

# DOH gives psychological first aid to 131 Taal evacuees

**MANILA –** The Department of Health (DOH) in Calabarzon (Cavite, Laguna, Batangas, Rizal, Quezon) has provided psychological first aid to a total of 131 individuals in various evacuation centers affected by the Taal eruptions.

Psychological First Aid (PFA) is an initial disaster response intervention to promote safety, stabilize survivors of disasters and connect individuals to support services. PFA is provided by mental health professionals and other first responders.

“We need to provide immediate safety for the well-being of individuals in evacuation centers, including physical and emotional comfort. We need to calm them and orient emotionally overwhelmed or distressed individuals for them to cope with their present situation,” Regional Director Eduardo C. Janairo said.

“Especially now that we have the Delta variant virus, we need to provide everyone the proper information on how to stay safe and not to panic and prevent the transmission of the virus in evacuation centers,” he added.

The regional office deployed five mental health and psychosocial support (MHPSS) teams led by Paulina A. Calo, Regional Mental Health Outcome manager, last July to provide support to evacuees.

“PFA is essential for people who feel emotionally distressed after a crisis event but there are some who may still need specialized help. Kasama dito ang mga indibidwal na nagkakaroon ng very serious emotional

reactions, gaya ng pagiging disoriented at yung iba nawawala sa sariling katinuan at hindi na maalagaan ang sarili at napapabayaang rin ang kanilang mga pamilya (This includes individuals who have very serious emotional reactions, like being disoriented and others who lose their sanity and can no longer take care of themselves and neglect their families),” Calo said.

She said individuals who have similar cases are immediately referred to specialty hospitals for immediate and proper treatment.

Calo visited evacuation centers in the towns of Alitagtag, Balayan, Balete, Laurel, Agoncillo, San Nicolas, Talisay, San Jose and Tanauan in the province of Batangas.

Meanwhile, a total of 287 children aged 7 to 12 years old were given art activity kits.

Janairo stressed the importance of giving special attention especially to children in evacuation centers because they are also affected by the disaster.



“Kailangang mapangalagaan din natin ang kanilang mental health by providing meaningful play and leisure activities gaya ng art activities na maari nilang magawa na kasama ang iba pang mga bata o ng kanilang mga magulang (Their mental health should be protected by providing meaningful play and leisure activities like art activities that they can do together with other children or their parents),” Janairo said.

A total of 300 evacuees composed of children, senior citizens, persons with disabilities (PWDs) were also given grocery items in Talisay, Batangas -- Tumaway, Aya and Motorpool evacuation centers.

“This activity will help facilitate creative expression, including social interaction with peers and collaboration. Parents can also provide support by providing guidance to their children in expressing their thoughts and imagination,” he added.

The regional mental health unit continues to conduct regular monitoring activities for evacuees still residing in evacuation centers in Batangas province. (PR)

# LGU Imus develops communal garden for subdivisions

IMUS CITY, Cavite (PIA) --The city government thru the City Agriculture Office (CAO) developed a communal garden that will serve as small farms in subdivisions and managed by its residents.

City Agriculturist Robert Marges spearheaded the initiative at Summer Pointe Country Homes Subdivision as part of the Project Punla program of the LGU, in coordination with Imus Homeowners Association Inc. (FIHAI) President Rose Baguio.

Marges explained that the communal garden will follow a democratic food production scheme where residents choose the crops they will plant.

The CAO also conducts basic gardening seminars to prepare community volunteers and distribute seedlings for free as requested by residents to jumpstart farming in villages.

“The communal garden will help build a good community, add to the promotion of a healthy lifestyle, and will give therapeutic



benefits to residents affected by the quarantine lockdown thru the development of a productive hobby,” said Marges.

He added that thru the communal garden, residents will be equipped with agricultural skills such as crops production using sustainable methods that in turn can provide economic support during pandemic.

Another subdivision in the city, the Palace Athena Classic is also being prepared for the establishment of a communal garden, said Marges.

Vegetable garden file photo from ati.da.gov.ph

He also revealed that CAO will launch “AgriMustahan,” a program that will be streamed live on Facebook every last Friday of the month, focusing on agricultural developments, issues, and other information that will benefit local farmers.

On the other hand, Ms. Baguio thanked the city government for their support to the project which she cascaded to the members and warmly accepted.

Mayor Maliksi lauded the CAO and assured that the LGU will extend its support to the programs and projects that will contribute to the food security of the city.

## DTI pro-active in support to Cavite micro entrepreneurs

TRECE MARTIRES CITY, Cavite (PIA) --The Department of Trade and Industry (DTI)-Cavite had been pro-active in its advocacy in support to entrepreneurs and the consumers as well as it offers the many services of the department for free in all Negosyo Centers established in the different municipalities across the province.

Thru the Livelihood Seeding Program-Negosyo Serbisyo sa Barangay (LSP-NSB), the DTI Cavite distributed 55 starter kits to micro enterprises in the municipalities of Magallanes, Gen. Emilio Aguinaldo, and

Alfonso July 19. The program targets small businesses and reaches out to aspiring entrepreneurs in remote barangays in the province to encourage and support them to be self-sufficient, creative, and innovative as they earn a living while pursuing their dreams for a better life.

DTI 4A Regional Director Marilou Q. Toledo along with DTI-Cavite Provincial Director Revelyn Cortez led the distribution of the starter kits such as additional wares for sari-sari stores, equipment and tools for air-conditioning services, upholstery, and coffee shop

businesses. Toledo said, under the program, a total of 86 starter kits were awarded to program beneficiaries since March this year and targets to distribute another 250 kits before the year ends.

Aside from the starter kits, micro entrepreneur beneficiaries also undergo skills training and educational know-how to equip them with the necessary knowledge before venturing on their new small business.

Currently, DTI-Cavite has conducted LSP-NSB in 13 barangays out of its 50 targets this year.

## 3 sintomas sa babae na dapat masuri; Mataas na cholesterol

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Sa kababaihan, kung mayroon kayo ng mga sumusunod na sintomas, magpatingin sa doktor:

1. May bukol sa suso, kahit gaano kaliit.

Mga 10% ng mga kababaihan na may bukol sa dibdib ang nagkakaroon ng kanser. Minsan, normal na may mga bukol sa suso na nagsama-sama (tinatawag na fibroadenoma), o kung minsan ay cyst lamang. Karaniwan na nagkakaroon ng mga maliit na bukol kung parating na ang regla. Pero kung hindi ka sigurado sa sanhi ng bukol-, kinakailangan magpatigayin sa surgeon o doktor. Dahil ang pangunahing sanhi ng pagkamatay ng babae sa kanser ay breast cancer.

2. Abnormal na pagdurugo.

Maraming bagay ang nakaapekto sa regla ng babae-, tulad ng pagbaba ng timbang, sobrang ehersisyo at stress. Madalas na kusa itong bumabalik sa normal at hindi- na kailangang gamutin. Ngunit kung ang iyong regla ay patuloy na hindi regular, malakas o mas tumatagal ang pagdurugo, dapat ng kumonsulta sa OB-Gyne. Kung may pagdurugo pagkatapos ng pagtatalik, o sa pagitan ng iyong regla, magpa-check-up din. Kung naranasan ang pagdurugo pagkatapos mag-menopause, maaari isa itong tanda ng kanser.

3. Hindi normal na discharge.

Ang normal na discharge mula sa puwerta ay malinaw o puti ang kulay at walang amoy. Pero kung ang discharge ay kulay dilaw, brown o pula, at may mabahong amoy, maaaring tanda ito ng mga sakit. Ang kadalasan dahilan ng ganitong discharge ay impeksiyon tulad ng bacterial vaginosis o thrush, at mga STD tulad ng chlamydia, gonorrhea, herpes at trichomoniasis.

Kung hindi magamot ang STD ay maaaring humantong ito sa pelvic inflammatory disease impeksiyon sa reproductive organs, na maaaring maging malubha at mawalan ng kakayahan na magbuntis ang babae. Posible rin na kanser sa cervix (kuwelyo ng matris) ang dahilan ng abnormal na discharge. Kumonsulta sa OB-Gyne.

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### Mataas ang cholesterol

ANG normal level ng cholesterol ay 200 mg/dl. Kung mataas dito, gawin ang mga sumusunod:

1. Ipasuri kung tama ang blood test.

Minsan, nagkakamali ang mga laboratory sa blood test. Sigurado ka bang hindi ka kumain sa loob ng 10 oras bago kunan ng dugo? Huwag munang matakot. Subukan munang mag-diyeta at mag-ehersisyo. Pagkatapos ng dalawang buwan, ipaulit ang blood test.

2. Kumain nang tama.

Mahal ang gamutan sa kolesterol at posibleng may side effects pa. Dahil dito, piliting isaayos ang iyong pamumuhay bago maggamutan.

Kung kayo ay sobra sa timbang, kailangang magpapayat. Kapag ika'y pumayat ng 5 pounds, bababa rin ang iyong kolesterol.

Sa diyeta, subukan ang madalas na pagkain ng oatmeal, beans (monggo) at gulay. Makapagbabawas ito nang malaki sa iyong kolesterol. Kung dati ay mahilig ka sa taba ng baboy, mantika at pritong pagkain, subukan mo naman ang taba ng isda. Tapyasin din ang taba ng baboy bago ito lutuin.

Iwasan ang pagkain ng mga cakes, pastries, croissant, ensaymada, mantikilya, cookies at iba pang mamantika na bagay. Kung dati ay hilig mo ang sinangag at fried rice, pilin na lang ang sinaing.

3. Mag-ehersisyo.

Mag-ehersisyo ng tatlo hanggang limang beses kada linggo. Gawin ito ng 30 minutos hanggang isang oras. Malaki ang maitutulong ng ehersisyo sa pagbaba ng iyong kolesterol.

4. Subukan ang natural na gamutan.

Ang pagkain ng bawang ay puwedeng makababa ng kolesterol sa dugo ng 9 to 12%. Ang pag-inom din ng omega-3 fish oil supplements ay nakabababa ng triglyceride levels, isang klase ng taba sa dugo.

5. Gamot sa kolesterol.

Kung pagkaraan ng 2 buwan na pag-di-diyeta ay mataas pa rin ang iyong kolesterol, puwede na tayo mag-umpisa uminom ng maintenance na gamot. Ito ay ang mga generic na Simvastatin, Atorvastatin o Rosuvastatin. Mayroon nang mga murang gamot sa generics na botika.

Ito ang tamang paraan sa paggamot ng kolesterol n'yo. Subukang magdiyeta at mag-ehersisyo muna ng dalawang buwan. Kapag hindi nakuha sa natural na paraan ay doon pa lamang iinom ng gamot.

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### Ingatan ang mga bata sa bangis ng Delta variant

Nakababahala ang pagdami ng kaso ng mga Mga batang tinatamaan ng COVID-19. Sa Philippine General Hospital (PGH) ay may walong bata na ang naa-admit. Wala pang report sa iba pang ospital sa Metro Manila kung ilan ang batang may COVID. Dati ay hindi naman ganito karami ang tinatamaan.

Kaya noon pa, maraming magulang ang tutol na palabasin ang mga bata dahil sa banta ng COVID-19. Kaya nang ianunsiyo noong nakaraang buwan na puwede na raw lumabas ang mga bata (12 anyos pababa) at maari nang makapasyal sa plasa at mga palaruan (huwag lang sa mall) ay may mga magulang na hindi sumang-ayon. Posible raw mahawahan ng virus ang kanilang mga anak.

Mabuti at nagpasya ang mga awtoridad at agad binawi ang naunang direktiba para sa paglabas ng mga bata. Nakahinga nang maluwig ang mga magulang na tutol sa panukala.

Kung hindi binawi ang direktiba, baka mas marami pa ang mga batang nahawahan ng COVID. Biglang-bigla nga ang pagdami ng mga bata na nahawahan ng virus. Hindi naman masabi kung ang tumama sa mga bata ay Delta variant.

Ang mga bata na naka-confine sa PGH ay may edad 15 pababa. Mayroong isang sanggol na na-admit na positibo rin sa COVID. Ayon kay PGH Spokesperson Dr. Jonas del Rosario, hindi pa malaman kung saan nakuha ng sanggol na pasyente ang virus dahil ang nanay nito ay negatibo naman sa COVID.

Ayon pa kay Del Rosario, mas matindi umano ang epekto ng COVID sa mga bata ngayon, Kum-plikado umano sapagkat matindi ang COVID pneumonia ng mga bata at nagkakaroon ng iba pang komplikasyon. Dahil sa pagdami ng mga naa-admit na bata, plano ng PGH na magdagdag ng mga kama para sa pedia coronavirus ward.


Nagdudulot ng pangamba na pati mga bata ay tinatamaan ng sakit. Maaaring lumubha pa ang ka-lagayan sapagkat ang mga bata ay hindi pa kabilang sa vaccination program ng pamahalaan. Nauna nang sinabi ng DOH na hihilingin nilang makasama na sa vaccination program ang may edad 18-taong gulang pababa.

Nasa mga magulang ang kaligtasan ng mga anak para hindi mahawahan ng virus. Kung noon ay doble ang pag-iingat para sa mga bata, triplehin ngayon sapagkat mapanganib ang Delta variant. Kung lalabas ang mga magulang siguruhin na susunod sa health protocol para hindi makapag-uwi ng virus.

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## Duterte inks law simplifying land titling

MANILA – President Rodrigo Duterte has signed into law a measure improving the confirmation process for imperfect titles by simplifying the procedure and requirements in granting land deeds.

Republic Act (RA) 11573, inked on July 16, introduces amendments to Commonwealth Act 141 or the Public Land Act and Presidential Decree 1529 or the Property Registration Decree to “simplify and remove ambiguity” in the interpretation of similar and related provisions of land laws.

The current law governing land titles in the country mandates the claimant to present a copy of the original classification approved by the Department of Natural Resources (DENR) Secretary, a certification from the City or Provincial Environment and Natural Resources Office (CENRO/PENRO), and an official publication of the DENR Secretary’s issuance declaring that the land is alienable and disposable.

Under RA 11573, the CENRO or the PENRO is directed to process the application for agricultural free patents within 120 days.

The CENRO is also required to forward its recommendation to the PENRO if the land area is below five hectares, to the DENR Regional Director if the land area is at least five up to 10 hectares, and to the DENR Secretary if the land area is more than 10 up to 12 hectares.

“Upon receipt of the recommendation from the CENRO, or upon the completion of the processing of the application within the reglementary period, the PENRO, DENR Regional Director, or the Secretary of the DENR, as the case may be, shall approve or disapprove the application for an agricultural free patent within five days,” the new law read.

In case of conflicting



President Rodrigo Roa Duterte (File photo)

claims among different claimants, the parties may seek the proper administrative and judicial remedies.

RA 11573 also shortens the period of possession and occupation of alienable and disposable agricultural lands to 20 years from the present 74 years, “except when prevented by war or force majeure.”

It also allows those who have acquired ownership of private lands or abandoned riverbeds by right of accession or accretion under the provision of existing laws, as well as those who have acquired ownership of land in any other manner provided by law, to file petitions before the regional trial courts for the perfection of their claims.

“A duly signed certification by a duly designated DENR geodetic engineer that the land is part of alienable and disposable agricultural lands of the public domain is sufficient proof that the land is alienable. Said certification shall be imprinted in the approved survey plan submitted by the application in the land registration court,” the newly-signed law said.

The imprinted certification in the plan should contain the geodetic engineer’s sworn statement that the land is within the alienable and disposable lands of the public domain, and should state the applicable Forestry Administrative Order, DENR

Administrative Order, Executive Order, Proclamations and the Land Classification Project Map Number covering the subject land.

Should there be no available copy of the required documents, Project Number and date or release in the land classification map should be stated in the sworn statement declaring that it is existing in the inventory of the Land Classification Map records of the National Mapping and Resource Information Authority and is being used by the DENR.

A geodetic engineer who will prepare, “willfully or through gross inexcusable negligence,” a projection map with fraudulent or incomplete information, as well as the DENR who will approve the said map, will be penalized with a fine of up to PHP500,000 or imprisonment of up to six years, or both, at the discretion of the court.

RA 11573 mandates the DENR to promulgate the implementing rules and regulations within 60 days from the effectivity of the law to carry out its provisions.

The law, which was made public just on Wednesday, takes effect 15 days af-

ter its publication in the Official Gazette or a newspaper of general circulation.

Renames, converted schools

Meantime, Duterte also signed laws renaming and converting schools in some parts of the country.

According to RA 11574, Abra State Institute of Sciences and Technology in Lagangilag and Bangued municipalities in Abra is converted into a state university and will be known as the University of Abra.

RA 11575 renames the Compostela Valley State College in Compostela, Davao de Oro as the Davao de Oro State College, while RA 11584 changes the name of Surigao del Sur University in Surigao del Sur into North Eastern Mindanao State University.

Under RA 11585, Bicol State College of Applied Sciences and Technology in Naga, Camarines Sur is converted into a state university. The school will be known as the Southeast Asian University of Technology.

RA 11586 also converts Agusan del Sur State College of Agriculture and Technology in Bunawan, Agusan del Sur into a state university and integrates the satellite campus in Trento town. The converted school will be known as Agusan del Sur State University.

Occidental Mindoro State College in San Jose, Occidental Mindoro will also now be known as Occidental Mindoro State University after being converted into a state university, based on RA 11587.

RAs 11574 and 11575 were signed on July 23, while RA 11584, 11585, 11586, and 11587 were inked on July 30. (PNA)

## LGU, pangungunahan ang implementasyon ng Calabarzon Operation Listo Manual

LUNGSOD NG CALAMBA, Laguna (PIA) --Malaki ang papel na gagampanan ng lokal na pamahalaan sa ikinakasang Operation Listo Manual ng Calabarzon Risk Reduction Management Council (RDRRMC) bilang kahandaan sa mga sakuna, tulad ng pag-aalbuoto ng Bulkang Taal.

Sa pangunguna ng Department of Interior and Local Government (DILG) at Batangas State University (BSU), inilunsad ng Calabarzon RDRRMC ang Operation Listo Manual upang maging mas organisado ang pagtugon ng pamahalaan sa oras ng sakuna at iba pang emerhensiya.

Kabilang sa mga nilalaman ng naturang manual ang Hazard Map para sa ballistic volcanic projectile ng bulkan.

Sinimulan ang inisyatibo sa pagbuo ng komprehensibong plano upang matulungan ang mga lokal na pamahalaan na makapaghanda ng tamang hakbang upang mabawasan ang pinsalang dulot ng mga kalamidad sa kani-kanilang hurisdiksyon.

Ayon sa RDRRMC, tutulungan ng Operation Listo Initiative ang mga lokal na pamahalaan na mapaghandaan ang iba’t ibang sakuna sa pamamagitan ng pagbuo ng mga Listo Team at pakikipag-ugnayan sa pribadong sektor.

Pinangunahan ng Local Government Academy ang pagbuo ng isang Technical Working Group (TWG) na binubuo ng mga focal person mula sa mga rehiyon ng Gitnang Luzon, Calabarzon, Bicol Region, Western Visayas Region, at Disaster Coordination Information Center (DILG-CODIX).

Ayon naman kay Office of Civil Defense Region IV-A Director at RDRRMC Chair, Maria Theresa Escolano, ang naturang manual ay ang pagsasakatuparan ng pangako ng pamahalaan at ng BSU upang maging handa sa lahat ng sakuna ang rehiyon.

Alinsunod sa RDRRMC Resolution No. 4, pormal nang gagamitin sa rehiyon ang Operation Listo Manual para sa mga isasagawang disaster response ng rehiyon sa oras na muling mag-albuoto ang Bulkang Taal.

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## Digitalization, financial inclusion back 'New Economy'

BSP Governor Benjamin Diokno

MANILA – Digitalization and financial inclusion are the foundations of the "New Economy", Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas (BSP) Governor Benjamin Diokno said, citing their benefits to more Filipinos.

"Why finance digitalization? Financial technology makes transactions easier and faster, which in turn, speeds up income. It also makes financial products and services accessible to a greater number of people, which in turn, enhances financial inclusion," Diokno said Friday in his speech during the 2021 Outstanding BSP Stakeholders Appreciation virtual ceremony.

Diokno said the central bank has been pushing for digitalization of financial transactions even before the pandemic, with the goal to have at least half of these transactions done digitally.

He said BSP also aims to have about 70 percent of Filipino adults have their own financial accounts by 2023.

During the pandemic, digital payment transactions using electronic fund transfers facilities like InstaPay and PesoNet surged following the lockdown measures implemented by the government.

Diokno said InstaPay transactions increased by 155.4 percent year-on-year in May 2021 while PesoNet transactions rose by 22 percent.

These facilities are the two real-time electronic payment systems under the central bank's National Retail Payments System (NRPS).

Diokno said more than 8 million electronic accounts were created last year and monetary authorities expect more to be opened this year as more players enter the market.

"The establishment of digital banks will bring about greater efficiency and extend the reach of financial products and services among the unbanked, including MSMEs (micro, small and medium enterprises)," he said.

The use of QR codes have also been boosted after the central bank launched its person-to-merchant (P2M) program, he added.

"Compared with using point-of-sales terminals, QR technology presents small merchants with a simple and more affordable payment facility," Diokno said.

The Philippine Identification System (PhilSys) is also a plus to the financial inclusion bid since "this will address the lack of identity documents which is

among the most common barriers to account opening," he said.

These measures are expected to boost the economy's recovery and ensure the achievement of the central bank's financial inclusion and digitalization bid.

The pandemic resulted in the negative output of the economy last year but Diokno said green shoots have started to come out since the third quarter of 2020.

"It has been more than a year since the pandemic began, and, with cautious optimism, we can say that the worst is over," he added.

Signed into law by President Rodrigo Duterte in August 2018, Republic Act 11055, or the PhilSys Act, aims to establish a single national ID for all Filipinos and resident aliens.

The national ID shall be a valid proof of identity that shall be a means of simplifying public and private transactions, enrollment in schools, and the opening of bank accounts.

It will also boost efficiency, especially in dealing with government services where people will only need to present one ID during transactions.

## Rep. Cayetano, VP Robredo pantay sa survey ng OCTA

Ayon sa survey ng OCTA Research, umakyat ang ranking ni dating Speaker Alan Peter Cayetano at pumantay na kay Vice President Leni Robredo.

Hindi pa masyadong matunog ang pangalan ni Cayetano na tatakbo for President pero pumantay na siya kay VP Leni.

Ibig sabihin, kapag nakikita ng tao ang mahusay mong performance magkakaroon ng clamor ang madla na pamu-nuan mo ang bansa. Ganda rin ito ng pag-angat ng poli-tical maturity ng mga botante na tumitingin na sa kuwa-li-pi-kasyon at hindi sa popularidad.

Sa survey ng OCTA Research mula July 12-18, 2021, umakyat sa 5% ang score ni Cayetano mula sa dating

3% na score nito. Magkapareho na sila ng ranking- ni Vice President Leni Robredo. Mukhang ineenjoy ngayon ni Cayetano ang naisip o napagtanto ng mga botante na mas mahalaga para sa isang kandidato na makatulong sa ating mga kababayan at hindi lamang dahil sila ay popular o sikat.

Halos naungusan ni Cayetano si Robredo na matindi ang media mileage mula pa noong nakaraang taon. Limitado lamang ang media mileage ni Cayetano ngunit hindi ito naging dahilan para gumanda ang kanyang ranking sa OCTA research presidential survey.

Patuloy din ang pamamahagi ng 10K ayuda at P3,500 na puhunan sa sari-sari stores para ma-ka--tulong sa ating mga kababayan na iginupo ng COVID--19.

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## PEZA remains true to its mandate of promoting investments

MANILA – The Philippine Economic Zone Authority (PEZA) reported on Tuesday an 8.52-percent increase in its approved investments for the first half of the year.

"PEZA remains true to its mandate of promoting investments, creating employment, generating exports, and attaining total economic development in our country as we maintain and implement strict Covid-19 protocols and guidelines in our ecozones. We will continue to transform challenges into opportunities so we can ceaselessly serve our Filipino people, our partners, locators, and investors," PEZA Director General Charito Plaza said in a statement.

Total economic zone investments approved from January 1 to June 30, 2021 amounted to PHP32.057 billion from last year's approved investments worth PHP29.541 billion.

These investments came from 119 new and expansion projects and showcased a considerable growth of 5.31 percent compared to 113 in 2020.

Meanwhile, the ac-

tual exports for the period of January 1 to May 31, 2021 amounted to USD24.781 billion with 1,604,877 generated employment.

Compared to the same period in 2020, PEZA showcased a 23.35-percent growth for exports and an 8.58-percent increase in employment.

The majority of the investments came from various countries such as Japan, South Korea, India, Hong Kong, and China.

Western countries also include Germany, Austria, France, Canada, and the United States.

In terms of regions in the Philippines where the investments will be located, the top-performing region is Region 4 with PHP10.010 billion, followed by Regions 7, 11, and National Capital Region.

For the month of June, Plaza said the PEZA Board has approved 62 new projects.

Among the 62 recently approved projects, 22 projects fall under information technology (IT) enterprises, 20 for export manufacturing enterprises, 13 for facilities, and seven for ecozone development



projects.

"These projects are essential especially as we continue to go back to our vibrant and booming economy," Plaza said.

As the country aims for population protection and reopening the economy, Plaza is optimistic that PEZA can fulfill the last few months of 2021 with "flying colors".

"The Covid-19 pandemic cannot stop us from performing at our best and ensuring that we continuously attract more investments, generate exports, and produce jobs for millions of Filipinos even post-pandemic," she said.

PEZA continues its advocacy in promoting the creation of special economic zones, particularly in the countryside, by identifying and transforming idle lands into ecozones to help accelerate economic and employment development in the Philippines. (PR)

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Other Services

Western Union Money Transfer

Bills Payment	Royal Cable
Norkis Yamaha	Globe
PLDT	Innove
SMART	

BRANCHES

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Sta. Rosa/San Pedro/Bacoor/Carmona/Gen Trias  
Dasmariñas/GMA/Noveleta/Tanza/Trece  
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Bauan/Batangas/Lemery/Makati/Sucal  
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