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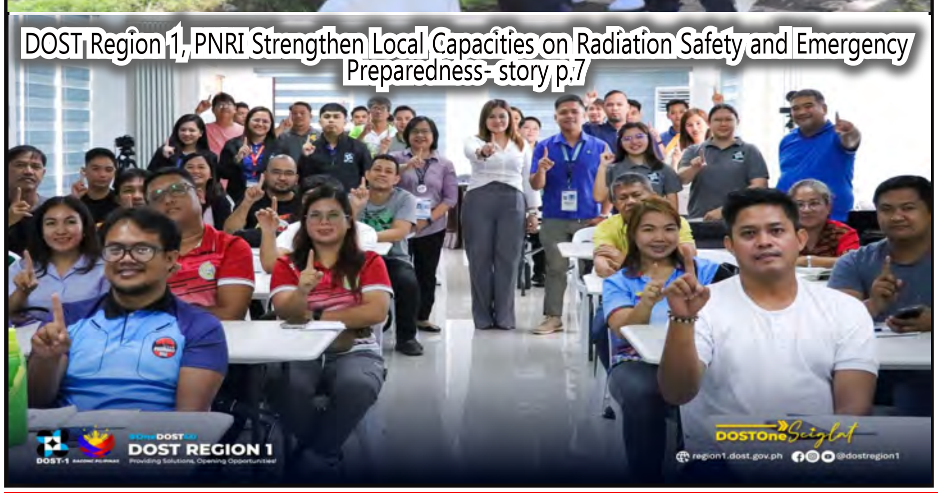


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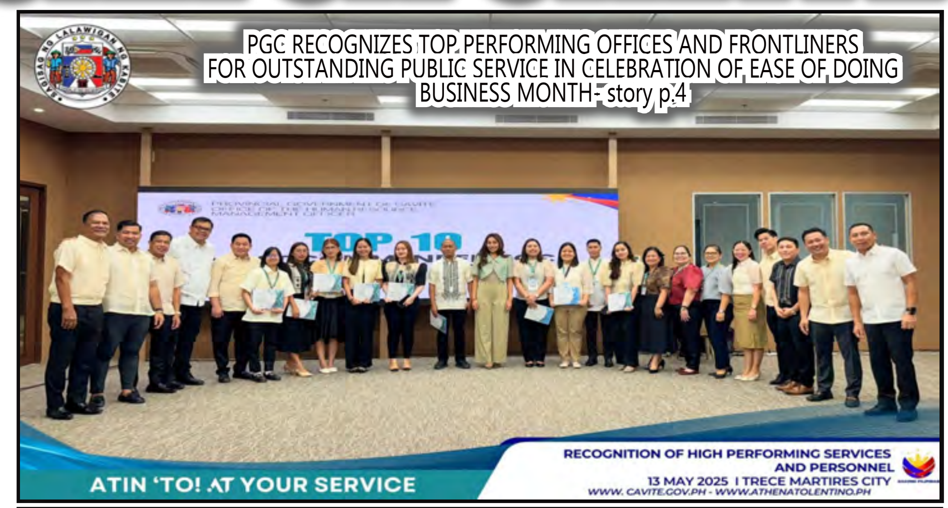


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# P5.32 BILYONG HALAGA NG DROGA, WINASAK SA CAVITE

**TINATAYANG** nasa P5.32 bilyong halaga ng iligal na droga at iba pang illegal substance ang winasak kamakailan sa Trece Martires City, Cavite.

Lumahok si P/Col. Dwight E Alegre, Acting Provincial Director ng Cavite Police Provincial Office sa nasabing 'Destruction of Dangerous Drugs' na isinagawa sa Integrated Waste Management, Inc. (IWWI) Barangay Aguado, Trece Martires City nitong Mayo 20.

Ang aktibidad ay pinangunahan ni Usec. Isagani R. Nerez, Director General ng Philippine Drug Enforcement Agency.

Nagbigay si Usec. Nerez ng welcome address kasunod ay ang pagpapakilala sa panauhing pandangal at tagapagsalita na si Secretary Oscar F. Valenzuela, Chairperson ng Dangerous Drugs Board,

Inihayag ni Secretary Valenzuela ang suporta sa mga hakbang ng gobyerno upang masugpo ang paglaganap ng ipinagbabawal na gamot sa bansa.

Sa panig naman ni P/Col. Alegre ay ipinaabot nito ang buong suporta sa mga hakbangin ng PDEA at DDB.

"Ang pagsasagawa ng ganitong mga aktibidad ay patunay ng seryosong pagtutok ng ating pamahalaan at kapulisan sa pagwawakas ng salot na droga sa ating mga komunidad," ayon kay P/Col. Alegre.

Aniya, ang naturang aktibidad ay patuloy na nagpapatibay sa koordinasyon at pagkakaisa ng mga ahensya ng pamahalaan sa laban kontra iligal na droga tungo sa isang ligtas at maayos na lipunan.

Samantala, kasama rin sa nasabing programa si P/BGen Benjamin DL Sembrano, Director ng PNP Forensic Group, na nagpamalas din ng buong suporta sa proseso ng ligtas at tamang pagwasak ng mga ebidensyang droga alinsunod sa batas.

# Regional Level MWP sa Bacoor, himas-rehas

**HIMAS**-rehas na ang isang Regional Level Most Wanted Person matapos maaresto kamakailan sa Bacoor City, Cavite.

Ang suspek na kinilalang si alyas Zenaida, residente ng Barangay Molino 3, Bacoor City, ay naaresto dakong alas- 4:30 ng hapon nitong Mayo 21.

Isinagawa ang operasyon ng magkasanib puwersa ng Warrant Section ng Bacoor Component City Police Station, na siyang lead unit, at ng 401st Maneuver Company, Regional Mobile Force Battalion 4A gamit ang Alternative Recording Device.

Inaresto ang suspek kaugnay ng kasong paglabag sa Seksyon 5 at 11, Artikulo II ng Republic Act No. 9165 o ang Comprehensive Dangerous Drugs Act of 2002.

Nagmula ang warrant of arrest sa Regional Trial Court, Branch 19, Bacoor City, Cavite, na may petsang Mayo 14, 2025.

Ang korte ay walang piyansang inirekomenda para sa kasong nasa ilalim ng Section 5, at para naman sa Section 11 ay halagang P 200,000.00 ang recommended bail.

# CAVITE PNP, NAKI-ISA SA REGIONAL SIMULTANEOUS OPLAN BAKLAS

**Camp BGen Pantaleon Garcia, Imus City, Cavite —** Nakiisa ang Cavite Police Provincial Office, sa pamumuno ng Acting Provincial Director na si PCol Dwight E Alegre, sa Simultaneous Operation Baklas na inilunsad ng Police Regional Office CALABARZON ngayong araw, Mayo 20, 2025.

Isinagawa ang sabayang pagtanggal ng mga campaign posters, streamers, at iba pang election-related materials na ilegal na nakapaskil sa iba't ibang lugar sa lalawigan ng Cavite, katuwang ang mga City at Municipal Police Stations sa kanilang mga Area of Responsibility (AOR).

Ang aktibidad ay isinagaw bilang suporta sa kampanya ng PNP upang ipatupad ang mga batas at regulasyon ukol sa election propaganda materials, at bilang paghahanda na rin sa nalalapit na tag-ulan sa pamamagitan ng clean-up drive.

"Ang Operation Baklas ay hindi lamang para sa pagpapanatili ng kaayusan sa panahon ng eleksyon. Isa rin itong hakbang tungo sa kalinisan at kahandaan ng ating mga komunidad laban sa mga panganib ng pagbaha," pahayag ni PCOL Alegre.

Nagpapatuloy ang Cavite PNP sa pagtugon sa direktiba ng PRO CALABARZON at ng pambansang pamunuan ng PNP upang matiyak ang mapayapa, maayos, at malinis na eleksyon sa buong lalawigan.

# May kaso ng iligal na droga 'nadakma'

**NADAKIP** ng mga awtoridad ang isang Regional Level Most Wanted Person na may kinakaharap na kasong droga sa Silang, Cavite kamakailan.

Ang suspek na si alyas Ruel na kasalukuyang naninirahan sa Block 90, Lot 3, Barangay Ipil 2, Silang, ay naaresto sa bisa ng Alias Warrant of Arrest.

Siya ay nadakip dakong alas-11:45 ng umaga nitong Mayo 20 sa nasabing barangay.

Inisyu ang naturang warrant ng Regional Trial Court, Branch 133, Tagaytay City, Cavite kaugnay ng kasong paglabag sa R.A. 9165 o Comprehensive Dangerous Drugs Act of 2002, partikular sa Sale, Trading, Administration, Dispensation, Delivery, Distribution, at Transportation of Dangerous Drugs (Art. II, Section 5, Paragraph 1) at walang inirekomendang piyansa para sa suspek.

Isinagawa ang operasyon ng mga kawani ng Warrant Section ng Silang Municipal Police Station gamit ang Alternative Recording Device.

# Wanted sa Rosario, naaresto

NAARESTO ng mga awtoridad ang isang Regional Level Most Wanted Person kamakailan sa Rosario, Cavite.

Kinilala ang suspek na si alyas Leo, naninirahan sa Barangay Sapa 2, Rosario. Siya ay naaresto sa Gen. Trias Drive, Barangay Tejeros Convention, Rosario, dakong alas-7:20 ng gabi nitong Mayo 19.

Ang pagkakadakip sa suspek ay sa pamamagitan ng warrant of arrest para sa tatlong bilang ng Rape sa ilalim ng Art. 266-A (1) kaugnay ng Art. 266-B ng Revised Penal Code, at isang kaso ng Sexual Assault sa ilalim ng Art. 266-A (2) ng RPC kaugnay ng Section 5 (B) ng R.A. 7610.

Batay sa Regional Trial Court, Branch 17, Cavite City, na may petsa nitong Abril 8, ay walang inirekomendang piyansa para sa tatlong kaso ng Rape, habang P200,000.00 ang recommended bail para sa Sexual Assault.

Isinagawa ang operasyon ng Warrant Section ng Rosario Municipal Police Station katuwang ang Regional Intelligence Division/Regional Special Operations Unit (RID/RSOU), na gumamit ng Alternative Recording Device.

# Kalinisan, paalala sa mamamayan ng Pamahalaang Lungsod ng Carmona

**PATULOY** ang pagpapaalala sa publiko ng Pamahalaang Lungsod ng Carmona hinggil sa pagpapanatili ng kalinisan para sa kaaya-ayang kapaligiran.

Kaya naman mahigpit ang babala ng City Government of Carmona sa lahat kaugnay ng pagbabawal sa pagkakalat at pagtatapon ng kahit ano mang uri ng basura sa mga pampublikong lugar.

Nabatid na ito ay batay na rin sa umiiral na Municipal Ordinance No. 007-06 o Municipal Environment Code.

Mayroong kaakibat na kaparusahan sa mga aktong mahuhuling lalalabag gayundin ang mga maiuulat na hindi rin sumunod sa naturang ordinansa.

Dito ay maaaring kuhanan ng litrato o picture at pwede ring bidyuhan o kunan ng video ang makikita at mahuhuli sa aktong nagkakalat at nagtatapon ng basura.

Ang video o picture ay maaaring ipadala sa OCENRO (ocenro@carmona.gov.ph) at CITCAO (mitcao@carmona.gov.ph).

Papatawan ng multa na mula P 300.00 (First Level) hanggang Php 2,500.00 (Maximum Level) o/at ng community service ang mga lalabag.

Samantala, ang magre-report at magpapadala ng picture o video ay mayroong nakalaang pabuya na ang matatanggap na halaga ay ang limampung porsiyento (50%) mula sa nabanggit na kaukulang multa.

# HVI, tiklo sa P340K 'bato'

**TIKLO** ang isang High Value Individual sa operasyong isinagawa ng pulisya na nagresulta sa pagkakakumpiska ng P340K halaga ng umano'y shabu sa Bacoor City, Cavite kamakailan.

Ang suspek ay nakilalang si alyas Boss, residente ng Lagazo Compound, Barangay Panapaan 3, Bacoor City.

Siya ay naaresto ng mga tauhan ng Bacoor Component City Police Station sa Lagazo Compound, Barangay P.F. Espiritu 3, Bacoor City, dakong alas-5:45 ng hapon nitong Mayo 19.

Nakuha sa pag-iingat ng suspek isang knot-tied transparent plastic bag at isang heat-sealed transparent plastic sachet na naglalaman ng hinihinalang shabu na may tinatayang timbang na higit kumulang 50 gramo at halagang P340,000.00 ayon sa Standard Drug Price.

Isinagawa ang buy-bust operation ng mga operatiba ng Drug Enforcement Unit ng Bacoor CCPS na may koordinasyon sa PDEA.

## DEED OF EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE WITH WAIVER OF RIGHTS

**NOTICE** is hereby given that the estate of the late DANILO H. AITES who died on December 24, 2008 at 7161 N.T. Garcia St. San Dionisio Paranaque City left a house and lot with **Tax Declaration No. 19-238-0070-05559** and **19-238-0070-05558** located at Camella Springville Molino VII, Bacoor City, Province of Cavite and more particularly described as **Transfer Certificate of Title No. T-490143** containing an area of **EIGHTY FOUR (84) SQ. METERS,** was extrajudicially settled by the surving heirs, executed before Notary Public Atty. Joebert D. Abibas as per Doc No. 468; Page No. 95; Book No. XIV; Series of 2025.

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## DEED OF EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE WITH WAIVER OF RIGHTS

**NOTICE** is hereby given that the estate of the late ALFREDO F. MILLARES SR. who died on October 16, 2014 at 140 Ildefonso St. Andrea Village 2, Bacoor City, Province of Cavite left a house and lot with **Tax Declaration No. 19-238-0032-00893** and **19-238-0027-01321** located at 140 Ildefonso St. Andrea Village 2, Bacoor City, Province of Cavite and more particularly described as **Transfer Certificate of Title No. T-173971-** containing an area of **ONE HUNDRED EIGHTY ONE (181) SQ. Meters, more or less** was extrajudicially settled by the legitimate children and heirs, executed before Notary Public Atty. Joebert D. Abibas as per Doc No. 427; Page No. 87; Book No. XIV; Series of 2025.

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## Pag-amyenda sa party-list law

SINASABING ang party-list ay hindi na marginalized at underrepresented. Kaya naman kinakailangan at napapanahon para amyendahan ang party-list law. Ang nasabing batas ay tumutukoy sa Republic Act No. 7491 o ang Party-list System law. Sa pamamagitan nito ay mapapahintulan lamang ang mga lehitimong grupo na kumakatawan sa mga marginalized sector na makilahok. Nilalayon ng RA 7941 ang pagsulong ng proporsyonal na representasyon sa Kongreso sa pamamagitan ng party-list system ng mga rehistradong partido o organisasyon ng mga Pilipinong kabilang sa marginalized at underrepresented sectors. Pananaw ng Commission on Elections na maging ang mga party-list na organisasyon ay laging nag-aasam ng isang bagong batas upang ipakita ang tunay na sentimyento ng mga marginalized at underrepresented na sektor.

# 'TSISMIS nina MARE at TESS

Batu-bato, tabi-tabi po!

Kwento ni CHIT MOZO

## Botohan... 'Naka bobo ka ba'

**Mare:** Tess…Tess…Nariyan ka ba ha? Sumagot ka at lumabas ka diyan.
**Tess:** Grabe ah, ang tining at lakas ng boses mo Tess. Eh bakit ka ba humahangos at ano naman ba ang sadya mo?
**Mare:** Hoy Tess, mahuhuli na tayo kaya bilisan mo na. 'Wag ka ng pakupad-kupad diyan at 'tara na.
**Tess:** Teka…teka Mare. May mga pulis ba? May mga NBI ba? May mga tanod ba ng barangay?
**Mare:** Ano'ng pinagsasabi mong pulis, NBI, at barangay tanod ha?
**Tess:** Sabi mo kasi 'di ba mahuhuli na tayo eh. Napapaligiran na ba tayo ng mga pulis, NBI, o mga tanod ng barangay?
**Mare:** Sus mayyanong garapon! Ikaw talaga Tess oh, ang ibig kong sabihin na mahuhuli na tayo eh late na tayo.
**Tess:** Malay ko ba kung ano ang ibig mong sabihin, kung makahangos at makatawag ka kasi eh talo mo pa ang sirena ng bumbero at ambulansiya.
**Mare:** Wala ng kuskos balungos pa at late na tayo kaya bilisan mo na Tess.
**Tess:** Late…late! Eh saan ba tayo male-late ha?
**Mare:** Saan tayo male-late? Saan pa eh 'di sa presinto, late na tayo.
**Tess:** Ha! Sa presinto ba tayo male-late? Ibig bang sabihin ay hinuli tayo o susuko tayo sa presinto? 'Tsaka ano pala kasalanan natin, may kaso ba tayo?
Mare: Wala tayo kasalanan at lalong wala tayong kaso. Dami mong tanong. Presinto, as in polling precint.
**Tess:** Polling precint para sa pagpili at pagboto ng mga kandidato, ganun ba 'yun?
**Mare:** Oo ganun nga 'yun kaya 'lika na at punta na tayo sa eskuwelahan para mahanap ang presinto natin na bobotohan.
**Tess:** Uy masyado ka naman excited, mahaba at matagal pa naman ang oras.
**Mare:** Mainam na 'yung medyo maaga para makatapos na rin tayo agad.
**Tess:** 'Tsika muna tayo Mare, maya-maya na tayo umalis.
**Mare:** Eh ano naman ang pagtsitsikahan natin?
**Tess:** Ano pa, eh tungkol sa ayuda. Alam mo naman na panahon lang ng kampanyahan tayo nakakabawi ng mga bigay-bigay ng kadidato.
**Mare:** Pangkaraniwan na 'yan, kalakaran talaga basta eleksiyon.
**Tess:** Korek! Alam mo ba na may mga nakuha ako kay candidate A pero mas marami kay candidate B.
**Mare:** Eh kay candidate C, nakakuha ka ba?
**Tess:** Susme! Nuknukan ng kuripot si candidate C at wala man lang binigay o ipinamahagi man lang kahit t-shirt.
**Mare:** Hahaha, makunat ba at kuripot si candidate C?
**Tess:** Super-duper sa kunat, parang belekoy hahaha.
**Mare:** Sure ka na wala talagang ipinamigay na kahit ano si candidate C?
**Tess:** Wala nga as in nganga. Buti pa sina candidate A at candidate B.
**Mare:** Sabi mo kanina, mas marami kang pakinabang kay candidate B.
**Tess:** Ay oo naman, dami talaga kasi mas galante si candidate B kesa kay candidate A.
**Mare:** 'Mamya na lang natin ituloy tsikahan natin at sumabay na tayo sa iba sa pagboto. Hayun at paalis na sila.
**Tess:** Ngayong andito na tayo sa iskul Mare, hintayan tayo ha. Basta kung sino una matapos makaboto ay hintay lang para sabay tayo uuwi at tuloy ang tsika natin.
**Mare:** Kanina ka pa ba naghihintay? Ang dami kasing bumuboto sa presinto namin eh. Nakaboto ka na ba?
**Tess:** Obyus ba, nakita mo naman itong kuko na may ink.
**Mare:** Let's go, uwi na tayo.
**Tess:** Maiba ako, sino ibinoto mo? Si candidate A ba o si candidate B?
**Mare:** Bakit mo naman inuusisa pa at bakit gusto mo pang malaman kung sino ibinoto ko?
**Tess:** Wala lang, atin-atin lang naman eh sino nga ba talaga ibinoto mo? For sure hindi si candidate C na makunat.
**Mare:** Ang tsika mo kanina eh wala man lang ipinamigay si candidate C na kahit ano.
**Tess:** 'Alaws naman talaga eh, walang kahit anong ipinamigay kaya malamang Mare na kundi si candidate A ay si candidate B ang ibinoto mo.
**Mare:** Mali ka Tess, si candidate C ang ibinoto ko.
**Tess:** Naka! Bobo ka ba? Bakit si candidate C, anong mapapala natin sa makunat at kuripot?
**Mare:** Hindi totoong walang ipinamigay si candidate C, nagbigay siya ng mga leaflets at mga babasahin.
**Tess:** Oo, yun lang ang mga ipinamigay ni candidate C at hindi ayuda kagaya nina candidate A at candidate B. Kaya ewan ko sa iyo Mare, naka! bobo ka ba talaga ha.
**Mare:** Iyon bang mga ipinamigay na flyers at babasahin ni candidate C ay binasa mo? Pinag-aralan at sinuri mo ba?
**Tess:** Bakit pa ako magtityagang magbasa 'nun, no way.
**Mare:** Maganda ang track records ni candidate C at ang kanyang plataporma.
**Tess:** Ewan…Ewan…Basta ulit-ulitin ko Mare ang tanong with expression, naka! Bobo ka ba?
**Mare:** Nasa tapat na pala tayo ng bahay ninyo Tess, nalibang tayo sa kwentuhan habang naglalakad. Pumasok ka na at diretso na ako sa bahay namin, saka na lang tayo uli magtsikahan.

--- Wakas ---

**TANONG:** Sino ang talagang bobo? Bahala na kayong humusga.

# Kalibre

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## Dikit sa katotohanan na survey, dito ka na sa PAPI...next time!

**KALIWA' T** kanan ang mga survey noong hindi pa man sumasapit ang 2025 midterm elections.

Hindi naman kaila sa inyo ang mga pangalan ng mga kandidatong senador na naglalabasan sa iba't ibang survey.

Natapos ang botohan nitong Mayo 12 at pagkalipas ng limang araw ay pormal na iprinoklama ng Commission on Elections ang 12 nanalong senador.

Iba't ibang puna mula sa sambayanan ang resulta ng mga survey na kanya-kanya ring paliwanag ang ilang kumpanya pagkatapos ng halalan at bilangan ng mga boto.

Ang tingin at pananaw tuloy ng publiko ay tila palpak ang mga ipinapalabas na survey.

Alam ba ninyo na ang Publishers Association of the Philippines, Inc. (PAPI) ay nagsagawa rin ng survey para sa mga kandidatong senador.

Pero teka, sa lahat ng mga survey ay masasabi at maikokonsiderang credible o sadyang napakalapit sa katotohanan ay ang ginawa ng PAPI.

Ang senatorial preference survey ng PAPI nitong Abril 21 hanggang Mayo 6 ay kumuha ng datos mula sa 42,000 barangay sa buong bansa at nagsama ng mga input mula sa social media platforms na Facebook, YouTube, Instagram at pati na ang mga blogger.

Kabilang sa mga napisil na kandidato ng PAPI ay kinabibilangan nina Rodante D. Marcoleta, Christopher Laurence "Bong" Go, Ronald "Bato" Dela Rosa, Erwin Tulfo, Pia Cayetano, Imee Marcos, Tito Sotto, Ping Lacson, Camille Villar, Vic Rodriguez, Bong Revilla, at Bam Aquino.

Sampu ang pasok at dalawa lamang ang hindi pinalad kaya malinaw na malinaw na ang PAPI ay isang kapani-paniwalang pangalan o institusyon sa mga survey na may kaugnayan sa halalan kasunod ng mga resulta ng Mayo 12, 2025 national and local elections.

Sabi nga ni PAPI President Mr. Nelson Santos, ang mga resulta ay sumasalamin hindi lamang sa datos kundi sa boses ng mga Pilipino sa lahat ng antas ng pamumuhay.

Pagpapatunay lamang ito sa pangako ng PAPI na palakasin ang tunay na damdamin ng mga tao sa pamamagitan ng inclusive, transparent, at data-driven na mga pamamaraan.

Kaya saan ka pa, survey ba na sobrang dikit sa katotohanan eh dito ka na sa PAPI…next time!


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# PGC RECOGNIZES TOP PERFORMING OFFICES AND FRONTLINERS FOR OUTSTANDING PUBLIC SERVICE IN CELEBRATION OF EASE OF DOING BUSINESS MONTH

In line with Presidential Proclamation No. 818, declaring May as Ease of Doing Business (EODB) Month, the Provincial Government of Cavite (PGC) proudly honored its top-performing offices and frontliners for their exceptional commitment to fast, transparent, and people-first public service on May 19, 2025 at the Function Hall of the New Provincial Capitol Building in Trece Martires City.

Carrying the theme "From Red Tape to Red Carpet: Better Business Movement in a Bagong Pilipinas," this year's celebration is a testament to the dedication of individuals and departments who continuously transform challenges into innovative solutions and bureaucratic processes into efficient services.

Governor Athena Bryana D. Tolentino personally led the recognition ceremony right after the PGC flag-raising ceremony. In her message, the Governor extended her heartfelt congratulations to all the awardees, expressing her delight that many employees have been recognized for their outstanding performance and dedication.

She also emphasized that the core of public service lies in a unified mission – that is to serve for the betterment of fellow Caviteños and the province.

Leading the roster of recognized offices is the Office of the Provincial Veterinarian (OPV) with an impressive 2,584 commendations, a reflection of their unwavering dedication to animal welfare and public health.

The Provincial Information and Communications Technology Office (PICTO) followed with 257 commendations, highlighting their crucial role in advancing digital governance and transparency.

The Office of the Provincial Governor (OPG) ranked third with 230 commendations, a nod to their continued efforts in steering impactful governance.

Completing the Top 5 are Kawit Kalayaan Hospital, which garnered 70 commendations, and two offices tied in fifth place—Office of the Provincial Planning and Development Coordinator (OPPDC) and Doña Olivia Salamanca Memorial Hospital, each earned 15 commendations.

On the other hand, this year's most commended frontliners have demonstrated exemplary service and compassion, inspiring their peers across the provincial government.

At the top of the list is Dr. Kristine Roraldo from the OPV with a remarkable 1,145 commendations, followed by Dr. Gladys Credo with 973 commendations, and Dr. Gerry Romen with 357 commendations, all of whom play critical roles in animal and public health services.

From PICTO, Mr. Frederick Sayoc and Ms. Maria Isidra Bergunder received 88 and 87 commendations, respectively, for their outstanding service in ensuring seamless digital solutions, while Ms. Diwani Durano (30 commendations) and Ms. Maria Arianna Camille Dela Cruz (29 commendations) were likewise recognized for their dedicated support.

From OPG, Ms. Tricia May Lorio, Ms. Rachel Mae Morancil and Ms. Mary Joy Alano earned 48, 47 and 27 commendations, respectively, for their consistent delivery of responsive public service.

Awardees were identified based on the Client Satisfaction Survey Report for the year 2024 derived through the Client Feedback Mechanism of the PGC which covers 38 offices. Under the mechanism, the Customer Satisfaction Survey Form serves as a survey tool to appraise the services received by clients while Customer Commendation Form evaluates the personnel who rendered the service by providing specific commendation.

The feedback mechanism not only caters to commendation but also facilitates complaints, should there be any dissatisfaction emanating from the clients during their transaction in any office of the provincial government.

The recognition ceremony highlights the provincial government's ongoing mission to institutionalize ease of doing business, improve frontline services, and build a Bagong Pilipinas that prioritizes the welfare of every Caviteño.--- ***OPIO***

# Spike and Conquer: OPHO and OPHRMO reign supreme in PGC volleyball finals

The Provincial Government of Cavite's Sportsfest 2025 ignited the Provincial Gymnasium in Trece Martires City with electrifying volleyball matches, showcasing the athletic prowess and camaraderie of PGC employees. Commencing on February 25, 2025, the tournament culminated in thrilling victories and commendable performances across both men's and women's divisions.

Demonstrating exceptional teamwork and strategic play, the Office of the Provincial Health Officer (OPHO) emerged as the champions in the men's division.

Their journey to the top was marked by resilience and skill, setting a high standard for future competitions.

The Office of the Provincial Governor (OPG) secured the first runner-up position, followed closely by the Office of the Sangguniang Panlalawigan (OSP) as second runner-up, and the Treasurer's Office clinching the third runner-up spot.

In the women's division, the Office of the Provincial Human Resource Management Officer (OPHRMO) showcased unparalleled determination and coordination, earning them the championship title.

The OSP team displayed commendable effort, finishing as first runner-up, while OPHO and OPG secured the second and third runner-up positions, respectively.

Individual brilliance shone through as well, with Mr. Gabriel Hernandez of OPHO being named the Most Valuable Player (MVP) in the men's division for his pivotal role in leading his team to victory.

In the women's division, Ms. Ditas Matira of OPHRMO earned the MVP accolade, a testament to her exceptional performance and leadership on the court.

The PGC Sportsfest 2025 not only highlighted the athletic talents of its employees but also fostered a spirit of unity and sportsmanship, reinforcing the values that drive the Provincial Government of Cavite forward. ---***R. Dones (CPIO)***

# Upsets and continuity: Gubernatorial election results in CALABARZON proclaimed

The 2025 National and Local elections promised to bring a new direction of governance in the Philippines.

In the Calabarzon region, the gubernatorial elections saw switch-ups, where husband and wife and mother and son tandems were replaced by other familiar names.

Batangas, Rizal and Cavite: where bailiwicks formed

Batangas, Rizal and Cavite provinces have been known to be strongholds of political families for decades.

The Rectos of Batangas is an old political family whose generations stemmed from former Senator Claro M. Recto who played a key role in drafting the 1935 constitution.

Decades later, former actress Vilma Santos-Recto–wife of Claro's grandson and Finance Secretary Ralph– is leading the charge as the new governor-elect. Her son, Ryan Christian, is joining the House of Representatives as the newly-minted sixth district representative.

The Remullas, Bautistas, and Revillas of Cavite are also forming their impenetrable stronghold with Abeng Remulla and Ram Bautista-Revilla as Governor and Vice Governor-elect, respectively.

Meanwhile, the Ynareses of Rizal remained undefeated with Governor Nina continuing her duties at the Capitol alongside Pining Gatbalayan as Vice Governor.

Quezon: undefeated

Quezon Province has long rid of its very own dynasty through the triumph of Angelina Tan in 2022. Three years later, the physician-turned-politician is continuing her duties as the province's chief executive alongside Third Alcala as vice governor.

Tan, who won over the Suarezes in the previous election, remained unchallenged thanks to her health programs in the province. Meanwhile, Alcala–whose political ties can be traced to the father and son tandem in the Capital, Lucena–will continue to lead local legislation as Vice Governor.

Laguna: a tale of two women

It may have been wrong to pit women against women, but Laguna province was promised with a very different leadership style in Sol Aragones, a former journalist and outgoing Laguna Third District Representative, after winning against Ruth Mariano-Hernandez, outgoing Second District Representative and wife of outgoing governor-now-turned Congressman Ramil Hernandez.

Both Aragones and Mariano-Hernandez were members of the House of Representatives and have built respective networks of their own right. Aragones has found strong support in the 3rd district where she started the Alagang Sol program, while Mariano-Hernandez, who also shared popularity with her governor husband in the second district, kickstarted the Serbisyong Tama Kababaihan–a program for the Lagunense women.

Barely a day after the elections, but the electorate of CALABARZON is seeing clear winners who will be sworn into office by June 30. The only question that stands: will the (relatively) new faces live up to the expectations that go with their names? ***(PB/PIA 4A)***

# DOST-Cavite conducts the 2nd Saliklakbay Solutions Mapping and Immersion in Cavite

The Department of Science and Technology - Cavite conducted the 2nd Saliklakbay Solutions Mapping and Immersion to identify additional possible grassroots innovations (GIs) last May 16, 2025 in the municipalities of Maragondon and Magallanes, Cavite. The first activity was conducted last May 7, 2025 in Indang, Cavite. Representatives from the pentahelix partners continued to support this initiative in bringing science and technology to the communities in Cavite.

The team once again conducted interviews to the grassroots innovators of additional potential GIs in Maragondon: Ms. Rowena A. Nuesca of Habing Maragondon; Mr. Jaypee S. Igos of DTI Shared Service Facility (SSF) for bamboo; and Mr. Jerson Angat, a "sapatis" maker. Moreover, the team interviewed grassroots innovators from the Taste, Indulge, Know, Magallanes Entrepreneurship (TIKME FOOD Producers Association) from Magallanes: Ms. Amilyn H. Hierco, sweetened buko with "kayumanis" maker; Ms. Marinell C. George, "bignay" cider maker; and Ms. Delia J. Balogna, "tilbok" maker.

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# 'Benteng Bigas Meron Na' rolls out in Calabarzon

**CALAMBA CITY, Laguna (PIA) —** Vulnerable sectors in various parts of Cavite, Laguna, and Rizal were able to purchase rice at just P20 per kilo through the Department of Agriculture's "Benten Bigas, Meron Na" program.

In Dasmariñas City, residents of Barangay Salitran III expressed their gratitude to President Ferdinand R. Marcos Jr. for fulfilling his promise to make rice more affordable for the public.

"Maraming salamat po kay Pangulong Bongbong Marcos sa pagsasakatuparan ninyo ng pangakong gawing bente pesos ang presyo ng bigas. Sana po ay laging may ganito dahil malaki po talaga ang maitutulong nito sa amin," said Bella Maneses, who lined up early to avail of the discounted rice.

Maneses added that the low-cost rice is a big help to her family, especially amid the rising prices of basic goods.

According to City Agriculturist Jennifer Ibayan, the program prioritizes members of the vulnerable sector, such as senior citizens, persons with disabilities (PWDs), solo parents, and beneficiaries of the Pantawid Pamilyang Pilipino Program (4Ps).

"Suportado ng pamahalaang lungsod ang pagbebenta ng murang bigas na layuning tulungan ang ating mga kababayang kabilang sa vulnerable sector upang magkaroon sila ng sapat at masustansyang pagkain," Ibayan said.

In Santa Rosa City, Laguna, the local government has also begun rolling out the P20-per-kilo rice program, made available every Friday through the Kadiwa ng Pangulo Center.

"Maraming mamamayan ng Santa Rosa ang tumangkilik sa pagbebenta ng mas murang bigas—lalo na ang mga senior citizen, PWD, solo parents, at 4Ps beneficiaries. Alinsunod ito sa direktiba ni Pangulong Ferdinand R. Marcos Jr. na palawigin ang access ng publiko sa abot-kayang at dekalidad na bigas," the Santa Rosa City Agriculture Office said in a statement.

Aside from affordable rice, the Kadiwa ng Pangulo also offers a variety of quality agricultural products, including fresh fruits and vegetables, other food items, and locally made goods from various parts of Calabarzon.

The Santa Rosa City Agriculture Office reaffirmed the local government's full commitment to ensuring continuous access to affordable and nutritious food for its constituents.

Meanwhile, in Antipolo City, stocks of P20 rice were quickly sold out, reflecting high demand and strong community support for the initiative.

Antipolo City Mayor Andeng Ynares also underscored the local government's full support for the "Bente Bigas, Meron Na!" program, which she said aligns with efforts to make rice more accessible to the general public.

Other LGUs participating in this initiative are Naic in Cavite; and Rodriguez, and Binangonan in Rizal, which are scheduled to sell the affordable rice every Thursday and Friday at designated Kadiwa Centers.

Meanwhile, Kadiwa Centers in Kalayaan in Laguna; and San Mateo, Rizal will offer the subsidized rice every Friday.

The "Bente Bigas, Meron Na!" initiative is part of the Marcos administration's broader commitment to ensuring food affordability and strengthening local food systems under the Bagong Pilipinas governance agenda. ***(PB, PIA4A)***

# PBBM wants respect but is ready to be "mabagsik"

*By PCO*

Usually described as a kind person or "mabait," President Ferdinand R. Marcos Jr. said he prefers to be a respected leader but is also ready to be fierce or "mabagsik."

In the maiden episode of the BBM Podcast on Monday, the President responded to a question that he is "too kind" by saying, "Anong gagawin ko? Maging masamang tao? Siguro dapat nga talaga maging mas mabagsik talaga."

"I want to be respected, but maybe fear is better," President Marcos.

The President expressed frustration at the delay in major national projects and widespread illegal activities and corruption.

President Marcos suggested he needed to be stricter to push through bureaucratic delays on long-term projects.

"Maraming nagsasabi sa akin niyan. Eh anong gagawin ko? Maging masamang tao? Hindi ko na mababago 'yung ugali ko," the Chief Executive said.

"Pero alam mo siguro, dapat nga talaga maging mas mabagsik talaga dahil wala eh, eh kailangan talagang maging mas efficient ang ano, mas mabilis ang pagdating," President Marcos acknowledged.

"Kasama na siguro 'yan sa leksyon namin dito sa naging eleksyon nung nakaraan," President added.

The President said he has fired several appointed officials based on validated reports of corruption without announcing their dismissal.

"Marami na. Marami na talagang- Pero hindi na namin pinag-uusapan kasi gulo na naman eh. Basta umalis ka na, kung hindi kakasuhan ka namin. Ikukulong kita. Umalis ka na lang," said the President.

# Gov't stamping out drug syndicates, says PBBM

*By PCO*

President Ferdinand R. Marcos Jr. said the government is pursuing both primary and small-scale drug dealers while strictly upholding due process and carrying out the anti-drug campaign without resorting to killings.

In the maiden episode of the BBM Podcast on Monday, President Marcos assured the public of the government's renewed focus on addressing the country's illegal drug problem.

"So ngayon, in the same vein, part of the lesson of this election, let's go back to 'yung sa grassroots level. Kung inaalala ng tao, sinasabi, nagbabalikan (ang drugs) dito, sige, tuloy natin 'yung malalaking drug bust," President Marcos said during the podcast's first episode.

"Tuloy natin… ikukulong natin 'yung mga sangkot diyan sa drugs. Pero tingnan na muna natin 'yung mas small offender," the President said.

President Marcos said the renewed anti-narcotics efforts is part of the campaign, in which policemen conduct daily street patrols.

He noted that while anti-drug agencies focus on small drug dealers, due process is observed.

"Kasi talaga, iniwasan ko, 'yung basta may suspect siya o may hinala o may sumbong, basta kung huli, papatayin na lang, di ba? Ah, wala. 'Yun, doon kami lumayo," the President pointed out.

The President also acknowledged the difficulty of neutralizing drug syndicates in the country, considering the large amount of grease money involved.

"Ang sindikato kasama na diyan 'yung police, kasama na diyan 'yung local government. Laking pera eh," he pointed out.

"Ang dami nilang pera. Kaya kahit sa 'yung mga judge, kaya nilang bilhin lahat. Para sa prosecutor, kaya nilang bilhin lahat. Walang panama 'yung sweldo nila sa gobyerno dun sa binibigay ng mga sindikato. Kaya 'yun ang binubuwag namin."

# DA: Poultry supply sufficient amid impending Brazil import ban

*By PCO*

Agriculture Secretary Francisco Tiu Laurel Jr. assured the public of a sufficient supply of poultry products despite the impending temporary import ban on Brazil following reports of its first bird flu outbreak.

Tiu Laurel confirmed that the Department of Agriculture (DA) will impose a countrywide poultry ban on Brazil, the country's top meat supplier.

During the Palace press briefing on Monday, Tiu Laurel said Brazil is not the Philippines' sole supplier of poultry, noting the imposition of the poultry import ban will result in market diversion.

The advantage of Brazil is its lower prices compared to other suppliers, he said.

"I think the price difference is a few percentage lang. So, as far as supply is concerned, I really don't see any issue. Baka may brief supply gap lang na baka one or two weeks, because they have to change origins," Tiu Laurel said.

"But in general, I don't see any issue, because even our local poultry industry is medyo maganda ang production eh. So, wala masyado akong nakikitang isyu," he stressed.

Brazil's bird flu outbreak, the first in the South American country, triggered import bans from various countries including China, Chile, Mexico and Uruguay.

# Advisory on unauthorized use of BSP Deputy Governor Fonacier's image in online job offers

*By BSP*

The Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas (BSP) warns the public regarding the fraudulent use of BSP Deputy Governor Chuchi G. Fonacier's image to offer online jobs.

The BSP has received reports of unsolicited Viber messages from a sender using the Deputy Governor's photo, offering jobs in an e-commerce company with daily earnings ranging from ₱500 to ₱5,000.

To guard against possible illegal activities, the BSP urges the public to refrain from engaging with and providing personal information to unknown individuals.

The public is also encouraged to verify the authenticity of any messages or transactions claiming to involve BSP personnel, and to report unauthorized activities through the following:

Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas
Address: A. Mabini St. cor. P. Ocampo St., Malate, Manila, Philippines
Contact Number: (+632) 8811-1277 or 8811-1BSP
E-mail Address: bspmail@bsp.gov.ph

Meanwhile, the BSP emphasizes that its job vacancies are posted on its official channels (i.e., its website and official social media accounts).

# Marcos admin adds 16,000 new teaching posts to boost education system

*By PCO*

In line with President Ferdinand Marcos Jr.'s directive to strengthen the education system, the government has created 16,000 new teaching positions in time for the opening of classes in June this year.

Presidential Communications Undersecretary and Palace Press Officer Claire Castro said on Monday's press briefing that the 16,000 new positions are part of the first phase of a larger plan to hire 20,000 teachers.

Castro also emphasized that President Marcos wants to address the teacher shortage and improve the quality of education for Filipino students. She said that PhP4.19 billion in funding for this initiative has already been allocated to the 2025 General Appropriations Act (GAA).

"Unang-una po, it is the directive of our President Ferdinand Marcos Jr. to strengthen the education system. Ang gusto po talaga ng Pangulo ay mapabawasan ang kakulangan ng mga guro sa bawat eskwela," Castro said.

"[The] 16,000 teaching positions ay unang parte lamang po dahil ang target po ay 20,000 teaching positions," she added.

The initiative supports the efforts of the Department of Education (DepEd) to address the 56,000 shortage of teachers in 2024, and a move toward a more effective teacher-student ratio.

The new teaching positions aim to reduce overcrowding in classrooms, particularly in schools with sufficient infrastructure but that struggle with high student-to-teacher ratios.

The national classroom-to-student ratio is 1:40, above DepEd's ideal of 1:30. Many primary schools also exceed the 1:35 target. Smaller classes allow teachers to give more focused attention and improve learning outcomes.

"Ang nais po natin at ang nais po ng Pangulo ay mabigyan po ang bawat estudyante, matutukan po ng kanilang guro para po mas maging maganda ang kanilang pagsasanay at pag-aaral," Castro said.

# Mga Sayang Pumilaylay: A Tapestry of Tradition and Elegance

In celebration of the National Heritage Month this May, the National Historical Commission of the Philippines (NHCP), in collaboration with the National Commission for Culture and the Arts (NCCA), proudly unveiled the exhibit titled Mga Sayang Pumilaylay, a moving tribute to the timeless grace of the Terno and the life of Mrs. Isabelita Corazon "Lilith" Perez y Reyes on Thursday, May 15.

EXHIBIT OPENING: The ceremonial ribbon cutting of the exhibit: Mga Sayang Pumilaylay of Mrs. Isabelita Corazon "Lilith" Perez y Reyes held at The Manila Metropolitan Theater on Thursday, May 15 was led by Cultural Center of the Philippines Chairman Dr. Jaime C. Laya (2nd from left, front row), former Senator Anna Dominique "Nikki" Coseteng and CCP Board of Trustee Maria Margarita Moran Floirendo (both beside Dr. Laya, right and left, respectively). They are joined by NHCP Deputy Director Alvin R. Alcid, Ms Reyes-Perez and NCCA Deputy Director for Operations Bernan Joseph Corpuz. ***(photo courtesy of NHCP)***

Held at the exhibit area of The Manila Metropolitan Theater (or in Filipino: Tanghalang Metropolitan, also known as the Metropolitan Theater, abbreviated as the MET), the exhibit brought together key figures in the cultural preservation sector, local historians, and esteemed members of the community.

The opening ceremony featured inspiring messages from notable speakers including Dr. Jaime C. Laya, Chairperson of the Cultural Center of the Philippines (CCP), and Alvin R. Alcid, Deputy Executive Director of NHCP. Sister. Bernadette Eugenie Casas of the Religious of the Assumption, on the other hand, led the invocation, setting a solemn tone for the event.

In his message, Dr. Jaime Laya reflected on the significance of the Terno across various platforms this year, "from the bold interpretations at TernoCon 2025, to the nostalgic memories of Pitoy Moreno's centenary at the Metropolitan Museum, and now, through the personal stories of Mga Sayang Pumilaylay."

He shared that this exhibit uniquely captures the Terno from the perspective of a wearer, highlighting how it served as an expression of self and time.

His appreciation extended to the organizers, including the Emilio Aguinaldo Museum team led by Paulette M. Bedruz, Gina Geronimo Ayran, and Lei Miserables, along with Kawit Tourism's Rhouz Camposanto, for their exceptional efforts in realizing the exhibit.

Highlighting the exhibit was the narrative of Mga Sayang Pumilaylay, which presented the visual story of Lilith Reyes-Perez's cherished collection of Ternos. Each intricately crafted piece symbolizes the evolution of Filipino elegance, from the Baro't Saya to the iconic Traje de Mestiza. Through these garments, visitors were invited to journey through decades of tradition, feminine strength, and cultural pride.

Reyes-Perez, a distinguished Caviteña with deep roots in local civic engagement and historical preservation, has been a symbol of community dedication. Her active involvement with organizations like the Marilao Social Circle Foundation and the Cavite Historical Society speaks to her unwavering commitment to cultural heritage.

Guests marveled at the exceptional craftsmanship of the Ternos, reflecting not only the personal history of Mrs. Reyes-Perez but also the collective memory of Filipina grace and resilience. The exhibit stands as a testament to the enduring legacy of the Terno and its place in modern Filipino identity.

Visiting Mga Sayang Pumilaylay is free and will be open for public viewing until June 15, providing an opportunity for visitors to appreciate the elegance and cultural significance of the Filipino Terno.

Also seen at the event are Cavite Historical Society members Architect Romeo Sayoc Cord-Cruz and Phillip Lacson Medina, former Senator Anna Dominique "Nikki" Coseteng, former Miss Universe and CCP Board of Trustee Maria Margarita Moran Floirendo and NHCP and NCCA officials.

National Heritage Month is celebrated every May per Presidential Proclamation No. 439. This nationwide event in the Philippines is aimed to foster consciousness, respect, and love for the legacies of Filipino cultural history among the people.

MET - a historic Philippine Art Deco building located in Plaza Lawton in Ermita, Manila; is open Tuesdays to Fridays, from 9am to 4pm. Please email the MET (met.visitorsservices@ncca.gov.ph) to schedule your visit.#

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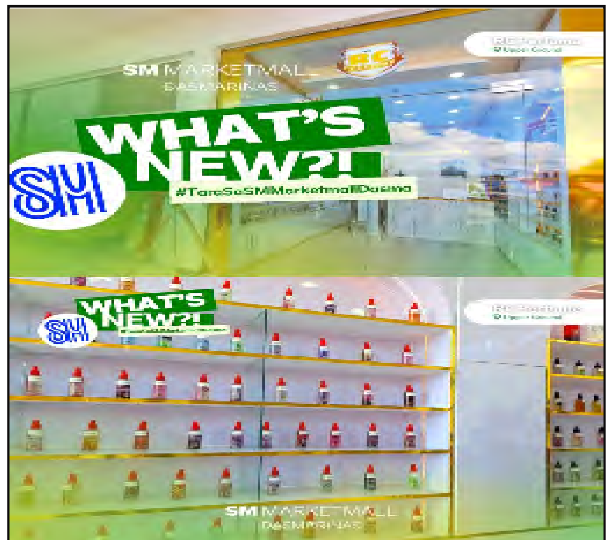
**Mrs. Lilith Reyes Perez** is flocked by her co-pillars in Cavite Historical Society, namely **Philllip Lacson-Medina** (left) and **Arch. Romy Sayoc Cord-Cruz** (right).

Some of the Ternos on display. ***(Photo by Arch Romeo Sayoc Cord-Cruz)***

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# PNP CALABARZON, NAGSASAGAWA NG SIMULTANEOUS OPERATION BAKLAS

**Camp BGen Vicente P. Lim-** Pinangunahan ni Police Regional Office CALABARZON Regional Director, PBGEN Paul Kenneth T. Lucas ang Simultaneous Operation Baklas ng mga campaign posters at iba pang campaign materials sa paligid ng Camp BGen Vicente P. Lim, Calamba City nitong May 20, 2025.

Kasabay nito, isinagawa rin ang kaparehong operasyon ng iba't ibang Police Provincial Offices at mga City/Municipal Police Stations sa kani-kanilang mga Area of Responsibility (AOR) at magsagawa ng clean-up drive.

Layunin ng aktibidad na ito na linisin ang mga pampublikong lugar mula sa mga campaign materials na nakapaskil sa mga ipinagbabawal na lugar, gayundin ay magsilbing paalala sa publiko hinggil sa kahalagahan ng pagsunod sa mga batas at regulasyong umiiral sa panahon ng eleksyon.

"Ang ating pagsasagawa ng Operation Baklas ay hindi lamang simpleng pagtanggal ng campaign materials. Ito ay bahagi ng ating mas malawak na adhikain na tiyakin na malinis ang ating mga kalsada at mga lugar matapos ang eleksyon, gayundin upang magsagawa ng clean-up drive sa paligid ng campo bilang paghahanda sa panahon ng tag-ulan at pagbaha," ani PBGEN Lucas.

Patuloy ang pagtutok ng PRO CALABARZON sa pagpapanatili ng maayos, mapayapa, at malinis na halalan sa rehiyon, alinsunod sa direktiba ng pambansang pamunuan ng PNP.***(RPIO4A)***

# Legarda, pinangunahan ang pagtanggap sa mga delegado Germanmedia sa Pilipinas bilang paghahandasa Frankfurter Buchmesse 2025

Pinangunahan ni Senadora Loren Legarda, ang tagapagtaguyod at visionary ng proyektong nagluklok sa Pilipinas bilang Guest of Honour (GOH) sa Frankfurter Buchmesse 2025, ang pagtanggap sa mga delegado ng German media para sa isang linggong paglalakbay at paglilibot sa iba't ibang bahagi ng bansa.

Ang pagbisitang ito ay bahagi ng opisyal na pangako ng Pilipinas bilang GOH sa pinakamalaki at pinakaimpluwensyal na book fair sa buong mundo. Nilalayon ng programang ito na mas palalimin ang ugnayan sa pandaigdigang media at ipakita ang lawak at lalim ng panitikan, pamana, at malikhaing kultura ng Pilipinas.

"Mula sa karunungang katutubo, sa alaala ng kolonyalismo, sa hiwaga ng kalikasan, at sa pakikipag-usap sa buong mundo, doon nagmumula ang ating panitikan," ani Legarda.

"Ang Frankfurter Buchmesse ay isang pandaigdigang entablado kung saan maririnig, makikita, at mauunawaan ang ating mga manunulat, ilustrador, tagasalin, at tagapaglathala."

Naranasan ng delegasyon ng Aleman ang Filipino hospitality mula sa makulay na Pahiyas Festival sa Lucban hanggang sa mga programang pangkultura at panitikan sa Bulacan, Baguio, La Union, Iloilo, Antique, at Boracay. Bumisita rin sila sa mga eksibit at sentrong pangkultura gaya ng Hibla ng Lahing Filipino textile gallery, mga sentro ng paghahabi, at mga pasilidad para sa cotton processing na naitatag sa pamamagitan ng mga programang pangkultura ni Legarda.

"Matagal nang bukas ang Alemanya sa panitikan ng Pilipinas," wika ni Legarda.

"Noong 1887, inilimbag sa Berlin ni Dr. Jose Rizal, ang ating pambansang bayani, ang kanyang pinakamahalagang akda, ang Noli Me Tangere, na nagsindi ng unang rebolusyong anti-kolonyal sa Timog-Silangang Asya."

Sa pamamagitan ng mga talakayan at interaksyon sa mga manunulat, tagapaglathala, indigenous artisans, at cultural workers ng Pilipinas, nasaksihan ng delegasyon ang masigla at sari-saring puwersang bumubuo sa matatag at malikhaing pagka-Pilipino.

Gaganapin ang Frankfurter Buchmesse mula Oktubre 15 hanggang 19, 2025, sa Frankfurt, Germany, kung saan ang Pilipinas ang magiging Guest of Honour, isang natatanging pagkakataon para sa pagpapalawak ng merkado, pagbebenta ng karapatang pampaglilimbag, pagsasalin sa iba't ibang wika,

# DOST Region 1, PNRI Strengthen Local Capacities on Radiation Safety and Emergency Preparedness

The Department of Science and Technology Region 1 (DOST Region 1), in partnership with the DOST-Philippine Nuclear Research Institute (DOST-PNRI) and in coordination with the Provincial Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Offices (PDRRMO) in Region 1 hosted the Specialized Seminar on Radiation Safety and Nuclear Emergency Preparedness and Response on May 20, 2025, at the DOST-La Union Provincial Science and Technology Center in Sevilla, City of San Fernando, La Union. The seminar gathered key stakeholders, including PDRRMOs, Local Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Officers (LDRRMOs), Provincial and Municipal Health Office-La Union representative, and members of the Regional Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Council 1 (RDRRMC 1), aiming to strengthen their capacities through essential knowledge on radiation hazards and emergency response strategies aligned with Republic Act 10121's decentralized DRRM framework.

In her opening message, DOST Region 1 Director Teresita A. Tabaog, represented by Assistant Regional Director for Technical Operations Services Racquel M. Espiritu, underscored the significance of the initiative. "As we continue to strengthen our disaster preparedness programs, this initiative plays a vital role in supporting our national goals for a safe and secure nuclear energy program, while ensuring the safety and well-being of our communities."

DOST-La Union Provincial Director Jonathan M. Viernes, represented by Engr. Bernadine P. Suniega, Supervising Science Research Specialist, welcomed the participants by highlighting the importance of their role: "Your presence shows your commitment to a safer and more prepared La Union. Sana ay maging makabuluhan, kapaki-pakinabang, at higit sa lahat, makapagbigay ng bagong kaalaman ang seminar na ito para sa ating lahat."

Experts from the Radiological Impact Assessment Section (RIAS) of DOST-PNRI's Nuclear Regulatory Division led the technical sessions. Ms. Jeana Lee P. Sablay, Section Head of RIAS, provided an overview of nuclear energy, safety and security arrangements, and the various applications of radiation technology in the Philippines, including its use in medicine, agriculture, industry, and research. She also highlighted that a single uranium pellet can power an average household for about six months and noted how radiation has increased agricultural yields by up to 30% through DOST-PNRI's Carrageenan Plant Growth Promoter. Additionally, she discussed the network of radiation monitoring stations nationwide, which helps ensure public safety through real-time detection and assessment of radiological conditions.

Meanwhile, Mr. Christopher O. Mendoza, Senior Science Research Specialist, discussed the National Radiological Emergency Preparedness and Response Plan (RADPLAN), the official framework for managing radiation-related emergencies in the country. He detailed the types of radiological emergencies, the preparedness and response objectives, and the national coordination mechanisms under RADPLAN, which was tested during major international incidents such as the 2011 Fukushima Dai-ichi nuclear power plant accident.

In his closing remarks, Mr. Michael John C. Maquiling, Supervising Science Research Specialist and DRRM Focal of DOST Region 1, expressed gratitude to all participants who joined the seminar on-site, via Zoom, and through Facebook Live, emphasizing the importance of sustained collaboration, particularly in the potential adoption of disaster risk reduction and management (DRRM) technologies by local government units across the region. The seminar concluded as a meaningful step toward building a safer and more prepared Region 1, reinforcing DOST Region 1's commitment to science-based governance and disaster resilience as the country progresses in its peaceful pursuit of nuclear energy. ***(Christian Dominic I. Casimiro )***

# 'Benteng Bigas Meron Na' program gains public support in Cavite

**DASMARIÑAS CITY, Cavite (PIA) —** The initial rollout of the 'Benteng Bigas Meron Na' initiative in Dasmariñas City, Cavite has received public support as members of the vulnerable sectors welcome the government's efforts to ensure rice accessibility and food security.

Vilma Menezes was one of the first senior citizens who waited outside the covered court at Barangay Salitran III.

Her breakfast in hand, Vilma did not mind waiting for an hour outside of the covered court. In fact, she was the first to stand up when the caretaker opened the gates that divided her and the other residents from the big sacks of rice to be sold on Friday, May 16.

Vilma was one of the many residents who availed of the P20 Rice Program, purchasing 10 kilos of rice—enough to feed her family of five when combined with the rice her bedridden husband also bought.

"I left my husband at home to buy rice. I am very thankful to the organizers. I hope that there will be more [P20 rice programs] where we can buy [affordable] rice."

Dubbed 'Benteng Bigas Meron Na', the P20 rice program is part of the Marcos Jr. administration's bid to make rice more affordable especially to the vulnerable sector, including senior citizens, Persons With Disability (PWD), and pregnant mothers.

Jennifer Ibayan, City Agriculturist, said they were prepared to cater to the senior citizens who needed more assistance.

"Barangay Salitran 3 is just a sample where a lot of residents wanted to avail the P20 rice. We are expecting to make stops at other barangays in the coming weeks, if we have rice to sell."

Raul Valles, barangay captain of Barangay Salitran III, said there are more than 2,500 residents who are part of the vulnerable sector in their community: of which 2,000 are senior citizens, more than 100 solo parents, and more than 400 PWDs.

Valles, over the microphone, announced that they will prioritize their residents and will cater other barangays once they are sure that his kabarangays have bought rice for their families.

"There are already more than 2,000 senior citizens in our barangay alone. I think we would not be able to cater to everyone if we will also cater to those from other barangays," Valles admitted.

Barangay Salitran III has prepared for the expected influx of residents who will buy the P20 rice, barangay peacekeepers to keep the lines organized. Barangay Health Workers and emergency medical personnel were also on standby in case senior citizens needed their assistance.

"Our lupong tagapamayapa, our medics, BHWs, and tanod are on standby outside to assist in managing the traffic flow around this place."

According to the City Agriculturist Office, Barangay Salitran 3 was the first among the many barangays in the city to host the P20 Rice Program. ***(PB/PIA4A)***

# Cavite PPO Joins PNP-Wide Annual Inspection of Disaster Response Equipment

**Camp General Pantaleon Garcia, Imus City, Cavite –** The Cavite Police Provincial Office, under the leadership of Acting Provincial Director PCOL Dwight E Alegre, actively participated in the PNP-Wide Annual Inspection of Disaster Response Equipment held today, May 21, 2025, via the Zoom platform. The activity was spearheaded by PLTCOL Willy B Salazar, Deputy Provincial Director for Administration (DPDA), Cavite PPO.

This annual inspection marks the official kickoff of the Philippine National Police's preparedness measures for the upcoming rainy season and the potential impacts of the La Niña phenomenon. The initiative is aligned with the overarching mantra of the Chief PNP and Chairperson of the PNP Critical Incident Management Committee — to ensure the safety and welfare of both police personnel and the communities they serve.

The activity was designed to assess the operational readiness, condition, and completeness of disaster response equipment across all units. It emphasizes the importance of proactive disaster response planning to prevent the loss of lives and minimize damage to property during natural calamities.

"As we anticipate the challenges posed by the rainy season and La Niña, we reaffirm our commitment to operational readiness and community safety," said PCOL Alegre. "Our participation in this nationwide inspection reflects Cavite PPO's dedication to timely, efficient, and coordinated disaster response."

The Cavite PPO continues to uphold its mandate to protect the public and maintain peace and order, especially in times of crisis and disaster.

BINIBINING PILIPINAS 2025 PRESS PRESENTATION @ NOVOTEL

**PORMAL** ng ginanap ang Binibining Pilipinas 2025 Press Presentation kabilang dito ang swimsuit at gown costume ng ganapin sa Novotel, Manila Monet 2, Ballroom kaugnay nito magaganap naman ang grand coronation sa darating na Hunyo 15, 2025 na nakatakda namang ganapin sa Araneta Coliseum. ***(REY NILLAMA)***

# Syapolan sa World Slasher Cup-2 first day elims

Sumagupa na ang mga bigating sabungero mula sa iba't ibang panig ng mundo para sa unang araw ng eliminasyon ng ikalawang edisyon ng 2025 World Slasher Cup 9-Cock Invitational Derby sa makasaysayang Smart Araneta Coliseum.

Nasa 70 sultada ang nagsagupaan para sa unang araw ng eliminasyon na tinatangkilik ng mga mananabong sa bansa

Sumabak sa unang round ng eliminasyon ang legendary breeder/cocker Nene Abello, two-time WSC champ Honey Yu, Dela Cruz brothers, master breeder Joe Alimbuyugen, Jimmy Junsay, Anthony Ramos, Tony Tumalad, Carrie Chua, Engr. Emer Sumigad, Fiscal Moises Villanueva, Dicky Lim, Doc Ayong Lorenzo, Jojo Gatlabayan, Raffy Turingan, Mike Romulo, James Uy, eight-time WSC champ Frank Berin, at ilan pang mga bigating sabungero.

Ang mga sabungerong nakapagtala ng tig-dalawang panalo ay awtomatikong pasok sa 3-cock semi-finals, habang ang mga kalahok na nakapagtala naman ng tig-isang panalo at isang talo ay mananatili pa rin sa kumpetisyon para sa inaasam na titulo.

Sa mga nais na masaksihan nang live ang nasabing derby sa Smart Araneta Coliseum ay maaari po silang bumili ng ticket sa Ticketnet o di kaya sa www.worldslashercup.ph.

# Swimming programa ng PAI higit pang pagtitibayin

Nakatuon ang programa ng Philippine Aquatics, Inc. (PAI) hindi lamang para palakasin ang kampanya ng swimming bagkus maiangat ang kalidad ng mga atleta mula sa iba pang sports na nasa pangangasiwa nito sa international competition.

Ibinida ni PAI Executive Director Anthony Reyes na masinsin ang liderato nina President Miko Vargas at Secretary-General Eric Buhain kaakibat ang Philippine Sports Commission (PSC) upang maibigay sa lahat ng atleta ang pangangailangan mula sa allowances, training at international exposure.

"Kakayanin natin na mapagtagumpayan na maiangat ang swimming dahil sa maayos na programa ng PAI sa tulong ng PSC at ng buong swimming community. Mula ng mabuo ang PAI, sunod-sunod ang tagumpay natin hindi lamang sa swimming kung hindi maging sa artistic swimming, water polo, open swimming at sa diving," pahayag ni Reyes sa Tabloids Organization in Philippine Sports, Inc. (TOPS) 'Usapang Sports' sa PSC Badminton VIP Room sa loob ng Rizal Memorial Sports Complex.

Kabilang sa unti-unting pagbabalik sa pedestal ang diving bunsod ng matatag na kampanya sa abroad kabilang ang katatapos na 2nd Parisakti Diving International Competition sa Indonesia kung saan nasungkit ng 20-anyos si Rose Ann Ocmer ang isang gintong medalya (open platform) at bronze medal (1m open event).

Bago ito nakapaguwi na rin ng medalya ang senior high school student sa iba't ibang international competition sa Singapore, Malaysia at HongKong na nakalipas na taon.

"Talaga pong nagpupursige kami sa training. Gusto naming matumbasan ng tagumpay ang sakripisyo ng aming mga opisyal gayundin ng ating mga kababayan.

Sa maayos na liderato ng PAI nakakabalik na kami sa regular training at unti-unti nababalik na yung kumpiyansa naming na medyo bumaba dahil sa mga naging kabiguan namin sa nakalipas na torneo," pahayag ni Ocmer patungkol sa nakadidismayang kampanya ng diving team sa nakalipas na SEA Games.

Inamin naman ni PAI Director at diving head Marie DeCastro Dimanche na napakahirap makakuha ng atleta sa diving sa kabila ng hindi matatawarang bilang ng mga talento mula sa lalawigan.

"First, limitado ang ating training venue kaya sa ngayon dito kami sa Manila naka-concentrate, dahil sa Rizal memorial diving pool ang pinakamalapit.

Yung sa Ultra inaayos na dahil wala kaming land training doon samantala sa Clark masyadong malayo para sa ating mga atleta na lahat nag-aaral sa Manila at puro under-age pa," pahayag ni Dimanche.

Sa kabila nito matatag, pursigido at determinado ang mga atleta sa pangangasiwa nina Chinese Coach Gui at Olympian na si Rexcel Fabriga.

"Maraming talent sa probinsiya pero hirap kaming makumbinsi ang mga parents na dalhin sila sa Manila. Hindi naman kami makaalis sa Manila para mag-training dahil nandito sila nag-aaral. One thing for sure, determinado ang ating mga atleta na makabawi sa Sea Games kaya may tatlong international exposure pa kami at training possibly sa China," sambit ni Dimanche.

Ikinalugod naman ni Reyes ang patuloy na pag-angat sa world ranking ng ilang 'elite' athletes sa swimming tulad nina Kyla Sanchez, Ciandi Chua, Alexander Eichler at Gian Santos na pawang kwalipikado na sumabak sa World Championship sa Hulyo.

"Yung iba nating elite swimmiers may kanya-kanyan training sa abroad tulad nina SEA Games champion Chloe Isleta (Australia), Jamine Mojdeh at Heather White (US). Pero sa August, kailangan nilang umuwi muna para sa National tryouts for the selection of the PH team sa Sea Games this December," ayon kay Reyes.

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PHILIPPINE AQUATICS INC EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR ANTHONY REYES

**MARIIN** na tinalakay sa lingguhang Tabloids Organization in Philippine Sports, Inc. (TOPS) 'Usapang Sports' sa PSC Badminton VIP Room sa loob ng Rizal Memorial Sports Complex. Ni PAI Philippine Aquatics Inc. Executive Director Anthony Reyes na ibayong programa sa swimming ang paiigtingin upang patuloy na palakasin at higit pang mapa angat ang kalidad nito. Habang pinaliliwanag naman ni (dulong kanan) PAI Director at diving head Marie DeCastro Dimanche na mahirap makahanap ng atleta sa diving. kasama pa sa larawan sina Rose Ann Ocmer, Chinese Coach Gui at Olympian na si Rexcel Fabriga. ***(REY NILLAMA)***

# 27 sports, at makabagong sistema ng QR code para sa Batang Pinoy 2025 ngayong Oktubre sa General Santos City

**HANDA** na ang Batang Pinoy ngayong taon, na nakatakdang ganapin mula Oktubre 25 hanggang 30 sa Lungsod ng General Santos, ay magiging kakaiba sa iba.

Ayon sa Philippine Sports Commission, ang paligsahan na nakabatay sa paaralan para sa mga atleta na hindi hihigit sa 17 taong gulang ay magiging mas malaki, mas mahusay, at moderno.

"Plano naming ipatupad ang mga inobasyon na pinakamainam na makapaglingkod sa lahat ng mga delegado," sinabi ng project director na si Dindin Urquiaga sa Forum ng Philippine Sportswriters Association, sa Conference Hall ng Rizal Memorial Sports Complex.

Kasama ring dumalo sa forum na inorganisa ng San Miguel Corporation, PSC, Philippine Olympic Committee, MILO, Smart/PLDT, at ng 24/7 app ng bansa na ArenaPlus, sina PSC chairman Richard Bachmann at iba pang pangunahing opisyal ng PSC.

"Ang pangunahing layunin namin para sa Batang Pinoy ngayong taon ay bigyan ang mga delegado ng mahusay na karanasan na para bang sila ay nakikipag kumpitensya sa pandaigdigang antas ng kompetisyon," sabi ni Bachmann, na madagdag pa ang tagumpay na nangangahulugang "pagtingin sa mga ngiti sa mga mukha ng mga kalahok."

Kabilang sa mga inobasyon para sa kaganapan na nag-aalok ng aksyon sa 27 palakasan ay ang sistema ng QR code para sa mga iskedyul at resulta, pagbabago ng limitasyon sa edad batay sa isport, at pagbibigay ng mas magandang transportasyon para sa mga delegado sa pamamagitan ng pagbibigay ng E-jeepneys sa kanilang pananatili sa kabisera ng tuna ng bansa.

Mula sa 14,000 na kalahok noong nakaraang taon sa Puerto Princesa sa Palawan, umaasa ang PSC at ang host province ng higit sa 15,000 na makikipagkumpetensya sa aquatics, archery, arnis, athletics, badminton, basketball, boxing, chess, cycling, dancesport, futsal, gymnastics, jiu-jitsu, kickboxing, karate, muay, pencak silat, sepak takraw, soft tennis, tennis, table tennis, taekwondo, volleyball, weightlifting, wrestling at wushu.

Kamakailan ay nakipagpulong ang teknikal na grupo ng PSC kay Mayor Lerelie Pacquiao ng Lungsod ng General Santos, at nagsagawa ng ocular inspection sa mga venue."Napakaswerte namin na ang gobyerno ng Lungsod ng General Santos ay kasing-excited din," dagdag ni Urquiaga.

NEW LOGO BP 2025 SHOW OF BP PROJECT DIRECTOR DINDIN URQUIAGA

**IPINAKIKILA** ni Batang Pinoy 2025 Project director Dindin Urquiaga ang bagong logo para sa magaganap na Batang Pinoy 2025 kung saan ay nakatakdang magaganap sa General Santos, sa buwan ng Oktubre mula 25 hanggang 30. Kasama sa larawan si PSC Chairman Richard Bachmann kaugnay ng ginanap na press conference na ginanap sa Conference room ng PSC Rizal Memorial Sports Complex. ***(REY NILLAMA)***

# Rizal Memorial Sports Football Field Sertipikado ng pro mula sa FIFA

Ang larangan ng football ng Rizal Memorial Sports Complex ay na-certify bilang 'quality pro' ng International Federation of Association Football.

Ang anunsyo ay sabay na ginawa ng Philippine Sports Commission at E-Sports International, ang nangungunang eksperto sa pagtatayo ng FIFA-certified na mga larangan sa bansa, sa isang espesyal na sesyon ng Philippine Sportswriters Association Forum sa conference hall ng RMSC.

Ang FIFA Quality Pro ay ang pinakamataas na grado ng kalidad sa loob ng FIFA Quality Programme, na nagpapahiwatig ng pinakamasigasig na mga pamantayan ng pagganap, katumpakan, kaligtasan, at tibay.

Ito ay nakalaan para sa mga artipisyal na damo na maaaring gamitin para sa pinakamataas na antas ng football tulad ng mga propesyonal na laban at mga pandaigdigang torneo."Natutuwa akong ipaalam sa inyo na ang Rizal Memorial Stadium ay opisyal nang isang FIFA Quality Pro certified field.

Dahil dito ay nakuha namin ito, nais kong pasalamatan ang PSC sa tiwala, sa pagpapahintulot na makabuo kami ng mga kampeon kasama nila," sabi ni E-Sports Managing Director Audris Romualdez sa Forum.

Naroon din si PSC chairman Richard Bachmann, E-Sports General Manager Pam Romualdez, Engineer V mula sa Office of the Provincial Architect Joseph Apat, at guro ng Department of Education at coach ng football na si Cyril Olis sa pampublikong programa ng sports na ipinakita ng San Miguel Corporation, PSC, Philippine Olympic Committee, MILO, Smart/PLDT, at ng 24/7 sports app ng bansa na ArenaPlus.

Isang malaking replika ng sertipiko sa larangan na ipinakita ng E-Sports kay Bachmann ng PSC.

"Ang pangunahing layunin ng PSC ay muling buhayin ito (football field). At nais naming pasalamatan ang E-Sports sa pagtulong sa amin at pagbibigay ng de-kalidad na turf na maaaring tamasahin ng lahat," sabi ni Bachmann.

Ang pagsasaayos ay ginawa sa loob ng isang buwan, at sinubukan noong Abril 11, bago tuluyng natanggap ang pormal na sertipikasyon noong Mayo 2.

Ang FIFA Quality Pro certificate ay balido sa loob ng isang taon, habang ang FIFA Quality certificate ay may bisa ng tatlong taon. Magbibigay ang E-Sports ng isang taon ng libreng serbisyo para sa pangangalaga ng larangan, at nagbigay din ng kagamitan para sa pagpapanatili at pagsasanay sa mga tauhan ng PSC.

RIZAL MEMORIAL STADIUM FIELD CERTIFICATE

**IPINAKITA** na nila PSC Chairman Richard Bachmann at E-Sports Managing Director Audris Romualdez ang sertipikasyon bilang quality pro certified field ng FIFA nanganahulugan na ang Rizal Memorial Sports Football Field ay maaring gamitin sa pang propesyonal na laban at mga pandaigdigang torneo. Makaraang ganapin sa Conference room ng Rizal Memorial Sports Complex ang lingguhang PSA Forum. ***(REY NILLAMA)***