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ANG grupo ng Groups of state workers in Government Owned and Controlled Corporations (GOCCs) sa pangunguna ni Nanette Jarino-Lim, Pangulo ng LBPEA (Land Bank of the Philippines Employees Association) kabilang ang iba pang opisyal nito, at Lolly Acosta ng Agenda Forum makaraang dumalo sa forum na ginanap sa Club Filipino Greenhills, San Juan City upang talakayin ang kanilang mga kahilingan sa Pangulong Ferdinand "Bongbong" Marcos Jr. **(REY NILLAMA)**

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PINALILIWANAG ni Gemma B. Gabuya, Director IV at National Program Manager ng 4Ps, ang mga patuloy na pagtaas ng bilang ng mga benepisaryo ng 4Ps Pantawid Pamilyang Pilipino Program (4Ps) makaraang ganapin ang pagdiriwang ng nasabing programa ng pamahalaan sa isinagawang pagtitipon sa Sequia Hotel, Quezon City. **(REY NILLAMA)- story p.7**



USAPANG BAYAN SA KYUSI ISYU SA BAHÁ: Tinalakay ng mga opisyal sa pangunguna nina Quezon City 4th District Congressman Jesus Manuel Suntay, City Engr. Quezon City Department of Engineering Atty. Mark Dale Diamond P. Perral, Quezon City District Engineer 2nd District Office DPWH De Johnny L. Protesta Jr., QC 2nd District Councillor Rannie Ludovica at OIC Assistant Engineer DPWH Engr. Mark James Berbosong kung paano maresolba ang mga kinakaharap na suliranin sa kanilang pagharap sa unang pag-arangkada ng 'Usapang Bayan sa Kyusi' na ginanap kamakailan sa Lola OTE Restaurant, Sgt Esguerra, Quezon City. **(REY NILLAMA)**



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DOST Secretary Renato U. Solidum Jr., speaks at 2025 post-SONA discussions on Environmental Protection and Disaster Risk Reduction on July 29, 2025 held at San Juan National Government Center, San Juan City. (Photo from PCOO) **AGHAM AY RAMDAM, SA BAGONG PILIPINAS—SOLIDUM-story p.4**



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GRUPO NG GOCCs NANAWAGAN KAY PBBM PARA SA PAGPAPATUPAD NG CPCS-2

ANG mga grupo ng mga manggagawa sa estado sa mga Korporasyong Pagmamay-ari at Kontrolado ng Gobyerno (GOCCs) ay humihiling kay Pangulong Ferdinand R. Marcos, Jr. na bigyan ng agarang pagpapatupad ang CPCS-2 (Sistema ng Kompensasyon at Pag-uuri ng Posisyon Bahagi 2). Sa 'The Agenda Forum' na pinangunahan ni Lolly Acosta, sinabi ni Nanette Jarino-Lim, Pangulo ng LBPEA (Land Bank of the Philippines Employees Association), na tinatawag silang Government Finance Institutions (GFIs) na nagbibigay ng bahagi ng kanilang kita sa bilyong piso sa pambansang gobyerno. Si Lim ay isa ring Pangalawang Pangulo ng Pambansang Unyon ng mga Empleado sa Bangko, Mga Organisasyong Pangseguro at Pananalapi (NUBE). Sinabi ni Lim na ang Corporate Governance para sa mga GOCCs (CGC) ay itinatag upang i-standardize ang kompensasyon at benepisyo para sa mga GFIs, ngunit sila ay naapektuhan na ng mga kasalukuyang pagbabago tulad ng kawalan ng benepisyo sa kalusugan, allowance sa bigas, provident fund, at allowance sa HMO. Idinagdag niya na mula nang magsimula ang pandemya ng Covid-19, marami sa kanilang hanay ang namatay ngunit patuloy silang nagbibigay ng pampublikong serbisyo tulad ng mga claim para sa SSS, PhilHealth, Landbank at iba pang GFIs. Pinuna nila ang hindi pagkakapantay-pantay sa pagpapatupad ng CPCS-1. Gayunpaman, ang pagkakaiba sa CPCS-2 ay "Mayroon kaming mga input, ngunit hindi kami naanyayahan at hindi namin alam kung ano ang nangyari sa aming mga input," sabi ni Lim. "Karamihan sa aming 10,400 na empleyado ay walang HMO (Health Maintenance Organization). Dahil sa CGC, walang magawa ang

lupon ng mga direktor ng pitong malalaking GFI," sabi ni Lim. Idinagdag niya na matagal na silang tumatawag sa CGC. "Kami ay humihiling kay Pangulong Ferdinand R. Marcos, Jr. na pakinggan ang aming mga hinaing," sabi ni Lim. Binibigyang-diin ni Lim na natapos na ang pagkakaiba sa CPCS-1 at nagsimula na ang CPCS-2 simula Oktubre 2024, na nagsasaad na ang SSS ay nadagdagan na ang kanilang sahod ng dalawang beses, ngunit ang iba pang GFI ay hindi pa nakakatanggap ng kani-kanilang pagtaas sa sahod. Sinabi niya na hindi siya makakapag-claim para sa mga benepisyo sa pagkamatay ng kanyang asawa dahil wala pa silang CPCS-2. "Hindi kami tumitigil sa pagbibigay ng serbisyon publiko kahit na wala pang CPCS-2," sabi ni Lim. Susulat na din sila sa mga senador at mga kongresista upang talakayin ang kanilang mga alalahanin at handa silang gawin ito muli. Idinagdag niya na kahit na hindi sila kinunsulta, iniisip nila na lahat ng nilalaman sa CPSC-1 ay ibibigay at ang tatlong taong pagsusuri, na dapat sana ay sa Oktubre 2024. Ang lahat ng GFIs ay may 30,000 empleyado sa buong bansa, kasama ang 10,400 empleyado sa Land Bank. "Nagsusulat na kami ng liham na humihiling ng suporta mula sa mga Senador at mga Kongresista para sa isang exemption mula sa E.O. 150. Nananawagan kami na ibalik ang aming CBA (Collective Bargaining Agreement)," sabi ni Lim. "Sa ilalim ni PBBM, kahit papaano ay umaabot sa kanya ang aming liham. Talagang nakikinig ang Pangulo sa aming mga hinaing. Ang mga GFI ay humihiling sa pagpapatupad ng CPCS-2, kasama na ang subsidy sa bigas, allowance para sa HMO, na nagkakahalaga ng PHP100,000 para sa bawat empleyado ng mga GFI," dagdag niya.

HVI, timbog sa buy bust

TIMBOG sa mga awtoridad ang isang High Value Individual sa isinagawang buy-bust operation na nagresulta sa pagkakakumpiska ng P442K halaga ng hinihinalang shabu kamakailan sa Dasmariñas City, Cavite. Ang matagumpay na operasyon ng City Drug Enforcement Unit ng Dasmariñas City Police Station ay ikinasa dakong ala-1:10 ng madaling araw nitong Agosto 5 sa Barangay San Andres 1, ng naturang lungsod

sa pakikipagkoordinang sa PDEA at gamit ang Alternative Recording Device. Dito ay natimbog ang suspek na si alyas Mar, residente ng nasabing barangay. Nagresulta ito sa pagkakasamsam sa limang piraso ng heat-sealed transparent plastic sachets na naglalaman ng hinihinalang shabu na tumitimbang ng tinatayang 65.00 gramo, at nasa P442,000.00 ang pagtatayang standard drug price.

Wanted sa kasong statutory rape, nadakip sa Mendez

ISANG wanted sa kasong statutory rape ang nadakip ng mga awtoridad kamakailan sa Mendez, Cavite. Ang akusadong si alyas Dave Adrian, na residente ng Sitio Bagong Tubig, Barangay Galicia 1, Mendez, ay nasa listahan ng Most Wanted Persons-Regional Level Rank No. 4. Siya ay nadakip ng mga tauhan ng Mendez Municipal Police Station dakong alas-10:15 ng gabi nitong Agosto 4 sa nasabing barangay. Nabatid na ang akusado ay may kinakaharap na 14 counts ng Statutory Rape sa ilalim ng Article 266-A, Paragraph 1(d) ng Revised Penal Code, gaya ng binago ng R.A. No. 11648,

at 28 counts ng Sexual Assault sa ilalim ng Article 266-A(2) ng RPC, kaugnay ng Section 5(b) ng R.A. No. 7610, na binago rin ng R.A. 11648. Ang mga ito ay nasa ilalim ng Criminal Case Nos. NC-53-25 hanggang NC-94-25, na inilabas nitong Agosto 4 ng RTC Branch 132, Naic, Cavite. Ang warrant of arrest laban sa akusado ay matagumpay na naisagawa ng mga awtoridad gamit ang Alternative Recording Device. No bail ang akusado para sa mga kasong Statutory Rape habang P200,000.00 naman ang inirekomendang piyansa para sa bawat count ng Sexual Assault.

MWP, natugis ng pulis-Imus

ISANG Most Wanted Person-Regional Level ang naaresto ng mga tauhan ng Warrant Section ng Imus Component City Police Station sa pakikipagkoordinang sa 401st A Maneuver Company, RMFB4A, kamakailan. Kinilala ang akusado na si alyas Joy Ann, residente ng Barangay Malagasang 2B, Imus City, Cavite. Siya ay naaresto dakong alas-11:30 ng umaga nitong Agosto 5 sa naturang barangay matapos ihain ang warrant of arrest na inisyu ni Hon. Marita Iris Briones Laqui-Genilo, Presiding Judge ng Regional Trial Court, Branch 111, National Capital Judicial Region, Pasay City, na may petsang Mayo 28, 2025. Ang akusado ay may

kinakaharap na kasong paglabag sa The Securities Regulation Code (Section 26.3 in relation to Section 6 of R.A. 10175 and R.A. 8799) with 27 counts. May inirekomenda naman ang korte na piyansang halagang P126,000.00.

Wanted 'nakalawit ng Kawit MPS sa Bacoor City

ISANG wanted ang hindi nakaligtas sa mga tauhan ng Kawit Municipal Police Station matapos 'makalawit' sa isinagawang operasyon kamakailan sa Bacoor City, Cavite. Ang nadakip ay nakilalang si alyas Jayson, residente ng Barangay Zapote 2, Bacoor City. Isinilbi kay Jayson ng Warrant Personnel ng Kawit MPS, na gumamit ng Alternative Recording Device sa operasyon, ang warrant of

May kasong qualified theft, nahuli sa Gentry

ISANG Most Wanted Person (Regional Level) na may kasong qualified theft ang nahuli kamakailan sa General Trias City, Cavite. Ang pagkakahuli sa akusadong si alyas Christian, residente ng Barangay Pasong Camachile I, General Trias City, dakong alas-12:10 ng hatinggabi nitong Agosto 6, ay sa bisa ng warrant of arrest na inilabas ng Regional

Trial Court, National Capital Judicial Region, Branch 60, Makati City, na may petsang Hulyo 21, 2025. Ito ay may kaugnayan sa kasong Qualified Theft (Article 310 of the Revised Penal Code) in relation to Section 6 of R.A. 10175 (45 counts), at nagtakda ang korte ng piyansang ₱40,000.00 bawat bilang.

PROGRAMA PARA SA LGBTQIA+ COMMUNITY, ISINUSULONG SA NAIC

Nakipag-ugnayan ang lokal na pamahalaan ng Naic sa LGBTQIA+ One Naic upang mailatag ang mga programa para sa LGBTQ+ community sa bayan. Ayon kay Mayor Rommel Magbitang, kabilang na dito ang mga plano at programang nakatuon sa LGBTQIA+ community, tulad ng SOGIE at HIV awareness, libreng

medical at mental health assistance, skills training at livelihood programs at, pride at outreach communities. Layon ng mga nasabing aktibidad na maitaguyod ang karapatang pantao at protektahan ang kanilang mga kababayan laban sa diskriminasyon. | **via Municipality of Naic (PIA CAVITE)**

OVP RELIEF OPERATIONS PARA SA MGA FLOOD VICTIMS NG NOVELETA, CAVITE

Nagsagawa ng relief operations ang Office of the Vice President (OVP) sa mga apektadong residente dulot ng matinding pag-ulan at baha sa Barangay San Rafael III, Noveleta, Cavite nitong July 30, 2025. Sa pamamagitan ng OVP Disaster Operations Center (OVP-DOC), umabot sa kabuuang 453 apektadong

pamilya ang nabigyan ng food packs at iba pang essential goods. Lubos na nagpapasalamat ang OVP sa lahat ng mga indibidwal, grupo, at private sectors na nagpaabot ng kanilang tulong at donasyon upang tugunan ang pangangailangan ng mga kababayan nating apektado ng mga sakuna. (OVP)

Wanted sa kasong murder, frustrated murder 'nakorner

NAKORNER ng mga operatiba ng Trece Martires Component City Police Station ang isang wanted na may kasong murder at frustrated murder matapos ang matagumpay na isinagawang operasyon kamakailan sa Dasmariñas

City, Cavite. Itinuturing na top o Ranked No. 1 Regional Level Most Wanted Person ang akusadong si alyas Alex, residente ng Barangay Sampaloc 2, Dasmariñas City. Naaresto siya dakong alas-2:45 ng hapon nitong Agosto 6 sa Charbel, Barangay Sampaloc 2, Dasmariñas City, bunsod ng dalawang bilang na kaso ng murder at one count ng frustrated murder sa ilalim ng Article 248(1) of the Revised Penal Code. Ang pagkakaaresto ay sa bisa ng warrant of arrest na inisyu ng presiding judge ng RTC Branch 23, Fourth Judicial Region, Trece Martires City, Cavite nitong Agosto 5. No bail ang akusado sa two counts ng murder habang inirekomenda ang piyansang P200,000.00 para sa kasong frustrated murder.

Editorial

'Talu-talo, ulong gugulong'

MALINAW ang pahayag ni Pangulong Ferdinand 'Bongbong' Marcos Jr. na kahit pa kaalyado o kakampi nito sa pulitika ay walang sisinuhin ang gobyerno. Ito ay kapag napatunayang nagkaroon ng pananamantala sa pera ng taumbayan lalo na ang ginawang kapabayaan sa mga flood control project. Alam naman natin na nitong nakaraang State of the Nation Address ay mahigpit ang direktiba ni PBBM sa Department of Public Works and Highways (DPWD) hing-

gil sa kumpletong listahan ng mga flood control project sa nagdaang tatlong taon. Naismatumbokng Chief Executive kung ano alinsamganaturang proyekto ang hindi tapos. Pinatutukoy din niya iyong mababa ang kalidad gayundin ang 'guni-guni' o ghost project lamang. Kung susuriin ang mabigat na pahayag ng pangulo ay maituturing na 'talu-talo' dahil walang sasantuhin maging sino pa man kahit kaalyado. Nakarehistro ito sa isipan ng napakaraming Juan dela Cruz na batid namang may anomalyang naganap kaakibat na lamang ang katanungang mayroon kayang 'ulo o mga ulo' na gugulong.



Kwento ni CHIT MOZO

'Ano'ng boksing, sabunutan na lang'

Mare: Ikaw pala Tess, 'lika tuloy ka. Tagal mo atang nawala ah.
Tess: Nagbakasyon kami, mukhang namis mo ako kasi wala kang katsikahan hehe.
Mare: Himala at nagkaroon kayo ng family vacation, ano nakain ng mister mo?
Tess: 'Wag na nga yun ang tanungin mo, ang itanong mo na lang ay kung kumain na ba ako.
Mare: May natira pa naman dyan almusal mga bata bago pumasok ng iskul pati asawa ko bago pumasok ng trabaho.
Tess: Tamang-tama medyo gutom pa ako kasi taob ang almusal sa amin pag-alis din ng mga bata at mister ko.
Mare: Sige kumain ka lang dyan at mamya ka na magkwento kung ano man ang tsika mo ngayon.
Tess: Asus, pwede naman sabay kain habang nagtsitsika, yun tungkol kay Ric at Bastian.
Mare: Kung tungkol sa paghahamunang ay luma na 'yan. Hindi natuloy ang paghahamunang 'yun.
Tess: Maiba ako, ano ba ang pinag-ugatan nyan? Si Ric ay kilala ko kasi tiga dito sa atin eh si Bastian dun sa kabilang ibayo kaya di ko masyadong kilala.
Mare: Ang alam ko lang ay matindi ang sama ng loob ni Bastian, galit sya kay Ric. Minsan ay may kakwentuhan si Bastian at nasabi na kung magkasuntukan daw sila ni Ric ay tatalunin niya si Ric.
Tess: Direkta ba naghamon si Bastian? Sinabi ba ni Bastian na hinahamon niya ng suntukan si Ric?
Mare: Kung tutuusin ay wala naman direktang sabi na hinahamon ni Bastian si Ric ng suntukan.
Tess: Malinaw ang sabi ni Bastian na kung magkakasuntukan sila ay tatalunin niya si Ric, ibig sabihin ay walang diretsong paghahamon. Tama ba?
Mare: Oo tama, ang problema lang ay nung may nakausap si Ric. Tinanong si Ric ng kausap nya kung ano ang masasabi sa paghahamon ng suntukan ni Bastian.
Tess: Eh ano naman ang sagot ni Ric? Kilala ko yang si Ric dahil tiga dito nga sa atin kaya malamang na tinanggap ang hamon sa kanya. Tama ba ako uli?
Mare: Tama ka uli, pero hindi suntukan ang gusto ni Ric kundi boksing. Magharap daw sila at papalagan nya si Bastian sa labanan na boksing.
Tess: Naalala ko na, boksingero nga pala dati si Ric bago nag-iba ng trabaho. Eh tapos, ano na ang nangyari?
Mare: Nagbanggit si Ric sa kausap nya ng petsa para sa boksing nila ni Bastian pati lugar na pagdadausan.
Tess: Sumagot ba naman si Bastian? Okey ba naman kay Bastian ang boksing na yun?

Mare: Mabilis na kumalat ang balita tungkol sa boksing lalo na at may napili ng lugar na pagdarausan. Nagpasya pa nga si Ric na ang kikitain sa boksing, kagaya ng entrance fee ay mapupunta sa kawang-gawa.
Tess: Wow at napaka-generous naman ni Ric. Pero 'di mo pa sinasagot tanong ko. 'Kako ay kung lumaban ba si Bastian sa boksing.
Mare: Ano ka ba, 'di ba kanina ko pa nasabi na hindi natuloy ang paghahamunang na yun.
Tess: Kung hindi sumagot sa boksing, ibig sabihin ay naduwag si Bastian kay Ric?
Mare: Ganyan ang naging tampulan ng 'siyete' na naduwag nga raw si Bastian.
Tess: Hindi kaya na ang talagang gusto ni Bastian ay suntukan. Sapukan talaga at hindi boksing na may gamit pang gloves.
Mare: Ang katwiran ng kampo ni Bastian ay hindi pwede si Bastian sa itinakdang araw o petsa ni Ric. May kompromiso kasi si Bastian sa petsa na yun na hindi pwedeng hindi dadalo si Bastian sa kompromisong yun. Ilan daw sa mga kaibigan ni Ric ay alam ang kompromisong yun ni Bastian at matagal na daw isinet yun.
Tess: Alam kaya ni Ric na may kompromiso na si Bastian dun sa petsang itinakda ni Ric para sa boxing match nilang dalawa? Dapat sinabi ng mga kaibigan ni Ric para naiset ang tamang petsa.
Mare: Hindi ko lang alam kung alam ba ni Ric na may kompromiso si Bastian. Basta hayun at natuloy sa itinakdang petsa. May boxing belt pa nga para kay Ric eh.
Tess: Ngeki! Ano kaya yun? Nagkaroon ng boxing belt pero wala naman nakaboksing.
Mare: Okey na rin yun, kasi dahil dinumog ng mga tao kaya malaki naman ang kinita. Napunta ang income sa charity kaya maraming natulungan.
Tess: Para sa akin ay hindi okey yun kahit pa ba napunta ang kinita sa charity. May pupunta ba dun kung alam nilang wala naman silang mapapanood na dalawang maglalaban sa boksing. Kahit ako kung alam ko na ganoon ay di ako pupunta at bibili ng tiket kasi wala naman akong mapapanood na boksing.
Mare: May punto ka naman, kaya lang wala na tayong magagawa kasi tapos na. Nagdaan na at lumipas na, saka wala na uling mangyayaring boksing kasi yun daw ang sabi ni Ric.
Tess: Dapat kasi dyan bago nag-set ng petsa at lugar na laban o boksing ay may pag-uusap ang magkabilang grupo. Kumbaga, plantsado ang lahat sa panig ni Ric at sa panig ni Bastian.
Mare: Hay naku, wala na nga tayong magagawa dyan eh. Kulit mo naman.
Tess: Hoy Mare 'wag mo akong sinasabihang makulit ah.
Mare: Makulit ka naman talaga eh. Ano gusto mo, tayong dalawa ang magboksing?
Tess: Ano'ng boksing? Sabunutan na lang, ubusan ng buhok hanggang sa makalbo. Tapos set tayo ng araw o petsa na pareho tayong available saka magbebenta ng tiket sa mga manonood ng sabunutan natin.
Mare: Lukaret ka talaga, 'di ka lang makulit luka-luka pa.
Tess: Hahaha, kaya luv na luv kita kasi kilalang-kilala mo ako kaya b-f-f talaga tayo.
Mare: Hayaan na natin yang sina Ric at Bastian, bahala sila sa buhay nila. Pero kung hindi man sila magkabati o magkasundo, sana ay manahimik na lang sila pareho pati yung mga kakampi at kaalyado nila.

--- Wakas ---

Ang mga 'bulong' o udyok na nagmumula sa iba ay nagreresulta ng pag-aalab na apoy ang kahahantungan.



Due process

MAYROONG indibidwal na nais mong ireklamo at desidido kang sampahan ng kaso dahil sa iyong tingin at pananaw ay inargabyado ka o nagawan ng pagkakamali o kasalanan. Isinangguni sa iyong abogado at pagkatapos makagawa ng complaint sheet na beripikado at sinumpa sa pamamagitan ng pagnonotaryo ay direktang nagtungo sa tanggapan ng piskalya. Doon ay isinumite ang inihaing reklamo na kalakip ang mga ebidensiya batay sa kung ano ang inirereklamo kasabay ng panunumpa sa harap ng piskal. Magkakaroon ng raffle o pagbubunutan kung kanino o sinong piskal ang hahawak ng kaso. Hindi po ako ganap na sigurado sa nababanggit kong proseso dahil ako ay hindi pa naman nakapaghain ng reklamo sa piskalya. Bagkus ay ako ang inireklamo sa kasong libelo na lahat naman ng mga naisampang libel case laban sa akin ay basura o absuwelto sa piskalya pa lamang. Matagal na po ang mga iyon, dati pa. Kaya ko nabanggit na ako ang inirereklamo dahil may natatanggap na liham mula sa piskalya sa pamamagitan ng registered mail. Doon ay malalaman mong mayroon 'Juan dela Cruz' na nagsampa ng kaso laban sa iyo. May ibinigay na panahon ang piskalya para sagutin ang reklamo ng nagkaso sa iyo. Magtutungo ka rin sa opisina ng piskalya para manumpa sa isusumiteng kasagutan laban sa kaso. Ibig sabihin lamang ay ipinatutupad ng piskalya ang 'due process' na matingnan at mapakinggan ang magkabilang panig bago maglabas ng kaukulang resolusyon kung nararapat ba o hindi na maiakyat pa sa mababang hukuman ang kaso. Hindi man tayo abogado subalit nagsasaliksik din dapat sa mga batas partikular ang tungkol sa isinasaad na kahalagahan ng due process.



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Just after the fourth State of the Nation Address (SONA) of President Ferdinand R. Marcos Jr., Science and Technology Secretary Renato U. Solidum Jr. has vowed for a more responsive and reliable department, under the current administration.

“Sa Bagong Pilipinas, ang agham ay ramdam. ‘Yan po ang ating pangako. Paano po natin gagawin ito? Si siyensya, teknolohiya at inobasyon, mga negosyo niyo ay tiyak kikita. Meron po tayong Small Enterprise Technology Upgrading Program [and] STARTUP fund. We have a program Propel to help investors and technologies to create enterprises and to create new jobs. Sa industriya, aarangkada. Ang kalusugan ay sisigla. Ang pagsasaka ay sasagana. Sa mga kabataan, may scholarship po tayong sa science, technology engineering and mathematics. Ang bukas niyo ay may pagasa. Kaya pangako po natin sa kasalukuyang administrasyon, ang agham ay ramdam,” Solidum said in 2025 post-SONA discussions on Environmental Protection and Disaster Risk Reduction on July 29.

In his SONA on July 28, 2025, President Marcos mentioned the various scientific initiatives of the Department of Science and Technology (DOST), particularly in disaster preparedness.

“Ginagamit na natin ngayon ang mga makabagong teknolohiya lalo na sa maaga at mabisang prediksyon. Mga Doppler radar, broadband seismic stations, landslide sensors systems ng PAGASA at PHIVOLCS, sa iba’t-ibang lugar sa bansa. Sa epektibong pag saklolo, nakakatulong ang mga mobile command and control vehicle ng DOST, na ipinamahagi natin sa labing-isang LGUs sa buong bansa,” Marcos said in his speech.

Aside from these technologies mentioned by President Marcos, Solidum vowed to continue modernizing the services of the DOST-Philippine Institute of Volcanology and Seismology by deploying additional 175 seismic stations. Currently, there are 125 deployed in various parts of the country. He also added that the Institute eyes at least 400 tsunami warning stations in the country to further strengthen tsunami preparedness.

Since Solidum served as the secretary of DOST in 2022, the agency has anchored its projects and programs on the four pillars, namely promoting human-wellbeing, fostering wealth creation, reinforcing wealth protection and

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institutionalizing sustainability, which is also aligned with the United Nation’s sustainable development goal.

Acknowledging the importance of protecting the wealth of Filipino people, DOST has come up with programs to safeguard lives, property, and economic assets against harm brought about by disasters, health risks, and environmental threats under the wealth protection pillar.

This pillar strengthens disaster resilience. Tools like GeoRiskPH, the seismic and hazard information platform, and events like Handa Pilipinas DRRM Exposition, equip communities to prepare for the risks brought about by natural hazards and human-induced disasters.

Just recently, the country, particularly Metro Manila and other provinces in Region I and II experienced severe flooding caused by typhoon Emong and continuous downpours.

Interior and Local Government Secretary Juanito ‘Jonvic’ Remulla, who is also among the panelists of the post-SONA discussions, admitted that Metro Manila has no cohesive plan to dispose of solid waste. “Dahil inefficient ang planning natin in the last 30 years sa solid waste management, ang mga local government units ngayon nahihirapan sa collection system,” Remulla said.

The problem of proper waste disposal has been a long-standing issue in the country, affecting flood control efforts in vulnerable communities.

In response to this dilemma, the DOST, in partnership with the City Government of Cauayan, and Isabela State University, launched the establishment of Material Recovery Facilities (MRF) in Cauayan City in 2024.

Several technologies were developed and deployed in the communities, including strategies and mechanisms to increase public awareness and the capability of LGUs to implement solutions such as the “waste analysis and characterization study (WACS)” and the establishment of Material Recovery Facilities (MRFs).

“Pagdating ng klima at ng baha ang problema natin ay basura. Kaya kami ay mayroong science, technology and innovation for circular economy framework. Para ‘yong mga plastic, mga agricultural waste ay hindi itapon, kundi ma-convert natin sa mga bagay na

pagkakakitaan. Kaya sana po, i-convert natin po yung mindset natin at ugaliing sa pagtatapon ng basura, ipunin po natin dahil pwedeng pagkakitaan siya using science, technology and innovation,” Solidum said. Moreover, the Metals Industry Research and Development Center of the Department of Science and Technology (DOST-MIRDC), in partnership with the Department of Environment and Natural Resources—Environmental Management Bureau’s National Capital Region Office, developed a Floating Solid Waste Collector System—an equipment designed to extract floating debris from waterways.

Another problem faced by most of the Filipinos is the lack of access to safe and potable water, especially in far flung areas. According to the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) Secretary, Raphael Lotilla, there are around 40 million Filipinos who do not have access to safe and secure water resources.

However, DOST, through the Community Empowerment through Science and Technology (CEST) program, is also working on water desalination projects, particularly in geographically isolated areas or island communities facing water scarcity.

According to Solidum, there are 20 more or less, water desalination plants installed in communities with water scarcity issues across the country.

“Kami sa Department of Science and Technology, at buong scientific community ay naniniwala na ang Pilipinas sa ngayon ay ang tingin sa atin ay bikitima parati ng mga kalamidad, climate change, lindol, at pagsabog ng bulkan. Pero sa siyensya, teknolohiya at inobasyon, at maigting na pagtutulungan at disiplina, ang mga Pilipino ay pwedeng manalo sa mga puwedeng trahedyang. We can become victors and not victims of disasters,” Solidum said.

The Department of Science and Technology (DOST) aims at providing science-based, innovative, and inclusive solutions across four strategic pillars: human well-being, wealth creation, wealth protection, and sustainability. These pillars embody the mantra OneDOST4U: Solutions, Opportunities for All. For more information, visit www.dost.gov.ph

DOST boasts sustainability with AI and circular economy in Caraga Region

Department of Science and Technology (DOST) Secretary Renato U. Solidum Jr. shared his research and development focus in the areas of artificial intelligence and the circular economy, aimed at generating more jobs and livelihood opportunities in the Caraga Region.

This was revealed during the opening of the Regional Science, Technology, and Innovation Week (RSTW) celebration in Robinson’s Place in Butuan City on July 30, 2025, hosted by the DOST-Caraga Regional Office. Solidum emphasized DOST’s commitment to crafting enabling policies and ensuring sustainable funding support in these green initiatives.

These efforts aim to promote the adoption of circular economy practices as powerful alternatives for development, and to integrate artificial intelligence (AI) tools and software into various local industries.

“These are not mere trends—they are essential lifelines for resilient and adaptive development in the face of climate change, digital acceleration, and a globally competitive landscape,” said expounded Solidum.

Solidum emphasized that events like RSTW are designed to serve as platforms to uplift communities, empower individuals, and shape a sustainable national future.

He said that in the Caraga region, these seeds of transformation are beginning to take root, as this year’s focus highlights three strategic areas: Circular Economy, Artificial Intelligence, and Smart and Sustainable Communities.

Embracing the Circular Economy To build a truly sustainable society, Solidum said that there is a need to move away from the traditional “take, make, dispose” model and adopt the Circular Economy, which promotes resource efficiency by eliminating waste and maximizing the use of materials.

He mentioned that in Caraga, several promising initiatives are already being implemented, such as the valorization of mine tailings (the reprocessing to extract metals and minerals, tailings as backfill material, tailings as construction material, energy recovery, and carbon dioxide sequestration), the deployment of ScrapCycle Technology and Project

GreenWAVE in Siargao Island.

“We must scale these innovations, expand policy support, and create green jobs that foster environmental and economic resilience. The United Nations estimates that transitioning to a global circular economy can generate \$4.5 trillion in economic benefits by 2030. The Philippines—and particularly Caraga—must claim its share of that opportunity,” emphasized Solidum.

Harnessing AI for Inclusive Development in Caraga

According to Solidum, Artificial Intelligence is no longer a vision of the future—it is a present-day reality. In 2023 alone, AI contributed nearly USD 240 million to Southeast Asian economies, with the Philippines standing out as one of the region’s fastest adopters.

Solidum shared that under the DOST’s AI for Development Program, the agency is committed to democratizing access to AI tools, building regional capacities, supporting AI R&D centers, launching upskilling programs, and collaborating with SUCs, TESDA, and DICT to ensure AI serves as a tool for empowerment rather than exclusion.

“Our vision is to develop a Filipino brand of AI—one that is ethical, inclusive, and grounded in our values,” said Sec. Solidum.

Promoting Human Well-Being and Fostering Wealth Creation Solidum also proudly shared the DOST’s continued efforts to strengthen science and technology in Caraga. Since 2022, over 1,000 Caraganons have been granted DOST scholarships, significantly boosting the region’s S&T human capital.

He also noted the establishment of nine Innovation and Makerspaces that provide thousands of learners, educators, and professionals with hands-on training in robotics, artificial intelligence, the Internet of Things, and Industry 4.0 technologies.

Sec. Solidum also reported the success of the Small Enterprise Technology Upgrading Program (SETUP), which helped Caraga-based micro, small, and medium enterprises (MSMEs) generate around ₱400 million in gross sales in 2024.

To further enhance regional innovation, DOST has supported the creation of 30 innovation centers, including Food Innovation Centers,

Technology Business Incubators, and Niche R&D Hubs as shared by the country’s science chief.

“One standout solution is MapX—a homegrown, web-based tool that allows LGUs to digitize land parcels, overlay satellite imagery, and automate tax mapping. This innovation has already generated millions in revenue and has the potential to scale nationwide,” said Sec. Solidum.

Meanwhile, DOST Undersecretary for Regional Operations Sancho A. Maborang said that science, technology, and innovation are key to shaping a smart, sustainable, and inclusive future for the Caraga region.

On the other hand, for Regional Director Noel M. Ajoc highlighted DOST Caraga’s efforts in building smart and sustainable communities, expanding innovation ecosystems, showcasing local technologies, and pioneering advanced manufacturing to boost regional competitiveness.

He emphasized that the RSTW is not just an exhibit, but a testament to how DOST is creating opportunities, empowering communities, and driving inclusive growth in Caraga.

During the three-day celebration from July 30 to August 1, 2025, several notable events and program launches highlighted the region’s push for innovation and sustainable development. These included the inauguration of iHub Agusan del Sur and iHub Surigao del Norte, the DOST-ASSCAT Agri-Based Business Incubation (ABRI) program, the Forum on Empowering LGUs through AI, the Food Innovation Forum on Circular Food Systems, the ELEVBPH Circular Innovation Challenge Pitching Competition, the TechKnow Forum, and the launch of the Metals and Engineering Innovation Center (MEIC) Caraga.

The RSTW is among the DOST programs aimed at providing science-based, innovative, and inclusive solutions across four strategic pillars: human well-being, wealth creation, wealth protection, and sustainability. These pillars embody the mantra OneDOST4U:

Solutions, Opportunities for All. For more information, visit www.dost.gov.ph. (By Allan Mauro V. Marfal, DOST-STII With information from DOST Caraga Regional Office)

CAVITE GOVERNOR WITH ATOCC OFFICERS AND LGU AWARDEES OF PARADA NG KALAYAAN 2025

On August 4, 2025, the Provincial Government of Cavite, led by Governor Abeng Remulla, awarded certificates of recognition to the local government units of Cavite City, Kawit and Imus for their successful participation during the Parada ng Kalayaan 2025 held at the Quirino Grandstand last June 12, 2025.

Meanwhile, the Association

of Tourism Officers and Coordinators of Cavite (ATOCC) headed by its President, Bacoar City Tourism Officer Edwin Guinto, together with its officers had a courtesy call at the Office of the Provincial Governor. Governor Remulla expressed his support for the initiatives of ATOCC on tourism and cultural development. **(CPIO)**

PGC-WOC Holds Successful Blood Donation Drive at New Provincial Government Center

As part of the Provincial Government of Cavite's (PGC) monthly theme celebration for July 2025, the Workplace Organization Committee (PGC-WOC), headed by Ms. Luzviminda S. Amparo, in partnership with the Philippine Red Cross – Cavite Chapter, successfully spearheaded a blood donation drive on July 31, 2025, at the New Provincial Government Center.

The event commenced with messages of support from Provincial Administrator Engr. Gilbert V. Gandia and Provincial Board Secretary Ms. Michelle F. Alcid. In her message, Ms. Alcid underscored the importance of institutionalizing this life-saving initiative and expressed her intent to make the blood donation drive an annual activity of the Provincial Government of Cavite.

Ms. Lucy Beltran, Board Member and Treasurer, Philippine Red Cross – Cavite Chapter, conveyed the

organization's appreciation for the strong collaboration with the provincial government in promoting voluntary blood donation and strengthening community health services.

With the assistance and supervision of the Philippine Red Cross – Cavite Chapter's medical team, the activity was carried out smoothly and safely. A total of 87 blood bags were successfully collected during the drive, thanks to the overwhelming support and participation of employees from various Capitol offices who exemplified unity, compassion, and a deep commitment to public service. The PGC-WOC extends its heartfelt gratitude to all blood donors, volunteers, and partner organizations whose efforts made the event a resounding success. This initiative reflects the PGC's enduring dedication to health, civic engagement, and the spirit of bayanihan.— R. Dones **(CPIO)**

Tabuk City Cooperatives Embark on Successful Lakbay Aral in Cavite

Eleven primary cooperatives from Tabuk City recently concluded a two-day Lakbay Aral aimed at enhancing their operations and services. Organized by the Tabuk City Cooperative and Enterprise Development Office, headed by Ms. Catherine Lee Uera, the trip, held from July 23-24, 2025, saw cooperative officers and management staff visit successful cooperatives in Cavite.

The Lakbay Aral provided a valuable opportunity for participants to witness firsthand the successful models and best practices of their counterparts. The group visited a diverse range of cooperatives, each showcasing unique strengths and approaches.

The first day of the journey took the group to General Trias Dairy Raisers Multi-Purpose

Cooperative in General Trias City and Palangue Agrarian Reform Cooperative in Naic. The cooperatives showcased their products, services, and operational strategies. The day concluded at the New Provincial Government Center in Cavite, where Governor Abeng Remulla graced the event. Ms. Myrachel Cuadra, Supervising Administrative Officer, presented OPCDO services, and Ms. Rizalie Pinpin-Enero delivered welcoming remarks.

The following day continued the learning experience with visits to Santa Luisa Multi-Purpose Cooperative in Tagaytay City, Cafe Amadeo Development Cooperative in Amadeo, and Damayan sa Cavite Community Multi-Purpose Cooperative in Imus City. Each cooperative provided insights into their

Empowering OFWs and other Stakeholders Through Financial Education: OPPEM and OPCDO Hold Seminar on Stock Market Investing and Financial Literacy

In a joint initiative to promote financial empowerment to Caviteños, the Office of the Provincial Public Employment Service Manager (OPPEM), in collaboration with the Office of the Provincial Cooperatives Development Officer (OPCDO), conducted a Seminar on Basic Stock Market Investing, Investment Options, and Financial Literacy on July 30, 2025, at the ADG Hall, De La Salle University - Dasmariñas.

The seminar aimed to equip the participants composed of OFW and their families, PESO managers and staff, HR from private companies,

Job Placement Officers and Provincial Government of Cavite Employees Association officers with essential knowledge and practical tools to help them make informed financial decisions and explore viable investment opportunities.

Highlighting the importance of sound financial planning, Mr. Vicente T. Hernandez, Assistant Vice President of Landbank Trece Martires City Branch, delivered a comprehensive talk on Stock Options and Financial Literacy, emphasizing the value of discipline, budgeting, and long-term investment

strategies.

Meanwhile, Mr. Mike Viñas, Investment Teacher - COL Financial Group, Inc. and Bro. Bo Sanchez's Truly Rich Club, facilitated the session on Basic Stock Market Investing and Investment Options, where he broke down the fundamentals of stock trading and introduced various investment vehicles suitable for first-time and returning investors.

Adding an inspirational note to the seminar, Ms. Olga Jane V. Dabayan from the Marketing Division of Pag-IBIG Fund Dasmariñas City shared the

Pag-ibig Fund's investment services, encouraging participants to start their own financial journey by taking small but consistent steps.

Representing the Department of Labor and Employment (DOLE) - Cavite Provincial Office, Ms. Anne Marie Faye Gloria, Senior Labor and Employment Officer, attended the event on behalf of Ms. Marivic B. Martinez, DOLE Provincial Director, to show the agency's support in advocating for the welfare and financial resilience of Caviteños. — **OPIO**

PSA RSSO IV-A Empowers Staff Through Basic First Aid and Disaster Management Lecture

In line with the simultaneous celebration of the 51st Nutrition Month and National Disaster Resilience Month this July 2025, Philippine Statistics Authority – Regional Statistical Services Office IV-A (PSA RSSO IV-A), in partnership with the Bureau of Fire Protection (BFP) – Lipa City, Batangas, successfully held the hybrid Lecture on Basic First Aid and Disaster Management on 31 July 2025.

The activity was part of PSA RSSO IV-A's continuous efforts to promote a safe and health-conscious workplace. It aimed to equip personnel with practical knowledge and life-saving skills to respond effectively to emergencies such as natural disasters, fire incidents, and medical situations. Ms. Juliedin B. Nohay, Registration Officer III, delivered the opening message, emphasizing PSA RSSO IV-A's commitment to safety and preparedness.

She stressed the importance

of empowering staff with essential emergency response knowledge not only for their safety at work, but also in their homes and the communities where they live.

The training was facilitated by BFP–Lipa City personnel: SFO1 Joel R. Contreras, FO1 Rose Anne R. Nomil, FO1 Khen Mark Derick D. Deveza, and FO1 Wally L. Ballesteros.

The session combined lectures with hands-on demonstrations, giving participants both theoretical understanding and practical experience in first aid, fire safety, and disaster response. Aligned with this year's NDRM theme, "KUMIKILOS para sa Kahandaan, Kaligtasan, at Katatagan," the activity highlights PSA RSSO IV-A's proactive stance in building a culture of readiness, resilience, and public service excellence.

PGC brings smiles and care to the City of Imus

On August 1, 2025, the Provincial Government of Cavite (PGC), through the Office of the Provincial Governor (OPG) and the Office of the Provincial Health Officer (OPHO), conducted a medical and dental mission in Barangay Alapan II-A, City of Imus.

The OPHO team provided basic healthcare services such as medical and dental consultations, as well as tooth extration. A total of

448 residents benefitted, 365 availed medical check-ups while 16 underwent tooth extration. Likewise, prescription medicines were provided for free.

The health initiative was part of the provincial government's ongoing commitment to bring vital healthcare services closer to the communities, particularly those in barangays with limited access to medical care. — R. Yuboc **(CPIO)**

FFCCCII Leads Major Food Aid Distribution Across Storm-Hit Regions

MANILA — Demonstrating swift solidarity, the Federation of Filipino Chinese Chambers of Commerce and Industry, Inc. (FFCCCII) and allied civic groups have rallied ₱10 million in emergency aid for communities devastated by recent catastrophic typhoon flooding nationwide.

The initiative, coordinated under the Pilipino at Tsino Magkaibigan Foundation, saw among its on-going major deployments on July 31, 2025, FFCCCII President Dr. Victor Lim and other Filipino Chinese community civic leaders personally delivered 10,000 bags of rice to Manila Mayor Francisco "Isko Moreno" Domagoso, providing immediate sustenance to displaced families in the capital.

The ₱10 million fund—immediately pooled by FFCCCII and leading Filipino Chinese civic and cultural organizations—is actively

respecting operations, highlighting successful strategies and innovative approaches.

The Lakbay Aral is expected to significantly benefit the participating Tabuk City cooperatives. By observing and learning from established models, the cooperatives can improve their own operations, expand their service offerings, and ultimately contribute to the economic growth of Tabuk City. The CCEDO expressed its gratitude to the Provincial Government of Cavite for accommodating and facilitating their learning journey.---A. Sarte **(CPIO)**

channeling vital relief resources to hardest-hit areas across Metro Manila, Bulacan, Pampanga, Tarlac, Pangasinan, La Union, and other provinces.

Relief operations prioritize urgent humanitarian assistance to evacuation centers and isolated communities. Last month, FFCCCII President Victor Lim also led Bacolod Filipino Chinese Chamber of Commerce and other Negros Filipino Chinese Chambers to donate construction materials to help rebuild thousands of homes affected by Kanlaon volcano disturbances in five Negros cities and municipalities, such as La Castellana town, La Carlota City, Bago City, Kanlaon City and Moises Padilla town. Victor Lim and Bacolod City Mayor Greg Gasataya also presided over donation of a new 7-storey, 100-feet hydraulic high-rise ladder capacity modern fire truck to the Bacolod Filipino Chinese Volunteer Fire Brigade from the Dr. Manuel S. Lo family of Grace Pharmacy Bacolod and Merzci Bakeshop.

"This outpouring of support reflects our community's unwavering bayanihan spirit," stated FFCCCII President Victor Lim. "When any Filipinos suffer, we should all stand united—delivering not just aid, but hope for fast and full recovery."

The mobilization underscores the Filipino Chinese community's deep commitment to national resilience, targeting both immediate relief and long-term rehabilitation for thousands affected by the disaster.

Taytay residents file complaint to nullify Laguna Lake project's 'illegal' public scoping

Quezon City, Philippines — Taytay residents belonging to Alliance of People's Organizations in Lupang Arenda (APOLA) and Samahan ng Mangingisda sa Lawa ng Taytay (SMALT) filed a formal complaint on July 30, 2025, at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources - Environmental Management Bureau (DENR-EMB) seeking to nullify the public scoping held in Taytay, Rizal, on July 14, 2025, for the Laguna Lakeshore Road Network (LLRN) Project Phase II.

The Philippine Movement for Climate Justice (PMCJ), together with APOLA, SMALT, and other affected residents, walked out of the said July 14 public scoping after the local government unit (LGU) failed to include the organizations and other homeowner associations in the Information, Education, and Communications (IEC) campaign conducted by the Department of Public Works and Highways (DPWH) and the Department of Natural Resources (DENR).

“[Kahit] naglaan naman sila ng oras para sa isang [pribadong pulong], hindi pa rin nila pinakinggan yung hinaing ng mga tao. Itinuloy pa rin nila ang public scoping [kahit] ang karamihan sa kanilang inimbita ay di dumaan sa IEC,” said SMALT Secretary Jessa Sabio. [Even though they provided a chance for a private meeting, they still didn't listen to the people's grievances. They still went ahead with public scoping even most of those they invited didn't go through the IEC.]

The residents asserted that the proceeding is void from the beginning due to egregious and systemic violations of the mandatory requirements under DENR Administrative Order (DAO) 2017-15 and DAO 2003-20, as well as the fundamental principles of the Philippine Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) System. The public scoping was initially scheduled on March 21, 2025, but PMCJ and the Lupang Arenda community halted it because of the similar disregard for mandatory processes on the part of the implementing agencies.

“The DENR must ensure that its own regulations are followed by project proponents. If at the outset

something as basic as public participation activities like public scoping are not properly conducted, what assurance do we have that the proponent would abide by environmental laws during the construction and operation of the project? That EMB should sanction an illegal public scoping has been an observed trend across the country. Government agencies are violating their own mandate”, said Aaron Pedrosa, Head of PMCJ's Legal Team. In January 2024, fishermen led by Rizal Fisheries and Aquatic Resources Management filed a complaint with the Laguna Lake Development Authority (LLDA) to suspend reclamation activities in Laguna De Bay. Affected communities are holding the government agencies legally liable for circumventing the law.

APOLA President Enteng Vicente Barlos stressed that implementing agencies are literally going around the affected communities. “Ang public scoping ay ginawa sa lugar na hindi naman sakop ng proyekto. Ito ay nagdudulot ng kalituhan sa aming mga residente. Dapat sumunod ang mga ahensya ng gobyerno sa batas! Nais lamang namin na masiguro ang aming mga karapatan,” he said. [The public scoping was done in an area that is not covered by the project. This is causing confusion among our residents. Government agencies should follow the law! We just want to ensure our rights.]

The provinces of Rizal, Laguna, Cavite, and other areas in Southern Luzon were placed under a state of calamity last week due to relentless rains triggered by Habagat (Southwest Monsoon) and typhoons Crising, Dante, and Emong. PMCJ and other groups have been highlighting that climate-change-induced flooding would be exacerbated by environmentally-degrading projects such as the LLRN.

“Stakeholders to the LLRN project are not only excluded from participation, they are kept in the dark as proponents and agencies alike fail to disclose relevant project information. With the Government's tacit policy of exclusion, we are left with no choice but to assert our place in the conversation,” Pedrosa said.

PMCJ calls on DOE, SunAsia to reconsider solar floaters project in Laguna, as impacts will be worse than the benefits it will provide

Quezon City, Philippines

— The Philippine Movement for Climate Justice (PMCJ) highlights the importance of considering the impacts of renewable energy (RE) projects on the communities' lives and livelihoods. This, in view of the Department of Energy (DOE)'s endorsement of SunAsia Energy Inc.'s floating solar project, which will cover more than 13 square kilometers of Laguna de Bay. “While the move to push for the implementation of RE projects aligns with our global calls, its impacts should be considered, especially when it collides with food security and the environment. We are fighting for just transition to renewable energy because it is by and for the people and for the planet. We can't treat marginalized sectors, fisherfolk in this matter, and the environment as mere collateral,” PMCJ Senior Renewable Energy Officer Edwin Tesaluna said.

The array floaters for SunAsia's more than 1,317 MW solar project will be produced by a local plastic manufacturer, Tayson Industrial Corp., as tapped by a Chinese firm, Sungrow. SunAsia and Sungrow signed a supply agreement on July 22, 2025.

“The installation would deprive inland fisherfolk of an estimated 535 thousand kilos of fish catch from the area, resulting

in lost income amounting to more than 82 million pesos annually, according to our recent data. Floating solar panels will worsen the state of Laguna Lake as there would be environmental impacts, including altered sunlight penetration, potential effects on water temperature and dissolved oxygen, risks to aquatic ecosystems, and concerns for local fisherfolk's livelihoods due to reduced fishing grounds or restricted boat passage. Laguna de Bay, with its current condition now, should be the last area for these types of projects,” Tesaluna stressed.

Energy Secretary Sharon Garin was present during the supply agreement. According to reports, she described the ordeal as a “milestone in the country's decarbonisation journey”. On July 10, 2025, Garin signed a reissued “committed capacity” status for 1,200 MW Atimanan One Energy Inc. (AOE) and Meralco PowerGen (MGen)'s coal-fired power plant project. “It is clear that the DOE has no intention of phasing out coal and any fossil fuels. Using Garin's word, the Philippines can't ‘decarbonise’ if the government supports RE projects while simultaneously approving and endorsing fossil fuel projects. It is also beyond disappointing that the floating solar project seemed not to

have consulted the Laguna fisherfolk and violated the science of impacts. Lakes and bodies of water, whose functions are important for the hydrologic cycle, are no-go zones for floating solar. This is what happens when the government continues to prioritize business and profits over climate, people, and planet,” PMCJ National Coordinator Ian Rivera lamented.

PMCJ and other progressive groups have been stressing that to achieve just transition to RE, fossil fuels must be phased out. It should be done in parallel to attain the triple capacity of RE by 2030. It can't be optional. The process

Laguna Lake dredging sought to curb overflowing, flooding in low-lying communities

BIÑAN CITY, Laguna (PIA)— Flooding continues to pose a serious challenge in several coastal barangays of Laguna, weeks after the recent typhoon and southwest monsoon, as climate change worsens and Laguna de Bay struggles to contain excess water.

Representative Arman Dimaguila of the Biñan City Lone District pushes for the dredging of Laguna Lake to address the persistent flooding and improve the lake's water holding capacity, not only for Biñan City but also for neighboring towns surrounding the lake.

Dimaguila proposed House Resolution No. 33 in the 20th Congress, directing the committee on ecology to conduct a review of all flood control projects along Laguna Lake to prevent flooding, improve water quality and to study the possibility of dredging to increase holding capacity.

“It was referred to the Committee on Rules, and incidentally, I'm part of that committee so we'll be able to closely monitor and follow up on it.”

Through this resolution, the House directs the Laguna Lake Development Authority (LLDA), Department of Public Works and Highways (DPWH), Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR), the University of the Philippines Los Baños (UPLB), and other concerned agencies to study the proposed dredging of Laguna de Bay.

He added: “This is something that's really necessary. All LGUs along Laguna Lake are affected. Flooding continues, specifically in our areas in San Jose, Dela Paz, Malaban which are still flooded. San Pedro, Santa Rosa, and even Muntinlupa are also experiencing the same. We really have to take action. It has been a long time, many

is also not top-down, but instead takes into account and effectively involves the basic sectors that will be the essential part of the plight.

“We demand that the DOE and the BBM government implement the renewable energy regulations scientifically and ecologically. There should be no shortcuts or compromises on the interests of the planet and people. While we are running out of time in curbing greenhouse gas emissions and putting up renewables, it must not be in a way that destroys the natural carbon sinks and sources of subsistence of the people,” Rivera ended.

have already pushed for it, and this time, we're fully committed to seeing it through.”

Dimaguila said that the initiative seeks to prevent the lake from becoming a ‘large septic tank’ filled with not just water but also chemical waste and other pollutants from various industries, which compromise water quality and threaten the surrounding ecosystem and biodiversity. Although Marikina has proven the effectiveness of dredging, the Biñan solon emphasized that it would be better to focus on dredging Laguna Lake since it serves as the end point of several rivers. All water from these rivers eventually flows into the lake. Without immediate action, the recurring flooding issues during every typhoon or even heavy rainfall will continue to worsen.

“There is a big difference between a river and a lake. A lake is the end point, while a river flows into the lake. So, no matter how well you manage the river, if the lake is already full, the water won't flow anymore. What we need is to increase the capacity of Laguna Lake so it can accommodate all the floodwater coming from various rivers,” Dimaguila further stated during an interview with Philippine Information Agency Calabarzon.

Other local chief executives, together with Laguna governor Sol Aragonese, have expressed their support for this initiative. Dimaguila also stated that, if given the opportunity, he would be willing to explain this bill to President Ferdinand R. Marcos, Jr, as someone born and raised in the city who is fully aware of the severity of Biñan's flooding situation. He believes this initiative will benefit not only more Filipinos but also the country and its ecosystem.

(CO/PIA4A; Photo from Island Pitiks FB Page)

Cavite gov't blood donation drive garners support

TRECE MARTIRES CITY, Cavite (PIA) — In a strong demonstration of unity and compassion, the Provincial Government of Cavite (PGC), through its Workplace Organization Committee (PGC-WOC), successfully organized a blood donation drive at the New Provincial Government Center on July 31.

The initiative, held as part of the PGC's monthly theme celebration for July, was organized in collaboration with the Philippine Red Cross – Cavite Chapter and led by PGC-WOC Chairperson Ms. Luzviminda S. Amparo.

Provincial Administrator Engr. Gilbert V. Gandia and Provincial Board Secretary Ms. Michelle F. Alcid delivered messages of encouragement at the event's opening. Ms. Alcid emphasized the importance of making the bloodletting drive a regular annual activity of the provincial government, expressing hopes for its institutionalization.

Representing the Philippine Red Cross – Cavite

Chapter, Board Member and Treasurer Ms. Lucy Beltran acknowledged the productive partnership between the Red Cross and the PGC. She commended the local government for its continued support in advancing community health and promoting voluntary blood donation.

Under the medical supervision of the Red Cross Cavite Chapter team, the donation process, which yielded a total of 87 bags was conducted efficiently and safely.

The PGC-WOC extended sincere thanks to all donors, volunteers, and partner agencies who contributed to the event's success.

“The drive not only increased local blood supplies but also showcased Cavite's public servants' ongoing dedication to health, service, and the spirit of bayanihan. This initiative reflects the PGC's enduring commitment to health, civic engagement, and solidarity,” the provincial government said in a statement. **(RBF, PIA Cavite)**

17TH ANIBERSARYO NG DSWD, INIHAYAG
ANG 1.5M-3M NA BENEPISARYO NG 4Ps

TINALAKAY ng Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD) ang pagtaas ng bilang ng mga benepisaryo ng Pantawid Pamilyang Pilipino Program (4Ps) mula 1.5 milyon hanggang 3 milyon. Si Gemma B. Gabuya, Director IV at National Program Manager ng 4Ps, ay sinabi na "Sa bawat anibersaryo, talagang ni-rerecall natin kung saan tayo nag-umpisa at kung nasaan tayo ngayon." Binahagi ni Gabuya na noong 2022, sa unang SONA ni Pangulong Ferdinand R. Marcos, Jr., ang target ay 9% o solong-digit na insidente ng kahirapan dahan-dahan sa 2028. Upang makamit ito, sinabi ni Gabuya na ang DSWD ay dapat pagbutihin ang mga serbisyo nito. "Gusto naming makamit ng lahat ng aming mga nagtapos ng 4Ps ang antas 3," sabi niya. Napansin na ngayon ay may 15.5% na insidente ng kahirapan. Ang pagtutulungan ay itinatakd sa ilalim ng Seksyon 9 ng RA 11310. Binanggit ni Gabuya ang paglikha ng National Advisory Council (NAC), at sa sumunod

na taon ang pagsasama ng mga lokal na pamahalaan (LGUs). Binanggit din niya na noong 2022-2023, ang paglikha ng strategic framework ng NAC. "Pugay Tagumpay Relocation" at 62 RAC Resolutions 2020-2025. Ang Pangulo mismo ang nag-anunsyo at kumilala na "meron nang nagtagumpay mula 1.5 milyong hanggang 3 milyong benepisyaryo ng 4Ps." "Sila'y hindi sumuko. Sila'y nagtagumpay," ani Gabuya. "Ipatupad ang pagsasama-sama, kasama ang pangako na PHP900 milyon, magpatupad ng monitoring at magkaisa sa plano ng komunikasyon," dagdag pa niya. "Dapat tayong magkaroon ng isang pangako na lahat ng benepisyaryo ng 4Ps ay dapat magtapos kung saan sila ay dapat handang magbago at magbigay ng solusyon sa kanilang mga problema at ang DSWD ay tumutulong lamang sa kanila," sabi ni Gabuya. "Kailangan nating i-institusyonalisa ang pormal na pagkakasama-sama kung saan lahat ng mga stakeholder ay makikilahok," dagdag niya.

Hope Beneath the Surface:
Catfish Farming Brings
Livelihood and Rehabilitation

A transformation is unfolding inside the walls of the BJMP Cagayan de Oro City Jail – Male Dormitory. Through the Utilization of High-Density Production and Processing Technologies of African Catfish, a new chapter of hope, dignity, and second chances is being written for Persons Deprived of Liberty (PDLs). Developed by Dr. Arlyn Mandas-Tacubao of Saxonyln Scifish Farm, a DOST Region XII SETUP-assisted firm, the project introduces modern aquaculture systems to prepare PDLs for productive lives after incarceration. With the support of the Department of Science and Technology (DOST) Region X, this initiative provides not only a sustainable livelihood but also a concrete path to rehabilitation and reintegration. Using cylindrical fiberglass tanks equipped with self-cleaning technology, the project allows high-density production of African Catfish (*Clarias gariepinus*) while

conserving water and space. Every three months, each batch yields approximately 50 kilograms of catfish, creating a steady supply of both food and income. To date, the project has provided livelihood training to 200 PDLs, with 50 to 100 currently undergoing training and five PDLs managing daily maintenance. These efforts contribute to meaningful skill development, discipline, and renewed purpose among the participants. By bringing science and innovation into correctional rehabilitation, this project proves that progress is possible even in the most confined environments. It reflects a larger vision where technology becomes a tool for human transformation, helping individuals reclaim their lives and prepare for a future beyond detention. This initiative is not only changing systems but also lives (*Dave Masirag*)

Free hearing aid services
extended to 65 Caviteños

In its continuous effort to provide inclusive healthcare services, the Office of the Provincial Persons with Disability Affairs Officer (OPDAO), in partnership with Manila Hearing Aid, conducted a Hearing Test for Adults with Hearing Loss on July 31 to August 1, 2025, at the Residential Care Facility in Trece Martires City. A total of 65 beneficiaries will receive free hearing aids, offering them a renewed opportunity to connect with their surroundings and enhance their quality of life. The two-day event featured a comprehensive set of hearing care services including otoscopy, tympanometry,

hearing tests, and hearing aid trials. These procedures were conducted by professionals from Manila Hearing Aid, ensuring quality service and accurate diagnosis for each participant. The initiative is part of the Provincial Government of Cavite's ongoing programs to support persons with disabilities by addressing hearing loss which is one of the most overlooked conditions among adults. With early detection and the provision of appropriate devices, hearing-impaired individuals are empowered to live more comfortably and actively engage with their communities.— *OPIO*

Imus City pushes citywide cleanups to address flooding

CITY OF IMUS, Cavite (PIA) — In anticipation of the effects of the ongoing rainy season, the City Government of Imus has intensified its citywide cleanup and infrastructure maintenance operations to reduce the risk of flooding and safeguard public safety. Spearheaded by the City's Action Engineering Team, efforts include canal digging, drainage clearing, and the excavation of new canal systems in flood-prone areas. New canal systems were excavated in Brgy. Carsadang Bago I and Green Estate, while heavily clogged waterways were cleared in Brgy. Alapan I-B, Alfonso Village, La Terraza P.C., Bucandala 1, and Anabu 2-B. Flushing operations were

also conducted in flood-prone areas, including Plaridel Health Center, Malagasang 2 Elementary School, Estanislao Villanueva Elementary School, Marycris Homes Bucandala 3, Hamilton Homes Bucandala 3, La Terraza Phase B, Palanas, and Anabu I-A. To further ensure public safety, tree pruning was carried out in Brgy. Toclong I-C, Bayan Luma 4, Bucandala I, and Medicion 2-A to prevent falling branches during storms. The city also mobilized its river rangers for large-scale and regular cleanup operations in key tributaries across Brgys. Pag-asa 3, Anabu I-G, Toclong I-B, and Toclong II-B. The weekly river cleanup initiative is a long-standing program of the local government in

Cavite recognizes nutrition
movers and outstanding
program implementers

In a fitting culmination to the month-long celebration of the 51st Nutrition Month in Cavite, the provincial government through the Office of the Provincial Health Officer and the Provincial Nutrition Committee, recognized the dedication outstanding implementation of nutrition programs in the different barangays, cities and municipalities during the awarding ceremony held on July 31, 2025 at the Function Hall of the New Provincial Government Center, Trece Martires City. The program was organized by the Nutrition Team of the OPHO headed by Provincial Nutrition Action Officer, Ms. Angeles Peñalba. Provincial Health Officer II, Dr. Nonie John Dalisay delivered the welcome remarks with enthusiasm and gratitude to all the awardees and nutrition partners who have made significant contributions to the successful implementation of nutrition and health programs down to the grassroots. Eighth district Board Member Jasmin Angelli Maligaya-Bautista graced the event and delivered a message of congratulations to the local nutrition pillars who work tirelessly to deliver services within their localities. As a leader who champions nutrition, she praised their efforts and dedication to service and showed her strong support to the cause. Awardees who were recognized during the event included the following: Provincial Outstanding Barangay Nutrition Committee was awarded to Daang Amaya II, Tanza received by Punong Barangay Cindy Arguson and BNS Soledad Clamosa; Provincial Outstanding Barangay Nutrition Scholar award was given to Ms. Clarisa L. Reyes of Poblacion III, Mendez-Nuñez; Provincial Outstanding Municipal

Nutrition Program Coordinator was awarded to Ms. Teresita L. Bendo from the Municipality of Alfonso; Provincial Outstanding Municipal Nutrition Action Officer was awarded to Ms. Maria Rea A. Villa of the Municipality of Rosario; and Provincial Outstanding District Nutrition Program Coordinator award was conferred to Ms. Dessa May R. Alibangbang. Additionally, LGUs with exceptional performance in nutrition program policies and program implementation were duly recognized with the Provincial Outstanding Municipal Nutrition Committee award. Among the awardees were the Municipality of Rosario - 1st Yr Green Banner Seal of Compliance Award accepted by MNAO Maria Rea Villa; Municipality of Magallanes - 1st Yr Green Banner Seal of Compliance Award received by MNAO Ms. Chiara Papa; and, the Municipality of Tanza which was awarded with 3rd Yr Green Banner Seal of Compliance Award accepted by MNAO Dorothy Ramirez. These municipalities have consistently showed excellence in their nutrition program implementation. Special awards were also given to nutrition local nutrition committees (LNC) which have displayed significant improvements and innovation in their program implementation. The Municipality of Amadeo was conferred with the Most Improved LNC Award while the Municipality of Gen. Mariano Alvarez was hailed as the Most Innovative LNC. Top awardees were also given the opportunity to share words of gratitude and inspiration to all the nutrition stakeholders in attendance for the recognition they received which will serve as fuel to keep going. They shared a common message of dedication and commitment to serve their communities towards better nutritional status of their constituents. Capping the event was a message of gratitude from Provincial Health Officer I, Dr. Nelson Soriano, to all the nutrition movers and their tireless resolve to bring forth nutrition advocacies and programs for the benefit of Caviteños. - E. Reyes (*CPIO*)

ramps. Vandalized utility posts and public structures were cleaned and repainted, and tarpaulins were installed as needed. These ongoing efforts reflect the City Government's strong commitment to maintaining public infrastructure, promoting disaster resilience, and ensuring a clean, safe, and orderly environment for all Imuseños. (*RBF, PIA Cavite*)

DEED OF EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF
ESTATE OF LEONILA SAYOTO MAMON
WITH WAIVER OF RIGHTS

NOTICE is hereby given that the estate of the late **LEONILA SAYOTO MAMON** who was residing at Brgy. Salitran 2, Dasmaringas City, Cavite and died intestate on June 12, 2025 left her conjugal share consisting of one-half of the following properties particularly described as follows:

(1) Transfer Certificate of Title No. T-278326
Registry of Deeds for the Province of Cavite
Tax Declaration No. 2370025002211

A parcel of land with improvements (Lot 7, of the cons.-sub. plan, Pcs-04-004171, being a portion of the cons. of Lots 3157-G & 3157-K (LRC) Psd-12421, L.R.C. Rec. No.), situated in the Bo. of Salitran, Mun. of Dasmaringas, Prov. of Cavite x x x containing a lot area of One Thousand One Hundred Seventy Seven (1,177) Square Meters;

(2) Tax Declaration No. 2370025002214
City Assessors Office of Dasmaringas City

A one (1) storey two (2) door commercial stall erected on the above land in 1985 containing a floor area of Thirty (30) Square Meters.

(3) Tax Declaration No. 2370025002215
City Assessors Office of Dasmaringas City

A one (1) storey two (2) door commercial stall erected on the above land in 1990 containing a floor area of Forty (40) Square Meters.

(4) Tax Declaration No. 2370025002212
City Assessors Office of Dasmaringas City

A one (1) storey residential building erected in 1980 on the above land containing a floor area of Fifty (50) Square Meters.

(5) Certificate of Registration No. 167122620

A Toyota Avanza 1.3E MT Vehicle (Wagon), acquired in 2014 with Plate No. WOV740.

(6) A Savings Deposit with Chinabank Dasmaringas City under Account No. PHP 2650655816 with an outstanding balance as of May 29, 2015 for Five Hundred Thousand Eight Hundred Eighty Four Pesos and 54/100 (Php500,884.54), was extrajudicially settled by the surviving husband and son, executed before Notary Public Atty. Florencio E. Uy as per Doc No. 204; Page No. 42; Book No. 254; Series of 2025.

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Bagong alituntunin inilabas ng Philippine Basketball Association para sa mga Manlalaro

Ang Philippine Basketball Association (PBA) ay nagpapakilala ng isang bagong alituntunin sa malayang ahensya na magkokontrol sa paglipat ng mga nagpasya na lumipat sa ibang liga.

Sa isang resolusyon na inaprubahan ng lupon ng mga gobernador ng liga, ang mga manlalaro na tumanggap mag-renew ng kontrata sa kanilang mga team at bumalik sa ibang lugar ay hindi papayagang makabalik sa PBA sa loob ng tatlong taon.

Sa pag-apruba ng mosyon noong Hulyo 17 at agad na ipinatupad kinabukasan, naapektuhan na ang pagbabawal kina Jamie Malonzo at William Navarro, na hindi nag-renew ng kontrata sa Ginebra at Magnolia, ayon sa pagkakasunod. Kamakailan ay pumirma si Malonzo sa koponan ng Japan B. League na Kyoto Hannaryz, habang si Navarro ay sumali sa koponan ng Korean Basketball League (KBL) na Busan KCC Egis.

Ang bagong panuntunan ay nalalapat din sa mga na-draft na

sa PBA ngunit nagpasya na huwag pumirma ng rookie contract at naglaro sa ibang lugar.

Ibig sabihin nito, maliban na lamang kung siya ay makakagawa ng kasunduan na maglaro sa NorthPort kaagad pagkatapos ng kanyang stint sa Abra, ang frontrunner na Most Valuable Player ng Maharlika Pilipinas Basketball League na si Dave Ildefonso ay mahahawakan din ng pagbabawal.

Maaaring maapektuhan din ang desisyon kay Arvin Tolentino, na pumirma sa KBL runner-up na Seoul SK Knights noong Mayo. Ang tatlong taong pagbabawal ay hindi maipapataw kung ang manlalaro ay isa nang unrestricted free agent, alinman kung ang kanyang koponan ay nagpasya na huwag bigyan siya ng bagong tender offer 30 araw pagkatapos mag-expire ang kanyang kontrata o kung siya ay nakapaglaro na ng hindi bababa sa 21 conferences o pitong taon sa PBA nang mag-expire ang kanyang kasalukuyang kontrata.

Carlo Biado wagi ng dalawang beses sa World Pool Championship na kauna-unahang Pinoy na nakagawa ng pagtala sa 9 ball tournament

Inihayag ng Philippine Sportswriters Association si Carlo Biado, na dalawang beses na nanalo ng World Pool Championship, bilang pinakamagaling na nakamit para sa buwan ng Hulyo.

Natalo niya ang Amerikano na si Fedor Gorst, 15-13, sa huling labi ng kaganapan na ginanap sa Jeddah, Saudi Arabia noong Hulyo 27, walong taon matapos ang panalo sa pinakaprestihiyosong 9-ball tournament.

Si Biado, na kilala bilang "The Black Tiger", ang unang Pilipino na nanalo ng 9-ball crown ng dalawang beses, na nangunguna

sa mga alamat na sina Efen "Bata" Reyes (1999), Ronnie Alcano (2006), at Francisco 'Django' Bustamante (2010).

Ang iba pang buwanang tagumpay ng PSA ay ang boxing icon na si Manny Pacquiao, Strong Group Athletics, ang pambansang koponan ng kababaihan sa football na Filipinas, at ang koponang rugby ng Pilipinas na Volcanoes. Ang 46-taong-gulang na si Pacquiao ay bumalik sa ring matapos ang apat na taon at hinamon ang WBC welterweight champion na si Mario Barrios sa Las Vegas. Ang laban ay nagtapos sa draw, na nagbigay-daan sa

Amerikanong makuha muli ang sinturon.

Ang basketball team ng Strong Group Athletics (SGA) na pinangunahan ni Charles Tiu ay nagpapanatili ng titulo ng William Jones Cup sa Taiwan sa pamamagitan ng isang sweep, na inulit ang kanilang 2024 na shutout.

Ang Pilipinas ay gumawa rin ng kasaysayan bilang unang back-to-back champion ng torneo sa loob ng 44 na taon.

Nagtamo ng tagumpay ang mga Filipina laban sa Saudi Arabia (3-0), host na Cambodia (6-0) at Hong Kong (1-0) sa Group G ng mga kwalipikasyon sa AFC Asian Women's Cup sa Cambodia. Sila ay umusad sa kontinental na laban na nag-aalok ng mga puwesto para sa FIFA Women's World Cup. Ang Volcanoes, bumalik mula sa isang anim na taong pahinga, ay nagwagi sa 15-a-side rugby title sa 2025 Unions Cup sa Kaohsiung, Chinese Taipei. Ang Pilipinas ay nagtanggap sa Singapore (37-20) at Thailand (23-6).

Ang mga batang atleta ay mahusay din na nag-perform sa ibang bansa, nakakuha ng dalawang gintong medalya, pitong pilak at pitong tanso sa Asian Youth at Junior Weightlifting Championships sa Astana, Kazakhstan at nakakuha ng dalawang ginto, limang pilak at 13 tanso sa Asian Junior Taekwondo Championships sa Kuching, Sarawak, Malaysia.

Manila Marathon lalahukan ng Pambansang koponan bilang kahandaan para sa 2025 Southeast Asian Games

Ang ikalawang pagsasagawa ng Manila Marathon ay humatak ng napakalaking bilang na 19,000 na mga kalahok, ginagawang isa ito sa pinakamalaking kaganapan sa pagtakbo na gaganapin sa bansa ngayong taon.

Isinapubliko ng internasyonal na mananakbo na si Rio Dela Cruz ang impormasyon limang araw bago ang pandaigdigang karera na iniharap ng Samsung Galaxy, na magsisimula sa SM Mall of Asia Complex.

Ang kaganapan ay nagtatampok ng apat na karera na may distansiyang 42km, 21km, 10km, at 5km, at nag-aalok ng kabuuang P700K na premiyong salapi, kabilang ang P100K bawat isa para sa pambansang kampeon ng lalaki at babae sa pangunahing karera na 42km.

"Masaya kaming ianunsyo na mayroon na kaming 19,000 na mga runner," sabi ni Dela Cruz sa Forum ng Philippine Sportswriters Association sa conference hall ng Rizal Memorial Sports Complex.

"Yung ating 42k ay merong 3,000 (mga kalahok), at ito yung nakakagulat, yung ating 21k ay may 7,000 runners, na ginagawang isa sa pinakamalaking 21k na na-organize natin. Ang 10k ay nasa 5,200, at yung 3k ay halos 4,000 runners."

Dahil sa malaking bilang ng mga kalahok, ang kaligtasan at seguridad ng mga tumatakbo ay pangunahing pinag iingat ng mga tagapag-organisa, ayon kay Andrew Neri, managing director ng Run Rio Inc., na lumitaw din sa Forum na iniharap ng San Miguel Corporation, Philippine Sports Commission, Philippine Olympic Committee, Smart/PLDT, MILO, at ng 24/7 sports app ng bansa na ArenaPlus.

"Parang dalawang event ito sa

mga numero kasi ang average namin ay nasa 8,000 hanggang 10,000. E ngayon ay nasa 19,000. Kaya't ang ginawa namin ay doble rin, doble ang seguridad namin, ang mga doktor namin, ang mga ambulansya namin, dahil para sa amin, ang kaligtasan at seguridad ay mga pangunahing prayoridad," sabi ni Neri.

Nakapahintulot ng Philippine Athletics Track and Field Association at kinilala bilang bahagi ng kumpetisyon sa ranggo ng World Athletics, ipapakita ng karera ang mga miyembro ng pambansang koponan tulad nina Christine Hallasgo, Artjoy Torregosa, Richard Salano, at Arlan Arbois pati na rin ang mga kalahok mula sa Japan, US, Singapore, UK, Canada, Malaysia, Tsina, Timog Korea, Kenya, Pransya, Poland, Switzerland, at iba pa.

"Ang karanan ito ay hindi lamang mahalaga para sa akin kundi pati na rin para sa ating bansa dahil ito ay qualifying ng ating pambansang koponan para sa Southeast Asian Games," sabi ni Dela Cruz, presidente at CEO ng Run Rio Inc. "Kaya karamihan sa kanila ay tatakbo upang makita nila ang kanilang performance. At



MANILA MARATHON 42K AND 21K MEDAL FOR THE WINNERS

IPINAKITA nila race organizers Rio Dela Cruz at Andrew Neri managing director ng Run Rio Inc ang mga medalyang mapapasakamay ng sinomang makatatawid sa finish line para sa Manila Marathon na sisimulan at magtatapos sa Mall of Asia Complex. Makaraang daluhan ang lingguhang PSA Forum sa PSC conference room Rizal Memorial Sports Complex. **(REY NILLAMA)**

kung maabot nila ang pamantayan ng SEA Games, maaari silang makuha."

Ang SEA Games ay gaganapin mula Disyembre 9-20 sa Thailand. Ang karera ay dadaan sa apat na lungsod, ito ay ang Manila, Makati, Paranaque, at Pasay, habang dadalhin din ang mga

runner sa ilan sa mga tanyag na pook sa kabisera ng bansa tulad ng Rizal Park, Intramuros, Roxas Boulevard, at CCP Complex.

Ang mga tatakpong 42k ang mauunang papalayasin sa hatingabi ng 12:00, susundan ng 21k sa 4:00 ng umaga, 10k sa 5:00 ng umaga, at 3k sa 5:30 ng umaga.

Paligsahan sa Pangingsda sa Baybayin ng Subic Bay ikinasa na

Ang pangunahing Subic Bay Shore Fishing Tournament 2025 ay sinimulan ngayong Agosto na magdadala ng mga mahilig sa pangingsda, mga turista, at mga tagapagtaguyod ng mga pinagmamalaking dagat para sa isang tatlong-araw na selebrasyon ng kahusayan sa pangingsda sa San Bernardino Fishing Site sa Freeport Zone ng Subic Bay.

Ang makabagong paligsahan na ito ay kinatawan sa kauna-unahang nakapang-organisang kumpetisyon sa pangingsda sa dalampasigan sa Subic Bay, na naglalayong itaguyod ang mga napapanatiling kasanayan sa pangingsda habang ipinapakita ang masaganang biodiversity ng dagat sa lugar. Ang kaganapang ito ay nangangakong makakaakit ng parehong lokal at internasyonal na kalahok sa isa sa mga pangunahing destinasyon sa pangingsda ng Pilipinas.

Ang torneo, na inorganisa ng Fish'n Town sa pakikipagtulungan sa Subic Bay Metropolitan Authority, at ipinagmamalaki na sinusuportahan ng isang kagalang-galang na grupo ng mga sponsor, kabilang ang Columbia Sportswear, Smart Communications, Jollibee, The Lighthouse Marina Resort, Cherrylume, Pagcor, Urban Deli, Royal Duty Free, Maple.

Karagdagang suporta ay nagmumula sa iba't ibang lokal na negosyo at mga establisimento ng turismo sa buong lugar ng Subic Bay.

Inaasahang makabuluhang mapapalakas ng torneo ang lokal na turismo, kung saan ang mga kalahok at manonood ay gagamit ng

iba't-ibang tirahan at serbisyo sa buong lugar ng Subic Bay. Ang mga pangunahing sponsor, kabilang ang Columbia Sportswear, Smart Communications, Jollibee, at iba pang mga nangungunang tatak, ay nagbibigay ng malaking suporta upang matiyak ang tagumpay ng kaganapan at karanasan ng mga kalahok.

Ang paligsahan na ito ay kumakatawan sa higit pa sa isang kumpetisyon sa pangingsda ito ay isang pagdiriwang ng likas na kagandahan ng Subic Bay at ang aming pangako sa napapanatiling turismo sa dagat. Pokus sa Napapanatiling Pangingsda. Ang torneo ay nagbibigay-diin sa mga responsableng gawi sa pangingsda at konserbasyon ng dagat, na umaayon sa pangako ng Subic Bay sa

pangangalaga ng kapaligiran.

"Una sa lahat, nais naming ipahayag ang aming taos-pusong pasasalamat sa aming mga kapwa mangingsda para sa napakalaki at masigasig na pagtugon sa kaganapang ito na makabago," sabi ni Bb. Mye Acuna, Produksyon ng Fish N Town TV.

"Ang bilang ng mga rehistradong kalahok ay lampas na sa mga inaasahan isang tunay na patunay ng lakas at pagmamahal ng ating komunidad sa pangingsda." – dagdag niya.

"Ang paligsahan na ito ay bahagi ng aming mas malaking misyon upang pasiglahin ang napapanatiling turismo at itaguyod ang SBMA bilang pangunahing destinasyon para sa pangingsda sa hilaga," sabi ni Chairman Aliño.



MEMBERS OF THE ORGANIZING COMMITTEE



CARLO BIADO RECEIVED PLAQUE OF RECOGNITION FROM PSC CHAIRMAN JOHN PATRICK GREGORIO

MAKIKITA sa larawan na tinanggap ni Carlo Biado ang Plaque of Recognition mula kay PSC Chairman John Patrick Gregorio "Pato" Gregorio makaraang kauna-unahang Pinoy na nakagawa ng 9-ball crown ng dalawang beses. Kasama sa larawan sina Aresteo 'Puts' Puyat at Chesca Centino ng ganapin ang recognition awards sa 4F, Building A Conference Room, Philsports Complex, Pasig **(REY NILLAMA)**