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Health outreach event in Barangay Poblacion IV-C, City of Imus benefits 384 residents

In a proactive move towards community health and wellness, the Office of the Provincial Governor, through the initiative of Medical and Dental Mission Team and the Office of the Provincial Health Officer, conducted a health outreach event in Barangay Poblacion IV-C, City of Imus on April 2, 2024. The event aimed to provide essential healthcare services to the residents.

During the mission, residents had access to comprehensive medical assessments, ensuring early detection and management of health conditions. Dental services included tooth extraction, addressing immediate oral health concerns, and promoting dental hygiene practices. Moreover, eye check-ups were conducted to assess visual acuity and identify potential eye conditions, contributing to overall eye health awareness among participants.

The collaborative efforts of the Office of the Provincial Governor and the Office of the Provincial Health Officer underscored the importance of community engagement and proactive healthcare initiatives in promoting a healthier and more resilient society. (OPIO)

DOH assures public: Pertussis is treatable, can be prevented

Did you know that pertussis or whooping cough is treatable and can be prevented? Health experts cautioned the public against spreading "fake news" that could cause unnecessary panic due to the declaration of outbreak in Quezon City and other parts of the country, since the disease is treatable and can be prevented.

Pertussis is a bacterial infection that's risen to outbreak levels in Quezon City, Iloilo, and Cavite recently.

In adults, the symptoms can be mild, but if the infection affects an infant who hasn't completed a full course of vaccinations, whooping cough can be very serious.

Eighteen month-old Richard, a resident of Barangay Bagong Pag-asa in Quezon City, had symptoms that started out like those of a typical cold.

He had a runny nose and started coughing.

But over the next four to five days, Richard's mom, Karen said the coughing got worse. It was nothing she'd ever heard before. The baby was coughing and doing a whoop. He'd vomit, and he couldn't catch his breath.

When they took Richard to the nearest health center, the coughing had subsided, so they figured maybe it was just a cold or some other infection.

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Natutuwa po tayo na makasama ang mga civic at private organizations tulad ng Meralco at Meralco Newsroom sa Buhay Ingatan, Droga'y Ayawan o BIDA press conference na pinangunahan ni DILG Sec. Benhur Abalos Jr.! Upang maprotektahan ang ating mga kababayan mula sa banta ng droga, kailangan natin ang pagtutulungan ng buong komunidad at lahat ng sektor ng ating lipunan. Bukod sa iba pa nating development initiatives, natutuwa tayo na makasama ang Meralco sa pagbibigay ng #RatedTripleA na serbisyo sa ating Magandang Kawit! #AksyongAngeloAguinaldo #AlagangAngeloAguinaldo #PusoAtMalasakitParaSaAtingKawit #MayorAguinaldo

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"Empowering Women Entrepreneurs Through Information and Communications Technology Seminar a Resounding Success"

Rizal, March 22, 2024 - The Department of Trade and Industry (DTI) Rizal, in collaboration with the Philippine National Police (PNP) - Information Technology Management Service, held a highly informative seminar titled "Empowering Women Entrepreneurs through Information and Communications Technology" on March 22, 2024. The event took place at the DTI-Rizal Training Room and was hosted by STIDS Marlene G. De Luna.

The seminar aimed to equip women entrepreneurs with the necessary skills and knowledge to leverage Information and Communications Technology (ICT) for the advancement of their businesses. Under the insightful guidance of esteemed speakers from the Philippine National Police (PNP) - Information Technology Management Service, the participants delved into various aspects of digital marketing tailored specifically for women entrepreneurs.

Ms. Sharon F. Dioco, Chief of Business Development Division of DTI-Rizal, and PLTCOL Aonn Sugang of PNP - Information Technology Management Service, delivered opening remarks, setting the tone for the enlightening discussions that followed.

The seminar comprised five comprehensive topics:

- A beginner's guide to product photography and video with mobile phones, elucidated by PLT Ranz Nikko Muñoz.
- Social Media Marketing strategies elucidated by Eric James

Borres.

• Techniques for Photo Editing and Sharing Product Photos Using Social Media, skillfully discussed by PLT Bensar Ali A Karim.

• Strategies to Pick Catchy Words and Phrases for effective marketing, presented by NUP Jose Salvador Ruivivar.

• Insights into Cyber Security Awareness & Tips on How to Avoid Online Scams, shared by PLT Krisanto T. Ulpindo.

Attendees hailed from diverse backgrounds, including budding entrepreneurs, marketing advisers, and professionals eager to enhance their digital marketing acumen. The seminar fostered an environment of collaborative learning, where participants engaged in interactive sessions and gained practical insights to elevate their businesses in the digital landscape.

STIDS De Luna expressed her gratitude to all the speakers, attendees and all supporting agencies for their active participation and invaluable



contributions, emphasizing the importance of continued support for women entrepreneurs in

harnessing the power of ICT. The success of the seminar underscores DTI-

Rizal's commitment to fostering entrepreneurship and empowering women in the region. Such

initiatives serve as catalysts for economic growth, innovation, and gender equality.

2024 NATIONAL WOMEN'S MONTH CULMINATING ACTIVITY: BE INVOLVED-GO JUANA NG LGU CARMONA



Bilang bahagi ng pagdiriwang ng 2024 National Women's Month na may temang "Lipunang Patas sa Bagong Pilipinas: Kakayahan ng Kababaihan, Papatunayan!", nagsagawa ng Culminating Activity ang Pamahalaang Lungsod ng Carmona sa pangunguna ng GAD Focal Point System. Dito ay isinagawa ang BE INVOLVED-GO JUANA na nilahukan ng mga kasapi ng Samahan ng Nagkakaisang Kababaihan Inc. (SNKCI) at mga kababaihang enumerators at utility workers. Ito ay upang mabigyan natin ng pagpapahalaga at konting kasiyahan ang ilan sa ating mga palaging kasamang kababaihan sa pagbibigay ng serbisyo publiko. #WEcanbeEquALL #NWMC2024 #CityOfCarmona #LungsodNgCarmona #LGUCarmona #BayanMunaLagi #DapatAngatLahat

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Worry Free Cruising: Holy Week Travels with SM Supermalls EV Charging Stations

As the Holy Week approaches, many Filipinos are gearing up for a well-deserved break, seeking the perfect blend of relaxation and adventure. Whether you're planning a road trip up north or a leisurely drive down south, you can #ReChargeWithSM through an extensive network of FREE Electric Vehicle Charging Stations (EVCS) at SM malls around the Philippines, ensuring your journey is smooth, convenient, and eco-friendly.

Before setting off on your Holy Week adventure, drive worry-free as SM Supermalls' EVCS remain open to serve you, with the exception of The Podium from Maundy Thursday and Good Friday (March 28-29) and SM City Manila, SM San Fernando Downtown and SM San Pedro on Good Friday (March 29).

Now, let's start your #EVTravelsWithSM with scenic routes and exciting destinations for your Holy Week getaway:

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Escape the city heat and head to Tagaytay, where cool breezes and scenic views await. Start your journey from Metro Manila and charge your EV at SM Mall of Asia or SM Sta. Rosa before hitting the road. As you ascend the winding roads to Tagaytay, enjoy panoramic views of Taal Volcano and recharge your vehicle at SM Sta. Rosa if needed. Don't forget to make more happy memories at Sky ranch Tagaytay and pick up some freshly baked goodies such as the famous Tagaytay buko pie or local delicacies like tawilis (freshwater fish) before heading home. With SM Supermalls' EVCS branches ensuring convenience, you can savor the cool mountain air and indulge in Tagaytay's delectable cuisine without worrying about your EV's battery life.

Laguna - Nature's Haven and Cultural Gems

Explore the natural wonders and cultural gems of Laguna, a province teeming with beauty and history. Begin your journey from Metro Manila and charge your EV at SM Mall of Asia or SM BF Paranaque before setting off. Along the way, immerse yourself in nature at Pagsanjan Falls or discover the artistic heritage of Pila town. Make sure to pick up some local delicacies such as espal (rice cake), and artisanal crafts like pottery or wood carvings as pasalubong gifts for your family and friends

Recharge your vehicle at SM San Pedro if needed, and continue your exploration of Laguna's wonders with ease, knowing that SM Supermalls' EVCS branches are there to support your journey.

Batangas - Beach Bliss and Underwater Adventures

Embark on a beach getaway to Batangas, where pristine shores and vibrant marine life await. Start your journey from Metro Manila and charge your EV at SM Mall of Asia or SM BF Paranaque before heading south. Recharge your vehicle at SM Lipa if needed, and continue your beach bliss knowing that SM Supermalls' EVCS branches are there to power your adventure.

Legazpi - Majestic Volcanoes and Pristine Beaches

Discover the majesty of Mayon Volcano and the flavors of Bicolandia in Legazpi, a city steeped in natural beauty and culinary tradition. Begin your journey from Metro Manila and charge your EV at SM Mall of Asia before embarking on the scenic drive to Legazpi. Along the way, marvel at the picturesque landscapes of Sorsogon or the pristine beaches of Caramoan. Recharge your vehicle at SM Legazpi and explore the wonders of Legazpi, from the fiery beauty of Mayon Volcano to the spicy delights of Bicol Express. Grab some pili nuts or pinangat (taro leaves cooked in coconut milk) and souvenir items like miniature Mayon Volcano figurines or intricately woven abaca products before driving home!

Cruising into Holy Week with SM Supermalls EV Charging Stations

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DOST, LGU... (FROM PAGE 8)

(LGUs) to develop. "In crafting Local Climate Change Action Plans (LCCAPs), the focus on mitigating GHG emissions is essential. Having data and information on GHG will allow us to produce a quality LCCAP that can effectively address and intervene in the present local climate problems," said Engr. Emmanuel Causon, resource person from the Mitigation Team of the Climate Change Commission-Central Office.

By the end of the 4-day workshop, the participants are expected to (a) mainstream GHG results to enhanced-LCCAP using prescribed templates; (b) obtain knowledge and skills on greenhouse gas inventory (GHG); (c) enhance the contents of existing LCCAP particularly the goals, options, implementation plan, monitoring and evaluation plan and other sections using STI lens and (d) present the initial output to CCC and DOST-10 for critiquing.

A GHG inventory is an estimate of all emissions and removals of GHG from given sources and sinks within a defined spatial and temporal dimension. It

serves several purposes for countries, not just from a technical and scientific standpoint but also in terms of policy making, and strategic and investment planning.

"This is a very great and memorable event that we can access to our line or partner agency in order to help our constituents," said Hon. Azucena P. Huervas.

This initiative was conducted through the Innovation, Science and Technology for Accelerating Regional Technology-based development (iSTART) Program. **(John Esteward Carcosia, DOST-10)**
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DOST, PLGU... (FROM PAGE 8)

The event was attended by key figures including representatives from the offices of the 1st and 2nd Congressional Districts of Misamis Oriental, Atty. Jay Patrick Buhisan representing Cong Christian Unabia and Mr. Bartholome J. Talja Jr. representing Cong Bambi Emano respectively. Former provincial director of TESDA, Leo V. Velez; PAGRO Head of Misamis Oriental, Dr. Benjamin S. Resma; DOST ITDI MMFPF Project Leader, Engr. Reynaldo Esguerra; and DOST 10 Regional Director, Engr. Romela N. Ratilla.

During the event, speakers expressed their gratitude and commitment to the project, highlighting its potential to empower farmers and promote sustainable development. "We would like to thank the DOST family for choosing the Misamis Oriental sa matagaan ug makadawat sa Mobile Modular Food Processing Facility or FoodtrIP... Salamat kaayo sa opportunity and rest assured that we will use this na makatabang sa katawhan not only in Misamis Oriental, but the entire Region 10,"

[Thank you for the opportunity and rest assured that we will use this [facility] to help the people, not just in Misamis Oriental, but the entire Region 10] said Dr. Benjamin S. Resma, OIC of Provincial Agriculture Office (PAGRO).

Engr. Reynaldo L. Esguerra, MMFPF Project Leader from DOST ITDI,

highlighted the transformative potential of the FoodtrIP in empowering farmers and maintaining GMP standards.

"Itong MMFPF or FoodtrIP is a project of DOST ITDI, but when we launch natin ito, it will now be a project of PAGRO so we will just be here to support PAGRO. This is really in line with the vision of the Governor embodied under his PAGLAUM strategic agenda," emphasized by Engr. Romela N. Ratilla, Regional Director of DOST 10.

Moreover, Mr. Bartholome J. Talja Jr., praised the MMFPF for its contribution to sustainable development and self-sufficiency. Atty. Patrick Jay Buhisan, acknowledged the collaborative effort between government agencies and local stakeholders.

"Development is a lifetime commitment; development is a lifetime struggle. Along with this activity, the turnover of the mobile facility, this is a concrete example or a manifestation of an active collaboration between the national government and the local government unit. There are a lot of projects and programs... but I really believe that this facility really helps a lot of our farmers in Misamis Oriental," highlighted by SP Rey Buhisan, a representative of Gov. Peter M. Unabia.

A three-day training and capacity-building program was also conducted by DOST ITDI in collaboration

with NSB Engineering, the fabricator of the FoodtrIP on March 12-14, 2024 at MOCSO.

The training aimed to equip local stakeholders with the necessary skills and knowledge to maximize the facility's potential.

Additionally, it encompasses the deployment and operation of the facility, detailing its transformation from transit mode to its expanded operational mode.

There are 14 key personnel who participated in the said training, they are trained to handle various equipments of different processes such as peeling machine, slicing machine, blanching equipment, drying machine, packaging machine and moisture analyzer. GMP and food safety are also observed during the training such as wearing of PPE's, the flow of personnel and raw materials were also discussed. The participants were able to create their sample product out of squash and sweet potato.

The launch of the FoodtrIP marks a concrete step towards value adding and development of products from agri-fishery in Misamis Oriental. With the collaborative efforts of government agencies, and local stakeholders, the FoodtrIP aims to support local communities and contribute to economic growth in the region. **(Jenalee S. Saydoquis & Mike Earl B. Otarra/ DOST 10)**
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DOH assures... (FROM PAGE 1)

But Karen knew there was something else wrong. So the next time Richard had a coughing fit, her husband got it on a cellphone video. A nurse practitioner saw it and diagnosed it right away as pertussis.

Richard and his entire family took antibiotics to treat the infection and prevent further spread. Now he's back to health after weeks of illness.

According to the Department of Health (DOH), vaccination is also safe and effective against pertussis.

As of March 25, there are 64,400 doses of "pentavalent" vaccines in

the country. The DOH is expecting 3 million more pentavalent doses arriving at the soonest possible time.

Pentavalent vaccines include protection against "DPT" (Diphtheria, Pertussis, and Tetanus), in addition to Hepatitis B and Hemophilus influenza type B.

Infants as young as 6 weeks may already be given this vaccine for free at government health centers. Children from 1-6 years of age may get a booster dose. Older children, as well as adults are advised to consult a doctor on what vaccine is appropriate.

Pregnant women, on the other hand, may ask about the "Tdap" vaccine, which allows for protection of their soon to be born babies against pertussis.

"The medical field has known pertussis for a long time now. We have antibiotics that can treat it. Vaccines are safe and effective against whooping cough; DOH is redistributing on hand doses to where they are needed the most. In consultation with President Marcos, I have already ordered to fast-track the arrival of 3 million more doses. Please be assured while also being alert. We can fight this," said Health Secretary Dr. Teodoro J. Herbosa.

DOH PRESS RELEASE
MARCH 27, 2024

Pertussis is Treatable and Preventable.

The Department of Health reminds everyone to take care amidst a significant rise in Pertussis cases, emphasizing the availability of treatment and the importance of vaccination to curb the spread of the disease.

more in the caption

DOST, BukSU to boost Talaandig tribe's musical drum-making

The Department of Science and Technology in Region X, in partnership with Bukidnon State University (BukSU) is set to boost the Talaandig tribe's musical drum-making through various innovations. The partnership was launched through the ceremonial turnover of project funds to BukSU on March 6, 2024 in Songco, Lantapan, Bukidnon.

The project fund is allocated to provide a lathe machine and necessary tools to upgrade the creation of musical drums by the Talaandig Artist Organization (TAO). The equipment and tools are designed to significantly improve the process and quality of the musical drums. These musical drums will be sold in cultural centers, museums, and cultural festivals where the TAO is performing in other parts of the country.

This is an initiative under the DOST Community Empowerment Through Science and Technology Program. It will add to the livelihood of the Talaandig Tribe and preserve their cultural

heritage for future generations.

Dr. Joy M. Mirasol, president of BukSU, expressed her full support for the project. Through the Office of the Vice President for Research, Extension, and Innovations (OVPREI), BukSU aims to provide the Talaandig artists with capability building and skills in product development, business and market matching opportunities, and IP protection.

Datu Waway Saway, founder of TAO and an International Talaandig Artist, took note of the genuine skills of their young generation in making musical instruments. "The



dedication of our young generation, with the support of DOST and BukSU, will sustain the production of musical drums and other instruments, the cultural identity of our tribe," he said.

Rodelio Saway Jr. and

Marlon "Tambuly" Necosia, one of the heirs of Datu Waway's masterpiece, recognized the challenges of manual production of musical drums that may wound their hands, produce irregular outputs, and slow production. They partnered

with and are grateful to DOST and BukSU for a science and technology-based innovation.

This project is aligned to the DOST Pillar of Wealth Creation.

This is also aligned to Sustainable Development Goal number 8 of the

United Nations, which aims to Promote sustained, inclusive, and sustainable economic growth, full and productive employment, and decent work for all.

(Jenifer O. Pancho/ DOST 10)
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DTI-Laguna Conducts Livelihood Orientation Seminar to CMDC's Graduates and Trainees

Calamba City — On March 22, 2024, the Calamba Manpower Development Center (CMDC), in collaboration with the Department of Trade and Industry – Laguna Provincial Office (DTI-Laguna), through its Negosyo Centers, spearheaded a livelihood orientation seminar for the graduates and trainees of CMDC held at 3rd floor lobby, New City Hall, Calamba City, Laguna. It was attended and participated in by 262 graduates and trainees from different courses.

The said livelihood orientation program commenced with an opening prayer led by Ms. Zenisa Alinsunurin, followed by the welcome remarks delivered by Mr. Crisolo Gamboa, Senior Manpower Development Officer.

Continuing with the program, Ms. Avegail Agojo, Business Counselor from Bay, led a discussion on how to start a business. She discussed the pros and cons of managing a business based on ownership, as well as the step-by-step process of starting a small business.

Following Agojo's presentation, Ms. Rica Mae Garcia, Business Counselor from Majayjay, tackled business ideas. She presented some small business ideas and the required capital needed to start them, along with the type of business they want to engage with.

The third speaker, Ms. Michelle Caymo, Business Counselor assigned in Nagcarlan, talked about the programs and services offered by the Department, as well as the two (2) divisions it has and

their specific functions.

Next, Garcia imparted knowledge on consumer education, specifically addressing the consumer's eight (8) rights and five (5) responsibilities, which should be practiced and exercised by every consumer.

Lastly, Mr. Carl Eric Villanueva, Business Counselor from Magdalena, provided information on the difference between business and entrepreneurship and the characteristics and traits an entrepreneur must possess. He also named some entrepreneurs who experienced failures and hindrances but remained successful in operating their businesses nowadays.

The event concluded with a question-and-answer portion wherein participants were able to clarify some points and share their insights.

Overall, the seminar received positive comments from the participants and they expressed their satisfaction with the learning activity. (RMEGarcia, DTI-Laguna)



Formula 1 owner Liberty Media to take over MotoGP for \$4.5B

ISTANBUL – Formula One owner Liberty Media has agreed to buy MotoGP from Spain-based owners Dorna in a deal valued at USD4.5 billion (PHP253.8 billion).

"Liberty Media will acquire 86 percent of MotoGP with MotoGP management retaining approximately 14 percent of their equity in the business," the US media conglomerate, which took control of F1 in 2017, said in a statement.

"The transaction reflects an enterprise value for MotoGP of €4.2 billion (USD4.5 billion) and an equity value of €3.5 billion (USD3.7 billion) with

the existing debt balance at MotoGP expected to remain in place after close," it added.

The acquisition is anticipated to be finalized by the end of 2024, pending clearances and approvals from competition and foreign investment law authorities across different jurisdictions.

"We are thrilled to expand our portfolio of leading live sports and

entertainment assets with the acquisition of MotoGP," said Greg Maffei, Liberty Media President and CEO.

"MotoGP is a global league with a loyal, enthusiastic fan base, captivating racing, and a highly cash flow generative financial profile."

The first MotoGP season took place in 1949 with just six rounds of racing. It will host 21 races over 17 countries for this season.

(Anadolu)



Red Bull Ring in Spielberg, Austria on Aug. 20, 2023 (Anadolu)

PH out to host memorable 2025 men's world volleyball championship

MANILA – The Philippines hopes to become one of the best volleyball homecourts when it hosts the FIVB Volleyball Men's World Championship next year.



WORLD HOSTING. Department of Tourism Director for Film and Sports Tourism Roberto Alabado III, Senator Alan Peter Cayetano, Philippine National Volleyball Federation president Ramon Suzara and Cignal TV president Jane Basas (seated behind the table, from left) hold a press conference for the country's hosting of the 2025 FIVB Men's World Championship at Marquis Events Place in Bonifacio Global City, Taguig on Tuesday (March 26, 2024). Thirty-two teams will join the tournament scheduled Sept. 12 to 28, 2025. (PNVF photo)

A total of 32 teams will see action in the Sept. 12 to 28, 2025 tournament, one of the Philippine National Volleyball Federation's (PNVF) efforts to bring the sport closer to Filipinos following the successful staging of the Volleyball Nations League for two years.

"We will make them feel at home right at our own home," PNVF president Tats Suzara said during the press conference at Marquis Events Place in Bonifacio Global City, Taguig on Tuesday.

Suzara was joined by Senator and PNVF chair emeritus Alan Peter Cayetano, Department of Tourism Director for Film and Sports Tourism Roberto Alabado III and Cignal TV president and chief executive officer Jane Basas

"I am ready. We are ready. The team is ready. The Philippines is ready to face the challenges and

fulfill a dream as our hearts beat collectively to serve the sport. If you love volleyball, then you will surely love the Philippines," he added.

Cayetano, who will serve as chair of the local organizing committee like what he did in the successful 2019 Southeast Asian Games hosting, eyes another legacy for the country.

"It's how we, as a people, welcome the rest of the world. I believe that our hope in a successful hosting will be by faith and action -- faith in God and action as a community. I believe that it's time for the world volleyball to see how united the Philippine volleyball community is," said Cayetano.

FIVB president Ary Graca is expecting a one-of-a-kind world championship.

"We are confident that the Philippines will host an extraordinary World

Championship that will leave a lasting legacy and help cultivate an even brighter future for our sport globally," Graca said following the announcement of the Philippines as solo host at the FIVB headquarters in Lausanne, Switzerland last week.

The Department of Tourism will extend its full support to the hosting of the biggest volleyball event in the world.

"We like to assure and ensure that DOT fully supports this event. We are here to make the experience of spectators, players and visitors during this world championship in the Philippines very unforgettable," Alabado said.

The draw will be held in Manila exactly a year before the first serve on Sept. 12, marking the country's year-long countdown and the start of the national team buildup. (PNA)

PSC Indigenous Peoples Games set April 19-20 in Ilocos Sur

MANILA – The Philippine Sports Commission (PSC)-organized Indigenous Peoples (IP) Games will kick off with the Luzon leg in Salcedo, Ilocos Sur on April 19 and 20.



INDIGENOUS PEOPLES GAMES. Philippine Sports Commissioner Fritz Gaston (right) discusses the Indigenous Peoples Games during the Philippine Sportswriters Association Forum at the Rizal Memorial Sports Complex in Manila on Tuesday (April 2, 2024). Gaston, joined by his executive assistant Elias Samorin, announced that the IP Games will kick off with the Luzon leg in Salcedo, Ilocos Sur on April 19. (PNA photo by Jess Escaros)

The PSC has been holding the IP Games since 2018 as part of its mandate to showcase and preserve traditional and indigenous sports like pana (archery), sumpit (blowgun), k a d a n g - k a d a n g (bamboo stilt game), trumpo (spinning top) and javelin.

"We want to hold the Games in regions where there are many tribes," PSC Commissioner Fritz Gaston said during Tuesday's Philippine

Sportswriters Association (PSA) Forum at Rizal Memorial Sports Complex in Manila.

The IP Games made a successful comeback last year in Palawan after it was shelved during the pandemic.

After Luzon, the PSC is eyeing stops in Bacolod for the Visayas leg and General Santos City for Mindanao IPs.

"If you look at it, there are many events here that are being played in the Olympics, like their versions of javelin and

archery," explained Gaston.

During each leg, there will be an IP forum that will discuss the importance of the communities and the need to promote their culture among the younger generation.

"We are expecting to see a bigger number of participants this year, with over a thousand for all the legs. We might even have an additional leg for Bangsamoro," Gaston said. (PNA)

Senior citizen commission designs programs to promote overall well-being of elderly

The National Commission of Senior Citizens (NCSC) is designing several programs that center on promoting the dignity, security, and well-being of elders in the country.



NCSC Commissioner Ida Yap-Patron discusses Republic Act 11350, or the National Commission of Senior Citizens (NCSC) Act, and its programs to promote the welfare of the Filipino senior citizens.

Dr. Ida Yap-Patron, Commissioner IV of NCSC Cluster 8 covering Regions XI and XIII, has emphasized that senior citizens can still contribute to nation-building by promoting their active citizenship, facilitating their development, and empowering them as lifelong learners.

"We also assure effective implementation for the advancement of active, productive, and healthy aging, establishing and enabling an environment for older persons," she said during her guest appearance on Gobyernong Balitaan radio program of the Philippine Information Agency Davao Occidental over Energy FM Digos.

With the vision of Republic Act 11350, also known as the National Commission of Senior Citizens (NCSC) Act, key programs for senior citizens are being enhanced and will be introduced in the near future.

Yap-Patron, cited for instance, the Senior Citizens' Action for Development and Nation-Building (SECADNA) program, which aims to create livelihood programs in communities and expand existing ones, potentially guiding senior citizens in sustaining their daily lives.

Another program is Wellness, Health, Emergency Response, and Benefits (WHEREB), which

focuses on monitoring the overall wellness and health of senior citizens. Yap-Patron introduced the concept of "social prescribing," which means that older people should be part of a community where they can engage in conversations and relate to one another.

"Social prescribing ang tagaw nila diyan. Sige'g yawyaw ang ating mga katigulangan at kailangan nilang pakinggan, kaya mag create tayo ng isang environment na pwede silang mag sharing doon, maglaro, sayaw-sayaw," she explained.

(They call it social prescribing.. Our elders often love to chat and it's important to listen to them. So, let's create an environment where they can share, play, and even dance if they like.)

Moreover, the Senior Citizens' Unit for Rights Enforcement (SECURE) program intends to assist senior citizens who are victims of abuse, while the Social Pension, Centenarian Benefits, Assistance to Older Persons in Need (SOCPEN) provides cash assistance to indigent senior citizens based on their qualifications.

"Sa Davao, our senior citizens are lucky because they will also receive a counterpart of P100,000 in assistance for older persons in need from the local government unit," Yap-Patron shared.

She also mentioned

another program dubbed as PROPLALL, or the Programs, Plans, and Legislative Liaison, which centers on creating legislation through liaison, such as gathering senior citizens for conferences or summits to hear their suggestions, issues, and concerns as well as proposed solutions.

The NCSC will also push for the implementation of the Inter-Agency Coordination, which aims to establish constant coordination and partnership with various agencies, including the Office for Senior Citizens Affairs, Senior Citizens Association, LGUs, non-government organizations, and World Health Organization.

"We also need the help of LGUs. Malaking tulong (It's a big help), so we need to be coordinated. We have to have liaisons or linkages with the LGUs," Yap-Patron emphasized.

A program on PACE, or the Participation, Communication, and Education, will also assist senior citizens who wish to go back to school and pursue education by providing support and resources.

Meanwhile, the Risk Assessment and Security Management Unit (RASMU) intends to prioritize senior citizens in crisis preparedness, such as floods, fires, and earthquakes, as they are the most vulnerable to such events.

Moreover, an Information and Communication Technology/Management Information System (ICT/MIS) will be put in place to include an elderly management system to manage senior citizens personal data both online and offline.

Yap-Patron also brought up a vision for creating inclusive residential facilities with reference to Japan's community-based nursing homes for the elderly.

"Ang gusto natin ma create yong facilities na inclusive. Meaning to say na hindi natin ihwalay ang nakakatanda sa kanyang community. So it's a community that includes everybody," she said.

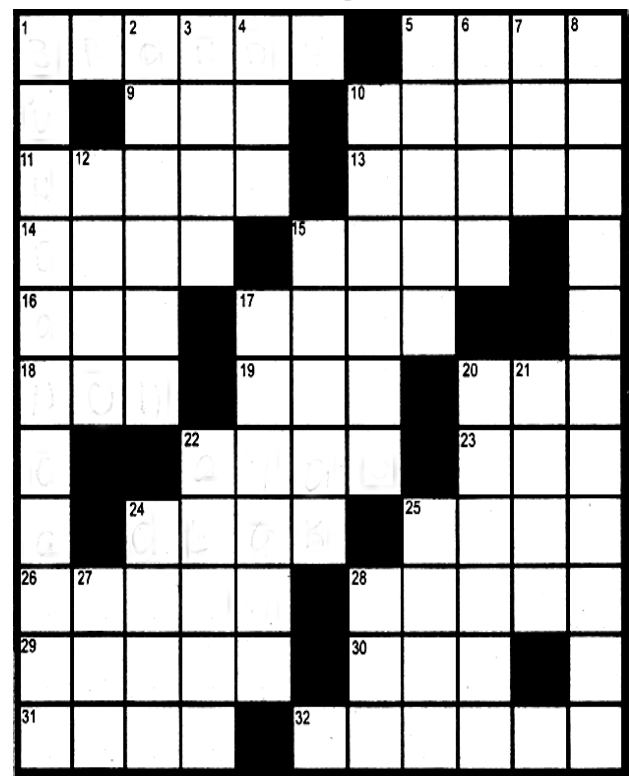
(We want to create facilities that are inclusive, meaning that we will not separate the elderly from their community.)

"So our residential care focuses more on social welfare. Maliit lang. Na-isolate sila sa community. Wala ang presence ng ibang member ng family," she added.

(It's just small. They are isolated from the community. There is no presence of other members of the family.)

Yap-Patron said that four residential facilities have already been established in Tanay, Rizal, Quezon City, Tagum City, and Zamboanga. (NCAE/PIA Davao intern/Thumbnail photo from PhilHealth)

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Ang kape ay may mahigit 1,000 chemical compounds na nagbibigay lasa dito.

Cavite forensics unit donates blood for indigent patients

IMUS CITY, Cavite (PIA) – The Cavite Provincial Forensic Unit (CPFU) has turned over 60 bags of blood to a blood bank that caters to poor and underprivileged patients.



The blood was collected during the recently concluded bloodletting activity.

The activity, which was the ninth of a bi-yearly program, was participated in by officers from the CPFU, Bureau of Fire Protection (BFP), Naval Reserve Command, and various civil society and volunteer organizations.

According to CPFU chief Lt. Col. Oliver Dechitan, the event was inspired by his personal experience which

led him to organize the activity twice a year to cater to the needs of the poor citizens who are in dire need of blood in times of emergency.

“We would like the public to know, especially those who are in dire need of blood, that [CPFU] do not just resolve crime, but we are also committed to help the public progress,” Dechitan said.

Each blood bag weighs 440cc each and were stored

in the blood bank of Ospital ng Imus which are ready to be used by disadvantaged patients who will need urgent blood supply.

Dechitan vows that the advocacy of the unit will persist for more years to come, as they celebrate the nearly five year anniversary of helping the poor and disadvantaged sectors in the province through advocacy and outreach programs. **(RF/PIA-Cavite)**

DOST, LGU Valencia holds workshop on Greenhouse Gas Inventory with Climate Change Commission

The Department of Science and Technology in Region X, in partnership with the Local Government of Valencia City, Bukidnon, holds a four-day workshop on Greenhouse Gas Inventory with the Climate Change Commission on March 6-10, 2024 at Sophie Red Hotel, Jasaan, Misamis Oriental.

The training-workshop is designed to capacitate LGU Valencia's department heads and staff about process and procedures in conducting inventory for Greenhouse Gas using CCC toolkit and incorporating Science, Technology, and Innovation (STI) lens in the process.

“Understanding and addressing greenhouse gas emissions at the



community level is not just an environmental responsibility, but also one that will promote health, prosperity, and resilience of our communities for generations to come,” said Mr Lourd Jaynel Salido, resource person from Strategic Partnership Division of Climate Change Commission-Central Office.

Republic Act 9729, commonly referred to as the Climate Change Act of 2009, acknowledges the critical role of local governments as frontline agencies responsible for formulating, planning, and executing climate change action plans. Salido added that this role can be maximized through the development of Local Climate Change Action Plans, which are mandatory for local government units **► DOST, LGU • 4**

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DOST, PLGU MisOr launches Mindanao's first FoodtrIP

The Department of Science and Technology in Region X, and the Provincial Government of Misamis Oriental launches Mindanao's first Food-on-the-Road Innovation and Processing Facility (FoodtrIP) in the Municipality of Claveria on March 13, 2024.



Developed and designed by the DOST Industrial Technology Development Institute (ITDI), the FoodtrIP or Mobile Modular Food Processing Facility (MMFPF) is housed within a 32-foot van to support agri-fisheries value-adding. Compliant with Good Manufacturing Practices (GMP), the facility aims to assist local communities in utilizing high value and surplus agricultural produce.

Currently in its training and development phase, the FoodtrIP serves as both an on-site food processing training and demonstration facility for agricultural products in the Municipality of Claveria and other places where it is needed.

The launching was conducted at the Misamis Oriental Center for Sustainable Development (MOCSD) formerly known as Misamis Oriental Provincial Development Complex (MOPADC). **► DOST, PLGU • 4**



PROACTIVE PREPARATION FOR PERTUSSIS: Nakipagpulong tayo kasama si Municipal Administrator Engr. Rey Victor Santos, at RHU Nurse Jonathan Kupahu upang mapagplanuhan ang ating Pertussis Outbreak Response Plan upang maging handa tayo sa worst-case scenario na pagkalat ng sakit na ito. Sa ngayon ay 0 cases tayo sa ating Kawit pero kailangan pa rin na handa tayo. Katulad ng masigasig na paghahanda natin noong kasagsagan ng COVID-19, mas pagbubutihin pa natin ang paghahanda para sa nakahahawang sakit na ito. Muli po nating inaanyayahan ang ating mga kababayan, lalo na ang mga may anak na sanggol, na makipag-ugnayan sa Kawit RHU para sa mga bakuna na kailangan ng inyong anak. Makakaasa rin po kayo na kasama ang Kawit RHU, sineseryoso natin ang pagtutok sa pertussis upang masiguro ang kaligtasan ng ating Kawit. **#AlagangAngeloAguinaldo #RatedTripleA #PusoAtMalasakitParaSaAtingKawit #MayorAguinaldo**