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Seminar-Workshop on Records Digitization and Digitalization Strengthen Records Management keeping in PGC

In support of the Provincial Government of Cavite's continuing efforts toward efficient, secure, and technology-driven public service, a two-day Seminar-Workshop on Records Digitization and Digitalization was successfully conducted on May 5-6, 2026 spearheaded by the Cavite Quality Management Off at the 2nd Floor Function Hall, New Provincial Government Center Building, Trece Martires City, Cavite.

The activity gathered records officers from strengthen their document custodians and various PGC offices to **► SEMINAR • 4**



Public consultation on proposed Schedule of Market Values conducted in compliance with RPVARA



The Office of the Provincial Assessor, in cooperation with the Municipal Assessors of Cavite, successfully conducted the Public Consultation on the Proposed Schedule of Market Values (SMV) on April 29 and May 6, at the New E-Registration Building, New Provincial Government Center Compound, Trece Martires City. **► PUBLIC • 4**

Multiple voter registrations illegal, Comelec warns

MANILA – The Commission on Elections (Comelec) on Wednesday warned the public against multiple applications for voter registration.

"You must only register once. This registration is permanent. Registering more than once is an election offense and is punishable by law," the poll body said in a social media post.

At the same time, it reminded Sangguniang Kabataan (SK) voters or those who will be reaching 18 years old need not register anew as regular voters.

"If you have previously **► MULTIPLE • 4**



CFO teams up with iPBA to provide free legal aid for Non-Resident Filipinos



Pasay City - The Commission on Filipinos Overseas (CFO) and International Pro Bono Alliance (iPBA) formalized on May 12, 2026 their partnership to make legal assistance more accessible to Filipino migrants and their families. **► CFO TEAMS • 4**

DICT probes 'suspicious' Wi-Fi access points at Senate

MANILA – The Department of Information and Communications Technology (DICT) is looking into reports of alleged suspicious wireless fidelity (Wi-Fi) access points around the Senate.

In a statement on Friday, the DICT said the claim is still unverified, with no confirmed compromise of government systems or **► DICT PROBES • 4**



CYBER SECURITY. Members of the Southern Police District establish a barricade in front of the Senate gate in Pasay City to hold off protesters on Tuesday (May 12, 2026). The Department of Information and Communications Technology (DICT) on Friday (May 15) announced an investigation into alleged rogue WiFi activity in the Senate, possibly related to unauthorized network sniffing activity. (PNA photo by Yancy Lim)

Archbishop Villegas slams Senate change of leadership

MANILA – A former president of the Catholic Bishops Conference of the Philippines (CBCP) has slammed the Senate after the sudden change in leadership, with Senate President Alan Peter Cayetano unseating Senator Tito Sotto III.

In a pastoral letter Thursday, Lingayen-Dagupan Archbishop Socrates Villegas described such moves as "obscene".

"It is obscene. It is unbelievable that men and women called 'honorable' could do such a brazen exercise of power," he said.

"It is confusing. It is unbelievable. It is pathetic. It is disgusting. It is shameless. How did we reach this low level of public service?" added the archbishop.

Villegas noted that the actions in the Senate are a way to delay the forthcoming impeachment trial of Vice President Sara Duterte.

"The sudden change in the leadership of the Senate, mandated by law to try the impeachment case, is like graffiti on the wall showing another devious plan to delay the trial. It was not for the

country but for somebody," he said.

The Catholic prelate believed that the new Senate leadership allowed for the Upper House to be used for Senator Ronald dela Rosa to evade arrest by the International Criminal Court (ICC).

"The Senate is now used as a shield for a suspect-at-large with a valid warrant of arrest from a lawful court," Villegas said.

Last Monday, Cayetano was elected as the head of the Senate after getting 13 votes, unseating Senator Tito Sotto.

The former CBCP head asked the people to push for political change.

"Use all the legal means to pressure for political change.

True reform requires not only prayer and protest but perseverance," he said.

"We must apply constant moral pressure, not

through violence or coercion, but through conscience and conviction. Evil persists not because it is strong, but because good people stop pushing," he added.

He called on the public not to support the said public officials in the next national and local polls.

"Reject the corrupt in the next elections. Review and evaluate their records of public service," Villegas said.

Meanwhile, the CBCP-Episcopal Commission on Interreligious Dialogue urged the public to remain calm, discerning, and prayerful.

"We pray for enlightenment for our leaders, wisdom for our



Lingayen-Dagupan Archbishop Socrates Villegas (Photo from Father Soc Facebook account)

institutions, and restraint among all sectors involved. In moments of uncertainty and heightened emotions, we must allow truth, justice, and the common good to

prevail over division and hostility," said Bishop Colin Bagaforo, chairperson of the commission.

He also appealed to the country's leaders to rise above personal and

partisan interests. "There must likewise be no place for violence, intimidation, mob action, or anarchy in a democratic society," the Catholic bishop said. (PNA)

BFP warns public against unauthorized fire safety inspections

CALAMBA CITY, Laguna (PIA) — The Bureau of Fire Protection (BFP) Calabarzon urges the public to remain vigilant against individuals posing as fire personnel who conduct unauthorized inspections and falsely present themselves as government officials in order to deceive or scam victims.

This came after a reported incident in Bacoor City, Cavite, where the Philippine National Police Bacoor Component City Police Station informed the local BFP Fire Station that four individuals had been arrested for allegedly posing as employees of the Bacoor local government and conducting unauthorized fire safety inspections.

According to BFP Calabarzon, the Bacoor police submitted a copy of its report to the local BFP station following a complaint from a private individual who claimed that the suspects were conducting inspections without presenting valid identification cards, inspection orders, or any proof that they were authorized BFP personnel.

In his official statement, BFP Calabarzon Regional Director Fire Chief Superintendent Roy Roderick Aguto reminded the public, particularly business and establishment owners, to remain vigilant against such acts and immediately



report suspicious individuals to the nearest fire or police station to prevent them from deceiving more victims.

"Hinihikayat ang publiko na huwag basta magpapasok o makikipagtransaksyon sa sinumang indibidwal na hindi makapagpakita ng wastong dokumento o nagpapakita ng kahinalang kilos kaugnay ng fire safety inspection, pagproseso ng permits at clearances, o pagbebenta ng fire safety equipment. Para sa kaligtasan at proteksyon ng lahat, agad

na makipag-ugnayan sa pinakamalapit na himpilan ng BFP o sa lokal na kapulisan," Director Aguto said.

The BFP then emphasized that legitimate fire safety inspections are conducted only by authorized personnel carrying valid identification cards, inspection orders, and other supporting documents that establish their legal authority to conduct inspections.

Meanwhile, during the operation, Bacoor PNP intelligence operatives

recovered one red Mitsubishi vehicle, along with nine red and eight green fire extinguishers found inside the vehicle.

Authorities confirmed that the arrested suspects had no employment records, official designation, or authorized assignment with the BFP.

A case for Usurpation of Authority and Official Function and Estafa has been filed by the Bacoor police station against the arrested individuals. (COP/PIA CALABARZON with reports from BFP Region IV-A)

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FROM CAMPS TO COMMUNITIES OF OPPORTUNITIES: DOST SOCCSKSARGEN Advances Science for Peace Through Comprehensive Assessment and Monitoring in Mindanao Priority Areas

The Department of Science and Technology SOCCSKSARGEN through the direction of Regional Director Engr. Sammy P. Malawan and under the guidance of the DOST Office of the Undersecretary for Regional Operations and in close coordination with the Office of the Presidential Adviser on Peace, Reconciliation and Unity (OPAPRU), conducted a Camp Visitation, Monitoring, and Comprehensive Assessment across identified priority communities in Mindanao under the implementation of the SCIENCE FOR PEACE PROGRAM: Science and Technology Solutions for Peaceful and Productive Communities.



The undertaking forms part of the government's continuing commitment to the Normalization Track of the Comprehensive Agreement on the Bangsamoro (CAB), particularly on the transformation of former conflict-affected communities into empowered, self-sustaining, and development-ready areas through responsive and inclusive interventions.

In the week-long activity, DOST SOCCSKSARGEN's Project Management Team (PMT) visited the following acknowledged camps, particularly; Camp Bader in Brgy. Datalpandan, Guindulungan, Maguindanao del Sur, Camp Abubakar in Brgy. Sapad, Matanog, Maguindanao del Norte, Camp Omar in Brgy. Saniag, Ampatuan, Maguindanao del Sur, Camp Rajahmuda in Brgy. Daladagan, Mangudadatu, Maguindanao del Sur, Camp Bushra in Brgy. Sandab Madaya, Butig, Lanao del Sur and Camp Bilal in

Brgy. Biruar, Tangcal,

Lanao del Norte.

The field activity was carried out in close coordination with the respective Local Government Units (LGUs), the Joint Task Forces on Camps Transformation (JTFACT), local peace mechanisms, community leaders, and beneficiary groups to ensure that the assessment process remained participatory, culturally sensitive, and grounded on the actual conditions of the communities.

More than a routine inspection, the activity served as a strategic groundwork for identifying science and technology interventions that are responsive to the needs, capacities, and aspirations of the people. Through direct community immersion and on-site validation, the PMT assessed the viability and readiness of each area for possible deployment of livelihood, agricultural, infrastructure, digital, and enterprise-based technologies intended to improve productivity and strengthen local economies.

The assessment covered key areas such as infrastructure and utilities, agricultural and livelihood potentials, enterprise readiness, technology utilization, and solar installation viability. Potential interventions on food processing, Halal goat and ZamPen Native Chicken production, crop and aquaculture systems, S T A R B O O K S , dressmaking, handloom weaving, and other community-based technologies were likewise evaluated for possible enhancement and expansion.

The monitoring activity also enabled the PMT to validate existing interventions, identify operational and technical gaps, and determine the necessary support mechanisms to strengthen implementation. Consultations with beneficiaries and local stakeholders further provided valuable insights on community conditions, livelihood challenges, and development priorities.

In communities where years of conflict once limited opportunities and

access to services, the Science for Peace Program continues to serve as a concrete platform for inclusive and peace-responsive development. Through the program, DOST reinforces its commitment to bringing science, technology, and innovation closer to historically underserved communities

transforming technology into a bridge toward resilience, productivity, and lasting peace.

Moving forward, DOST SOCCSKSARGEN remains steadfast in strengthening partnerships with OPAPRU, local government units, and peacebuilding stakeholders to sustain interventions that are community-centered,

culturally responsive, and anchored on long-term development outcomes. Through continued convergence and meaningful engagement, the agency reaffirms its commitment to ensuring that no community is left behind in the pursuit of peace, progress, and sustainable development in Mindanao.

SSS Joint Coverage Drive, isinagawa sa Balayan

LUNGSOD NG BATANGAS (PIA)—Isang malawakang information campaign at mapping ang isinagawa ng Social Security System (SSS) Luzon South 2 Division sa bayan ng Balayan noong ika-12 ng mayo, 2026.



Nasa 106 na business establishments ang binisita ng SSS kung saan muling pinaalalahanan ang mga employers ukol sa kanilang obligasyon na irehistro ang kanilang negosyo at magdeklara ng tamang bilang ng mga empleyado upang maging miyembro ng SSS.

Hinati sa apat na grupo ang SSS Team kung saan lahat ng mga Administrative Officers mula sa sangay ng SSS Batangas, Lipa at Lemery ay nagsanib puwersa at naglibot sa mga tinukoy na establisimyento. Kabilang dito ang mga grocery stores, bakeshop, barber shop, t shirt printing, botica, LPG retail trading, Pastry shop, tahian at marami pang iba.

Ilan sa mga nakita ng grupo ay ang kakulangan sa deklarasyon kaugnay ng tamang bilang ng mga empleyado, pagpapalit ng business name ng isang establisimyento at tamang halaga ng kontribusyon sa

bawat miyembro.

Ayon kay Engr. Edwin Igharas, OIC ng SSS South Luzon 2 Division, sinabi nito na ang pagkilos ay una nilang isinagawa sa Lungsod ng San Pedro sa Laguna kung saan ipinaabot nila sa publiko ang lahat ng mga dapat nilang malaman ukol sa benepisyo at kagalingan kapag naging miyembro ng SSS.

"Marami pa ang hindi naaabot ng kaalaman ukol sa magandang benepisyo ng pagiging SSS member kaya't kami ay hindi tumitigil sa pagkakaroon ng mg aganitong aktibidad, ito ay simula pa lamang dito sa Batangas at may mga bayan at lungsod pa na bibisitahin sa mga susunod na araw para mas palakasin ang information awareness campaign naming. Dapat malaman ng publiko ano ang tamang pagbabayad at pamamaraan para marenjoy nila ang anumang benepisyo na maaaring makuha sa SSS," ani

Igharas.

Naglagay din ng e-Wheels sa Balayan Public Market kung saan naidulog ng mga miyembro, aktibo man o hindi ang kanilang mga nais linawin sa SSS. Umabot sa 68 transaksyon ang na-assistihan at 82 naman ang naproseso at tinanggap ng SSS.

Matapos ito, nagsagawa ng kortesiya ang grupo sa tanggapan ni Balayan Mayor Liza Ermita Abad kung saan inilatag nila ang layunin ng naturang pagbisita.

Nagpahayag naman ng katuwaan si Mayor Abad sa kanilang hakbang at sinabing sinusupportan nya ang inisyatibong ito at nag-alok pa ito na maaaring magbigay ng espasyo upang makabisita ang mga taga-SSS sa kanilang bayan at matugunan ang mga concerns ng kanyang mga kababayan kaugnay ng kanilang SSS membership. (MPDC-PIA Batangas)

DOH mobile... (FROM PAGE 8)

The initiative collected a total of 202 blood units through the combined efforts of DOH Calabarzon, the local government units and Municipal Health Offices of Panukulan and Patnanungan, the Quezon Provincial Health Office, Provincial DOH Office Quezon, various government agencies, the TV5 Alagang Kapatid Foundation, and volunteer blood donors.

Also supporting the successful conduct of the activity held on April 22 were the Dr. Jose N. Rodriguez Memorial Hospital Blood Bank, the Quezon Medical Center Blood Bank under the Quezon Provincial Health Network, the MDRRMO Patnanungan, and the Quezon Medical Society.

According to DOH Calabarzon, Project ISLA

aims to address the blood supply needs of remote island municipalities in Calabarzon where healthcare facilities and blood access remain limited.

DOH Calabarzon, through its National Voluntary Blood Services Program, credited the success of the activity to the strong collaboration among local government units, health workers, partner institutions, and volunteer donors.

In a statement, DOH Calabarzon paid tribute to the volunteer blood donors from the island communities, describing them as "modern-day heroes" committed to serving others in times of need.

"Higit sa lahat, ang pinakamataas na pagpupugay ay iniaalay sa

ating mga makabagong bayani, ang mga volunteer blood donors mula sa isla. Dugong Calabarzon – handang maglingkod sa makabagong panahon, anuman ang maging pagkakataon," DOH Calabarzon said in a statement.

The TV5 Alagang Kapatid Foundation also expressed gratitude to partner agencies and institutions that helped make the activity successful.

"Lubos ang aming pasasalamat sa mga LGU partners, health workers, volunteers, at katuwang na institusyon na naging bahagi ng operasyong ito. Maraming salamat din sa Good Fellow Pharma Corporation na namahagi ng mga tokens na inihandog natin sa ating mga volunteers at donors," the foundation said. **(PIA4A with reports from DOH 4A)**

CFO teams... (FROM PAGE 1)

CFO Chairperson, Secretary Dante "Klink" Ang II led the MOU signing, emphasizing how this collaboration will support overseas Filipinos, particularly those who lack the financial means to seek legal counsel. On the other hand, Atty. Purificacion Bartolome-Bernabe highlighted the ipBA's vital

role in educating the public through lectures, protecting vulnerable groups, including overseas Filipinos, and building networks with pro bono legal organizations internationally, as well as law schools with legal clinics in the Philippines.

Under the agreement,

ipBA will primarily accommodate legal referrals from the CFO for free consultation and counseling. The partnership also covers the delivery of legal education through lectures and support for various initiatives benefiting overseas Filipinos and their families, both locally and abroad. **(Photos by Jans Jerome Bentula and Sir Jerry Carual)**

Seminar... (FROM PAGE 1)

knowledge and skills in modern records management practices through digitization and digitalization.

The seminar aimed to strengthen the knowledge and skills of government personnel in managing records through modern digital systems and technologies. Participants learned the importance of digitization and digitalization in improving government records management, ensuring faster access to information, better storage, and stronger data protection.

One of the resource speakers was Edgardo Quiros, Assistant Director of the National Library of the Philippines. He discussed important topics including the fundamentals of records management, records lifecycle,

classification, retention and disposition, and the role of records in government operations.

Mr. Quiros also explained the difference between digitization and digitalization, including their applications, benefits, risks, and challenges. He further discussed legal and policy frameworks related to records management, data privacy, and Quality Management System (QMS) requirements.

Participants were also guided on planning records digitization projects, proper document preparation, scanning standards, file naming conventions, indexing, metadata standards, and digital storage systems. Hands-on workshops allowed participants to practice scanning, file

organization, quality checking, and designing digital workflows for office operations.

Meanwhile, Alfonso Fredericko Gonda, Information Officer II from DICT, discussed cybersecurity, data privacy, and risk management, emphasizing the importance of protecting the integrity and confidentiality of digital records. He also highlighted the importance of using registered electronic signatures in government transactions to ensure authenticity, security, and accountability in digital documents.

The seminar-workshop provided participants with valuable knowledge and practical skills that will help improve records management systems and support efficient, secure, and transparent government services. — **OPIO**

Multiple... (FROM PAGE 1)

registered for the SK, there is no need to register again," said the Comelec.

Meanwhile those who have been deactivated for failure to vote in two successive poll exercises, it noted that they don't need to

register again.

"If your registration record is deactivated due to reasons stated in the law, you must apply for reactivation of registration records," added the Comelec.

Comelec data showed

that 4,740,551 applications for voter registration have already been received nationwide from Oct. 20 to May 9.

The voter registration period started in Oct. 2025 and will run until May 18, in connection with the holding of the Barangay and SK Elections in November. **(PNA)**

DICT probes... (FROM PAGE 1)

critical digital infrastructures.

"Appropriate validation and assessment activities are likewise being conducted to determine the nature and legitimacy of the information received," it said.

It warned the public to be cautious in sharing unverified cybersecurity-related claims to avoid causing unnecessary alarm or confusion.

However, it called on relevant government offices to review and strengthen their network security measures, including the monitoring of wireless access points, unauthorized devices and suspicious network activities.

While the claim of suspicious networks remains unverified, it warned the public to follow basic network security measures such as connecting only to official and verified Wi-Fi networks, and disable automatic connections on mobile devices to prevent unintended access to unknown networks.

It also called on the public to report suspicious W-iFi pop-ups, or any unusual connectivity behavior to the DICT.

"The department assures the public that the security of government digital systems remains a top priority. Together with its partners, DICT remains

committed to safeguarding the reliability and integrity of government online services and sustaining public trust in national digital governance efforts," it said.

On Thursday, "DNH Klammer," a notorious figure in Philippine cybersecurity circles, said there was a "hefty amount" of access points popping up around the Senate, possibly related to an unauthorized individual or group "sniffing" network traffic in the vicinity.

Attackers can monitor traffic, harvest credentials, intercept logins, capture emails, redirect websites, or even inject malicious content once a user connected to a rogue access point. **(PNA)**

Public... (FROM PAGE 1)

The activity was conducted in compliance with the Real Property Valuation and Assessment Reform Act (RPVARA) or Republic Act No. 12001, which aims to promote a more transparent, equitable, and standardized real property valuation system in the country. The consultation was attended by real property owners, local government officials, and various stakeholders from across the province.

During the first day of the consultation on April 29, the program formally opened with a welcome message from Provincial Administrator Engr. Gilbert V. Gandia, who emphasized the importance of stakeholder participation in the valuation process. This was followed by a message from Provincial Assessor Raymundo D. Salazar, REA, who highlighted the significance of updating the Schedule of Market Values in accordance with national

policies and current market conditions.

Resource speakers Mr. Archie C. Larracas, LAOO IV of the Bureau of Local Government Finance (BLGF) Region IV-A, and Ms. Elmine C. De La Cruz, LAOO II, discussed the overview and salient provisions of RA No. 12001.

Their discussion provided participants with a clearer understanding of the law's objectives, implementation, and its impact on local government units and property owners.

Also present during the consultation was Board Member Aidel Paul Belamide, Sangguniang Panlalawigan Chair of the Committee on Finance, Budget and Appropriations, who expressed support for the initiative and underscored the importance of collaboration between the provincial government, municipal assessors, and stakeholders.

Meanwhile, the second

day of the consultation held on May 6, commenced with a welcome message from Mr. Caroll B. Bedua, REA, Municipal Assessor of General Mariano Alvarez (GMA). Board Member Belamide once again graced the activity and delivered his message of support, alongside Magallanes Vice Mayor Aina S. Maligalig, who also conveyed her appreciation for the conduct of the consultation and the opportunity for stakeholders to voice their concerns and recommendations.

The public consultation served as an avenue for open discussion, allowing stakeholders to raise concerns, seek clarifications, and provide inputs regarding the proposed Schedule of Market Values. Through the initiative, the Provincial Government of Cavite continues to uphold transparency, accountability, and participatory governance in implementing reforms that contribute to effective and responsive public service. — **OPIO**

Congress members fear Senate dismissal of VP Sara impeachment case

MANILA – Several lawmakers at the House of Representatives on Friday appealed to senators to reject any attempt to terminate the impeachment case against Vice President Sara Z. Duterte through technicality, procedural shortcut or motion to dismiss before hearing the evidence in an open trial.

In a statement, House Committee on Suffrage and Electoral Reforms chair Zia Alonto Adiong of Lanao del Sur said the constitutional duty of the Senate is to proceed to trial and receive evidence before rendering judgment.

"May seryosong pangamba ngayon na baka ang impeachment trial ay ma-uwi sa dismissal or ma-remand pabalik sa Kamara bago pa marinig ang ebidensiya (There is now serious apprehension that the impeachment trial may be dismissed or remanded back to the House before the evidence is heard)," he said.

"That will be a grave disservice to the public, especially after the House has already performed its constitutional duty."

Adiong noted that Senate President Alan Peter Cayetano's May 14 letter to Speaker Faustino Dy III mentioned the convening of the impeachment court but

made no categorical assurance or reference to the actual start of the full trial, where evidence would be presented and tested.

In his letter to Dy, Cayetano wrote that the Senate "has taken proper order of the impeachment and shall immediately proceed to its consideration" under Article XI, Section 3 of the constitution.

The same letter stated that the Articles of Impeachment are directed for inclusion in the Calendar for Ordinary Business for referral to the Impeachment Court, which "shall be convened on 18 May 2026, 3:00 PM, or at the soonest possible time, absent any question on the rules and procedure relating to the transmitted Articles."

Adiong said the phrase "absent any question on the rules and procedure relating to the transmitted Articles" has caused concern because it may be invoked

to raise procedural challenges that could derail the case before the Senate even reaches the substance of the charges.

He said any move to dismiss or remand the Articles without a genuine hearing would deepen public suspicion that the Senate leadership change was meant to weaken accountability and prevent the Vice President from facing the evidence.

"The Senate should not entertain a motion to dismiss without a hearing. Kung may gustong magkuwestiyon, gawin nila sa tamang proseso, pero huwag nilang patayin ang kaso sa technicalities bago pa makaharap ang ebidensiya (If there's a question, it should be done in the proper process, but they should not kill the case on technicalities even before hearing the evidence)," he said.

"Our appeal is simple: Hear the case, receive the

evidence and let the truth be tested in the open. Anything less will look like an escape hatch for accountability," he added.

Meanwhile, Akbayan Party-list Reps. Chel Diokno and Percival Cendaña, along with Mamamayang Liberal Party-list Rep. Leila de Lima, said any attempt to kill the case without a full trial would violate the constitution and further damage the institution's credibility.

In a media interview after attending a preliminary investigation before the Quezon City Prosecutor's Office in connection with a complaint filed by Duterte's husband, lawyer Manases Carpio, they stressed that the Filipino people deserve to see the evidence presented in public.

Diokno and De Lima, both members of the House prosecution panel in the Senate impeachment trial, said the constitution leaves the Senate with no choice but to proceed with the trial once the Articles of



Vice President Sara Duterte (PNA file photo by Joan Bondoc)

Impeachment have been transmitted.

"When the Constitution says conduct a trial forthwith, ibig sabihin ilatag ang ebidensiya, testigo at dokumento (present the evidence, witnesses and documents)," Diokno said.

He said moving to dismiss the impeachment complaint once the Senate convenes as an impeachment court may be a violation of the constitution.

Meanwhile, De Lima said the House prosecution panel is still discussing whether its members would physically appear at the Senate on Monday, clarifying that Cayetano only announced the formal convening of the impeachment court.

"Kaming (We in the) panel of prosecutors, we will be discussing kung

pupunta na ba kami on Monday rin para magpakita na handa na kami at ating i-confirm 'yung pag-transmit ng (if we will go to the Senate on Monday just to show that we are ready and also to confirm the) Articles of Impeachment," she said.

The House of Representatives voted 257-25-9 on May 11 to transmit the Articles of Impeachment against Duterte to the Senate for trial. The Articles of Impeachment cover allegations of the misuse and irregular liquidation of confidential funds, unexplained wealth, bribery of education officials, and threats against President Ferdinand R. Marcos Jr., First Lady Liza Araneta-Marcos, and former Speaker Martin Romualdez. (PNA)

More than...

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DSWD is urging affected drivers to coordinate with their respective transport groups.

"Magpapatuloy ang pamamahagi ng assistance sa mga tricycle driver at jeepney driver sa rehiyon sa mga susunod

na araw. Kung kaya't ang mga nasabing driver ay pinapayuhang makipag-ugnayan sa kani-kanilang asosasyon para sa schedule at update sa distribusyon," it said.

Launched to provide

relief to the public transportation sector, the CRA is part of the Assistance to Individuals in Crisis Situations (AICS) to provide Public Utility Vehicle (PUV) drivers with funds for their daily needs. (PB-PIA CALABARZON with reports from DSWD Region IV-A)

DOST Ilocos...

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opportunities for innovation. Possible interventions such as equipment upgrading, process improvement, technical consultancy, and workforce capability enhancement were identified to help businesses improve productivity and expand their market reach. The assessment also considered gender-responsive needs to ensure inclusive and sustainable enterprise development.

A total of twenty-five (25) firms across Region 1 underwent Technology

Needs Assessment as part of SETUP, including four (4) firms from La Union, seven (7) firms from Pangasinan, four (4) firms from Ilocos Sur, and ten (10) firms from Ilocos Norte.

Findings from the Technology Needs Assessment will determine the firms' eligibility to move forward to the next stage — the preparation of project proposals for further review and possible funding support through the Review and Technical Evaluation Committee (RTEC).

Through SETUP, DOST

Ilocos Region continues to empower MSMEs in Region 1 by providing access to appropriate technologies, upgrading equipment, and delivering technical assistance that drive innovation, improve product quality, and create greater market opportunities. By supporting local enterprises through science and technology, DOST Ilocos Region continues to deliver "Agham na Ramdam" by strengthening innovation, improving competitiveness, and helping build more resilient communities across Region 1. (Sheshenie Janae M. Perez)

PhilHealth...

(FROM PAGE 8)

The PhilHealth YAKAP program is designed to provide comprehensive primary healthcare services to all Filipinos. Among the benefits available to members are free consultations and laboratory services, as well as cancer screening services for colorectal, lung, liver, and breast cancer in selected hospitals based on recommendations from doctors in YAKAP clinics.

PhilHealth said it has expanded medicine coverage under the program. From the original 21 essential medicines under YAKAP, an additional 54 types of medicines have been included through the GAMOT program. Under the medicine assistance component, each member may receive up to ₱20,000 worth of medicines

annually through accredited GAMOT pharmacies.

At present, there are already 289 accredited YAKAP clinics operating across the region to provide healthcare services, including 75 clinics in Quezon Province, 112 in Laguna, and 102 in Cavite.

Josephine, a resident of Calamba City, Laguna, said she is thankful for the PhilHealth YAKAP and GAMOT programs because they helped lessen her medical expenses, particularly for consultations and maintenance medicines.

"Maraming salamat po sa Philhealth para sa programang ito. Malaking tulong po ito upang magamit sa pagpapakonsulta sa doktor at makabili ng aking maintenance na gamot

para sa aking sakit," Josephine said.

To improve the security and efficiency of transactions, PhilHealth has also implemented digital initiatives such as the PhilHealth Check Utility (PCU) for liveness verification, the use of Electronic Medical Records (EMR), and enhanced internet connectivity in healthcare facilities.

Meanwhile, PhilHealth Region IV-A has also been conducting registration drives across the Calabarzon region to encourage more residents to enroll and avail themselves of the agency's healthcare programs and benefits.

The initiative aims to strengthen public awareness and ensure wider access to primary healthcare services and medicines under the YAKAP and GAMOT programs. (with reports from Philhealth)

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SPECIAL PROC. NO.: BSP-2026-06

ACTION/PETITION TO ESTABLISH FILIATION under ARTICLES 172, 173, and 175 OF THE FAMILY CODE BETWEEN MINORS GIAN BENEDIKT SY CHUA I and GILLIANE BRYLLE SY CHUA (Represented herein by their Mother and Natural Guardian Girlie Sy Chua) and JERWIN R. CHUA,

Petitioner,

-versus-

JERWIN R. CHUA, CZANIA BEATRICE ANDREI S. CAIDIC as heir of RUFINO EVASCO CAIDIC, LOCAL CIVIL REGISTRY OF MANILA, LOCAL CIVIL REGISTRY OF BACOR-CAVITE AND THE PHILIPPINES STATISTICS AUTHORITY,

Respondent.

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INITIAL ORDER

A verified Petition for the Establishment of Illegitimate Filiation has been filed by petitioner **GIAN BENEDIKT SY CHUA I (GIAN for BREVITY)** and **GILLIANE BRYLLE SY CHUA (GILLIANE for BREVITY)**. They are represented herein by their Mother and Natural Guardian **Girlie Sy Chua (GIRLIE for BREVITY)**.

The petition alleges that the minors **Gian** and **Gilliane** were born to petitioner **Girlie** and respondent **Jerwin R. Chua** during a period when **Girlie Sy Chua** was still married to **Rufino Evasco Caidic**. Creating a legal impediment to marry between the biological parents. Consequently, the children are illegitimate and cannot be legitimated through a subsequent marriage under Article 177 of the Family Code.

Through this petition, the minors seek to establish their filiation to respondent **Jerwin R. Chua** pursuant to Articles 172, 173, and 175 of the Family Code, using evidence such as the record of birth, authentic writing, and DNA testing.

Finding the petition to be sufficient in form and substance, the Court hereby sets the case for initial hearing on **June 3, 2026 at 9:30 in the morning**.

All persons who have an interest in this petition or who may be adversely affected thereby are hereby directed to appear on the said date and time and show cause, if any, why the petition should not be granted.

Let a copy of this Order be published at the expense of the petitioners in a newspaper of general circulation in the City of Bacor, once a week for three (3) consecutive weeks.

Furthermore, let copies of this Order and the Petition be served upon the respondents at their respective last known addresses, the office of the Solicitor General (OSG), Office of the City Prosecutor, Philippine Statistics Authority, the Local Civil Registrars of the City of Bacor, and the City of Manila at the expense of the petitioner. The petitioners and/or their counsels on record are directed to submit proof of compliance to this Order within fifteen (15) days from receipt thereof.

SO ORDERED.

April 10, 2026. City of Bacor, Cavite. Philippines.

(Sgd.) MARISSA P. ESTABAYA
Presiding Judge

Republic of the Philippines
Fourth Judicial Region
Regional Trial Court Of Cavite
Office of the Clerk of Court & Ex-Officio Sheriff
New Justice Hall, J.P. Rizal Avenue, Kaybagal
South, Tagaytay City

EJF NO. TG-26-007

FOR: Extra-Judicial Foreclosure of Real Estate Mortgage Under Act No. 3135, as amended by Act No. 4118

TRBANK, INC. (A RURAL BANK),
Petitioner-Mortgagee,

-versus-

ROBERTO R. AUSTRIA and SUSAN C. AUSTRIA,
Respondents-Mortgagors.

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NOTICE OF EXTRAJUDICIAL SALE

Upon extra-judicial foreclosure sale under Act No. 3135, as amended by Act No. 4118, filed by Petitioner-Mortgagee, **TRBANK, INC. (A RURALBANK)**, a local bank with foreign ownership duly organized and existing under and by virtue of the Philippine Laws, with principal and place of business at 31st floor, Unit 3101-3108, Raffles Corporate Center, F. Ortigas Jr. Road, Ortigas, Pasig City pursuant to the terms and conditions of the Deed of Real Estate Mortgage ("MORTGAGE") executed and notarized on August 3, 2023, by Respondents-Mortgagors, **ROBERTO R. AUSTRIA and SUSAN C. AUSTRIA**, of legal age, Filipino citizens, with postal address at Lot-Q4, Ebol St., Iruhin West, Tagaytay City, in favor of the Petitioner-Mortgagee, over a real estate property including improvements thereon, described

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- 8. JERWIN R. CHUA - (Respondent)**
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- 9. CZANIA BEATRICE ANDREI S. CAIDIC - (Respondent)**
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in and covered by **TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. 076-2021007244** of the Registry of Deeds for the Tagaytay City, to satisfy the outstanding loan obligation of the Respondents-Mortgagors, in the amount of **THREE MILLION SIX HUNDRED TWENTY-SIX THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED SIXTY-FIVE PESOS & 34/100 (PHP 3, 626, 365.34)** as of January 7, 2026, inclusive of any penalties and interests, as of January 7, 2026, the undersigned Clerk of Court & Ex-Officio Sheriff of the Regional Trial Court of Cavite thru her deputy, **Baby Leem B. Maristela**, will sell at public auction on **JUNE 22, 2026 at 10:00 o'clock in the morning** or soon thereafter, at the New Hall of Justice of Tagaytay City, to the highest bidder, for Cash or Manager's Check and in Philippine Currency, the following property with all its improvements thereon, to wit:

TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. 076-2021007244
Registry of Deeds for Tagaytay City

IT IS HEREBY CERTIFIED that certain land situated in CITY OF TAGAYTAY, bounded and described as follows:

A PARCEL OF LAND (LOT Q-4 OF THE SUBD. PLAN, PSD-04-183063, BEING A PORTION OF LOT Q. (LRC) PSD-19688, LRC REC NO. N-20439) SITUATED IN TAG. CITY. BOUNDED ON THE NW., ALONG LINE 1-2 BY LOT Q-3, ON THE NE, ALONG LINE 2-3 BY LOT Q-5, BOTH OF THE SUBD. PLAN, ON THE SE., & SW., ALONG LINE 3-4-5-1 BY RD. LOT (LRC) PSD-19688. BEGINNING AT APT. MARKED "1" ON PLAN BEING N. 58 DEG 18'E, 1742.83 M. FROM BLLM 6, CITY OF TAGAYTAY, THENCE N. 51 DEG. 10'E., 18.31 M. TO PT. 2, THENCE S. 38 DEG 50'E, 13.03 M. TO PT. 3; THENCE S. 51 DEG. 10'W., 15.46 M. TO PT. 4; THENCE N. 83 DEG. 50'W., 4.00 M. TO PT 5, THENCE N.38 DEG. 50'W., 10.19 M. TO THE PT., OF BEGINNING, CONTAINING AN AREA OF **TWO HUNDRED THIRTY FIVE (235) SQ. METERS**. ALL PTS. REFERRED TO ARE INDICATED ON THE PLAN AND ARE MARKED ON THE GROUND BY PS. CYL. CONC. MONS. 15 X 60 CM., CORNERS 4, 5, BY OLD PS CYL BEARING TRUE, DATE OF ORIG. SURVEY, MARCH 6 & SEPT. 27, 1969 & THAT OF THE SUBD. SURVEY, FEB 2-3, 2006.

Is registered in accordance with the provision of the Property Registration Decree in the name of

Owner: SPOUSES SUSAN CUADRA AUSTRIA AND ROBERTO RIZALDO AUSTRIA, FILIPINOS
Address: Purok 49, Iruhin West, Tagaytay City

In the event the public auction should not take place on the said date, it shall be held on **JUNE 29, 2026**, without further notice.

Prospective bidders or buyers are hereby enjoined to investigate and verify for themselves the **TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. 076-2021007244**, the encumbrances thereon, if any there be.

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

Tagaytay City, Philippines, April 30, 2026.

(Sgd.) ATTY. VARBRA ANN A. VARIAS-DIMAYUGA
Clerk of Court VI & Ex-Officio Sheriff

(Sgd.) BABY LEEM B. MARISTELA
Sheriff-in-Charge

WARNING: IT IS ABSOLUTELY PROHIBITED TO REMOVE, DEFACE OR DESTROY THIS NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE ON OR BEFORE THE DATE OF THE AUCTION SALE UNDER THE PENALTY OF LAW

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ATI revives Radyo Eskwela for coconut farmers

LUCENA CITY, Quezon (PIA) — The Agricultural Training Institute (ATI) revived its radio program to bring new information and technology to strengthen coconut production in the CALABARZON region.

Last May 6, the ATI CALABARZON, in partnership with the region's Philippine Coconut Authority (PCA), launched the 'Coco-Buhayan: Radyo Eskwela sa Pagniniyugan' to give coconut farmers easier access to modern technology and know-how. During the ceremonial launch, Senate committee



chairperson on Agriculture and Food Francis 'Kiko' Pangilinan emphasized the importance of giving coconut farmers free access to technical knowledge on Coconut Hybridization and other opportunities to improve coconut production.

"Pag-uusapan kung ano ang hybrid, bakit ito tinutulak ng gobyerno,

anong magagawa nito sa kita ng mga magniniyog at anong mga suporta ang dapat asahan, teknikal man o hindi. Dito lang kayo, walang tuition, walang uniform, walang bell. Tainga lang, karanasan at pananabik na maging kasing-sipag ninyong namumunga ang mga puno ng niyog."

Through 'Coco-

Buhayan', ATI CALABARZON Center Director Rolando Maningas assured that no farmer will be left behind in the continuous growth of the local coconut industry.

"Mahaalagang masigurong tamang kaalaman at makabagong teknolohiya ay umaabot sa bawat sulok ng ating bansa—lalo na sa ating

mga komunidad ng mga magniniyog. Naniniwala kami sa DA-ATI CALABARZON na walang dapat maiwan pagdating sa kaalaman. At dito pumapasok ang kahalagahan ng ating School-on-the-Air."

Maningas added that radio, a device that is readily available even to remote farming communities, will help deliver important and up-to-date information and opportunities to help farmers further expand their livelihood.

Catering mostly to coconut-producing towns, 600 farmers from 13 municipalities have already adopted coconut production technologies and hybridization techniques through Radyo Eskwela. (PB-PIA CALABARZON)

**REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES
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BRANCH 17
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SP. PROC. NO. N-9617

**In the Matter of the Petition for
Judicial Recognition of the Foreign
Decree of Divorce Dissolving the
Marriage of MICHAEL ARCENO
PAPA and JEANETTE LIU NOCEDA,**

Jeanette Liu Noceda,
Petitioner,

-versus-

**The Local Civil Registrar of Cavite
City, and the Civil Registrar
General, Philippines Statistics
Authority (PSA),**

Respondents.

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NOTICE OF HEARING

A VERIFIED PETITION FOR JUDICIAL RECOGNITION OF THE FOREIGN DECREE OF DIVORCE has been filed by Jeanette Liu Noceda, through counsel, prays that after due notice and hearing, that judgment be rendered confirming the validity of the judgment on dissolution of marriage in accordance with laws and regulations of the State of Illinois, USA, issued in July 1, 2025; that the Local Civil Registrar of Cavite City and the Civil Registrar General of the Philippine Statistics Authority be directed to record and annotate the aforementioned judgment of Dissolution in the Certificate of Marriage of herein petitioner registered in both offices

IT APPEARING, that the petition is sufficient in form and substance, hearing of this petition is set on **May 28, 2026 at 8:30 in the morning,** before this Court, on which date, hour and place, interested parties may appear and show cause why the same should not be granted.

LET THIS NOTICE be published once a week for three (3) consecutive weeks in a newspaper of general circulation in the City and Province of Cavite. Likewise, let copies of the petition and of this Notice be furnished the Solicitor General, the Local Civil Registrar of Cavite City, and the Philippine Statistic Authority.

WITNESS THE HON. ROWENA R. MOJARES-AREVALO,
Presiding Judge of this Court, this 21st day of April 2026.

(Sgd.) MICHAELA R. VALENCIA-DE GUZMAN
Branch Clerk of Court V

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Cavite provincial government conducts Operation Tuli, serves 71 beneficiaries

The Provincial Government of Cavite successfully conducted an Operation Tuli serving a total of 71 beneficiaries in Barangay Magdalo Potol, Kawit, Cavite on May 12, as part of its continuing commitment to providing free and accessible healthcare services to the community.



The activity formally began with a prayer for guidance, protection, and safety of all health workers, medical personnel, and beneficiaries throughout the program.

Patients, then, underwent proper health assessment and screening to determine if they were fit to undergo the

circumcision procedure followed by the verification of registered participants to maintain an organized and smooth flow of the program. Once the verification process was completed, the circumcision procedures officially started led by the medical team and assisted by health workers.

The success of the activity was made possible through the collective efforts of the health workers from Dra. Olivia Salamanca District Memorial Hospital, Kawit Kalayaan Hospital, the Office of the Provincial Health Officer (OPHO), and the Barangay Health Workers, who worked together to provide quality healthcare

services for the beneficiaries.

The Operation Tuli program reflects the Provincial Government's continued dedication to supporting the health and well-being of the community through medical outreach programs and public health initiatives. — OPIO

More than 6k CALABARZON drivers find relief in DSWD fuel aid

CALAMBA CITY, Laguna (PIA) — Following the distribution of cash assistance for tricycle drivers, the Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD) has also rolled out the Cash Relief Assistance (CRA) program for more than 6,000 jeepney drivers to provide relief amid rising fuel costs.



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Last May 13, the DSWD distributed the assistance to more than 6,000 jeepney drivers worth P5,000 each. The CRA payout was conducted in key areas simultaneously, including Tagaytay City in Cavite, the cities of San Pablo and Sta. Rosa in

Laguna, Binangonan in Rizal, Batangas City, and Tayabas City and Lucena City in Quezon Province.

Meanwhile, more than 500 tricycle drivers in Tagkawayan town as well as the island municipalities of Polilio and Burdeos also received cash assistance.

In a statement, the DSWD IV-A assured tricycle and jeepney drivers in the region that the CRA distribution will continue within the next weeks.

To account for the beneficiary drivers, the

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DOST Ilocos Region Opens Growth Opportunities for 25 firms Through Technology Needs Assessment, Paving the Way for SETUP Success



The Department of Science and Technology Ilocos Region (DOST Ilocos Region) through its Provincial Offices and Regional Program Management Office (RPMO) conducted Technology Needs Assessments (TNA) for twenty-five (25) Micro, Small, and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) across Region 1 as part of the Small Enterprise Technology Upgrading Program (SETUP).

The validation activities served as a critical step for enterprises seeking assistance under SETUP, DOST's flagship program aimed at enhancing

industrial productivity, competitiveness, and innovation among local businesses.

During the assessments, the DOST

team evaluated the firms' current production capacity, technology utilization, operational challenges, and

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DOH mobile blood donation drive reaches Quezon island towns



LUCENA CITY (PIA) — To help ensure adequate blood supply in remote island communities in Calabarzon, the Department of Health (DOH) Calabarzon launched this year's mobile blood donation activity under Project ISLA in the island municipalities of Panukulan and Patnanungan in Quezon province.

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PhilHealth expands YAKAP, GAMOT programs across Calabarzon

CALAMBA CITY, Laguna (PIA) — The Philippine Health Insurance Corporation (PhilHealth) Region IV-A has expanded the implementation and reach of the Yaman ng Kalusugan Program (YAKAP) and the Guaranteed and Accessible Medications for Outpatient Treatment (GAMOT) program across the Calabarzon region.



According to PhilHealth Region IV-A, a total of P592 million has already been released for YAKAP claims, while P9.4 million has been allocated for medicines dispensed through accredited pharmacies across the region under the GAMOT program.

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