

FREE MEDICAL AND SOCIAL SERVICES BENEFIT THOUSANDS IN JAEN, NUEVA ECIIJA



dividuals benefited from the outreach project.

Jaen Mayor Atty. Sylvester C. Austria expressed his appreciation and delight over the initiative, citing the positive impact of the free services on his constituents.

As part of the program, PAPER INC., led by its president, donated two wheelchairs, two blood sugar testing kits, and two blood pressure monitoring kits. In addition, 120 care packs were distributed to senior citizens in the locality.



Dental services were provided by the NGO Bay Area Global Outreach Lions, led by Ma'am Uni Buckley and a team of volunteer doctors from California, USA.

The outreach project was made possible with the support of the Nueva Ecija Provincial Government, Dr. Paulino J. Garcia Regional Medical Center (DrPJGRMC), the Aviation Regiment and Artillery Regiment of the Philippine Army, Nueva Ecija ophthalmologists, the Municipal Government of Jaen, PhilHealth, and other partner agencies.



The activity was held at Blessed Hope Christian School in Jaen, with the assistance of the school's teachers. Also present and supportive of the outreach were former Barangay Langla Captain Fernando Carlos and Barangay Don Mariano Marcos Poblacion Captain Wheenard D. Dela Cruz.



A successful multi-sector outreach program was jointly conducted by various media groups, local government units (LGUs), non-government organizations (NGOs), and military personnel, providing a wide range of free services to residents of Jaen, Nueva Ecija.

The activity offered free medical and dental services, ECG tests, eye check-ups, wellness massages, haircuts and hair coloring, as well as manicure and pedicure services. Free medicines were also distributed to beneficiaries. All services were provided at no cost through the collective efforts of the participating groups.

According to the event organizers—Ma'am Neth L. Carlos, Ms. Ate Melicia DC. Ciriaco, and Mr. Bonifacio C. Dacayanan—the outreach program was initially scheduled for January 2026 but was postponed. The activity was successfully realized this month, fulfilling their commitment to deliver free medicines and essential services to the residents of the municipality.



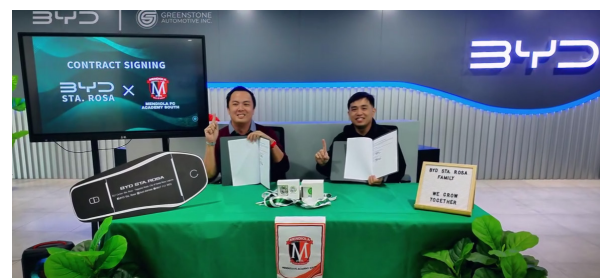
The organizers reported that nearly 2,000 in-



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BYD STA. ROSA, FC MENDIOLA ACADEMY SOUTH FORMALIZE 2026 PARTNERSHIP



BYD Sta. Rosa officially sealed its partnership with FC Mendiola Academy South as its Official Partner for 2026 during a contract-signing ceremony held at the BYD Sta. Rosa showroom.

The partnership marks a milestone collaboration between the BYD Sta. Rosa and FC Mendiola Academy South, highlighting a shared commitment to performance, discipline, and community development. The ceremonial signing was capped by the presentation of FC Mendiola Academy South's official team jersey, symbolizing unity and forward momentum between the two organizations.

During the event, Kim Russell Unidad, Founder and Managing Director of USAD Training and Consultancy Services, delivered a message underscoring the importance of strategic partnerships in advancing youth development through sports, leadership, and innovation.

Meanwhile, Wilfredo Juan Karlo A. Reyes, General Manager of BYD Sta. Rosa, expressed the company's strong support for grassroots football and its commitment to empowering young athletes. He emphasized that the collaboration reflects BYD Sta. Rosa's vision of progress, performance, and sustainability—values that closely align with the mission of FC Mendiola Academy South.

Carrying the theme "Signed. Sealed. Powered.," the partnership highlights the dynamic synergy between athletic excellence and modern mobility. It reinforces the idea that determination on the football pitch mirrors innovation and drive on the road.

The ceremony concluded with optimism from both parties, echoing the message "From the pitch to the pavement—we move with power." The BYD Sta. Rosa-FC Mendiola Academy South partnership is expected to roll out various initiatives throughout the 2026 season, strengthening youth engagement, sports development, and community connection.

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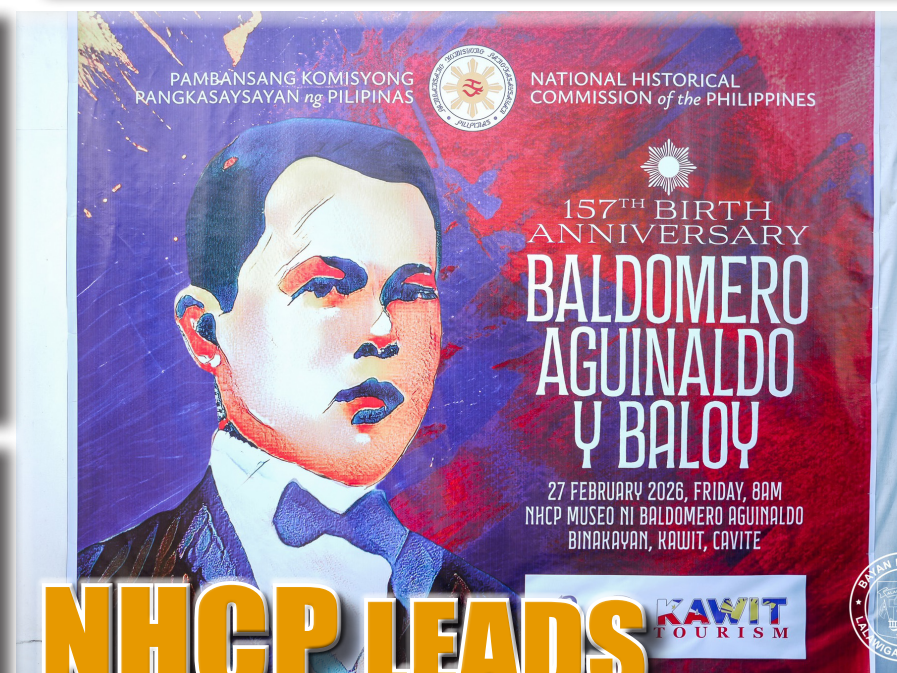
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NHCP LEADS COMMEMORATION OF GEN. BALDOMERO AGUINALDO'S BIRTHDAY IN KAWIT

The National Historical Commission of the Philippines (NHCP) spearheaded the commemoration of the birth anniversary of General Baldomero Aguinaldo, a key figure of the Philippine Revolution and a close cousin of Emilio Aguinaldo, the country's first president. Together, the two revolutionary leaders advanced the struggle for national independence through their leadership of the Magdalo chapter of the Katipunan in Kawit. General Baldomero Aguinaldo was known not only for his bravery in the battlefield but also for his intellect and legal expertise. He served as Secretary of War during the revolutionary pe-

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riod, using his knowledge of law and governance to help organize and strengthen the revolutionary forces in their fight for freedom.

During the commemoration, speakers highlighted his vital contributions to the independence movement and his enduring influence on Philippine history. Floral offerings and ceremonial rites

S.E.A.L...

Bacoor City, Cavite — February 10-13, 2026 — The S.E.A.L. B.E.G.I.N. (Small Enterprise Acceleration Lab - Business Education and Growth Initiative for Nano-entrepreneurs) program officially kicked off on February 10, 2026, at Gawaran Hall, 3rd Floor, Bacoor City Hall, bringing together 30 nano-entrepreneurs for an intensive four-day entrepreneurial development initiative designed to strengthen small businesses across Cavite.

The program is a collaborative effort among the Department of Trade and Industry (DTI) - Cavite Provincial Office, Philippine Trade Training Center - Global MSME Academy (PTTC-GMEA), BPI Foundation, Inc., BPI BanKo, and the Bacoor City Local Government Unit. The initiative aims to equip nano-entrepreneurs with practical knowledge in entrepreneurship, financial literacy, innovation, and digitalization to help them build sustainable and competitive enterprises.

The opening ceremony featured welcome

were held at his home and shrine, underscoring the importance of preserving the nation's revolutionary heritage.

The NHCP emphasized that remembering leaders like General Baldomero Aguinaldo is essential in fostering patriotism and historical awareness, especially among the younger generation.

remarks from Ms. Carmelita Gawaran, followed by keynote messages from Ms. Lilibeth Chavez of DTI Cavite, Mr. Gero Torres of BPI Foundation, Mr. Prax Carpio of PTTC, and Mr. Matt Peter Domingo of BPI BanKo Imus. Sessions from Day 1 to Day 3 were led by Mr. Ruben Lanot, guiding participants in developing business plans, identifying target markets, improving bookkeeping, and refining their Business Model Canvases. A Mini Trade Fair and business pitch presentations showcased participants' products and services, with selected entrepreneurs receiving cash grants from BPI Foundation.

The four-day initiative culminated with a Graduation Ceremony honoring 30 nano-entrepreneurs. City Mayor Strike B. Revilla delivered an inspiring message alongside Ms. Carmelita Gawaran, Councilors Mr. Rey Fabian, Mr. Horacio Brillantes Jr., Mr. Adrelito Gawaran, and Ms. Patricia Joy Ongkiko. Highlights of the ceremony included the awarding of cash grants from BPI Foundation to

The gathering concluded with expressions of gratitude and renewed appreciation for General Baldomero Aguinaldo's service to the nation, honoring his life, sacrifice, and lasting legacy. "Maraming salamat, Heneral Baldomero Aguinaldo, at muli, maligayang kaarawan," participants echoed during the closing of the event.

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selected business pitch presenters, the distribution of Certificates of Completion, and the recognition of the Best Booth from the Mini Trade Fair.

The program concluded with closing messages from PD Lilibeth R. Chavez and Mr. Joseph Argente, encouraging participants to apply their learnings, strengthen their enterprises, and continue contributing to the local economy.

Through S.E.A.L. B.E.G.I.N., partner institutions reaffirmed their shared commitment to empowering nano-entrepreneurs in Cavite demonstrating that with the right training, mentorship, and support, small businesses can thrive and create lasting community impact.



ENCHANTED KINGDOM'S COO TAKES OATH AS PRESIDENT OF LAGUNA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY, INC.

Now in its 30th year, Enchanted Kingdom — the first and only world-class theme park in the Philippines — continues to be one of the lead advocates for local industry development, following the recent induction of its Chief Operating Officer, Mrs. Cynthia R. Mamon, Ph.D., as the president of the PCCI-Laguna Chamber of Commerce and Industry, Inc. (LCCI).



Induction of Officers of the Laguna Chamber of Commerce and Industry

The induction ceremony of newly elected LCCI officers was held on February 16 at Enchanted Kingdom in Santa Rosa, Laguna led by Area Vice President Hoover Picar and Regional Governor Mary Ann Katigbak.



EK COO Mrs. Cynthia Mamon, PhD inducted as president of LCCI

In acceptance of this role, Mrs. Mamon said, "We are committed to focus on Livelihood and labor concerns, Corporate sustainability, Community empowerment, and Innovation with integrity. These four principles support Philippine Chamber of Commerce and Industry (PCCI) South Luzon's guiding principles as presented by AVP Hoover Picar, namely Volunteerism, Excellence, Service, and Integrity (VESI). Through these, we look forward to transforming the lives of the people working for our companies and the communities we serve."

Celebrating its 50th anniversary, LCCI is a non-stock, non-profit, non-government organization, comprised of Laguna-based small, medium, and large enterprises, dedicated to foster a stronger, sustainable local economy, and promote growth, resilience and competitiveness of the business community in the province.



Induction of Officers of Laguna Tourism Council

Present during the induction ceremony were Department of Labor and Employment - National Conciliation and Mediation Board IV-A Director Cynthia Foncardas, Laguna Economic Development and Investment Promotions Office (LEPIDO) Laguna Head Fatima Villaseñor, PCCI Los Baños President Grace Bondad Nicolas, PCCI Quezon City President Anne Marie Francisco, and PCCI Lipa City President Marites Jumarang. They were joined by past presidents of LCCI namely Atty. Rose Lynn Zara-Coloma, Marvin Adolfo, Virgilio Lorenzo, Richard Albert Osmond, and EK's President and Chairman Mr. Cesar Mario O. Mamon. An economic briefing by Prof. Ronilo Balbieran, economist at the University of Asia and the Pacific followed after the induction ceremony. Even prior to this, EK has been a longstanding active member of LCCI, as Mr. Mamon also served as its president from 2006 to 2007.

Championing Tourism



Laguna Tourism Council Officers

Mrs. Mamon was also reelected as the president of the Laguna Tourism Council (LTC), officially assuming the new term together with the other newly elected LTC officers during the oath taking ceremony administered by Governor Sol Aragoness last January 22 in Santa Cruz, Laguna. LTC is a provincial multi-sectoral body composed of representatives from various government and

private organizations, serving as one of the main drivers in developing Laguna into a premier tourism destination in the Philippines.

Under Dr. Mamon's leadership ever since she stepped into the role in 2023, LTC has been working closely with the provincial government of Laguna, along with other local offices and non-government organizations across the country in promoting tourism, culture, heritage, and the arts to both domestic and foreign audiences.

Aside from this, they also support Laguna-based

micro, small, and medium enterprises (MSMEs) by providing platforms to showcase their world-class products and crafts through LTC's various events and collaborations happening inside and outside the province.



Advertisement for the 30th birthday of Mayor Strike B. Revilla, featuring a photo of him and blue balloons. Text includes 'HAPPY Birthday STRIKE B. REVILLA City Mayor of Bacoor' and 'www.bacoor.gov.ph'.

DSWD Department of Social Welfare and Development logo and name.

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ANILAG FESTIVAL 2026 advertisement. Features a colorful illustration of festival characters and a 'PROMO' offer for a Regular Day Pass at P1,200. Text includes 'Exclusive to ALL Laguna Residents and Employees' and 'Offer valid from March 1 to 25, 2026'.

Special Anilag Festival Offer for Laguna Residents & Employees!

LAGUNA RESIDENTS and EMPLOYEES can enjoy a special discounted rate of P1,200 on a Regular Day Pass at Enchanted Kingdom in celebration of this year's Anilag Festival! Plus, each pass comes with a FREE buko tart. To avail of this exclusive offer, simply present any valid proof of Laguna residency or employment when you visit during the month of March.

Don't miss this chance to celebrate the festival with more rides, more fun, and unforgettable memories!



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BANGKO MABUHAY (A RURAL BANK), INC.
Mortgagee,

FORECLOSURE CASE NO. F-014-26

-versus-

ANTONIA S. DIMAILIG MARRIED TO
NICANOR C. DIMAILIG,
Mortgagors.

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NOTICE OF EXTRA-JUDICIAL SALE

Upon Extra-Judicial Petition for Sale under Act 3135, as amended by Act 4118, filed by Petitioner/Mortgagee, BANGKO MABUHAY (A RURAL BANK) INC., with business address at A. Soriano Highway, Daang Amaya III, Tanza, Cavite, against the Mortgagors, ANTONIA S. DIMAILIG married to NICANOR C. DIMAILIG, with residence and postal addresses at 076 Pasong Camachile I, Gen. Trias City, Cavite, to satisfy the mortgage indebtedness which as of January 30, 2026 amounts to FIVE HUNDRED TWELVE THOUSAND NINETY TWO PESOS and 71/100 (PhP512,092.71), Philippine Currency, inclusive of interest, penalties and other charges as of said date but exclusive of all other charges incidental to this foreclosure and sale, the undersigned Sheriff will sell at public auction on MARCH 25, 2026 at 10:00 o'clock in the morning until 12:00 o'clock noon, at the main entrance of the Government Center Building located at the Provincial Capitol Compound, Trece Martires City, to the highest bidder for CASH and in Philippine Currency, the following described property with all the improvements thereon, to wit:

TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE 057-2020018490 (Tax Declaration No. 242-0022-58548)

Lot No. 2022-E-5-C OF SUBDIVISION PLAN (LRA) PSD-E2018010056
Portion of: Lot 2022-E-5, (LRC) Psd-399182 LRA (CLR) Rec. No. 5964

Location: Barangay of Pasong Camachile, Municipality of Gen. Trias, Province of Cavite, Island of Luzon

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Area: EIGHTY (80) SQUARE METERS, more or less

A One-Storey Commercial Building (Store II-D), situated along Provincial Road, Pasong Camachile, City of Gen. Trias, Cavite. With Floor area of 32 Sq.Ms., with Market Value of PhP145,280.00, under Tax Declaration of Real Property No. 242-0020-13514.

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

In the event the public auction should not take place on the said time and date, it shall be held on APRIL 8, 2026 without further notice.

Prospective bidders/buyers are hereby enjoined to investigate for themselves the title to the said property and encumbrances thereon, if any there be.

Trece Martires City, FEBRUARY 27, 2026.

(SGD) RICARDO A. TOLEDO
Sheriff IV

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BANGKO MABUHAY (A RURAL BANK) INC.
A. Soriano Highway, Daang Amaya III, Tanza, Cavite

SPS. ANTONIA S. DIMAILIG & NICANOR C. DIMAILIG
076 Pasong Camachile I, Gen. Trias City, Cavite

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NOTICE

EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE WITH WAIVER OF RIGHTS

Notice is hereby given that the estate of late ANGEL ESTACION, who died intestate, (with a will), has been extrajudicially settled by his legal heirs. That the said heirs have agreed to divide and adjudicate among themselves the estate of the deceased, consisting of the following property to wit: Lot No. 460 of the Santa Cruz de Malabon Estate, Province of Cavite, Case No. 6832 of the Court of the Land Registration, with a total area of ONE HUNDRED EIGHT-ONE (181) SQUARE METERS, more particularly described and covered by TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE (TCT) No. 2052/ CRT 11779. That the legal heirs have voluntarily waived their share pertaining to FORTY-FIVE and 25/100 (45.25) SQUARE METERS of the said parcel of land, which represents the lawful share of their mother in the estate, in favor of their co-heir, NESTOR E. LUNA, as evidenced by a Deed of Extrajudicial Settlement with Waiver of Rights, duly notarized on NOVEMBER 11, 2025, AT TANZA, CAVITE before Notary Public ATTY. CRISANTO U. PASCUAL JR., PTR No. 2733946, under Doc No. 180, Page No. 36, Book No. 20, Series of 2025.

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CAYETANO...

Senate Minority Leader Alan Peter Cayetano on Wednesday welcomed the renewed efforts by the Senate to recognize and strengthen support for Barangay Health Workers (BHWs), citing their indispensable role in the country's healthcare system. This came as the Senate on February 25, 2026 took up on second reading the proposed Magna Carta of Barangay Health Workers (Senate Bill No. 1905 under Committee Report No. 35), which Cayetano co-authored. "As frontliners of our primary healthcare system, our BHWs must be given sufficient incentives, benefits, and most of all, just compensation for all the hard work they have done for us," the Minority Leader said. Cayetano, who has consistently pushed for legislation that institutionalizes benefits and security for BHWs, had co-authored a similar measure in the previ-

ous Congress. It was approved by the Senate but did not prosper after the House of Representatives withdrew its transmittal. Inspired by their dedication and service since the 18th Congress, the Minority Leader has championed his own measure - the Mahal Ko, Barangay Health Worker Law - for the formal employment and adequate compensation of BWHs by their respective local government units. He refiled this proposal in the 19th and again in the 20th Congress as Senate Bill No. 419, calling its reintroduction an "an unmistakable reaffirmation of its urgent and enduring relevance." The bill mandates cities and municipalities to hire BHWs as job order, contractual, casual, or regular employees, putting an end to their perennial status as unpaid or underpaid volunteers. This employment shift

would entitle BHWs to fair compensation and full benefits equivalent to their employment status, ensuring that these vital grassroots health workers are properly supported. The Department of Health (DOH) will be tasked with setting an ideal BHW-to-population ratio to ensure sufficient manpower in every locality for the effective delivery of essential health services. To assist LGUs with limited resources, the measure also proposes a Special BHW Assistance Program through the DOH and the Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG). This 10-year program will provide technical, financial, and training support to help LGUs sustain BHW employment and development. Funding will be sourced from the National Tax Allotment (NTA) of LGUs, following the Mandanas-Garcia Ruling, which increases the LGUs' share of national taxes. Initial funding for the program will be drawn from the DOH budget. Cayetano emphasized that formally recogniz-

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ing BHWs as part of the public health workforce is crucial to building a more resilient and equitable healthcare system, especially in light of lessons learned during the COVID-19 pandemic. He also cited the City of Taguig as a model for local government support for BHWs through formal employment and comprehensive benefits. "The City of Taguig shows its support and appreciation toward our BHWs through multiple incentives. Aside from their regular salary, they receive bonuses and other benefits such as training, overtime pay, and hazard pay. We have elevated their status to be formally employed under our LGU as job order and casual employees," he said, expressing hope that similar practices could be adopted nationwide. "We should start properly compensating, assisting, and building up the skills of our health workers, because they are the backbone of the efficient delivery of our overall health system," he added. ###

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AND RODELIO D. CARRILLO,
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Upon Extra-Judicial Petition for Sale under Act 3135, as amended by Act 4118, filed by Petitioner/Mortgagee, CHINA BANK SAVINGS, INC., with business address at CBS Building, No. 314 Sen. Gil Puyat Avenue, Makati City against the Mortgagors/Borrowers, SPS. GERALDINE H. CARRILLO AND RODELIO D. CARRILLO, with residence and postal addresses at (1) Block 03, Lot 23 & 25, Phase 02 Dreamville IV, Brgy. Alapan 1-C, Imus, Cavite and (2) Blk. 3 Lot 3, Brighton Phase 2, Lancaster New City Zone 2, Brgy. Pasong Camachile, General Trias, Cavite to satisfy the mortgage indebtedness which as of January 15, 2026 amounts to ONE MILLION NINE HUNDRED SEVENTY ONE THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED FIFTY PESOS AND 94/100 (Php1,971,950.94), Philippine Currency, inclusive of interest, penalties and other charges as of said date but exclusive of all other charges incidental to this foreclosure and sale, the undersigned Sheriff will sell at public auction on MARCH 25, 2026 at 10:00 o'clock in the morning until 12:00 o'clock noon, at the main entrance of the Government Center Building located at the Provincial Capitol Compound, Trece Martires City, to the highest bidder for CASH and in Philippine Currency, the following described property with all the improvements thereon, to wit:

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Lot No. 3 Block No. 3 Plan No. PCS-04-030363
Portion of: LOT 1838, SAN FRANCISCO DE MALABON ESTATE, (FRS-04-005700), BLOCK 22, PCS-04-029303 & LOT 1, BLOCK 28, PCS-04-039304, DECREE NO. 4270 LRC RECORD NO. 5964

Location: BARANGAY OF PASONG CAMACHILE, MUNICIPALITY OF GEN. TRIAS, PROVINCE OF CAVITE, ISLAND OF LUZON

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Trece Martires City, FEBRUARY 27, 2026.

(SGD) JOANNAH AVIGAIL C. TIMKANG
Sheriff IV

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CALABARZON...

SAN PABLO CITY, Laguna (PIA) - With thousands of tourists expected to flock to coastal destinations this summer, the Department of Tourism (DOT) CALABARZON has stepped up preparations to ensure that beaches across the region are safe, organized, and fully equipped for the seasonal surge.

According to DOT CALABARZON Supervising Tourism Operations Officer Keneth De Gracia, the activities aim to reinforce basic safety precautions and remind tourism stakeholders of the necessary preparations for the summer rush. Establishments are being guided on emergency response readiness, proper guest assistance, compliance with health and safety standards, and overall operational preparedness.

"Because summer is upcoming, we are preparing our sand and beach destinations just like in Quezon, Batangas and in Laguna, our resorts by capacitating them for the summer vacation and season through a series of capacity build-ings, trainings and orientation just to remind them on basic safety precautions and what they should prepare for the influx of tourists," De Gracia stated in an interview.

Popular summer destinations particularly in the province of Quezon,

Batangas, and Laguna are currently undergoing these initiatives spearheaded by the regional tourism office.

To further strengthen oversight, DOT CALABARZON is set to activate its Incident Command System (ICS) throughout the summer period that will allow authorities to closely monitor developments in tourist destinations and ensure immediate coordination with local government units and concerned agencies in case of emergencies or untoward incidents.

This underscores the agency's commitment to maintaining order, safety, and quality service in the region's top tourist spots even at the height of the vacation season.

"We will also activate our (DOT CALABARZON) incident command system so that even on vacation we can monitor what is happening in tourist destinations," De Gracia emphasized.

As travelers begin to plan their summer get-aways, the regional office encourages tourists to practice responsible tourism and comply with local guidelines to help sustain CALABARZON's natural attractions while ensuring a safe and memorable holiday experience for all. (AM/PIA CALABARZON)

C.VISAYAS...

MANILA - The regions of Central Visayas and Calabarzon (Cavite, Laguna, Batangas, Rizal, and Quezon) are the Philippines' most visited destinations by foreign and domestic tourists in the past two decades, based on a recent study by the Philippine Institute for Development Studies (PIDS).

In its paper titled "Philippine Tourism Sectoral Review (2000 to 2025): From Promise to Power," the PIDS said Central Visayas attracted 31.5 million international visitors between 2000 and 2024, followed by the National Capital Region with 19.6 million.

Foreigners likewise flocked to Western Visayas, with a recorded 11.8 million arrivals in the same period, driven largely by Boracay's global popularity. Following closely are the Bicol Region with 8.8 million, Central Luzon with 8.3 million, and Mimaropa (Mindoro, Marinduque, Romblon, Palawan) and Calabarzon with a combined 8.2 million foreign visitors.

The think-tank said regions in Mindanao, such as Soccsksargen and Zamboanga, received modest foreign arrivals "due to persistent challenges related to lingering image concerns."

On the other hand, Calabarzon topped as a preferred destination for the domestic market, receiving 77.5 million local travelers from 2008 to 2024. Trailing behind is Central Visayas, with 60.1 million recorded domestic travelers, mostly traveling to Cebu and Bohol, both major hubs for leisure, culture, and island tourism, Bicol region with 56.1 million, Central Luzon with 44.1 million, and Davao region with 43 million local visitors.

In a statement on Friday, Tourism Secretary Christina Frasco said Central Visayas' position as a top foreign tourist draw signals the success of "community-anchored tourism

development" in the region. "Central Visayas affirms the strength of sustained public-private partnerships among national agencies, local governments, industry stakeholders, and host communities," she said. "This year, Cebu accelerates its tourism recovery and reaffirms its position as a premier MICE (Meetings, Incentives, Conferences, and Exhibitions) destination after the successful hosting of the ASEAN Summit and the ASEAN Tourism Forum 2026, while Bohol continues to advance its tourism development, supported by improved international flight connectivity," she added. She described Calabarzon's strong finish as a reflection of domestic tourism's role in sustaining the Philippine tourism sector. "In the Philippines, domestic tourism is just as important, if not more important, than international arrivals, as Filipino travelers continue to drive economic activity, support local businesses, and create jobs across the country," she said. "This growth shows the importance of improving accessibility, infrastructure, and tourism experiences to build a resilient and inclusive tourism sector for our communities." In 2024 alone, Calabarzon recorded more than 10.86 million overnight travelers, 10.68 million of whom were domestic, while 182,804 were overseas Filipinos and foreign travelers. The Philippines currently ranks number one in Southeast Asia in terms of domestic tourism expenditure, accounting for more than one-third of the region's total. In 2024, Philippine domestic spending reached USD63.4 billion with a projected valuation of USD70.8 billion for 2025, according to the World Travel and Tourism Council. (PNA)

PHILHEALTH LAUNCHES GAMOT IN REGION 4A

LUCENA CITY – Strengthening its commitment to Universal Health Care (UHC), PhilHealth officially launched the Guaranteed and Accessible Medications for Outpatient Treatment (GAMOT) in Region 4A last February 27, 2026 held at the Quezon Convention Center headed by DOH Secretary Teodoro Herbosa with PhilHealth President and CEO, Dr. Edwin M. Mercado and PhilHealth Regional Office IVA Acting RVP, Dr. Edwin M. Oriña.

The event marks a significant milestone in the expansion of the PhilHealth's Yaman ng Kalusugan Program (YAKAP), an enhanced primary care benefit package that shifts the focus of health care from curative treatment to preventive services.

A centerpiece of the launch is the operationalization of the PhilHealth GAMOT, an app used to prescribe medications, validate prescriptions, record dispensing, and monitor performance of GAMOT Facilities. Through this platform, YAKAP accredited physicians can issue electronic prescriptions that partner pharmacies can verify instantly. This digital innovation ensures that guaranteed medicines reach members faster, reducing paperwork and waiting times.

The event included a walkthrough of the YAKAP availment process with QPHN-QMC, as YAKAP and GAMOT Provider, including St. Hildegard Pharmacy Accredited GAMOT Provider.

Under the PhilHealth GAMOT, members and their dependents can now access up to P20,000 worth of outpatient medicines annually which includes 54 Specialized Medicines accessible through accredited GAMOT-partner pharmacies for chronic conditions such as diabetes, hypertension, and asthma.

Meanwhile, the 21 essential medicines under YAKAP continue to be available this year in YAKAP accredited primary care facilities nationwide. The YAKAP program also includes expanded coverage for selected outpatient cancer screening, such as:

- Breast cancer (mammogram and ultrasound)
- Colorectal cancer (colonoscopy)
- Liver cancer (liver ultrasound and alpha-fetoprotein test)
- Lung cancer screening

PhilHealth highlighted that by integrating consultations, diagnostics, and medicines into a single primary care system, YAKAP and GAMOT shift the focus from reactive treatment to proactive health management.

Joining the launch were key representatives from various local government units, national government agencies, alongside accredited YAKAP and GAMOT providers from across the Quezon Province.

The PhilHealth GAMOT rollout in Region 4A, in partnership with the Quezon Provincial Office,

REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES
FOURTH JUDICIAL REGION
REGIONAL TRIAL COURT
OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF COURT
TRECE MARTIRES CITY

BDO UNIBANK, INC.,
Mortgagee,

FORECLOSURE CASE NO. F-009-26
-versus-

JO ANN C. CARLENGGA,
Debtor/Mortgagor.

NOTICE OF EXTRA-JUDICIAL SALE

Upon Extra-Judicial Petition for Sale under Act 3135, as amended by Act 4118, filed by Mortgagee, **BDO UNIBANK, INC.**, with business address at 33rd Floor, BDO Corporate Center Ortigas, No. 12 ADB Avenue, Mandaluyong City against the Debtor/Mortgagor, **JO ANN C. CARLENGGA**, with postal addresses at (1) Block 7, Lot 26, Phase 8, Kensington (previously Lancaster Place), Brgy. Navarro, Gen. Trias, Cavite (currently occupied) and (2) No. 637-B, T. Anzures St., Sampaloc, Manila (abandoned property), to satisfy the mortgage indebtedness which as of **December 19, 2025** amounts to **TWO MILLION FIVE HUNDRED FIFTY TWO THOUSAND SIX HUNDRED FIFTY THREE PESOS and 99/100 (PhP2,552,653.99)**, Philippine Currency, including interest, penalties and other charges as of said date but exclusive of all other expenses incidental to this foreclosure and sale, the undersigned Sheriff will sell at public auction on **March 25, 2026** at 10:00 o'clock in the morning until 12:00 o'clock noon at the main entrance of the Government Center Building located at the Provincial Capitol Compound, Trece Martires City, to the highest bidder for **CASH** and in Philippine Currency, the following described property with all the improvements thereon, to wit:

TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE No. **057-2015048355**

Lot No. **26** Block: **7** Plan No. **Pcs-04-027575**
Portion of: Lots 1655, 3040 (RS-04-002447) & Lot 1654 (RS-04-002855) all of San Francisco de Malabon Estate, Decree No. 4270, LRC Rec. No. 5964
Location: Barangay of Navarro, Municipality of Gen. Trias, Province of Cavite, Island of Luzon

Boundaries:

LINE	DIRECTION	ADJOINING LOT(S)
1-2	NE	Lot 28, Block 7, Pcs-04-027575
2-3	SE	Road Lot 10, Pcs-04-027575
3-4	SW	Lot 24, Block 7, Pcs-04-027575
4-1	NW	Lot 25, Block 7, Pcs-04-027575

Area: **FIFTY SQUARE METERS (50), more or less**

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

In the event the public auction should not take place on the said date and time, it shall be held on **April 8, 2026** without further notice.

Prospective bidders/buyers are hereby enjoined to investigate for themselves the title to the said property and encumbrances thereon, if any there be.

Trece Martires City, **February 27, 2026.**

(SGD)JOANNAH AVIGAIL C. TIMKANG
Sheriff IV

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highlights strong collaboration with local governments, health facilities and GAMOT providers to bring accessible and affordable health services closer to communities.

To date, there are 256 YAKAP clinics in the region, of which 187 are YAKAP-ready clinics, which means that they have fully comply with all PhilHealth readiness requirements. While, a total of 129 are PhilHealth GAMOT facilities ready to dispense medications to members.

The strategic and phased implementation of the PhilHealth GAMOT is hinged on the readiness and operational capacity of these YAKAP Clinics to provide the necessary medical care and prescriptions to members when needed.

PhilHealth reminds the public that selection of YAKAP provider of choice may be done via the eGovPH mobile app or at any PhilHealth Local Health Insurance Office. Assignment to a preferred YAKAP clinic provides immediate access to essential preventive services and GAMOT benefits, ensuring every family remains 'malayo sa sakit' through a proactive primary care. ###



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From a humble store to venturing more



Melca Ombion ensures that her sari-sari store is packed with a variety of products so she can meet the diverse needs of her customers.

"Hindi ka dapat umasa sa isang business lang para if ever na humina ang isang negosyo mo ay may pagkukuhanan ka pa ng pang-araw-araw niyo (If you can, never depend on just one business so that if one slows down, you have another source to cover daily needs)," said Melca Ombion, a 54-year-old mom from Palawan.

During her younger years, Melca gained experience working in a hardware store and a pharmacy, laying the foundation for her later ventures.

A promising start

Her first sari-sari store business started in 1999. At that time, she was one of the first entrepreneurs to open a store in her area, which helped her business thrive and quickly attract customers.

Over time, competition grew, but she remained focused on her business. Gradually, other stores closed, while hers continued to grow, making it one of the longest-running in their neighborhood.

She has never been one to sit back and do nothing. In fact, staying busy energizes her. Rather than slowing down, the thought of establishing more businesses pushed her to work harder. Driven by determination, she opened a barbershop.

While managing her existing businesses, she made time to raise chickens and pigs to strengthen her finances and save a portion of her income.

Melca did all of this to provide for their daily needs and for her child, who was studying in Iloilo. Soon enough, her efforts paid off, and her child is now graduated from college.

Many people told her not to rush, especially now that her child is already working. But for her, as long as she can, she will keep working. She believes that while you are young, you must build and invest so that when you grow older, you will have something to harvest.

There were highs, but there were also their lows. The 2020 pandemic forced her barbershop to temporarily close. By the time she reopened, business had already slowed, pushing her to lease the shop to other barbers in 2025.

Access to additional capital

To increase capital for her sari-sari store, Melca took loans from CARD SME Bank, a thrift bank under CARD Mutually Reinforcing Institutions (CARD MRI). In 2014, she was motivated to join because of the bank's low interest rates.

Currently, she has an active loan of PHP 500,000.00, which she uses partly as capital for her store and to support her role as a konek2CARD agent. In this role, she can assist clients with cash-in, cash-out, and loan payments via the mobile banking application, allowing them to access services without traveling to the branch.

Years from now, she hopes to expand into the agriculture business. She also dreams of opening a pharmacy, especially now that her child is a pharmacist in Palawan. Melca strives to ensure that her time and resources are put to good use and not wasted.



ASEC NG DFA BINISITA ANG RESCOM, PINATIBAY ANG UGNAYAN PARA SA SEGURIDAD NG BAYAN



TANZA, CAVITE — Mainit na sinalubong ng Reserve Command, Philippine Army (RESCOM, PA) ang Assistant Secretary ng Department of Foreign Affairs (DFA) na si ASEC Elmer G. Gato sa kanyang pagbisita sa Camp Riego de Dios noong Pebrero 27, 2026.

Personal na tumanggap kay ASEC Gato si Maj. Gen. Ronald Jess S. Alcudia, Commander ng RESCOM, PA, kasama si Brig. Gen. Patricio S. Tomales, Deputy Commander ng yunit. Ipinakita ng kanilang pagpupulong ang matibay na pagkakaisa at kooperasyon ng dalawang ahensya pagdating sa usaping pambansang seguridad.

Layunin ng pagbisita na higit pang patatagin ang ugnayan ng RESCOM, PA at ng Office of Intelligence and Security Services (OISS), ang sangay ng DFA na nangangasiwa sa intelligence, seguridad, at protective services.

Ayon sa mga opisyal, mahalaga ang mas pinaigting na inter-agency partnership upang masigurong ang mas mabilis na koordinasyon at mas epektibong pagtugon sa mga banta sa seguridad ng bansa. Sa huli, malinaw ang mensahe ng dalawang pangig — mas pinalakas na samahan, mas matatag na depensa para sa sambayanan.

NOTICE

EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE

Notice is hereby given that the estates of the late **FLORENTINO CERRADO PROFETA**, who died on December 22, 2025, and **ADELAIDA PAREJA PROFETA**, who died on January 15, 2020, both residents of the Philippines, consisting of bank deposits, have been extrajudicially settled by their heirs, that the estate of Florentino Cerrado Profeta includes a Savings Account with Metrobank – Tanza, Cavite Branch, with Account Number 1-400-01126-3, with a total deposit amounting to Six Hundred Twenty-Four Thousand Seventy Pesos and Twenty-Five Centavos (Php 624,070.25) and the estate of Adelaida Pareja Profeta includes a Savings Account with Bank of the Philippine Islands (BPI) – Tanza, Cavite Branch, with Account Number 008653-0823-56, with a total deposit amounting to Three Hundred Seventy-Seven Thousand Four Hundred Seventy Pesos and Thirty-Eight Centavos (Php 377,470.38). That the above-described estates have been the subject of an Extrajudicial Settlement of Estate executed by the heirs, duly notarized on FEBRUARY 26, 2026, AT CITY OF GENERAL TRIAS, PROVINCE OF CAVITE before Notary Public ATTY. RAIHAH NADINE S. RENTAR-ESTACIO PTR No. (2026) 5875161, under Doc No. 444, Page No. 89, Book No. I, Series of 2026.

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