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KALINGYAKAP: How Carmona City built a haven of dignity

Persons With Disabilities (PWD) continue to face challenges in accessing economic and social opportunities that able-bodied individuals may have been taking for granted.

In the 2025 Trend Report of the ASEAN Socio-Cultural Community (ASCC) Research and Development Platforms Programme, PWDs face significant challenges in employment, including limited access to education and skills training, inaccessible infrastructure, restricted job opportunities, and even social stigma. Compared to their peers, PWDs have lower employment rates and limited career opportunities. ► **KALINGYAKAP • 4**



Silang mushrooms gain prominence after PBBM nod



SILANG, Cavite (PIA) — Receiving a seal of approval from President Ferdinand Marcos Jr. himself, Silang town is slowly gaining prominence for producing commercial-scale enoki mushrooms that provide job and investment opportunities. ► **SILANG • 6**

BIR chief orders streamlining of tax processes

The Bureau of Internal Revenue (BIR) commits to realizing ease of doing

business through the continued improvement of public service delivery and the adoption of digitalization efforts in its revenue offices nationwide.

Internal Revenue Commissioner Charlito Martin Mendoza stressed that under his leadership, a taxpayer-centric approach will be implemented. ► **BIR CHIEF • 4**



Climate Change Task Force Leads Multi-Sectoral Partnership Signing; Declares "Climate Action, NOW!"



BAGUIO CITY – The Climate Change Task Force convened key government agencies, uniformed services, and sectoral representatives at 5:00 PM in Baguio City for the signing of the Inaugural Multi-Sectoral Partnership Memorandum of Agreement. Anchored on the battle cry "Climate Action, NOW!" and guided by the vision "Partnership for a Sustainable, Resilient and Climate-Smart Nation," the event formalizes unified, coordinated action to address pressing environmental challenges across the country. ► **CLIMATE CHANGE • 7**

Officials congratulate Alex Eala on historic first WTA title

House of Representatives Speaker Faustino Dy III and Philippine Sports Commission Chair Patrick Gregorio were among the first to congratulate Filipino tennis star Alex Eala for capturing her first WTA (Women's Tennis Association) Tour title, calling the achievement a milestone not only for Philippine tennis but for the entire nation. ► **OFFICIAL • 6**



CALAX Earns Three GREEN Awards for Environmental Sustainability

MPCALA Holdings Inc. (MPHI), a subsidiary of Metro Pacific Tollways Corporation (MPTC) and the concessionaire of the Cavite-Laguna Expressway (CALAX), has been recognized by the City Government of Santa Rosa, Laguna, for its unwavering commitment to environmental sustainability. This marks the fourth consecutive year the company has been honored by the local government.

The Guarantee the Restoration of the Environment & our Ecological Niche (GREEN) Awards is the city's annual recognition program that honors organizations, institutions, and individuals for their significant contributions to environmental protection and sustainability.

This year, CALAX received three major awards in recognition of its green initiatives:

- * Sustainable Development Partner: Recognizing MPCALA's contributions to environmental sustainability through its active participation in various coastal clean-up initiatives that help preserve ecosystems, reduce pollution in Laguna Lake, and support climate

change mitigation efforts.

- * Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency Partner: Awarded for the company's excellence in reducing energy consumption, promoting renewable energy solutions, and implementing energy efficiency initiatives across its offices, toll plazas, and facilities.

- * Earth Hour Advocate: Presented for the company's active participation in the annual global Earth Hour movement and its continued efforts to promote energy conservation and environmental awareness.

The awards were presented by the City Government of Santa Rosa and received by representatives of



From L-R: Santa Rosa City Councilor Hon. Carmela Rosa Gonzales-Colmenar; MPCALA Holdings Inc. Facilities Management and MEPF Senior Engineer Dhale Angelo D. Santos; MPTC Assistant Vice President for Central Quality, Environment, Safety and Health (QESH) Allan Jeffrey N. Ang; MPTC Vice President for Stakeholder Engagement Arlette V. Capistrano; Santa Rosa City Mayor Hon. Arlene B. Arcillas; Santa Rosa City ENRO Head Engr. Maria Amor A. Salandanan, EnP.; and Santa Rosa City Councilor Hon. Mythor C. Cendaña. Photo credit: Santa Rosa City Environment and Natural Resources Office

MPCALA.

"We are deeply honored to receive this recognition from the City Government of Santa Rosa. These awards reflect our commitment to integrating sustainability into every aspect of our operations, from building greener infrastructure to adopting environmentally responsible practices. As we continue to expand

CALAX, we remain dedicated to proving that infrastructure development and environmental stewardship can go hand in hand," said MPHI President and General Manager Andrew B. Pangilinan.

CALAX is a 44.6-kilometer expressway connecting the provinces of Cavite and Laguna. Once completed, it is expected to serve

approximately 95,000 motorists daily. Currently, its operational segments span from Biñan, Laguna to General Trias, Cavite, significantly reducing travel time from an hour to just 26 minutes.

Beyond improving mobility, CALAX also advances environmental sustainability by helping reduce fuel consumption and vehicle emissions

through shorter travel times. Its green initiatives include the integration of solar power systems, rainwater harvesting facilities, and the progressive transition of its corporate fleet to electric vehicles (EVs), reinforcing the company's commitment to responsible and sustainable expressway operations.

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UPLIFT aid funded by nat'l gov't, not SSS contribution

The Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD) reiterated on Thursday that the Unified Package for Livelihoods, Industry, Food, and Transport (UPLIFT) assistance being provided to poor, near-poor and low-income Filipinos, including qualified members of the Social Security System (SSS), is funded by the national government through the DSWD.

The UPLIFT assistance is one of the initiatives of the Marcos administration that provides financial aid to ease the economic burden of poor, non-poor and low-income Filipinos due to the effects of the energy emergency brought about by the geopolitical conflict in the Middle East.

"Nais po naming linawin at bigyang diin na ang UPLIFT Assistance ay programa ng ating pamahalaan at ito ay (We want to clarify and emphasize that the UPLIFT Assistance is a program of the government and this is) funded under the DSWD's budget. The financial assistance being released to qualified SSS beneficiaries does not come from their contributions, hindi po ito kukunin o ibabawas sa mga hinuhulog ninyo (this would not be taken or subtracted from your contributions)," DSWD spokesperson

Assistant Secretary Irene Dumlaog said in a news release on Thursday.

She said while the SSS helped identify qualified beneficiaries and facilitate the disbursement of the financial assistance, the fund comes entirely from the DSWD and the national government.

"Dahil sila po ang may datos kung sino ang qualified na maging beneficiary, ang SSS po ay ating implementing partner. Pero lahat po, yung cash aid na binibigay sa benepisyaryo ng Pantawid Pamilyang Pilipino Program (4Ps), Walang Gutom Program (WGP), yung galing sa talaan ng Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA), at itong sa SSS, lahat ay galing sa DSWD," Dumlaog said.

The DSWD issued the clarification following questions and misconceptions circulating



on social media claiming that the monthly assistance is taken from SSS members' contributions.

The DSWD spokesperson also clarified that not all members are covered by the program since beneficiaries were identified based on specific criteria provided by SSS to ensure that assistance reaches those who need it most.

"Nais din po namin ulitin na hindi lahat ng SSS members ay benepisyaryo ng UPLIFT Assistance. Maaari kayong makipag-ugnayan sa SSS upang malaman kung isa kayo sa qualified beneficiaries (We also want to reiterate that

not all SSS members are beneficiaries of the UPLIFT Assistance. You can get in touch with the SSS to know if you are one of the beneficiaries)," Dumlaog said.

The list of SSS beneficiaries was based from the 2024 Community Based Monitoring System of the PSA.

For SSS beneficiaries, they must be employed SSS members with a monthly salary credit of less than PHP20,000, have paid at least one SSS contribution from 2025 to 2026, and have an enrolled SSS disbursement account. (PNA)

Luistro says VP Sara remains liable for confidential funds

Vice President Sara Duterte, as head of the Office of the Vice President (OVP) and former secretary of the Department of Education (DepEd), remains principally accountable for the handling of confidential funds regardless of what her former special disbursing officers (SDOs) may testify before the Senate impeachment court, lead House prosecutor Batangas 2nd District Rep. Gerville "Jinky Bitrics" Luistro said Thursday.

Luistro cited the testimony of Commission on Audit (COA) State Auditor Roderick Wamil, who told the impeachment court that under the COA - Department of Budget and Management (DBM) Joint Circular 2015-01, the head of an agency is among those principally accountable for confidential funds.

"Kahit magbago pa sila ng testimonya, klaro na ang naging position ng state auditor (Even if they change their testimonies, the position of the state auditor was clear) - the head of the agency remains to be one of the principally accountable parties," she said in an online briefing, adding that the joint circular clearly provides for such

accountability.

Luistro made the statement ahead of the expected testimonies of former OVP SDO Gina Acosta and former DepEd SDO Edward Fajarda, whom the prosecution intends to present as "hostile witnesses."

"Apparently, they are considered as hostile witnesses. Hostile because they are attached, associated, and perhaps part ng mga naging proseso nitong (of the processing of these) alleged incidents in the Articles of Impeachment," she said.

She said Acosta and Fajarda are expected to provide key testimony because they directly handled the confidential funds as SDOs.

"As SDO, sila talaga dapat ang pinaka nakakaalam (As SDOs, they really are the ones who are privy to) what happened to these public funds. That's why their sworn testimonies are really significant in this impeachment trial," Luistro said.

She also expressed hope that both witnesses would remain consistent with their sworn testimonies during the House of Representatives' Committee on Good Government and Public Accountability's inquiry during the 19th Congress.

"I will not understand if after their clear narration of what happened during the hearing of the Committee on Good Government, ay biglang

mababago ang kanilang kuwento (their story would suddenly change)," she said.

During the House inquiry, Acosta testified that she turned over OVP confidential funds to then-OVP security officer Col. Raymund Dante Lachica after encashing them, following Duterte's instruction. Fajarda similarly testified that he turned over DepEd confidential funds to then-DepEd security officer Col. Dennis Nolasco after encashment, also upon Duterte's instruction when she was education secretary.

Both SDOs also testified that they did not personally distribute the confidential funds because the security



House prosecution team head Batangas 2nd District Rep. Gerville Luistro (PNA photo by Avito Dalan)

officers handled the disbursement.

Their expected testimonies come after two former LandBank department managers testified that Acosta and Fajarda encashed a combined PHP612.5 million in confidential funds for the OVP and DepEd.

Wamil also identified Acosta and Fajarda as the SDOs responsible for liquidating the confidential funds. He testified that the

liquidation reports and disbursement vouchers for both the OVP and DepEd bore Duterte's approval as head of the agency, and cited audit findings that included unsupported reward payments, expenditures not authorized under Joint Circular 2015-01, and the absence of documentary proof showing the success of confidential or intelligence operations. (PNA)

DTI, DOLE, (OPG-OPPESM) and Robinsons Place Dasmariñas Hold Supply Chain and Logistics Job Fair with MSME Trade Fair in Cavite

Dasmariñas City, Cavite | August 4, 2026 – Echoing Trade Secretary Ma. Cristina A. Roque's vision that "logistics is not just about moving goods, but moving dreams," the Department of Trade and Industry (DTI), through its Supply Chain and Logistics Group (SCLG), in partnership with the Department of Labor and Employment (DOLE) – Bureau of Local Employment, Office of the Provincial Governor – Office of the Provincial Public Employment Service Manager (OPG-OPPESM) and Robinsons Place Dasmariñas, successfully conducted the Supply Chain and Logistics Job Fair 2026 at Robinsons Place Dasmariñas.

Held alongside the event was an MSME Trade Fair organized by the DTI Cavite Provincial Office, creating a one-stop platform that connected job seekers with employers while promoting locally made products from Cavite's micro, small, and medium enterprises.

The event highlighted the growing importance of the supply chain and logistics sector as a key driver of economic growth, employment generation, and business competitiveness. Job seekers were given access to employment opportunities from participating logistics, supply chain, and manufacturing companies namely:

1.2GO Group Inc.
2.A-Movement Corporation
3.A.P. Moller – Maersk

4.Airspeed International Corporation
5.Archen Technologies, Inc.
6.ASPAC International Inc.
7.DHL Express Philippines Inc.
8.DSV Contract Logistics, Inc.
9.Eagle Cement Corporation
10.F2 Logistics Philippines Inc.
11.Fast Services Corporation
12.Flash Express PH
13.Ginebra San Miguel, Inc.
14.Go21, Inc.
15.Gothong Southern Shipping Lines, Inc.
16.Hankyu Hanshin Express Philippines Inc.
17.Inland Corporation
18.JRS Business Corporation
19.Kintetsu World Express (Philippines) Inc.
20.LBC Express, Inc.

21.Magnolia Inc.
22.Mercury Drug Corporation
23.One Roadway Trucking Services, Inc.
24.Petrofuel Logistics Inc.
25.Philippine Spring Water Resources Inc.
26.PTC Agency and Transport, Inc.
27.Purefoods-Hormel Corporation
28.Robinsons Supermarket Corporation
29.San Miguel Brewery, Inc.
30.San Miguel Yamamura Packaging Corporation
31.SMC Multi-Services Inc.

Simultaneous with the job fair, Cavite's MSMEs showcased their locally made products to mall-goers, job applicants, and potential buyers. The trade fair featured a diverse selection of products from Cavite-based MSMEs, demonstrating the



province's innovation, craftsmanship, and entrepreneurial excellence.

Leading the event was Department of Trade and Industry Supply Chain and Logistics Group Undersecretary Mary Jean Pacheco, who underscored the government's commitment to strengthening the country's supply chain ecosystem by creating more employment opportunities, fostering industry partnerships, and enhancing the capabilities of Filipino enterprises.

Joining the event was DTI CALABARZON Regional Director Marissa C. Argente, who emphasized the significance of integrating the job fair and MSME trade fair as a

strategic initiative that supports both employment and entrepreneurship while creating greater market opportunities for MSMEs across the region.

Also present was Mr. Keith Richard Albino, Senior Labor and Employment Officer of DOLE Cavite, who recognized and expressed appreciation to the participating companies for their invaluable support and commitment to providing employment opportunities for Filipino job seekers. Likewise, Engr. Demetrio C. Villanueva III, Labor and Employment Officer I of the Public Employment Service Office (PESO) Cavite, acknowledged the collaborative efforts and contributions of the partner

government agencies, participating companies, and stakeholders whose support contributed to the successful conduct of the job fair. The successful collaboration between DTI, DOLE, OPG-OPPESM, Robinsons Place Dasmariñas, participating employers, and local MSMEs demonstrated the value of public-private partnerships in promoting inclusive economic development. By bringing together employment services and enterprise promotion in one venue, the event contributed to the government's continuing efforts to create jobs, strengthen supply chain resilience, and empower local businesses.

KALINGYAKAP... (FROM PAGE 1)

In a time when governments push inclusivity in their policies and programs, how well do these interventions actually benefit parts of the community who are visible—but are often overlooked?

In June 2026, the United Nations Public Service Awards recognized Carmona City for “delivering inclusive and equitable services” as part

of its Holistic Framework for Disability-Inclusive Governance. Specifically, the UN gave its seal of approval to the Carmona KALINGYAKAP Integrated Shelter as the city’s community based program that promotes the inclusion and well-being of persons with disabilities by combining education, rehabilitation, community-based services, livelihood support and inclusive

housing, and promoting the quality of life and social participation of PWDs.

It takes a village

PWDs are at the receiving end of negative attitude from their communities and even their own families. Low-income families do not invest in the education of children with disabilities, which lead to limited opportunities for decent employment. With their deeply superstitious beliefs and folk traditions, the presence of a disabled

family member is considered a curse. In extreme cases, these PWDs experience stigma and even abandonment from their family.

These extreme cases of neglect led the city government to come up with the idea of creating a home for PWDs where they can receive education and livelihood training.

In an interview with the Philippine Information Agency, Mayor Dahlia Loyola noted that creating an inclusive environment where initiatives such as the KALINGYAKAP Integrated Shelter can flourish requires the support from all parts of the community.

“We started the program for Persons With Disabilities in 2022. Nagsimula kami as part of our Alternative Learning System, then through the years napolish namin ‘yan hanggang sa kami ay nagkaroon ng Center-Based which is located sa Carmona Elementary School.”

From Carmona Elementary School, the center-based approach for education and rehabilitation for PWDs expanded to nine (9) local elementary schools which prompted the city government to build a centralized facility catering for PWDs including those who have been abandoned by their families.

“Nakita namin na there is a need for a shelter dahil mayroon kaming nakitang tatlong [PWD] na inabandona ng kanilang first kin. Kaya ang sabi namin, kailangan na natin ng shelter.”

Over the years, the city government worked with philanthropist Tomas Ang who offered his support in building a facility where PWDs can receive care and opportunities—a metaphorical crutch they can use until they become skilled enough for business and work.

A caring community

The City Government provided Ang with a parcel of land where he built a community that provides specialized care for PWDs, including shelter, treatment and support that will help them grow as students, workers, entrepreneurs and functional community

members.

A physician by profession, Loyola emphasized the importance of early detection in providing holistic care for PWDs.

“From early interventions, titingnan ng development al pediatrician. Pagkatapos noon, gagawan namin ng Behavioral Modification [at] Sensory Modification, gagawa ng assessment kung ikaw [PWD] ay magbe-benefit from normal education. ‘Pag magbe-benefit ka sa normal education, ihahanda namin ‘yung bata.”

Loyola added, “May pumapasok sa school, depende lang doon sa subject na gusto. Mayroon ring full mainstreaming kung saan mayroon pa rin silang shadow teacher na galing sa center or full inclusion na.”

Managed by the Department of Education (DepEd), Special Education (SPED) Centers are available in public schools all over the country where specialized teachers oversee instruction. Depending on their readiness, these children are either fully or partially integrated into mainstream classes.

With a goal to teach PWDs life skills needed for their survival in mainstream community, the Kalingyakap Integrated Shelter mimics a small community—complete with a fully furnished house, school, sari-sari stores, coffee shops, barber shops, and even restaurants where students and their parents can learn how to fully adopt to the community while living with their conditions.

No one is left behind

Although a young city, Carmona boasts of a comprehensive and inclusive program for

PWDs where they are taught to become dignified members of the community. The Kalingyakap Integrated Shelter, Support & Services Center, formally opened last July 31, was the culmination of various programs, policies and projects that promote the dignity, mobility and inclusivity for PWDs.

Aside from its facilities, Carmona also has its very own Community-Based Monitoring System, a central database of residents including PWDs with their areas of residence, age, gender, and other basic information.

In 2017, the then-Municipality of Carmona approved its Municipal Ordinance 08-2017 which created an independent Persons of Disability Affairs Office (PDAO). As its own department, the Carmona PDAO has its own staffing and receives annual budget allotment from the city to fund its programs and projects, ensuring that all benefits and programs catering to PWDs are responsive.

To create a network of services catering for PWDs, Carmona City created its very own Persons With Disability Affairs Office which is attached to the Office of the Mayor. With her professional training and experiences, Loyola oversaw the establishment of the PDAO to ensure a targeted approach in serving their PWD residents.

“We are a standing testament that disability inclusion can be brought into a concrete action through political will, sustained leadership, integration of policies and legislation, at higit sa lahat, support from the private sector.”

(PB-PIA CALABARZON)

BIR chief... (FROM PAGE 1)

encompassing the simplification of tax requirements, improvement of taxpayer services, and increased revenue collection, in line with President Ferdinand R. Marcos Jr.’s directive to ease the burden on Filipinos.

“Matutuwa ang mga taxpayers natin na mas maganda, mas maaliwalas, mas malamig ang mga opisina ng BIR na binibisita nila pero ang mas matatandaan ng mga taxpayers natin ay hindi lang ‘yung ganda ng opisina kundi kung papaano natin sila tinanggap sa opisina ng ito,” Mendoza said in his remarks during the opening of a new five-story, modern-style building of BIR Revenue District Office No. 56 Central Laguna in Calamba City, Laguna, on Monday, August 3.

The Commissioner stressed the need to simplify transactions, saying that doing so would contribute to meeting the bureau’s collection targets while increasing the productivity of business owners.

“Kinakailangan na maging mas mabilis, mas maayos, at mas mahusay ang mga serbisyong ibinibigay natin sa ating mga taxpayers and that will boost the voluntary compliance on their part na magpapataas ng revenue collection ng BIR,” Mendoza stated.

BIR has since implemented the digitalization of transactions to lessen paperwork in its offices and reduce the need for

taxpayers to be physically present to transact with the bureau.

“Importante na meron tayong taxpayer portal, meron tayong interactive digital tax calendar, among many other digital initiatives na inilunsad natin upang padaliin ang buhay ng ating mga taxpayers dahil dapat mas maraming oras na ginugugol ang ating taxpayers especially ang ating business taxpayers sa pagpapatakbo ng kanilang negosyo,”

In Laguna, many transactions can now be completed virtually, including payment options, the generation of Taxpayer Identification Numbers (TINs), business registration, records updating, and other services.

“Mas higit na mapapagbuti pa natin ang paglilingkod sa ating mga taxpayer at may mga proyekto tayong ilulunsad na mas makakatulong sa ating mga taxpayer. May mga regulation na ginagawa kung paano matutulungan ang ating mga taxpayer na magkaroon ng discounts pa na mabawasan ang taxes at ‘yan po ay darating sa ilang mga buwan o araw na darating ay maibibigay sa ating taxpayer,” BIR RDO 56 Assistant Revenue District Officer Marlon Cabance emphasized.

Under Mendoza’s leadership, the BIR has received recognition from the Anti-Red Tape Authority (ARTA) as one of the most improved government agencies,

serving as a testament to the effectiveness of taxpayer-centric measures aimed at simplifying tax collection processes, streamlining the list of documentary requirements and ensuring that taxpayers are properly assisted with their concerns.

“Palagi nating sinasabihan ang ating mga kasama sa BIR na maging patient sa pagpapaliwanag sa taxpayers ng proseso ng mga requirements para nauunawaan nila bakit ganito ang requirements. Kadalasan ng reklamo ng mga taxpayer ay nagmumula sa hindi nila naiintindihan ang proseso at kapag naipaliwanag naman sa kanila nang maayos ay sumusunod naman sila at tanggap nila,” the BIR commissioner added.

Cabance commits to reflect the national government’s agenda in the practices within their district offices, demonstrating good governance and their commitment to serving Filipinos.

“Yung mga tulong na dapat naming maibigay sa lalong madaling panahon ay maibibigay namin dito. Mas mabibigyan namin ng pansin na mabigyan ng pagkakataon na ang ating mga taxpayer ay mabigyan ng pagpapahalaga sa kanilang mga kailangan,”

Under the administration of President Marcos Jr., the government seeks to provide greater relief to taxpayers while supporting the growth of small businesses and promoting a more efficient tax system. (CH/PIA-Laguna)



DepEd...

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In an interview with the Philippine Information Agency, DepEd CALABARZON Regional Director Carlito Rocafort said the ECP Program has provided promotion opportunities for thousands of teachers and school heads in the region, fulfilling President Ferdinand R. Marcos Jr.'s commitment to improve the public education system in the country.

"Nagpapasalamat tayo sa ating Pangulo, kay President Bongbong Marcos Jr., at sa atin pong Secretary Juan Edgardo

Sonny Angara para po dito sa Expanded Career Progression. Kung pag-uusapan po natin dito sa Calabarzon, mula lang po ng January 2026 hanggang kasalukuyan, mayroon na po tayong mahigit 7,000 o 7,746 to be exact na mga guro at punong-guro na na-promote at naging benepisyaryo po nitong ating Expanded Career Progression Program," Rocafort stated.

Guided by Executive Order No. 174, s. 2022, and implemented through DepEd Order No. 24, s.

2025 which set the rules for the ECP system, amended by DepEd Order No. 34, s. 2025, the program establishes clearer and more structured career advancement pathways, ensuring that no public school teacher retires at the entry-level Teacher I position after years of dedicated service.

Meanwhile, Rocafort said that qualified teachers for promotion are validated through a systematic, updated, and amended standards for teachers to principals, while validated qualification standards are set for the newly created positions.

"Ang pagpili po natin ng mga qualified teachers for promotion ay isinasagawa po natin ito, alinsunod po sa DepEd Order No. 19, series 2025, ito po 'yung nagtatakda ng minimum requirements and minimum qualification standards para po sa qualification ng atin pong mga guro mula po sa Teacher II hanggang sa Teacher VII, Master Teacher I hanggang Master Teacher V at para po din sa mga Principal bawa't posisyon po, kasi ay may kanya-kanya pong minimum qualification standards na atin pong sinusunod," he added.

While there is no deadline for the

submission of promotion requirements, Rocafort clarified that the documents will undergo the necessary evaluation and processing.

Once completed, the papers will be forwarded to the Department of Budget and Management (DBM) for the issuance of the required budgetary authority, after which the DepEd Schools Division Offices may proceed with the preparation and issuance of appointment papers.

The Education director also clarified that submission of requirements to the Division and Regional Offices does not automatically guarantee

immediate promotion within the year or within a few months, as the process remains subject to prioritization and the availability of approved funding from the Budget department.

With the continued implementation of the ECP Program, more teachers and principals are expected to advance in their careers in the coming months and years under the administration of President Marcos Jr., helping build a stronger and more empowered education workforce committed to shaping the future of learners and the nation. **(COP/PIA CALABARZON)**

New maintenance...

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The three-digit million-dollar investment on a 157,000-square meter site is expected to generate over 1,000 jobs.

"This investment is a strong vote of confidence in Clark, in Filipino talent, and in the long-term growth of our country's aviation industry. Together, we are transforming Clark into a major aviation hub - not only for the Philippines, but for the wider Asia-Pacific region," Luzon International Premiere Airport Development (LIPAD) chairperson Josephine

Gotianun Yap said in a statement.

LTP specializes in the MRO of Airbus A330, A340 and A380, as well as Boeing 777 aircraft.

Operations of the new MRO facility are set in 2028, which will allow LTP to expand its portfolio to include the Airbus A350 and Boeing 787.

It will complement LTP's MRO facility at the Ninoy Aquino International Airport, and will boost Clark airport's role as a strategic hub for aviation, logistics and aerospace-related industries.

A joint venture between Lufthansa Technik and MacroAsia Corporation, the LTP facility will also feature a paint shop and workshops for non-destructive testing, further enhancing the country's capabilities in aircraft maintenance.

LIPAD chief executive officer Noel Manankil said the groundbreaking reflects the continued realization of the Clark AeroDistrict.

"Together with global industry leaders such as FedEx Express and UPS, it strengthens the ecosystem taking shape around Clark International Airport," he said. **(PNA)**

Cavite Career...

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The job fair featured 18 local employers and 1 overseas recruitment agency, collectively offering 7,013 job vacancies across various industries. This wide range of opportunities enabled applicants to explore career options

suited to their skills and qualifications.

In addition to employment opportunities, the event also served as a one-stop shop for government services, benefiting 210 clients through participating

national government agencies. The Cavite Career Caravan continues to support the Provincial Government's commitment to improving employment, strengthening workforce development, and making public services more accessible to every Caviteño. — **OPIO**

DOLE...

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participation translates to more opportunities for Filipinos to secure jobs, earn stable income, and improve their quality of life.

He said the results also reflected a labor market that continues to create employment opportunities while encouraging more jobseekers to actively participate in the economy.

The DOLE chief said the June labor market results affirm the economy's capacity to generate employment while accommodating a growing labor force, reinforcing his priorities to expand access to quality, future-ready employment.

"The rise in labor force participation signals greater confidence among Filipinos to seek employment. While year-on-year figures highlight areas that require sustained attention, they likewise reinforce the importance of advancing reforms that raise both the quantity and quality of jobs," Tolentino said.

"Our task is not only to create more employment opportunities but to ensure that Filipinos are equipped for higher-value, future-ready work," he added.

The results indicate that more than 1 million Filipinos secured employment during the month, demonstrating the labor market's capacity to absorb the majority of new labor force entrants.

Although the unemployment rate slightly increased to 4.9 percent from 4.8 percent in May, DOLE said this was largely driven by the significant influx of more than 1 million additional jobseekers entering the labor market.

Meanwhile, underemployment improved slightly, declining to 12.1 percent from 12.2 percent in May—indicating that fewer employed Filipinos were looking for additional work, another job, or longer working hours, suggesting improvements in the quality of available

employment.

Employment gains were also recorded in agriculture and forestry, other service activities, public administration and defense, wholesale and retail trade, and education.

Under the directive of President Ferdinand R. Marcos Jr., DOLE has intensified its employment facilitation and workforce development programs guided by Tolentino's twin priorities of facilitating employment opportunities through the 'TRABAHO AGAD' job fairs and advancing 'future-ready manggagawa.'

These priorities are being advanced through stronger partnerships with employers, educational institutions, local government units, Public Employment Service Offices, and other social partners to generate more quality jobs, strengthen education-to-employment pathways, promote decent work for all workers, and equip the Filipino workforce with the skills needed to thrive in a rapidly evolving digital economy. **(PNA)**

Calabarzon...

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In an official press statement, PRO Calabarzon, under the leadership of Acting Regional Director Police Brig. Gen. Dominic Baccay, reported that it conducted 942 anti-drug operations throughout July, reflecting the region's intensified and intelligence-driven law enforcement efforts under Baccay's B.E.S.T. leadership framework, which stands for Be visible, Engage immediately, Serve together, Transform trust.

"The month-long operations resulted in the seizure of 4,333.59 grams of shabu, 245.58 grams of marijuana, and 43.46 grams of kush, with a total Dangerous Drugs Board (DDB) standard value of Php29,563,092.00," PRO Calabarzon shared.

In his statement, Baccay emphasized that Calabarzon cops remain proactive in sustaining aggressive anti-illegal drug operations to disrupt the illegal drug trade and ensure that individuals who continue to violate the law are held accountable.

"Our message is clear: anyone who chooses to engage in the illegal drug trade will face the full force of the law. We will not slow down, we will not back off, and we will not allow drug personalities and syndicates to endanger our communities. Our operations will remain relentless, intelligence-driven, and firmly anchored on the rule of law until every drug network operating in CALABARZON

is dismantled," he stated.

All arrested drug suspects are now under the custody of their respective arresting units and are currently facing appropriate charges for violations of Republic Act No. 9165, otherwise known as the Comprehensive Dangerous Drugs Act of 2002.

The intensified anti-illegal drug campaign in CALABARZON also supports the Focused Agenda of Philippine National Police Chief General Jose Melencio Nartatez Jr. through sustained intelligence-driven operations, strengthened inter-agency coordination, and active community partnerships to combat illegal drug activities and promote public safety. **(COP/PIA CALABARZON with reports from PRO4ARPIO)**

**Republic of the Philippines
Fourth Judicial Region
REGIONAL TRIAL COURT
OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF COURT
AND EX-OFFICIO SHERIFF
Dasmariñas City, Cavite**

File No. FC-DC-2153-26

For: Extra-Judicial Foreclosure of Real Estate Mortgage under Act No. 3135 as amended by Act No. 4118

BDO UNIBANK, INC.,
Petitioner/Mortgagee,

-versus-

**SPS. RONN B. VILLAFLOR and
KAREN Y. VILLAFLOR,**
Debtors / Mortgagees

X-----X

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE

Upon extra-judicial petition for sale under Act No. 3135, as amended by Act No. 4118 filed by the petitioner/mortgagee, **BDO UNIBANK INC.,** a universal banking corporation with postal address at 33rd Floor, BDO Corporate Center Ortigas, No. 12 ADB Avenue, Mandaluyong City against the debtors / mortgagees, **SPS. RONN B. VILLAFLOR and KAREN Y. VILLAFLOR,** with postal address at Lot 41 Block 1, Governors Drive, Ville De Soleil 2, Brgy. Langkaan I, Dasmariñas City, Cavite and for the satisfaction of the mortgaged debt which as of 19 June 2026 amounts to **FOUR HUNDRED FOURTEEN THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED TWENTY NINE PESOS & 00/100 (Php 414,129.00),** exclusive of legal fees and expenses incidental to this foreclosure and sale, the undersigned Sheriff will sell at public auction on **September 4, 2026 at 10:00 o'clock in the morning** or soon thereafter at the Ground Floor Lobby, Dasmariñas Community Affairs (DASCA) Building, Congressional Road, Buro 2, Dasmariñas City, Province of Cavite to the highest bidder and for CASH or CERTIFIED CHECK, in Philippine Currency, the following described real property together with all the buildings and other improvements existing thereon, to wit:

TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE No. 057-2015037443

IT IS HEREBY CERTIFIED that certain land situated in Barangay of Langkaan, Municipality of Dasmariñas, Province of Cavite, Island of Luzon, bounded and described as follows:

A parcel of land (Lot 41 Blk. 1 of the subdivision plan, PSD-04-200583, being a portion of Lot 1-A, PSD-04-141187, LRC Record No. 8843), situated in the Brgy. of Langkaan, Municipality of Dasmariñas, Province of Cavite, Island of Luzon. Bounded on the SE., along line 1-2 by Road Lot 3 (8.00 mts R.O.W.); on the SW., along line 2-3 by Lot 40, Blk. 1; on the NW., along line 3-4 by Lot 1, Blk. 4 (Excluded Area); and on the NE., along line 4-1 by Lot 42, Blk. 1, all of the subd. plan. Beginning at point marked "1" on plan being N. 47 Deg. 42'W., 868.88 m. from MON. No. 155, Imus Estate; Thence S. 68 Deg. 29'W., 5.50 m. to point 2; Thence N. 21 Deg. 31'W., 10.00 m. to point 3; Thence N. 68 Deg. 29'E., 5.50 m. to point 4; Thence S. 21 Deg. 31'E., 10.00 m. to point of beginning; containing an area of **FIFTY FIVE (55) SQUARE METERS.** All points referred to are indicated on the plan and are marked on the ground by P.S., CYL. CONC. MONS 15x40 cm; Bearings true; Date of original survey July 27, 1905 - June 11, 1908 and that of the subdivision survey, December 12 - 19, 2007 and was approved on July 1, 2008.

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

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

In the event the publication auction should not take place on the said date and time, it shall be held on **September 18, 2026**

PGC Strengthens... (FROM PAGE 8)

Initiated by the PHDMO under the leadership of Ms. Karen Camañag-Tupas, the capability-building activity aimed to equip community leaders with practical knowledge and skills to become more effective, responsive, and inspiring leaders within their respective communities.

Serving as the guest speaker, Ms. Sheryll Loyola, Development Management Officer IV of the Office of the Provincial Cooperative Development Officer (OPCDO), discussed key aspects of leadership and

effective community management. She highlighted the roles and responsibilities of HOA officers and block leaders, different leadership styles, and the qualities that define an effective leader.

Ms. Loyola also shared practical ways to enhance leadership skills, emphasizing the importance of communication, accountability, teamwork, decision-making, and understanding the needs of the community. She likewise discussed common challenges

encountered by community officers and provided insights on how leaders can address these concerns constructively.

Adding another important dimension to the training, Ms. Rhodora V. Enopia, Administrative Assistant I of the PHDMO, discussed house rules and goal-setting, emphasizing the importance of adhering to established community guidelines and setting clear and achievable goals to promote an organized, harmonious, and well-managed community.

The session became more engaging through an interactive question-and-

answer portion, where HOA officers and block leaders from Barangays Pinagbuklod and Pinagkaisa, Sta. Isabel, Kawit, Cavite, actively participated by raising questions, sharing experiences, and discussing leadership challenges they encounter in their communities.

The activity concluded with a message from Ms. Karen Camañag-Tupas, who encouraged the participants to apply the lessons and insights gained from the training and continue serving as responsible and committed leaders in their communities.

Official... (FROM PAGE 1)

Eala beat world No. 3 and tournament top seed Jessica Pegula of the US, 4-6, 6-4, 6-0, in the Mubadala DC Open final early Tuesday (PH time) at William H.G. FitzGerald Tennis Center in Washington, D.C.

In a social media post, Dy said her historic victory is the product of years of hard work and sacrifice that have inspired pride and joy among millions of Filipinos.

"Ang sarap ng pakiramdam na makita kang manalo, Alex (It feels great to see you win, Alex)," the Speaker said.

"Years of sweat and sacrifice resulted in history -- the first Filipina to win a WTA title. Nakakatuwang isipin na ang pinaghirapan ng isang Pilipina ay nakapagpasaya sa milyun-milyong Pilipino (It's so good to think that

the sacrifices of a single Filipina bring joy to millions of Filipinos)."

Dy said Eala's success reflects the rewards of perseverance, discipline, and commitment to excellence, noting that her journey continues to inspire young Filipinos to pursue their dreams regardless of the challenges they face.

Gregorio said Eala's victory proved that no boundary can limit the heart of a champion.

"Her heart, her tenacity, her relentless drive exemplifies the best of us," Gregorio said in a statement.

"Alex, your victory challenges us to do better, dream bigger, and work even harder for the dreams of every Filipino athlete. You strengthen our resolve to build sports systems that ensure your

victory will be the victory of generations to come."

Gregorio also paid tribute to Eala's family and team "for showing young athletes that no

stage is too big for the Filipino."

The victory lifted the 21-year-old to a career-high world No. 20 in the world rankings. **(PNA)**

Silang... (FROM PAGE 1)

During recent his visit at Tan's Farm, Mayor Ted Carranza lauded the Salad Time processing facility as the country's first commercial-scale enoki mushroom production facility.

Owned by Basic Necessity, Inc., the facility showcases agricultural innovation in the municipality.

"Isa itong patunay na patuloy na kinikilala ang [bayan ng] Silang bilang sentro ng inobasyon sa agrikultura at magandang lugar para sa pamumuhunan. Sa bawat proyektong dumaraming sa ating bayan, mas maraming oportunidad sa trabaho at mas lumalakas ang ating lokal na ekonomiya."

Farmer-entrepreneur Lyndon Tan, with the help of the Department of Agriculture (DA), developed the project in a bid to reduce the country's reliance in importing enoki

mushrooms.

Spanning eight (8) hectares, this modernized facility is also cited as a center for agricultural innovation in Silang.

To recall, during his 2026 State of the Nation Address, President Marcos Jr. highlighted the enoki mushroom among the list of farm products that are gaining prominence in global export.

"We have also maintained export competitiveness for our indigenous farm products, such as ube, coconut, bananas, and other tropical fruits. And we have now ventured into new and viable ones, like enoki mushrooms."

Commonly growing in colder areas, enoki mushrooms grows best in temperature ranging between 10-18 °C. **(PB-PIA CALABARZON/ with reports from Gen. Ted Carranza)**

at the same time and place without further notice.

City of Dasmariñas,, Province of Cavite, July 29, 2026.

(Sgd.) GERALD A. FARGAS
Sheriff IV

(Sgd.) ATTY. MARCELA L. BAYBAY
Clerk of Court VI & Ex-Officio Sheriff

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John 3:16: "For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life."

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EJF NO. TG-26-049
FOR: Extra-Judicial Foreclosure
of Real Estate Mortgage Under Act
No. 3135, as amended by Act No. 4118

PHILIPPINE NATIONAL BANK,
in its capacity as assignee-mortgagee of
PNB SAVINGS BANK,
Mortgagee,

-versus-

SPS. HAMLIN C. ALDAYA AND
ANA MARIA K. ALDAYA,
Debtors-Mortgagors.

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NOTICE OF EXTRA-JUDICIAL SALE

Upon extra-judicial petition for sale under Act 3135, as amended by Act No. 3135, filed by mortgagee, **PHILIPPINE NATIONAL BANK**, a banking corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of the of the Republic of the Philippines with principal office address at PNB Financial Center, Pres. Diosdado P. Macapagal Boulevard, Pasay City, pursuant to the terms and conditions of the Uniform Loan and Mortgage Agreement (Real Estate) executed and notarized on March 20, 2018 by debtors-mortgagors **SPS. HAMLIN C. ALDAYA AND ANA MARIA K. ALDAYA**, both of legal age, Filipino citizens, with postal addresses at (1) Block 2 Lot 1, Sampaloc St., Manuela Homes, Talon 5, Las Piñas City (2) Lot 12 Block 7, Phase 1, Kohana Grove, Paliparan Silang Road, Brgy. Sabutan, Silang, Cavite and (3) 035 Gonzales Compound Almanza, Las Piñas City, in favor of PNB SAVINGS BANK, which has assigned its loans by virtue of a Deed of Assignment (Loans) executed and notarized on August 28, 2020 in favor of the mortgagee PHILIPPINE NATIONAL BANK, over real estate property including improvements thereon, described in and covered by **Transfer Certificate of Title No. 076-2019007530** of the Registry of Deeds for Tagaytay City, in order to satisfy the outstanding loan obligation which was granted by mortgagee in the amount of **ONE MILLION ONE HUNDRED NINETY-FOUR THOUSAND SIXTY-ONE PESOS and 04/100 (Php 1,194,061.04)** inclusive of interest, penalties and other agreed charges, as of March 31, 2026, the undersigned Clerk of Court & Ex-Officio Sheriff of the Regional Trial Court of Cavite thru her deputy, Rhiz Sañel C. Toledo, will sell at public auction on **November 11, 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 TITLE NO. 076-2019007530
Registry of Deeds for Tagaytay City

IT IS HEREBY CERTIFIED that certain land situated in BARANGAY OF SABUTAN, MUNICIPALITY OF SILANG, PROVINCE OF CAVITE, ISLAND OF LUZON, more particularly bounded and described as follows:

A PARCEL OF LAND (LOT 12, BLK. 7 OF THE CONSOLIDATION-SUBDIVISION PLAN PCS-04-028109, BEING A PORTION OF LOTS 2651-A, 2651-B, 2651-C, 2651-D, 2651-E, 2651-F, 2651-G, 2651-H, 2651-I, 2651- J, CSD-04-028969-D), SITUATED IN THE BARANGAY OF SABUTAN, MUNICIPALITY OF SILANG, PROVINCE OF CAVITE, ISLAND OF LUZON. BOUNDED ON THE SE., ALONG LINE 1-2 BY LOT 13787, CAD. 452-D, SILANG CADASTRE; ON THE SW., ALONG LINE 2-3 BY LOT 11, BLOCK 7; ON THE NW., ALONG LINE 3-4 BY ROAD LOT

Climate Change... (FROM PAGE 1)

The memorandum of agreement was signed by the heads of the lead environment-focused commands:
- National Commander Dr. Richard Nixon Gomez,
Senior Deputy Commandant, Science and Technology for Environmental Progress (STEP)
- MGen. Jerry A. Adigue, Senior Deputy

8 AND ON THE NE., ALONG LINE 4-1 BY LOT 13, BLOCK 7 ALL OF THE CONSOLIDATION-SUBDIVISION PLAN. BEGINNING AT A POINT MARKED "1" ON PLAN, BEING N. 23 DEG. 32'E., 4361.98 M. FROM BLLM NO. 1, CAD 452-D, SILANG CADASTRE; THENCE S. 10 DEG. 51' W., 10.00 M. TO POINT 2; THENCE N. 79 DEG. 09' W., 11.00 M. TO POINT 3; THENCE N. 10 DEG. 51' E., 10.00 M. TO POINT 4; THENCE S. 79 DEG. 09' E., 11.00 M. TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, CONTAINING AN AREA OF ONE HUNDRED TEN (110) SQUARE METERS. ALL POINTS REFERRED TO ARE INDICATED ON THE PLAN AND ARE MARKED ON THE GROUND BY P.S., CYL. CONC. MONS 15X40 CMS; BEARINGS TRUE; DATE OF ORIGINAL SURVEY: DEC. 7, 1973 TO DEC. 4, 1975 AND THAT OF THE CONSOLIDATION-SUBDIVISION SURVEY EXECUTED BY AIBRAHAM O. MALING, GEODETIC ENGINEER, ON SEPT. 19-OCT. 27, 2012 AND WAS APPROVED ON MARCH 25, 2013.

Is registered in accordance with the provision of Section 103 of Property Registration Decree in the name of*

Owner: SPOUSES HAMLIN C. ALDAYA AND ANA MARIA K. ALDAYA, FILIPINOS
Address: 035 GONZALES COMPOUND ALMANZA, LAS PIÑAS CITY

In the event the public auction should not take place on the said date, it shall be held on **November 18, 2026**, without further notice.

Prospective bidders or buyers are hereby enjoined to investigate and verify for themselves the **TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. 076-2019007530**, 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, July 21, 2026.

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

(Sgd.) **RHIZ SANEL C. TOLEDO**
Sheriff-in-Charge

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Commandant, Industrial Environmental Safety and Pollution Control Command (IESPCC)
- MGen. Clifford Gonadan, Senior Deputy Commandant, Environmental Protection Enforcement Command (EPEC)
- MGen. Modesto C. Buendia, Senior Deputy Commandant, Reforestation and Biodiversity Command (RBC)
- Atty. Luz O. Laureta-Balisong, Senior National Commission of Senior Citizens
Distinguished officials present during the ceremony:
- Assistant Director Virgilio R. Castillo II, Philippine Drug Enforcement Agency (PDEA)
- Regional Director Atty. Lorelie S. Vargas, Department of Trade and Industry (DTI)
- BGen. Orly Dela Cuesta, Regional Consultant, IESPCC
The partnership establishes a coordinated framework for joint initiatives including strict enforcement of environmental laws, pollution control and mitigation, large-scale reforestation and biodiversity conservation, integration of science and technology in climate adaptation and mitigation, promotion of green industries and sustainable livelihoods, and protection of vulnerable sectors – including senior citizens – from the impacts of climate change. Agencies also committed to align environmental protection efforts with anti-illegal operations, eliminating activities that destroy ecosystems alongside other unlawful practices. Aligned with the call for “Climate Action, NOW!”, priority programs will be piloted in key areas before being rolled out nationwide — supported by regular multi-sectoral consultations, joint monitoring, capacity-building activities, and public information campaigns.

EXTRA-JUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATES OF
THE LATE SANTIAGO JR SACLOLO VILLAJIN
WITH SPECIAL POWER OF ATTORNEY

NOTICE is hereby given that the late **SANTIAGO JR SACLOLO VILLAJIN**, who died intestate on March 19, 2026 at **Naic, Cavite**, has left as his estate, which consists of the proceeds, death benefits, refunds and other claims due from the Government Service Insurance System (GSIS) and the Home Development Mutual Fund (Pag-IBIG Fund), including any other benefits that may be found due and payable; that the decedent died without any obligation to any person or persons and died without any will; that pursuant to Rule 74 of the Rules of Court and the Civil Code of the Philippines, the surviving legal heirs agreed to settle the estate extrajudicially; that for the purpose of facilitating the processing and release of the GSIS and Pag-IBIG benefits, the heirs hereby authorize **SHIRLEY VILLAJIN DIAZ** to receive, process and claim all proceeds and execute all documents necessary for the release thereof. Entered as Doc. No. 489, Page No. 99, Book No. XXXIV, Series of 2026 in the Notarial Registration of Notary Public **Atty. Jose A. Mendoza** on July 9, 2026 at Naic, Cavite.

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Cavite Career Caravan Connects Ternate Residents to Employment Opportunities



The Cavite Career Caravan (CCC) successfully brought employment opportunities closer to residents of Ternate, providing jobseekers with access to local and overseas employers as well as essential government services. A total of 61 registered jobseekers participated in the event, with 3 applicants hired on the spot. ► CAVITE CAREER • 5

Calabarzon police arrests more than 1,200 drug suspects, seizes P29.6M-worth of illegal drugs in July



In a continued effort to dismantle illegal drug networks and protect communities across the region, the Police Regional Office (PRO) Region IV-A arrested 1,208 drug suspects and seized P29.6 million worth of illegal drugs during anti-drug operations carried out across Calabarzon from July 1 to 31. ► CALABARZON • 5

DOLE: Sustained employment translates to opportunities for Filipinos

The Department of Labor and Employment (DOLE) on Thursday welcomed the latest Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA) Labor Force Survey (LFS) figures showing an increase in the country's employment rate.

The latest Labor Force Survey showed that the number of employed Filipinos increased to 50.66 million in June 2026 from 49.63 million in May. During the same period, the country's labor force expanded by 1.12 million, reaching 53.25 million and raising the labor force participation rate from 63.8 percent to 65.1 percent.

In a statement, Labor Secretary Francis Tolentino said the sustained expansion of employment and labor force ► DOLE • 5



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PGC Strengthens Community Leadership Through "Lead and Inspire" Capability-Building Training



The Provincial Government of Cavite (PGC), through the Provincial Housing Development and Management Officer (PHDMO), strengthened the leadership capacities of homeowners' association (HOA) officers and block leaders through the "Lead and Inspire: Capability Building for the Leaders of the Provincial Government Resettlement Project" held recently, at the Admin Function Hall, New Provincial Government Center in Trece Martires City. ► PGC STRENGTHENS • 6

DepEd advances career growth for nearly 8k teachers, principals in Calabarzon through ECP



A total of 7,746 teaching personnel including teachers and principals across the CALABARZON region have been promoted under the Expanded Career Progression (ECP) Program, according to the Department of Education (DepEd) Region IV-A. ► DEPED • 5

New maintenance, repair facility breaks ground at Clark airport



Lufthansa Technik Philippines (LTP) on Thursday broke ground its new maintenance, repair and overhaul (MRO) facility within the Clark International Airport complex. ► NEW MAINTENANCE • 5