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CALABARZON police prepare for Lent, summer season; ensure heightened security in critical areas



With the observance of Lent and the summer vacation approaching, the Philippine National Police (PNP) has activated a nationwide security plan to ensure safety and peace and order, noting that it remains alert and will deploy personnel in highly critical areas.

In CALABARZON, Police Regional Office (PRO) 4A Regional Director Brigadier General Hansel Marantan supports the directive and has immediately mobilized extensive security preparations under the IMPLAN Ligtas SUMVAC 2026 initiative. "Aligned with the

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PAPI Courtesy Call Strengthens Ties with Aklan Leaders



KALIBO, AKLAN – A meaningful and productive courtesy call was held between the officers of the Publishers Association of the Philippines, Inc. (PAPI) and key leaders of Aklan, further strengthening collaboration between the media sector and local government units.

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PBBM assures stable food supply, prices amid global tensions

President Ferdinand Marcos Jr. assured that the prices of basic commodities, including canned meat and sardines, will not increase for now, with food manufacturers guaranteeing ample supply as global tensions continue.



In a media briefing following his visit at a Century Pacific warehouse in this city last March 20, President Marcos Jr. said that the inventories of food manufacturers are sufficient. "Nandito [tayo] para tingnan ang food supply at ang presyo ng pagkain dahil lahat ng ahensya ng pamahalaan at siyempre nilalapitan natin ang mga partner natin na food supplier

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DOT Calabarzon upskills tourism frontliners ahead of summer tourist influx

The Department of Tourism (DOT) Calabarzon has continued to support local government units across the region in strengthening tourism excellence through capacity development programs.



In preparation for the expected influx of tourists this summer season, DOT Calabarzon successfully delivered the Filipino Brand of Service Excellence (FBSE) Training to the local government of Jomalig in Quezon on March 17, 2026.

This initiative aims to awaken and strengthen the innate Filipino values of warmth, respect, and genuine hospitality among the island's tourism frontliners. ► DOT • 4

Clear Priorities, Strong Foundation, Sustainable Growth

Dear Global Pioneers,
In the process of building our global GCV ecosystem, it is very important that every pioneer clearly understands their role, priorities, and responsibilities. Today, we will focus on a key principle:
A strong ecosystem must be built on a stable and balanced life.
1. Pioneers' First Priority: Make a Living
Every pioneer must clearly understand:
Your first responsibility is to support yourself and your family.
Pi Network is a long-term ecosystem. It is not designed for pioneers to stop working or rely on future expectations.
A stable life brings:
Clear thinking
Strong decision-making
Long-term contribution ability
Without stability, there is no sustainable building.
2. Community Time Should Be Reasonable
The GCV community does not require excessive time from most pioneers.

Only:
GCV Ambassadors
Special Envoys
have higher levels of responsibility and time commitment.
For the majority of pioneers:
There is no need for daily long meetings
There is no need for excessive discussions
Efficiency is more important than time spent.
3. Three Core Tasks for Every Pioneer
Every pioneer can contribute effectively by focusing on three simple and powerful actions:
(1) Learn
Study:
Pioneer's Handbook
GCV Community Education Series
Other high-quality GCV educational materials
(2) Share
Repeat what you learn
Spread accurate information
Guide others with positive energy
(3) Support Locally
Participate in local GCV activities

Support local merchants and community efforts
Simple actions, repeated consistently, create powerful results.
4. Clear Roles: PCT and Pioneers
To avoid confusion, we must clearly understand:
PCT (Pi Core Team) - Responsible for infrastructure, technology, and ecosystem framework
Pioneers? Responsible for consensus, value creation, and community building
Value is created by pioneers, not assigned by technology.
5. Building GCV Culture: Our True Strength
Beyond technology and transactions, what truly

defines us is our culture. We are building a GCV culture based on:
Trustworthiness
Generosity
Politeness
Hard work
Harmony
Unity
Vision
Commitment
Responsibility
Tolerance
Compassion
Wisdom
Love for life
Contribution to society
This culture is not just words—it must be reflected in our daily behavior.
6. Positive Energy Attracts the Right People

A healthy and positive community will naturally:
Attract high-quality pioneers
Build long-term trust
Encourage more businesses to participate
Strengthen the ecosystem foundation
People are not attracted by noise, but by values and actions.
Conclusion
GCV is not built by waiting.
It is not built by endless meetings.
It is built by:
Balanced lives
Clear priorities
Consistent actions



Doris Yin

Strong values
Let us move forward with clarity, discipline, and unity.
Build steadily. Build wisely.
Build together. **(Doris Yin - Founder Global GCV Movement)**

Global GCV Leadership School Launches to Empower Future Community Leaders

In a strong move to strengthen leadership and community development, the Global GCV CT has officially opened enrollment for the Global GCV Leadership School, a structured 3-month program aimed at shaping effective and purpose-driven leaders.

The initiative invites members who are passionate about leadership and community impact to take part in a comprehensive learning experience designed to build the skills, mindset, and discipline required to create lasting change. Participants who successfully complete the program will receive certificates recognizing their achievement and commitment to growth.

At the core of this initiative is the belief that education is the foundation of sustainable progress. By equipping individuals with the right knowledge and leadership principles, the program ensures that community development is not left to chance, but guided by informed, capable, and responsible leaders. Education empowers members to think critically, act strategically, and lead with clarity, qualities essential for building a strong and

unified ecosystem.
The Global GCV Leadership School emphasizes that true leadership is not only about influence, but about service, responsibility, and continuous learning. Through structured education, participants are prepared to take on meaningful roles that contribute to long-term community stability and growth.

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Ms. Lumari

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GLOBAL GCV LEADERSHIP SCHOOL

→ Empowering Leaders • Building Global Success

For National, State/Province, City & County Envoys & Ambassadors

1 MISS DORIS YIN

- The Art of War
- Moral Knowledge
- Leadership & Strategy

7:30 PM – 9:00 PM (Beijing/Philippines Time)

2 MISS LUMARI

- Collaboration & Management
- Industry Alliance
- Code of Ethics

9:30 PM – 10:30 PM (Beijing/Philippines Time)

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CERTIFICATE OF COMPLETION

PI NETWORK NEWS: PI MAINNET NODE UPGRADE – OFFICIAL STATUS UPDATE

The Pi Network Mainnet protocol upgrade is progressing sequentially as officially scheduled.

All nodes are required to follow the mandatory step-by-step upgrade path, without skipping any version, and only proceed when each phase is network-wide completed and activated.

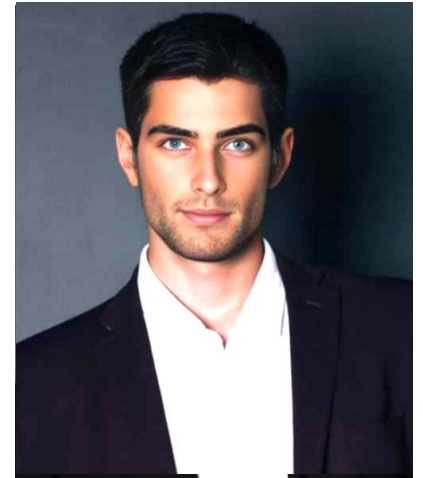
OFFICIAL UPGRADE PATH
19.1 - 19.6 - 19.9 - 20.2 - 21.2 - 22.1 - 23.0
CURRENT UPGRADE

STATUS
19.1 - 19.6
Status: Completed
Deadline: February 15, 2026
19.6 - 19.9
Status: Completed
Deadline: March 1, 2026
19.9 - 20.2
Status: Completed
Deadline: March 12, 2026
20.2 - 21.2
Status: Do NOT start
Deadline: April 6, 2026
21.2 - 22.1
Status: Do NOT start
Deadline: April 22, 2026

22.1 - 23.0
Status: Do NOT start
Deadline: May 18, 2026
I M P O R T A N T I N S T R U C T I O N S F R O M P I C O R E T E A M
All upgrades must follow the official activation schedule
Do NOT begin any upgrade before it is explicitly announced as active
Do NOT skip any upgrade step
Nodes that miss upgrade steps may require full

resynchronization
NODE OPERATION NOTES
Pi Desktop (Windows/macOS): upgrades are handled automatically
Pi Linux Node CLI: use pi-node update-protocol (if auto-update is disabled)
Self-managed Docker nodes must update to the currently active image only
MIGRATION COMPLETION CHECK
To monitor upgrade progress:
Run: watch pi-node status
Migration is considered complete when:
Ingest Latest Block - Quorum Block

FINAL NOTE
This is a protocol upgrade roadmap for Mainnet nodes. All node operators must strictly follow the official instructions to ensure network-wide stability and synchronization.
(Mr JoJo - Vice Chair International Industry Alliance, Asst Exec Director & Asst Committee Chair, Global GCV Ambassador, Global GCV Core Team)



JoJo
(Mr JoJo - Vice Chair, Global GCV Ambassador, Global GCV Core Team)

Global... (FROM PAGE 2)

Members interested in joining are encouraged to take the next step by reaching out directly for the application process. Interviews and slot confirmations are being handled by HR representative Baikoketsi Taunyane.

School Leadership Dean (Volunteer): Jason Wong
Leads academic strategy, program quality, and overall school operations.

Key Departments (Volunteer-Led)
Human Resources
Head of HR: Baikoketsi Modongo
Oversees volunteer engagement, support services, and team coordination.

Directorate Directors:
Ramesh Shetty – Curriculum and Student Affairs

Brijesh Maloo – Regional Outreach and Program Development
Zavier Fokou – Partnerships and Community Engagement

Toro Motiki – Operations and Administrative Initiatives

Global GCV Leadership Training Schedule on 29 March 2026 (Sunday):

1. Ms. Doris Yin
Time: 7:30 PM – 9:00 PM (Beijing/Philippines)
Duration: 1.5 Hours
Subjects:

The Art of War
Moral Knowledge Leadership & Strategy

2. Ms. Lumari
Time: 9:30 PM – 10:30 PM (Beijing/Philippines)
Duration: 1 Hour
Subjects:

Collaboration & Management
Industry Alliance Code of Ethics

This initiative is expected to create a ripple effect across the entire GCV ecosystem. As more trained leaders emerge, communities will benefit from clearer direction, stronger organization, and more effective collaboration. Educated leaders will be better equipped to guide local

initiatives, support merchants, and foster trust within the community. Over time, this will lead to increased participation, stronger networks, and a more resilient and sustainable ecosystem.

By prioritizing education, GCV is not only developing individuals but also building a culture of excellence, responsibility, and unity that can scale globally.

Conclusion
The launch of the Global GCV Leadership School marks a significant step toward long-term community empowerment. It reinforces the idea that lasting success is built through knowledge, discipline, and purposeful leadership.

As more members step forward to learn and lead, the future of the GCV ecosystem becomes stronger, more stable, and more impactful for generations to come.

Together, we rise. Together, we lead. Together, we transform!
(Lumari - Chairperson and Executive Director)

PI NODE UPGRADE UPDATE

| UPGRADE STATUS | |
|----------------|-----------------------------|
| Upgrade Step | Status |
| 19.1 → 19.6 | ✓ COMPLETED Feb 15, 2026 |
| 19.6 → 19.9 | ✓ COMPLETED Mar 1, 2026 |
| 19.9 → 20.2 | ✓ COMPLETED Mar 12, 2026 |

| UPGRADE STATUS | |
|----------------|--------------------------|
| Upgrade Step | Status |
| 19.1 → 19.6 | ✓ DONE ✓ Feb 15, 2026 |
| 19.6 → 19.9 | ✓ DONE ✓ Mar 1, 2026 |

| UPGRADE STATUS | |
|----------------------|--------|
| Upgrade Step | Status |
| 22.1 → Turgent Phase | |
| 22.1 → Final Phase | |
| 22.1 → 23.0 Phase | |

v19.6 COMPLETED
Feb 15, 2026

↓

v19.9 COMPLETED
Mar 1, 2026

↓

v20.2 DO NOT START
Apr 12, 2026

↓

v21.2 → v21.2
Deadline: Apr 6, 2026

✓ CURRENT STATUS

- ✓ Network Synced
- ✓ Migrated to v20.2

⚠ NEXT PHASE

⊘ DO NOT UPGRADE YET

→ Apr 6 → Apr 22 → May 18

→ upcoming v20.2 → v21.2

VALIDATION RULE:

✓ Ingest Latest Block → ✓ Quorum Block

✓ Migration 100% Complete

⚠ **DEX / Free Trading NOT Activated:** Infrastructure phase progresses / Markets not

Gov't focused on 'immediate' solutions to energy problems – Marcos

MANILA – The government is concentrating on immediate measures to ensure a sufficient supply of petroleum products, President Ferdinand R. Marcos Jr. said on Friday.

In a media interview in Silang, Cavite, Marcos said discussions to address energy woes continue, emphasizing that the government's immediate focus is on

short-term solutions. The President made the statement when asked if he is considering repealing the Oil Deregulation Law to cushion the impact of the

ongoing conflict in the Middle East on the country. He noted that making amendments to the law would require extensive discussion and cannot be implemented immediately. "Nothing is being discounted. Ibig sabihin lahat ng maaaring gawin upang mayroon tayong

magawa para tulungang pagaanin ang epekto ng giyera sa Middle East, ay pinag-uusapan namin (All measures that can ease the impact of the Middle East crisis are being studied)," Marcos said. "But what we are focused on now is immediate, you know, we

will have to amend the Oil Deregulation Law. Mahaba pang diskusyon 'yun (That will be a long discussion). I don't know when will it come out. So, we're focused right now on the immediate, what we can do immediately." He maintained that the

government continues to look for new sources of oil to boost the country's supply. There have been mounting calls to repeal the Oil Deregulation Law to enable the government to regain oversight of fuel pricing amid rising costs. **(PNA)**

PGC medical... (FROM PAGE 8)

Of the total number served, 578 individuals received medical consultations, addressing common and emerging health concerns through timely and professional care. Dental services were also extended to 43 residents, providing much-needed interventions that contribute not only to oral

health but to overall well-being.

The mission integrated basic diagnostic services to strengthen preventive care efforts. Sixty-eight residents underwent Fasting Blood Sugar (FBS) testing, while 30 individuals availed of Electrocardiogram (ECG) procedures, vital tools in

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focused agenda of our Chief, PNP, we are strengthening the management of all public activities, intensifying crowd control measures, and implementing comprehensive risk management plans across all levels especially during red-letter days and other significant holidays in the country," Marantan said in a press release.

As part of its strategic preparations, PRO Calabarzon has mobilized 14,025 personnel for deployment across the region. This includes 8,453 police personnel, 1,306 augmentation forces from the Armed Forces of the Philippines (AFP), Bureau of Fire Protection (BFP), Philippine Coast Guard (PCG), and other partner agencies, as well as 4,266 force multipliers from advocacy groups and

trained volunteers.

For a comprehensive coverage, PRO Calabarzon has identified 1,023 critical areas in the region that require intensified police presence and security operations.

These include 216 places of worship, such as the Antipolo Cathedral in Rizal, Kamay ni Hesus Shrine in Quezon province, and the Diocesan Shrine of St. John the Baptist in Laguna. Additionally, security will cover 261 major thoroughfares, 87 transportation terminals, 200 commercial establishments, and 227 tourist destinations, where a high influx of visitors is expected throughout the season.

"We continuously revisit and improve our security operations, especially in identified areas of concern, to ensure that every event, gathering,

the early detection and management of chronic conditions such as diabetes and heart disease.

The activity reflects a deliberate shift toward more inclusive and community-centered healthcare, where services are not confined within facilities but are brought directly to the people who need them most. —OPIO

and movement of people is secured with precision, discipline, and foresight. Sa Bagong Pilipinas, ang kapulisan ay handang maglingkod nang mabilis, tapat, at may malasakit para sa kaligtasan ng bawat mamamayan," the Calabarzon top police official added.

Close coordination with local government units, non-government organizations, the Department of Tourism (DOT), and community-based volunteers has been established.

Meanwhile, starting on March 27, all PRO Calabarzon units will be placed on full alert status. All deployed personnel are directed to focus on crowd management, traffic control, and prevention of any criminal activities.

The public is also urged to stay vigilant and actively cooperate with authorities to help maintain peace and order. (COP/PIA-CALABARZON)

Another... (FROM PAGE 8)

The activity aimed to equip participants with practical skills that can serve as an additional source of income and help improve their families' economic stability.

The program formally opened with welcome remarks delivered by Punong Barangay Ernesto Solis Jr., who expressed his full support and gratitude for the initiatives rendered to empower women and strengthen household livelihoods in their community. He emphasized the importance of continuous learning and community

participation in building a more resilient barangay.

Following the opening message, Ms. Sheryl H. Loyola, OPCDO Livelihood Division head, provided an overview of the OPCDO programs and services. She highlighted the various opportunities available for community members, to access skills training, livelihood assistance, and other support services designed to promote sustainable development.

The meat processing training served as a hands-on learning session where participants were introduced to proper food

handling, preparation techniques, and basic business concepts related to processed meat products. The activity not only enhanced their technical knowledge but also inspired them to explore small-scale entrepreneurial ventures.

Participants expressed their appreciation for the initiative, noting that such programs provide them with valuable skills and renewed confidence to contribute to their household income. The training marks another significant step in promoting inclusive livelihood opportunities within the community. — OPIO

PWD Federation... (FROM PAGE 8)

Spearheaded by the Office of the Provincial Governor - Office of the Provincial Persons with Disability Affairs Officer (OPG-OPPDO), the event was led by Ms. Marie Shiela A. Haloc, who emphasized the importance of strong and unified leadership in advancing the welfare of the PWD sector across the province.

Chief of Staff Mr. Ferdinand A. Belamide delivered the welcome remarks on behalf of Governor Francisco Gabriel D. Remulla, reiterating the Provincial Government's commitment to programs that empower persons with disabilities and

ensure their active participation in community development.

The election brought together PWD leaders and representatives from various cities and municipalities in Cavite. Conducted in a transparent and orderly manner, the process ensured that the voices of the sector were fully represented.

Leading the federation as the newly elected president is Raji M. Nicol of Trece Martires City, with Jonnie D. Josue of General Trias City as his vice president. Rennel B. Dinglasan of Mendez will serve as secretary, while Jaessa P. Villa of Naic

assumes the role of treasurer. Overseeing finances is Nerissa C. Dela Cruz of Noveleta as auditor. Roselle D. Limpiada of Amadeo will handle public relations, and Josephine Abarte of General Mariano Alvarez (GMA) will manage business operations. Together, they are poised to lead initiatives that strengthen inclusivity, accessibility, and the welfare of persons with disabilities throughout Cavite.

Through initiatives like this, the Provincial Government of Cavite continues to foster an empowered and equitable society, recognizing persons with disabilities as vital partners in nation-building. — OPIO

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A total of 40 participants took part in the training, including beach resort personnel, café staff, local vendors, habal-habal drivers, and members of the Local Tourism Office.

The training emphasized the importance of providing excellent service to visitors and ensuring that every tourist's experience in Jomalig Island is both memorable and meaningful. "Through this initiative, Jomalig Island continues to prepare its tourism frontliners, ensuring that visitors will remember the island not only for its breathtaking golden sand beaches but also for the warm smiles

and exceptional service of its people," DOT Calabarzon said in a statement.

Meanwhile, DOT Calabarzon also capacitated tour guides in Taal, Batangas, under its community guiding course.

The training gathered aspiring and practicing tour guides from Taal and neighboring communities, equipping them with essential skills in heritage interpretation, visitor engagement, and sustainable tourism practices.

Participants were immersed in modules that highlighted Taal's rich cultural legacy, historic landmarks, and vibrant

local traditions—ensuring that future tours will not only inform but also inspire.

The DOT Calabarzon-funded initiative reflects the government's commitment to strengthening local tourism by empowering communities through professional training.

"By investing in human capital, the program aims to elevate visitor experiences while fostering pride of place among residents," DOT Calabarzon said.

The agency added, "With this training, Taal continues to position itself as a premier heritage destination in the Philippines, ready to welcome travelers with warmth, knowledge, and authenticity." (PIA4A)

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Free Rehab Services for PWDs Boosted Under DOST-Led Partnership

MAKATI CITY, March 24, 2026 — Access to free and quality rehabilitation services for persons with disabilities (PWDs) is set to expand following the signing of a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the Department of Science and Technology–National Capital Region (DOST-NCR), Project EMPOWER, and INDIBA Philippines at the INDIBA Office in Century Diamond Tower, Makati City.

The collaboration, implemented under the Community Empowerment through Science and Technology (CEST) Program of DOST, brings together the expertise of government, private sector, and non-government organizations to deliver inclusive, science-based solutions for communities. Central to the initiative is the rollout of a free adaptive fitness and rehabilitation program aimed at providing accessible, continuous,

and high-quality care for beneficiaries, particularly those who often struggle to sustain treatment due to financial constraints.

Project EMPOWER President John Darnell “JV” Castro shared that what began as a simple conversation evolved into a meaningful collaboration driven by a shared commitment to support PWDs. Drawing from his own personal experience with illness, he underscored the importance of accessible

rehabilitation, noting that many individuals are forced to discontinue treatment because of high costs. This reality, he emphasized, highlights the need for services that are not only effective but also free and continuous.

DOST-NCR Regional Director Engr. Romelen T. Tresvalles emphasized that the partnership reflects how science, technology, and innovation can be translated into concrete and inclusive solutions for marginalized



sectors. She noted that the initiative aligns with DOST programs such as NICER and “Agham na Ramdam,” which aim to ensure that the benefits of science are felt by all, especially underserved communities.

Supporting this, DOST Undersecretary for Regional Operations Engr. Sancho A. Maborang highlighted the importance of strong collaboration across sectors in

improving the quality of life of Filipinos. He stressed that science should serve everyone without discrimination, and that sustained support from government and partners is key to expanding inclusive programs like this.

For its part, INDIBA Philippines reaffirmed its commitment to making advanced rehabilitation technologies more

accessible. Chief Commercial Officer Chung-Chieh Jen emphasized their goal of expanding access to innovative treatment solutions, while Philippine Business Director Jacqueline Y. Guerrero expressed pride in contributing to a program that empowers PWDs and promotes inclusive development.

Overall, the initiative is expected to not only broaden access to rehabilitation services but also foster a healthier, more productive, and inclusive quality of life for PWDs nationwide, advancing the shared vision of delivering solutions and opportunities for all. **(Nelson Santos)**

Cavite Hosts... (FROM PAGE 8)

The celebration was led by the Regional Gender and Development Committee (RGADC) and hosted by the Provincial Government of Cavite.

The program opened with welcome messages from Trece Martires City Mayor Gemma B. Lubigan and Provincial Administrator Gilbert V. Gandia, who represented Governor Abeng Remulla. Both officials emphasized the importance of empowering women and strengthening gender-responsive governance at all levels.

Inspirational messages were delivered by Hon. Atty. Ma. Charis Kay S. Ilagan-Conde, 1st District Board Member of the Province of Rizal, who underscored the need to honor the vital role of women in society, and by Dir. Carmel P. Matabang, Co-Chairperson of the Regional GAD Committee, who reaffirmed the region's commitment to advancing gender and development initiatives.

Dr. Carlos P. Buasen, Regional Director of the National Commission on Indigenous Peoples Region IV-A, delivered the keynote message, emphasizing women as enabling partners in development and highlighting their contributions to inclusive progress, particularly in indigenous communities.

The celebration also featured a cultural performance by Cavite State University (CvSU), showcasing the rich heritage and talents of Filipinas. A talk show titled “Modern-Day Babaylans: Filipinas Who Lead with Purpose” brought together distinguished panelists, including AProf. Thea Maries P. Perez of the CvSU GAD Resource Pool and PSSg Florenda C. Asotigue, Human Rights and Custodial Officer of the Bacoor Component City Police Station. The panel discussion explored leadership, empowerment, and the evolving role of women in contemporary society, followed by an engaging open forum.

A musical performance further enlivened the program, while one of the highlights of the event was the Turn-Over Ceremony of the 2027 Regional Women's Month Celebration hosting duties from the Province of Cavite to Quezon Province, symbolizing continued regional collaboration.

In her closing remarks, Ms. Josephine C. Parilla, Chairperson of the Regional GAD Committee, expressed gratitude to all partners and participants and reiterated the importance of sustaining efforts toward gender equality and inclusive

development.

The event was attended by representatives from the Provinces of Rizal and Quezon; City and Municipal Social Welfare and Development Officers; GAD Focal Persons from various local government units in Cavite; members of the RGADC; representatives from the academe in CALABARZON; the Department of Economy, Planning, and Development (DEPDev) IV-A; Cavite Local Council for Women; MOVE-Cavite; department and unit heads of the Provincial Government of Cavite; and GFPS Council members.

In line with the celebration, various services were made available to participants, including legal consultation, assistance from the Philippine Statistics Authority, and PAG-IBIG Fund services. Health and wellness services under “Serbisyo Para kay Juana” were also provided, such as breast screening, visual inspection with acetic acid (VIA), HIV testing, counseling, provision of contraceptives, and distribution of hygiene kits.

The 2026 Regional Women's Month Celebration in Cavite reaffirmed the region's commitment to empowering women, promoting gender equality, and fostering an inclusive society for all. — **OPIO**

Calabarzon PUV... (FROM PAGE 8)

for their operations.

Once the financial assistance is distributed to other regions following the National Capital Region (NCR), PUV drivers are expected to feel some relief, as it will help ease their financial burden.

For Julius Castor, a jeepney driver from Laguna, the financial assistance to be distributed by the Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD) will help cover their daily expenses, particularly fuel costs, allowing them to continue operating.

“Malaki po, gawa ng siyempre yung kakarampot lang na kita ay napupunta na lang sa pang-krudo, tapos ‘pag hindi naman kami naghanapbuhay at hindi nakakapamasada, wala din kaming kikitain, wala kaming kakainin, saktuhan lang po sa pambili ng pagkain, boundary pa, eh siyempre kakayod ka talaga,” Castor said.

Although the said financial assistance will be rolled out in other regions in April 2026, the P5,000 fuel subsidy under the Assistance to Individuals in Crisis Situations (AICS) of the DSWD is expected to ease the burden on PUV drivers—but it also leaves many wondering, what happens once the aid runs

out?

“Makakatulong din naman kahit papaano, dahil para rin iyon sa pambili ng krudo. Pero sa tingin ko, hindi rin ito magtatagal dahil mahal pa rin ang presyo ng krudo. Mas mabuti sana kung pagkatapos ibigay ang tulong, bababa agad ang presyo kahit ilang araw lang. Gayunpaman, makakatulong pa rin ito, lalo na sa iba pang gastusin sa bahay tulad ng pagkain.”

Despite the anticipated government assistance, PUV drivers acknowledge that rising petroleum prices remain inevitable due to ongoing international crises. Still, they express hope that measures will be implemented to help lessen the direct impact on their livelihood.

Roberto Macapagal, a tricycle driver from Calamba, Laguna, said that they are fully aware of the ongoing crisis and recognize themselves as among the most affected sectors.

“Talagang aray po kami sa hina na nga rin po ng pamamasada namin wala na rin po kaming maisakay minsan, lalo na ngayon na tumaas talaga ang gasolina hindi naman po kami makapagtaas ng presyo gawa ng meron din po kaming taripa, yun po ang iniisip namin kaya po

kami ngayon ay talagang tiyaga din po talaga para po at least meron din po kaming pangtustos sa aming pamilya,” Macapagal stated.

Amid the challenges posed by the ongoing crisis and rising fuel costs, he expressed appreciation for the government's move to provide financial assistance, noting that it still offers some relief to drivers struggling with daily expenses.

“Sa ipagkaloob po ng Malacañang na ibibigay sa amin, malaking tulong na rin po ‘yun; ‘yun po ang magiging karagdagan na rin po para masapatan yung pang-araw-araw namin na minsan wala kaming kita, at least merong dumating sa amin na subsidy na gano'n, malaki din ang pasasalamat namin na mangyari yung gano'n kapag ganyan na may krisis.”

With ongoing tensions in the Middle East, sectors like theirs are among the hardest hit, but the government has assured that aid will be provided to ease the impact.

In line with this, prices of basic commodities such as canned meat and sardines are being closely monitored, with manufacturers guaranteeing adequate supply despite global uncertainties. **(COP/PIA-CALABARZON)**

PAPI...

(FROM PAGE 1)

Leading the delegation were PAPI Chairman Nelson S. Santos and PAPI Vice President for Visayas Giecel Toriano-Albar, who engaged in discussions with Aklan's top officials on media partnership, public information dissemination, and community development. The delegation was warmly received by prominent Aklan leaders

DEED OF EXTRA-JUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE

NOTICE is hereby given that the late **JONAH G. IGNACIO**, who passed away on November 9, 2020, left the following properties: a 1/6 share in Land covered by **TCT No. T-101119 (2,776.17 sqm)** located at **Brgy. Real 1, Bacoor City, Cavite**; a 1/6 share in Land and Building covered by **TCT No. 134268 (15.67 sqm)** located at Mayhaligue, Sta. Cruz Manila; a 1/6 share in Land and saltbed covered by **TCT No. T-94590 (1,461.33 sqm)** located at **Brgy. Alima, Bacoor City, Cavite**; a 1/6 share in Land and saltbed covered **TCT No. T-101120 (798.33 sqm)** located at **Brgy. Alima, Bacoor City, Cavite**; a 1/6 share in Land and Saltbed covered by **TCT No. T-101067 (1,489.33 sqm)** located at **Brgy. Alima, Bacoor City, Cavite**; and a parcel of Land covered by **TCT No. 104683 (621 sqm)** located at **Brgy. Alima, Bacoor City, Cavite**; have been Extrajudicially Settled by and among her heirs under Doc. No. 163, Page No. 34, Book No. IV, Series of 2026, before Notary Public **Atty. Donna Marie G. Orilla**.

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including Kalibo Municipal Mayor Hon. Juris Bautista Sucro and Vice Mayor Hon. Phillip Yerro Kimpo Jr., who both expressed their support for responsible journalism and strengthened media relations in the municipality.

Also present were 1st District Representative Hon. Jesus "Papa Jess" R. Marquez and former Congressman Carlito S. Marquez, whose presence underscored the importance

of unified leadership in advancing Aklan's development agenda. Representing the Provincial Government, Honorable Governor Jose Enrique "Joel" Miraflores extended his support through Provincial Administrator Atty. Selwyn Ibarreta, highlighting the province's commitment to transparency and cooperation with media organizations. Malay Municipal Mayor Frolibar

"Fromy" Bautista was also in attendance, further demonstrating a collective commitment among Aklan officials to foster open communication with the media.

The courtesy call also served as part of the preparations for the upcoming 2026 PAPI Midyear Conference, which will be held in Kalibo and Boracay from June 24 to 27, 2026. The event is expected to gather media practitioners from across the country, providing a platform for knowledge-sharing, collaboration, and strengthening the role of

community journalism in national development.

Overall, the courtesy call served as a platform to discuss future collaborations, strengthen institutional relationships, and reaffirm the shared goal of promoting truth, accountability, and development through responsible journalism. This initiative reflects PAPI's continuing mission to build strong partnerships with local government units across the country, ensuring that accurate information reaches communities and empowers citizens. **(PAPI Team)**

PBBM assures... (FROM PAGE 1)

para sa pang-araw-araw na pangangailangan ng taumbayan." Accompanied by Department of Trade and Industry (DTI) Secretary Ma. Cristina Roque, the President said that food supplies are being monitored daily to ensure they meet national demand.

Aside from Century Pacific Food Inc., the President noted that other food manufacturers and retailers have agreed not to increase their prices for up to two months.

"Hindi lang ang Century Food kundi ang iba pang food processors at retailers ay maayos ang stock natin at bukod pa doon ay sila naman ay pumapayag to keep the prices na hindi muna tataas ang presyo hangga't kaya nila. Isa hanggang dalawang buwan ay hindi magagalaw iyan."

With the help of the DTI, the President assured that food supply will be monitored daily, along with other commodities. **(PBBM CALABARZON)**

DEED OF EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE WITH WAIVER AND RENUNCIATION OF RIGHTS

NOTICE is hereby given that the late **ROLAND BARRET**, who passed away on September 4, 2018 in Somerset, United Kingdom has left a condominium unit and a parking slot specifically described as follows: Unit 1202, 12th Floor, Tower Three, Madison Suites, Pioneer Highlands Condominium covered by **Condominium Certificate of Title No. 40877**, located at Pioneer Street corner Madison Street, Mandaluyong City, Metro-Manila, Philippines (property 1) and Parking Slot Number B5-095, 5th Basement Level, Pioneer Highlands Condominium covered by **Condominium Certificate of Title No. 40878**, located at Pioneer Madison Suites, Pioneer Highlands Condominium, Pioneer Street corner Madison Street, Mandaluyong City, Metro Manila Philippines (property 2); that the deceased has left a Last Will and Testament, proved and registered in the High Court of Justice of England and Wales, United Kingdom of Great Britain; that pursuant to Section 1, Rule 74 of the Revised Rules of Court and all the **LEGAL HEIRS** herein being of legal age and with full capacity to contract, they do hereby adjudicate unto themselves the foregoing inheritance as per the **DEED OF EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE WITH WAIVER AND RENUNCIATION OF RIGHTS**, executed by the Heirs, **WAYNE ROLAND BARRET** and **ANTONIETTA BARRET**, before **STACY DANIKA ALCANTARA-GARCIA**, Vice Consul, duly commissioned and qualified in and for London, United Kingdom on January 23, 2020 at the Philippine Embassy in London, United Kingdom; entered as Doc. No. 00505; Service No. 01874; O.R. No. 01-000012; Fee £23.00; Series of 2020.

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DEED OF EXTRA-JUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE

NOTICE is hereby given that the estate of the late **WILLIAM MERCADO LARA**, who died on January 8, 2025 without a last will and testament and known outstanding debts; left a Bank account maintained with **Metropolitan Bank & Trust Company ("Metrobank")** under **Account No. 321-3-32129218-7 with an Account Balance of P690,655.95**; that pursuant to Sec. 1 Rule 74 of the Rules of Court, the inheritance was Extra-Judicially Settled by and among the Legal Heirs of the Deceased in the said instrument executed on March 13, 2026 before **NOTARY PUBLIC Atty. Jose A. Mendoza** at Naic, Cavite as per Doc. No. 318; Page No. 65; Book No. XXXIII; Series of 2026.

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SP CASE NO. 1723

IN THE MATTER OF THE
PETITION FOR THE PROBATE OF
THE NOTARIAL WILL OF JIMMY
DILIG SAN JOSE,

LOLITA DILIG APARICIO,
Petitioner.

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ORDER

Pursuant to Rule 76, Sections 3 and 4 of the Rules of Court, a Petition was filed for the probate of the Notarial Will of **JIMMY DILIG SAN JOSE** by **Lolita Dilig Aparicio**, alleging that **Jimmy Dilig San Jose** died on September 24, 2021 at General Trias City, Cavite with the following heirs and interested parties:

- GINA BUERGO SAN JOSE**, wife, of legal age, Block 7, Lot 10, Rose St., F & E de Castro Village, Aniban 5, City of Bacoor, Cavite;
- JAMEE BUERGO SAN JOSE**, daughter, of legal age, same residence as her mother;
- JHEENA BUERGO SAN JOSE**, daughter, of legal age, same residence as her mother;
- JHEL BUERGO SAN JOSE**, son, of legal age, same residence as her mother; and
- LOLITA DILIG APARICIO**, mother, Lot 27, Block 73, Cluster 5, Cozensa St., Bella Vista, Brgy. Santiago, City of General Trias.

The decedent left a real property under **Transfer Certificate of Title Number 057-2014073944** located at Barangay Santiago, General Trias City, Cavite having an appraised value of **FORTY-FOUR THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED PESOS (Php44,800.00)** for the land under **TD No. 242-0031-31907** and **TWENTY-SEVEN THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED SEVENTY PESOS (Php27,970.00)** for the building under **TD No. 242-0031-01725**. It is prayed that the Letters Testamentary of the Notarial Will be issued to Remedios Agustin Lozano or in default thereof to Marilyn De Ocampo Lozano, as substitute and in their default or incapacity, Letters of Administration be issued to any qualified person. The person in custody of the Notarial Will is Lolita Dilig Aparicio.

ACCORDINGLY, notice is given that the Petition will be heard before this Court at 3rd Floor, Municipal Trial Court in Cities (MTCC) Office, City Hall Building, Poblacion, Barangay Bagumbayan, General Trias City, Cavite on May 7, 2026 at 9:00 in the morning, at which date and time, all persons interested may appear and show cause, if any, why the Petition should not be granted. Anyone appearing to contest the Will must state in writing the grounds for opposing its allowance, and serve a copy thereof on the petitioner and other parties interested in the estate.

Let this Order be published once a week for three consecutive weeks before the date of hearing in a newspaper of general circulation in the Province of Cavite to be chosen by raffle, to be advanced by the petitioner and chargeable to the estate, and copies thereof sent to the executor Remedios Agustin Lozano and in her incapacity, Marilyn De Ocampo Lozano, the known heir/s of the decedent and other persons who have an interest in the estate at their places of residence, by personal service at least ten (10) calendar days, or by registered mail at least twenty (20) calendar days, before the hearing.

SO ORDERED.

General Trias City, Cavite.

March 4, 2026.

(Sgd.) JACLYN C. VICENTE
Presiding Judge

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DSWD urges TNCs to submit complete drivers' lists

MANILA – Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD) Secretary Rex Gatchalian on Friday reiterated the DSWD's firm stance on ensuring that all eligible transport network vehicle service (TNVS) drivers and delivery riders are included in the government's cash relief assistance, as he called out gaps in the submitted beneficiary lists from some transport network companies (TNCs).



CASH AID. Department of Social Welfare and Development personnel distribute PHP5,000 cash assistance to transport network vehicle service drivers at a payout center at the Quezon Memorial Circle in Quezon City on March 24, 2026. The DSWD on Friday (March 27) urged transport network companies to submit a complete list of their drivers to ensure that no driver is left behind. (PNA photo by Robert Oswald P. Alfiler)

Speaking during his visit to a payout site for delivery riders at the Kartilya ng Katipunan in Manila, the DSWD chief disclosed that issues in list submission affected the inclusion of several beneficiaries, particularly riders from Lalamove.

"Apparently, we got word that Lalamove did not submit or failed to submit on time their listing. Sabi sa akin ni Secretary Henry (Aguda) ng DICT kanina, na show-cause na nga ang Lalamove kasi pumunta yung mga driver nila dito, just like everybody else, pero hindi pala nila na-submit yung list. So marami sa mga Lalamove riders in

particular ang hindi na-accommodate (Secretary Aguda told me that Lalamove was already given a show cause order because their drivers came here like everybody else. But Lalamove failed to submit the list and many of their riders were not accommodated)," Gatchalian said.

Despite these challenges, the DSWD chief assured affected drivers that corrective measures are already in place, including the conduct of special payouts, in line with the directive of President Ferdinand R. Marcos Jr. to ensure every PUV driver gets the financial aid from the

government.

In a separate press forum at the Kapihan ng Samahang Plaridel held at the Rizal Park Hotel in Manila, Secretary Gatchalian also raised concerns over the list submitted by Grab, citing significant discrepancies that led to the exclusion of many drivers.

"In the case of Grab, they overly cleaned it. A big chunk of the drivers disappeared," Gatchalian said.

The DSWD chief explained that some drivers were excluded due to the presence of so-called "tempo drivers," or those onboarded by TNCs without complete regulatory documentation.

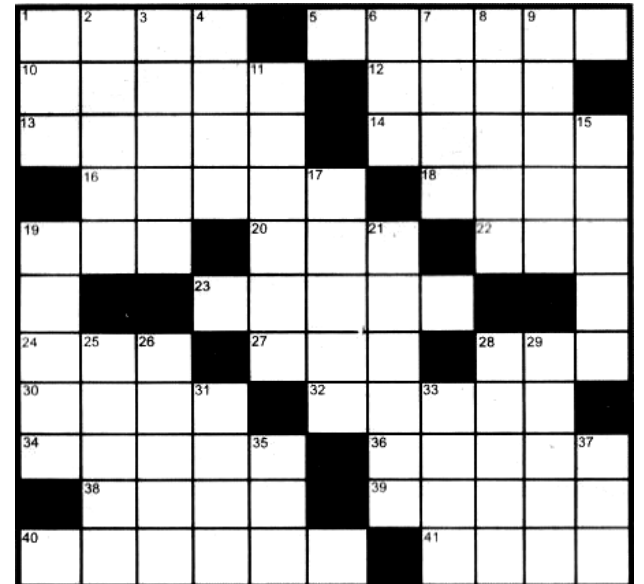
He emphasized that the DSWD's role is to provide assistance and not regulate TNC operations, but stressed the need for full transparency to ensure no driver is left behind.

"Ang daming nasa system nila, pero pinili lang nila yung ipapadala sa amin kasi ayaw nilang malaman ata ng gobyerno na mayroon silang mga in-board na mga temporary drivers. Ang sinabi na lang natin sa Grab at iba pang TNC kahapon, without prejudice, di naman kami ang regulatory authority nila, kami humanitarian.

Ibigay nila yung kumpletong listahan, huwag nila salain, ibigay lang nila nang buo, kami ang bahala na tumulong sa mga drivers nila (They have a lot of drivers in their system, but they sanitized the list they gave us because they don't want the government to learn that they onboarded temporary drivers. We just told Grab and other TNCs yesterday, without prejudice, that we are not the regulatory authority, we are the humanitarian arm. Just give us the complete list, don't filter it, it's up to us to help their drivers)," Gatchalian said.

"Now is not the time to play games. Nangangailangan ang kanilang drivers. In-onboard nila ang mga driver na 'yan, naglilingkod 'yang mga driver na 'yan. Walang driver o tsuper ang dapat maiwanan. Kaya talagang pipigain namin sila. Ako, you have my commitment, hindi ko sila tatantanan hanggang makuha ko ang buong listahan (Their drivers are in need. The TNCs onboarded them, and those drivers are serving. No driver should be left behind. We will really pressure the TNCs. You have my commitment, I won't stop until I get the complete list)," he said. (PNA)

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PAHALANG

- 1 Litis
- 5 Binighani
- 10 Kalatas
- 12 Malakas na ambon
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- 14 Gumagamot sa kagat ng ahas
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- 20 Inam
- 22 Cherie o Mark
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- 24 Kabisera ng Zambales
- 27 Ina ni Maria
- 28 Solo
- 30 Laruang tumatalbog
- 32 Bintang
- 34 Kulam
- 36 Taba ng alimango
- 38 Oil of ___
- 39 Katreng kawayan
- 40 Diskaril
- 41 Kuwako

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- 4 Lady ___
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- 7 Gin
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- 9 Kinawawa
- 11 Pagsunod sa utos
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SAGOT SA NAKARAAN



Farmers, fishers can use portable containers to buy fuel – DA

Farmers and fishers are allowed to buy petroleum products using portable containers, the Department of Agriculture (DA) assured on Friday.

In a statement, Agriculture Secretary Francisco Tiu Laurel Jr. reiterated that the policy applies to legitimate operational needs in the agriculture sector.

"Our farmers and fisherfolk could rest assured that they will continue to have access to the fuel they need for their productive activities," he said.

Guidelines issued by the Department of Energy (DOE) allow farmers and fishers to buy petroleum products using jerry cans and drums for the operation of agricultural

machinery like tractors, irrigation pumps, fishing vessels, and marine equipment, among others.

These purchases using portable containers, however, are considered legitimate provided their compliance with anti-hoarding rules and equitable fuel sale.

Buyers are required to present proof of operational necessity, including business permits, certifications, or purchase orders, to validate their fuel requirements.

To ensure compliance, the government has deployed monitoring



PORTABLE CONTAINERS. An individual purchases gasoline using portable containers at a fuel station in Dumaguete City, Negros Oriental on March 16, 2026. The Department of Agriculture on Friday (March 27) reiterated that farmers and fishers are allowed to buy petroleum products using portable containers. (PNA photo by Mary Judaline F. Partlow)



Calabarzon PUV drivers hopeful for fuel subsidy rollout to ease costs

Some Public Utility Vehicle (PUV) drivers in the Calabarzon region praised the expected rollout of the government's fuel subsidy which aims to help them cope with rising oil prices amid tensions in the Middle East.



Since the effects of the crisis have been felt across the world, jeepney drivers have become one of the most vulnerable sectors, as they are heavily affected by the rising cost of fuel, particularly diesel, which they rely on. **CALABARZON PUV • 5**

PWD Federation of Cavite elects new officers, strengthening inclusive leadership



ELECTION OF OFFICERS OF THE FEDERATION OF PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES, CAVITE INC
23 MARCH 2026 | NEW PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT CENTER, CAVITE

A new chapter of leadership and representation began for the Federation of Persons with Disabilities (PWD), Cavite Inc., following the successful election of its new set of officers on March 23, at the Admin. Function Hall of the New Provincial Government Center, Trece Martires City. **PWD FEDERATION • 4**

Cavite Hosts 2026 Regional Women's Month Celebration



REGIONAL WOMEN'S MONTH CELEBRATION
25 MARCH 2026
NEW PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT CENTER, TRECE MARTIRES CITY

The Province of Cavite successfully hosted the 2026 Regional Women's Month Celebration on March 25, 2026, at the New Provincial Government Center in Trece Martires City, gathering key stakeholders and advocates from across the CALABARZON region in support of gender equality and inclusive development.

With the theme "WE for Gender Equality and an Inclusive Society" and sub-theme "Lead like the Babaylans, Filipinas!", the event highlighted the vital role of women as leaders and partners in nation-building. **CAVITE HOSTS • 5**

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Another leg of Livelihood On the GO: Meat Processing training empowers mothers in Brgy. Kaingen



LOG: MEAT PROCESSING
19 MARCH 2026
BRGY. KAINGEN, KAWIT

A successful livelihood training on meat processing was conducted by the Office of the Provincial Cooperatives Development Officer (OPCDO) – Livelihood Division in Brgy. Kaingen, Kawit, benefiting a total of 30 participants composed of mothers from the community. **ANOTHER • 4**

PGC medical mission benefits Dasmariñeños



MEDICAL AND DENTAL MISSION
19 MARCH 2026 | BRGY. ESTEBAN, DASMARIÑAS CITY, CAVITE

In a continued effort to bring essential healthcare services closer to the grassroots, a total of 719 residents of Brgy. San Esteban, Dasmariñas City benefitted from a Medical and Dental Mission held on March 19 – an initiative that underscored both reach and responsiveness in public health service delivery. **PGC MEDICAL • 4**



Mayor Armie Aguinaldo led the municipality's participation and pledge to the Revised Protocol for the Case Management of Child Victims of Abuse, Neglect, Exploitation, and Discrimination (CANE+D) this Thursday at the provincial capitol. The revised CANE +D is a multi-disciplinary team approach consisting of various government agencies aiming to serve the best interests of the child, including preventing secondary traumatization in retelling their ordeals, effective and quick rehabilitation, and strengthening inter-agency coordination. **#RatedTripleA #PusoAtMalasakitParaSaAtingKawit**