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Silang town clinches Guinness World Record for Longest Candlelight relay



TRECE MARTIRES, Cavite (PIA) – The concerted efforts of the Silang local government and the Parish of the Nuestra Señora De Candelaria claimed the Guinness World Record for the longest candlelight relay on January 22 at the church grounds in Barangay Poblacion 2.

Leading the 700 devotees, Mayor Kevin Anarna lit the first candle at the image of the patron saint, Nuestra Señora de Candelaria in front of the church door followed by Vice Mayor Ted Carranza commencing the relay attempt.

Breaking the record of 366 candlelight lit held by India, Kheylacy Pascual, a staff member of the Silang Municipal Social Welfare and Development successfully lit the 621st candle at 10:10PM before the candlelight died down.

"Una pinanghihinaan na ako ng loob, kasi 366 to beat, tapos kailangan natin ng 367, on first attempt, 32 palang namatay na, then sa 2nd attempt, 121 nag-stop ulit. sa isip isip ko mukhang mahihirapan tayo maitawid yung hanggang 367, pero optimistic ako na yung nag-register na 700 nating mga kababayan, eh makukuha natin, kaya noong nalampasan na po namin yung 367, masayang masaya na po ako, alam kong malakas ang hangin sa harap ng simbahan, sa tulong ng

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Cavite LGUs launch vax drive against influenza

TRECE MARTIRES CITY, Cavite (PIA) – The Local Government Units (LGUs) of Noveleta town and Cavite city provide free influenza vaccines to Day Care Center (DCC) students, and residents of their respective localities in their campaign to protect them against influenza virus amid the ongoing CoVid-19 pandemic.

In Noveleta town, the free vaccination of flu vaccines to students of fourteen (14) DCCs in sixteen (16) barangays commenced on January 17 to 26.

Mayor Dino Chua

said, "This is an offer from the local government of Noveleta, so that our children have protection against the flu, I encourage the parents to bring their children to the Day Care Centers to be vaccinated."

According to Municipal Health Officer, Dr. Ma. Hilda Bucu, there are 600 flu vaccines allotted for Day Care pupils, and all barangay healthcare workers are already rotating on the scheduled days of vaccination.

Meanwhile, 150 slots for the free flu

vaccines are scheduled to be distributed to DCC pupils in Cavite City on January 21, 2023 at the Cavite City MedCare

Facility in Barangay 39.

City Mayor Denver Chua encouraged the city residents to bring their children to the

vaccination site early since the vaccination is on a 'First Come, First Serve' basis. **(RBF/PIA-Cavite)**



EDITORIAL

ESG ratings, inclusive business dev't, progressive capitalism

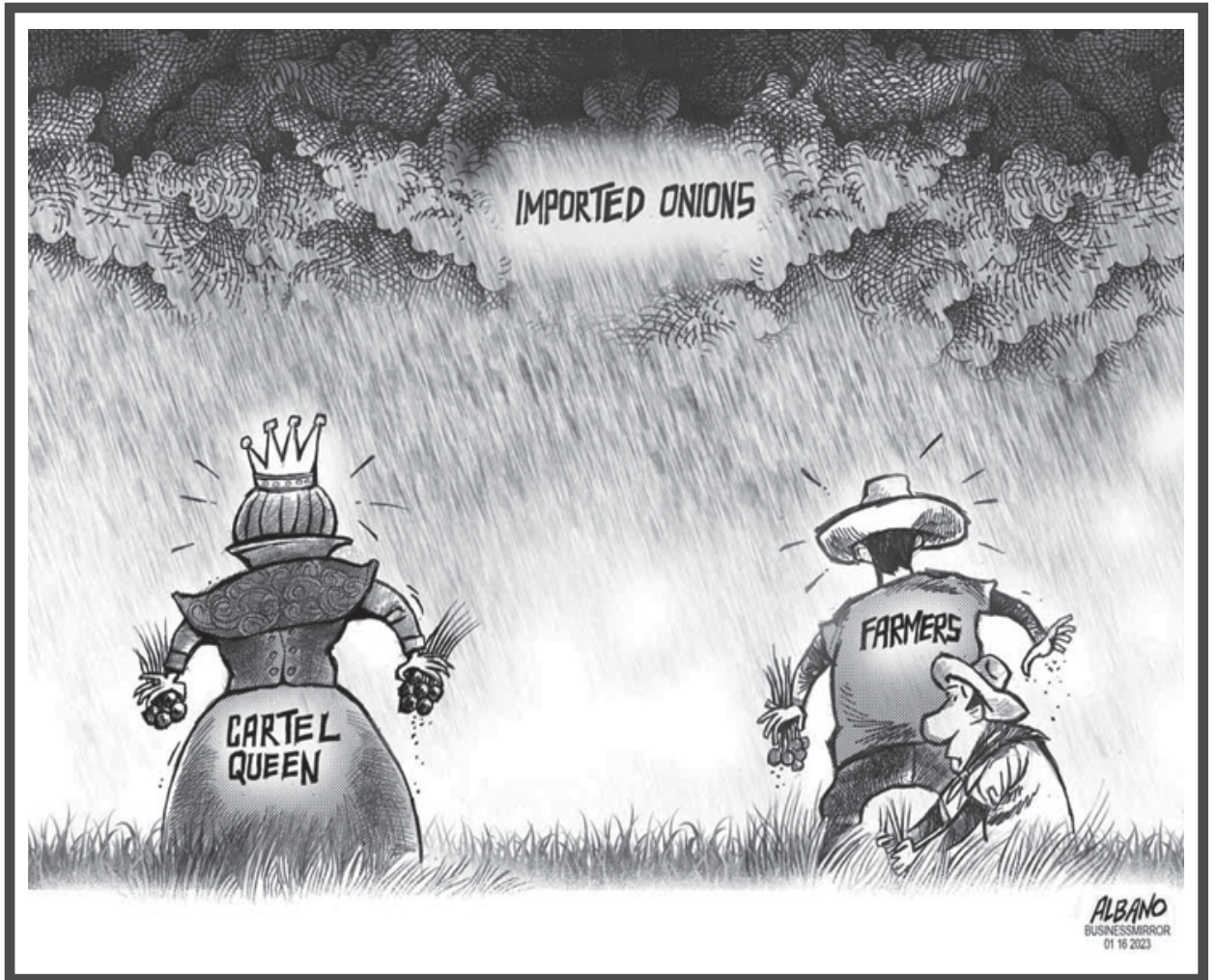
“Convincing people they are wrong is difficult”
- Stephen Denny

Yesterday, there was an item in the news that Ayala Land Inc. (ALI) recently received very high scores from several global ESG rating firms. ALI is one of the very few Filipino companies that gets consistent high ESG rating and has in fact earned a higher rating in the environment category than the Asia regional rating.

ESG is a measured investment grade rating based on Environmental Social Governance issues. It measures a company's actions on things like climate change, sustainability, diversity, social equity, management transparency and business inclusion. Many western investors consider these ratings on top of profit based ratings before they plunk in money into certain companies.

Yesterday's opinion page in a prominent news platform also contained a piece on the business sector's role in promoting inclusive economic and business development. The piece posited that there is a need for big business to be more cognizant of the plight of the economically vulnerable people and their participation in the betterment of their economic life such as increasing access to sources of income, goods, services and credit.

In a recent seminar for businessmen, one of the main speakers harped on the need for today's corporations to change their very nature from that of profit-oriented organizations to that of institutions that practice inclusive business development. She emphasized that for centuries, the main aim of corporations was simply to make profit. She admitted that a profit driven corporation is one that encourages innovation and rapid development. However, she stressed that because of the dire situation of many of our countrymen, there is a need to veer away from a



pure profit driven approach to that of a more socially conscious one.

When asked why companies should shift away from an approach that produces maximum profit and builds an environment of innovation and development, the speaker in so many words replied that it was simply the "right thing to do" and that to do otherwise was inherently evil.

These concepts of ESG and inclusive business and economic development are part of a trend which some sectors call the new progressive capitalism. The basic concept of adding social and environmental concerns to the main objectives of corporations is essentially a laudable one. The effects of Covid-19 and the recent economic difficulties worldwide has had a large negative effect on the quality of life of many people.

Unfortunately, there is also an increasing trend of a large pushback against ESG and inclusive business development. Conservatives have called these concepts as part of woke capitalism. A growing number of investors and businessmen have questioned the relevance of these concepts and even claim that these concepts have an actual negative impact on business especially profits. The standard answer of "it is the right thing to do" does not deter nor counter the pushback. What is worse, the penchant for progressive business advocates to attack their opponents actually hardens this pushback

We cannot just focus simply on moral or ethical considerations to convince many corporations to adopt ESG and Inclusive Business Development. We cannot just tell the businessmen that they should adopt these principles because it is "the right thing to do". We cannot continue to ram these principles into their throats from a stance of moral and intellectual superiority and attempt to shame people who do not buy in to the concept immediately.

If we truly want to convince corporations to take note of ESG and inclusive business developments then, we must convince them that these concepts and approach will realistically

benefit them. There are many examples of cogent practical reasons for businesses to adapt these new concepts.

First of all, these new concepts are popular with the millennials and Gen Z's. Given the large population base of these two groups, it is clear that the profit potential of catering to them in terms of their beliefs is a clear way for companies to tap into their spending list. As such, being perceived as an ESG advocate will increase market base.

Second, sustainability actually enhances long-term profits. Rampant short-term profit based action plan run the risk of finite resources disappearing rapidly and eventually crash companies.

Third, there are some data that show companies that do not care about ESG are often the ones that are embroiled in controversies about pollution, poor governance and other related issues and underperform in the long run especially if their equities are listed and public perception affects their value.

These are samples of how advocates of progressive capitalism can win over those opposing them. Mutuality of interest or basic long term self-interest are more compelling arguments for convincing people.

There are many counter points against the so - called woke capitalism but there is no denying that the principles of sustainability and social awareness are valid concerns. If one truly cares about promoting these valid causes then perhaps, it is time to go beyond the base argument of "you must do these things because it is the right thing to do and you are bad if you don't". It is time to engage with the intended audience on terms of how it will benefit them in the long run.

This is just my oblique observation.

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Thousands of Tanza residents join PGC's Ugnayan sa Barangay program



Governor Jonvic Remulla together with Board Member Ping Remulla once again opens a bridge of communication with the residents of Tanza in another leg of Ugnayan sa Barangay held at Barangay Daang Amaya I on January 18, 2023.

The program served as the venue to bring governance closer to the people. Thousands of residents had the chance to converse their needs and current situation to the governor. In response, the governor assured them that the provincial government is acting promptly and initiating programs and projects beneficial to Caviteños.

Tanza Mayor Yuri Pacumio and Vice Mayor SM Matro with the Sanggunian Bayan members joined the Ugnayan sa Barangay team in giving hope and assistance to the locals. --- **PICAD**

Silang town... *from P1*

mga dasal ng mga kababayan natin, nagtagumpay po tayo at nakuha ang record na 621," shared Mayor Anarna.

In addition, this attempt at the Guinness World Record for candles lit was intended to honor the town's patron saint, and would give the locality additional recognition that will boost the municipality's tourism industry.

Kazuyoshi Kirimura, official adjudicator of the Guinness World Record witnessed the attempt and personally awarded the certificate for the Guinness World Record to the Municipality of Silang for successfully surpassing the challenge.

The said attempt of Silang, Cavite was in celebration of the coming Feast Day of Nuestra Senora de Candelaria on February 1-3, 2023. **(RBF/PIA-Cavite)**

GMA launches integrated, holistic program for drug rehab

CATANAUAN, QUEZON — During his visit on January 13, 2023, DENR Undersecretary Ernesto Adobo Jr., together with the DENR-CENRO Catanauan personnel, witnessed the newly hatched turtles within the identified nesting site located in Brgy. Cutcutan, Catanauan, Quezon.

The marine turtle nest was regularly monitored by the Technical Staff of CENRO Catanauan until it was reported by one of the

resort's owner, Kaye De Guzman, that the hatchling began to emerge on January 13, 2023. Usec Adobo, OIC-CENRO Gutierrez and some CENRO personnel immediately proceeded to the area to witness the release of sea turtles.

The said hatchlings were identified as Olive Ridley Sea turtle (*Lepidochelys olivacea*) based on the number of its carapace scutes with 6-7 pairs in irregular pattern. A total of one

hundred twenty-one (121) eggs were seen in the nesting site wherein four (4) were unhatched, two (2) were dead, and one hundred fifteen (115) hatchlings were successfully hatched and released at the beach area in Sitio Paraiso, Brgy. Cutcutan, Catanauan, Quezon.

The Olive Ridley sea turtle is also known as the Pacific ridley sea turtle and belongs to the family Cheloniidae. It is the second-smallest and

most abundant sea turtle in the world commonly found in warm and tropical waters, particularly in the Pacific and Indian Oceans.

The release of sea turtles was in support of Republic Act No. 9147 or the Wildlife Conservation and Protection Act of 2001 which aims to conserve and protect wildlife species and their habitat to promote ecological balance and enhance biological diversity.

DOST Sec. Solidum: 'Community Media are key partners for SciComm'

Department of Science and Technology (DOST) Secretary Renato U. Solidum Jr. highlighted the important role of community media practitioners in disseminating science

news and information during his talk at the 2023 Community Multimedia Summit on Wednesday, January 11 at the Aklan State University - Banga Campus.

The nationwide summit gathered broadcasters, publishers, editors, columnists, online broadcasters, writers, and professional communicators in



general from various media organizations nationwide to discuss issues such as food security, climate change, tourism, social media education and other concerns affecting the national interest.

Inc. (APCI). It is considered to be the biggest convergence of the press and social media groups, post-COVID-19 pandemic.

The three-day event was organized by the Provincial Multi-Media Press Corps PH, Inc. (PMPHCI), Publishers Association of the Philippines Inc. (PAPI), Philippine Online Broadcasters Association (POBA), and the Aklan Press Club,

Also present during the event were Rev. Jose Corazon Tala-oc, Bishop of Kalibo; Undersecretary Edwin Cordevilla and Assistant Secretary Bobby Ricohermoso of the Presidential Communications Office (PCO), Juan Dayang, Chair of the Provincial Multi-Media Press Corps

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PH, Inc. (PMPCPI), Roy Bato, Chapter Chair of the Kapisanan ng mga Brodkaster ng Pilipinas (KBP) Calabarzon, Lydia Bueno, President of the National Press Club of the Philippines, Nelson Santos, President, Publishers Association of the Philippines (PAPI), and Rowen R. Gelonga, Regional Director of DOST-VI.

During his talk, Secretary Solidum highlighted the DOST's efforts and initiatives that are anchored on four thematic areas: Wealth creation, through economic development and job creation; Wealth protection, through climate and disaster resilience; Human well-being, through health, education, access to water and energy; and Sustainability, by ensuring protection and conservation of natural resources.

"We at the Department of Science and Technology (DOST) have witnessed how communicators helped us become relevant in the public eye especially

during the height of COVID-19 pandemic where most of the news are about vaccines, clinical trials, virgin coconut oil (VCO), and testing kits, to name a few. We owe the media the public's increased awareness about DOST, which then helped us leverage our projects with our lawmakers and stakeholders," said Secretary Solidum.

"Making sense of science & technology-related news can be a daunting task, and delivering it to the public in layman manner requires keen sense of inquisitiveness and curiosity that only truly dedicated communicators can do."

Secretary Solidum added that engagement with members of the media has always been part of DOST's strategy to inform the public about the agency's efforts in terms of service delivery and improvement of public awareness about the Philippines' science & technology ecosystem in general.

In his presentation to the members of the

media, Secretary Solidum further discussed DOST's flagship programs and offerings in the fields of research and development (R&D); industry, energy and emerging technologies; food security and improved agricultural processes; technology intervention for micro-small and medium enterprises (MSMEs), communities, academic organizations, government agencies, research institutions, and local industries; ICT tools and technologies for monitoring the weather and geological events; and scholarship opportunities for science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) students at the secondary, undergraduate, and graduate levels.

For further information on the event or requests for a copy of DOST Secretary Solidum's PowerPoint presentation and speech, you may email us at osec@dost.gov.ph and ebelga@dost.gov.ph for more details.

(By Enrico Belga Jr., DOST-Office of the Secretary)



Ugnayan sa Barangay continues in Trece Martires City. Hundreds of constituents from Barangay Cabezas and Lallana gathered and participated in another leg of provincial government's Ugnayan sa Barangay program led by Governor Jonvic C. Remulla on January 17, 2023.

Governor Remulla reported some development plans of the province that will help uplift the lives of Caviteños.

On the other hand, Seventh District Board Member Ping Remulla expressed his support and interest for the continuous improvements and progress of the barangays.

In attendance during the program were 7th District Board Member Ping Remulla, local officials of Trece Martires headed by Mayor Gemma Buendia Lubigan, Vice Mayor Bobby Montehermoso and Sangguniang Panlungsod members, together with Barangay Chairman Nestorio Sacro Colada of Cabezas and Chairwoman Cecilia Mojica Decillo of Brgy. Lallana wherein they expressed their gratitude for the continuous support provided to their constituents by the provincial government.



PH top performing gov vows to continue Cua brand of service

CABARROGUIS, Quirino (PIA) – Governor Dax Cua who was named Number 1 in 2022 Top Provincial Governors in the Philippines by the RP-Mission and Development Foundation Inc. (RPMD) has committed to continue working hard saying that his constituents will have more of his Cua brand of service.

Speaking before his constituents during the just launched I Love Quirino "Pinasayang" Caravan at barangays Balligui in Maddela and Victoria in Aglipay, Gov. Cua said he is humbled by the survey and grateful for recognition accorded to him as he thanked his kailians for all their support.

"Saan nga dayaw ko laeng dayta nu diket dayaw tayo amin iti intero nga probinsya nga Quirino. Saan ko nga maaramid dayta nu awan kayo amin apo, kangrunaan pay dagiti barangay officials, provincial, ken municipal officials. Thank you very much, lallalo kami nga ma-inspire nga agsirbi nga nalaing kadakayo amin apo," Gov. Cua said.

(This is not just my honor but the honor of the whole province. I couldn't have done all of these without you, especially the barangay, municipal and provincial officials. Thank you very much, we will be more inspired to serve you).

Gov. Cua further assured the Quirinians that he will continue to lead by consultation where the Quirinians can see and touch them (officials) and they can personally communicate with them about their concerns for the betterment of their communities.

During the I Love Quirino 'Pinasayang'

Caravan, Governor Dax Cua expresses his thanks to kailians for their trust and support. (Photo by Quirino Province FB Page)

Based on the RPMD Inc. website, Gov. Cua got a rating of 91

percent, the highest among the Philippines' 81 governors, in its independent and non-commissioned Boses ng Bayan national performance evaluation survey of the country's "top performing



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officials" for 2022 that was conducted from November 27 - December 2, 2022 across all local government units in the country.

The Top Provincial Governors are: Gov. Cua- 91%; Gov. Gwen Garcia of Cebu and Gov. Matthew Marcos Manotoc of Ilocos Norte placed second with 90%; Gov. Jonvic Remulla of Cavite and Gov. Dodo Mandanas of

Batangas, third with 89%; Toto Defensor Jr. of Iloilo, fourth with 88% and Gov. Susan Yap of Tarlac with 87%.

The other Top Provincial Governors are: Peter "Sr. Pedro" Unabia of Misamis Oriental with 85%, Gov. Henry Oaminal of Misamis Occidental with 85%, Gov. Sharee Ann Tan of Samar with 83%, Gov. Edwin Jubahib of Davao del Norte with 82%, Gov. Ma. Angelica

Amante of Agusan del Norte with 81%, Gov. Antonio Kho of Masbate with 80%, Gov. Bonz Dolor of Oriental Mindoro with 78%, Gov. Nene Jalosjos of Zamboanga del Norte with 76%, Gov. Lala Taliño-Mendoza of Cotabato with 74%, Gov. Bombit Adiong Jr. of Lanao del Sur with 72% and Melchor Diclas of Benguet with 70%. (MDCT/TCB/PIA Quirino)

PGC delivers medical services to the locals of Imus



The Provincial Government of Cavite through the Office of the Provincial Governor-Extension, delivered free medical consultation and medicine to Brgy. Bayan Luma 3, Imus City during the medical mission held on January 10, 2023 serving a total of one hundred eighty (180) patients.

Medical team from General Emilio Aguinaldo Memorial Hospital composed of Dr. Hanna Patricia V. Gilera, Dr. Hannah Christine P. Catama, GEAMH midwives Azaleah Masicap, Imelda Mabituin, Teresa Cabaña and Marita Marquez with the help of Dr. Gelyn Golamco, medical doctor from Imus Rural Health Unit, rendered free medical consultation.

Minimum health protocols were strictly observed for the safety of everyone. Ms. Sheena Homo and Ms. Liza Ancheta from PESU carried out the antigen swab testing.

Brgy. Captain Reynaldo P. Borromeo and Barangay Health Workers assisted in the activity.--- PICAD

LeBron goes down in history books with 46 points vs. LA Clippers

ANKARA — Los Angeles Lakers superstar LeBron James has become the first basketball player to score at least 40 points against every single NBA team, setting a new record for both the league and himself.

James, the 38-year-old Lakers forward, on Tuesday scored 46 points against rivals the Los Angeles Clippers in a game at LA's Crypto.com Arena.

Though the Clippers were the last of 30 NBA teams that James scored at least 40 points from, they beat the Lakers 133-115.

James also hit a career-high nine 3-pointers in the game.

James is also nearing the legendary Kareem Abdul-Jabbar's all-time scoring record, just 178 points shy of beating him.

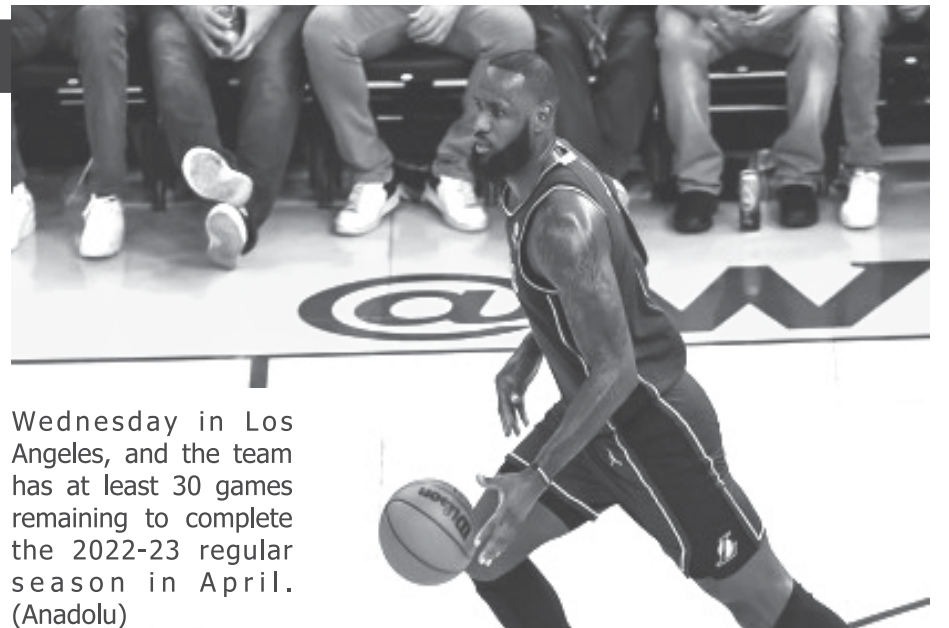
Former Lakers

center Abdul-Jabbar, now 75, tallied 38,387 points in 1,560 games before retiring from the court in 1989.

James has so far racked up 38,210 points in 1,404 appearances.

This season the Lakers are 13th in the NBA Western Conference with a 22-26 win-loss record.

The Lakers will next face off against the San Antonio Spurs on



Wednesday in Los Angeles, and the team has at least 30 games remaining to complete the 2022-23 regular season in April. (Anadolu)

PH named among stops of FIFA WWC trophy tour

MANILA — Filipino football fans will get a glimpse of the FIFA Women's World Cup (WWC) championship trophy as the Philippines has been named one of the stops of the FIFA WWC Trophy Tour.

Philippine Football Federation secretary general Ed Gastanes announced the development on Tuesday during the Philippine Sportswriters Association Forum at the PSC conference room at the Rizal Memorial Sports Complex.

However, he kept mum on when the trophy will arrive in the Philippines.

"I cannot announce the dates yet because it will be FIFA that will announce it," said

Gastanes, but added the trophy will be displayed in an undisclosed place for two days.

The event is already historic as the Philippines booked a spot in the 2023 edition of the WWC, the first time a Filipino squad has made it to any FIFA World Cup main tournament.

The Philippine women's football team, also known as the Filipinas, qualified after making the semifinals of the AFC Women's Asian Cup, beating Chinese Taipei on penalties in the quarterfinals.

The Filipinas have since become a rising force not just in Southeast Asia—by virtue of capturing the bronze in the Southeast Asian Games in Hanoi and ruling the AFF

Women's Championship also at Rizal Memorial—but in the whole world as evidenced by their blowout wins and gallant stands throughout 2022.

The significant buildup for the FIFA WWC begins next month as the Filipinas will face Iceland, Scotland and Wales in the Pinatar Cup at the Pinatar Arena in San Pedro Del Pinatar, Spain.

The Filipinas will also seek to improve their third-place finish last year in Hanoi in the Phnom Penh SEA Games this May before they travel to New Zealand to face the home squad, Norway and Switzerland in the group stages of the FIFA WWC in late July. (PNA)

Gilas yet to call up PBA players for WCQ: Marcial

MANILA — Philippine Basketball Association (PBA) commissioner Willie Marcial on Thursday said nothing has been cast in stone yet as to which players will be called up for Gilas Pilipinas to the February window of the FIBA World Cup Qualifiers.

Marcial said he has yet to discuss matters with Gilas coach Chot

Reyes about the availability of the players for the games against Lebanon and Jordan on Feb. 24 and 27 at the Philippine Arena in Bocaue, Bulacan.

"Wala pa kaming pinag-uusapan ni Coach Chot. Uupo kami ni Coach Chot kung ano ang mangyayari at kung ano ang mga plano din niya di lang din yung

mga players pati yung mga iba't-ibang sasalihan nilang tournaments (We haven't discussed anything yet with Coach Chot. We will sit down to discuss what will happen next and his plans not just for the players but also for the future tournaments that they will join)," Marcial said in the Sports On Air

MANILA — The Philippine Army has captured seven medals, including three golds, in the 8th Mt. Banahaw De Lucban Duathlon in the town of Lucban, Quezon province last Sunday.

Private First Class Robinson Esteves ruled the overall men's category while teammates Staff Sergeant Alvin Benosa and Corporal Cris Joven finished second and third, respectively.

Private Genesis Maraña also delivered the gold medal in

Army athletes shine in Mt. Banahaw de Lucban duathlon

overall women's category.

Army's third gold medal came from Staff Sergeant Reynaldo Navarro, who topped the men's 45 to 54 years old category.

Meanwhile, Private Rick Joebert Balmes bagged the silver medal and Private Christian Dimaculangan pocketed the bronze medal in the men's 25 to 34 years old

category. Army chief, Lt. Gen. Romeo Brawner Jr., commended the exemplary performances of the soldier-athletes in various sporting events.

He told them to focus on honing their skills and talents to sustain their winning momentum this year. (PNA)



Weekly podcast.

When the schedule of the PBA Governors' Cup eliminations was released on Tuesday, one observation many fans noticed was the grueling schedules TNT, San Miguel and Ginebra will have until Feb. 19 but will only return on March 1 at the soonest, leading to speculations

that players from the three teams will once again make up the Gilas core just like last conference.

The only potential shoo-in for the Gilas lineup at the moment is the Gin Kings' resident Governors' Cup import Justin Brownlee, who is now cleared to play as a naturalized Filipino

player.

While Marcial said tapping the three teams for Gilas duties is possible, nothing is final yet.

"As of now, baka [sila], pero ayokong magsalita nang tapos (maybe them, but I don't want to say it's final)," Marcial said. (PNA)

GMA launches integrated, holistic program for drug rehab

TRECE MARTIRES, Cavite (PIA) – The municipal government of General Mariano Alvarez (GMA) headed by Mayor Maricel Echevarria-Torres launched its BUKAS PALAD Program or “Bagong Umaga Kaagapay ang Sarili, Pamilya, Pamayanan at Pamahalaan Laban sa Droga” on Monday, January 23, at the GMA Municipal Plaza during its flag ceremony.

BUKAS PALAD is a multi-sectoral strategy spearheaded by the municipal government and in collaboration with different government agencies such as the Municipal Anti-Drug Abuse Council (MADAC), Peace and Order Council (POC), Philippine National Police (PNP), Bureau of Jail Management and Penology (BJMP), Municipal Health Office, Municipal Social Welfare Development Office (MSWDO), Public Employment Service Office (PESO), private organizations and other stakeholders that



aim to rid the town of illegal drugs and be declared a “Drug-Cleared Municipality.”

According to Mayor Torres, the program is an integrated, and holistic approach to rehabilitating the drug users/dependents in the locality, to help them recover and be reintegrated back to society as a normal and productive citizens.

“Mananatiling ‘bukas-palad’ ang pamahalaang bayan para sa lahat ng mga kababayan dahil malaki ang papel na ginagampanan ng isang

pamahalaan, pamayanan, at Pamilya sa pagbabagong buhay ng Persons Who Used Drugs o PWUDs,” said Mayor Torres.

(The local government remains ‘generous’ for all the citizens because it is the government, the community, and the family’s responsibility to help and support the PWUDs towards a new and better life.) (Ruel Francisco with reports from LGU GMA)

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683 baby marine turtles released in Sariaya shores on the onset of 2023

A total of 683 newly hatched Olive Ridley marine turtles (*Lepidochelys olivacea*) were released in the shores of Sariaya, Quezon after emerging from its protected nesting sites in the

barangays of Bignay II, Castañas and Guisguis-Talon early in January 2023.

The hatching of wildlife was reported to the DENR-Community Environment and Natural Resources

Office (CENRO) Tayabas City through the Office of the Municipal Agriculturist (OMA) of Sariaya and the barangay local government units. Being the DENR field office with the jurisdiction over the established marine turtle nesting sites in the municipality, the CENRO is consistently coordinating with the OMA, Bantay Dagat, and barangay and municipal offices in the monitoring of the said area.

CENRO Tayabas continuously reminds the public that based on the Department Administrative Order No. 2019-09, Olive Ridley is listed and designated as “Endangered” and must be protected under the Republic Act No. 9147 also known as the Wildlife Resources Conservation and Protection Act of 2001. Hunting, collecting, possessing, and poaching of its kind is punishable under this law.

Continuous healthcare services for the community

More than 400 individuals were served during the medical mission conducted by the team from the Provincial Government of Cavite in Barangay Punta 1, Tanza on January 19, 2023.

Locals availed free medical consultation rendered by health professionals from the Provincial Health Office. Prescribed medicines and vitamins were also provided for free as part of the continuous healthcare service of the PGC.

The outreach activity was made possible through the request of Tanza Councilor Maricel Del Rosario-Morales for the benefit of her constituents. Councilor Sheryl Lyn Langit-Gervacio was also present and expressed her gratitude to the mission team for the health services provided.

