

## DAR conducts assessment, planning to hit its priority targets

TANZA, Cavite - The Department of Agrarian Reform (DAR) is currently conducting its first-semester performance assessment and planning conference here. The three-day activity aims to improve the delivery of its services by identifying the challenges and crafting solutions to deliver the department's priority targets. **► DAR CONDUCTS • 6**

# DOST R02, LGU Piat deal for Piat's oneStore Hub

The Department of Science and Technology Region 02 (DOST R02) sealed a Tripartite Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) for the establishment of oneStore Hub with the Local Government Unit of Piat (LGU Piat) headed by Mayor Leonel De Guzman and Ms. Susan Pagulayan, owner of the Susan's Bakeshop on August 26, 2022.

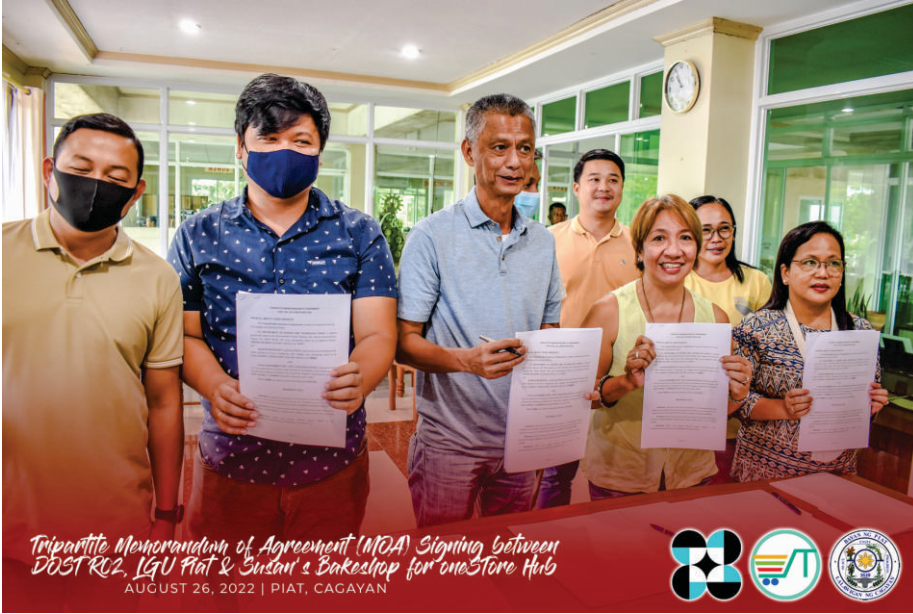
The partnership brings a significant boost to DOST R02 and LGU Piat's mission to

serve the MSMEs in the municipality to expand their market by allowing them to sell and deliver their products through the online platform and the hub. Mayor De Guzman expresses their gratitude to DOST R02 for all the provided technical assistance for their MSMEs, especially on Food Development.

OneStore was introduced in 2015 to help promote the use of the platform in correlation with DOST's Small Enterprises

Technology Upgrading Program (SETUP) and it was designed as an online platform to help local MSMEs grow their business by expanding their market online. It was later expanded to different components such as the oneStore Hub to provide assistance to the MSMEs' needs.

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Fun weekend with My Little Pony at SM City TreceMartires: Kids spent their weekend with fun and delight with the meet and greet of My Little Pony characters at SM City TreceMartires. They drew and colored, took photos and mingled with the little ponies. Visit My Little Pony play area located in front of The SM Store from August 27 to September 11 and catch the My Little Pony Characters on the weekends of the said dates.

## DOTr aspires to 'Build Better, Build More'



Department of Transportation (DOTr) Undersecretary for Planning and Project Development Timothy John Batan presented the game-changing projects and programs of the DOTr for the country's transportation system, at the 43rd National Conference of Employers hosted by the Employers Confederation of the Philippines (ECOP) on Wednesday, Aug. 24. "When we invest in infrastructure, we create jobs. The projects we build also translate to increased labor productivity. The momentum is there, spurred by the last administration's 'Build, Build, Build' initiative. And we aspire to Build Better, Build More," Usec. Batan said. Speaking before the corporate executives, top government officials and labor industry experts as one of the speakers for the conference's 3rd plenary session entitled "Enabling Policy Reforms for Industry-led Job Creation," Usec. Batan bared the DOTr's plans under the new administration, to innovate, adapt, and address emerging transport issues, to support employers and enable job creation. For the railways sector, Usec. Batan presented the much-awaited Metro Manila Subway, North-South Commuter Railway System (NSCR), Common Station, MRT-7, and LRT-1 Cavite **► DOTR • 6**

# Cavite to strengthen tourism workforce

TRECE MARTIRES, Cavite (PIA) – The Provincial Tourism and Cultural Affairs Office (PTCAO) in partnership with the Department of Tourism Region IV-A partnered in conducting the Tour Package Development Training for local travel agencies and tour operators on planning, developing, and marketing tour packages.

Participants were briefed by Dr. Reynaldo Jorda, DOT Master Trainer, at the Ceremonial Hall, Cavite

Provincial Capitol Building providing them with effective mechanisms in order to stay competitive in the market.

Dr. Jorda was quoted as saying, "Cheap things are never good, good things are never cheap," thus reminding participants of the value of delivering service beyond clients' expectations and creating more meaningful experiences. A travel agency or tour operator deals with a

variety of 'tour packages,' catering to the diverse needs of tourists such as adventure, beach, architecture, cultural, business, conference, incentive tours, special interest tours, heritage, monuments, wildlife lovers, etc.

The activity oriented the participants on the phases of the tour operations cycle and different marketing strategies. Towards the **► CAVITE TO • 6**



Dinaluhan ng mga mamamahayag mula sa iba't-ibang organisasyon at ahensya, kabilang na ang PAPI (Publishers Association of the Philippines, Inc.), ang ginanap na selebrasyong pinamunuan ng Pambansang Samahan ng Mamamahayag sa Pilipinas (National Press Club of the Philippines) na pinamagatang Pambansang Araw ng Kalayaan sa Pamamahayag kung saan ang tema ay "Gat. Marcelo H. Del Pilar: Dangal ng Bansa, Inspirasyon ng Mamamayan," Agosto 30, 2022 sa Bakuran ng Pambansang Samahan ng Mamamahayag sa Pilipinas. Ito ay ginanap upang magbigay pugay sa tinaguriang Ama ng Peryodistang Pilipino na si Marcelo Del Pilar.

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## Pinalawak ng PhilHealth ang Hemodialysis Coverage hanggang 144 sessions



Inilabas ng PhilHealth ang PhilHealth Circular No. 2022-0017 na nagtatakda ng maximum hemodialysis benefit package hanggang 144 sessions para sa taong 2022.

Sa pamamagitan nito, ang mga miyembro at kanilang mga makikinabang na may chronic kidney disease stage 5 (CKD5) na nakarehistro sa PhilHealth Dialysis Databas ay maaaring makagamit ng hanggang 144 sesyon ng dialysis hanggang Disyembre 31, 2022, base na rin sa preskripsyon ng kanilang doktor. Ang polisyang ito ay

ekklusibong itinakda lamang para sa outpatient hemodialysis session. Gayundin, ang hindi nagamit na sesyon ay hindi maaaring madagdag sa calendar year 2023.

Ang mga kwalipikadong CKD patients na nagamit na ang kanilang ika-91st hanggang 144th hemodialysis session ngunit hindi awtomatikong naibawas ang benepisyo mula sa kanilang bill ay maaaring magfile ng kanilang claims.

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EDITORIAL

The Food Security Puzzle

In today's ever changing world, things have become more complex. In trying to understand the problems and issues of today, It may help to view the scattered but interconnected pieces of the puzzle and observe with an oblique point of view.

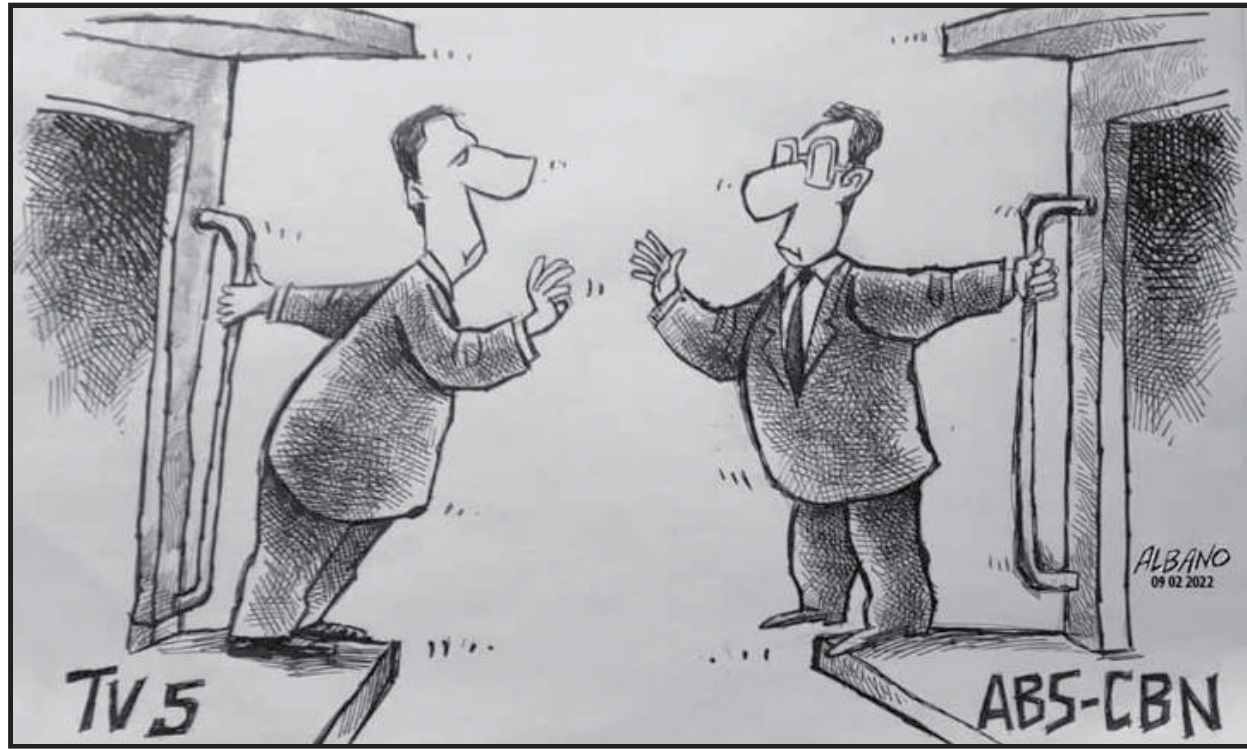
Recently, both our executive and legislative branches of our government have been keenly assessing our country's present food situation and feverishly formulating policies to ensure food security. The News is filled with issues about fish, rice, sugar, and recently salt. "Pundits", both known and self-proclaimed, have recently been harping about a global crisis on food.

Food has always been a staple issue for governments all over the world for decades. With all the advanced technology and know-how available, people often wonder why this particular problem remains a puzzle to this day. There are many reasons why this problem is complicated.

History and Background

Since the start of the 20th century, some 75 percent of our planet's plant diversity has been lost. Farmers worldwide have left their multiple local varieties for genetically uniform, high-yielding and more profitable varieties. Also, despite having thousands of types of edible plants, only three - rice, wheat and corn provide 60 percent of the world's main food source. Production of these grains are mainly found in specific areas of the globe. This dependency on three types of grain with limited variety in terms of strains has left our entire population in a very vulnerable position in terms of food security. Any event, both natural and man-made, that affects the supply of any of the three grain types creates serious ripples. As such the issue of food is mainly global in nature and not something one nation's government can solve entirely.

For Filipinos, rice is our most important food staple. We eat an average of 115 kilograms per year and it is a large component (up to 20%) of the average Filipino's food purchase budget. Unfortunately, we can only produce a maximum of 90% of our needs. Why can't we produce what we



need? Again several factors conspire against us. First, our population growth outstrips our ability to produce. Second, the land available for planting is finite. Third, unlike Vietnam with its Mekong delta and Cambodia which has the large Tonle Sap lake, the Philippines does not have the natural irrigation system of our southeast Asian neighbors. Producing more rice therefore as a unitary solution will not cut it. Importation? This would leave us vulnerable to events outside our country and beyond our control. The government is also faced with the dilemma of balancing consumer interests and farmer/food producer welfare.

Paradigm shifts and technologies

There are some sectors who have proposed substituting rice with vegetables or other cereals in our diets. There was a time when corn based cereal was common in the southern regions of the country but rice eventually wiped out the competition. Everyone knows vegetables are healthier but

accessibility is still limited. How do we produce cheaper vegetables? New technologies are now coming into play. There are enzymes used in open lots to produce more and better vegetables. Urban farming projects which use old buildings and water efficient hydroponics are now being developed to produce more vegetables. Mushroom varieties that can be produced in alternative spaces and can produce more using smaller areas.

National Government alone, however, can't push this shift and new technology. Now, more than ever, local governments including barangays and the private sector must step in to develop these technologies and techniques and implement them on the ground. Innovation and start up mentality with focus on social enterprises must contribute to coming up with solutions. It is easy to criticize but that won't solve the problem. It is time for everyone to pitch in. This is my oblique observation and opinion.

Pairalin ang child protection program kontra sexual harassment -Gatchalian

MAYNILA, (PIA) -- Hinimok ni Senador Win Gatchalian ang mga paaralan sa bansa na pairalin ang pagpapatupad ng programa para sa child protection upang labanan ang lahat ng uri ng pang-aabuso at karahasan, kabilang ang sexual harassment.

Ito ay kasunod ng imbestigasyon ng Department of Education (DepEd) sa anim na guro na di umano ay nagsamantala sa mga mag-aaral sa Bacoor National High School sa Cavite. Nag-viral noong Agosto 28 ang isang social media post ukol sa sinasabing naging karanasan ng mga mag-aaral. Ayon kay DepEd spokesman Michael Poa, hindi na binigyan ng

teaching load ang mga guro simula noong magsagawang imbestigasyon. "Mariin nating kinokondena ang ganitong uri ng pang-aabuso at karahasan sa ating mga mag-aaral. Ang mga paaralan ay dapat nagsilbing ligtas na espasyo. Walang lugar sa ating mga paaralan ang pang-aabuso at karahasan at hindi dapat natin ito pinapalagpas," ani Gatchalian, Chairman ng Senate Committee on Basic Education.

Binigyang diin ni Gatchalian ang mahalagang papel ng Child Protection Unit (CPU) ng DepEd na may mandatong bumuo ng mga polisiya sa karapatan ng mga mag-aaral na mabigyan ng proteksyon laban sa karahasan, pang-aabuso, at pagmamaltrato. Mandato rin ng CPU na bumuo at magpanatili ng mekanismo para sa pag-ulat at pag-monitor ng mga usaping may kinalaman sa proteksyon ng mga kabataan.

Sa pagpapatupad ng mga programang may kinalaman sa pagbibigay proteksyon sa mga kabataan, igininit ng senador na dapat pakilusin ng mga paaralan ang kanilang Child Protection Committees (CPC) na nilikha sa ilalim ng Department Order No. 40 s. 2021 o ang Child Protection Policy. Maliban sa paglikha ng polisiya hinggil sa proteksyon ng mga

kabataan, mandato rin ng mga CPC ang pagtukoy sa mga mag-aaral na maaaring dumaranan ng pang-aabuso, pati na rin ang pag-ulat ng mga kasong may kinalaman sa pang-aabuso ng mga kabataan.

Batay sa naging resulta ng National Baseline Study on Violence Against Children in the Philippines (2016), labing-pitong (17.1) porsyento ng mga kabataang may edad na labing-tatlo (13) at hindi aabot sa labing-walo (18) ang nakaranas ng karahasang sekswal. Tinatayang limang (5.3) porsyento ng mga karanasang ito ay naganap sa mga paaralan. (PIA-NCR)

Gilas pummels Saudi in FIBA WCQ play

Gilas Pilipinas scored an emphatic 84-46 win at home against Saudi Arabia in the fourth window of the FIBA World Cup Qualifiers on Monday night at the Mall of Asia Arena.

Despite a sluggish start, Gilas showed its might against the Arabians as their offense clicked from the second quarter onwards to make a crowd of 19,829 people, including no less than President Ferdinand "Bongbong" Marcos Jr., rejoice. The Arabians somehow silenced the sold-out crowd early on after forcing Gilas to a sluggish first quarter.

Despite a hot three-point shooting from Jordan Clarkson, which included a long tom from almost the halfcourt to beat the buzzer, Gilas found themselves trailing, 11-14, against Saudi Arabia. However, Gilas found their offensive rhythm in the second quarter, outscoring the Arabians, 26-14, to take a 37-28 halftime lead.

Gilas then held Saudi to just eight third-quarter points to put the outcome beyond doubt. Clarkson led Gilas, now 3-3 in Group E play, with 23 points on 8-of-13 shooting including 5-for-7 from three-point range, five rebounds, and six assists.

Kai Sotto added 16 points, 13 rebounds, and four blocks. Khalid Abdel-Gabar, Mathna Almarwani, and Musab Kadi each had nine points for Saudi Arabia, which fell to 1-5. (PNA)



NO. 1 FAN. President Ferdinand "Bongbong" Marcos Jr. joins nearly 20,000 fans who watched the FIBA World Cup Qualifiers' fourth window game between the Philippines and Saudi Arabia at the MOA Arena in Pasay City on Monday night (Aug. 29, 2022). The Gilas Pilipinas bounced back from a sluggish start to beat Saudi, 84-46. (Screengrab from OnePH sports)

Japan captures AVC Cup for Women title



JAPAN WIN. Members of the volleyball team of Japan give double high-fives to their colleagues after capturing their first-ever AVC Cup for Women volleyball, beating China in four sets, 25-23, 25-21, 19-25, 25-16 at the PhilSports Arena in Pasig City on Monday (Aug. 30, 2022). The Chinese team was the erstwhile three-time defending champions of the tournament. (PNA photo by Jess M. Escaros Jr.)

Japan pulled off a 3-1 (25-23, 25-21, 19-25, 25-16) victory over China to rule the 2022 Asian Volleyball Confederation (AVC) Cup for Women on Monday at the PhilSports Arena in Pasig City.

Banking on the awesome performances of opposite hitters Mizuki Tanaka, Miwako Osanai and Miyu Nakagawa and middle blocker Asuka Hamamatsu, Japan bounced back in the fourth set to claim the match after one hour and 54 minutes. Tanaka finished with 17 attacks and two service aces, Osanai had 14 attacks and one service ace while Nakagawa scored 10 spikes and two service aces. Hamamatsu had eight spikes, two blocks and two service aces.

"I am so grateful for this first championship, especially since we won this altogether. Despite the short time of preparation, we did really great. We have all the top players in the Japanese V-League, we got to highlight everybody's goodness about the play so that was really great about the team," said captain Mika Shibata through an interpreter. "We focused on serve and defense. That worked so we won. I am so happy with the result," added head coach Akira Koshiya.

Opposite hitter Zhou Yetong and middle blocker Wang Wenhan scored five points each while outside hitter Zhuang Yushan contributed four points as China won the third set in 30 minutes. Yetong led China with 14 points, including three blocks. Zhuang had 10 spikes and three blocks, Wang added 10 attacks and block while Wu Mengjie had 11 points. "We're still a young team, we learned a lot from the experience from this tournament. We will work harder and do better next time," said China's head coach Kuang Qi through an interpreter.

Thailand defeated Vietnam, 3-0 (25-19, 26-24, 25-18), to settle for third place. Chatchu-on Moksri had 16 points off 14 attacks, one block and one service. Pimpichaya Kokram scored 14 spikes while Hattaya Bamrungsuk scored eight attacks, one block and one service ace.

Tran Thi Thanh Thuy topscored for Vietnam with nine points, Nguyen Thi Trinh had eight points and Tran Thi Bich Thuy delivered 11 spikes. Meanwhile, Shibata was named Most Valuable Player. The other recipients of individual awards were China's Wu Mengjie (Best Outside Hitter), Hu Mingyuan (Best Middle Blocker), Zhou Yetong (Best Opposite); Japan's Hiroyo Yamanaka (Best Middle Blocker) and Rena Mizusugi (Best Libero); and Thailand's Chatchu-on Moksri (Best Outside Hitter) and Pornpun Guedpard (Best Setter). (PNA)

San Miguel Beer took advantage of Jayson Castro's absence to tear TNT apart, 114-96, and force a winner-take-all Game 7 for the Philippine Basketball Association (PBA) Philippine Cup crown at the Smart Araneta Coliseum in Quezon City on Friday night.

With Castro sitting out due to an ankle injury, RR Pogoy, despite a hot showing, came up short of providing the needed offensive juggernaut to compensate for Mikey Williams' subpar game as the Beermen sent the series to a decider on Sunday, also at the Big Dome. The Beermen are undefeated in eight do-or-die matches in the Philippine Cup finals series since 2015.

SMB quickly pounced on TNT after scoring 40 points in the first quarter, the most that the latter conceded in a single quarter of a PBA finals game with Chot Reyes at the helm. The Tropang Giga contained the Beermen a bit in the second quarter and remained within striking distance come halftime, 53-60, but the latter responded with a 29-18 third quarter to seal the rout.

Marcio Lassiter erupted from long range and finished with 22 points on 8-of-11 field goals, including 6-of-7 on threes, for SMB. CJ Perez and Simon Enciso each added 20, while June Mar Fajardo, the Best Player of the Conference, had a double-double of 10 points on perfect 4-for-4 shooting and 12 rebounds.

"We will not concentrate on one player, June Mar. I want everybody to be involved, especially 'yung mga shooter namin (our shooters), and that's what happened tonight," SMB coach Leo Austria said. Lassiter and Enciso became the first teammates to hit six triples each since Chris Ross and Terrence Romeo made six or more each against the same TNT side in 2019. Pogoy finished with 31 points and three rebounds for TNT while Williams was held to just two points. The scores: San Miguel: 114 - Lassiter 22, Perez 20, Enciso 20, Tautuaa 15, Cruz 11, Fajardo 10, Brondial 6, Manuel 5, Ross 3, Pessumal 2, Canete 0, Herndon 0, Zamar 0, Faundo 0 TNT: 96 - Pogoy 31, Tungcab 12, Rosario 10, Montalbo 8, K. Williams 8, Erram 7, Alejandro 7, Marcelo 5, Banal 3, Cruz 3, M. Williams 2, Ganelas-Rosser 0, Reyes 0 Quarters: 40-24, 63-50, 92-68, 114-96 (PNA)

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# ATI Data Management Training 2nd Batch successful



TRECE MARTIRES CITY, Cavite (PIA) – Twenty livestock technicians and several staff of ATI-Calabarzon successfully graduated from the second group of Training on Data Management for Livestock Extension Workers initiated by the Agricultural Training

Institute (ATI) CALABARZON. Held at the ATI IV-A Training Hall, the 3-day training last August 17 to 19, said training aimed to extend the importance of Data Management, Data Privacy and introduce the concept of the Philippine Animal

Industry Management Information System or PhilAIMIS (central repository data bank and knowledge portal for the DA Livestock Agencies) for livestock technicians in CALABARZON. The 3-day training focused on the importance of the Data

Privacy Act and the purpose of PhilAIMIS including the correct implementation of Data Management, Data Analysis, and the hands-on activities on the use of the Pentaho application for data cleaning and data transformation. Also, the participants learned about the key concept and principles of the

data privacy act to guard personal information and communication systems in both the private and government sectors. Ms. Sherylou C. Alfaro, Training Center Superintendent 1 of ATI Region IV-A reminded the participants of the importance of performing Data Management in their respective agencies and

urged them to carry out and practice what they learned in the 3-day training. The training was conducted by the Career Development Services Section under the Livestock Program of ATI. **(RBF/ with reports from Marian Lovella A. Parot, Training Specialist I ATI Calabarzon)**

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DAR Secretary Conrado Estrella III said the activity focuses on assessing the DAR offices nationwide of their performance on the programs and projects of the department undertaken from January to June 2022.

"This assessment would help us achieve President Ferdinand Marcos Jr.'s national goal of addressing social justice and improving the lives of poor farmers through land reform," Estrella said.

Estrella laid down his priority goals to his officials, to serve as a guide for formulating strategic plans for agrarian reform implementation for the next six years.

The Secretary's main priorities are to speed up land distribution, agrarian justice delivery, and intensify support services to agrarian reform beneficiaries (ARBs).

"In six years, aside from these three main goals, I will push the DAR to achieve self-sufficiency for the ARBs, create progressive agrarian cooperatives, and sustainable and resilient agrarian reform communities (ARCs)," Estrella said.

He said the department intends to achieve the following targets: 80 percent or 743,800 ARBs with improved productivity and increased income; 85 percent or 7,800 agrarian cooperatives with established and stable viable business operations managed by the ARBs; and 80 percent or 1,300 ARCs with improved business ecosystems and connectivity.

"I am confident that with these priority goals, the department's workforce will do its best to implement programs and projects that will hasten land distribution, delivery of support services, and improve

the economic lives of farmers," Estrella said. DAR Undersecretary for Policy, Planning and Research Office (PPRO) Luis Meinrado Pañgulayan said the activity also included mapping strategic plans to achieve the department's targets.

During the plenary and focus group discussion, the participants were able to identify the DAR's internal and external drivers and barriers, which either helped or hindered the achievement of its targets. "This activity is being done to assess the gaps in areas of work, formulating solutions to deliver its annual targets and objectives, and engaging and empowering employees to motivate them in doing their job," Pañgulayan said.

The assessment and planning conference is being held from August 25-27, 2022 in Tanza, Cavite and via online streaming. **(DAR)**

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end of the program, the participants presented tour packages that they have thematically created for specific target markets. In Cavite, three organizations of travel agencies and tour operators are

recognized by the PTCAO and DOT IV-A namely, Cavite Travel and Tours Association (CTTA), National Association of Independent Travel Agencies (NAITAS)-Cavite, and Cavite Alliance of Independent

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o Local Health Insurance Office (LHIO) at sundin ang umiiral na panuntunan batay sa PhilHealth Circular No. 20s.2014 (ACR Policy

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Extension Project. He also discussed the plans to continuously improve the capacity and capability of the country's existing airports and build new gateways. For the maritime sector, Usec. Batan emphasized the thrust of the DOTr and the Philippine Ports Authority (PPA), to finish the ongoing port projects coast-to-coast.

Tour Operators (CAITO). These stakeholders remained resilient and continuously provide support to uplift the tourism industry. **(RBF/PIA-Cavite with reports from Cavite Provincial Tourism Office Facebook Page)**

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Sakay under the Service Contracting Program. He also mentioned the EDSA Greenways, EDSA Busway, Cebu Bus Rapid Transit, and PUV Modernization. "This is how we are shaping the country's transportation landscape — by providing accessible, affordable, comfortable, and safe public transport, we are uplifting the lives of the Filipino people," he added. **(DOTr/PIA-NCR)**

He likewise cited the Pasig River Ferry System, Sorsogon RoRo Terminal Port, and the New Cebu International Container Port Project, and the Maritime Safety Enhancement Project for the Philippine Coast Guard (PCG). Lastly, for the road sector, Usec. Batan highlighted the DOTr's initiatives to provide commuter assistance, such as the Libreng

# 2023 Proposed Budget, isinumite na sa Kongreso

Isinumite na sa Kongreso ng kalihim ng Department of Budget and Management (DBM) na si Amenah F. Pangandaman ang Proposed Budget for Fiscal Year 2023 ng Pangulo na tinukoy bilang "proactive and resilient budget."

Sa press release ng DBM, sinabi ni Kalihim Pangandaman na ang budget para sa FY 2023 ay dinesenyo upang mabisang maharap ang mga pagsubok, panganib, at mga hindi inaasahang pangyayari sa hinaharap.

"Our budget for FY 2023 is proactive and resilient. It is designed to withstand future risks, challenges and shocks. Filipinos have bravely faced disasters and crises in recent years and notwithstanding the uncertainties, we have witnessed the strength of our economy and the resilience of our countrymen as seen by the country's economic expansion," ayon kay Budget Secretary Pangandaman.

Ayon sa economic team ng Marcos Administration, layunin nilang makamit ang 6.5 hanggang 8.0 percent real Gross Domestic Product (GDP) growth kada taon mula 2023-2028 para makakuha ng single-digit (9%) poverty rate sa taong 2028. At bilang suporta sa 8-Point Socio-Economic Agenda ng Marcos Administration, binigyang diin ni Pangandaman ang pangangailangan sa pagsuporta sa mga napiling pangunahing sektor o identified priority sectors, at papagtuluyin (sustain) ang growth momentum ng bansa para maging inclusive at matatag ang ekonomiya sa 2023.

"We have identified the priority sectors in our 2023 National Expenditure Program, which stands at Php5.268-Trillion and 4.9 percent higher than

this year's budget. These priority sectors include education, infrastructure development, health, agriculture and social safety nets," ayon kay Kalihim Pangandaman.

**Education Sector** - Department of Education (DepEd) -State Universities and Colleges (SUCs) -Commission on Higher Education (CHED), at -Technical Education and Skills Development Authority (TESDA)

Ayon sa DBM, ang sektor ng edukasyon ay makatanggap ng Php852.8-Billion (8.2% increase mula sa 2022 allocation) sa 2023 at mananatili bilang highest budgetary priority as mandated by the Constitution.

Ang budget para sa DepEd ay tataas mula sa Php633.3-Billion ngayong 2022 na magiging Php710.6-Billion sa 2023.

**Infrastructure Development** -Department of Public Works and Highway (DPWH) - Department of Transportation (DoTr) Ang kabuuang budget para sa 2023 infrastructure programs ng goyerno ay Php1.196-Trillion.

DPWH ay makatatanggap ng Php718.4-Billion na budget sa 2023 samantalang ang DoTr naman ay makatatanggap ng Php167.1-Billion (120.4% increase) sa susunod na taon.

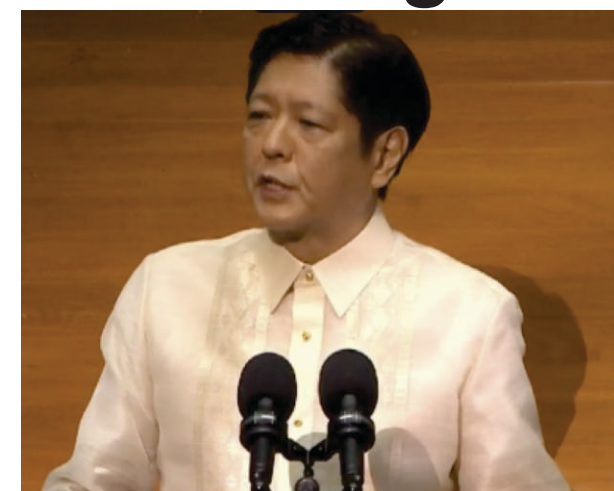
Ang mga pangunahing transportation infrastructure projects na ipatutupad ay ang North-South Commuter Railway, Metro Manila Subway Phase 1, LRT-1 Cavite Extension, at ang PNR South Long Haul.

**Kalusugan** -Department of Health (DOH) -Philippine Health Insurance Corporation (PhilHealth) Ayon sa DBM, tatanggap ng Php296.3-Billion

(10.4% increase) ang sektor ng kalusugan para suportahan ang vaccination efforts at uptake of boosters para sa vulnerable population habang pinapalakas ang health system sa pamamagitan ng lalong pagpapabuti ng health facilities at services.

Ayon kay Kalihim Pangandaman, nasa Php29-Billion ang ilalaan para sa pagbili ng mga gamot, medisina, at bakuna habang mahigit sa Php19-Billion naman ang ilalaan para sa sahod at benepisyo ng healthcare workers.

Samantala, Php23-Billion naman ang ilalaan para sa Health Facilities Enhancement Program (HFEP) na magpopondo sa pagbili ng medical equipment pati na rin sa pagtatayo, rehabilitasyon, at upgrading ng barangay health stations, rural health units, polyclinics, LGU hospitals, DOH hospital, at iba pang health facilities sa buong bansa.



## President Bongbong Marcos

na maka-recover mula sa economic displacement dulot ng pandemya. Kasama dito ang Tulong Panghanapbuhay sa Atin ng Disadvantaged/Displaced Workers (TUPAD), DOLE Integrated Livelihood Program, at Supplementary Feeding Program.

"Our budget provides for the implementation of the projects and programs of the DSWD. The President said it himself—we must not neglect the poorest of the poor," ayon kay Kalihim Pangandaman.

Samantala, ang Php18.4-Billion ng kabuuang Php26.2-Billion budget para sa DOLE ay gagamitin sa pagpapatupad ng Livelihood and Emergency Employment Program nito para matulungan ang mga benepisaryo

industries and services, knowledge and capacity development and sustainable energy. Bilang paghahanda sa mga bagyo at natural na kalamidad, ang budget ng Department of National Defense (DND) ay Php240.7-Billion (9% increase) para sa 2023. Samantalang sa Php31-Billion naman ang ilalaan para sa National Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Fund.

"Government hopes to fund these and ensure their proper delivery by pursuing the path of sound fiscal management and enhanced bureaucratic efficiency. I am confident that the 2023 budget will help us achieve our goals for economic transformation, growth, and sustainability," ayon kay DBM Secretary Pangandaman. **(PIA-NCR)**

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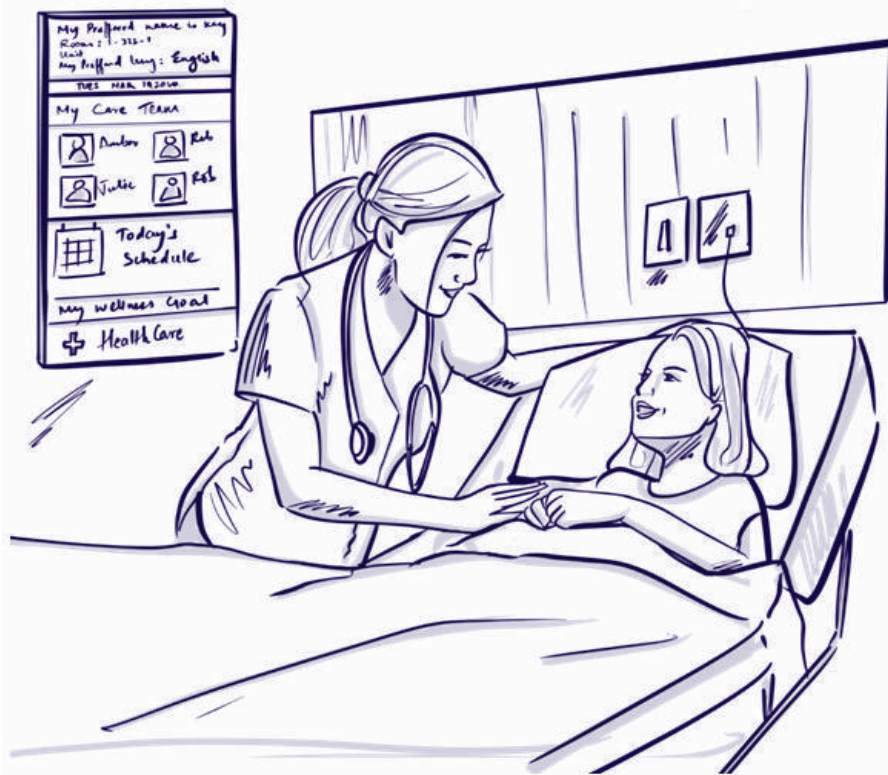
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# Agarang pag-gamit ng benepisyo, Ipinatutupad ng PhilHealth para sa lahat ng Filipino Citizens

Layunin ng PhilHealth na matiyak na lahat ng mga Filipino, kabilang ang mga dual citizens at naturalized Filipinos, ay awtomatikong makakagamit ng benepisyong medikal sa oras na kailanganin ito. Ito ang tinatawag na "immediate eligibility". Upang awtomatikong makagamit ng benepisyo ang isang Filipino, kinakailangan lamang magparehistro

sa pinakamalapit na Local Health Insurance Office (LHIO) sa kanilang lugar. Sakaling hindi pa rehistrado ang isang pasyente, ang ospital o health facility ang mangangasiwa sa pagrehistro ng miyembro sa PhilHealth sa pamamagitan ng online o manual na pamamaraan. Tinitiyak ng Universal Health Care

(UHC) ang agarang paggamit ng benepisyo (immediate eligibility) ng lahat ng Filipino. Hindi dapat na maging balakid ang kakulangan ng kontribusyon para makagamit ng benepisyo. Gayundin, hindi na kinakailangan na magpakita ng proof ng kontribusyon sa ospital o health facility. Gayunpaman, nilinaw din sa UHC Law na ang mga miyembro



na nasa kategorya ng Direct Contributors, na may gap sa kanilang kontribusyon, na siguraduhin na updated ang kanilang kontribusyon upang maiwasan ang

pagkakaroon ng penalty o interest. Isa sa obligasyon ng mga miyembro ang pagbabayad ng kanilang kontribusyon kasama na ang mga nakaligtaang buwan.

Maglalabas ng hiwalay na guidelines ang PhilHealth sa proseso ukol sa hindi nabayarang premiums. (by Veronia V. Abella | PRO IVA)

## SSS R.A.C.E. campaign in Dasmariñas City successful



DASMARIÑAS CITY, Cavite (PIA) - Twelve predetermined business establishments in the city received written notice to remind and require to settle their obligations under the Social Security Law which mandates the need to require and register and pay SSS contributions of their employees.

Atty. Alenjandre T. Diaz, Department Manager III of SSS Luzon South Division explained in a press conference held August 26 at the SSS Dasmariñas Branch that prior to the issuance of notices, the establishments were given a chance (billing letters) to settle their obligations and comply.

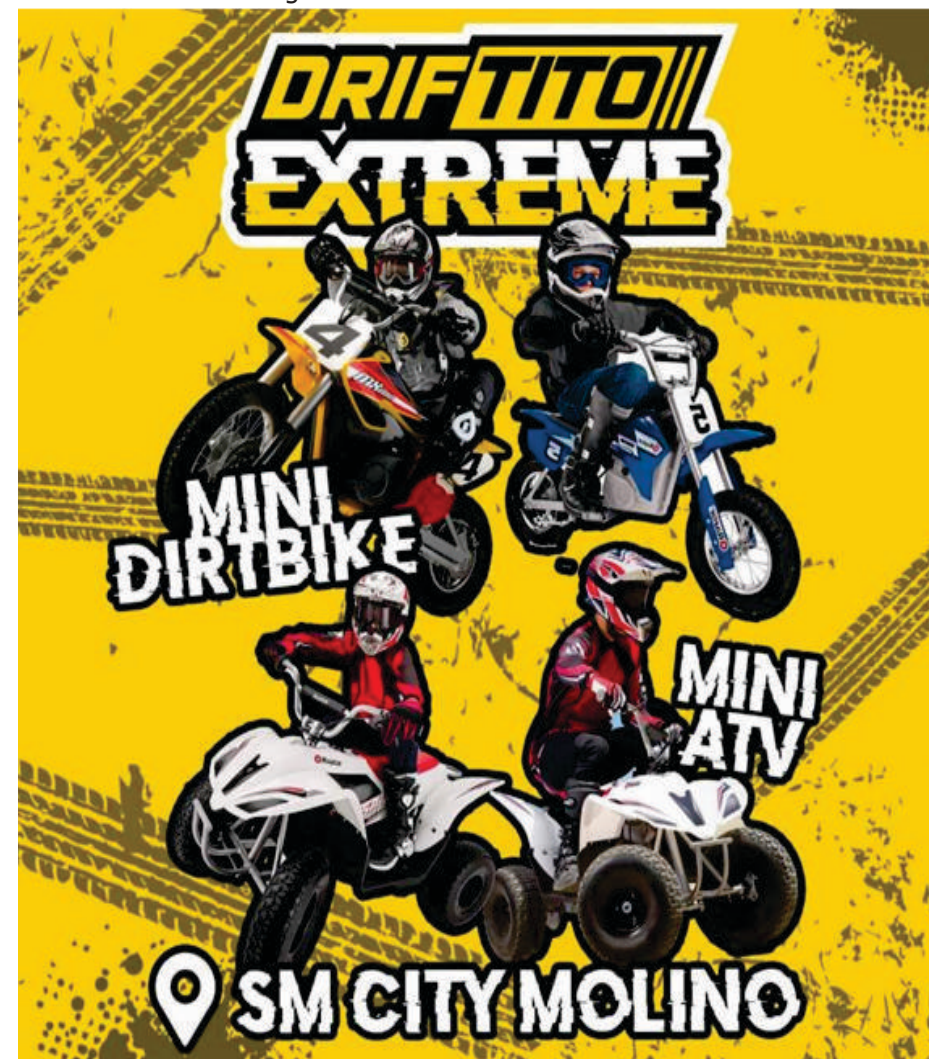
"Because of the current COVID-19 pandemic situation, SSS were very supportive to the establishments but they are accountable for the protection of their employees who one way or another also needs social security protection," Atty. Diaz said.

Atty. Dias added that employers are responsible for their workers and they have given them a chance to fulfill their obligation by visiting the SSS Dasmariñas branch.

On the other hand, Ms. Leticia M. Del Barrio, Head of SSS Dasmariñas explained that companies/business establishments are the backbone of the SSS and the R.A.C.E. campaign is a form of awareness to the employers vis-à-vis the welfare of their employees.

The twelve predetermined business establishments that received the notice shall be given 15 days to settle their legal obligation to SSS by availing of the SSS Pandemic Relief and Restructuring Program: Enhanced Installment Payment Program (PRRP 3) until November 22 of this year.

Under PRRP 3, employers may select from the following payment options: (a) pay in full the principal obligation first and the corresponding penalties to be paid on installment; (b) apply the monthly installment/s to the principal ahead of the penalty/ies; or (c) pay in full the remaining delinquency at any time during the term of Installment Payment Agreement (IPA), subject to re-assessment of the penalty/ies, if applicable. (RBF/PIA-Cavite)



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# TESDA nanawagan ng karagdagang paaralan sa pagsasaka

Hinihikayat ng Technical Education and Skills Development Authority (TESDA) ang mga magsasaka, kooperatiba, at negosyante na magtatag sa kanilang lokalidad ng paaralan sa pagsasaka para sa higit na pagpapasigla ng pag-unlad sa kanayunan.

Sa kanyang pagsasalita sa pagsisimula ng "Training of Facilitators on Farm Business School" seminar sa Cavite, ibinahagi ni TESDA Deputy Director General Aniceto D. Bertiz III na ang mataas na pagsasanay na nakabatay sa

agrikultura ay makapagpapahusay sa pagiging produktibo at kakayahan ng mga magsasaka.

"Ang pagbibigay ng access sa technical vocational education and training o TVET sa pamamagitan ng agri-fishery farm schools ay isang istrateliya upang makamit ang pangmatagalang hangarin ng pag-unlad para sa mga kanayunan," wika niya.

Binanggit niya na ang mga Pilipinong magsasaka ay kumikita ng humigit-kumulang na PHP 2,300 kada buwan mula sa bawat pagasanay na lupang sinasaka, at

karamihan sa mga magsasaka ay hindi sapat ang kinikita upang suportahan ang kanilang mga pamilya.

"Dinisenyo ang pagsasanay na ito upang ang ating mga magsasaka ay magkaroon ng tamang kaalaman, kasanayan at disiplina na makatutulong sa pagtaas ng kanilang produksyon sa agrikultura sa pamamagitan ng mga bagong teknolohiya at gawain pangkabuhayan," pahayag niya.

Bilang bahagi ng enterprise-based training o "EBT to the Max", ipinatutupad ng

## 333 magsasaka sa Panukulan, natulungan ng DA-4A maipalista sa RSBSA



PANUKULAN, Quezon - Mahigit sa 333 magsasaka sa bayan ng Panukulan, Quezon ang natulungan ng Department of Agriculture - (DA)-Region-4A upang maipalista sa Registry System for Basic Sectors in Agriculture (RSBSA) sa idinaos na "Huntahan sa kanayunan" noong Agosto 26.

Sinabi ni Department of Agriculture 4A Regional Agriculture and Fisheries Information Section (RAFIS) Information Chief Radel Llagas na mahalaga sa magsasaka na magpalista sa RSBSA pang madaling makakuha ng mga suporta at iba pang mga interventions na

ibibigay ng Kagawaran ng Pagsasaka.

"Mahalaga din pong maging kasapi ng alinmang lihitimong samahang pansakahan ang mga magsasaka upang magkaroon sila ng panibagong kaalaman sa pagsasaka gayundin matulungan sa iba pang usaping pang sakahan," sabi pa ni Llagas.

Ayon naman kay OIC-Regional Technical Director for Research, Regulations and Integrated Laboratory at Corn Program Coordinator Fidel Libao na mahalaga na marinig ang kahilingan ng mga magsasaka at matugunan ito upang umunlad ang kanilang sektor. Samantala, nagpasalamat naman si Panukulan Mayor Alfred

Rigor Mitra sa pagkakaroon ng ganitong uri ng programa at tiyak na hihimukin ang lahat ng mga magsasaka sa kanilang bayan na magpatala sa RSBSA upang mapag-isa at umunlad ang sektor ng agrikultura dito.

Ang "Huntahan sa Kanayunan" ay programa ng DA-4A na naglalayon na mapalaganap ang mga programa at serbisyong pang-agrikultura sa malalayong lugar sa mga lalawigan ng Cavite, Laguna, Batangas, Rizal at Quezon gayundin marinig ang boses ng mga magsasaka. (RMO/PIA Quezon may ulat mula kay Jayvee Ergino/DA-4A).



TESDA ang Program on Accelerating Farm School Establishment (PAFSE) para isulong ang paglaganap ng mga paaralan para sa pagsasaka, at ang pamamaraan na "farmer to farmer, learning by doing".

Upang makapag-alok ng mga programang may kinalaman sa agrikultura, ang mga sakahan sa kanilang lugar ay maaaring mababa sa isang ektarya o mas malaki pa sa 10 ektarya. May 62 na programa sa pagsasanay ang

maaaring irehistro sa TESDA at iaalok sa publiko sa ilalim ng PAFSE.

Kabilang dito ang mga qualification title tulad ng Agricultural Crop Production, Aquaculture, Horticulture, Organic Agriculture Production, Rice Machinery Operations, at Animal Production at marami pang iba.

Ang mga gastos sa pagsasanay at assessment ay sasagutin ng Training for Work Scholarship Program (TWSP) ng TESDA. Kabilang sa mga

target na benepisyaryo ng programa ang mga magsasaka at mangingisda at kanilang mga kamag-anak, gayundin ang mga miyembro ng komunidad kung saan matatagpuan ang mga paaralan para sa pagsasaka. Sa ngayon, mayroong 399 farmer field school program na nakarehistro sa TESDA ang ipinatutupad sa iba't ibang paaralan sa pagsasaka gayundin sa pribado at pampublikong institusyon sa buong bansa. (GMEA - TESDA)



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