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MPT SOUTH REACTIVATES SMSK FOR UNDAS 2022

Metro Pacific Tollways South (MPT South), a subsidiary of Metro Pacific Tollways Corporation (MPTC), the toll road development arm of Metro Pacific Investments Corporation (MPIC), readies for the expected motorists' surge during the observation of the All Saints and All Souls' Days as cemeteries reopen for Undas week. With this, the toll road operator again reinforces road safety for Undas travelers and

reactivates the "Safe Trip Mo, Sagot Ko" (SMSK) program across its high-speed road networks Cavite-Laguna Expressway (CALAX), with its joint venture partner, the Philippine Reclamation Authority (PRA) and its operating subsidiary PEA Tollway Corporation (PEATC) for Manila-Cavite Expressway (CAVITEX) and CAVITEX C5 Link.

"This year's celebration of Undas season will be different from the past two years

as cemeteries, especially in Metro Manila, now reopens and more motorists are expected to ply the roads. We are anticipating as much as 10% increase in the volume of vehicles that will pass through our toll roads from October 28 to November 2, 2022," said MPT South's President and General Manager Mr. Raul L. Ignacio.

From 6 AM on October 28 up to 6 AM

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Carmona reaps multiple awards for best practices, good governance



TRECE MARTIRES, Cavite (PIA) – The Municipality of Carmona bags another award as Top 2 Municipality with the Highest Locally Sourced Revenues nationwide in the awarding ceremony for Top-Performing LGUs in Local Revenue Generation for Fiscal Year (FY) 2021 by the Bureau of Local Government Finance (BLGF).

Carmona was also conferred Local Revenue Generation Hall of Fame due to its consistent performance, and being Top National Awardee from 2018 to 2020. The town also received a high rating of 98.00 from the Council for the Welfare of Children during the conduct of the 2021 Child-Friendly Local Governance Audit thus bringing home the highest recognition of the 2021 Seal of Child-Friendly Local Governance for the Entire Region of CALABARZON (Region IV-A Southern Tagalog).

During the Department of Trade and Industry's (DTI) 10th Cities and Municipalities Competitiveness Summit, the local government of Carmona was hailed as one of the 10 Most Competitive Municipality, ranking 7th Overall, Most Competitive Municipality in the Philippines (1st to 2nd Class Municipality), Rank 7

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DTI Rizal Conducts Profiling of Coconut Farmers at Barangay Daraetan, Tanay, Rizal



DTI Rizal through Coconut Farmers and Industry Development Plan (CFIDP) Office together with Philippine Coconut Authority (PCA) and Philippine Crop Insurance Corporation (PCIC) spearheads the Profiling of Coconut Farmers at Barangay Daraetan, Tanay, Rizal. DTI Rizal Business Development Chief Sharon F. Dioco, Trade and Industry Specialist Noralyn S.J. Halimao, and CFIDP Project Coordinator Jerome M. Montealegre teamed-up with Mr. Allan George Gutierrez, Agriculturist from PCA and Ms. Jenna from PCIC and profiled 123 coconut farmers for their registration at National Coconut Farmers Registry System. Said registration is necessary for different assistance they may receive from the government.

EDITORIAL

'Chaos' can sometimes be useful, necessary

Chaos often breeds life when order breeds habit. – Henry Adams

Chaos is often defined as something that produces disorder and confusion. It is generally perceived as a negative state of things and something to be avoided.

FEAR OF CHAOS

Recently, I gave a lecture to some local government middle managers on relevant systems. Their mayor was a first-time mayor who introduced many innovative practices to the city government and asked me to check up on observations that organic city managers were resistant to these new ideas. After conducting some exercises with them, I noticed that many of them relied on standard procedures or formulas in performing their tasks. I wanted to explore this apparent predilection for following set guidelines in almost everything they do. As a result, I made the officials participate in activities that removed them from their comfort zones by forcing them to do their normal tasks in unconventional ways. At the end of these exercises, many of the participants complained that they felt confused and uneasy. I asked them why they think they felt that way.

Some said they do not want to deviate from so-called standard procedures because it will open them to possible reprimand, sanctions, or worse legal consequences. Some of them said they want to do things the way things are normally done so that it would be "orderly". Even when faced with situations that required different procedures, they really preferred to stick to the so-called "tried and tested". In essence, they hated what they perceive as "chaos". As a former city administrator, I have been a consultant for many local governments and I have seen this phenomenon in most city governments with newly minted city mayors. In fact, I have also recently observed this extreme aversion to perceived chaos even in many private organizations.

It must be admitted that rules and order as a



default setting are still ideal in many situations. I respectfully submit that chaos, or seemingly disorderly thoughts or methods, can sometimes be useful and necessary. As such, people should not automatically fear or avoid chaos.

CHAOS THEORY APPLIED

There is a scientific and mathematical theory that was first introduced in the latter part of the 20th century called the chaos theory. Simply put, it emphasizes on the seemingly random, unpredictable, inevitability of surprises and nonlinear events.

In many fields many practitioners of the theory simply want people to be open to these events and to prepare to adjust and adapt. They want people, especially managers, not to fear chaos but to embrace it as a means to positive things or opportunities. They see opportunity in chaos. In military tactics, one of the basic concepts officers adhere to is that no plan survives contact with the enemy.

I have seen some organization heads intentionally muddle their processes and organization to see if order arises from disorder. From a seemingly chaotic environment order sometimes rise after a chaotic critical mass is achieved. This presupposes however that there is someone at the top who will backstop or manipulate events and that there are middle or senior managers who will rise to take charge.

Our previous articles have dwelt a lot on the issue of food production. In recent think tank sessions, many agricultural experts point to the participation of local government agricultural extension workers as one of the keys to meeting food production goals and making government agriculture projects work. Agriculture is one of the national functions that have been technically devolved to the local governments.

For now, most of the efforts come from our national agencies. At the local government level, the three-year term of officials, the amount of new information needed to be downloaded, and the lack of trained personnel often force these extension workers to stick to so-called standard procedures such as seminars and assistance programs. With the ever-changing environment, the workers must be capacitated to adapt to the new normal to be trained to not fear new things, to embrace their fear of confusion and to actively engage. There are many programs that can be made available to these workers and other LGU extension workers in other devolved fields.

The most basic message which I submit that must be stressed to them is not to fear perceived "chaos" and new things. Perhaps, even at home, parents should not automatically punish kids with messy tables. Chaos can be a learning opportunity. This is just my oblique observation. (By Atty. Gilberto Lauengco, J.D.)

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Health and other services rendered in Silang. A total of two hundred sixty-seven (267) children and adults received free consultation maintenance medicines, multivitamins and Vitamin C supplements during the Provincial Government of Cavite's medical mission conducted in Silang on October 26, 2022. Medical team from General Emilio Aguinaldo Memorial Hospital composed of Dr. Angela C. Fernando, Dr. Hanna Patricia Gilera and Dr. Marie April Jean Juanito rendered free medical consultation. Meanwhile, the Municipal Government of Silang provided free flu vaccination administered by medical doctor from Silang Rural Health Unit. Free manicure/pedicure and haircut were also sponsored by the LGU. Patients underwent screening process and antigen swab testing prior to medical consultation and medicine distribution. Minimum safety health protocols were also observed during the conduct of the event. The success of the event was made possible thru the support of Atty. Alston Kevin A. Anarna, Municipal Mayor of Silang. (PICAD)

DOST-CALABARZON and PSTO-Rizal launch 120-day Feeding Program to address malnourishment among children in Tanay, Rizal



MPT South...

on November 2, 2022, MPT South toll roads will provide free towing to the nearest exit for Class 1 vehicles needing assistance. There will be intensified 24/7 motorist assistance and will augment the deployment of traffic operations personnel at toll plazas and on the ground to ensure smooth traffic. CAVITEX Customer Service Centers (Cavite and Manila bound) will be available 24/7 for RFID health check, installation, and reloading. Additional cash lanes for cash-paying motorists will be open to cater to seasonal travelers with no RFID.

Emergency medical service, incident response team, and towing services will be placed on high alert status to be able to

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respond to the motorist in need.

MPT South's Facebook accounts (fb.com/caviteexpressway and fb.com/OfficialCALAX) and Twitter accounts (@CaviteXpressway and @OfficialCALAX) along with its hotline 1-35000 will also be on standby 24/7 to accommodate customer needs. MPTC's all-in-one MPT DriveHub app will also support SMSK program by providing 24/7 traffic updates and easy access to RFID transactions, reloading, trip planning, and even emergency roadside assistance.

"Apart from our initiatives to our commitment to advocating road safety this long weekend for Undas 2022, we also continue to remind our motorists to always

check the handy mnemonic BLOWBAGETS before hitting the road. It stands for Battery, Lights, Oil, Water, Brakes, Air, Gas, Engine, Tire, and Self. We also encourage our motorists to use the MPT DriveHub app to check on traffic conditions and top-up their load for a more seamless travel," added Mr. Ignacio.

Aside from the CALAX and CAVITEX network of toll roads, MPTC's domestic portfolio includes the concessions for the North Luzon Expressway (NLEX), the NLEX Connector Road, the Subic-Clark-Tarlac Expressway (SCTEX) and the Cebu-Cordova Link Expressway (CCLEX) in Cebu.

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Cavite Eat...

ang makasaysayang 13 Martyrs Monument sa Cavite City at Aguinaldo Mansion o mas kilala sa tawag na Museo ni Emilio Aguinaldo na matatagpuan naman sa Kawit, Cavite.

Dito naganap ang mahahalagang kaganapan sa buhay ni Aguinaldo bilang isang ama, heneral, pinuno ng rebolusyon at ang

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proklamasyon ng makasaysayang Kalayaan ng Pilipinas noong June 12, 1898.

Sa bawat lugar sa ating bansa ay hindi rin dapat kaligtaan ang pagbisita sa mga simbahan tulad na lamang ng Saint Mary Magdalene Parish sa Kawit, Cavite kung saan mismo bininyagan si Emilio Aguinaldo at

hinimlay ang kaniyang ama na si Don Carlos Aguinaldo.

Gayundin ang Diocesan Shrine of Our Lady of Solitude of Porta Vaga, San Roque Church sa Cavite City kung saan nandoon ang pinakamatandang larawan ng birhen sa Pilipinas na tinatawag rin bilang Reina de la Ciudad y Provincia de Cavite. **(CO/PIA4A)**

Feeding programs go beyond providing nutritious meals to children, empower and give them proper nutrition to go on with their everyday lives. To answer this, the Department of Science and Technology initiated the Community Empowerment through Science and Technology (CEST) Program to ensure that communities with malnourished children will be given proper nourishment through DOST's complementary food technology.

Last September 19, 2022, the DOST-CALABARZON, through its Provincial S&T Office

in Rizal (PSTO-Rizal), started the 120-Day Feeding Program to 163 malnourished children in Tanay, Rizal under DOST's (CEST) Program. The event took place in Tanay Gymnasium, E. Rodriguez St. Brgy. Tandang Kutyo, Tanay, Rizal. By partnering with the Local Government of Tanay, these children were identified through the Municipal Health Unit's Operation Timbang (OPT) conducted at selected barangays with malnutrition cases.

The program started with the welcome remarks from Hon. Rafael Tanjuatco,

Municipal Mayor of LGU Tanay who thanked DOST for conducting the feeding program at their municipality.

Ms. Emelita Bagsit, Regional Director of DOST CALABARZON and Mr. Fernando Ablaza, Provincial Director of PSTO Rizal also gave their opening message. Dra. Dulce Amor Rivera, Tanay Municipal Health Officer, Brgy. Captain Anacleto Tongohan, Ms. Marivic Olgario of Momilo Mio Food Ventures and Mr. Ricardo Bernados, representative of Gov. Ynares also graced the said event. **(By: Roselle D. Lopez)**

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for Economic Dynamism (1st to 2nd Class Municipality), Rank 8 for Government Efficiency (1st to 2nd Class Municipality), and Rank 10 for Innovation Pillar (1st to 2nd Class Municipality).

Likewise, the Carmona LGU was awarded the Plaque of Special Citation in the 2022 Most Business-Friendly Local Government Unit (LGU) Awards by the Philippine Chamber of Commerce and Industry (PCCI), which made them a Hall

of Famer for consistently winning the award from 2009 to 2011.

Another proof of its good local governance and best practices is that the municipality of Carmona was named the Richest Municipality for 2021 in the country according to the latest Commission on Audit Financial Report with current assets of P 6.212B.

"Mula 7th Place noong 2020, tayo po ay nanguna sa 2021 bunga ng pagpursigi hindi lamang ng mga kawani

ng Lokal na Pamahalaan, pati ng ating mga aktibo at progresibong mga mamamayan. Ito po ang patunay na sa isang maayos at may puso na pamamahala ay sigurado ang ating tagumpay," said Mayor Dahlia Loyola.

Mayor Loyola also attributed the LGU's success to the former town mayor and now Congressman Attorney Roy Loyola for his guidance and initiatives for innovation during his term as municipal chief. **(RBF/PIA-Cavite with reports from Dr. Dahlia Loyola's FB Page)**

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Cavite Eat-story: Kasaysayan, Pamana at Turismo sa gitna ng pandemya



Nagsagawa ng 2-day Calibrated Tourism Circuit Validation and Assessment for Cavite Province ang Department of Tourism (DOT) Region IV-A upang suriin at alamin ang kahandaan ng ilan sa mga tourist destination at attractions sa lalawigan para sa muling pagpapasigla sa industriya ng turismo. (CO/PIA4A)

Tampok sa pagpapatuloy ng Calibrated Tourism Circuit Validation and Assessment ng Department of Tourism (DOT) Calabarzon ang pagpunta sa ilang mga makakasaysayang lugar sa lalawigan ng Cavite.

Ito ay bahagi ng tourism recovery and response ng ahensya sa ilalim ng kanilang programang, 'The Green Corridor Initiative' na layong maisulong ang regional biodiversity, kultura, kasaysayan at turismo ng rehiyon sa gitna ng pandemya.

Ilan sa mga lugar na kasama sa First Nodal Point Tourism Circuit ng Cavite ang bayan ng Tanza, Rosario, Noveleta, Cavite City,

Imus City, Kawit at Bacoor.

Binisita ang ilan sa mga sikat at ipinagmamalaking lugar sa lalawigan at tinikman rin ang mga pagkaing proudly made in Cavite bilang bahagi ng assessment ng DOT upang suriin ang kanilang kahandaan para sa muling pagpapasigla ng turismo sa rehiyon.

Una sa listahan ang Tinapang Salinas mula sa bayan ng Rosario at ang Imus Longganisa na sikat dahil sa balanse nitong lasa na may katamtamang alat at linamnam dahil sa bawang at iba pang mga pampalasa.

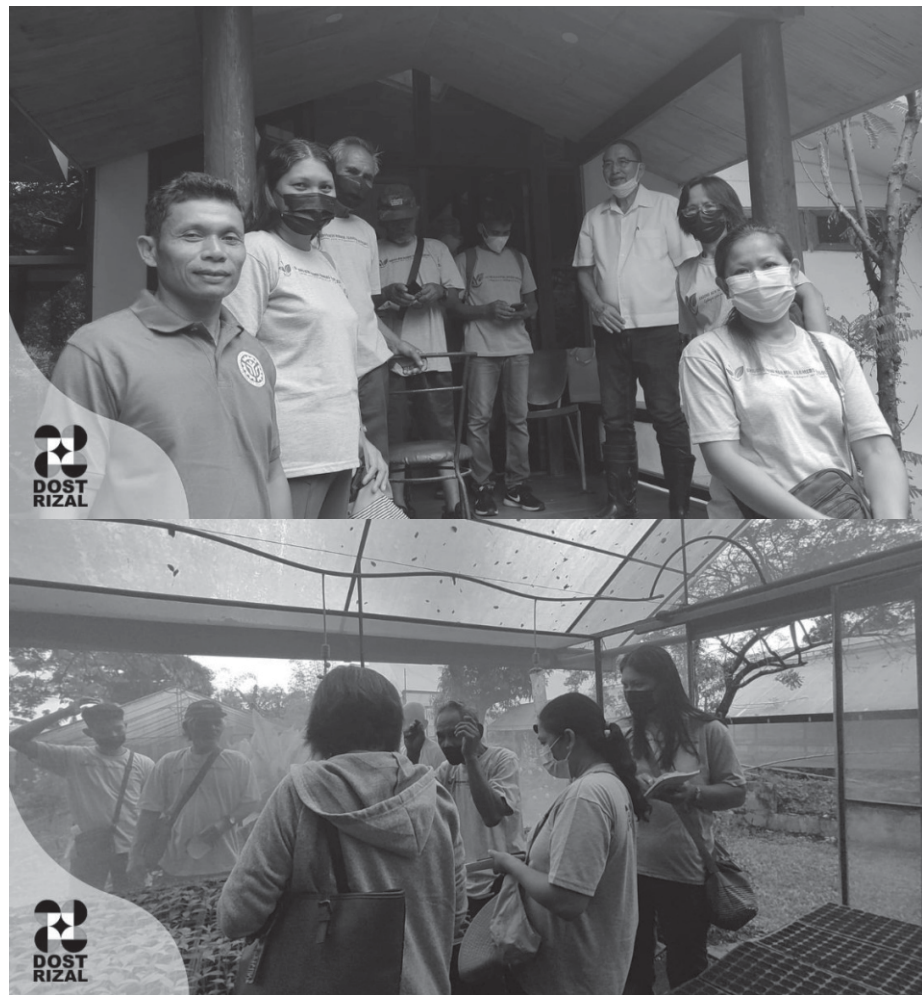
Kabilang sa mga pagkaing hindi dapat palampasin sa Cavite

ang homemade samala rice cakes ng Pat & Sam Delicacies Pasalubong sa Cavite City. Dapat rin matikman ang pinipilahang Digman's Halo-Halo na matatagpuan sa Bacoor City.

Lingid naman sa kaalaman ng nakararami na malaki ang bahagi ng lalawigan sa kasaysayan ng bansa kaya matatagpuan dito ang ilan sa mga atraksiyon tulad ng dating Convento Parroquial De Sta. Cruz sa Tanza na ngayon ay isa nang museo. Matatandaang dito naganap sa harap ng Sta. Cruz ang panunumpa ni Emilio Aguinaldo.

Maaari ring bisitahin
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PSTO-Rizal conducts one-day benchmarking activity for Angono farmers in various sites in Rizal



The Provincial S&T Office of Rizal (PSTO-Rizal) conducted a one-day benchmarking activity for the Angono New Normal Farmers Association (ANNFA) in various learning sites such as the Melendres Farm in San Luis Antipolo Rizal, and Uminita's Farm and Ed Tarriela Learning Center in San Jose, Antipolo Rizal.

The activity aims to

enhance the farmers' knowledge, skills, and overall farming experience through the acquisition of good farm management practices from Certified Good Agricultural Practice Farms.

ANNFA consists of senior citizens, unemployed husbands and wives with a common goal of strengthening their current vegetable

production as supported under the Department of Science and Technology Philippine Council for Agriculture, Aquatic and Natural Resources Research and Development (DOST PCAARRD) GALING PCAARRD Kontra COVID-19 Program, a component of which is the Gulayan sa Pamayanan Project. **By: Roselle D. Lopez**

DOST Press Conference



The Department of Science and Technology Undersecretary for Regional Operations and Officer-in-Charge of DOST X Engr. Sancho A. Maborang led in responding to questions regarding the NSTW sa Amihanang Mindanao at LimketkaiLuxe Hotel at Cagayan de Oro City on October 25, 2022. With him are Assistant Regional Director for Technical Operations Engr. RomelaRatilla, Supervising Science Research Specialist and OIC of PSTO Lanao del Norte Mr. Virgilio Fuertes, and Provincial Directors Ms. Joanne Katherine Banaag, Ms. Ritchie Mae Guno, Ms. Eufresnie Ann Simbajon, and Engr. JunelynLouvena Ruiz. #2022NSTW #ExperienceInnovation #DOSTKabalikatMo #ScienceForThePeople #OneDOST4U #NSTWsaAmihanangMindanao2022 #DOST10