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# MPT South Conducts 'Linis Barangay' Clean-Up Drive

Metro Pacific Tollways South (MPT South), a subsidiary under the umbrella of Metro Pacific Tollways Corporation (MPTC), proudly announces the successful execution of its recently inaugurated 'Linis Barangay' greening initiative program. The initiative commenced in Barangay Biga II, Silang, Cavite in April, followed by a subsequent launch in Brgy. Aplaya, Kawit, Cavite this May.

This project underscores MPT South's initiative-taking stance in supporting barangays within its host local government units (LGUs) by aiding in their weekly cleanup drive initiatives. The enthusiastic involvement of the community during these events underscores a collective dedication to environmental preservation.

Various divisions and departments of MPT South, including Communication and Stakeholder Management, Tollway Development Engineering - Project Management Department, and Project Support Services Department, collaborated with project contractors, barangay officials, and volunteers to execute the clean-up activities effectively.

To facilitate these efforts, MPT South supplied essential cleaning materials such as brooms, dustpans, garbage bags, rakes, and shovels. **MPT SOUTH • 4** 

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# Career Caravan in City of Bacoor

The Cavite Career Caravan, held on June 20, 2024, at NOMO Vista Mall in the City of Bacoor, spearheaded by the Office of the Provincial Public Employment Service Manager (OPPESM) in partnership with the Provincial Sangguniang Kabataan Federation, the local government of the City of Bacoor, and the Public Employment Service Office (PESO) Bacoor highlighted the power of collaboration in bringing service closer to people.



The event commenced with opening remarks from Dr. Abraham D. de Castro, Department Head of PESO Bacoor, followed by a welcome message from Mr. Demetrio C. Villanueva III, Labor and Employment Officer I at OPPESM. Honorable Chelsea Jillian G. Sarno provided an inspirational message to the jobseekers, encouraging them to seize the opportunities presented. Honorable Palm Angel S. Buncio, SK Federation President of the City of Bacoor, also showed support for the program, motivating the attendees. The presence and support of DOLE Provincial Director Marivic B. Martinez added to the event's significance.

The caravan saw substantial engagement, with 31 local companies participating and offering a wide range of job opportunities. The event attracted 397 applicants, with 26 individuals securing immediate employment, demonstrating CAREER • 4

# Two DOST Region 02 Women Earn Certification as CagVal RPGRPs

The Department of Science and Technology (DOST) Region 02 is proud to announce that two of its empowered women, Ms. Aileen Gonzales and Ms. Rowena A. Guzman, are part of the historic first batch of the Regional Pool of Gender and Development Resource Persons (RPGRPs) for Cagayan Valley.



Ms. Gonzales and Ms. Guzman, both Science Research Specialists II, dedicated themselves to rigorous training sessions and workshops conducted by the Regional Gender and Development Committee (RGADC) since September 2023. Their perseverance culminated in their certification as RPGRPs during a ceremony held last June 4, 2024, at Batanes State College.

This certification allows Ms. Gonzales, Ms. Guzman, and the six other certified RPGRPs to conduct Gender and Development (GAD) training across Cagayan Valley. Their expertise will be instrumental in promoting gender equality and women's empowerment throughout the region.

The RGADC, the regional counterpart of the National Gender and Development Resource Program (NGRP), is a committee in the Philippines that works on gender equality and women's empowerment. It serves to: **TWO DOST • 4** 

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# NEWS

# DTI-Laguna Conducts Seminar on Understanding Intellectual Property Rights and Branding your Business for Majayjay MSMEs

Majayjay, Laguna — On June 21, 2024, the Department of Trade and Industry – Laguna Provincial Office (DTI-Laguna), through Negosyo Center Majayjay and in partnership with the Local Government Unit of Majayjay, conducted a seminar entitled "Understanding Intellectual Property Rights and Branding Your Business" at the 2nd floor ABC Hall, Municipal Building, Majayjay, Laguna. The event ran from 8:30 AM to 12:00 NN and was attended by new and existing micro, small, and medium enterprises (MSMEs) from various sectors who are based in the said municipality.

The primary objective of the seminar is to equip MSMEs to have a c o m p r e h e n s i v e understanding on intellectual property rights and their significance in the context of branding. This knowledge is deemed crucial for effectively protecting trademarks and driving business success.

The program commenced with an opening prayer and the singing of the Philippine National Anthem. This was followed by a warm welcome remarks delivered by Hon. Romeo P. Amorado, the Municipal Mayor of Majayjay, Laguna, who emphasized the importance of the seminar for the local business community.

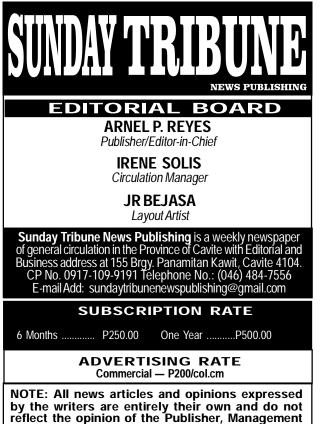
The first session was led by Mr. Joel Caalaman, an Intellectual Property Field Specialist from IPSO CALABARZON. He provided a comprehensive overview of the intellectual property rights, elucidating the distinctions among trademark, patent, and copyright applications.

of this Publication.

Caalaman also introduced some incentive programs designed to assist MSMEs, such as "Juana Make a Mark," which allows eligible MSMEs to register their trademarks at a reduced cost.

Following this, Mr. Nico Toriano, a Business Counsellor from Negosyo Center Lumban, discussed the crucial role of branding in business. He clarified how branding differs from marketing and offered valuable insights into building a strong brand. Toriano also shared practical tips and highlighted common challenges and pitfalls that businesses may encounter in the branding process.

Overall, the seminar received positive feedback from the participants who expressed their satisfaction with the learning activity. It provided a rich learning experience, equipping them with essential knowledge and tools to protect their intellectual property and enhance their business branding (RMEGarcia, DTI-Laguna).





Medical and Dental Mission brings vital services to Brgy. San Juan, Dasmarinas City: A highly successful medical and dental mission was held in Brgy. San Juan, Dasmarinas City, benefiting 409 residents. The event featured comprehensive medical check-ups, dental extractions, ECGs, and X-rays, as well as the distribution of prescription medicines, supplements, and mosquito repellent lotion. The GEAMH medical team, composed of Dr. Merry Louise Bautista, Dr. Divine T. Caballon, Dr. Darieane B. Pelicano, and midwives, alongside the Carsigma District Hospital team led by Dr. Maria Imelda C. Simon, showcased their unwavering service and professionalism, ensuring that each resident received thorough and compassionate care. The collaboration between local officials, medical practitioners, and staff was instrumental in the event's success. Of the 409 beneficiaries, 354 received medical check-ups, 55 underwent dental extractions, 26 had X-rays, and 28 received ECGs. Residents expressed their gratitude for the much-needed healthcare services, highlighting the positive impact on the community's overall well-being. Barangay Chairperson Atanacio Cantimbuhan Jr., the council, and Barangay Health Workers (BHWs) played a significant role in the mission's success through their dedicated collaboration and support. (OPIO)

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### Toy Collectors... \_(FROM PAGE 8)-

exhibiting his huge action figures in one large venue. Collect and Meet

Collectors had the chance to expand their treasure troves with Bazfam Studio's irresistible array of limited-edition action figures.

Industry insiders like Nixon of NTOYS SHOP, Krazykyle The Filipino Picker, and Jason Fernandez of NTOYS SOUTH, were present, sharing valuable insights from the world of toy

collection. The anticipation peaked at the first zap of Toy Fezt 2.0, where heroes awaited at SM City Bacoor. Enthusiasts from all over the South, including those who are in Bicol Region, are invited to join this ultimate celebration of fandom as another

toyverse of collectibles displayed at SM City Sorsogon. This exhibit will

continue to travel from SM City Bacoor to all SM malls in South Luzon until 2025. Next stop is SM City Sta.Rosa, so watch out! Don't miss out on this unique opportunity to immerse yourself in the world of action figures and collectibles. Be part of the excitement and celebrate your favorite characters at Toy Fezt 2.0!



These anime classics from your favorite Japanese cartoons are also showcased at the exhibit.

### DOST Rizal...

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procedures were followed.

Mr. R-jay M. Salabao

briefed the team on

following the Philippine

National Standards for

Drinking Water 2017

(a.k.a. Administrative

Order No. 2017-0010) and

the equipment and

consumables to be used

into three (3) groups and

tasked to collect water

The team was divided

for collecting samples.

samples

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springwaters (poso), deepwells (balon), and river reservoir. Five water sources were collected in Brgy. Mascap on the first day, and another five in Brgy. Puray on the second day. The collected water samples were delivered to the DOST CALABARZON's Regional Standards and Testing Laboratory (RSTL) for microbiological testing of heterotrophic plate count and total fecal/

coliform count.

The results of the tests will determine the necessary interventions to ensure the communities have access to safe drinking water.

In the long-term, the CEST program's water quality monitoring efforts can contribute to the sustainable development of Rodriguez and other communities by creating a healthier and more productive environment for residents. (By Arthea Marie M. Genova)



Members and dependents can now avail of the <b>Z Benefits Package for</b> <b>Breast Cancer</b> up to Php1.4M!									
	PACKAGE RATES								
SERVICES	RANGE OF PACKAGE	CO-PAYMENT							
Diagnostic Tests Prognostication	1,000 – 3,500 1,400 – 10,000	Not to exceed the line item equivalent of the package rate							
Surgical Procedure	30,000 - 140,000	Not to exceed the package rate; No co-payment in basic or ward accommodation							
Hormonotherapy (2 tranches)	2,700 – 18,000 (per tranche)	Not to exceed the package rate per monthly prescription							
Cytotoxic Chemotherapy	122,000 - 198,000 (for complete cycle) Three different chemotherapy protocols: a. 55,000 + 67,000 = 122,000 b. 43,920 + 154,080 = 198,000 c. 185,010	Not to exceed the package rate per cycle							
Targeted therapy (3 tranches)	1,000,008 (maximum of 18 cycles)	No co-payment							
Surveillance Basic services: Specific Services:	300 - 2,500 2,500 - 4,000	Not to exceed the line item equivalent of the package rate							

# Reminders in availing the Z Benefits Package for Breast Cancer

A Z Benefits Coordinator is assigned in contracted health facility to guide patients in the availment process.

No co-payment shall be charged for services rendered on patients admitted in basic or ward accommodation.

Co-payment or additional charges may be charged for amenities or upgrade of services not covered by the Z Benefits Package, but not to exceed the package rate of PhilHealth.

No direct filing of claims by the members/beneficiaries. All Z Benefits claims shall be filed by the contracted HF.

No co-payment shall be charged for Targeted Therapy. Know more about co-payment.

Co-payment varies per contracted HF because not all items or facilities may be allowed to charge co-payment and depends on the negotiation during the co-payment proposal to PhilHealth prior contracting.

### **Z Benefits Package for Breast Cancer**

For member diagnosed with breast cancer clinical stage o Ductal Carcinoma in Situ (DCIS) up to stage 4:

- Go to the nearest contracted HF of Z Benefits Package for Breast Cancer
- Look for the Z Benefits coordinator assigned by the contracted HF
- The contracted health facility (contracted HF) shall get the pre-authorization approval from PhilHealth
- Approval from PhilHealth within in seven (7) working days 10 The contracted HF will plan and set the schedule of your
- Œ treatment
- Your compliance to treatment schedule is a must! 12

For more inquiries, visit www.philhealth.gov.ph or call our 24/7 Hotline (02) 8662-2588.



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### MPT South...

provisions These significantly contributed to the efficiency of the cleanup endeavors.

Expressing gratitude for the initiative, Barangay Captain Joseline Revilla remarked, "Nagpapasalamat kami sa pamunuan ng CALAX sa pagvolunteer sa paglilinis dito sa inyong kapitbahay na barangay, Brgy. Biga II, Silang.

Malaking bagay po ito pati na rin ang donasyon niyong karagdagang cleaning materials para magamit namin sa mga susunod pa na proyekto," said Barangay Captain Joseline Revilla.

"We extend our heartfelt appreciation to the leadership of CALAX for volunteering in the cleanup drive here in our neighboring barangay, Brgy. Biga II, Silang. This significant is of importance, as well as

your donation of additional cleaning materials, which we can utilize for future

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projects. The Linis Barangay project was designed by MPT South to collaborate with different barangays within its host communities, engaging in monthly clean-up drives to promote cleanliness and sanitation. MPT South remains committed to fostering a cleaner and healthier environment through volunteer engagement and partnerships with local authorities.

Expressing appreciation for the inaugural 'Linis Barangay' Clean-Up Drive, Ms. Arlette V. Capistrano, Vice President for Communication and Stakeholder Management Division of MPT South, stated,

'Kami'y lubos na nagpapasalamat sa aming

mga volunteer employees na nakilahok sa kaunaunahang 'Linis Barangay' Clean-Up Drive. Sa pamamagitan ng mga ganitong klaseng programa, maliit man o malaki, tayo'y nakatutulong sa ating mga kapit-bahay na barangay. Makakaasa kayo na mas maraming partnership pa ang aming bubuuin para sa pagpapatuloy ng 'Linis Barangay' project," said Ms. Arlette V. Capistrano, Vice President for Communication and Stakeholder Management Division of MPT South.

"We are deeply grateful to our employee volunteers who participated in the pioneering 'Linis Barangay' Clean-Up Drive. Through initiatives like this, whether small or large, we contribute to our neighboring barangays. Rest assured; we are forging more partnerships for the continuous success of the 'Linis Barangay'



project.

MPTC, as the largest toll road developer and operator in the Philippines, oversees a vast network of

toll roads, including CALAX, Manila-Cavite Expressway (CAVITEX), North Luzon Expressway (NLEX), NLEX Connector

Road, Subic-Clark-Tarlac Expressway (SCTEX), and Cebu-Cordova Link Expressway (CCL EX) in Cebu



### Caviteñas...

the bridge that brought

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The services offered included eye check-ups, chem12 laboratory tests, and chest x-rays, which were made possible through the help of Health Ridge Medical Services, with their consultation with Inc. This institution was

essential healthcare services closer to the doorstep of those in need. As the event concluded, 243 Mendezeños availed the services provided. They will, then, continue

following week after releasing the results of their tests.

This collaborative effort demonstrates the dedication of the provincial government in empowering the community, most importantly the kababaihan and binibini of Cavite. (OPIO)

### EXTRA-JUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF BANK DEPOSIT OF THE LATE TERESITA **REYES SOLIS**

the medical specialists the

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN TO THE PUBLIC THAT This Deed made and executed by and among: 1. REGINA SOLIS SIERRA married to Russel Tanagras Sierra, of legal age, Filipino citizen and a resident of Querubin Subdivision, Brgy. Ibayo Silangan, Naic, Cavite; and 2. RUTHER JIM SOLIS married to Maria Cecilia Villados Solis, of legal age, Canadian citizen and presently residing at 301-1222 Plessis Road Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada R2C3L3, hereby: DECLARE AND MAKE MANIFEST: 1. THAT, we are the only legitimate heirs being the only surviving children of the deceased TERESITA REYES SOLIS, who died on June 29, 2023 at Naic. Cavite; 2. THAT, at the time of her death, the deceased TERESITA REYES SOLIS was a resident of Naic, Cavite and died without any obligation to any person or persons and died without any will; 3. THAT, the deceased, TERESITA REYES SOLIS left a Bank Deposit in Bank of the Philippine Islands (BPI), Rosario, Cavite branch, a peso saving deposit account under Account No. 001003-1636-67 amounting to SIX HUNDRED TWO THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED FIFTY FIVE PESOS & 04/100 CENTS (PHP602.255.04); 4. THAT WE, hereby divide and adjudicate as we have hereby divided and adjudicated among ourselves the above-described Bank Deposit including all our interests and participation, equally, Pursuant to Sec. 1 Rule 74 of the Revised Rules of Court. This has been the subject of EXTRA-JUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF BANK DEPOSIT OF THE LATE TERESITA REYES SOLIS duly executed on the 7th day of June 2023 at Naic, Cavite, Philippines by the Heirs before Notary Public Atty. Jose A. Mendoza, as per Doc. No. 62, Page No. 14, Book No. XXIV, Series of 2024.

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# Career...

its critical role in addressing the employment needs of the province.

Additionally, representatives from various national government agencies, including SSS, Pag-ibig, Philhealth, TESDA, PSA, BIR, and NBI, were

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valuable information and assistance regarding government programs and services relevant to employment and social welfare, enhancing the support available to

Cavite Career Caravan

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Coordinate gender-related activities across different organizations in the region; Recommend policies to promote gender equality and women's empowerment to a higher governing body, the Regional Development Council and Ensure effective coordination of

jobseekers. The success of the

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efforts to mainstream Gender and Development (GAD) principles in regional

programs, projects, and activities. This achievement highlights the agency's commitment to GAD initiatives. The fact that the RGADC Chair, Dr. Cagayan Virginia G. Bilgera, is from



job seekers and fosterina economic growth and prosperity in Cavite. DOST Region

was attributed to the

unwavering support and

collaboration of all

participating companies

and government agencies.

Government of Cavite

appreciation to all

contributors for their

dedication to empowering

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2 demonstrates their active involvement in GADrelated programs.

empowering By individuals like Ms. Gonzales and Ms. Guzman, the RGADC strengthens its capacity to advocate for gender equality and ensure that women's voices are heard in Valley's development plans.

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# DTI-Laguna, CMDC Orient 300 Students and Trainees from Various Fields on Livelihood and Entrepreneurship

Calamba City — The Calamba Manpower Development Center (CMDC), in collaboration with the Laguna Provincial Office of the Department of Trade and Industry (DTI-Laguna), successfully conducted its Livelihood Orientation Program at the Lina Lajara Chipeco Hall Central II in Calamba City, Laguna, on June 14, 2024.



The event was attended by over 300 students and trainees who are potential business owners from various fields such as Metal Arc Welding, Bread & Pastry Production, Food & Beverages NC II, Hair Care, Massage Wellness, Beauticians, Contact Center Services, Teaching English, Culinary Arts, Aircon Technicians, Electricians NC II, Dress Making NC II,

Hairdressers, and Computer Aided Designs & Mechanics.

The program began with encouraging opening remarks from the Department Head of the City Social Services, Ms. Celina Manabat, stating that "We want you to listen and learn from this seminar...so please follow the house rules, so that you will go home not empty-handed." Unfortunately, Hon. City Mayor Roseller Rizal was unable to attend the event due to the numerous graduation ceremonies he was attending. However, his message was delivered by his Executive Assistant. The message conveyed encouragement to the participants who aspire to learn from the program and become successful business owners someday. It also included a message

# NGCP's Mariveles-Hermosa-San Jose 500kV Line now at full 8,000MW capacity

On 23 June 2024, NGCP energized the Hermosa-San Jose 500-kiloVolt (kV) transmission line at its full 8,000 MegaWatts (MW) capacity.

A part of the Mariveles-Hermosa-San Jose 500kV facility, the line will accommodate an additional 2,200MW of supply from new power plants in Bataan and Zambales to the rest of the Luzon grid.

Line 1 was already energized on 27 May 2023 to accommodate power generation in Bataan with a 2,000MW transfer capacity, only a quarter of its full capacity pending the completion of the then unfinished portion of the line, and was fully completed on 19 May 2024, enabling a 4,000MW line capacity. The full

capacity. The full completion of Line 2 will accommodate 8,000MW in generation capacity, more than enough for existing and any incoming generation.

"NGCP completes this landmark energy project under the leadership and guidance of Pres. Ferdinand Marcos, Jr. This marks the full completion and energization at full capacity of this critical facility, strengthening and expanding the grid under NGCP," the company said. The Mariveles-Hermosa-San Jose 500kV

line is comprised of 395 transmission towers, 275.6 circuit kilometers of transmission lines, 2 new substations, and 2,000 MVA in substation capacity.

While certified as an Energy Project of National Significance (EPNS), the project still encountered various difficulties particularly on right-ofway due to opposition of landowners, long and tedious judicial processes, and protracted permitting process by local government units.

In July 2023, a portion of the line, owned by Phirst Park Homes, Inc., was the subject of a Temporary Restraining Order (TRO) issued by the Supreme Court. NGCP immediately stopped activities along Towers 170-178, stalling the ongoing stringing of the line's remaining circuit from July 2023 to April 2024.

The Mariveles-Hermosa-San Jose transmission line project was filed with the Energy Regulatory Commission (ERC) at a project cost of PhP 20.94 Billion. Its full completion and energization at full capacity are critical in accommodating additional power generation to the grid to prevent Luzon-wide power interruptions. Of the actual cost of the Hermosa-San Jose line component of the project, the ERC has allowed NGCP to recover only PhP19 Million, or only 0.1% of the cost of the project. "With the completion of this critical project, NGCP is optimistic that the ERC will act on the overdue recoveries applied for by NGCP," the company added.

NGCP assures the public and its stakeholders that it will continue to deliver on its commitment to improve, expand, strengthen, and reinforce the country's power grid.



of hope, assuring them that the good government of Calamba will always be there to support them every step of the way.

The seminar was facilitated by Mr. Lawrence Flores, DTI-Laguna Negosyo Center Business Counselor of Santa Cruz. The program covered a range of essential topics designed to prepare the attendees for entrepreneurship.

One of the key topics was "Business Ideas," which was discussed by Ms. Trixia Mae Sulte, Business Counselor from Negosyo Center Liliw, aiming to set the participants' minds on the field or type of business they wanted to pursue.

The next topic was "How to Start Your Business," discussed by Ms. Avegail Agojo, Business Counselor from Negosyo Center Bay, wherein essential insights into the key steps for starting a business, including the necessary procedures and requirements, were provided.

Additionally, a discussion on DTI Programs and Services was also tackled, giving the participants with valuable insights into the Department of Trade and Industry (DTI) as a business partner, detailing the various programs and services offered by the DTI to support entrepreneurs. Then, Consumer Education was discussed by Mr. Kim Carlo Palacio, Business Counselor from Negosyo Center Siniloan, emphasizing the rights and responsibilities of consumers, providing crucial information to help attendees understand and navigate consumer protection laws and regulations.

After the participants had ideas on what business to choose, understood how to start their business, learned about DTI programs and services, and grasped the rights and responsibilities of consumers, the final topic "The Entrepreneurial Mindsetting" was delivered by Ms. Lyka Grace Postrado, Business Counselor from Negosyo Center Victoria. Postrado began her topic with an entertaining activity designed to showcase the participants' creativity and innovativeness—key traits for an entrepreneurial mindset. Furthermore, she explained the difference between the mindset of a

business owner and that of an entrepreneur. The interactive discussion inspired participants by presenting examples of successful entrepreneurs who started from nothing and rose to the top of the business world.

The sessions were highly interactive, with participants eagerly engaging in discussions. A question-and-answer portion was also facilitated, providing valuable insights and addressing the concerns of the participants. This comprehensive program aimed to equip the attendees with the knowledge and skills necessary to successfully start and manage their own businesses.

In conclusion, the livelihood orientation program of CMDC, in partnership with DTI-Laguna, made а significant stride toward empowering aspiring business owners on their journey into the business world. DTI remains committed to its mission of enabling innovative, competitive, jobgenerating, and inclusive businesses, while also empowering consumers (LAFlores, DTI-Laguna).



COURTESY VISIT: Binisita po tayo sa ating Tanggapan ngayong araw ni CATHERINE DIANNE B. DUCOT, scholar po natin mula sa GMA, Cavite na magtatapos ngayong Linggo. Siya po ay magtatapos sa kursong BS Psychology with Special Academic Award. Congratulations sa'yo Catherine at kami ay lubos na humahanga sa iyo. Ang iyong kwento ay patunay na hindi hadlang ang kapansanan sa pagkamit ng iyong mga pangarap sa buhay. #CarSiGMA #LGUCarmona #BayanMunaLagi #DapatAngatLahat



# **SPORTS**

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# FIFA eyes Cebu City for Futsal Women's World Cup in 2025 CEBU CITY – The Fédération Internationale de Football Association (FIFA)

is eyeing Cebu City as host for the first-ever Futsal Women's World Cup in November 2025, a sports official said on Monday.

John Anthony Gutierrez, the Philippine Football Federation (PFF) president, said the international sports event was awarded to the Philippines after beating six other countries, including Lithuania, Spain and Italy in a bidding.

Gutierrez visited the Cebu City Hall on Monday to ask for support, saying that FIFA is looking for a suitable football field and facilities around Cebu City where 16 countries will be participating in the World Cup.

"We're looking at having some of the games played semi-finals, quarter-finals, or even the finals if we find a good, enough venue," Gutierrez told reporters here in an interview at the city hall.

Gutierrez said the 16 countries would play the qualifying rounds for the World Cup here next year.

The futsal team from the Philippines will automatically play as a

privilege being the host country. FIFĂ, he said, chose Cebu City because of the "healthy football

community" here. In a separate press Raymond Alvin Garcia pledged the support of the city government, saying the capital city is prepared to host such an international sports event. to

"One of our thrusts is really to bring all these big events here in Cebu City because of sports tourism (program). It is also something that is an opportunity for the city of Cebu to be able to expand our tourism," Garcia said.

Garcia vowed to help the organizers find a good venue for the game.

Cebu City will be hosting next month's Palarong here even eliminations, conference, Acting Mayor Pambansa 2024. (PNA)

# Ajido pads gold haul to 8 in National Age Group Swimming Jamesray Mishael Ajido grabbed two more golds on Sunday to increase

his medal haul to eight in the Philippine Aquatics, Inc. National Age Group Championships at Teofilo Yldefonso Swimming Pool inside the Rizal Memorial Sports Complex in Malate, Manila.



Jamesray Mishael Ajido (PNA file photo)

Ajido, representing FTW Royals Swim Club, clocked 1 minute and 2.44 seconds to win the boys' 15 Class A 100-meter backstroke over John Jeremy Villanueva of Pasig City (1:05.87) and Vince Santiago De Leon of Ilustre East Aquatics (1:09.23).

The incoming Grade 9 student from La Salle Green Hills also dominated the 50m freestyle in 24.87 seconds. Matt Aaron Nerison of Elizabeth Seton Saints finished second (26.32s), followed by Elijah Ebayan of South Warriors (26.53).

Ajido previously secured the gold medals in the 50m and 100m butterfly, 100 and 200m freestyle, and 50m and 200m backstroke.

He likewise earned a silver in the 4x100m medley relay with Julian Louwers De Kam, Jalil Sephraim Taguinod and Bryce Barraza on his way to earning the Most Outstanding Swimmer award.

His last three events --200m butterfly, 200m Individual Medley and 400m freestyle -- were scheduled late in the afternoon.

Ajido, a member of the FTW Royals Swim Club headed by coach Sherwin Santiago, is still recovering from a right shoulder injury he sustained during the ASEAN School Games tryouts last month.

He bagged the gold medal in the 12-14 100m butterfly at the 11th Asian Age Group Championships at the New Clark City Aquatics Center, Tarlac in February with a time of 55.98 seconds, breaking the 56.36 time of Chinese Wang Yu Xiang in 2019.

Ajido's teammates swept the boys' 17 and over Class A 50m freestyle event, with Jerard Dominic Jacinto taking the gold (24.34s), Seb Wong (24.58s) the silver and Johan Carlos Aguilen (24.58s) the bronze.

The top three finishers in the girls division were Camille Lauren Buico (27.31s) and Atasha Dela

Torre (28.20s) of Rising Atlantis Swim Club, and Ashley Jullet Wong (28.37s) of FTW Royals Swim Club.

Other winners in the girls' 50m freestyle categories were Rica Jane Ansale of Ilustre East Aquatics (girls' 11 Class A), Sophia Rose Garra of Waverunners Swim Club (girls' 12 Class A), Caelyn Dane Salac of Modern Aquatic Swim Club (girls' 13 Class A), Krystal Ava David of Golden Sea Eagles (girls' 14 Class A), Kristine Jane Uy (girls' 15 Class A), Nichole Rivera (girls' 16 Class A).

Champions in the boys division were Findlay Jake Mackenzie of Elizabeth Seton Saints (11 Class A), Von Andrei Pinon of Ilustre East Aquatic (12 Class A), Ethan Manuel Elimos of Santa Rosa City (13 Class A), Mark Justine Africano of ECC Swim Club (14 Class A) and Marc Lebron Racuma of CM Riptide Swim Club (16 Class A). (PNA)



FUTSAL WORLD CUP. Acting Mayor Raymond Alvin Garcia shakes hand with Philippine Football Federation president John Anthony Gutierrez during the latter's visit at the Cebu City Hall on Monday (June 24, 2024). Gutierrez said PFF is rallying support from the local government after the Fédération Internationale de Football Association (FIFA) chose Cebu City as the venue for the Futsal Women's World Cup in November 2025. (PNA photo by Ramil Ayuman)

# Mariano eyes gold medal in Asia-Oceania Sambo Championships Southeast Asian Games (SEAG) wushu champion Marianne Mariano is setting

her sights on the gold medal in the Asia-Oceania Sambo Championships scheduled on June 29-30 at the Forum de Macau stadium in Macau.

The 35-year-old Air Force techical sergeant had a successful career in wushu-sanda before shifting to sambo, a Russian combat sport which is a combination of judo, wrestling and mixed martial arts.

"I am really focused now. I studied sambo, not only having my knowledge when it comes striking but also added wrestling, judo and jiujitsu in my arsenal. I have a wider knowledge on how to play the game and what to do so that I will have a solid game plan," said Mariano, seeking to improve her bronze medal finish in 2022 and 2023.

A native of Tuba, Benguet who studied MAPE (Music, Arts and Physical Education) at the University of San Jose Recoletos in Cebu City, is determined to perform well in the tournament which is part of her training for the Asian Indoor Martial Arts Games (AIMAG) that will be held in Bangkok, Thailand in November.

"Our president, sir Paolo (Tancontian), said 'don't aim for the diamond, aim for the gold because gold has value'," Mariano added.

Before shifting to sambo, she had a successful career in wushu, winning two gold medals in the sanda event (60kgs) at the SEA Games. She also won medals in Asian Championships and



HOPEFUL. Marianne Mariano holds the silver medal she won in the women's 55kg category in kun bukator, an ancient martial art in Cambodia, during the Southeast Asian Games last year. She is eyeing for a gold medal in the Asia-Oceania Sambo Championships on June 29-30, 2024 in Macau. (Contributed photo)

World Championships.

At the SEAG last year, she got the silver medal (55kgs) in kun bokator, Cambodia's ancient martial art.

Head coach Ace Larida is optimistic that Mariano has a good chance.

'Marianne is very prepared, especially with her weight. This year, we expect her to win the gold. She already has throws and has defense in the take down. She is a complete package so she has a bigger chance now," said Larida, who will be assisted by coaches Gerard Arce and Jerry Legaspi.

Also in the national team roster are six-time World medalists and twotime Asian champion Sydney Sy-Tancontian; 2023 Asia-Oceania bronze medalists Robin Catalan and Aislinn Yap; 2019 SEAG champion and 2024 Dutch Open and Paris

Open winner Chino Sy-ММ́А Tancontian; fighters Jomary "The Zamboanginian Fighter" Torres, John Mcleary "Pirata" Ornido, and Edemel Catalan; grappler Godwin Langbayan, Janry Pamor, Cresente Navares; and Bandung Sambo Open double-gold medalist Princess Cortez.

"We have our finest athletes in the Asia-Oceania Sambo Championships who will give their very best to bring honor and pride for our country," said Pilipinas Sambo Federation Inc. president Paolo Tancontian, who also serves as head of delegation.

"We are very thankful to the Philippine Sports Commission for allowing us to compete in a higher stage, to Philippine Olympic Committee (POC) president Mayor Bambol Tolentino for lending us the facility in Tagaytay City as part of our bubble training and to Sen. Bong Go, for the unending support."

The Filipinos will be up against the best athletes from Australia, Afghanistan Bangladesh, China, Macau, Hong Kong, Japan, Jordan, India, Indonesia, Iran. Kazakhstan, Korea, Kyrgyzstan, Malaysia, Mongolia, Nepal, New Zealand, Palestine, Saudi Arabia, Singapore, Tajikistan, Thailand, Turkmenistan and Uzbekistan. (PNA)

# NEWS

# VISSER Technology deployed in Rizal Schools to Boost Science **Education and Research**

The Department of Science and Technology (DOST), through its Rizal Provincial Science and Technology Office (PSTO-Rizal), has deployed the Versatile Instrumentation System for Science and Education and Research (VISSER) to two (2) high schools. These schools are San Jose National High School (SJNHS) in Rodriguez (May 14th) and Tanay Senior High School (TSHS) in Tanay (May 21st).



The VISSER technology aims to aid Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM) instructors and learners in making experiments more interactive, effective, and efficient through its electronic devices, sensors, pre-designed and laboratory modules. Specifically, this innovative "laboratory in a box" targets four (4) key objectives: enhanced learning, realapplications, world improved critical thinking, and cultivation of future scientists.

The following officials and representatives gathered to mark the deployment of VISSER through a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) signing event: Hon. Ronnie S. Evangelista, Municipal Mayor of Rodriguez; Dr. Jeffrey Pino, Municipal Administrative Officer of LGU Tanay; Fernando E. Ablaza, Provincial S&T Director of DOST Rizal; Dr. Doris DJ. Estalilla, Schools **Division Superintendent of** the Department of (DepEd) Education Schools Division Office (SDO) of Rizal; Chief of Curriculum and Implementation Division Dr. Rosemarie C. Blando: Mil F. Ponciano, Public District Schools Supervisor-Rodriguez Sub-Office; Dr. Jay B. emphasized that this

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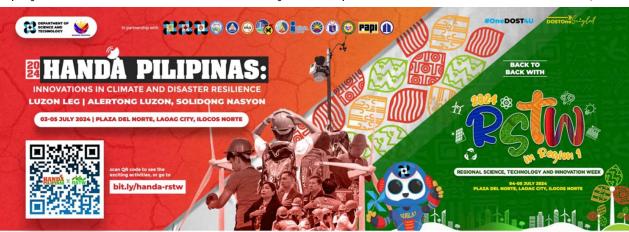
Baylon, Public Schools District Supervisor-Tanay Sub-Office; Mr. Robert John D. Dela Cruz, Education Program Specialist for Science and Technology; Mr. Ricardo C. Vergara, SJNHS Principal; and Ms. Kristine Joy S. Pedroso, TSHS Principal.

On behalf of the DOST-CALABARZON, Provincial Director Fernando Ablaza stated the rationale for the deployed VISSER "mas technology, palalakasin ang kapasidad ng mga paaralan na makagamit na makabagong teknolohiya sa kani-kanilang mga laboratoryo". He

innovative laboratory will be bridging the theorypractice gap in STEM education. Meanwhile, DepEd's Dr. Doris Estalilla expressed gratitude for this initiative and high hopes for improved student performance in STEM with this technology.

To ensure successful implementation, teachers received training from VISSER's developers, Making Technology. The workshop covered utilizing the hand-held data logger, built-in sensors, and sample laboratory procedures that learners will encounter with VISSER. (By Arthea Marie M. Genova)

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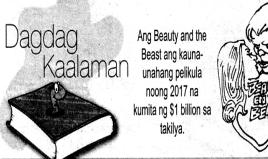
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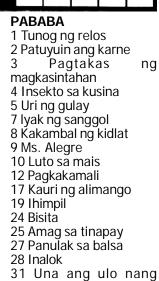
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# Caviteñas' access to #SerbisyongPangkalusugan

Continuing to ensure the wellness of all Cavite women, the Provincial Council of Women in collaboration with the Office of the Provincial Social Welfare and Development Officer, together with the and Kababaihan ng Familiang Mendezeño, arranged a health outreach program called "Serbisyong Pangkalusugan para sa mga Kababaihan" at Mendez Municipal Covered Court, on June 20, 2024.



The presence of PCW Chairperson Ms. Anne Ferrer and Council Member Ms. Aisha Columna, and Ms. Danica Pontemar of OPSWDO underscored their strong will and adherence to improving the welfare of Caviteñas through a medical caravan.

Ms. Ferrer stated that the program was carried out to remind every woman to take good care of themselves, as much as they take good care of their families. In addition, Ms. Pontemar imparted "Hindi po kayo babae lang, kundi babae kayo", giving emphasis on the importance of women in every household. Subsequently, on behalf of Mendez Municipal Mayor Francisco Mendoza, Jr.,

Subsequently, on behalf of Mendez Municipal Mayor Francisco Mendoza, Jr., Sangguniang Bayan members Ruby Lita Bay and Romulo Martinez expressed their the profound gratitude to everyone who ventured into the worthwhile endeavor that served the women in their community.

# TOY COLLECTORS ASSEMBLE AT SM CITY BACOOR'S TOY FEZT 2.0

Excitement reached a fever pitch as toy collectors gathered at SM City Bacoor for the highly anticipated launch of Toy Fezt 2.0. From June 8 to 22, the mall's Event Center transformed into a spectacular showcase from two esteemed artists famous for their fan-made, life-sized, and larger-than-life action figures, offering shoppers an exclusive and exhilarating experience.







A stunning display of superhero suits are exclusively displayed at the Toy Fezt 2.0. This collection will be travelling at SM Malls in South Luzon until 2025.

The Artists Behind the Statues

Famous for his life-sized Japanese anime classics, Jerry Santos of Jerry's Life Size Toys and Collectibles wowed shoppers as he brought back nostalgic 90's moments with his magnificent creations. His passion for crafting intricately made statues sprung from his love for classic anime shows since he was a child. His works are highly valued, especially by toy collectors aiming to get classic lifesize memorabilia, and they were the center of attention at big toy conferences and events. Surreal and very detailed, Andrew Zamora's collection

Zamora's collection impressed guests as they looked at his life-sized creations made from snap.

fiberglass. His company, Drew's Life Size Statue, is known for intricately designed art pieces, displays, and exclusive collections, not just in the country. His creations have reached Texas and Chicago, USA, Australia, and Colombia, but he's glad to have his statues displayed at the Toy Fest as this was his first time **TOY COLLECTORS • 5** 

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### DOST Rizal conducts 3-day Water Sampling Activity in Rodriguez (Montalban) under the CEST Program

The Department of Science and Technology (DOST), through its Provincial Science and Technology Office (PSTO) Rizal, partnered with the Local Government Unit (LGU) of Rodriguez for a 3-day water sampling activity in Barangays Mascap and Puray.



The water sampling collection is part of the Community Empowerment through Science and Technology (CEST) Program's Health and Nutrition pillar, which aims to help communities with limited access to safe drinking water. The team identified 10 sites for sample collection from springs, deep wells, and river reservoirs. Prior to the activity, PSTO

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More than 200 job seekers gathered at the recently held post-Independence Day Job Fair at SM City Molino. 184 applicants were hired on the spot with the help of the supportive employers who joined the event headed by Bacoor City Local Government, Public Employment Service Office (PESO), and SM Supermalls.