implementation of the Ormoc Port Expansion Project in Leyte is also ongoing that could improve the port facility in the Eastern Visayas region.

And aside from the Balingoan Port in Mindanao, the government has been carrying out the Plaridel Port Expansion and Improvement Project in Misamis Occidental, with the goal of strengthening inter-island connectivity in the region.

"Ang lahat ng ito ay naglalayong mapaunlad ang ating mga pantalan at mapabuti ang karanasan ng bawat Pilipino," the President said. "Higit sa pagiging daanan tungo sa mga sentro ng kalakalan, negosyo, at turismo, ang mga pantalan ay isa ring mahalagang tulay tungo sa kaunlaran ng ating bansa."

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## PBBM underscores need for strong mechanism and clear regulation against fake news

fundamental right.

DICT Secretary Henry Rhoel Aguda echoed the President's concerns, stressing the importance of a firm national position to counter online falsehoods. He also highlighted that the right to free expression carries with it special duties and responsibilities and may be subject to certain restrictions under the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights.

Aguda was optimistic the local media industry will back the administration's initiative, as journalists play a vital role in

promoting truth in the digital landscape.

For his part, PCO Secretary Jay C. Ruiz assured President Marcos that the PCO has developed an operational framework to identify websites and online content that disseminate false information. The PCO committed to continue coordinating with

## PBBM on Pope Francis: 'The best Pope in my lifetime'

President Ferdinand R. Marcos Jr. expressed deep sorrow over the passing of Pope Francis, who was

the CICC in order to speed up actions against fake news proliferation on various platforms.

President Marcos expressed hope that the government can make meaningful progress in addressing the issue, noting the fight against disinformation is a continuous and evolving challenge. | **PND**

## Palace expects good results from PH-US trade talks

Malacanang said on Monday that it hopes the visit to the US of Special Assistant to the President for Investment and Economic Affairs Secretary Frederick Go in early May will yield good results.

In a press briefing, Presidential Communications Undersecretary and Palace Press Officer Claire Castro said

"we should always be hopeful dahil ang mundo natin at ang bansa natin ay hindi kulay itim."

"Sa kasalukuyan po ay nagkakaroon ng meeting ng economic team, para po

itong malamang na ilalahad sa kanilang pagpupulong sa darating na Mayo," she said.

US President Donald Trump announced on April 2 the imposition of reciprocal tariffs which may affect Southeast Asian economies.

The Philippines was slapped with 17 percent tariff, although much lower levy compared to its Southeast Asian neighbors. Trump later on announced a 90-day pause with a universal lowered reciprocal tariff of 10 percent.

Tariffs on goods from China however spiked to 145 percent. | **PND**

## DICT vows 'digital bayanihan' to protect May 12 elections

The Department of Information and Communications Technology (DICT) vowed to ensure the safety and integrity of the May 12 midterm elections through the strengthening of the country's digital infrastructure for elections.

"Sa digital bayanihan sisiguraduhin ng DICT na ligtas ang halalan, at ang boto ng bawat Pilipino ay mananatiling sagrado," Presidential Communications Undersecretary and Palace Press Officer Claire Castro said during a Malacañang press briefing on Monday.

Castro said the DICT and the Commission on Elections (COMELEC) Advisory Council (CAC) had a meeting last week, which tackled the conduct of safe and credible elections amid the increasing threats in the digital space.

"Ang CAC na binubuo ng iba't ibang sektor ay regular na nagpupulong para talakayin ang mga isyung may kinalaman sa halalan. Pinag-usapan din ang digital at automated election systems at mga rekomendasyon para sa COMELEC," Castro said.

The key part of the initiative Digital Bayanihan is the collaboration with various technology giants, including TikTok, Google, and Meta which now implement a ban on paid political advertisements on their platforms, Castro said. The DICT said Google has implemented the ban since the start of the official campaign period to support the goal of a clean and fair election.

Castro cited the agencies' initiative to establish "Configuration Hubs" for a much more streamlined elections process. These agencies will also develop online tools such as precinct results finder, registration status verifier, and website for real time monitoring of election results and access to election data, she added.

"Kasama rin dito ang cybersecurity initiatives tulad ng vulnerability testing, security protocols, at paggamit ng Philippine National Public Key Infrastructure o PNPKI digital certificates para sa mga guro na magsisilbing electoral board members," Castro said.

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affectionately known among Filipinos as "Lolo Kiko."

"Ibang klase si Pope Francis. That's really sad. I love this Pope. The best Pope in my lifetime as far as I'm concerned," President Marcos said on the sidelines of a meeting on Monday.

Before his passing, Pope Francis appeared before the crowd at St. Peter's Square with a message of "Happy Easter."

According to Vatican News, Pope Francis passed away at 7:35 AM local time on Monday. He was 88.

Born Jorge Mario Bergoglio, Pope Francis was elected Supreme Pontiff on March 13, 2013. He became the first pope from the Americas and the first Jesuit to hold the position.

Pope Francis made a historic visit to the Philippines in 2015, following the devastation caused by Super Typhoon Yolanda (Haiyan) in 2013.

During his visit, Pope Francis celebrated Mass at the Manila Cathedral and the Pontifical and Royal University of Santo Tomas.

The Pontiff also held an emotional outdoor Mass in Tacloban City amid strong rains and winds brought about by an approaching storm.

In his encounters with Filipino priests, seminarians, religious community members, youth, and public leaders, Pope Francis spoke passionately about the centrality of the marginalized and dispossessed and the primacy of their needs in spreading the Gospel.

The Filipinos will always remember Pope Francis and his call to the Filipino faithful to reinvigorate daily their zeal to connect with and reach out to those in the margins, and to work collectively to protect the environment. | **PND**



## “NO SECOND CHANCES”: MARBIL PURGES QCPD LEADERSHIP OVER ABUSE COP INCIDENT

In line with the directive of President Ferdinand R. Marcos Jr. to uphold discipline and restore public trust in law enforcement, Philippine National Police (PNP) Chief, Police General Rommel Francisco D. Marbil, has ordered the immediate administrative relief of the Quezon City Police District Director, Police Brigadier General Melecio Maddatu Buslig Jr, following the swift arrest of a police officer involved in a case of grave misconduct. This decisive action demonstrates the PNP’s firm stance against abuse of authority and reinforces its commitment to internal accountability. The arrested officer, Police Staff Sergeant Colonel Jordan Marzan, assigned to Police Station 2, Quezon City Police District, was caught on video forcibly entering a private residence and allegedly assaulting a minor while under the influence of alcohol. The incident occurred past midnight on April 21, 2025, at No. 1 Caragay Street, Barangay Damayan, Quezon City, and sparked public outrage after the complainant uploaded the disturbing footage on social media. Upon verification of the facts and validation of evidence, the erring police officer was immediately arrested by his own commander and fellow officers. He was promptly disarmed, and criminal charges have been prepared for filing, with inquest proceedings expected to take place anytime today. The officer now faces serious charges, including Violation of Domicile and multiple counts under Republic Act No. 7610, or the Special Protection of Children Against Abuse, Exploitation, and Discrimination Act. Meanwhile, the PNP Internal Affairs

Service (IAS) has taken cognizance of the administrative case to ensure full accountability within the ranks. “This is not just a case of misconduct—it is a disgraceful betrayal of the people’s trust,” said PNP Chief Marbil. “Let this be clear: we will not allow any abusive officer to hide behind the badge. If you harm the people you swore to protect, you will be arrested, prosecuted, and expelled from the service. No second chances. No exceptions.” The relief of PBGen Buslig is a firm demonstration of command responsibility and a reminder that accountability does not stop at the individual level—it starts at the top. “We are drawing a hard line,” PGen Marbil added. “There is no room in the PNP for predators in uniform. The Filipino people deserve peacekeepers, not perpetrators.” The PNP leadership assures the public that swift, firm, and lawful action will always be taken against any personnel who violate their oath to serve with honor and integrity. This action echoes President Marcos Jr.’s recent call to cleanse the ranks of government of those who undermine the very institutions they serve. “Under this administration, and under my watch, we will rebuild the Filipino people’s faith in their police—not with promises, but with decisive actions,” Marbil stressed. “We will lead by example. Discipline is non-negotiable. Integrity is mandatory. Public trust is sacred.” The PNP encourages the public to continue reporting abuses and misconduct. This is a new era in law enforcement—where impunity ends and justice prevails. **(PNP-PIO)**

## Magallanes MPS Apprehends Wanted Person in Pila, Laguna

**Camp BGen Pantaleon Garcia, City of Imus, Cavite** — In line with the continued anti-criminality efforts of the Philippine National Police, personnel of Magallanes Municipal Police Station successfully apprehended a wanted individual in an early morning operation conducted on April 22, 2025, in Barangay San Antonio, Pila, Laguna. PMAJ RAYMOND T BALBUENA, Chief of Police of Magallanes MPS, identified the suspect as alias ALDRIN, a resident of Barangay San Antonio, Pila, Laguna. The operation was conducted at around 1:05 AM by a team led by PLT RONNEL A MARGES, Deputy Chief of Police and Intelligence PCO of Magallanes MPS. The team was equipped with Alternative Recording Devices (ARDs) and acted on the strength of a warrant

of arrest for Violation of Presidential Decree 705 (Section 68) in relation to Articles 309 and 310 of the Revised Penal Code. The warrant was issued on January 14, 2025, by the RTC Branch 11, Fourth Judicial Region, Balayan, Batangas, under Criminal Case No. 12333, with bail set at Php 36,000.00. The arresting officers strictly adhered to all prescribed PNP operational procedures and ensured the suspect was informed of his constitutional rights in a language he understood. This accomplishment reflects the steadfast dedication of the Cavite Police Provincial Office and its component units in ensuring that justice is served. The apprehension of wanted individuals like ALDRIN underscores the PNP’s unrelenting commitment to peace, order, and public safety.

## Rosario PNP Arrests Regional Level Most Wanted Person in Gen. Trias City

**Camp BGen Pantaleon Garcia, City of Imus, Cavite** — In a resolute demonstration of law enforcement’s commitment to upholding justice, the Rosario Municipal Police Station, successfully arrested a Regional Level Most Wanted Person during a warrant-based police operation at around 7:15 PM of April 21, 2025, in Barangay San Juan 1, General Trias City, Cavite. PLTCOL ARDIE O BAGAMAN, Officer-in-Charge of Rosario MPS, identified the arrested suspect as alias ALONICA, a resident of Barangay Wawa 1, Rosario, Cavite. The arrest was conducted by the Warrant Section of Rosario MPS by virtue of a warrant of arrest for Violation of Section 12, Article II of Republic Act 9165 (Comprehensive Dangerous Drugs Act of 2002), with Criminal Case No. 1308-2022, issued by the 4th Judicial Region, RTC Branch 88, Cavite City, dated February 21, 2025. The warrant was served with no bail recommended (Service of Sentence). The police team utilized

Alternative Recording Devices (ARDs) during the operation in strict compliance with established PNP operational guidelines and human rights protocols. The suspect was informed of her constitutional rights in a language and manner she fully understood. This latest success underscores the Philippine National Police’s intensified efforts to pursue fugitives and deliver justice. The Cavite PPO remains steadfast in its mandate to maintain peace and order across the province. PCOL DWIGHT E. ALEGRE, Acting Provincial Director of Cavite PPO, called on the public for continued support. “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!”

## Swift Response Under “Patruyang Magilas”: Mobile Patrol Unit Corners Drunk Driver After Multiple Road Crashes

**Camp BGen Pantaleon Garcia, City of Imus, Cavite** — In line with the Acting Provincial Director’s flagship program “Patruyang Magilas”, which intensifies police presence through Fixed Visibility Posts (FVPs), Mobile Patrol Unit (MPU) personnel from GMA Cavite swiftly responded and intercepted a suspected drunk driver involved in multiple road crashes, culminating along Molino-Paliparan Road, Brgy. Paliparan 3, Dasmariñas City, Cavite at around 11:30 PM on April 20, 2025. PLTCOL Regino L. Oñate, Officer-In-Charge of Dasmariñas City Police Station, reported that the incident involved two vehicles: Vehicle 1: Toyota Rush, driven by alias Felix, a resident of Brgy. Salawag, Dasmariñas City. Vehicle 2: Isuzu D-Max, driven by alias Lin, a Chinese national residing in Brgy. San Gabriel, GMA Cavite. According to the initial investigation, Vehicle 1 was traveling towards Bacoor when it was rear-ended by Vehicle 2. Following the impact, Vehicle 2 attempted to flee by making a U-turn and turning right toward Paliparan, but due to a blown front left tire, the vehicle veered off and crashed into the concrete center island. It was further discovered that Vehicle 2 had been previously involved in another road crash in GMA, Cavite. Alert MPU personnel stationed in the

area—Pat Rodney Vasquez Aduca and Pat Eldrin James Simera Agrimano under the supervision of PCpt Marlon Sotomayor, Chief MPU initiated pursuit in line with the “Patruyang Magilas” directive, which ensures that all patrol assets remain on the ground, strategically positioned in crime-prone and high-traffic areas to respond quickly to incidents. The pursuit ended with the successful interception of the suspect vehicle in Dasmariñas. Authorities believe the driver of Vehicle 2 was under the influence of liquor, in violation of RA 10586 (Anti-Drunk and Drugged Driving Act of 2013). Both vehicles and the concrete center island owned by the City Government of Dasmariñas sustained unestimated damages. This swift and decisive action highlights the effectiveness of “Patruyang Magilas”, the Cavite Police Provincial Office’s strategic operational plan to increase police visibility and public safety through well-placed Fixed Visibility Posts and proactive patrol deployment. The Cavite PPO urges the public to remain cooperative and vigilant. The PNP remains committed to ensuring a safe, secure, and orderly community for every Caviteño through strong police visibility, prompt response, and community partnership.

## Misamis Occidental commends PNP for anti-drug efforts

**OROQUIETA CITY, Misamis Occidental (PIA)** — The provincial government of Misamis Occidental held a recognition ceremony to commend members of the Philippine National Police (PNP) for their role in anti-drug operations. “You are not just law enforcers—you are protectors of our communities,” said Governor Henry Oaminal during the event. The awards recognized the PNP’s contributions to maintaining peace and supporting anti-drug efforts across the province. The provincial government noted that improved security has supported local economic growth and transition to first-

class provincial status. Accordingly, the PNP’s involvement in ensuring the safe conduct of major events such as the 95th Provincial Anniversary, Palarong Pampook 2025, and Pamaskong Handog. The provincial government also urged the police force to uphold integrity, professionalism, and public service. “Our vision for Asenso Misamis Occidental is based on peace, development, and public trust,” the Governor said. The ceremony concluded with the province reaffirming its support for the PNP and its continued role in community safety. **(Provincial Government of Misamis Occidental)**





## PBBM: Use digital technologies to improve public service

President Ferdinand R. Marcos Jr. on Thursday urged all public servants to adopt the latest technologies and innovations for improved public service to the Filipino people.

"It is an opportunity now for us to rethink, to innovate, and serve our people better through technology," President Marcos said.

The President made the remarks during the ceremonial presentation of the signed Memorandum of Agreement on the Philippine Civil Service Digital Leadership Program in Malacañang Palace.

During the event, President Marcos said it was in June 2023 when the Private Sector Advisory Council (PSAC) Digital Infrastructure Sector Lead proposed the Philippine Civil Service Digital Leadership Program.

The PSAC announced on February 14, 2025, the collaboration among various stakeholders that led to the drafting of the Memorandum of Agreement, the President said.

"Now, the early results of this initiative have come to fruition," he said.

This month, the first batch of dedicated participants—including 30 representatives from the Civil Service Commission (CSC)—completed their pilot training in Singapore, the President said.

They returned equipped with essential knowledge on digital leadership, citizen-centric design thinking, and data-driven decision-making to help modernize public service delivery.

Between now and 2027, Phase 2 of the program

targets to train at least 10,000 civil servants, the President said.

Equipped with the necessary skills and a renewed vision for public service, these civil servants will then be catalysts in leading the digital transformation of the bureaucracy from within, President Marcos said.

During the event in Malacañang, President Marcos thanked the partners from the Civil Service Commission (CSC), the National University of Singapore's Institute of Systems Science, and the PSAC through the Private Sector Jobs and Skills Corp. for working on the initiative.

He also expressed gratitude to visionary partners like the Temasek Foundation, SM Group, and Ayala Group for their invaluable support and commitment to advancing public sector transformation.

## NHCP HOSTS PINGKIAN LECTURES WITH DR. ZEUS SALAZAR

ERMITA, MANILA — The National Historical Commission of the Philippines (NHCP) recently started the Piqued on Pingkian Commemorative Lectures in commemoration for the 150th Birth Anniversary of Emilio Jacinto.

Entitled "Ang Kartilya ng Katipunan: Isang Batayan ng Kaisipang Ideolohikal ng KKK," the inaugural lecture was given by Zeus A. Salazar, Ph.D held live last 21 April 2025 at the NHCP Central Office, T.M. Kalaw Ave.

Dr. Zeus Salazar is a historian and anthropologist from the University of the Philippines Diliman and the Sorbonne University of Paris. He is best known for his seminal work on

## DILG recalibrates SGLG to focus on measurable impact

By DILG

The Department of the Interior and Local Government announced that the Seal of Good Local Governance (SGLG) assessment for local government units (LGUs) this year is deferred as the SGLG program undergoes reprogramming.

The SGLG is an institutionalized incentive, honor, and recognition-based program of the Department on the exemplary governance of LGUs to uphold transparency, accountability, and effective public service delivery. According to the DILG, there is a need to recalibrate the SGLG to support long-term solutions, and not just annual compliance; streamline indicators to focus on measurable impact; and improve funding mechanisms for fairer and more effective distribution.

From an annual assessment, the SGLG will shift to a term-based assessment structure to align with the three-year term of local chief

executives. This will provide LGUs adequate time to implement substantial reforms and achieve measurable results.

The DILG will also consolidate SGLG's ten governance areas into three key outcome areas, namely innovation, fiscal management, and crisis resilience to make the assessment more precise and focused.

Moreover, the SGLG Incentive Fund allocation shall ensure the long-term impact of the funds by considering the socio-economic disparities among LGUs and innovations addressing unique challenges, among others.

The DILG urges LGUs to shift their efforts towards preparing for the assessment on the succeeding cycles while awaiting for the new guidelines.

Earlier, DILG Secretary Jonvic Remulla announced the amendments regarding the reduction of governance area indicators, adjustment on the timeline of the assessment cycles, and the establishment of a board of judges for the SGLG program.

There were 714 SGLG awardees last year, 22 among them were consistent passers since its inception.

"This collaboration brings us closer to realizing our shared aspiration of building a modernized public sector workforce," President Marcos said. |

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By NHCP

the use of the "Pantayong Pananaw" in the writing of Philippine History. Since the 1970s, he promoted the use of the Filipino's own perspective and own language to make sense of our history.

Emilio Jacinto took on the name 'Pingkian' (meaning flint or tinder) soon after he joined the Kataas-taasan, Kagalang-galangang, Katipunan ng mga Anak ng Bayan (KKK) where he quickly became one of the organization's top leaders. He authored the Kartilya ng Katipunan which earned him the moniker "Brains of the Katipunan."

The lecture was streamed via FB Live at the NHCP Facebook Page. Event

partners Samahang Pangkasaysayan ng Tondo, Bagong Kasaysayan, Inc., the Polytechnic University of the Philippines – Philippine Studies Program along with public historian Dr. Michael 'Xiao' Chua, and musical artist Dr. Felipe de Leon Jr. were at the lecture, which was also a program commitment to the Local Historical Committees Network (LHCN).

The NHCP is the national government agency mandated to promote Philippine history through its museums, research, and publications, and to preserve historical heritage through conservation and the marking of historic sites and structures.

## Ipinapakita ng survey ng CWR na hindi nagtitiwala ang mga botante ng kababaihan sa sistemang pampulitika, halalan

Ang Center for Women's Resources (CWR) kamakailan ay nagpakita ng mga pangunahing natuklasan mula sa pinakabagong pag-aaral nito sa pakikilahok ng kababaihan sa pulitika sa lead-up para sa Mayo 12, 2025 pambansa at lokal na halalan.

Inilunsad ng CWR ang "Women's Political Participation Survey Results" sa isang press conference sa Kamuning Bakery Cafe. Ang Kuro Pulso ng Kababaihan ay isang taunang press conference na pana-panahong isinasagawa ng CWR.

Sinabi ni Bren Yasay, Research Coordinator ng CWR, na noong 1937 nang makuha ng mga kababaihan ang karapatang bumoto o karapatang bumoto at ang bilang ng mga kababaihang botante mula noon ay mataas.

Ang mga respondente ay mula sa mga lungsod at lalawigan ng Cavite, Bulacan, Laguna, Batangas, Iloilo City, Davao City, National Capital Region, Rizal, at Cordillera Administrative Region.

Ang bilang ng mga babaeng botante ay bahagyang mas mataas din, na may 82.43% noong 2016 at 76.16% noong 2019, kumpara sa mga rate ng pagboto ng mga lalaki na 81.43% at 75.62%. Sa ika-19 na Kongreso, ang mga kababaihan ay binubuo ng pito sa 24 na senador (29%) at 85 sa 311 Kinatawan (27.3%).

Ayon kay Angela

Panagsagan, Research Program Assistant ng CWR, napilitan din ang mga kababaihan kaya ayaw nilang matanggal sa listahan ng mga botante.

Idinagdag pa ni Panagsagan na tila nagiging normal na ang paggamit ng kababaihan bilang pinagkukunan ng libangan sa panahon ng kampanya, ngunit dapat itaguyod ang dignidad at disente, lalo na para sa mga kababaihan.

Ayon kay Cham Perez, Executive Director ng CWR at Babae, Bantayan ang Eleksyon (BaBaE) Network Secretariat, mas mainam na maunawaan ang pattern ng survey dahil limitado ang mga oportunidad o pagpipilian para sa kababaihan sa harap ng political dynasties.

Sinabi ni Perez na mahigit kalahati ng mga botante ang aktibo sa kanilang paglahok sa halalan. Gayunpaman, masaya pa rin sila dahil nakikita nila na may pag-asa pa rin.

Idinagdag pa ni Perez na ang kawalan ng katiyakan sa ekonomiya ay nag-aambag sa kahinaan ng kababaihan, na binabanggit na ang mga batas ay dapat ipatupad, lalo na ng mga halal na opisyal, kabilang ang pagsasama ng pagkakapantay-pantay ng kasarian at karapatan ng kababaihan sa kurikulum ng paaralan.

"Bilang isang institusyon, ang CWR ay hindi nageendorso ng anumang mga kandidato o partidong pampulitika sa halalan," sabi ni Perez.



### Center for Women's Resources (CWR)

Ang tatlong opisyal ng Center for Women's Resources CWR na sina Angela Panagsagan, Research Program Assistant, Bren Yasay, Research Coordinator at Cham Perez, Executive Director sa kanilang mga panawagan na maging malinis ang halalan, bawal ang bastos. Babae bantayan ang election kaugnay ng ginanap press conference sa Kamuning Bakery Cafe Quezon City. (REY NILLAMA)





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**PINGUNAHAN** ng panunumpa ni (gitnang larawan) PBA Commissioner Willie Marcialang bagong opisyal ng 2025-27 PBA Press Photographers Club na ginanap sa Araneta Coliseum. (mula kaliwa pa kanan) Peter Baltazar - PRO (Tiebreaker Times) Henry Vargas - Director (Hataw) Ernie Sarmiento - Treasurer (Journal Group of Companies) Rey Nillama - Secretary (Bulgar, Hanep Publication) Rudy Esperas - President (Pilipino Mirror), August dela Cruz - Vice President (PDI), Tristan Bautista - Director (TV5), Mark Cristino - Director (Spin.ph), Siegfred Tiangco - Director (Abante Online) kasama sa larawan sina Danny Espiritu bilang adviser. Converge FiberXers Rose Ann Respicio Converge Media Relations Head at Media Relation Specialist Rizza Ampong.

## 60th Malaysia Invitational Age-Group Water Polo Championships sa Malaysia Phil team water polo Junior nag uwi ng Bronze medal

**NAGING** tampok sa kasaysayan ang Philippine water polo junior teams ang nakamit na bronze medal ng boys' under-21 team sa katatapos na 60th Malaysia Invitational Age-Group Water Polo Championships sa Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia. Sa gabay ni head coach Roi Dela Cruz sa ilalim ng pangangasiwa ng Serbian mentor at consultant na si Filip Stojanovic, bumalikwas ang Filipino boys squad mula sa magkasunod na kabiguan labans a host Team A (2-20) at Team B (3-11), natapos dominahina ng Indonesian Team A, 17-7 at Indonesian Team B (15-4) para tiyakin ang bronze medal.

Nabitiwan ng Pinoy ang pagkakataong lumaban para sa ginto nang matalo sila sa Singapore, 5-16. "It was the best finish yet by a Filipino youth team in an international water polo tournament. First medal din po ito ng ating team sa water polo since makasilver ang ating senior squad sa SEA Games noong 2019," ani Dela Cruz. Ang Women's U24 ay nagkaroon din ng masiglang laro laban sa Malaysia, Hong Kong, at Singapore. Sa kabila ng walang panalo na kampanya, si Julia Basa,

isang 17-anyos na UST senior high school student at miyembro ng swimming squad sa UAAP, ang naging unang Pinay na nakaiskor ng goal sa isang water polo competition. Hopefully in the SEA Age-Group tilt and the SEA Games in December. PAI, under the leadership of President Miko Vargas and Secretary General and Batangas 1st District Congressman Eric Buhain, also extends our gratitude to the support of the Philippine Sports Commission (PSC Executive Director Anthony)," pahayag ni PAI Executive Director Anthony. Bukod kay Basa, ang women's team ay binubuo nina Sabee de Guzman, Monica Arlante, Marga Morrison-Ionie, Cyril Espongja, Sam Balagot, Raesher Dela Paz, Shinloah San Diego, Ashly Addison, Josie Addison, Mitzie Llegunas, Zoe Ferrer, at Alex Picardal, habang ang junior boys ay kinabibilangan nina Kennz Mirael Ugaban, Matthew Romero, Caleb De Leon, Lance Adalin, Matthew Dasig, Niklas de Guzman, Hugo Lopez, Ted Tolentino, Dave Geda, Andre Establecida, Julian Malubag, at Sebastien Castro.

## Pinalawak na Sports Summer Clinic ng Milo sa iba't ibang dako ng bansa

Ang matagal nang MILO Summer Sports Clinics ay nagtakda ng pinakamalaking libu-libong sports clinic sa 40 sports na nakapila sa buong bansa simula sa buwang ito. Sinabi ni Carlo Sampan, pinuno ng MILO Sports, na ang matagumpay na programa, na tumatakbo nang higit sa tatlong dekada, ay sumasaklaw sa buong bansa, kabilang ang mga malalayong lungsod sa Mindanao tulad ng Cagayan de Oro at Davao.

"Magkakaroon ng 1,200 venue para sa mga klinika sa buong Pilipinas ngayong taon. Ito ang pinakamalaking culmination ng aming grassroots programs," sabi ni Sampan sa Philippine Sportswriters Association Forum sa conference hall ng Rizal Memorial Sports Complex.

"At ngayong taon, mas maraming sports mula sa basketball, tennis, swimming at volleyball hanggang sa athletics, sepak takraw, arnis, karatedo, baseball, soccer, table tennis, fencing, cheerdance, Jiu-jitsu, soft tennis, surfing, weightlifting, golf at maging ice skating at speed skating," dagdag niya sa forum na iniharap ng San Miguel Corporation,

Philippine Sports Commission, Philippine Olympic Committee, MILO, Smart/PLDT, at ang 24/7 sports app ng bansa na ArenaPlus.

Kasama sa programa ang MILO sports executive sina Ricky Lim (karatedo), Julie Amos (basketball), Gerhard Mamawal (tennis), Jeanette Obiena (pole vault at athletics), Rocky Samson (taekwondo), Karen Caballero (sepak takraw) at Nikki Cheng (ice skating at bowling).

Ang mga kinatawan ng palakasan ay naglatag ng kanilang mga programa ngayong tag-init, kabilang ang mga petsa at lugar na maaaring ma-access sa pamamagitan ng MILO.com.ph.

Pinasalamatan ng lahat ang MILO sa patuloy na suporta sa kani-kanilang mga programa sa grassroots.

"Ito ay tungkol sa pagbuo ng mga kampeon at pagbuo ng pagkatao," sabi ni Sampan. "Again, this is the time na excited lahat both parents and kids. Ito ay isa pang pagkakataon para sa kanila na maging masigla kahit sa labas ng paaralan. Ang sports ay isang mahusay na guro,"dagdag ni Sampan.

## World Slasher Cup 2025 magbabalik para sa 2nd Edition ngayong Mayo sa Big Dome

Ang ikalawang edisyon ng World Slasher Cup 2024 ay nakatakdang maganap mula Mayo 21 hanggang 27 sa Smart Araneta Coliseum, Ang tahanan ng pinakaprestihiyosong cockfighting event sa buong mundo. Na kilala bilang "Olympics of Cockfighting," ang invitational 9-cock derby at ito ay muling magsasama-sama ng mga piling breeder at gamefowl warriors sa isang kapana-panabik na pagpapakita ng kasanayan, diskarte, at tradisyon. Sa ikalawang edisyon ay kasunod ng tagumpay ng

unang derby ngayong taon, kung saan ang pinagsamang entry ni J. Bacar / RCF / B. Joson / E. Brus / F. Maranan ay lumitaw bilang solo champion.

Sa kanilang mga entry, ang D' Shipper RS-BBB RCF E'Bros-Balaraw, ay naghatid ng walang katulad na 9-0 win-loss record isang feat na nagbigay sa kanila ng coveted title sa makasaysayang venue noong Enero 26.

Para naman sa karagdagang impormasyon, maaring makipag-ugnay kay Glo Avena sa 8588-4000.

### Mga talaan ng laro sa PBA 49TH Season Philippine Cup

**Abril 30, 2025 Miyerkules PhilSports Arena, Pasig City**

5:00 p.m. Converge FiberXers VS

Rain or Shine Elasto Painters

7:30 p.m. Northport Batang Pier VS

Ginebra San Miguel

**Mayo 2, 2025 Biyernes Ynares Montalban**

5:00 p.m. NLEX Road Warriors VS

Blackwater Bossing

7:30 p.m. Phoenix Fuelmasters VS

Talk N Text Tropang 5G

**Mayo 4, 2025 Linggo Ynares Antipolo**

5:00 p.m. Terrafirma Dyip VS

Magnolia Chicken Timplados Hotshots

7:30 p.m. Talk N Text Tropang 5G VS

San Miguel Beermen



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**NAGKAKAISANG** thumbs up ng mga sports opisyal sa pangunguna ni Milo Sports head Carlo Sampan kasama ang mga sumusunod Ricky Lim (karatedo), Julie Amos (basketball), Gerhard Mamawal (tennis), Jeanette Obiena (pole vault at athletics), Rocky Samson (taekwondo), Karen Caballero (sepak takraw) at Nikki Cheng (ice skating at bowling). Makaraang bisita sa lingguhang PSA Forum sa PSC conference room Rizal Memorial Sports Complex. **(REYMUNDO NILLAMA)**



## Aguilar, nagpanalo sa Ginebra kontra Terrafirma ng PBA Philippine Cup

Nanguna si Japeth Aguilar para sa tagumpay ng Ginebra ng biguin ang Terrafirma, sa iskor na 101-80, para simulan ang kanilang panalo sa PBA sa Smart Araneta Coliseum sa

Quezon City.

Nakapag ipon si Aguilar ng 30 puntos sa 12-of-15 shooting na may pitong rebounds, dalawang assists, isang steal, at apat na emphatic blocks nang simulan ng Gin Kings, na naghahangad na sa wakas ay manalo sa lahat ng ito ngayong season matapos mabigo nang dalawang beses laban sa koponan na kilala ngayon bilang TNT Tropang 5G sa nakaraang conference finals, ang kanilang all-Filipino campaign.

Nagdagdag si RJ Abarrientos ng 14 puntos, isang rebound, pitong assists, at isang steal off the bench, habang ipinakita ni Scottie Thompson na karapat-dapat siyang makapasok sa listahan ng PBA Greatest Players sa pamamagitan ng pagtala ng 11 puntos, 13 rebounds, pitong assists, isang steal, at isang block.

Nagtala si CJ Catapusan ng 14 puntos, tatlong rebounds, isang assist, at dalawang steals para sa Terrafirma, na ngayon ay natalo ng tatlong sunod na laro.



PBA PHILIPPINE  
CUP IN ACTION

**HINDI** alintana ni Ginebra San Miguel center Japeth Aguilar ng pag tulungan sa depensa nila Kevin Ferrer at Mark Sangalang kapwa ng Terrafirma Dyip sa ilang bahagi ng kanilang laro sa PBA 49TH Season Philippine Cup sa Araneta Coliseum. **(REY NILLAMA)**



## TRAGIC REALITY, DISTORTED TRUTH

The brutal murder of Chinese Filipino businessman Anson Que has shocked our nation. Kidnapped in broad daylight and killed by a well-organized crime syndicate, his death is a chilling reminder of the lawlessness gripping our streets. Yet, what is equally alarming is the narrative being spun around this tragedy—a narrative that distorts facts for perceptions or to fit an agenda where context is sacrificed in the altar of political expediency.

The POGO Ploy. According to certain “analysts” and paid media operatives, Que’s murder is attributed to a failed POGO deal. Just like that, a horrific crime rooted in criminal impunity is reshaped into a convenient talking point. This claim is designed to deflect accountability from the current dispensation and thus shift blame to past policies. Reality is selectively framed to serve a different purpose—not to inform but to manipulate emotions.

A Blatant Denial Of Reality Civic leader, Teresita Ang See, condemns this narrative as a flagrant lie. It is a distortion meant to cover up the reality that today’s crime syndicates are emboldened by the ineptitude and corruption of those in power. By pinning the blame on POGO—a venture linked to the previous Duterte administration—political operators hope to divert attention from the failure of the current political leadership.

The Danger Of Spinning Tragedy. When public tragedy is manipulated for political ends, the consequences are dire. It is not just the memory of Anson Que that’s being exploited—it is our very trust in governance. Instead of addressing the rampant corruption and ineffective law enforcement that allow criminal networks to flourish, the conversation is being hijacked by a manufactured crisis.

Filipinos Are Not Foolish. To insinuate that poor Filipinos are to be blamed because of a political association with POGO is as insulting as it is misleading. It suggests that the fault lies in policies from the past instead of acknowledging the active role of today’s administration in failing to

protect people’s lives and instill public safety and order. Filipinos may be poor, but they are not stupid. They fully understand the difference between genuine accountability and convenient scapegoating. Call For Honesty And Action. Justice for Anson Que cannot be achieved through spin or distraction—it demands a confrontation with truth and reality. Our leaders must take responsibility for the rising criminality in our communities, rather than resorting to imagined narratives that only serve to shield them from accountability. The truth is clear: under the current administration, criminal elements are not only thriving—they are growing bolder, and it is time our government did something about it.

In the wake of this tragedy, the public deserves better. We deserve leaders who face reality head-on, not those who rewrite it for their own benefit or convenience. The time for truth and accountability is now.

## CSC: Gov’t employees can tell who they’ll vote for, prohibited from campaigning

**QUEZON CITY (PIA)** – Government employees are free to say who they will vote for, but they must not persuade others to do the same, according to Civil Service Commission (CSC) Assistant Commissioner Ariel Ronquillo. “If you will shout or if you will tell anyone that you’re going to vote for this candidate, that’s perfectly alright because again that is an exercise of your freedom of expression. Just do not invite or encourage others to vote in the same way that you will do,” he stated. Ronquillo emphasized that persuading others to vote for a candidate is considered a partisan political activity, which is prohibited under CSC Memorandum Circular No. 3, which was issued on March 31, 2025.

Partisan political activities are actions that promote the victory or defeat of a specific candidate. This includes acts such as forming or joining groups supporting a particular candidate and actively campaigning for them.

To guide government employees during this election period, here are some dos and don’ts to keep in mind:

**Dos**

•Vote – It’s your way to participate in a democracy,

Quezon City, Philippines — The Philippine Movement for Climate Justice (PMCJ), Pedal for People and Planet, Kilos Klima, Alliance of Unified People’s Organization in Lupang Arenda (APOLA), and other organizations conducted a bike ride and mass action in Marikina City on April 22, 2025 calling for fossil fuel phaseout and declaration of climate emergency. After the short program, the contingents proceeded to the Meralco Headquarters in Pasig City where they condemned the Manila Electric Company (Meralco) power rate hike through a protest organized by the Power for People Coalition (P4P).

“As part of the sinking cities in the Philippines, Marikina, Metro Manila, Rizal, are some of the many areas that suffer from floods during climate catastrophes. These destructive and deadly floods are exacerbated by uncontrolled urbanization, migration, and economic concentration in megacities such as Metro Manila and Rizal. This further complicates the problem of flooding in light of the ongoing climate crisis. This is one of the many reasons why we urgently

•Learn about the candidates – Know their plans and platforms,  
•Attend rallies or events – You can only listen to their speeches and learn about their plans once elected,  
•Like or share posts – It’s okay if there’s no message promoting or rejecting any candidate, and  
•Speak up – You can share your thoughts on political and social issues, so long as you don’t campaign for anyone

**Don’ts**  
•Campaign – Don’t do anything that promotes or opposes a candidate,  
•Join political groups – Especially if the group supports a specific candidate,  
•Wear or display campaign paraphernalia – T-shirts, caps, or buttons that show support for a candidate, and  
•Post or share political campaign content – Don’t convince other people who they can and can’t vote for.

Ronquillo reminds government employees that engaging in partisan political activities is considered an administrative offense and has the following penalties:

•First offense – Suspension from work for one month and one day up to six months  
•Second offense – Dismissal

call for the phaseout of fossil fuels and push for renewable energy. This is just one of the tangible actions we want to achieve on the declaration of national climate emergency,” said PMCJ National Coordinator Ian Rivera.

The bike ride started at 5:00 AM from Liwasang Kalayaan Grotto Park and ended at Marikina Cityhood Park where a program was held. At the Marikina City Hall, PMCJ also submitted a climate emergency draft resolution.

One of the issues raised was the rehabilitation of the Upper Marikina Basin – a call to stop quarrying and land conversion. PMCJ also called to end livelihood-disruptive projects such as the Laguna Lake Road Network (LLRN). In March 2025, the residents, together with the PMCJ and APOLA, successfully intervened and blocked the LLRN public scoping.

“The people bear multiple crosses every day. From bearing the brunt of the new normal aftermath of typhoons, shear lines, and other climate phenomena, to a continuous increase in power rates, we have had enough of projects that exacerbate the climate crisis. We see the glaring connection between all the atrocities of the giant corporations and government agencies to the people. This Earth Day, we are exposing their dirty tactics, we are holding the line,” said PMCJ Senior Energy Officer Larry Pascua.

Last week, P4P conducted a protest at the Energy Regulatory Commission (ERC) and called out the latter for their approval of power supply agreements (PSAs) that Meralco executed. P4P said this may drive up electricity prices and secure a

from the service with a corresponding perpetual disqualification to all public office, forfeiture of retirement benefits, cancellation of civil service eligibility, and perpetual bar from taking civil service examinations. Job Order (JO) and Contract of Service (COS) workers are not classified as government employees. However, if their contracts include terms that allow termination or if they are involved in partisan political activities, they may still face sanctions or be removed from service.

Anyone who sees a government employee engaging in partisan political activities can file a complaint with the CSC. The CSC will use this as a basis to start an investigation. **(GLDG/PIA-NCR)**

monopoly for the power giant. In an advisory, Meralco announced an adjustment as they hike the household rate by 72 centavos per kilowatt-hour (kWh) for the month of April. This translates to a 144-peso increase in the monthly bill of a 200-kWh consumer.

“Meralco’s Meralco PowerGen Corporation (MGen) is known to rely on fossil fuels. For instance, Atimonan residents have been opposing MGen’s proposed coal projects, which the latter tried to turn into a fossil gas-fired power plant; and revived it in September 2024 as a proposed coal-fired plant. P4P said that the Energy Economics and Financial Analysis released findings in February 2025 showing that Meralco’s average cost of generation from gas-fired power plants has increased 15 percent since the introduction of liquefied natural gas (LNG). Big companies like Meralco will do everything just for profit, even if data and testimonies of affected communities are

telling them to stop relying on fossil fuels. With that, the people will do everything in our power to block them,” Pascua lamented.

In January 2025, the joint venture agreement between Meralco, Aboitiz Power Corp. (AboitizPower), and San Miguel Corp. (SMC) was approved as they have finalized their \$3.3-billion deal to build an integrated LNG facility in Batangas.

“Meralco, Aboitiz, and San Miguel put electric consumers at higher risk of electricity spikes. If distribution and generation are controlled by the same entities, for instance, Meralco and MGen, this would force them to purchase electricity from their affiliated generation companies at higher prices, which would then be passed on to consumers. Hence, these power rate hikes. Consumers already bear so many negative impacts in light of the climate crisis. This must stop,” Rivera ended.

## PBBM inaugurates P430.3-M Balingoan Port Expansion Project

President Ferdinand R. Marcos Jr. on Tuesday led the inauguration of the Port Operations Building (POB) under the P430.3-million Balingoan Port Expansion Project in Balingoan, Misamis Oriental.

The Balingoan Port Expansion Project is geared toward boosting the economic and tourism activities in the region. Speaking during the launching held at the newly completed terminal, President Marcos said that under the Build Better More program, the government is building infrastructures aimed at improving public convenience, comfort, security, and general progress.

“Sa pagsasaayos natin sa pasilidad na ito, asahan natin na lalakas ang turismo, bubuhos ang negosyo, lalago ang ekonomiya, at higit sa lahat, mas gaganda ang kabuhayan ng mga taga Misamis Oriental,” President Marcos said.

“Isa lamang po ito sa aming mga proyekto at sa aming mga ginagawa upang gawing makabago ang mga pantalan sa ating kapuluan.”

The newly-inaugurated Port Operations Building spans 3,082.50 square meters and features a single-level, high-ceiling design that can accommodate up to 500 seated passengers. This is a 233 percent increase from the old terminal’s 150-passenger capacity.

The terminal’s modern features include passenger lounge areas, gender-inclusive restrooms, childcare and play areas, food concession spaces, and prayer rooms, enhancing travelers’ convenience and comfort.

Under the expansion project, the back-up area, an additional roll-on/roll-off ramp, and expanded cargo handling capabilities were also constructed and widened.

With the improvements, the port now has the capacity to berth up to five to six RoRo (roll-on/roll-off vessels) simultaneously, significantly reducing congestion and long queues of cargo and passenger vehicles.

Strategically located 84 kilometers from Cagayan de Oro City, the Balingoan port serves as a vital transport and economic hub connecting Northern Mindanao with Camiguin and Bohol.

The development of the Port of Balingoan could also strengthen the Northern Mindanao’s tourism landscape, offering travelers greater access to some of Misamis Oriental’s lesser-known yet captivating destinations.

Last year, the port recorded over 6,102 ship calls, surpassing pre-pandemic figures, with RoRo traffic exceeding 109,000 and passenger traffic reaching more than 671,000. | **PND**



## Tomato can survive short-term flooding when planted along with rice—study

By Claire Bernadette A. Mondares, DOST-STIIS

A study published in the Philippine Journal of Science revealed that a tomato, mixed-planted with rice can survive short-term flooding during its vegetative stage and produce good crops.

According to the Department of Agriculture (DA), tomato is an important and popular vegetable grown in all parts of the country, and it is also regarded as one of the most profitable crops during the dry season.

However, tomatoes are highly susceptible to flooding even for a short period because they cannot transport oxygen from the atmosphere directly to their roots. Thus, researchers from the Philippine Rice Research Institute (PhilRice) and Central Luzon State University (CLSU) in Nueva Ecija explored the potential of mix-planting tomatoes with rice to test if they can survive and yield during the wet season.

“Given the nutritional importance and widespread use of tomatoes, our study aimed to contribute to agricultural sustainability by mitigating these production constraints brought about by transient flooding,” one of the researchers Abegail Pascua said.

The study titled “Will Tomato Mix-planted with Rice Survive under Vegetative Stage Transient Flooding?” explained that rice is adapted to flooding because it has the ability to transport oxygen from the atmosphere to the roots through its aerenchyma—longitudinal holes within the roots.

Pascua further explained that some of the transported oxygen to the roots is even leaked—technically known as radial oxygen loss—to oxygenate the soil environment.

“If the tomato is intercropped with rice and experiences flooding, the leaked oxygen from rice roots may be beneficial for the tomato as a source of oxygen for its roots to survive the short-term

soil oxygen deficiency,” Pascua added.

According to the study, the researchers used a hybrid, heat-tolerant tomato variety named Diamante max F1, also known as “table tomato”, which has an intermediate resistance to bacterial wilt—a plant disease caused by bacteria.

Moreover, the rice varieties used were NSIC Rc 216 also known as irrigated lowland variety, and NSIC Rc 25, or upland rice variety.

Sources across the web explained that upland rice is grown in naturally well-drained soil, while lowland rice is grown in flood-prone fields.

With that, of the two varieties of rice used in the study, it showed that only tomato mix-planted with irrigated lowland variety of rice yielded fruit in both the short-term and continuous flooding. Thus, researchers suggest that further studies are needed to explore potential rice genotypes.

“The most rewarding aspect of this research, culminating in the publication in the Philippine Journal of Science (PJS), was contributing to both scientific knowledge and agricultural innovation. Our study, a pioneering investigation into the mix-planting of tomatoes and rice, provides a foundation for future research in intercropping and climate change resiliency in crops,” Pascua said.

The study was co-authored by Franz Marielle N. Garcia, Rosemarie T. Tapic, Jayson O. Villamor, and Roel R. Suralta.

The Philippine Journal of Science is the oldest scientific peer-reviewed journal in the country, published regularly by the Department of Science and Technology – Science and Technology Information Institute. For more information, please visit [www.philjournalsci.dost.gov.ph](http://www.philjournalsci.dost.gov.ph). (By Claire Bernadette A. Mondares, DOST-STII)

## Young researchers explore use of bacteria and fungus against banana wilt disease

By DOST

Bananas are one of the most consumed agricultural products in the country. In fact, the Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA) reported that banana production was estimated at 2.29 million metric tons from April to June 2023. The report said this data indicated an annual increase of 0.1 percent from the same period in 2022.

Among the 20 known varieties of bananas in the Philippines, the Cavendish variety is the most common and widely cultivated, with the highest production of 1.17 million metric tons in 2023 alone, accounting for 51.5% of the total banana production.

However, despite the high production in the banana industry, growers are experiencing challenges due to certain plant diseases or wilt, which cause significant losses.

According to the Department of Science and Technology-Philippine Council for Agriculture, Aquatic, and Natural Resources Research and Development (DOST-PCAARRD), the banana industry's major problem is its susceptibility to diseases such as banana bunchy top disease (BBTD), Sigatoka, and Fusarium wilt, also known as Panama disease.

In an episode of ExpertTalk aired via the DOSTv, the Hijo Resources Corp.—one of the top banana producers in the Davao region—said that banana wilt affects around 3-5 percent of their total productivity.

Fusarium wilt is a soil-borne fungal disease caused by the fungus called *Fusarium oxysporum* that damages plants' vascular systems, leading to wilting, yellowing, and eventual death.

“Fusarium wilt is a plant disease which came from a fungus called *Fusarium*. It attacks different types of plants, however, there is a specific strain that attacks bananas. This is what we call *Fusarium oxysporum* f. sp. *cubense*, which can affect all types of bananas,” Dr. Merlina H.

Juruena, research director at the University of the Southeastern Philippines (USEP), said.

“The fungus *Fusarium oxysporum* f. sp. *cubense*, or what we call Foc—as a soil-borne fungus—have the ability to stay alive despite the banana being out of the soil. It is because this fungus has a structure called *Chlamydoconidia*,” she added.

As further explained, Dr. Juruena said that when the fungus runs out of food in the banana, which became their home and source of nutrients, the fungus will automatically form a resting structure called *Chlamydoconidia*.

*Chlamydoconidia* are structures that allow the pathogens to survive in unfavorable conditions. For example, even if it is exposed to the sun or soaked in water, the fungus will remain alive. Not even the ordinary chemicals used in plantations can fight it.

However, despite being infected with Foc, Dr. Juruena clarified that bananas are still safe to eat because it has no direct effect on the nutrient content of banana fruit, and most importantly, the disease cannot be transmitted to humans.

Meanwhile, if the infection continues, the method of planting Cavendish bananas will be affected. Since no seed can be planted, the only way to produce it is to regrow the shoots of the Cavendish variety.

To address this problem, researchers from the USEP are exploring solutions to lessen the harmful effect of Foc, targeting bananas.

“It causes blockage to the vascular vessel. Prior to that, the Foc infects bananas through fine root hairs. It stays in the vascular bundle, in the pseudostem,” plant pathologist Vladimir Ivan Dodongan said, explaining how fungus attacks bananas.

The vascular vessels of a plant are important for transporting water and nutrients.

## DOST starts mapping grassroots innovators in Laguna

STA. CRUZ, Laguna (PIA) —

The Department of Science and Technology (DOST)-Calabarzon is seeking to empower community leaders and local innovators in forming science-based solutions to address community problems through a grassroots-focused program.

The Grassroots Innovation for Inclusive Development (GRIND) Program is an ongoing initiative of the DOST designed to empower marginalized communities by identifying, mapping, and strengthening grassroots innovations.

DOST Regional Director Emelita Bagsit emphasized the significance of the program in fostering inclusive

and sustainable growth at the community level, noting that it serves as a platform to uncover, support, and scale up local innovations rooted in the daily lives and practices of grassroots communities.

“Normally, when there are innovations, we are the ones who bring innovation to people, this GRIND, we are the ones who approach people to discover the innovations and it is not really about changing because it is grassroots but more about how can science improve and maybe if there are cultural dimensions, how can we preserve that and ensure that it continues from generation to generation,” Bagsit said.

A key component of GRIND is the SalikLakbay Solutions Mapping, a research activity conducted across all DOST regional offices to explore indigenous knowledge, community-based innovations, and practical solutions addressing local challenges.

During the immersion in Laguna on April 7, participants from various sectors, including youth groups, educators, businesses, national government agencies, local government units, non-government organizations (NGOs), indigenous communities, and media, including the Philippine Information Agency, were brought together to integrate all their efforts to a holistic and science-based approach to tackle challenges.

Training participants visited Cavinti, a town known for its sambalilo or woven pandan hats, to map and identify grassroots innovations being practiced by local pandan weavers. The activity is a crucial step toward preserving traditional crafts while exploring ways to modernize and improve livelihood opportunities for local artisans. Among the participants was Jemilyn Blaza, a pandan weaver from Laguna and vice president of Cavinti Weavers Agriculture Cooperative, who expressed hope that the DOST's initiative will uplift traditional industries like hers. “I hope this program helps broaden our knowledge, and that you can support us in expanding our cooperative. That way, we can also extend help to others in our community,” she said.

The SalikLakbay immersion is set to be rolled-out in other provinces across Calabarzon within the year to document and map additional grassroots innovations. (AM,CH/PIA-4A)

In his study, Dodongan explored the effectiveness of *Trichoderma harzianum*, a fungus that is known as a biological control agent used to control the population of pests and pathogens in plants.

“The result is less manifestation, or the severity of the disease. There is still yellowing, but not as severe as compared to the uninoculated or untreated with *Trichoderma harzianum*,” Dodongan said.

On the other hand, Johanna Roselle Salvar, also a plant pathologist from USEP, is testing if bacterial endophytes from the roots of a healthy banana plant can fight the fungus of an infected Cavendish plant.

“I found out that bacterial endophytes from the healthy banana roots have potential, both in laboratory conditions and greenhouse conditions. The result is it lessens the severity of the *Fusarium* [wilt],” Salvar said.

Dodongan and Salvar are still working to improve their studies. If proven effective, these solutions may be helpful for banana growers in managing plant diseases like *Fusarium* wilt.

Acknowledging the importance of these inventions, USEP encourages the next generation of experts to dive into the world of plant pathologists and explore their potential in this field. (By Claire Bernadette A. Mondares, DOST-STII)



## TESDA pushes for more int'l collaborations to boost Ph TVET

By TESDA

The Technical Education and Skills Development Authority (TESDA) has conducted a series of international engagements in China, Germany, and Canada as part of its commitment to advancing technical vocational education and training (TVET) in the country.

Last March 22 to 29, TESDA Secretary Francisco "Kiko" B. Benitez, together with Deputy Director General Felizardo R. Colambo, participated in the 2025 Philippine Nuclear Energy Mission to Canada, which also included key government agencies and industry stakeholders.

The mission aimed to explore opportunities within Canada's nuclear industry and to gain insights from Canada's extensive experience in nuclear technology.

"We should be ready with the human resources necessary to support nuclear power plant operations," Secretary Kiko said, emphasizing the crucial role of the agency in providing skills training in emerging industries.

Further, from March 23 to 29, TESDA also participated in a benchmarking activity in China. The TESDA delegation led by Director El Cid H. Castillo visited the Quanzhou Vocational and Technical University, Yalong Intelligent Equipment Group, Zhejiang Future Construction Center, and Zhejiang College of Education.

During the visit, TESDA

engaged with Chinese counterparts on a range of key topics, including industry-led curriculum development, dual training systems, digital platforms for skills training, and national qualification frameworks.

Meanwhile, from March 25 to April 2, TESDA Deputy Director General Vidal D. Villanueva, together with Directors Jovencio M. Ferrer, Jr. and David B. Bungallon, participated in the Hannover Messe 2025, an annual technology fair in Hannover, Germany.

The visit included networking with industry leaders, attending seminars, and touring the training facilities of global automation company FESTO Inc. The insights gained in this endeavor will support TESDA's preparations for the 14th WorldSkills ASEAN Competition in August 2025.

"As we continue to reposition TVET in the Philippines, our global partnerships are crucial in ensuring that our training programs remain relevant, responsive, and future-ready," Secretary Kiko said.

Through these international initiatives, TESDA reaffirms its commitment to modernizing TVET and ensuring that Filipino workers are equipped with globally competitive skills. These engagements are in line with the agency's mission to align TVET with evolving labor market needs and technological innovations.

### 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. **Publication: HANEP April 14, 21 & 28, 2025**

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.**



### TIZ THE MOON, ASTIG SA MAIDEN RACE!

Panalo ang paboritong kabayo na si Tiz The Moon sa naganap na 3 Year Old & Above Maiden Race (Placer) na pinakawalan sa karerahan ng Metro Manila Turf Club Inc. (MMTCI) sa Malvar Tanauan City, Batangas. Lulan ng hineteng si John Alvin Guce ay hindi sinayang ni Tiz The Moon ang tiwala ng mga liyamadista na tumaya sa kanya. Sa largahan ay sinunggaban kaagad ni Tiz The Moon ang unahan upang makuha ang bandera, pero agad siyang hinabol ni Gentleman Bell para hindi makalayo habang nasa pangatlong puwesto si Jewel Of Sipocot at pang-apat si Most Wonderful. Bahagyang naagaw ni Gentleman Bell ang bandera kay Tiz The Moon ngunit pagsapit ng medya milya

ay muling nakabalik sa unahan ang ating bida. Pagpasok ng far turn ay nakapirmis na sa harapan si Tiz The Moon habang kumakaripas si Most Wonderful para makuha ang pangalawang puwesto, nalipat naman sa pangatlo si Gentleman Bell at humahataw sa pang-apat si Trusted One. Pagdating ng home stretch ay nanatili sa unahan si Tiz The Moon at kahit na pumapalag pa rin si Most Wonderful sa rektahan ay hindi niya na kinaya ang tikas ng winning horse. Sumegundo kay Tiz The Moon si Most Wonderful, tersero si Trusted One habang si Gentleman Bell ang pumang-apat. Nilista ni Tiz The Moon ang tiyempong 1:25.6 (13'-22'-24-25') 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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## MOA SIGNING: BACOR CITY AND DOST-CALABARZON JOINFORCES TO BOOST TAHONG CHIPS INDUSTRY

The City Government of Bacoor, in partnership with DOST-CALABARZON, signed a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) today for the project "Enhancing Product Quality of Tahong Chips and Processing Capability of Bacoor Food Processing Center." The signing ceremony, held at the Strike Gymnasium, was led by Mayor Strike B. Revilla, Ms. Gilda S. De Jesus (DOST-Cavite), Ms. Emelita P. Bagsit (DOST-CALABARZON), and Ms. Carmelita F. Gawaran (City Livelihood and Development Department).

This project aims to improve the quality of tahong chips and enhance the processing capabilities of the Bacoor Food Processing Center, ultimately empowering local producers. The collaboration is expected to bring significant benefits to the local tahong industry, boosting the quality of products, expanding market reach, and contributing to the economic growth of Bacoor City. **(Larawan at ostorya mula sa City Government of Bacoor fb)**

## Region 02 Secures Licensing for Three Technologies at 2025 North Luzon Tech Transfer Summit

Baguio City — The Department of Science and Technology (DOST) Region 02 further strengthened its efforts in promoting science-based solutions for nutrition and technology transfer through commercialization through the formal signing of three Technology Licensing Agreements (TLAs) during the Ceremonial TLA Signing at the 2025 North Luzon Innovation and Technology Transfer Summit, held at the Newtown Plaza Convention Center. The event was organized under the TECHGROW platform of the DOST to accelerate the transfer and commercialization of government-developed technologies to local industry players. Representing Region 02, JBM Food Products, led by its owner Mr. Jose B. Morante, officially entered into a licensing agreement with the DOST-Food and Nutrition Research Institute (DOST-FNRI) for three nutrition technologies, namely: Iodine-Rich Drinking Water, Brown Rice Nutty Fruity Bar, and Iron-Fortified Rice. These technologies underwent Fairness Opinion Board evaluation through DOST-02. Signing on behalf of DOST-FNRI was Mr. Jaypy S. de Juan, Senior Science Research Specialist. The partnership aims to bring these science-

based products to market through local production—addressing nutritional gaps and contributing to food security in the region. Alongside Region 02, other participating regions also signed licensing agreements during the summit. Region 1 licensed Iron-Fortified Rice to Bantog Samahan Nayon Multipurpose Cooperative, while Region 3 licensed Hybrid Rice Varieties (Mestiso 125, 126, 127, and 128) to Tao Foods Company Inc., with Central Luzon State University-Philippine-Sino Center for Agricultural Technology (CLSU-PhilSCAT) as the licensor. These agreements underscore the importance of technology transfer and commercialization in fostering inclusive development and enhancing the value of government-funded research and development (R&D). The DOST's TECHGROW initiative continues to support local enterprises in transforming research outputs into tangible products and services, driving innovation-led progress across the regions. Following the TLA signing, the event was succeeded by "Kapihan sa Baguio," where DOST Region 02 Regional Director Dr. Virginia G. Bilgera highlighted JBM Food Products as one of

## DOST, DAVAO ORIENTAL STATE UNIVERSITY LAUNCH THE REGION'S 1ST NATURAL PRODUCT LAB

The Department of Science and Technology (DOST) and the Davao Oriental State University (DOrSU) inaugurated the first natural products laboratory in the region, the Institute for Natural Products Discovery and Development (i-NatProd). The new laboratory, funded with P5 million from the Institution Development Program (IDP) of DOST-Philippine Council for Industry, Energy and Emerging Technology Research and Development (DOST-PCIEERD), will focus on researching natural product compounds to develop agro-industrial innovations. "As the first natural product laboratory in the Davao Region, we at DOST are excited to see the innovations that will emerge from this project. As we face the challenges of the 21st century, the importance of this laboratory will grow, playing a crucial role in shaping a healthier and more sustainable future," said DOST Secretary, Dr. Renato U. Solidum Jr. Dr. Wilanfranco C. Tayone, the Project Leader and a Professor at DOrSU, said that the institution aims to develop agrochemicals such as pesticides, insecticides, and fungicides from natural product compounds to improve agro-industrial production in the province. "The i-NatProd facility will be highly beneficial for our province, as Davao Oriental has productive farmlands that support the livelihoods and consumption needs of the local community. We envision this facility as a stepping stone for exploring various potential

the region's successful beneficiaries of the Small Enterprise Technology Upgrading Program (SETUP). She proudly shared how the firm has remained actively engaged with DOST, receiving various forms of support and interventions that contributed to its growth and its readiness to commercialize government-developed technologies.

natural products for use in agrochemicals and hopefully in pharmaceuticals too," shared by Dr. Tayone. As of 2024, DOST-PCIEERD funded 58 IDP projects amounting to P278 Million. In Davao Region, the Council has already established three laboratories. "The establishment of IDP laboratories like i-NatProd in Mati City is vital for advancing scientific research, sustainability, and economic growth

## DOST project in Apayao gives hope to former inmates

**PUDTOL, Apayao** — Having spent five years in jail, 38-year-old Jeffrey Rivera has found out that there is life after prison—thanks to various government support programs and private partners that opened doors of opportunities for him. "I was incarcerated for five years, eight months, and 14 days. I thought there would be no opportunities waiting for me on the other side because of my record, but I am so thankful for the overwhelming support of the government," Rivera told the Philippine News Agency in a recent interview. One of these initiatives is the "Revitalizing and Unlocking the Potential Economic Opportunity (RUO) Project," which recently received almost PHP5 million in funding support from the Department of Science and Technology and the Philippine Council for Industry, Energy and Emerging Technology Research and Development. Through the RUO project, Rivera is now one of the major active partners of the Agguimangan Agro-Eco Tourism Farm in Barangay Swan, Pudtol, Apayao in handcrafting multi-purpose souvenir items, trays, baskets, and frames made of "runo," a wild grass that grows abundantly in the highlands of Apayao. Through science and

in the province. The funding support we have invested in this project is just the beginning of the university's journey towards discovering game-changing innovations in agro-industrial applications," said DOST-PCIEERD Executive Director, Dr. Enrico C. Paringit. In the succeeding years, DOrSU will conduct two DOST-funded projects on natural products, the Optimization of almaciga (Agathis philippinensis)

resin essential oil extraction through solvent technique: Pathway towards valorization for Lumad tappers, and the Development of Dye as an Art medium Generated from natural Assets (D-DAGTA): A regenerative approach to Filipinovation of Arts. The university collaborates with the Lumad Almaciga Tappers Association of Governor Generoso (LATAGG) and the University of San Agustin's Center for Natural Drug Discovery and Development (CND3) to implement the projects.

technology-based interventions, Rivera and other fellow former inmates who are now under the Department of Justice parole and probation program were trained to create improved finished "runo" products. "Runo is just being burned by farmers because they consider it as a pest, but with its potential for handicrafts making, this wild grass is now making our local people become more creative and help preserve the mountains where they get raw materials," Marivic Aguirre, project proponent of the "runo" handicrafts business pitch, said. For her pitch, Aguirre won in a national search for innovative women entrepreneurs and secured funding for product upgrading. She owns the Agguimangan Agro-Eco Tourism Farm, which serves as the marketing arm of the local handicraft makers. As a farm entrepreneur and local products exhibitor in Apayao, Aguirre said she saw the potential of runo handicrafts when she met a client, an exporter from Pampanga who had been willing to fund the production of quality artisanal products. This paved the way for the establishment of a production area at the Agguimangan farm in 2014. Through the Technical

Education Skills and Development Authority, trainors from Abra were sent to Apayao to train interested individuals on runo handicrafts making. Rivera, then an inmate at the Bureau of Jail Management and Penology in Luna District, came across with the free skills training program along with fellow inmates, who later also became partners of Agguimangan's RUO project. Aguirre's Agguimangan buys the finished products from them and supplies it to One Town-One Product (OTOP) hubs in Apayao, Tuguegarao City in Cagayan, and other private micro, small and medium enterprises. Aguirre said the product is also in demand in Japan and the United States. Prices of finished products range from PHP50 to PHP750 per piece, depending on the type of handicraft. "We do not have so much market in Apayao but we are just so glad that they are the ones patronizing our local products," Aguirre told the Philippine News Agency in a recent interview. With the continuous upgrading of "runo"-based products by the DOST, Rivera now finds himself among those hopefuls that, like unwanted wild grass, can still be useful if just given a chance. **(PNA)**





## LEGARDA: ITURING NA EARTH DAY BAWAT ARAW

Hindi lamang tuwing ika dalawampu't dalawa ng Abril dapat isinasabuhay ang pangangalaga sa ating daigdig at bagkus ito ay dapat ginagawa sa araw-araw na pamumuhay.

Ito ang panawagan ni Senadora Loren Legarda sa gitna ng lumalalang krisis sa klima sa ating mundo. Giit niya, hindi sapat ang isang araw na pag-alala kada taon—dapat araw-araw tayong kumikilos para sa kalikasan.

“Hindi lang tuwing Earth Day dapat tayo nagmamalasakit. Araw-araw dapat tayong may ginagawa para sa kalikasan at lahat tayo may papel dito,” sabi ni Legarda.

Kasabay ng tema ng Earth Day ngayong taon na “Our Power, Our Planet,” hinikayat ng senadora ang bawat Pilipino na makilahok sa pag-gamit ng mas malinis at murang enerhiya dala ng mga Renewable Energy Sources.

“Ang energy transition ay hindi magtatagumpay kung pribadong sektor lamang at ang gobyerno ang gagalaw. Bahagi tayong lahat ng energy transition, maging ang mga komunidad at mga kabahayan. Kapag ang isang pamilya ay gumamit ng renewable technology o sumali sa net-metering program, nakatutulong ito sa mas malinis na hangin, bawas polusyon, mas makakatipid din sila sa kuryente, at dahil dito makatutulong din tayo para hindi kulangin ang supply ng enerhiya” paliwanag niya.

Dagdag pa ni Legarda, na siyang may-akda at co-sponsor ng Renewable Energy Act (RA 9513) at pangunahing may-akda at co-sponsor ng Energy Efficiency and Conservation Act (RA 11285), konektado sa kalusugan ng publiko ang pagpili ng clean energy source.

“Kapag ang enerhiya natin ay hindi nagmula sa fossil fuels, nababawasan ang polusyon, kaya naman nababawasan din ang masamang dulot sa may mga may hika, sakit sa puso, komplikasyon sa pagbubuntis, at iba pang mga sakit,” aniya.

Nanawagan din si Legarda ng simpleng aksyon mula sa publiko hindi lamang ngayong darating na Earth Day kundi sa araw-araw na pamumuhay:

“Pinakamainam pa rin ang magtanim ng puno. Gumawa din tayo ng mga paraan para makatipid sa enerhiya - patayin ang appliances na hindi ginagamit, at gumamit ng LED. Sa mga komunidad naman subukan ang microgrid. Hilangin din natin sa mga power providers at distributors na malinis na enerhiya ang kanilang gamitin.” ani Legarda.

Kabilang sa mga batas pangkalikasan na isinulong ni Legarda ang Ecological Solid Waste Management Act (RA 9003), Climate Change Act (RA 9729), at ang Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Act (RA 10121)—mga batas na pawang pumoprotekta sa kalikasan at kahandaan sa sakuna sa bansa.

## HANEP

Basahin Mo Ito!

### ‘Manong Pulis Bus’ ng INPPO, tuloy sa pagserbisyo

**TULOY** ang Ilocos Norte Police Provincial Office sa pagbibigay ng serbisyo ng kanilang police bus na tinatawag na ‘Manong Pulis Bus’ ngayong summer season.

Ito ay ang pagdadala o paghahatid sa mga residente at bisita ng Laoag City sa mga bayan ng Pagudpud at Badoc simula ng alas-8:00 ng umaga papunta at pabalik o vice versa.

Sa pahayag ng INPPO, sinisikap nilang maipalapat ang serbisyo publiko sa komunidad.

Layunin din ng programa na makatipid ang publiko o mapagaan ang gastusin sa transportasyon.

Higit sa lahat ay ang mithiin ng INPPO na matiyak ang ligtas at ligtas na paglalakbay o pagbibiyaha.

Batay sa pinakahuling tally ng Police Community Affairs and Development Office ay nasa 116 pasaheo ang nakinabang

sa libreng sakay ng ‘Manong Pulis Bus’ simula nitong Abril 19 hanggang Abril 20.

Sa kabila na nagtapos na ang Semana Santa ay inihayag nitong Abril 21 ni INPPO chief Col. Frederick Obar na ang ‘Manong Pulis Bus’ ay mananatili o ipagpapatuloy pa rin ngayong panahon ng bakasyon.

Ayon sa opisyal, mananatiling matatag ang kanilang misyon at adhikain sa paghahatid ng tunay na serbisyo publiko sa pamamagitan ng community-oriented policing.

Binigyang diin pa ng hepe ng INPPO na nakatuon at tuloy sila sa pagpapatupad ng batas at mga operasyon na may kaugnayan sa kaligtasan at seguridad ng publiko.

Pinuri naman ni Col. Obar ang 23 police station ng lalawigan gayundin mga grupong boluntaryo sa ipinamalas na malasakit at trabaho sa katatapos na Holy Week.

**RUBEN LACSA**

### 3 ‘tulak’ swak sa P360K shabu

**TINATAYANG** mahigit sa P360K halaga ng hinihinalang shabu ang nasabat matapos naaresto ang tatong tulak na nasa listahan ng High Value Individual (HVI) sa isinagawang buy bust operation sa Dasmarias City, Cavite.

Kinilala ang mga naaresto sa mga alyas Garry, Jabar, at Jalil.

Sa ulat, bandang alas-10:20 ng gabi ay nagsagawa ng buy bust operation ang mga operatiba ng Provincial Drug

Enforcement Unit (PDEU), Cavite Police Provincial Office (PPO) at Dasmarias Component City Police Station (CPS) sa Brgy. Datu Esmal, Dasmarias City, na nagresulta sa pagkakaaresto sa mga suspek.

Narekober sa kanila ang humigit kumulang sa 53 gramo ng hinihinalang shabu na may Standard Drug Price value na Php 360,400.00, buy bust money at isang andorid cellphone. **(Gene Adsuara)**

### Patahian ng tela, binulabog ng malaking sawa

**NABULABOG** ang mga mananahi ng patahian ng tela sa nakitang gumagapang sa kisame ang malaking sawa sa Naic, Cavite.

Ayon sa mananahi na si Marissa Quinto, bigla na lang siyang napasigaw at nagtakbuhan silang palabas dahil sa takot pagkakita sa sawa na gumagapang sa kisame bandang alas-11:40 ng umaga sa Pasinaya Home Central Brgy Sabang, Naic.

Agad siyang humingi ng tulong sa kanyang kapatid

na si Jerico Grabol upang mahuli ang sawa.

Mabilis na kumilos si Grabol upang mahuli ang sawa at matagumpay itong nagawa.

Ayon sa 40-anyos na si Grabol, maaaring nabulabog ang sawa matapos na maglinis at magputol ng damo sa likurang bahagi ng kanyang shop. Madalas daw kasi itong nangyayari sa tuwing magtatapas ng damo sa kanilang lugar.

“Pangatlong pagkakataon na ang ganitong pangyayari. Pangatlong

## KALIBRE

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### ‘Nanakaw na baril sa sasakyan; at batang-lansangang natutulog na nahulihan, eh paano ng gun ban’

**NANANATILI** tayo sa panahon ng eleksiyon kaya umiiral pa rin ang gun ban sa bansa.

Si Pedro ay nagreklamo sa himpilan ng pulisya dahil ang kanyang sasakyan ay nadale ng basag-kotse gang.

Ang istilo ng naturang gang ay babasagin ang salamin ng sasakyan para makuha ang mga target sa loob.

Binanggit ni Pedro sa mga awtoridad ang mga bagay na nakuha mula sa kanyang sasakyan.

Sa pagkukuwento sa loob ng presinto ay nasabing kabilang o kasama ang personal na baril sa natangay ng mga kawatan o basag-kotse gang.

Umiiral ang gun ban subalit may dalang baril sa loob ng sasakyan kaya lang nawala na dahil nakasama sa mga ninakaw.

Paano na kung halimbawa ay ganito ang pangyayari?

Speaking of gun ban at ang baril, heto naman ang isa sa mga senaryo. All around na trabaho ang ginawa sa kalsada ni Pepe basta sa malinis na paraang pagkakakitaan.

Minsan ay nangangalakal, nagtitinda at namamasada ng pedicab.

Laman ng kalsada kaya sa lansangan na rin nagpapalipas ng gabi o natutulog si Pepe.

Sa maralitang pamumuhay ay tila may kaaway o nagagalit pa kay Pepe na nag-isip ng maitim na balak.

Kinuha ang presensiya ng ilang pulis at pinuntahan ang natutulog na si Pepe

sa bangketa.

Ang may galit kay Pepe ang nanggising at hindi ang mga kasamang pulis.

Masaklap ay may nakuha ng baril kay Pepe na ipinakita at ibinigay sa mga pulis.

Tigas ng pagtanggig ni Pepe pero dahil nga sa baril ay nadala siya sa presinto para sa kaukulang kaso lalo at umiiral ang gun ban.

Walang lusot si Pepe dahil sa ebidensiya na baril na kailangang harapin ang asunto.

Maaabsuwelto lamang sa kaso kung lilitaw at sadyang mananaig ang totoo.

Paano kung sakaling mapapatunayang hindi sa kanya o wala naman talaga siyang baril ay pwede bang maghain ng reklamo o demanda si Pepe laban sa mga pulis lalo na roon sa taong may galit kanya?

Legal na usapin iyan kaya kailangan niya ng abogado subalit sa abang kalagayan o katayuan ni Pepe ay natural na walang kakayahang sumangguni at kumuha ng atorni.

Maayos naman ang hustisya sa ating bansa kaya lamang ay talunan sa pagtamo ang mga maralita dahil hindi makakakuha ng mga dekalidad na abogado.

Pero huwag mawawalan ng pag-asa dahil nariyan naman ang public attorney's office na mahuhusay sa larangan ng abogasya.

Muli ay paano na kung ganito rin ang pangyayari?

Tanong lamang po!

beses na akong nakakahuli ng sawa. Medyo magubat kasi ang likurang bahagi ng aming subdibisyon,” paliwanag ni Grabol.

Ang sawa ay may sukat na 9 na talampakan at naisurender na sa barangay. **(Gene Adsuara)**