## **OPORTUNIDAD SA LARANGAN NG SCIENCE COMMUNICATION. IBIBI-**DA NG DOST-STII SA NALALAPIT NA **2024 NYSTIF**



Iba't-ibang mga trabaho at oportunindad sa larangan ng siyensya pang-komunikasyon o science communication ang ibibida ng Department of Science and Technology-Science and Technology Information Institute (DOST-STII) sa nalalapit na pagbubukas ng 2024 National Youth Science, Technology, and Innovation Festival o NYSTIE.

Sa forum na pinamagatang "Kwentuhan with SciComm Idols", sa ilalim ng programang Science Journo Ako, tatalakayin ang mga naging karanasan at inspirasyon ng ilan sa mga kilalang manunulat sa bansa, at kung paano sila nahikayat sa larangan ng siyensya pang-komunikasvon.

Ayon sa DOST-STII, sa pamamagitan ng Communi-cation Resources and Production Division nito, layon ng isasagawang talayakan na makahikayat pa ng mas maraming mag-aaral na tahakin ang larangan ng siyensya pang-komunikasyon.

Ang mga ekspertong ibibida sa talayakan ay ang mga nagsisilbing tagapagsalita sa mga panayam at pagsa-sanay na isinasagawa ng Science Journo Ako advocacy program.

#### Adbokasiya ng Science Journo Ako

Ang Science Journo Ako ay programang pang-adbo-kasiya na inilunsad ng DOST-STII noong 2015 na may layong magbigay ng libreng serbisyo sa pagsasanay ang mga batang manunulat sa bansa.

Isa lamang ang talakayang ito sa mga aktibidad na ini-handa ng DOST para sa muling pagbubukas ng NYSTIF ngayong taon.

Sa temang, "STEM VIBE: Engaging Youth in Providing Solutions and Opening Opportunities", ang 2024 NYS-TIF ay magsisilbing oportunidad upang ipakita ang iba'ibang proyekto at programa ng kagawaran.

Ang 2024 NYSTIF ay bukas sa publiko, lalo na sa mga kabataang nais maging bahagi ng selebrasyon ngayong taon.



## **DOST-ITDI TO INTRODUCE METROLOGY AT NAT'L YOUTH SCIENCE FEST**

Many, if not all of us, have used measuring tools like rulers and measuring cups at some point. But beyond everyday activities like cooking and controlling appliance temperatures, did you know that we rely on measurements more than we realize, such as ensuring food safety, providing accurate medicine doses, preventing economic losses, maintaining smooth vehicle operations, and reducing waste?

More importantly, did you know there is an entire branch of science, called metrology, dedicated to perfecting measurements?

To introduce the youth to the basics of metrology, the Depart-ment of Science and Technology-Industrial Technology De-velopment Institute (DOST-ITDI) will make its comeback at the second National Youth Science, Technology, and Innova-tion Festival (NYSTIF) to host a tech forum titled "BEYOND MEASURE: The Basics of Metrology."

This forum will take place from 1:00 to 3:00 PM on 19 September 2024, at the Main Stage of the Philippine International Convention Center (PICC) Forum Tent in Pasay City.

The main discussion on the science of metrology will be pre-sented by Dr. Maryness I. Salazar, Supervising Science Re-search Specialist at the DOST-ITDI National Metrology Division (NMD).

The event will also feature messages from Dr. Annabelle V. Briones, Director of DOST-ITDI; Engr. Manuel M. Ruiz, Chief of the NMD; and Dr. Janet F. Quizon, Officer-in-Charge of the Office of the Deputy Director for Administrative and Technical Services.

During the four-day festival, DOST-ITDI will also join as one of the technology exhibitors to showcase its innovations and other science and technology achievements. Themed, "STEM VIBE: Engaging the Youth in Providing Solu-

tions and Opening Opportunities, NYSTIF aims to enhance youth appreciation and awareness of science, technology, and nnovation (STI). It will also allow the youth to experience science, technology, engineering, and mathematics in a vibrant, innovative, brilliant, and engaging (VIBE) way to inspire them to pursue careers in these fields.

## **MPT SOUTH'S "ALERTO KADA KILOMETRO" DRAYBERKS ROAD SAFETY SEMINAR CON-DUCTED AT PITX**



Drayberks Road Safety Seminar Leg 3\_PITX-1: At-tendees of "ALERTO KADA KILOMETRO" Drayberks Road Safety Seminar together with (Front row from left) Ms. Kolyn Calbasa, Senior Corporate Affairs Officer of PITX; two public transport drivers; Mr. Carlo Hipol, Manager of the Traffic Operations Department of MPT South; Mr. Rechillo Baladjay, Technical Staff of the Toll Regulatory Board.



The "ALERTO KADA KILOMETRO" Drayberks Road Safety Seminar Speaker Mr. Carlo Hipol attending to the questions of public transport drivers.



From left: Mr. Rechillo Baladjay, Technical Staff of the Toll Regulatory Board; Mr. Carlo Hipol, Manager of the Traffic Operations Department of MPT South; Ms. Kolyn Calbasa, Senior Corporate Affairs Officer of PITX, who received the Certificate of Appreciation on behalf of Mr. Arnold Yuson; and two MPT South Representatives.

Continuing their dedication to promote road safety, Metro Pacific Tollways South (MPT South), the concessionaire for the Cavite-Laguna Expressway (CA-LAX) and Manila-Cavite Expressway (CAVITEX), held its Drayberks Road Safety Seminar, themed "ALERTO KADA KILOMETRO," at the Parañaque Integrated Terminal Exchange (PITX) on August 27, 2024. The seminar, aimed at promoting road safety, was attended by 65 drivers of public utility vehicles (PUVs), jeepneys (PUJs), and classes 1 and 2 vehicles. The event was also graced by the presence of Mr. Arnold Yuson, Terminal Operations Manager of PITX, and Mr. Rechillo Baladjay, Technical Staff from Toll Regulatory Board (TRB). The event featured presentations by Carlo Hipol, Head

of Traffic Operations at MPT South, who covered topics such as road safety practices, traffic awareness, and toll operations. The seminar included an interactive Q&A session with Rechillo Baladjay, Technical Staff from the Toll Regulatory Board (TRB), who addressed attendees' concerns.

Arlette V. Capistrano, Vice President for Communications and Stakeholder Management of MPT South, emphasized the seminar's importance in promoting a culture of safety on the expressways, helping to reduce accidents, and fostering a more safety-conscious community of drivers. "Our goal in this seminar is to help reduce accidents in the expressway by imparting the importance for drivers to be concerned for their well-being and the well-being of other road users and equipping them with vital information on proper driving along the expressways, vehicle roadworthiness and opening their consciousness to the responsibility of the role they play in being part of a mobile society."

The Drayberks Road Safety Seminar is part of a broader initiative by MPT South to enhance the knowledge and skills of drivers, ensuring safer roads and a more efficient transportation system. Through this seminar, drivers were equipped with practical tips on how to plan their routes, navigate tollways, and prioritize safety in their daily operations.

As part of MPT South's mission to foster a safer and more efficient transportation system, the "ALERTO KADA KILOMETRO" Drayberks Road Safety Seminar is a vital platform for our commitment to road safety and driver education. Initiatives like this build a more responsible and safety-conscious community of drivers, ultimately leading to safer roads for everyone.

The Drayberks "ALERTO KADA KILOMETRO" will be a year-long program with the aim of reaching drivers of all vehicle and private classes from the public and private sector.

MPT South is a subsidiary of Metro Pacific Tollways Corporation (MPTC), which operates several toll road networks in the Philippines, including CALAX, CAVI-TEX, NLEX, SCTEX, and CCLEX. /PR













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2 Corinthians 5:7

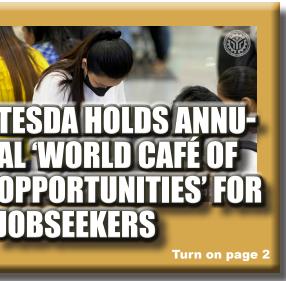
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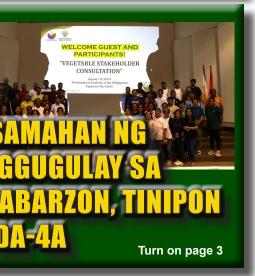
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# **Shedding Light on Meralco's Price Hikes**

crease in electricity what consumers can tic hold that a single • rates by Meralco has afford and what is be- company like Meralsparked growing con- ing charged. Despite co has on a vast porcern and frustration the Energy Regulatory among consumers. Commission (ERC) What was once seen serving as a supposed as a reliable energy check on the power inprovider now feels like dustry, consumers feel tion, and alternaa burden for house- that rate hikes occur far tive energy solutions holds already strug- too frequently, with lit- must be part of the gling with the rising tle to no relief in sight. larger conversation. • costs of basic necessities. Every peso added It's time for greater As Filipinos, we unto our monthly bills transparency from derstand the impordigs deeper into the Meralco. The pubpockets of ordinary lic deserves to know Filipinos, who have why rates continue to seen their purchasing rise, where the mon-•power steadily erod- ey is going, and what ed by inflation and is being done to ex- not be priced beyond economic challenges. plore more sustainable

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and affordable energy erage citizen. The • cites fluctuating glob- and other renewable national dialogue on and regulatory adjust- lize power costs, yet and the government these hikes, it is the the mainstream en- er to craft solutions consumers who bear ergy supply remains that balance the comthe brunt. The ques- slow and limited. pany's profitability

this go on, and what tion must go beyond measures are in place simply regulating rate In the end, electricity to protect consum- increases. Policymakincreases? root causes of the prob- stress. lem: our dependence Energy is an essential on imported fossil fuservice, yet it seems els, lack of investment

The continuous in- disconnect between and the monopolistion of the country's electricity supply. Competitive pricing, consumer protec-

tance of electricity in powering our homes, businesses, and industries, but this basic necessity should the reach of the avtime has come for a • energy affordability. Meralco, regulators, must come togethwith the needs of the • mind is: how long will Government interven- people they serve.

must light up homes, ers from unchecked ers need to address the not spark financial

-Ang Kabitenya

CAVITE...

Enforcement Gorup rest of two suspects – a "The successful operchief Brig. Gen. Eleazar 37-year-old male resid- ation substantial drug Matta (center, standing) oversees the buybust operation in Imus, Cavite on Monday night (Sept. 9, 2024). Two suspects yielded a total of the operation, said the 110 kg. of shabu with an PDEG operatives conestimated street value of fiscated a total of 110 ki-PHP748 million during lograms of shabu with a DEG, in coordination the operation. (Photo street value of PHP748 courtesy of PDEG)

MANILA – Operatives of the Philip-(PNP) Drug Enforce- PHP1 million, inment Group (PDEG) on Monday arrested PHP1,000 bill, as well as of the law," he added. two drug suspects and seized from them some suspects in their trans-PHP748 million worth actions. of suspected shabu in The operation was also an anti-drug operation monitored by a village province.

PDEG chief, Brig. Gen. representative. Body-Eleazar Matta, said the worn cameras (BWC) place around 6:26 p.m. cording device were at Lavender St. in Ba- used during the opera- of 2002. (PNA) rangay Pasong Buaya II, tion to ensure transpar-

### TESDA...

guna (PIA) -- A total of 73 out of 400 Technical and Vocational Education and Training Agency's Usapang PIA (TVET) graduates of and Skills Development Authority (TESDA) La- have a job, so we should guna Provincial Office also assist them in emwere hired on the spot during the 'World Café of Opportunities' job fair that bids to open employment opportunities, apprenticeship no work' programs, and other forms of livelihood assistance for beneficiaries and applicants alike. The program was held in celebration of TES-DA's anniversary in August, adding to their tunities and the TVET continuous efforts to graduates will just go enhance the employability of graduates by are in this café so it is directly linking them to called the World Cafe of industries and companies in need of skilled workers last August 15 at Santa Rosa City.

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pects.

ing in Pasong Buaya II haul is a testament to and a 26-year-old male our relentless efforts to from Dasma 4, Salawag, dismantle large-scale drug syndicates oper-Matta, who witnessed ating in our communities," Matta said.

"We are sending a clear message that the PNPwith other law enforcemillion from the susment agencies, remains fully committed to The authorities also eradicating illegal drugs seized 10 bundles of and ensuring that those pine National Police boodle money worth who engage in this illicit trade are held accountcluding one genuine able to the fullest extent

a cellphone used by the The suspects are currently under the custody of PDEG Special Operation Unit 4A (Calabarzon) for docuin Imus City, Cavite councilor from Pasong mentation and further Buava II and a media investigation. They will face charges for violating Republic Act 9165, buy-bust operation took and an alternative re- or the Comprehensive Dangerous Drugs Act

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CALAMBA CITY, La- TESDA Laguna Provin- Public Employment cial Director Zoraida Service Office (PESO) Amper said during the of the province of Lagu-Philippine Information na to help enhance job matching and employradio program: "The ment services for the the Technical Education end goal of our training community and take is not only for them to on more comprehensive support for job seekers in helping them find ployment because that suitable opportunities is why you cannot say and access necessary rethat your training is sources for career develsuccessful if our stuopment The World Café of Opdents are there will be

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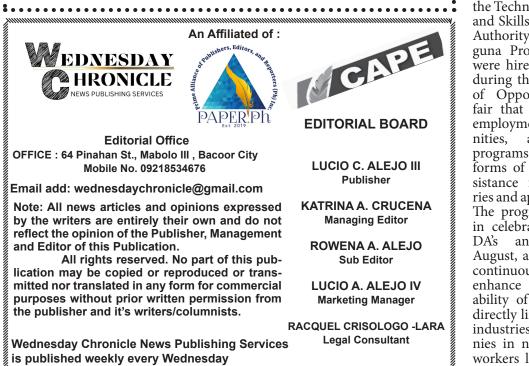
"There are jobs, opporthere to shop, like you Opportunities," Amper added.

TESDA Laguna has also partnered with the



is left behind./**PR** 





#### Wednesday A HRONICLE

#### **Provincial Government of Cavite** brings Ugnavan sa Barangay to Amadeo

The Provincial Government of Cavite, under the leadership of Governor Jonvic Remulla, brought the Ugnayan sa Barangay program to the Municipality of Amadeo on September 10, 2024. The program continues to serve as bridge between the local government and its citizens by providing an avenue for the leaders to reach out to their constituents and update them on development programs and services available for the people.

Local officials and residents gathered at Amadeo Municipal Covered Court to engage in open - discussions about issues affecting the community. The program has long been instrumental in fostering transparency and cooperation, ensuring that the needs of every Caviteño are heard and attended to.

Governor Jonvic Remulla emphasized the importance of working hand in hand with local leaders and constituents to create sustainable solutions for the betterment of the entire province. Through the Ugnayan sa Barangay, the provincial government continues to solidify its commitment to the people, delivering accessible governance and genuine public service, ensuring that no community

#### **Cavite Career Caravan Connects Sil**ang Residents to Employment and **Related Services**



The Office of the Human Resource Management Officer (OPHRMO) facilitated a Leadership Skills Training focused on "Loving Workspaces" on September 10, 2024, at the Provincial Capitol Ceremonial Hall in Trece Martires City. The event aimed to equip Provincial Government of Cavite (PGC) employees with the necessary skills to foster har-

monious and productive work environments. The training proper was led by Ms. Lualhati Briones, Academic Services Coordinator - Golden Link Colleges Inc., who shared valuable insights on leadership emphasizing the importance of creating a positive, compassionate workspace that motivates employees to perform at their best while maintaining strong teamwork and collaboration.

Employees from various departments attended the session and actively participated in discussions and group activities. The seminar served as a platform for the exchange of ideas, allowing attendees to gain a deeper understanding of leadership's role in nurturing professional relationships and maintain ing a healthy work-life balance.

The training is part of the PGC's Employees Month celebration and OPHRMO's ongoing efforts to equip PGC employees with the skills needed to lead with confidence and create workspaces that encourage productivity, innovation, and employee satisfaction. /PR

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### Sept . 11 to Sept. 17, 2024 7 **Cavite Arbor Day: Tree Planting Activity** at Taal Volcano Protected Lanscape



The Office of the Provincial Environment and Natural Resources Officer (PENRO), headed by Ms. Anabelle L. Cayabyab, led the Cavite Monthly Arbor Day tree planting activity along the Taal Volcano Protected Landscape (TVPL) at Barangay Bagong Tubig, Tagaytay City on August 30, 2024. The initiative is part of the province's ongoing efforts to preserve and protect the natural environment of Tagaytay and the TVPL.

The program kicked off with welcome remarks from Kagawad Kimberly Sangalang of Barangay Bagong Tubig, who expressed the community's enthusiasm for environmental conservation efforts. It was followed by a message from Provincial Administrator for Community Affairs, Alvin S. Mojica, who emphasized the crucial role of maintaining trees in protected areas to sustain Tagaytay's natural beauty and ecological balance.

Forester Joseph M. Pusancho, PASu-TVPL, Province of Batangas, highlighted the importance of not just planting trees but ensuring their proper care and growth. He urged participants to commit to the long-term maintenance of the saplings.

Dr. Joselito Laguardia, Tagaytay City Agriculturist, expressed his gratitude to the volunteers and participants for their active support in making the event successful, underscoring how vital community involvement is for the project's success.

Dir. Pelita Galvez from DPWH's PPP Service on the CA-LAX Project also graced the event, extending her support for the initiative and reiterating their commitment to environmental stewardship. PLTCOL. Joven T. Bahil, Officer-in-Charge of the Tagaytay City Police Station, assured participants that the PNP will always be involved in projects aimed at protecting nature and keeping the TVPL clean and secure.

Volunteers from different barangays across Tagaytay City joined the activity, demonstrating strong community support for the preservation of the Taal Volcano cess, reinforcing the collective effort to conserve Cavite's natural environment for future generations. /PR



We are open for dine-in, pickup and deliveries every Friday, Saturday & Sunday from 4:00PM - 10:00 PM

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## **ENCHANTED KINGDOM CELE-BRATES FILIPINO TALENT AND MODERN-DAY HEROISM AT THE 2024 AGILAKAS GUMALAW DANCE** COMPETITION



Enchanted Kingdom, the first and only worldclass theme park in the Philippines, paid a magical tribute to our modern-day heroes through the 2024 Agilakas Gumalaw Dance Competition at the Spaceport Grounds on August 24.

The Agilakas Gumalaw Dance Competition is an annual event in EK that gathers talented dance performers in the country to show off world-class Filipino talent. This year, ten (10) spectacular dance groups took their synchronized moves to the stage to show the world that "Pinoy, Magaling Ka!" The NU Dance Company from Sampaloc, Manila highlighted the rich, dynamic Filipino culture through their winning performance. The group clinched the grand winner title and bagged Php 20,000, twenty (20) return passes to EK, and a chance to perform in one of EK's upcoming events. NEW BREEDZ from Muntinlupa City and League of Monsters-Brothass from Calamba City, Laguna also took home cash prizes and tickets along with the runner-up titles.

Rising P-Pop boy group sensation BILIB spiced up the night with a mesmerizing performance of their newest music along with their rendition of popular P-Pop hits. The show also featured its judges, G-Force member Myka Espina Gonzaga and internet personality Xai Smith, as they turned up the heat by showing off their amazing dance moves on the EK stage.

This magical celebration was made even more magical with the following sponsors: Surf, Dove Deo, Minute Maid, Pretzels Stick Snacks, Australia's Own, Hello! Chocolate, Nips, Krrrrunch, C2 Cool and Clean, White Flower, and Selecta



#### **BAYANI: LAGING HANDA**

Taking part in the celebration of Buwan ng Wika this August, EK brings back BAYANI, its original musical production featuring OPM songs with their very own Cast Members performing. This year's installment of the musical follows the story of Joana Makabayan in her journey of self-discovery as she ioins the Girl Scouts of the Philippines.

The musical show will run until September 15 from Fridavs to Sundays, 12:00 p.m. and 2:00 p.m. at the Eldar's Theater.

MIDWAY MIRROR MAZE

Create more magical memories with your loved ones with EK's newly launched attraction, the Midway Mirror Maze. Drop by the Midway Boardwalk, and help Eldar the Wizard and Princess Madeline in finding Princess Victoria by threading your way towards the center of this thrilling labyrinth.

For only Php 150, guests will be able to have special access to this EKciting and immersive adventure filled with captivating lights and visuals waiting at every turn. Special ticket rate is also available for students at Php 120, and senior citizens and PWDs at Php 107.14 only.

For more information and updates regarding these and EK's other upcoming events and offers, visit https://www.enchantedkingdom.ph and EK's official social media accounts @enchantedkingdom. ph for Facebook and Tiktok, and @ek philippines for Twitter and Instagram.





### **PRC ENGINEERING BOARD, IIEE,** AND SM PRIME COLLABORATE ON **ROOFTOP SOLAR PV COMPLIANCE**

The Professional Regulation Commission (PRC) Board of Electrical Engineering (BEE) and the Institute of Electrical Engineers of the Philippines (IIEE) collaborated with SM Prime Holdings, Inc. Prime) to study improvements to the Philippine Electrical Code, particularly on the provision regarding the design and installation of the Rooftop Solar Photovoltaic (PV) System.



A table top discussion was held last August 6, 2024, at the SM Prime Headquarters in Pasay City. Representatives from PRC BEE, IIEE, Total Energies, OBO Makati, and SM Prime were welcomed by SM Supermalls' Senior Assistant Vice President (SAVP) for Operations - SM Mall of Asia, Perkin So, SM Supermalls' AVP for Corporate Compliance Atty. Pearl Turley delivered a message emphasizing the importance of compliance.

PRC BEE Chairman Francis Mapile, stated in his message that PRC BEE and IIEE are reviewing current regulations and practices and recommending updates based on current technologies and best practices from other countries. He emphasized the importance of having accreditation for solar panel providers and suppliers to regulate the industry and ensure the safety of users.

"I commend SM Prime as the number one company in terms of compliance with RA 7920 or the New Electrical Engineering Law as far as PRC BEE is concerned. ŠM Prime is the benchmark for private companies, especially on the hiring of registered and/or professional electrical engineers in its establishments," said Chairman Mapile.



SM Supermalls' VP for Operations Engr. Junias Eusebio said that collaboration among key stakeholders is relevant in discussing the safety and efficient operation of a Solar PV System. He also praised the PRC BEE and IIEE for their continuous efforts to improve the provisions of the Philippine Electrical Code, as new technologies will affect the existing code provisions.

Following the table top discussion, the team conducted an actual inspection of the MOA Square 2003 kWp Rooptop Solar PV System. This PV system generates an average annual energy of 2,146,852 kWh, equivalent to 13% of the building's energy consumption.

SM Prime remains committed to its role as a catalyst for economic growth, delivering innovative and sustainable lifestyle cities, thereby enriching the quality of life of millions of people. SM Prime is pursuing the next horizon on integrated property development and onward to building sustainable cities of the future./PR



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# **HRONICLE**

tices, the Department of (DOST)-Batangas conducted seminars on Halal awareness, basic food hygiene (BFH), food safety hazards (FSH), and Hazard Analysis Critical Control Point (HACCP) for its personnel, July 15-

The seminars were designed to provide hotel personnel with the necessary knowledge and skills to ensure the highest standards of food safety in their operations. By partnering with DOST, Twin Lakes Hotel hopes to further improve its food safety practices and maintain a competitive edge in the industry by becoming a Muslim-friendly estabthe well-being of its guests, including those with specific dietary restrictions.

In support of the Twin of the tourism establish-Lakes Hotel's efforts to ments to participate in enhance its implementa- the Halal Training orgation of food safety prac- nized by the Department of Tourism in partnership Science and Technology with DOST. As a continuation of DOST's support, seminars on Halal awareness, BFH, FSH, and HACCP were organized to further enhance the hotel personnel's understanding and implemenin food service operations tation of Halal practices in their operations. This is also part of the DOST Research Ecosystem for Development and Innovation (ReDi) Project titled "Development and Deployment of Halal Tourism Training Module and

Halal Assurance Systems maintenance of the high-(HAS) to Secure Halal Compliance of Tourism Establishments." Nineteen hotel personnel attended the training session, including food and beverage managers, lishment that prioritizes supervisors, chefs, and representatives from HR, inars have significantly front office, engineering, finance, and security de-

partments. They were en-In November 2023, the gaged in workshop activhotel was invited as one ities focused on practical

food safety standards. Ms. Maria Teresa A. Pam-

> tated the seminars. Twin Lakes Hotel management thanked DOST for providing the seminars, which they believe will greatly benefit their operations and ensure the est standards of food safety. Ms. Blessy Bayas, the training manager, mentioned that she now feels more confident in their ability to comply with food safety regulations and standards. "The semboosted our readiness to meet food safety requirements, most importantly

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Tinipon ng Department of Agriculture IV-CALA-BARŽON (DA-4A) High Value Crops Development Program (HVCDP) ang labing anim na samahan ng mga maggugulay sa rehiyon sa ginanap na Vegetable Stakeholders' Consultation Cum Planning Workshop noong ika-7 hanggang ika-8 ng Agosto sa Tagaytay City, Cavite. Ito ay inisyatibo ng kagawaran upang patuloy na mapalakas ang industriya ng gulayan sa rehiyon sa

pamamagitan pagbabahagi ng mga makabagong teknolohiya at estratehiya simula sa pagtatanim hanggang sa pag-aani at pagbebenta, at matalakay ang mga isyu at pangangailangan ng bawat probinsva sa larangan ng pag-

Ibinahagi rin sa naturang pagpupulong ang kasalukuyang kalalagayan ng industriya ng gulay sa rehiyon; benepisyo ng isang akreditadong Civil Society Organization Bonliw Farmers Associ-

(CSO); pagseseguro ng mga pananim, alagang hayop at mga makinarya; programang pautang para sa mga Maggugulay; mga payong pansakahan ukol sa klima at panahon; mga alintuntunin para sa probisyon ng mga makinarya at pasilidad; at mga programa para sa mga Maggugulay sa susunod na taon.

Dinaluhan ito ng Samahan ng Industriya sa Paggugulavan (SIPAG)-Cavite; SIPAG-Laguna; SIPAG-Batangas; Magsama Kame Agricultura Cooperative; Palangue Agrarian Report Cooperative; Tres Cruses ARB Farmers Association Incorporated; AGAP Farmers Association of Pangil, Laguna; Liliw Upland Farmers Marketing Cooperative; Brgy. Abo Association; Farmers Batangas City Vegetable Growers Association; San Juan United Vegetable Growers Association; San Jose Farmers Association;

ation; Samahan ng Mag gugulay ng Guinayangan; High Value Crops of Sariava, Quezon; at Rizal Vegetable Industry Coun-

Samantala, hinikavat ni DA-4A OIC-Regional Executive Director ang mga Maggugulay na patuloy na ipakita sa ibang rehiyon ang lakas ng CALABAR-ZON sa paggugulayan. Aniya, ang CALABAR-ZON ay isa sa may malalaking kontribusyon sa industriya ng gulay sa bansa kaya hinimok niya ang mga ito na patuloy na magtatanim sa kabila ng pabagu-bagong panahon.

Pasasalamat naman ang ipinaabot ni G. Victorino Magnaye, Presidente ng SIPAG Cavite. Ibinahagi niya sa kapwa Maggugulay na huwag sumuko sa pagtatanim. Aniya ang Kagawaran ng Agrikultura ay patuloy na sumusuporta sa mga gawain at pangangailangan nila. (Bryan E.Katigbak, /PR



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**PNP....** 

skills, such as handwashchief of staff Lt .Gen. ing techniques and the Arthur Cordura (right) application of HACCP speaks with USMC comprinciples, to underscore mandant Gen. Eric Smith during the latter's courtesy the importance of implecall at Camp Aguinaldo, menting comprehensive Quezon City on Monday (Sept. 9, 2024). The USMC chief has committed to ance during his courtesy helping the AFP in devel-

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plona and Ms. Anna Marie M. Marasigan, both members of the DOST-CAL-ABARZON Halal Assurance System Team and Food Safety Team, facili-

in Halal," she added. /PR

#### dura at Camp Aguinaldo, Quezon City on Monday. "The two leaders also

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USMC head Gen. Eric M.

Smith made this assur-

call with AFP vice chief of

staff, Lt. Gen. Arthur Cor-

discussed the upcoming Maritime Training Security (MTA) 'Sama-Sama' underscoring a shared commitment to advancing main awareness (MDA) ness and interoperability," so it can be more interop- the AFP said in a state-

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PARTNERS. AFP vice erable with its American ment late Monday. The MTA "Sama-Sama" is a multilateral naval exercise between the Philippines and the US first held in October 2022.

In the meeting, Cordura expressed his appreciation of Smith's visit and highlighted the importance of continued partnership between the AFP and the USMC.

Smith's visit reflects the AFP's initiative to explore avenues for future cooperation anchored in the rules-based international order and a shared vision for a stable and prospermaritime domain aware- ous Indo-Pacific Region. (PNA)

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ers after some 2,400 police officers started occupying the KOJC compound on Aug. 24.

"We already observed that they were fooling us. They prevented us from entering certain areas and when we were about to enter areas where we believed he (Ou ibolov) was, their attorney would call and would say that he would surrender. They did that several times," Marbil said.

Quibolov and his co-accused, all covered in face masks, were presented during the press briefing. Later, the police returned the arrest warrants for sexual abuse and qualified human trafficking charges to the Quezon City Regional Trial Court Branch 106 and the Pasig RTC Branch 159, respectively.

The five are detained at the PNP Custodial Center. DND bucks custody trans-

The Department of Nation-

al Defense (DND), meanwhile, said it would oppose any motion to transfer Quiboloy to the custody of the Armed Forces of the Philippines (AFP).

AFP facilities are subject to strict operational securi ty protocols, thus, the AFP is not the proper agency to have custody of suspects in criminal cases," DND spokesperson Arsenio An dolong said in a statement. In a media interview in Camp Crame, KOJC legal counsel Israelito Torreon said they filed a motion before the court for the transfer of Ouibolov's custody to the military, citing security reasons, among others. (with Priam Nepomuceno/ PNA)

render offers meant to plot his escape.

a briefing led by Interior Secretary Benjamin Abalos Jr. (left, seated) at Camp officers. Crame in Quezon City on Monday (Sept. 9, 2024). Brig. Gen. Nicolas Torre the evangelist was forced to some surrender feelers at

one of the buildings inside the 30-hectare compound. (PNA photo by Joan Bondoc) MANILA – Kingdom of Jesus Christ (KOJC) leader Apollo Quiboloy was forced to surrender to authorities after he was "cornered" inside the church compound in Davao City, a

ranking police official said on Monday. After 16 days, the police said Quiboloy's deception game ended, with dud sur-

In a press briefing at Camp Crame in Quezon City, Police Regional Office-Davao (PRO-11) Director Brig. Gen. Nicolas Torre III said they gave in to the request of other KOJC members to put off the assault in exchange for the guarantee that Quiboloy would eventually give himself up.

Torre said the PRO-11 planned to enter the ACQ College of Ministries, where Quiboloy and his aides Jackielyn Roy, Ingrid Canada, Cresente Canada and Sylvia Cemañes were believed to be hiding.

The assault at 1 p.m. on Saturday, to be conducted by some 1,000 police officers, was deferred to give way to security preparations for at least two surrender feel-

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By Sunday morning, Torre deployed Special Weapons and Tactics (SWAT) and Special Action Force (SAF)

"I placed 500 SAF members and 500 SWAT members simultaneously in that building. When they saw that buildup, we heard 10 a.m. We got a call from the NHQ (national headquarters) because it seems the negotiations are on a high level," Torre said.

person Col. Jean Fajardo in an interview at Camp Crame on Sunday night, Quibolov and his group gave up at 5:30 p.m. and were flown out of Davao City by a military aircraft one hour later

or Áir Base in Pasay City at 8:30 p.m. and arrived in Camp Crame where they underwent medical examination and booking proce-

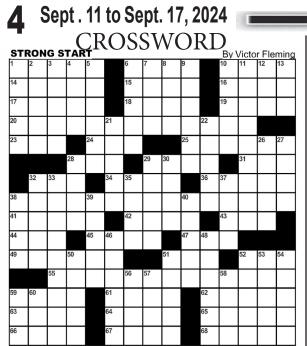
Torre said the 30-hectare KOJC compound was completely sealed by police officers to prevent any possibility of Quiboloy's escape. "Don't take it against me but it's really on my part that the Lord intervened for this to happen. The Lord loves the policemen because it did not end up in a scenario that could endanger the lives of many people. This was resolved in our favor," Torre said.

PNP chief Gen. Rommel Francisco Marbil supported Torre, saying they were "80 to 90 percent" sure that Quiboloy was inside the KOJC compound all along. Marbil said they received

III (right), Police Regional Office-Davao chief, said surrender after he and his cohorts were cornered in

According to PNP spokes-

They landed at the Villamdures at about 9:10 p.m.



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The City Government of Bacoor, led by Mayor Strike B. Revilla, and St. Dominic College of Asia School of Accountancy, Science and Education (SDCA-SASE) signed a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) today, September 10, 2024, at the Revilla Hall. This partnership aims to strengthen youth engagement and development in the City. The MOA was signed by Mayor Revilla, Councilor Alde Pagulauyan, SK President Palm Angel Buncio, Ms. Angie Cariaso (LYDO Head), Dr. Philip Cordova Cuizon (SASE Dean and Psychology Chair), Dr. Wendell L. Galapate (Director, Research, Innovation, Development and Enterprise and Community Extension Service Office).

The event was attended by the representative from SK Federation, Department and Unit Head of City Government of Bacoor, students, and delegates from St. Dominic College of Asia.

The MOA focuses on integrating community services and defining responsibilities and mandates to bring together "Kabataang Bacooreños" (Bacoor Youth) and key stakeholders in a proactive and purposeful setting. The agreement hopes to foster more effective and engaging youth participation, as well as the embodiment of the principles of service, balance, and resilience among young people and leaders.

This partnership signifies a commitment to empowering the youth of Bacoor and promoting their active involvement in community development. The collaboration is expected to lead to various initiatives and programs that will benefit the city's young generation./PR

# "LAGING STRIKE SA SERBISYO"

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## **W**EDNESDAY **HRONICLE**

## **Barangay Chairman Shot Dead** by Riding-in-Tandem Assailants in Cavite

A barangay chairman was killed after being shot by two motorcycle-riding assailants in Maragondon, Cavite, on Saturday, August 31, 2024.

Authorities identified the victim as Rodrigo Tanagras, 53, the chairman of Barangay Tulay A in the said town. According to reports, the victim was assisting barangay health workers in cutting grass along the roadside when two armed men suddenly appeared on a motorcycle and

The suspects quickly fled the scene after the shooting. Meanwhile, Tanagras was rushed to San Lorenzo Ruiz Hospital but was declared dead on arrival.

Authorities are continuing their investigation to identify the suspects and determine the possible motive behind

# **Cavite Police Apprehend a** HVI in Buy-Bust Ops in City of Bacoor, MOL 25 Grams of Sus**pected Shabu Seized**



Camp BGen Pantaleon Garcia, Imus City, Cavite – In an intensified campaign against illegal drugs, Cavite Police arrested a high-value individual (HVI) and confiscated more or less 25 grams of suspected shabu with an estimated Standard Drug Price of PHP170,000.00 on September 5, 2024 around 4:00 PM, in Barangay Talaba 1, City of Bacoor, Cavite.

PLTCOL JERRY B CORPUZ, Chief, Provincial Intelligence Unit, identified the arrested individual as alias "John," and a resident Barangay Talaba 1, City of Bacoor. Joint operatives from PDEU CAV PPO, PDEA Cavite. and personnel from Bacoor Component City Police Station arrested alias John in a buy bust operation and confiscated from him were one (1) heat-sealed plastic sachet containing a white crystalline substance believed to be shabu, weighing approximately 25 grams, along with marked buy-bust money.

Criminal charges are now being prepared against the arrested suspect, while the seized pieces of evidence will undergo chemical examination at the Cavite Provincial Forensic Unit.

PBGEN Paul Kenneth T. Lucas, Regional Director of PRO CALABARZON, lauded the Cavite Police and the units involved, led by PCOL Eleuterio M. Ricardo Jr., for their relentless efforts in combating illegal drugs.

This significant accomplishment is the result of the collective efforts of the Cavite PNP and the community. Mas pinaigting ng Kapulisan ng Cavite ang kampanya laban sa illegal na droga, sa ganun ay mapanatili natin ang maayos at tahimik na lalawigan at tuluyang mapuksa ang salot na droga", said PD Ricardo Jr. /**PR** 

## **REGIONAL-LEVEL MOST WANTED PERSON ARRESTED BY PROVIN-CIAL INTELLIGENCE UNIT**



Camp BGen Pantaleon Garcia, City of Imus, Cavite-The Provincial Intelligence Unit together with personnel of Dasmariñas CCPS and RIT Team Cavite successfully apprehended a regional-level most wanted person on September 8, 2024, in Brgy. Sta. Maria, Dasmariñas City, Cavite.

According to the report of PLTCOL JERRY B CORPUZ, Chief PIU, Cavite PPO, the suspect, identified as alias "Riza," 37 years old, residing in Brgy 5, Pedro Ramon Rd., Silang, Cavite, was arrested by virtue of a warrant of arrest for Violation of section 4 (A) in relation to section 6 of RA 9208 (Anti-Trafficking In Persons Act of 2003) as amended by RA 10364 docketed under criminal case number DC-15658-23-FC/INV-23H-623 issued by Regional Trial Court Branch 128, Fourth Judicial Region, Dasmariñas City, Cavite with no bail recommended. The suspect is now in the custody of Dasmariñas CCPS for documentation and proper disposition.

'This successful operation underscores the commitment of the personnel of the Provincial Intelligence Unit and the entire Cavite Police Force to ensuring the safety and security of the community by bringing wanted persons behind bars," said PCOL ELEUTERIO M RICARDO JR.

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## Sept . 11 to Sept. 17, 2024 5 **CAVITE WORKS TOWARD A HEALTHI-ER AND TB-FREE PROVINCE**



In celebration of the National Lung Month, Cavite pro vincial celebration keynoting "Hingang Ginhawa kapag Healthy Lungs ang buong Pamilya" was held on August 29, 2024, at the Bayleaf Hotel, City of General Trias. The event was organized through the collaborative effort of the Office of the Provincial Health Officer and the Department of Health Center for Health Development-CALABARZON, aiming to bolster the fight against pulmonary illnesses, particularly focusing on Tuberculosis. The program commenced with an enthusiastic welcome of Dr. Nelson Soriano, Provincial Health Officer I, expressing gratitude to everyone for showing solidarity to combat tuberculosis. Dr. Soriano provided updates on the ongoing outbreaks concerning public health and reminded everyone of the phrase, "Bawat buhay ay mahalaga."

Likewise, in a video message, Dr. Leda Hernandez, Assistant Regional Director of the CHD-CALABARZON, acknowledged the contribution and dedication of health implementers in the province for the National Tuberculosis Control Program. RD Hernandez also underlined their enrollment for TB preventive treatment, which is a driving force to accelerate the progress of eliminating the disease in the communities.

Eighth District Board Member and Committee Chair on Health, BM Reyniel Ambion stressed the robust support of the provincial government for the improvement and enhancement of the health programs in Cavite.

Afterwards, the NTP Activities of Cavite province was shown in an audio-visual presentation, followed by the awarding and recognition of the invaluable efforts and contributions of the health centers in the municipalities and cities of Cavite for the NTP implementation in the province. A documentary was also played during the program to witness the journey of two TPT completers, and how the 3-month treatment helped them get back on track.

The official launching of TPT Day Planner was also held, and each LGU TB-DOTS placed their sticker, representing their commitment towards a healthier and TB-free province, and further solidifying their campaign and fight against tuberculosis.

In conclusion, Dr. Hansel John Ybañez, NTP Medical Coordinator, CHD-CALABARZON, imparted that the program highlighted the importance of taking care of our lungs and overall health, hence, urging everyone to work together to achieve a healthier life, healthier family and healthier community. "Sama sama, kaya nating labanan ang mga sakit sa baga, at itaguyod ang isang malusog at produktibong Cavite", he remarked. /PR

