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Gov. Tolentino led the WWP aimed at advancing women's welfare in the City of Bacoor and the municipality of Kawit



Governor Athena Tolentino led the Women's Welfare Program aimed at advancing women's welfare in the City of Bacoor and the municipality of Kawit. The program reflecting the governor's steadfast dedication to women's empowerment, provided Php 2,000 in cash assistance to 2,000 women in each municipality.

WWP not only served as a financial lifeline but also symbolized the province's broader mission to uplift and empower women. The event in Bacoor saw the presence of Vice Mayor Rowena Bautista Mendiola and members of the Sangguniang

Parlungsod, reflecting strong local government support.

In Kawit, Senator Francis "Tol" Tolentino lent his backing to the initiative, further emphasizing the collaborative effort of provincial and national leaders in promoting women's rights and welfare.

Governor Tolentino's leadership exemplifies the power of collective action and the importance of investing in women as catalysts for societal progress. By prioritizing women's economic empowerment, this initiative seeks to create opportunities for growth, self-reliance, and community engagement. **(A. Sarte)**

120 families left homeless by Cavite fire to spend Christmas in evacuation centers

Around 120 families in Cavite will spend Christmas in evacuation centers after a fire razed a residential area at the boundary of Imus and Kawit early morning in Monday.



According to Dano Tingcungco's report in 24 Oras, no one was injured or died from the incident. However, many residents lost their possessions to the fire.

"Hindi ko pa iniisip yung bukas...wala pa akong naisip na plano kasi walang natira sa amin. Zero talaga. Lahat ng pinaghirapan ko, lahat ng pinaghirapan ng asawa ko, ubos na ubos talaga," said Anna, one of the residents, as she cries about their situation two days before the Christmas.

(I'm not thinking about tomorrow...I have yet to make any plans because we lost everything. It's really zero. Everything that I and my husband worked hard for were lost.)

In Tinabunan Elementary School, one of the three designated ► **120 FAMILIES • 7**

DepEd highlights leadership change, shift in direction

THE Department of Education (DepEd) experienced a pivotal year in 2024, marked by a change in leadership and a renewed focus on digital education.



Members of the Commission on Appointment (CA) and former fellow senators congratulate Department of Education (DepEd) Secretary Juan Edgardo 'Sonny' Angara after his official appointment as DepEd secretary, held inside the session hall of the Philippine Senate in Pasay City recently. PHOTOS BY MIKE ALQUINTO

Following a political upheaval, Vice President Sara Duterte's departure in July set the stage for the appointment of Sen. Sonny Angara as her successor. This leadership shift signified a major change in the department's policies and direction.

Early initiatives: Addressing key issues

DepEd began the year by allowing current senior high school students in state and local universities and colleges (SUCs and LUCs) to continue their studies despite a memorandum barring enrollment in SUCs and LUCs for the 2023-2024 school year. The department also launched two key initiatives in January as part of its Oplan Kalusugan (OK sa DepEd) program: the School Mental Health ► **DEPED • 4**

DOH logs total of 101 fireworks-related injuries as of Dec. 27

The Department of Health (DOH) on Friday reported 32 more fireworks-related injuries (FWRIs) in various regions, bringing the overall tally to 101 from Dec. 22 to 6 a.m. of Dec. 27.

In a Bagong Pilipinas Ngayon interview, DOH Assistant Secretary and Spokesperson Albert Domingo said the top three regions with the most number of FWRIs are the National Capital Region, Central Luzon and Cagayan Valley.

"Top four is Western Visayas, and then top five, two regions are tied – Ilocos and our Central Visayas," he said.

He noted that the FWRIs were generally caused by illegal firecrackers – boga, five star and piccolo – which accounts for eight in every 10 cases.

"Pati iyong kuwitis pumasok na rin – kahit legal siya, siya rin ay nagiging top four na dahilan ng ating mga fireworks injuries (While kwitis is legal, it has

become the fourth top cause of fireworks injuries)," he said.

Of the 101 cases, 80 or 79 percent were caused by illegal fireworks. About 65 or 64 percent were active users of firecrackers or they lit the firecrackers themselves.

Ninety-two were males and nine were females. Eighty-two were ages 19 and below while the 19 are ages 20 and above.

"Nasa mga lima – 5 percent kasi eh, 101 na tayo, nasa 5 percent iyong nagkaroon na ng amputation o iyong naputulan ng bahagi ng katawan dahil sa paputok (There are five – because it's 5 percent, we're already 101, it's at 5 percent, those that had amputation or had parts of their bodies removed due to

firecrackers)," Domingo said.

Among the FWRIs, the most affected body parts are the eyes, hands, head, calf, leg, and arm, he noted.

In case of injury, Domingo advised that first aid may be performed before going to the hospital for proper treatment and tetanus shot.

He said pressure must be applied on bleeding wounds to avoid blood loss.

Non-bleeding wounds may be cleaned immediately with soap and running water. Nonetheless, victims must go to the hospital for proper treatment.

"Kung mayroon pong bahagi ng katawan na kumalas at nahulog sa paligid-ligid, kunin po ito –



UNSAFE. A Department of Health campaign poster against the use of illegal firecrackers shows what appears to be an injured finger. Fireworks-related injuries are generally caused by illegal firecrackers which accounts for eight in every 10 cases. (DOH poster)

ilagay sa malinis na plastic, selyuhan, balutin ng isang manipis na tuwalya at saka lagyan ng yelo (If a body part got lose

and fell on the ground, get it – place in a thin plastic [bag], seal it, cover it with thin towel, and add some ice," Domingo said.

Placing the body part directly into a bag of ice may cause damage or problems, he added. (PNA)

The Grand Magical Christmas Parade Continues to Spread Magic at SM City Tanza for All!



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The Christmas Parade at SM City Tanza is spreading holiday cheer and creating unforgettable memories for all shoppers this season! With colorful performers filling the air with joy, the parade has been a highlight for families, senior citizens, unique friends, and people of all ages. Everyone is invited to experience the magic as the parade brings a heartwarming atmosphere to the mall, making it the perfect way to celebrate the holidays. Don't miss out on this grand and joyful experience at SM City Tanza!

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Antipolo City, 26 December 2024 – Nestled in the heart of Rizal, Alcoh Bistro stands as a testament to resilience, transformation, and family values. The brainchild of Florey Serrato, a mother of four and a Mass Communication. Alcoh Bistro is more than just a dining spot—it's a legacy in the making.



Florey's entrepreneurial journey began in 2009, alongside her husband, Arnel, with the opening of Alcoh Bar. The establishment became a local favorite for its lively atmosphere, cold beer, and videoke nights. However, like many businesses, the pandemic in 2019 forced its closure, putting a pause on their dreams.

In 2022, Florey and Arnel reopened their doors with a renewed purpose and a new name: Alcoh Bistro. Transitioning from a bar-centric identity, the couple envisioned a family-friendly restaurant where great food and exceptional customer experience would take center stage.

"When people hear

'Alcoh,' they often think of beer or videoke," Florey shared. "But as a mother watching my four boys grow, I began to reflect deeply on why I do what I do. I wanted Alcoh to be more than just a business—I wanted it to be something we could proudly pass on to our children."

With no formal education in Business Management, Florey faced challenges in running the bistro. Seeking to grow her knowledge, she turned to the Department of Trade and Industry (DTI) Rizal Provincial Office. A social media post about the Kapatid Mentor ME (KMME) program caught her attention, sparking a journey that would

redefine her business.

Florey joined KMME, submitted her requirements, and went through a mentorship process. Presenting her Business Improvement Plan to a panel of experts, she not only gained invaluable insights but also earned the distinction of Best Presenter.

"The program taught me the importance of value in our business," she recalled. "Before, my focus was just on generating sales to cover expenses. But KMME gave me a bigger vision for Alcoh Bistro and for our family."

Since completing the KMME program, Florey and Arnel have made significant strides in improving Alcoh Bistro.



The air-conditioned dining area has been transformed into a cozy, inviting space perfect for small events and celebrations. Their menu now boasts upgraded dishes and new recipes, reflecting their commitment to offering only the best to their patrons.

Alcoh Bistro still retains its videoke charm, inviting customers to sing their

hearts out while enjoying Filipino favorites. But the Serratos' focus is clear: creating a dining experience where families can come together, enjoy great food, and make lasting memories.

Florey's journey is a testament to the power of determination and adaptability. With a renewed vision and the support of programs like KMME, she has not only

redefined Alcoh Bistro but also inspired others in her community.

"Through KMME, we've dared to dream bigger for our business and our family," Florey said with pride.

Today, Alcoh Bistro isn't just a business—it's a symbol of resilience, reinvention, and a family's unwavering commitment to building a brighter future.

DEED OF EXTRA-JUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF THE ESTATE OF THE LATE GABRIEL MEJIA DOMAOAL (With Confirmation of the Sale to Christine T. Millendez)

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN TO THE PUBLIC THAT This DEED made and entered into this 09 December 2024 in Bacoor City, Philippines, by and among: CARL KRISTIAN MEJIA DOMAOAL (only sibling-brother of deceased), of legal age, Filipino citizen, single, and resident of Wood Estate Village II, Brgy. Molino III, Bacoor City, Cavite, Philippines, hereinafter referred to as the HEIR; WITNESSETH: THAT WHEREAS, on September 28, 2017, the HEIR, along with his only sibling, his brother GABRIEL MEJIA DOMAOAL, a minor who was then acting through his legal guardian, executed a "Deed of Extrajudicial Settlement of Estate with Sale" in order to extrajudicially settle the estate of their father, the late FERDINAND B. DOMAOAL, a widower who died without any will on October 16, 2015. The settled estate of their deceased father was his 1/3 share/portion of the property at No. 16 Cork Road, Block 6, Lot 17, Wood Estate Village II, Brgy. Molino III, Bacoor City, Cavite, Philippines, covered by T.C.T. No. T-1281339, R.D. for the Province of Cavite. Said property was then co-owned by three (3) registered co-owners, the deceased father FERDINAND, and the brothers CARL KRISTIAN and GABRIEL, all surnamed DOMAOAL, at 1/3 each; WHEREAS, the processing of the said "Deed of Extrajudicial Settlement of Estate with Sale" was put on hold, and the title is not yet transferred to the vendee (CHRISTINE T. MILLENDEZ), despite payment of the BIR and transfer taxes, and the issuance of the Certificate Authorizing Registration, considering that GABRIEL MEJIA DOMAOAL was still minor at the time, and it was deemed proper that CARL KRISTIAN and vendee CHRISTINE would wait for GABRIEL to come to majority/ legal age to confirm the sale of his 1/3 portion (25 square meters) and the portion (12.5 square meters) he inherited from his deceased father FERDINAND. However, before coming to majority/legal age (actually, he was 16 years old), GABRIEL passed away due to lingering illness ("cancer") on April 28, 2024, in San Diego, California, U.S.A.; WHEREAS, GABRIEL MEJIA DOMAOAL, at the time of his death (April 28, 2024), was unmarried, without any issue, all his ascendants (parents) have already passed away, thus, leaving his sibling, only brother CARL KRISTIAN MEJIA DOMAOAL, as his SOLE HEIR, the only surviving collateral relative entitled to succeed to his ESTATE; however, the HEIR realizes that GABRIEL has NO ESTATE left behind, the only property he owned was his 1/3 portion (25 square meters) and the portion (12.5 square meters) he inherited from his deceased father FERDINAND, and this was already conveyed to the vendee (CHRISTINE T. MILLENDEZ) by way of the aforementioned "Deed of Extrajudicial Settlement of Estate with Sale". That out of respect, and knowing fully well that the proceeds of the sale was used principally for the medication of GABRIEL, this Deed will serve only the proper act — to confirm and affirm the sale of portion of the subject property, pertaining to that of GABRIEL, to the vendee (CHRISTINE T. MILLENDEZ); WHEREAS, there are no other known properties of the decedents, nor are there receivables, payables, dues and/or obligations in favor or against the decedent; and WHEREAS, it is to the best interest of the HEIR to SETTLE EXTRAJUDICIALLY the ESTATE of his brother GABRIEL, if there be any remaining, in the manner hereinafter set forth; NOW, THEREFORE, for and in consideration of foregoing premises, and invoking the provisions of Section 1, Rule 74 of the Rules of Court, the HEIR hereto admits and recognizes his successional rights, interests, legitimes and participations in the decedent's estate, if there be any; however, with respect to GABRIEL's estate/portion on the property covered by T.C.T. No. T-1281339, R.D. for the Province of Cavite [his 1/3 portion (25 square meters) and the portion (12.5 square meters) he inherited from his deceased father FERDINAND], the same is hereby AFFIRMED AND CONFIRMED to have been lawfully sold to vendee CHRISTINE T. MILLENDEZ by virtue of the aforesaid "Deed of Extrajudicial Settlement of Estate with Sale" of September 28, 2017. As to other properties that may form part of GABRIEL'S estate HEIR (except that covered by T.C.T. No. T-1281339) the same shall be adjudicated to the HEIR pursuant to law; THAT by virtue of this extrajudicial settlement with confirmation of sale, the whole property covered by T.C.T. No. T-1281339, R.D. for the Province of Cavite, should now be transferred, registered, and titled exclusively to the VENDEE, CHRISTINE T. MILLENDEZ; THAT that other properties that may hereafter be found to be part of the estate of the decedent shall be partitioned and distributed in a manner that would supplement this Deed. This has been the subject of DEED OF EXTRA-JUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF THE ESTATE OF THE LATE GABRIEL MEJIA DOMAOAL (With Confirmation of the Sale to Christine T. Millendez) duly executed by the HEIR on December 09, 2024 at Bacoor City, Cavite before NOTARY PUBLIC ATTY. 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GCV HAS ONLY ONE \$314,159 AND WHY WE NEED TO BUILD AN ECOSYSTEM USING GCV



Doris Yin

seven decimal places, allowing for pricing of the products and services at US cents already when we use GCV \$314,159.

Our collective efforts have resulted in the creation of over 5 million GCV data entries, representing more than 80% of authentic barter blockchain records. To illustrate the principle involved, consider the analogy of planting watermelon seeds won't yielding beans; We created \$314,159 as GCV, it won't be changed to \$3141.59. You must understand anyone can write code on Github. So please don't drop in someone's trap. It must be understood that CT can only accept the value generated by pioneers on blockchain and GCV \$314,159 has been confirmed and it satisfies Pi Network long term goal of Pi. If it is not confirmed, CT won't mention the OM date. Because if there is no GCV, OM is impossible since if OM, it will be disaster for Pi Network.

- It is essential to refrain from utilizing price to describe Pi value, rather, we should use value to describe Pi. The process through which we created GCV data is analogous to coin coinage. Historically, governments determined the metal content of their coins. Should bad coin practices emerge, such as reducing the weight of copper or silver or gold, significant penalties would be imposed, as such actions threaten to destabilize one country's economy. This principle is directly applicable to the Pi Network; when the global OM, CT must recognize and accept the value of Pi coins created by pioneers, GCV \$314,159. For the OM to flourish, it is vital that the entire ecosystem respects and adopts this GCV, otherwise, it risks chaos which definitely destroy Pi Network.

Moreover, it is crucial to understand that businesses, particularly large enterprises, will be hesitant to accept Pi as a form of payment in the absence of a defined GCV. No merchant is inclined to embrace a currency lacking a stable value.

- This necessity for a clearly defined value elucidates why CT requires additional time prior to the initiation of OM. The delay is not solely attributed to the discrepancies in KYC and migration figures; it also reflects the need for the ecosystem to generate further data utilizing GCV. We must foster an environment where more businesses accept Pi as payment to enhance the foundational integrity of our ecosystem. The greater the number of enterprises willing to accept Pi and acknowledge GCV, the more secure and expedient the transition to OM will be.

- A question often posed pertains to how businesses may engage in our ecosystem prior to the implementation of OM, particularly when they require cash flow to sustain the operation. As I have consistently advocated, our strategic approach involves a combination of Pi and fiat currency. This dual model enables various types of businesses to participate without concerns regarding tax payment in fiat to government while ensuring they can cover operational costs. Additionally, this approach allows them to achieve modest profits and broaden their customer base through our promotional efforts.

- It is important to recognize that we are entering a real business environment

Dear Global Pioneers,

I hope this message finds you well, and I would like to extend my warmest wishes for a joyful holiday season.

Upon reviewing our community dynamics, I wish to address several important points of clarification.

- Firstly, it is imperative to note that the GCV is established at \$314,159 USD, not \$3,141.59, as some misleading information may suggest. Certain unknown sources said Github CT code use 314,159 means cents rather than USD, which created confusion among pioneers. It is crucial to emphasize that GCV to cents is unnecessary. A review of our Pi wallet reveals that the accuracy extends to

when we build up ecosystem. We should not impose expectations upon businesses to operate as a charity. Instead, we must create a fair, competitive, and motivational business landscape. Ultimately, businesses prioritize profitability, and our community is well-equipped to support them in realizing this objective.

- The community's goal is to strengthen the GCV and attract more businesses to accept Pi as payment and adopt GCV. Pioneers should partner with all ecosystem participants to benefit everyone involved. Businesses need more customers and profit, while pioneers seek a wider range of products with lower fiat payment options and the creation of more GCV data before OM. Most importantly, the Pi Network needs diversified businesses for success after the OM. Pioneers can benefit from a system that allows for partial fiat and partial Pi payments, enabling them to spend less fiat on groceries and necessities in the maximum 90-day period. This will lead to a stronger ecosystem after OM with full Pi payment options at GCV.

- All pioneers should understand that requiring businesses to accept full Pi payment before OM is akin to asking them to bankrupt. It will deter businesses from joining the Pi Network. Businesses can only develop when they can achieve profit and benefit; they are not charities that must endlessly satisfy the desires of pioneers. We must respect market rules. Pioneers should shift their purchasing habits from outside the community to inside it, allowing the outside world to see the value of joining the Pi Network. This helps businesses gain profits and benefits, which encourages them to introduce their suppliers to join us ASAP. This is very important to create production chain so that we don't need FIAT in the future.

* I hope all pioneers can grasp our goals and strategies. Our objective is not just the OM; instead, we aim for a successful OM, accompanied by long-term sustainability and prosperity.

What should pioneers do?

1. Only accept GCV \$314,159 barter and avoid any involvement in the black market. Do not engage in any non GCV Pi value barter.
2. Actively distribute the Pioneers Handbook to every pioneer around you, and ensure you read it five times.
3. Introduce more businesses to join the Pi Network and explain the benefits of participating right now. The Web 3.0 blockchain will position them advantageously in future market competition. By accepting partial Pi payment with GCV, they can gain fame and attract customers. Also we will OM in max. 90 days which means they can occupy the market earlier with no any cost and after OM, the Pi can be exchanged to FIAT.
4. Assist yourself and your team in completing the checklist.

- Remember, the long-term success of the Pi Network depends on the collective hard work of all pioneers. When we unite to cultivate the GCV ecosystem, we will attract the attention of large corporations, banks, governments, and organizations. Our own power and success must come first. They support us only when we success and they need to get benefit.

Too many pioneers are mistakenly waiting for governments and banks to provide funding or for corporations to offer high-end products. This approach is misguided. These entities will not take risks to support the Pi Network if we only seek to take advantage of them. They need to see the value in partnering with us. If we cannot provide them with benefits, why would they choose to support us?

Government funding comes from taxpayer money, and they cannot use citizen taxes to give to pioneers when citizens are struggling. Corporations are focused on profit, and banks seek returns too. They will not provide support to us if the Pi Network lacks a strong ecosystem. It's essential to remember this!

- The solution lies in pioneers partnering with CT. By uniting, we can build a powerful ecosystem that others will want to engage with. They will recognize the value of our blockchain and our pioneers as users, relying on our Pi coin for stability and convenience and for future international settlement payment.

I urge every pioneer to read this message carefully and align our mindsets toward a common goal. Let's ignore distractions and set aside conflicts. Together, we will support one another and propel the Pi Network to great success. Only through hard work can we achieve our dreams. **(Doris Yin - Founder GCV Movement)**

DepEd...

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and the School-Based Feeding programs.

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In February, Duterte held her second, and ultimately last, Basic

Education Report, reflecting on her achievements during her 19 months as education secretary. She highlighted several major programs, including a partnership with the World Bank to assess teachers' salaries and the removal of administrative tasks for teachers — reforms later formalized in a department order.

Challenges and recommendations

Dr. Karol Yee, executive director of the Second Congressional Commission on Education (Edcom 2), said there were "severe inequities" in the distribution of the Special Education Fund and the

School Maintenance and Other Operating Expenses (MOOE) budget.

Yee also pointed out that, in some schools, as much as 30-70 percent of their budgets were consumed by electricity bills alone.

Duterte also introduced the "DepEd Digi-Ed 2028" program, which aims to provide better interconnectivity between schools and DepEd offices, expand schoolwide wireless access, and offer electronic textbooks to learners. As part of this initiative, DepEd planned to require bidders for the Matatag K-10 curriculum textbooks to include electronic versions for students to access at any time.

A controversial issue

arose when DepEd weighed in on the possibility of foreign schools establishing operations in the Philippines amid proposals to amend the economic provisions of the 1987 Constitution. Then-secretary Omar Romero voiced the department's opposition, citing concerns over potential threats to national security, Filipino identity and culture if foreign entities were allowed to own schools in the country.

Adjustments to the school calendar

The summer heat highlighted challenges with the current September-to-May school schedule. A high heat index forced widespread class

suspensions, prompting the department to shift from face-to-face learning to alternative delivery modes. In response, DepEd moved the end of School Year 2023-2024 to May 31 and set the opening of School Year 2024-2025 for July 29. This change was part of a gradual transition back to the traditional school calendar, with full restoration expected by School Year 2026-2027.

Leadership change and new direction

As preparations for the new school year progressed, the unexpected resignation of Vice President Duterte as education secretary set off a wave of speculation. The crack in the relationship between Duterte and

President Ferdinand Marcos Jr. led to Angara's appointment as her successor. Angara, the chairman of the Senate Finance Committee and a co-commissioner in Edcom 2, was viewed as someone who understood the sector's challenges.

Upon taking office, Angara thanked President Marcos for the opportunity to lead DepEd and pledged to continue Duterte's initiatives. Despite a few reservations from educational groups, who preferred an educator over a politician for the post, Angara received a warm welcome from many, including Duterte, who joked, "Welcome to chaos."

GCV Core Team Distributes Pioneers Handbook in 29 Languages, Empowering Global Pi Pioneers

LUMARI RERORTS



The GCV Core Team has officially distributed the long-awaited Pioneers Handbook in 29 languages, marking a significant milestone. Authored by Ms. Doris Yin, the founder of the GCV movement, the handbook is designed to equip pioneers with the essential knowledge, tools, and guidance they need to contribute meaningfully to Pi's global ecosystem.

Ms. Lumari

The GCV Pioneers Handbook is now accessible to a wide range of pioneers across the globe in a diverse array of languages. The 29 languages include:

English	Dutch
Chinese	Hindi
French	Turkish
Spanish	Farsi
Vietnamese	German
Filipino	Indonesian
Japanese	Polish
Arabic	Greek
Korean	Khmer

Macedonian	Italian
Serbian	Urdu
Kinyarwanda	Mongolian
Portuguese	Tamil/Malay
Russian	Thai
	Nepali

This monumental achievement was made possible by Mr. Jojo, Assistant Executive Director of the GCV Core Team, who led the translation process. His dedication to making the handbook available in multiple languages ensures that Pi's mission and vision can reach pioneers from various linguistic and cultural backgrounds.

The Handbook: A Catalyst for Change

The Pioneers Handbook is more than just an informational guide. It is a catalyst for change within the Pi Network, designed to help pioneers understand the importance of GCV. Key goals of the handbook include:

Reducing Black Market Activity: The handbook educates pioneers on Pi's true value and proper usage, helping to eliminate black market trading and discouraging Pi from being sold at low values. This initiative aims to stabilize Pi's market and enhance its real-world utility.

Strengthening Pi's Ecosystem: A core focus of the handbook is to encourage pioneers to engage responsibly with the Pi Network. The more pioneers who embrace the GCV ecosystem and its principles, the stronger Pi becomes. This increased engagement will lead to greater transaction volume, higher adoption, and greater stability within Pi's ecosystem.

Encouraging Mainnet Migration: By helping pioneers understand the benefits of migrating to the Mainnet,

the handbook serves as an important tool to drive responsible migration. As more pioneers transition to the Mainnet, Pi's overall adoption and value will continue to grow.

Expanding Pi's Utility: The handbook also serves as a guide for expanding Pi's use beyond mining, providing instructions on how to leverage Pi within the GCV ecosystem. This will help Pi become a widely accepted currency for everyday transactions.

A Call to Action: Distribute the Handbook

The GCV Core Team is urging all Pi pioneers to take an active role in distributing the Pioneers Handbook within their communities. Sharing this valuable resource will help educate others on Pi's responsible usage, reduce confusion, and contribute to building a stronger and more sustainable Pi Network. By embracing the handbook's guidance, pioneers can help create a stable ecosystem where Pi can thrive.

Pioneers as Catalysts for Change

As members of the GCV movement, pioneers are more than just participants—they are catalysts for change. By working together, pioneers can:

Empower communities by sharing the handbook and promoting Pi's responsible use.

Ignite innovation as they explore Pi's full potential in real-world applications.

Drive global collaboration to ensure Pi's success as a global currency.

Together, pioneers can shape the future of the Pi Network and contribute to its long-term success. The future of Pi is in the hands of its pioneers. Let's work together to make the Pi Network a success for all. **(Lumari - Executive Director, GCV Core Team)**

PI NETWORK NEWS: Analysis of the Core Team Announcement:

Main Message: The announcement clearly states that the grace period deadlines for both KYC (Know Your Customer) and Mainnet Migration have been extended to January 31, 2025. This extension is intended to allow more Pioneers and their Pi to be included as preparations for the Open Network launch in Q1 2025 continue.

- * Specific Implications:
 - * 1. Extension of KYC:
 - # Extending the KYC period gives more Pioneers who have not yet completed the verification process an opportunity to participate.
 - # This highlights the importance of identity verification to ensure transparency and legitimacy within the network.
 - * 2. Extension of Mainnet Migration:
 - # The extension of the grace period for transferring Pi to Mainnet provides Pioneers additional time to move their balances from the Testnet wallet to the Mainnet.
 - # This is a critical step to ensure that Pioneers' Pi is safeguarded and ready for use in the future.
 - * 3. Preparation for Open Network:
 - # The extended deadline supports better ecosystem preparation before the official Open Network launch.
 - # The Core Team emphasizes Q1 2025 as the target time for launching the Open Network, a milestone that could significantly impact Pi's liquidity and value.
- * Impact on the GCV Movement and Pioneers:
 - For the GCV Movement: The extension allows more

Grace Period Update



KYC & Migration Deadline
January 31, 2025

Pioneers to join the movement, reinforcing efforts to build the ecosystem around the GCV value.

- For Pioneers: This is an opportunity to complete KYC and transfer Pi to Mainnet, ensuring that the years of mining Pi are not wasted.

* Strategic Recommendations:

1. Broad Communication: Encourage Pioneers in the community to check their KYC status and complete the necessary steps before the deadline.
2. Accelerate Ecosystem Development: This is an ideal time to continue building activities aligned with the GCV value, in preparation for the Open Mainnet.



Jojo

3. Raise Awareness: Explain the significance of KYC and Mainnet Migration to Pioneers who may be unclear, helping them understand this is their last chance to participate in this historic phase.

Conclusion:
This announcement is not just an extension but also a strategic reminder. Pioneers should make full use of this time to prepare for the future of Pi Network. **(JoJo - Asst Executive Director GCV Core Team)**

DepEd... (FROM PAGE 4)

Angara's early actions
Angara quickly set to work, signing the implementing rules and regulations for the expanded career progression system for public school teachers and forming a task force to review the career performance of educators. He also pursued joint ventures with the private sector, such as a partnership with Khan Academy to strengthen

Filipino students' literacy and numeracy skills. Additionally, Angara worked with Canva Philippines to provide teachers nationwide free access to the visual design platform to enhance interactive learning and foster creativity in the classroom.

Looking ahead: Challenges and opportunities
Looking ahead, Angara faces a daunting array of

challenges, including the upcoming Program for International Student Assessment (PISA) test, which will focus on science. A major concern is the P12-billion budget cut in DepEd's 2025 allocation, which includes P10 billion earmarked for the department's digital education program. Despite these hurdles, Angara remains optimistic, stressing the importance of partnerships and public support to turn DepEd into "a force for positive change."

DTI-Rizal... (FROM PAGE 8)

This initiative helps reduce poverty and encourages sustainable economic growth by equipping local businesses with the skills and resources needed for success.

Ms. Sharon F. Dioco, DTI BDD Chief, delivered an inspiring message to the attendees, emphasizing the department's

while Ms. Faye Javier gave an overview of the Barangay Micro Business Enterprise (BMBE), lastly, Ms. Leah Clemente provided in-depth insights into the opportunities and benefits of the NSB program.

The orientation session concluded leaving the participants with valuable knowledge and resources to help grow their businesses and contribute to their community's economic development.

PH bags 25 medals in Asian Youth, Jr Weightlifting championships



DOUBLE GOLD MEDALIST. Aldrin Colonia of Zamboanga City (center) leads the successful campaign of Team Philippines at the Asian Youth and Junior Weightlifting Championships which ended in Qatar on Sunday (Dec. 22, 2024). He won the clean and jerk and total in the Youth men's 49kg category and settled for the silver in snatch. (Photo courtesy of Asian Weightlifting Federation)

Ballado wins two titles in PSC-Philta tourney

Top seed Jayden Reece Ballado defeated No. 2 Avegail Joy Ansay, 7-6 (3), 6-3, Monday to secure the girls' 16-under title in the Philippine Sports Commission-Philippine Tennis Association (PSC-Philta) tournament at the Rizal Memorial Tennis Center.



TWIN VICTORIES. Jayden Reece Ballado holds the girls' 16-under singles and 18-under doubles champion trophies during the awarding ceremony of the Philippine Sports Commission-Philippine Tennis Association (PSC-Philta) tournament at the Rizal Memorial Tennis Center on Monday (Dec. 23, 2024). Ballado beat Avegail Joy Ansay, 7-6 (3), 6-3, to claim her ninth 16-under title this year. (Contributed photo)

"I'm glad because I did what I wanted to do in the match," the 15-year-old Ballado said after pocketing her ninth 16-under singles title this year.

"I just kept my patience and instead of thinking about the errors, I focused on the next point because that is more important," added the Grade 10 student at Muñoz National High School in Nueva Ecija.

Ballado also won the 18-under doubles title with Shiloh Louisa Cruz. They

beat Ansay and Ave Maria Policarpio, 6-4, 5-7, 10-8.

Meanwhile, top seed Mikaela Ngu rallied past Shiloh Louisa Cruz, 3-6, 6-2, 6-0, to capture the girls' 18-under crown.

Top seed Maristella Torrecampo trounced second seed Ayl Xyza Gonzaga, 6-1, 6-1, in the girls' 14-under final while second seed Lilith Rufino won the girls' 12-under title over top seed Athena Zhia Liwag, 7-5, 2-0 (ret.).

In the boys' division,

third seed Adrian Cagitla bagged the 18-under title over John Benedict Aquino, 6-3, 6-2.

Novak Brazal walked over Gavin Kraut to win the 16-under title, while top seed Anthony Bjorn Castigador prevailed over third seed Rafa Monte De Ramos, 6-2, 6-3, to take the 14-under title.

The boys' 12-under title went to fourth seed Jan Caleb Villeno, who turned back Everett Pete Fernan Niere 4-6, 6-4, 6-4. (PNA)

The Philippines secured an impressive haul of 25 medals at the Asian Youth and Junior Weightlifting Championships in Qatar on Sunday.

The national team clinched five golds, seven silvers and six bronzes, placing third in the Youth division behind Vietnam (9-10-6) and India (6-2-4), according to a news release.

In the Junior division, the Philippines placed fifth with three silvers and four bronzes, trailing Vietnam, Thailand, Chinese Taipei and Turkmenistan.

Zamboanga City's Aldrin Colonia claimed two golds (clean and jerk, total) and a silver in snatch in the Youth men's 49kg category.

Cebu City's Eron Borres won the snatch gold in the same category.

Jhodie Peralta, also from Zamboanga, secured

two golds (snatch, total) and a silver (clean and jerk) in the Youth women's 55kg category.

Meanwhile, Prince Keil Delos Santos of Angono, Rizal took home three silvers in the Youth men's 55kg division and three bronzes in the Junior division.

Other medalists included Althea Bacaro, Princess Jay Ann Diaz, Alexandra Diaz, Rose Jean Ramos, Angeline Colonia, and Rosalinda Faustino, showcasing the depth of Filipino talent.

"This was a successful campaign and a stepping stone for Los Angeles 2028. Other countries like India and Vietnam are catching up, so we need

to intensify our efforts," Samahang Weightlifting ng Pilipinas president Monico Puentevella said in a statement, thanking the Philippine Sports Commission, private sponsors, parents, and coaches for their support.

In other highlights, Thailand's Saeta Thanaporn dominated the Junior women's 59kg category with three golds, while Vietnam's A Tieu swept both Youth and Junior men's 61kg categories, setting a new Youth snatch record of 122kg.

The Youth division is for athletes aged 13 to 17 while the Junior division are for competitors aged 15 to 20. (PNA)

Naturalization of Russian skater boosts PH's hopes for winter sports

The Philippines' quest for its first-ever Winter Olympics medal received a significant boost following the enactment of a law granting citizenship to Russian figure skater Aleksandr Sergeyevich Korovin.



FOR PH FIGURE SKATING. Senator Francis Tolentino (2nd from left) with world-class figure skaters Isabella Gamez (left) and Aleksandr Korovin (3rd from left), and Philippine Skating Union President Nikki Cheng (right) pose for a photo after the Senate approved House Bill No. 10048 or the measure naturalizing the Russian figure skater as a Filipino citizen on November 26, 2024. Tolentino on Monday (Dec. 23) said President Ferdinand R. Marcos Jr.'s signing of the law granting Filipino citizenship to Korovin is a big boost to the country's hopes in the Winter Olympics. (Photo courtesy of Tolentino's office)

Republic Act No. 12115, signed by President Ferdinand R. Marcos Jr. last Dec. 20, granted Korovin Philippine citizenship with all the rights, privileges, prerogatives, duties and obligations attached to it under the Constitution and existing laws.

In a news release on Monday, Senate Majority Leader Francis Tolentino described the law's signing as a historic step for Philippine sports and reflects the country's determination to excel beyond its tropical identity.

"Being a tropical country should not

hinder the Philippines from dreaming of success at the Winter Olympics," Tolentino said.

"Just as our athletes have brought honor to the nation in the Summer Olympics, we aim to make strides in winter sports," he added.

Korovin, who partners with Filipina figure skater Isabella Gamez, has represented the Philippines in international competitions since 2022 under the Philippine Skating Union.

The duo made history as the first Southeast Asian pair to win a medal in an International Skating Union competition – a silver in France in 2022 – and to qualify for the World

Figure Skating Championships in 2023 and 2024.

Their achievements also earned them a spot at the 2024 ISU Grand Prix of Figure Skating, further solidifying their place in Philippine sports history.

The pair now sets its sights on the Asian Winter Games in China in February and qualification for the 2026 Winter Olympics in Italy.

During the Senate deliberations, Korovin expressed his gratitude and commitment to inspiring young Filipino skaters, saying he now considers the Philippines his home. (PNA)

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For: EXTRA JUDICIAL FORECLOSURE OF REAL
ESTATE MORTGAGE UNDER ACT 3135,
AS AMENDED BY ACT 4118

CEBUANA LHUILLIER RURAL BANK, INC.,
Creditor/Mortgagee,

-versus-

SPS. EMELITA and ANGELO PARAOAN,
Mortgagors.

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NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE

Upon Extra-Judicial petition for sale under Act No. 3135, as amended by Act 4118 filed by the creditor/mortgagee, **CEBUANA LHUILLIER RURAL BANK, INC.**, with postal address at P.J.L. Building, Gen. Evangelista St., corner Emilio Aguinaldo Highway, Barangay Zapote 1, Bacoor City, Cavite, against the mortgagor, **SPS. EMELITA and ANGELO PARAOAN**, with postal address/es at Block 8 Lot 2 Phase 1, Flintridge Street, Canyon Ranch, Barangay Lantic, Carmona, Cavite, and for the satisfaction of the mortgaged debt which as of 25 October, 2024 amounts to **FOUR MILLION THREE HUNDRED FIFTY SIX THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED SIXTY and 04/100 (PhP4,356,360.04)**, exclusive of all legal fees and expenses incidental to this foreclosure and sale, the undersigned or his duly authorized representative will SELL at public auction on **February 6, 2025 at 1:00 o'clock in the afternoon** at the Court Room of Branch 109, Regional Trial Court, Hall of Justice Building, Carmona, Cavite to the highest bidder for CASH or MANAGER'S CHECK, in Philippine currency, the mortgaged property/ies with all the improvements thereon to wit:

TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. 057-2021005574

IT IS HEREBY CERTIFIED that certain land situated in BRGY. OF LANTIC, MUNICIPALITY OF CARMONA, PROVINCE OF CAVITE, ISLAND OF LUZON, bounded and described as follows:
"A PARCEL OF LAND (LOT 2, BLK. 8 OF THE SUBDIVISION PLAN PSD-04- 181473, BEING A PORTION OF LOT 2, PSD-04-169122, LRC RECORD NO. N-61423), SITUATED IN THE BRGY. OF LANTIC, MUNICIPALITY OF CARMONA, PROVINCE OF CAVITE, ISLAND OF LUZON, BOUNDED ON THE NE., ALONG LINE 1-2 BY LOT 1715-A-1, PSD-04-169122: ON THE SE., ALONG LINE 2-3 BY LOT 3: ON THE SW., ALONG LINE 3-4 BY ROAD LOT 18; AND ON THE NW., ALONG LINE 4-1 BY LOT 1. ALL OF PSD-04-181473 OF THE SUBDIVISION PLAN, BEGINNING AT A POINT MARKED "1" ON PLAN, BEING S. 49 DEG. 45'W., 1,046.03 M. FROM BLLM NO. 10 CAD-285 CARMONA CADASTRE: THENCE N. 05 DEG. 23'E., 8.00 M. TO PT. 2: THENCE S. 84 DEG. 27'E., 11.02 M. TO PT. 3; THENCE S. 05 DEG. 23'W., 8.00 M. TO PT. 4: THENCE N. 84 DEG. 27'W., 11.02 TO THE PT. OF BEGINNING. CONTAINING AN AREA OF **EIGHTY EIGHT (88) SQUARE METERS**. ALL POINTS REFERRED TO ARE INDICATED ON THE PLAN AND ARE MARKED ON THE GROUND BY P.S. CYL. CONC., MONS. 15 X 40 CMS. BEARINGS TRUE; DATE OF ORIG. SURVEY: AUGUST 1940 – MAY 1941 AND THAT OF THE SUBDIVISION SURVEY, AUGUST 1 – SEPTEMBER 27, 2005 AND WAS APPROVED ON DECEMBER 1, 2005."

Prospective buyers and/or bidders are hereby enjoined to investigate for themselves the title of the said property and the encumbrance thereon, if there be any.

All sealed bids must be submitted to the undersigned on the above-stated time and date.

In the event the public auction should not take place on the said date and time, it shall be held on **February 13, 2025** at the same time and place without further notice.

16th day of December, 2024 at City of Carmona, Cavite.

(Sgd.) **BON GERARD D. ASCAÑO**
Clerk of Court VI
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Largest POGO... (FROM PAGE 8)

The closure of all POGOs in the country is in line with President Ferdinand Marcos Jr's order that he first made during his most recent State of the Nation Address.
"Considering na hindi pa po namin tapos bayaran ang mga utang namin dito so we are open to any suggestions. But now, we just want to show everyone na sarado na ang island," said Ron Lim, general manager of First Orient.
(Considering that we have yet to pay our debt, we are open to any suggestions. But now, we just want to show everyone that the island is closed.)
Due to the closure of the POGO hub at Island Cove in Cavite, 15,000 employees, mostly Filipinos, have lost their jobs.
In total, there are approximately 40,000 displaced workers as a result of the POGO ban.
Among them are vendor Annabelle's three children and her son-in-law.

Cavite better... (FROM PAGE 8)

Lotto winnings of more than PHP10,000 are subject to 20 percent tax under the Tax Reform for Acceleration and Inclusion law.
The Grand Lotto 6/55 is drawn every Monday, Wednesday and Saturday. (PNA)

120 families... (FROM PAGE 1)

evacuation centers, Margie Gersalia was able to save not only the documents of her children but also the pink teddy bear of her daughter.
"Ang nasa utak ko na lang talaga ay nakaligtas po kaming lahat, buhay po kaming lahat," said Gersalia.
(I'm just thinking that at least we are safe and everyone in my family is still alive.)
Fire authorities are still investigating the cause of the blaze, but this is not the first time it happened in the area.
"Yung area na 'yun, hindi po first time na nasunog. May history na po sila.

Brgy. Zapote 1, Bacoor City, Cavite

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Dagdag Kaalaman



Sino ang may pinakamaraming Most Valuable Player awards sa NBA? Si Kareem Abdul-Jabbar na may 6 na MVP awards. Pangalawa si Michael Jordan na may lima.

Largest POGO hub closed in Cavite

After authorities closed the largest POGO hub in Kawit, Cavite, there are no more Philippine Offshore Gaming Operators (POGO) in the country, according to the Philippine Amusement and Gaming Corporation (PAGCOR).



In Jun Veneracion's Tuesday report on 24 Oras, several government officials inspected the POGO hub in Cavite from its dormitory to its gaming areas before securing the property with a padlock.

It was built on a parcel of land owned by Interior Secretary Jonvic Remulla's family, which was sold in 2017.

"As of last month, wala ng kuryente ang mga buildings dito. Pinatay na. So, makikita nyo naman wala ng signs of habitation dito. Wala ng signs of business," Remulla said.

(As of last month, the buildings have no electricity. So, as you can see, there are no signs of habitation and business.)

"Sa umagang ito na sinara na po natin ito wala na pong hub na natitira dito sa ating bansa," PAGCOR chairman Alejandro Tengco said.

(On this day, when we shut it down, there are no more POGO hubs in our country.)

The operator is facing problems in dealing with the 30-hectare property and its 57 buildings.

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DTI-Rizal successfully conducted the Negosyo Serbisyo sa Barangay (NSB) Program Orientation

The Department of Trade and Industry (DTI) – Rizal successfully conducted the Negosyo Serbisyo sa Barangay (NSB) Program Orientation for 34 beneficiaries from the municipalities of Tanay, Jala-jala, Pililla, Baras, Morong, and Cardona. The event, held on December 19, 2024, at the MSWD Activity Area of Tanay Municipal Hall, brought together sari-sari store owners from marginalized sectors of these municipalities.



The activity was attended by DTI Business Development Division Chief Ms. Sharon F. Dioco, Trade-Industry Development Specialist Ms. Noralyn Halimao, and Negosyo Center Business Counselors (NCBC) Ms. Faye Javier (Cardona), Ms. Leah Clemente (Morong), Ms. Karla Reynes (Tanay), Ms. Cristine Joy Padayao (Sampaloc-Tanay), and Mr. Jerome Montealegre (Pililla/Jala-jala).

The Negosyo Serbisyo sa Barangay (NSB) program, previously known as the Livelihood Seeding Program – Negosyo Serbisyo sa Barangay (LSP-NSB), is an initiative by DTI aimed at promoting entrepreneurship and fostering economic development at the grassroots level. The program's primary goal is to support micro, small, and medium enterprises (MSMEs) by bringing business resources, services, and information directly to the barangay level.

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Pangilinan-Led Expressways to Offer Toll-Free Passage This Holiday Season

In celebration of the holiday season, Metro Pacific Tollways Corporation (MPTC) is pleased to announce a toll-free initiative for motorists during select hours over the Christmas and New Year celebrations.

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Toll fees are waived for **Class 1, 2, and 3** vehicles during the following dates and time:

December 24 10 P.M. to December 25 6 A.M.
December 31 10 P.M. to January 1 6 A.M.

Motorists can enjoy free toll passage on the following expressways — NLEX, SCTEX, NLEX Connector, CAVITEX, and CALAX — during the festive hours of December 24 from 10:00 PM to December 25 at 6:00 AM, and again from December 31 at 10:00 PM to January 1 at 6:00 AM.

Manuel V. Pangilinan, MPTC Chairman and CEO, said, "Family time is priceless, especially during the holidays. Offering toll-free access is our humble gift to families who wish to maximize their time together."

Please note that outside of these designated hours, standard toll fees will be applicable. To ensure a smooth travel experience, motorists are encouraged to have their RFID checked at the nearest Easytrip service center prior to entering the expressways. We also recommend that cash-paying customers switch to RFID for greater convenience and efficiency. Drive safely and happy holidays!

Cavite bettor bags P55-M Grand Lotto jackpot

Christmas came early for a lone bettor from Cavite province who bagged the PHP55 million jackpot of Monday night's Grand Lotto 6/55 draw.

In an advisory Tuesday, the Philippine Charity Sweepstakes Office (PCSO) said the winning ticket bearing the lucky numbers 21-40-15-55-10-54 was bought in Trece Martires City.

The total jackpot prize is PHP55,648,009.00.

Meanwhile, seven others won PHP100,000 each for hitting five out of the six winning numbers; and 499 bettors will get PHP1,500 each for getting four correct numbers and 11,104 bettors will get PHP60.

The winners have one year from the date of the



draw to claim the prize, as specified in Republic Act 1169 or the law on PCSO lotteries.

All jackpot prizes must be claimed at the PCSO main office on Shaw Boulevard, Mandaluyong City.

Winners must write their names and signatures on the back of the winning tickets and present two government-issued identification cards or documents.

► **CAVITE BETTOR • 7**