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Palace justifies PMA, PNPA inclusion in 2025 education budget



MANILA – Malacañang on Tuesday said there is nothing wrong with the Philippine Military Academy (PMA) and the Philippine National Police Academy's (PNPA) inclusion in the 2025 funding for the education sector. Executive Secretary Lucas Bersamin said it would be unfair to exclude the PMA and the PNPA from getting a share in the allotted 2025 budget for the education sector since "the education responsibility has been shifted to other government agencies." "Alam ninyo, 'yung (You know, the language of the constitution is not that specific, na sinabing (and when it says) education, you have to look at this in a broader understanding. If before, see page 5...

FDA warns against mercury-laced skin products



MANILA – The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) has issued warnings to consumers about unauthorized skin-lightening products containing mercury, a highly toxic chemical that poses serious health risks.



In a statement on Wednesday, toxics watchdog EcoWaste Coalition commended the FDA's swift action following its report on cosmetics with mercury levels exceeding the allowable trace limit.

required certificates of product notification. Among them are Q-nic Care Whitening Night Cream and Q-nic Care Whitening Underarm Cream, found to contain mercury levels of 4,113 ppm and 6,109 ppm, far exceeding the 1 ppm limit. Two additional products, Meyyong Ra Seaweed Super Whitening Set and Lady Gold Super Gluta Brightening, containing 3,784 ppm and 44,450 ppm of mercury, respectively, were also banned based on earlier reports. Another product, Malaysia Erma Whitening Cream, tested negative for mercury but remains unauthorized.

Mercury is prohibited in cosmetic formulations under the ASEAN Cosmetic Directive. The FDA recently flagged five imported skin-lightening products sold online without the re-

The FDA has urged consumers to verify product registrations and report any unauthorized items. Establishments have been warned against distributing these banned products. (PNA)

MSpectrum fires up Cavite solar facility



MANILA, Philippines — MSpectrum, the solar energy arm of power giant Manila Electric Co. (Meralco), has activated the new solar rooftop facility of General Trias Water Corp. (GTWC), a water utility in Cavite. MSpectrum has turned over the P2.5-million project to GTWC that will produce around 45,350 kilowatt hours (kWh) of clean power annually, enough to energize the latter's water pump in the province. "We proudly celebrate the ceremonial turnover of the 33-kW-peak solar power-generating system that will help GTWC achieve their sustainability goals and realize the savings from their electricity bill," MSpectrum COO Patrick Panlilio said. With the operation of the solar project, GTWC is also expected to reduce its carbon footprint

DPWH to rehabilitate EDSA this year



MANILA – The Department of Public Works and Highways (DPWH) on Wednesday announced that the rehabilitation of EDSA will be the main project of the Marcos administration this year.

DPWH Secretary Manuel Bonoan said the restoration of the major thoroughfare in Metro Manila is among the major infrastructure projects that will be undertaken in 2025. "At present, if you pass through EDSA, it's difficult for a person to send a text message... So, I think it's about time see page 5...

PHLPost's good governance practices cut fuel price, expenses



MANILA – The Philippine Postal Corporation (PHLPost) has reduced its fuel consumption and adjusted its fuel price costs. In a news release on Monday, Postmaster General Luis Carlos said the PHLPost is keen to observe good governance practices to meet the needs of the mailing public. The state-run postal agency relied heavily on fuel for its fleet of mail delivery vehicles and motorcycles nationwide in the previous years. "That is why I immediately reviewed the contract and negotiated directly with the gasoline provider to reduce the cost," Carlos said. "We are happy to say that from PHP107 per liter, we have reduced the pumped price to an average of PHP67 per liter. PHLPost see page 7...

DA: Spiking tomato prices may be tamed by end of Jan or early Feb



MANILA – The Department of Agriculture (DA) on Monday said high tomato prices may be tamed by the end of January or early February. "Production may resume this January until February. Start din ng (It's also the start of) dry season and then expectedly, the prices can go back to normal during this period, by end of January or early February," DA Assistant Secretary Arnel de Mesa said in an interview. De Mesa said the series of typhoons in 2024 have brought "extensive damage" to solanaceous family crops, which in-

clude tomatoes, bell peppers, and chili peppers in Cagayan Valley, Calabarzon, and Bicol. "Nagkaroon ng significant reduction sa production ng kamatis (there has been a significant reduction in the production of tomatoes) by 45 percent going into the fourth quarter last year," he noted. As of Jan. 4, prices of tomatoes in Metro Manila are still high. see page 6...

DISTRIBUTION OF WHEELCHAIRS



P80M big help for child dev't workers' scholarship - senator



MANILA – Senator Sherwin Gatchalian said on Monday that the PHP80 million scholarship fund allotted under the 2025 national budget is important to help child development workers (CDWs) become more effective in fulfilling their duties. "Sa pamamagitan ng pondong inilaan natin para sa scholarship ng mga child development workers, masusuportahan natin ang kanilang upskilling at reskilling (Through the funds we set aside for child development workers' scholarships, we can support their upskilling and reskilling)," Gatchalian, chair of the Senate Committee on Basic Education, said in a news release. Gatchalian's see page 5...

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Mahapding Sigmura? Narito ang Detalyadong Gabay Para sa Kaluwagan

Payo ni Doc Ong



Ang paghapdi ng sigmura ay karaniwang nararanasan ng marami at maaaring dulot ng iba't ibang salik tulad ng gutom, stress, o pagkain ng mga pagkaing nakakairita sa tiyan.

1. Kumain ng Pakonti-konti Ngunit Madalas

Ang sigmura ay naglalabas ng acid upang tunawin ang pagkain, ngunit kung ito'y walang laman, ang acid ay maaaring maging sanhi ng iritasyon sa dingding ng tiyan.

Agahan (7:00 AM): Kumain ng masustansyang pagkain tulad ng lugaw, oatmeal, o pan-desal na may kaunting palaman.

Meryenda (10:00 AM): Magbaon ng saging o crackers.

Tanghalian (12:00 NN): Kumain ng katamtamang dami ng pagkain, iwasan ang sobrang mamantika o maanghang.

Hapong Meryenda (4:00 PM): Isang piraso ng tinapay o biskwit ang mainam.

Hapunan (7:00 PM): Gumamit ng mas magaan na pagkain tulad ng sinabawang gulay o isda.

Sa ganitong paraan, hindi magkakaroon ng sobrang acid buildup na maaaring magdulot ng hapdi ng tiyan.

2. Kumain ng Saging

Ang saging ay isang "natural antacid." Mayaman ito sa potassium at fiber na tumutulong sa pagtapal sa dingding ng sigmura at pagsipsip ng sobrang acid.

3. Uminom ng Tubig Pakonti-konti

Ang tamang pag-inom ng tubig ay malaking tulong para sa sigmura. Narito ang tamang paraan:

Huwag biglaang uminom ng maraming tubig lalo na kung gutom, dahil maaaring magdulot ito ng bloating.

Subukang uminom ng maliit na lagok ng tubig bawat 20 minuto upang unti-unting mahugasan ang acid sa sigmura.

Iwasan ang sobrang malamig na tubig dahil maaaring makairita ito sa tiyan, lalo na kung may hapdi na nararamdaman. Mas mainam ang maligamgam na tubig para sa mas kalmadong pakiramdam.

4. Umiwas sa Maasim, Maanghang, at Sobrang Lamig na Pagkain o Inumin

Ang maasim, maanghang, at sobrang malamig ay mga pangunahing trigger ng iritasyon sa sigmura. Narito ang mga pagkain at inuming dapat iwasan:

Maasim: Kalamansi, suka, sinigang, at pineapple juice. Ang acidity ng mga pagkaing ito ay maaaring magpalala ng hapdi.

Maanghang: Sili, hot sauce, at mga pagkain na may maraming pampalasa tulad ng curry o chili.

Sobrang Lamig: Mga inuming may yelo, malamig na soft drinks, o frozen desserts. Ang biglaang lamig ay maaaring magpasikip sa mga ugat at magdulot ng iritasyon.

Sa halip, piliin ang mga pagkain na magaan sa tiyan tulad ng nilagang gulay, steamed na isda, at plain na crackers.

5. Mag-relax Habang Kumakain

Ang stress ay isa rin sa mga pangunahing sanhi ng paghapdi ng sigmura. Habang kumakain, iwasan ang pagmamadali. Ugaliing:

Kumain sa tahimik at kalmadong lugar.

Iwasan ang pagkain habang nagtatrabaho o nanonood ng TV.

I-chew nang maayos ang pagkain bago lunukin.

Ang maayos na pagkain ay nakakatulong upang hindi ma-stress ang tiyan at mas maging maayos ang digestion.

6. Mag-isip ng Alternatibong Gamot o Gawain

Sa karaniwang hapdi ng sigmura, hindi agad kailangan ng gamot. Subukang gawin ang mga nabanggit na tips upang maibsan ang pakiramdam. Ngunit kung hindi pa rin gumagaan, maaaring subukan ang mga natural na remedyo tulad ng:

Ginger Tea: Ang luya ay natural na anti-inflammatory at nakakatulong sa pag-relax ng tiyan.

Honey with Warm Water: Ang honey ay may soothing effect na maaaring makabawas sa iritasyon.

7. Kumonsulta sa Doktor Kapag Kailangan

Kung ang hapdi ng sigmura ay pabalik-balik, malala, o may kasamang sintomas tulad ng pagsusuka, pananakit ng dibdib, lagnat, o dugo sa dumi, huwag nang mag-atubiling kumonsulta sa doktor. Ang mga ito ay maaaring senyales ng mas seryosong kondisyon tulad ng ulcer o gastritis na nangangailangan ng agarang atensiyong medikal.

Panghuling Paalala: Ang kalusugan ng sigmura ay mahalaga upang mapampanan ang ating pang-araw-araw na gawain. Iwasan ang mga nakasanayang pagkain o gawain na maaaring makasama sa tiyan. Sundin ang tamang diet, uminom ng sapat na tubig, at ugaliing mag-relax upang mapanatiling malusog ang ating katawan at isip.

AGRI SEEKS PROBE ON THE CLOSURE OF SMALL-SCALE RICE, CORN MILLS IN 1K BARANGAYS

AGRI Party-list filed a measure to probe the recent reports that small-scale rice and corn millers in over 1,000 barangays have closed in a span of a decade after they were dominated by big players and influx of cheaper imported grain supplies.

Lee filed House Resolution No. 2150 urging Congress to investigate these alarming closures, including assessment of their impact to livelihood and food security.

“Nakakabahala ang pagsasara ng mga rice and corn millers sa napakaraming barangay sa bansa na hindi nakasabay sa pagdagsa ng mas murang imported na produkto sa merkado. Marami na naman nating magsasaka ang apektado ang kabuhatan at kita sa mga pagsasarang ito,” AGRI Party-list Representative and Senatorial aspirant Manoy Wilbert “Wise” Lee said.

According to the Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA), there were 15,436 barangays with rice and corn mills in 2023, which is lower by 6.3 percent from the 16,476 recorded in 2013.

“Kailangang suriin agad ang usaping ito dahil kung hindi ito matutugunan, posibleng dumami pa ang magsasarang rice and corn millers sa mga susunod na taon, lalo na kung mananatiling mababa ang taripa at dagsa pa rin ang papasok na imported na produkto sa merkado,” AGRI Party-list stated.

“Kung magpatuloy ito, bababa pa ang kita ng ating mga lokal na magsasaka, mawawalan sila ng gana, at bababa ang produksyon na siya namang magpapalayo sa katuparan ng food security sa bansa,” it added.

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According to the said resolution, there is a need to scrutinize the effectiveness of current government programs and interventions to support the development of local rice and corn industries and determine short-term and long-term interventions to put an end to the closure of these mills.

“With small-scale rice and corn mills closing despite recurring calls to elevate the state of the country’s agriculture sector, the government needs to recalibrate its policies so progress can be felt by our local food producers. Di pwedeng habang bukambibig na dapat maging mura ang pagkain at prayoridad ang agrikultura ay napapabayaanan naman ang ating mga magsasaka, mangingisda at local food producers,” AGRI stressed.

AGRI Party-list has long been fighting for more support for post-harvest facilities for farmers through its persistent calls to increase the budget for these

needed facilities and agricultural equipment during budget deliberations. Further, AGRI renewed its call for the immediate passage of House Bill No. 3958 or the “Post-Harvest Facilities Support Act”, which underscores the need to provide warehouses, rice mills, and crucial equipment such as dryers, threshers and cold storages, to increase production.

“Simulan natin ang 2025 sa seryosong pagtutok at pagbibigay prayoridad sa agrikultura at ituloy-tuloy ang nararapat na tulong sa sektor. Malinaw na sa suporta sa mga lokal na magsasaka, mapapataas ang produksyon at mapapababa ang presyo ng pagkain, kung saan panalo ang sam-bayanang Pilipino,” it added.

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Over 6M Filipinos in crisis assisted by DSWD in 2024

MANILA – The Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD) provided aid to more than 6 million Filipinos facing difficult circumstances through its Assistance to Individuals in Crisis Situation (AICS) program from January to November 2024.

In a report on Monday, DSWD Assistant Secretary Irene Dumlao said the number of clients served under the AICS is more than the program’s 2024 annual total target of 4,254,440 beneficiaries.

“In 2023, we had an annual target of over one million for AICS but eventually the DSWD made some adjustments because we served four times the said number. For 2024, we raised it up to 4.2 million, and surpassed it again as we really strived to help as many people as we can within the bounds of our allotted budget,” Dumlao said.

The bulk of the beneficiaries served were from the National Capital Region with more than 820,000 individuals provided with assistance.

“Under the menu of our AICS program, beneficiaries were provided with different interventions, including medical, food, cash, burial/ funeral, and transportation, as well as psychosocial support, among others,” Dumlao said.

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has also reduced the fleet’s overall operating cost in order to continuously meet the needs of the mailing public in terms of reliability, efficiency, and transparency,” he added.

Reduced fuel prices would impact the sustainability of affordable services for the public. Hence, the PHLPost now monitors and controls fuel expenses by setting up spending limits and tracking spending patterns on fuel, fueling frequency, and time of fueling.

“We have revised our contract with the supplier. Our vehicles now carry fleet cards and follow the



access medical and cash aid from various government agencies such as the DSWD, Philippine Health Insurance Corporation and Philippine Charity Sweepstakes Office.

Dumlaol reiterated that the agency would continue to sustain the protective services so that many Filipinos in need will be assisted, as envisioned by the administration of President Ferdinand R. Marcos Jr.

Over 1K trafficked persons aided

Meanwhile, Dumlao reported that 1,560 trafficked persons were provided with a comprehensive package of services in 2024 for their recovery and reintegration into their families and communities.

She said the victim-survivors received interventions and assistance to ensure their psychosocial, social, and economic needs through the DSWD’s Recovery and Reintegration Program for Trafficked

Persons (RRPTP).

Services under the RRPTP include case management that analyze the challenges faced by victim-survivors and identify the needed interventions, and the provision of basic hygiene kit, food and financial assistance while awaiting employment or undergoing training.

Educational and medical assistance are also extended to the victim-survivors while referral to potential employers or business partners are still underway.

“We also provide trainings, auxiliary services for victim-survivors and witnesses in ongoing cases, and temporary shelter through the DSWD’s center and residential care facilities,” Dumlao said.

She said cases of trafficking in persons include forced labor, sexual exploitation, prostitution, illegal recruitment, child trafficking, and repatriation.

“As the co-chair of the Inter-Agency Council Against Trafficking and the lead agency in social protection, we reaffirm our commitment to protect the victim-survivors of trafficking and any kind of abuse. We condemn any act of violence,” Dumlao said.

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GUHIT NG KAPALARAN

CAPRICORN: (Dis. 22-Ene. 19) – Kung ikaw ay nananinig, kabaligtaran ang mangyayari. Walang magiging problema sa maghapon, maliban ang makadanas ng pagod o pananakit ng katawan. Iwasan na sumama sa paanyaya ng kaibigan o barkada nang hindi magsisi. Huwag magsugal, tiyak matatalo ka. Lucky numbers at color for the day ang 8, 14, 28, 38 at beige.

AQUARIUS: (Ene. 20-Peb. 18) – Magandang gantimpala ang matanggap sa mga nakagawa ng kabutihan. Kabaliktaran sa nakagawa ng kasamaan. Lucky numbers at color for the day ang 5, 12, 23, 31 at white.

PISCES: (Peb. 19-Mar. 20) – Kung may lal-akaran, gawin sa umaga upang magtagumpay. Huwag magpahiram ng gamit dahil hindi na isasauli. Lucky numbers at color for the day ang 2, 22, 24, 34 at violet.

ARIES: (Mar. 21-Abr. 19) – Kung inaasahan na suportado ka ng iyong boss o ng nakakataas, nagkakamali ka dahil walang makukuhang suporta. Lucky numbers at color for the day ang 14, 22, 29, 34 at pink.

TAURUS: (Abr. 20-May. 20) – Kung positibo ang isip o iisipin, hindi magkakamali sa mga gawain lalo na kung may pagdedesisyunan. Lucky numbers at color for the day ang 11, 21, 34, 46 at green.

GEMINI : (May.21-Hun. 21) – Alam ng sarili ang masamang ugaling umiiral. Kung babaguhin, tiyak magbabago ang takbo ng buhay mo. Lucky numbers at color for the day ang 1, 25, 27, 34 at golden yellow.

CANCER: (Hun. 22-Hul. 22) – Kung ano ang pinangarap, sarilihin. Huwag ipagkasabi o ikuwento para hindi masabing nagyayabang. Lucky numbers at color for the day ang 1, 12, 28, 38 at yellow.

LEO : (Hul. 23-Ago. 22) – Hingin ang opinyon ng higit na nakakaalam dahil nasa pagitan ka nang pagkakamali at tama. Lucky numbers at color for the day ang 2, 6, 19, 33 at tangerine.

VIRGO: (Ago. 23-Set.23) – May pagkakataon na makasagupa ng taong arogante o mainitin ang ulo. Kung mangyayari, pairalin ang pasensiya. Lucky numbers at color for the day ang 9, 13, 37, 41 at apple green.

LIBRA: (Set. 24-Okt. 23) – Kung matamlay o hindi maganda ang pakiramdam, paniningil lang ito sa pag-abuso o pagbalewalang ginawa sa kalusugan. Lucky numbers at color for the day ang 5, 8, 25, 36 at sky blue.

SCORPIO: (Okt. 24-Nob. 22) – Huwag hayaang makaalpas ang magandang pagkakataon na darating dahil hindi na babalik. Lucky numbers at color for the day ang 18, 28, 30, 38 at lavender.

SAGITTARIUS: (Nob. 23-Dis. 21) – Alam ng sarili kung ano ang hindi magandang ginagawa at kung babaguhin ngayon, may suwerteng darating. Lucky numbers at color for the day ang 5, 9, 28, 39 at jade green.

CITY OF BACOOR CITY FINANCE DEPARTMENT NOTICE OF PAYMENT OF LOCAL TAXES, FEES AND CHARGES Advance Payment for 2026 With 20% discount on or before December 31 of the current year

FDA eyes expanded discount on meds for elderly, PWDs



In a statement, the FDA said this was discussed during a meeting among agency officials on the enforcement of Administrative Order No. 2024-0017, which removes senior citizens' booklets as a requirement for discounted purchase of medicines for the elderly.

Before AO No. 2024-0017, senior citizens were required to present valid identification and a doctor's prescription to avail themselves of medical discounts.

"Sa ginawang pagpupulong, pinagaaralan din ng ahensiya ang posibleng pagpapalawig ng mga diskwento hindi lamang para sa mga senior citizens kundi pati na rin sa mga PWDs (During the meeting, the agency is also studying possible expansion of the discounts, not only for senior citizens, but also for PWDs," the FDA said.

It added that drug stores and healthcare providers would also benefit from the simplified transactions and streamlined discount process. (PNA)

The FDA said it is also studying how to better

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ro Manila range from PHP200/kg. to PHP350/kg, according to the DA-Bantay Presyo (price watch).

This is significantly higher than last year's PHP40/kg. to PHP100/kg. price range for the same period.

Agri damage Meanwhile, the Department of Agriculture-Distaster Risk Reduction and Management (DA-DRRM) Operations Center reported around PHP14.22 million worth of agricultural damage due to the combined effects of the shear line, intertropical convergence zone (ITCZ), and northeast monsoon.

These include reported production losses in rice, livestock and poultry,

enforce value-added tax (VAT) exemptions under the Corporate Recovery and Tax Incentives for Enterprises (CREATE) law, and other discounts provided under various laws to expand benefits.

It is also planning to undertake a massive information campaign to enlighten the public on these benefits. "Inaasahang magdudulot ang mga hakbang na ito ng mas pinadaling proseso sa mga transaksyon, at malaking tulong para sa mga senior citizens at PWDs, lalo na sa mga mahihirap na komunidad (These steps are expected to result in a simplified process on discounted transactions that would be a big help for senior citizens and PWDs, especially in poor communities)," the FDA said.

Added that drug stores and healthcare providers would also benefit from the simplified transactions and streamlined discount process. (PNA)

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IN THE MATTER OF THE ISSUANCE OF THE LOST ORIGINAL OWNERS COPY OF TCT NUMBER TCT 84422 REGISTERED TO MAGDIWANG REALTY CORPORATION OF THE REGISTER OF DEEDS OF THE PROVINCE OF CAVITE

MERLIN D. SANTOSIDAD,
Petitioner.

LRC Case No. 8843-2023-106
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THIRD NOTICE OF HEARING

A Petition for the Reissuance of Owner's Duplicate Copy of Transfer Certificate of Title No. T-84422 in the name of Magdiwang Realty Corporation covering the property located at Magdiwang Subdivision, San Nicolas, Bacoor City. Cavite was filed in this Court.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT said petition has been set for hearing on **February 25, 2025 at 8:30 in the morning** in this Court, on which date, hour, and place, any person interested is cited to 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 cities and province of Cavite, to be determined by raffle.

Let this Notice be posted by the Sheriff or Process

Server of this Court in three (3) conspicuous places in Bacoor City where the property is located.

Furthermore, let a copy of this Notice and that of the Petition be furnished the Register of Deeds for the Province of Cavite.

WITNESS THE HONORABLE JUDGE MARICAR S.A. PRUDON-SISON, Presiding Judge of this Court, this 19th day of November, 2024 at Bacoor City, Cavite.

ATTY. ROXANNE DAPHNE O. LAPAAN
Clerk of Court V

NOTICE OF HEARING
Merlin D. Santosidad
LRC Case No. 8843-2023-106
In the matter of the issuance of the lost original owners copy of TCT Number TCT 84422 registered to Magdiwang Realty Corporation of the Register of Deeds of the Province of Cavite
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by about 32.3 metric tons. Since 1995, GTWC has been serving consumers in General Trias City and the municipalities of Naic and Alfonso in Cavite, as well as select areas in Laguna, Batangas and Bulacan.

The construction and turnover of the solar facility marked the first-ever strategic partnership between the Meralco Group and GTWC.

"We are grateful for the trust given to us and the opportunity to be GTWC's partner in achieving its sustainability goals," Meralco senior assistant vice president Robert Galang said.

"As its business continues to grow, One Meralco Group will continue to extend support through our suite of energy services and innovative solutions," Galang said.

MSpectrum has installed more than 80 megawatts of solar rooftop projects, powering around 40,000 households since 2016.

Backed by the Meralco Group's energy expertise and proven track record, MSpectrum offers services and solar solutions to help customers lower their electricity costs while advancing their sustainability initiatives.

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Advertisement for MASS WEDDING featuring two gold wedding rings. Text includes: LUNGSOD NG BACOR LALAWIGAN NG CAVITE, MASS WEDDING, FIRST 100 COUPLES, FEBRUARY 14, 2025 | 2:00PM, STRIKE GYMNASIUM. Requirements for marriage license and foreign applicant are listed.

LEE TO DOH, PHILHEALTH: RAMP UP MORE BENEFIT INCREASES WITH BILLIONS OF FUNDS

"Paspasan pa ang pagdaragdag ng benepisyo!"

This was the statement of AGRI Party-list Representative and Senatorial aspirant Manoy Wilbert "Wise" Lee as he reiterated his call to further increase benefits provided by the Philippine Health Insurance Corporation (PhilHealth) in response to the projected 18.3% increase in health care costs in the Philippines this year.

In the latest Global Medical Trends Survey conducted by WTW, a global advisory, broking and solutions company, the Philippines is expected to post the double digit increase in medical costs, the second highest in Asia Pacific next to Indonesia which is expected to incur 19.4% increase.

"Kung magmamahal pa ang pagpapa-ospital ngayong taon, hindi rin gaanong mararamdaman ang mga dagdag na benepisyon ipinatupad ng PhilHealth. Kaya dapat lang na dagdagan pa ito para naman talagang mabawasan ang pangamba at alalahanin ng ating mga kababayan sa pagkakasakit," the solon from Bicol said.

While Lee acknowledges the recent implementation of another 50% increase in PhilHealth benefits must ramp up its efforts to utilize the more than P500 billion, or half a trillion available funds to further increase the benefits and genuinely achieve the objectives of Universal Health Care," Lee said.

The Bicolano lawmaker likewise reiterated his call to leave no stone unturned to completely allay the fears of Filipinos from falling ill as they fear sinking further into poverty due to their inability to buy medicines and afford high hospital costs.

LRT 1 Cavite extension extension Phase 2 right-of-way issue nearing resolution



MANILA, Philippines — Transportation Secretary Jaime Bautista said the department is nearing a resolution to the right-of-way issue of Phase 2 of the Light Rail Transit Line 1 (LRT 1) Cavite extension.

"As for the right of way concern in Phase 2 of LRT 1, 94 percent is already completed; we just need to finish the remaining six percent," Bautista said in a mix of Filipino and English at the Bagong Pilipinas Ngayon briefing on Thursday.

However, there will be changes in the alignment of Phase 2, which includes Las Piñas Station and Zapote Station, as the Department of Public Works and Highways is also set to build a flyover project in the area, affecting the stations' alignment. "So what our technical team is working on now is the new alignment. It won't be too far off, but there may be possible additional costs," Bautista said.



apog ang ating pangangalampag hangga't hindi pa libre ang gamot at pagpapagamot ng mga Pilipino. Dapat sagot na ito ng gobyerno. Patuloy natin itong ipaglalaban dahil ang layunin ko: Gamot Mo, Sagot Ko!" Lee said.

"Marami na rin tayong kasama sa panawagan na ito na ating sinimulan maghigit isang taon na ang nakakaraan. Ituloy lang natin ang panin-

to start the project as well," the official added.

The full operations of the LRT 1 Cavite extension Phase 1 commenced last November 16.

The five new stations include Redemptorist-Aseana Station, MIA Road Station, PITX Station, Ninoy Aquino Avenue Station, and Dr. Santos (formerly Sucat) Station.

Bautista, in the briefing, said the train reduced commuters' travel time from Baclaran to Sucat in Parañaque City to 15 minutes, down from at least one hour.

Once Phase 2 is completed, the department will proceed to finish the third and final stage of the extension, which will be the Niog Station in Cavite.

"Under the concession agreement, they should start once the right of way is 100 percent cleared," he said.

"We told them, 'You know, in Phase 1, you agreed to start construction even before the right of way was 100 percent cleared,' so maybe now they'll agree

gil at lakasan pa natin ang ating boses para tuluyang makamit ang isang patas, de-kalidad at mapagmalasakit na serbisyong pangkalusugan sa bansa," he added. ###

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

NATIONAL HOME MORTGAGE
FINANCE CORPORATION (NHMFC),
Petitioner/Mortgagor,
-versus-
MERLITA R. ODI.

Respondent/Mortgagor.

File No. FC-DC-1555-24

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

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NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE

Upon extra-judicial petition for sale under Act No.3135, as amended by Act No. 4118 filed by the petitiones mortgagor, NATIONAL HOME MORTGAGE FINANCE CORPORATION (NHMFC), a government owned and controlled corporation created under P.D. No. 1267, with postal address at 104 Amorsolo Street, Legaspi Village, Makati City, in favor of the UNION BANK OF THE PHILIPPINES, a corporation duly organized and existing under and by virtue of the laws of the Republic of the Philippines with principal place of business at Ayala Avenue, Makati City, against the respondent/mortgagor, MERLITA R. ODI, with postal address at Blk. 3 Lot 3, Camella Homes, Paranaque City, M.M., Lot 32 Block 52, Cityhomes-Resortville, Bo Lancaan, Dasmariñas City, Cavite and for the satisfaction of the mortgaged debt which as of 31 October 2024 amounts to **NINE HUNDRED EIGHTY SEVEN THOUSAND SIX HUNDRED FIFTY EIGHT PESOS & 98/100 (Php 987,658.98)**, exclusive of legal fees and expenses incidental to this foreclosure and sale, the undersigned Sheriff will sell at public auction on **February 14, 2015 at 10:00 o'clock in the morning** or soon thereafter at the Ground Floor Lobby, Dusmariñas Community Affairs (DASCA) Building, Congressional Road, Buro1 1. 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. T-480229

A parcel of land (Lot 32 Blk 52 of the subd. plan PSD-042106-064738, being a portion of Lot 3824-6 PSD-77337, LRC Reu No. 1 inated in the Bo. of Lancaan, Mun of Dasmariñas, Province of Cavite, Island of Luzon. Bounded on the SW along line 1-2 by Lot 30 Blk 52, on the NW, along line 2- 3 by Alley 30 (4.50m wide, on the NE, along line 3-4 by Lot 34, on the SE, along line 4-1 by Lot 31, Blk 2, all of the subd plan beginning at point marked "1" on plan, x x x containing an area of **FORTY SEVEN SQUARE METERS and FIFTY SQUARE DECIMETERS (47.50) x x x**

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 **February 28, 2025** at the same time and place without further notice.

Dasmariñas City, Province of Cavite, January 10, 2025.

GERALD A. FARGAS
Sheriff IV

ATTY. MARCELA BAYBAY
Clerk of Court VI & Ex-Officio Sheriff

Copy furnished:
National Home Mortgage Finance Corp. (NHMFC)
104 Amorsolo Street, Legaspi Village, Makati City
MERLITA R. ODI
Blk 3 Lot 3, Camella Homes, Parallaque City, M.M.
Lot 12 Block 52, Cityhomes Resortville,
Bo Lancaan, Dasmariñas City, Cavite

REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES
Fourth Judicial Region
Regional Trial Court
Office of the Clerk of Court
Imus, Cavite

PROSAMARITAN LENDING
CORPORATION,
Petitioner-Mortgagor,
-versus-

SPOUSES CLEMENTE C. DAQUILANEA
AND ROSA T. DAQUILANEA,
Mortgagors.

FC CASE NO. 19253-24
Extra-Judicial Foreclosure of Real
Estate Mortgage Under Act No. 3115,
as Amended, Republic Act. No. 4118

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NOTICE OF EXTRA-JUDICIAL SALE

Upon extra-judicial petition for sale under Act 3135 as amended by Act 4118 filed by PROSAMARITAN LENDING CORPORATION, petitioner/mortgagor, with office address at Block 278 Lot 12 ELF Building Level Unit 2-C AFP Housing, Brgy. Bulihan, Silang, Cavite, against SPOUSES CLEMENTE C. DAQUILANEA AND ROSA T. DAQUILANEA with residence address at F10-A Camp Claudio Tambo, Paranaque City and/ or Block 15 Lot 17 Aratelis, Green Gate Homes, Malagasang, Imus City, Cavite, to satisfy the mortgage indebtedness which as of October 14, 2024 amounts to **ONE MILLION SIX HUNDRED THIRTY ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED SEVENTY FOUR PESOS & 88/100 (P1,631,874.88)** Philippine Currency, including interest and penalty charges, but excluding attorney's fees, sheriff's fees and all other charges incidental to this foreclosure and sale, the undersigned Sheriff IV will sell at Public Auction on **February 11, 2025 at 10:00 a.m.** or soon thereafter at the main entrance of the Office of the Clerk of Court, Bulwagan Ng Katarungan, Aguinaldo Highway, Imus, Cavite, to the highest bidder for cash and in Philippine Currency, the following property with all the improvements therein, to wit:

TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE No. 057-2014053379

A PARCEL OF LAND (LOT 17 BLK. 15, OF THE CON-

SOL. SUBD. PLAN, PCS-04-0236 56, BEING A PORTION OF THE CONS. OF LOTS 1852 & 1853 PORT. IMUS ESTATE, LRC REC. NO. 8843), SITUATED IN THE BRGY. OF MALAGASANG 2, MUN. OF IMUS, PROV. OF CAVITE, IS. OF LUZON. BOUNDED ON THE SW, ALONG LINE 1-2 BY LOT 19 BLK. 15; ON THE NW, ALONG LINES 2-3-4-5 BY RD. LOT 15 (6.5 M.W.); ON THE NE ALONG LINE 5-6 BY LOT 15; ON THE SE., ALONG LINES 6-7-1 BY LOT 18, BOTH OF BLK..15, ALL OF THE CONS/ SUBD. PLAN. x x x CONTAINING AN AREA OF SIXTY FIVE (65) SQ. METERS. x x x

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

In the event the public auction should not take place on the said date, it shall be held on **February 18, 2025 at 10:00 a.m.** without prior notice.

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

Imus, Cavite, Philippines, January 7, 2024

ANSELMO P. PAGUNSAN, JR
Sheriff IV

Approved:

ARMIE A. FRANCISCO
Clerk of Court VI

Copy Furnished:

PROSAMARITAN LENDING CORPORATION
Block 278 Lot 12 ELF Building Level Unit 2-C AFP Housing,
Brgy. Bulihan, Silang, Cavite

ANTONIO F. BUTIAL
Unit G 2nd Floor CRDM Bldg., Governor's Drive cor.
Congressional Road General Mariano Alvarez, Cavite

**SPS. CLEMENTE C. DAQUILANEA
AND ROSA T. DAQUILANEA**
F10-A Camp Claudio Tambo, Paranaque City
Block 15 Lot 17 Aratelis, Green Gate Homes,
Malagasang, Imus City, Cavite

PAHAYAGAN NG KABITENYO
JANUARY 13, 20 & 27, 2025

DISTRIBUTION OF WHEELCHAIRS

Bacoor City, The City Government of Bacoor, under the leadership of Mayor Strike B. Revilla, conducted a special wheelchair distribution program today at the Strike Gymnasium. The event was a testament to the city's commitment to providing accessible and inclusive services for its residents, especially those with disabilities and senior citizens. The distribution was attended by Sangguniang Panglungsod members,

led by Vice Mayor Rowena Bautista Mendiola, and a number of beneficiaries from Bacoor's PWD and senior citizen communities. The event was a heartwarming display of compassion and support, as the city government provided much-needed mobility aids to those who require them. This initiative is part of the City Government's ongoing efforts to improve the quality of life for all Bacoreños. The event highlighted the city's



dedication to creating a more inclusive and accessible environment for all. The City Government of Bacoor continues to prioritize the needs of its most vulnerable citizens, and this wheelchair distribution is a testament to their commitment to providing essential support and services to those who need it most.



- Notice Posted at:
1. The Bulletin Board of Regional Trial Court Dasmariñas City, Cavite
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PAHAYAGAN NG KABITENYO
JANUARY 13, 20 & 27, 2025

REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES
FOURTH JUDICIAL REGION
REGIONAL TRIAL COURT
BRANCH 90
DASMARIÑAS CITY, CAVITE

NATIONAL HOME MORTGAGE
FINANCE CORPORATION (NHMFC),
Mortgagor,

-versus-
ARTURO V. TRANCE,
Mortgagor.

File No. FC-DC-1594-24
EXTRA JUDICIAL FORECLOSURE OF
REAL ESTATE MORTGAGE UNDER
ACT 3135, AS AMENDED BY ACT 4118

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NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE

Upon extra-judicial petition for sale under Act 3135, as amended by Act 4118 filed by the petitioner/mortgagor, NATIONAL HOME MORTGAGE FINANCE CORPORATION (NHMFC), a government owned and controlled corporation created under P.D. No. 1267, with postal address at 104 Amorsolo St., Legaspi Village, Makati City against mortgagors, **ARTURO V. TRANCE** with postal address at (1) Lot 45 Blk 3, Golden City Dasma-IV, BO, Salawag, Dasmariñas, Cavite and (2) 544 T. Gomez St. Caridad, Cavite City and for the satisfaction of the mortgaged debt which as of OCTOBER 31, 2024 amounts to **FIVE HUNDRED SIXTY ONE THOUSAND FOUR HUNDRED TWENTY FIVE PESOS AND 31/100 (Php 561,425.31)**, exclusive of all legal fees and expenses incidental to this foreclosure and sale, the undersigned Sheriff will sell at public auction on **FEBRUARY 18, 2025 at 10:00 o'clock in the morning** or soon thereafter at the lobby of Branch 90, Regional Trial Court, Ground Floor, Dasmariñas Community Affairs (DASCA) Building, Congressional Road, Buro1 II, 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. T-529909

A parcel of land (Lot 45 blk.3 of the subd. plan Psd-042106-068306, being a portion of lot 5777-C-1, Psd-042106-059852, LRC Rec. No.), sit. in the Brgy. Salawag, mun. of Dasma., Prov. of Cav., Is. of Luzon. Bounded on the NW., along line 1-2 by lot 46 blk.3; on the NE., along line 2-3 by Rd. Lot 5; on the SE., along line 3-4 by lot 44 blk.3, all of the subd. plan; & on the SW., along line 4-1 by Diamond Village Dasma. Beginning at a pt. marked on "1" plan, x x x containing an area of **THIRTY FIVE SQ. M. & SIXTY THREE SQ. DEC. (35.63). x x x**

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 that the public auction should not take place on the said date and time, it shall be held on **MARCH 4, 2025**, at the same time and place without further notice.

Dasmariñas City, Cavite, January 6, 2025.

ARLYN P. BARCELON
Sheriff IV

ATTY. MARCELAL BAYBAY
Clerk of Court VI & Ex-Officio Sheriff

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NATIONAL HOME MORTGAGE
FINANCE CORPORATION (NHMFC)
104 Amorsolo St. Legaspi Village, Makati City
ARTURO V. TRANCE
(1) Lot 45 Blk 3, Golden City Dasma-IV, BO,
Salawag, Dasmariñas, Cavite
(2) 544 T. Gomer St. Caridad, Cavite City

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PAHAYAGAN NG KABITENYO
JANUARY 13, 20 & 27, 2025

P80M big help...

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cial provision lodges the PHP80 million budget under the Technical Education and Skills Development Authority's (TESDA) Promotion, Development, and Implementation of Quality Technical Education and Skills Development Programs.

Under this special provision, the scholarship program shall prioritize incumbent CDWs whose highest educational attainment is a high school diploma or lower.

"Mahalagang hakbang ito upang matulungan natin ang ating mga CDWs na maging epektibo sa pagtupad ng kanilang mga tungkulin (This is an important step so that we can help our CDWs to be effective in fulfilling their duties)" said Gatchalian, co-chairperson of the Second Congressional Commission on Education (EDCOM II).

The TESDA and the Early Childhood Care and Development (ECCD) Council will jointly develop guidelines to implement the scholarship program.

Gatchalian said out of 68,080 CDWs nationwide, only 11,414 have completed secondary education.

The EDCOM II estimates that the scholarship program can help around 2,854 CDWs enhance their professional capabilities.

Gatchalian's provision to allot PHP80 million aligns with the Senate Bill 2575 or Early Childhood Care and Development Alignment Act, which he authored and sponsored.

The bill, which seeks to achieve universal access to early child education, also seeks the upskilling and reskilling of CDWs.

Under the proposed measure, incumbent CDWs shall complete mandatory upskilling and reskilling training programs on early childhood education or ECCD.

The CDWs should also pass a certification from the TESDA, which shall provide free assessment and certification. (PNA)

Palace justifies..

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the treatment was ang (the) budget ng (of) education was only allocated to DepEd (Department of Education), that was the wisdom at that time," Bersamin told Palace reporters. "Now, this is more a matter of looking at the situation. DepEd is not the only agency in the education sector, but it has the greater portion of the education pie, the budget for the education sector," he added.

Bersamin statement came following criticisms over the inclusion of the PMA and the PNPA in the PHP1.055-trillion funding for the education sector for 2025. The PMA is under the Department of

DPWH to rehabilitate...

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that we need to rehabilitate EDSA once and for all."

Bonoan said they expect the rehabilitation project to be completed within the year.

Flood control During the same briefing, Bonoan said President Ferdinand R. Marcos Jr. ordered a holistic approach in addressing flood problems in the country.

"Utos ni Presidente that we have to address actually 'yung mga flood control projects natin (The President ordered that we have to actually address our flood control projects)," he said.

Bonoan said Marcos wants the flood control projects to be "resilient and implemented holistically."

The DPWH is planning to build three dams in the mountains of Sierra Madre to confine flood waters and regulate its flow to protect Metro Manila from flashfloods.

"Dito sa Metro Manila, dapat siguro tingnan kung puwede nating magawan ng mga (Here in Metro Manila, maybe we should look into having) infrastructure facilities that will impound water in the watershed," Bonoan said, adding that the department will continue pursuing the Pasig-Marikina Flood Control Program.

Bonoan added they are currently rehabilitating about 37 regional pumping stations in the country, 15 of which have been completed while the rest "may be completed within the year".

"These pumping stations have been there long time ago and kailangan natin ma-increase 'yung carrying capacity nila, 'yung pumping capacity (we need to increase their carrying and pumping capacities)" he said.

Some 21K projects in 2024

Meanwhile, the DPWH chief reported that for 2024, they have implemented around 21,000 projects amounting to PHP900 billion. The projects are locally funded and foreign-assisted.

"I think about 70 percent of these have been already accomplished. The projects include road rehabilitation, flood control, local projects, among others," Bonoan said.

Among the undertakings that have been completed are the Integrated Risk Reduction Flood Control Management in low-lying areas in Pampanga and flood control project in Cagayan de Oro, which was constructed after Typhoon Sendong.

"We have completed the (Phase 1) flood control in Pampanga. It will help mitigate flooding in Masantol, Macabebe, Santo Tomas areas. Then Phase 2 of the project will start this year," he said.

"The people in Misamis Oriental and Cagayan de Oro were very, very happy to see that it is already a completed project and already protecting iyong (the) areas that were flooded before." (PNA)

