

Magiging hitsura ng Bataan-Cavite Interlink Bridge sa gabi. (DPWH)

KONSTRUKSYON NG BATAAN-CAVITE INTERLINK BRIDGE, SISIMULAN SA 2022

Sisimulan sa 2022 ang konstruksyon ng Bataan-Cavite Interlink Bridge o BCIB. Iyan ang inilahad ng mga kinatawan ng Department of Public Works and Highways sa pamumuno ni Central Office Project Manager Teresita Bauzon sa kanilang pulong kay Governor Albert Garcia at Mariveles Mayor Jocelyn Castañeda.

9 Cavite town clinch drug-cleared awards

ROSARIO, Cavite—Nine municipal here including four coastal towns here received Drug Cleared Sustained Awards during the Online 2020 Anti Drug Abuse Council (Adac) Special Awards on December 18, 2020.

The towns of Amadeo, Carmona, Magallanes, Maragondon, Mendez in upland parts and Naic, Noveleta, Ro-

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The Noveleta town hall in Cavite located at Barangay Poblacion was awarded Drug Free locality for two consecutive year.

Ayon kay Garcia, ang nasabing proyekto ay mas magpapasigla sa ekonomiya ng lalawigan.

Aniya, inaasahan na dadagsa ang oportunidad sa trabaho sa pagsisimula ng konstruksyon nito na mangangailangan ng nasa 63,000 skilled at unskilled workers.

Oras na makumpleto ang 32-kilometrong BCIB, ang biyahe mula Bataan patungong Cavite ay magiging 30 minuto na lamang mula sa kasalukuyang lima hanggang anim na oras. (CLJD/CASB-PIA 3)



Nakipagpulong sina Governor Albert Garcia (gitna) sa mga kinatawan ng Department of Public Works and Highways sa pamumuno ni Central Office Project Manager Teresita Bauzon patungkol sa itatayong Bataan-Cavite Interlink Bridge. (1Bataan)

Protest art exhibit para sa mga mangingisda, isinagawa sa Cavite

Ibinandera ang makukulay na mga layag sa isinagawang protest art exhibit na Against The Stream sa bahagi ng Manila Bay.

Pinangunahan ito ng mga miyembro ng advocacy group na Sama-samang Artista Para sa Kilusang Agraryo o SAKA.

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400 farmers face eviction in Dasmariñas City

by Raymund Antonio

Some 400 farmers are facing eviction from agricultural lands to give way to the supposed construction of a transmission tower in Lupang Ramos, Dasmariñas City, Cavite.

This comes after the National Grid Corporation of the Philippines (NGCP) and the National Power Corporation (NAPOCOR), proponents of the project, served a "Notice to Vacate" to the farmer-residents of Lupang Ramos on October 23.

The letter gave the farmer households of Lupang Ramos until today, December 22 to vacate the 372-hectare land. Representatives of NGCP and NAPOCOR ex-



plained that EMRASON Inc., which owns the land, have already paid their corporations in agreement to the project.

But a farmers' group, the Kilusang Magbubukid ng Pilipinas (KMP), warned

against the eviction of the farmers, citing their rights over the land.

"NGCP and NAPOCOR cannot just arrive at Lupang

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New SSS contribution rate to ensure pension fund viability, increase benefits for members, beneficiaries

The Social Security Commission (SSC) said that the scheduled increase next year in the monthly contribution of members of the Social Security System (SSS) will ensure the long-term viability of this pension fund and increase the benefits to be enjoyed by them and their beneficiaries.

It said the full implementation by 2025 of the restructured rates and other reforms set in Republic Act (RA) No. 11199 or the Social Security Act (SSA) of 2018 will offset the financial impact to the Fund of the P1,000 increase in the monthly pension of all member-pensioners that was implemented in 2017.

This was stressed by Finance Secretary and SSC Chairman Carlos Dominguez as the SSS is set to hike beginning in January 2021 its monthly contribution rate by one percentage point to 13 percent

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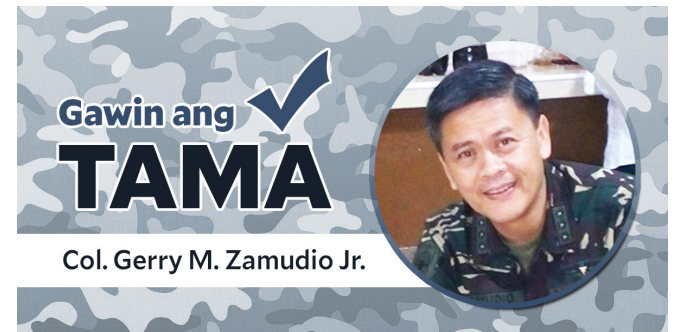
BASA UNITS EXTEND HELP ANEW

BASA AIR BASE, FLORIDABLANCA, PAMPANGA-The 355th Aviation Engineer Wing (355th AEW) and 5th Fighter Wing (5th FW) ferried additional relief items for the communities affected by recent typhoons on Monday December 21, 2020 at Colonel Jesus Villamor Air Base, Pasay City.

Led by BRIGADIER GENERAL GEORGE A BLANCO PAF, Wing Commander, 355th AEW, and BRIGADIER GENERAL FABIAN M PEDREGOSA PAF, Wing Commander, 5th FW, said PAF units turned over various food and non-food items to the PAF Civil-Military Operations Group (PAFC-

MOG) for subsequent transportation to affected areas. The relief items were donations by various stakeholders who were engaged by the respective CMO personnel of 355th AEW and 5th FW.

Furthermore, additional ferrying sorties are set to be conducted in the coming weeks, a continuation of related activities completed by said PAF units since the launch of "Tulong Bayanihan" relief operation for typhoon-hit areas last November. (ILT ARGIE CLARENCE C TORRALBA PAF) Photos: Sgt Ace N Lumigis PAF



Col. Gerry M. Zamudio Jr.



Relief items being unloaded at PAFCMOG, CJVAB, Pasay City



The relief items were stored at PAFCMOG Warehouse for subsequent ferrying to typhoon-affected areas



Food items such as sacks of rice, boxes of canned goods and instant noodles comprised most of the relief items ferried to CJVAB

When Manny won his 1st world title

by Joaquin Henson (The Philippine Star)

It was 22 years ago and Manny Pacquiao was 19, less than two weeks before his 20th birthday. He was in the Tonsuk College Ground in Phutthamonthon, 30 kilometers west of Bangkok, to challenge WBC flyweight champion Chatchai Sasakul on Dec. 4, 1998. Two days later was the start of the Asian Games. Pacquiao was up



against a highly-skilled veteran, a two-time SEA Games gold medalist, an Asian Games silver medalist and a 1988 Seoul Olympian. Sasakul, 28, was a national hero and when he entered the makeshift ring to face Pacquiao in the outdoor afternoon heat near a public market, the loud speaker system blared a bouncy song in his honor. The place was packed, admission was free and Thai fans came in droves expecting their idol to add another Filipino to his list of victims. Sasakul had previously beaten 20 Filipinos, including former world champion Rolando Pascua, Jonathan Penalosa, Jess Maca and Reynante Jamili. The betting was Pacquiao wouldn't survive the distance. Pacquiao was coming off two first-round knockout wins and his record was 23-1, with 14 stoppages while Sasakul's mark was 32-1-1, with 23 KOs. This was the Thai's third title defense. His only loss to Russian Yuri Arbachakov was avenged so Pacquiao seemed like a cakewalk for Sasakul.

When the fight began, Sasakul went to work quickly. Pacquiao could hardly touch the slick, quick-stepping Thai who unleashed dizzying combinations from a distance. The Filipino gave chase but Sasakul proved too elusive. Late in the seventh round, Pacquiao finally caught Sasakul with a jarring left straight and he looked wobbly at the bell. "Wala akong nakuhang round from one to six," recalled Pacquiao whose cornermen were Rick Staheli, Leonardo Pablo and Lito Mondejar. "Sa seventh, saved siya by the bell but baka kaniya pa rin yung round kasi late ko na siya natamaan." At the start of the eighth, Pacquiao went out for the kill. He whacked Sasakul's body with vicious left and right hooks. Sasakul grimaced, winced and doubled up in pain, his groans heard at ringside. The body attack slowed him

down and suddenly, he became an easy target for Pacquiao. Sensing the end was near, Pacquiao bumped his gloves together, now a signature trademark. As Sasakul lowered his hands to protect his midsection, Pacquiao found the opening for his closer. He threw a left hook using the twist of his body to add power to the shot and it landed flush on Sasakul's jaw. Pacquiao said it was the same kind of punch he used to knock Ricky Hatton out cold in Las Vegas in 2009.

Sasakul fell on his stomach, tried to rise and stumbled back down, flat on his back. His eyes were glassy as Australian referee Malcolm Bulner began to count. He wanted desperately to get back on his feet but couldn't. He was in tears. The crowd was hushed into shock. Pacquiao had scored a dramatic come-from-behind win to capture the first of his eight world titles in different divisions.

The three judges had Sasakul way ahead at the time of the knockout. Judge Brian McMahon of Australia saw it a shutout, 70-64. Japanese judge Masakazu Uchida scored it 69-64 and Mexican judge Victor Cervantes had it 68-65.

It seemed like the Thais were up to no good in delaying Pacquiao's drive from the hotel to the fight venue, clearly meant to rattle him. The ride took 45 minutes for Pacquiao and his team to reach Phutthamonthon. After the fight, the trip back to the hotel was only 10 minutes. But the belt was now safely in Pacquiao's hands. Pacquiao, 42, is still active and after the win over Sasakul, figured in 22 more world title fights. He has starred in 25 pay-per-view events, generating over 20 million buys and over \$1.275 billion in revenues and his record is 62-7-2, with 39 KOs. Sasakul, 50, retired in 2008 with a 63-4-1 record, including 38 KOs.

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Ramos, (and) forcefully eject (the) farmer families (who have been) residing and tilling it for centuries," KMP chair Danilo Ramos said.

He added, "No amount of electrification can light up the dark hearts of the business executives behind such schemes." For de-

acades, KMP's local chapter KASAMA-LR has cultivated 104 hectares of Lupang Ramos. The group has since asserted its right to till the land through several protest marches and an online campaign.

"EMRASON has no right to sell these lands! We

and our parents have valued and enriched this land through our continuous farming," Miriam Villanueva of KASAMA-LR said in Filipino.

"We know our rights as farmers. We are merely exercising our constitutional-guaranteed right to land,"

she stressed. The KMP called on the Department of Agrarian to review its decision over Lupang Ramos.

"It (DAR) can conduct a physical inspection of the area to affirm its agricultural productivity and the applicability of land reform coverage," Ramos said.

9 Cavite town clinch drug-cleared << P1

sario and Ternate from the coastal part of the province received recognition as Drug Cleared awardees during the formal online program together with other towns and cities in the Philippines.

"This award is due to the joint efforts of the local po-

lice under Police Major Alexis Tuazon, local police chief, each barangay and the local government.

You dear Noveletenos [are assured] that we will intensify the anti-drug campaign in our town," Mayor Dino Chua of Noveleta

town said. Speaking partly in Filipino, PDEA Director General Wilkins Villanueva said, "it's only right that you be given recognition for your fight against drugs. The PDEA salutes all its partners in the campaign against illegal drugs." Interior and Local

Government Secretary Eduardo Año said in his speech, "Please continue to join the DILG, PDEA and the PNP in fighting and defeating the scourge of illegal drugs, as advocated by President Duterte."

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ITDI to open MATDEV Lab



The Industrial Technology Development Institute (DOST-ITDI) will be inaugurating the MATDEV Laboratory, a project under the Science Department's Advanced Additive Manufacturing R&D Program or AMCEN, on December 22, 2020 via the Zoom Meeting platform.

MATDEV Laboratory is one of two facilities housed under AMCEN. A DOST-GIA funded project, MATDEV Laboratory employs additive manufacturing or AM and undertakes research and development on materials for use in additive manufacturing or AMabled products. Their aim

is to reduce cost of raw materials by using local resources and increase effective use of AMabled products.

AMCEN is a shared facility between ITDI and the Metals Industry Research and Development Center (DOST-MIRDC).

The second facility inside AMCEN is MIRDC's RAPID-ADMATEC (Research on Advanced Prototyping for Product Innovation and Development using Additive Manufacturing Technologies). (AMGuevarra/ITDI S&T Media Service)

Protest art exhibit para sa mga << P1

Nangyari ang protest exhibit sa Manila Bay sa Bacoor, Cavite partikular na bahagi ng dagat na binakuran at una nang inireklamo dahil sa dulot nitong abala sa mga

nangingisda sa laot. Nasa 12 visual artist ang lumikha sa mga artwork na ikinabit sa mga bangka na naglalarawan sa mga hamon na kinakaharap ng mga mangangisda,

ayon kay Ronnel Arambulo, secretary general ng Pamalakaya. Ilan sa mga inilarawan sa mga artwork ay ang problema sa teritoryo sa West Philippine Sea, reclamation

ng mga pangisdaan, at demolisyon sa fishing communities. Nagpasalamat naman ang mga mangangisda sa mga visual artist na kinikilala at nakikiisa sa laban nila sa pamamagitan ng sining.

New SSS contribution rate to ensure << P1

from the current 12 percent of their respective salaries, but not to exceed the prescribed maximum monthly salary credit (MSC).

He expressed the hope that SSS members would see their higher monthly contributions as their savings and safety net against the future hazards of sickness, maternity, disability, unemployment, old age, death, and other contingencies resulting to loss of income or financial burden for them and their beneficiaries.

Dominguez pointed out that the restructuring of the SSS contribution rate, along with the minimum and maximum MSCs and the other provisions of RA No. 11199, will "ensure the long-term viability of the SSS Fund, expand its coverage and provide more and higher benefits for its current and future members and their beneficiaries."

The MSC is the determining factor for contributions and benefits, which is based on the member's monthly earnings.

"Upon full implementation in 2025, the reforms under the SSA of 2018 will offset the adverse financial impact of the P1,000 pension increase granted in 2017," Dominguez said in a statement.

Through the SSA of 2018, the SSS last year introduced the Unemployment Benefit for members involuntarily separated from their jobs, and extended the MSC cap for the computation of

benefits to P20,000. The upgrade in the MSC cap, meanwhile, increased the amount of benefits that members and/or their beneficiaries are entitled to receive, such as sickness, maternity, unemployment, retirement, disability, death, and funeral.

"Any drop in collections may lead to cash flow and liquidity issues. This could endanger the SSS' ability to provide its members and their beneficiaries with benefits and loan privileges," Dominguez said. However, he assured the public that "the SSS' investments are well-managed and has allowed the pension fund to respond to the needs of members despite the drop in collections during the pandemic."

From January to October 2020, the SSS disbursed a total of P159.47 billion in social security and employees' compensation benefits to 3.56 million members and beneficiaries, representing a decrease of 2.6 and 4.8 percent, respectively, from the benefits released in the same period last year.

This decline is a result of the COVID-19 pandemic, which affected the number of benefit disbursements from late March to May.

However, benefit disbursements to SSS members and their beneficiaries started to slowly recover or increase in the following months with the easing of quarantine restrictions and continuous digitization of the SSS system. SSS member

loan releases from January to November 2020 totaled P58.03 billion for 3.20 million members, a respective increase of 54.5 percent (P20.48 billion) and 76.7 percent (1.39 million members) from the same period last year.

Pension loan releases from January to November 2020 reached P3.17 billion combined for 69,813 retiree-pensioners, an increase of 61 percent (P1.20 billion) and 11.5 percent (7,210 pensioners), respectively, from the same period last year.

With many workers being unemployed as a result of the no-work-no-pay policy or the reduced working arrangements arising from the COVID-19 pandemic, SSS contribution collections from January to October 2020 totaled only P169.73 billion, or a decrease of 5.4 percent from the P179.34 billion collected in the same period last year. For employed members, land-based OFW members in countries with Bilateral Labor Agreements with the Philippines, and sea-based OFW members, the additional one percent will be divided equally between them and their employers, bringing the contribution rate breakdown to 8.5 percent for their employers and 4.5 percent for them.

The minimum MSC will be raised to P3,000 from P2,000 (except for Kasambahay and OFW members whose minimum MSC will remain at P1,000 and P8,000, respectively), while the maxi-

mum MSC will be at P25,000 from P20,000.

The SSS will also open a Worker's Investment and Savings Program (WISP) for the portion of member contributions in excess of the P20,000 MSC up to the prescribed maximum MSC of P25,000.

For example, under the P25,000 MSC, a member who will be paying the new monthly contribution of 13 percent rate will actually shell out P3,250, of which P2,600 will go to the Regular Social Security Fund (RSSF) and the remaining P650 to the WISP.

The WISP will mean additional pension income to members contributing under it. The SSS' total portfolio was designed to be ready for certain liquidity challenges such as the current decline in collections resulting from COVID-19 or the higher demand for calamity loans from natural disasters.

In the third quarter, for instance, the SSS accessed its investments in government securities for the higher liquidity needs to fund calamity loans of its members.

SSS calamity loans accounted for 52.3 percent of the total amount of member loan releases from January to November 2020. "The SSS expects to further improve its financial performance and have better collections in the years ahead as the economy recovers from the coronavirus pandemic and regains its pre-COVID growth momentum," Dominguez said.

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Upon Extra-Judicial Petition for Sale under Act 3135, as amended by Act 4118, filed by Mortgagee, BDO UNIBANK, INC., with business address at DO Corporate Center, 7899 Makati Avenue, Makati City against the Mortgagors, JHON HAROLD B. PONCIANO a represented by his ATTORNEY-IN-FACT, APARICION BUTIAL PONCIANO, with residence and postal address at # 52 VILLA NICASIA STREET, BAYAN LUMA 5, IMUS, CAVITE AND BLOCK 5 LOT 15, KENSINGTON 27, BRGY. NAVARRO, GEN. TRIAS, CAVITE, to satisfy the mortgage indebtedness which as of 01 August 2019 amounts to NINE HUNDRED EIGHTY FOUR THOUSAND FORTY PESOS & 24/100 (P984,040.24), Philippine Currency, including interest, penalties and other charges as of said date but exclusive of all other expenses incidental to this foreclosure and sale, the undersigned Sheriff will set at public auction on FEBRUARY 25, 2021 at 10:00 o'clock in the morning at the main entrance of the Government Center Building located at the Provincial Capitol Compound, Trece Martires City, to the highest bidder for CASH and in Philippine Currency the following described property with all the improvements thereon, to wit:

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GenTri opens COVID-19 Molecular Laboratory

GENERAL TRIAS CITY, Cavite Dec. 18 (PIA) --The city government here recently inaugurated the city's first COVID-19 Molecular Laboratory located in Barangay Manggahan.

Mayor Antonio 'Ony' Ferrer along with Deputy Chief Implementer and 'Testing Czar' Secretary Vince Dizon led the inauguration and opening of the facility. GenTri Medical Center and Hospital President & CEO Dr. Jerrimo Genuino, MD., Vice-Mayor Morit Sison, and members of the Sangguniang Panglungsod were present to witness the significant event.

Managed by the General Trias Medical Center and Hospital (GTMCH), the city's COVID-19 Molecular Laboratory is part of the LGU's counter measures against COVID-19 to mitigate the threat on the health and safety of Gentriseños

and contain further spread of the disease.

The facility is equipped with the best technology in terms of equipment, the BD Max Machine and BIO-RAD CFX 96 RT-PCR, which are expected to contribute much to the continuous facilitation of the Aggressive Community Testing in the city for a faster and efficient release of test results.

Since the ground breaking of the facility on September 14, 2020, the preparation of documents for the accreditation by the Department of Health (DOH) was fast tracked. With the GTMCH medical team confident that the Molecular Laboratory was 100% ready and compliant with the standards set by the DOH and the RITM, the first visit and inspection was done November 6. Further improvements had to be made for its final approval

and accreditation paving the way to the formal launching and inauguration on December 12, 2020.

Meanwhile, according to the latest COVID-19 update reported by the City Epidemiology and Surveillance Unit (CESU), there were 6 recovered patients and 1 new confirmed case recorded as of December 17, 2020.

Total Confirmed cases were 2,198 out of which 22 are Active cases while the total number of Recoveries from the additional recovered patients are now at 2,137 and 39 fatalities from the disease brought by the COVID-19. While these figures manifest a significant decline in the rate of infection and a high percentage of recoveries from the disease, the officers of the city government thru the city health office continuously remind the public to remain safe thru



(L-R) Gen. Trias City Mayor Antonio Ferrer (7th) and Deputy Chief Implementer and 'Testing Czar' Secretary Vince Dizon (5th) led the formal opening of the GenTri COVID-19 Molecular Laboratory in Barangay Manggahan Dec. 12, 2020. (Photo & caption: GenTri PIO)

the observance of the minimum health standards set by

the Inter-Agency Task Force as PIO/Stetoscoop-GenTri (Ruel Francisco/General Tri-Med Center Newsletter)



'I REPEAT: NO LOCKDOWN' –GOVERNOR JONVIC REMULLA

Sa isang pabatid nitong Disyembre 23, inanunsiyo ni Cavite Governor Jonvic Remulla na walang lockdown na magaganap ngayong kapaskuhan sa lalawigan ng Cavite.

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Sa isang pabatid nitong Disyembre 23, inanunsiyo ni Cavite Governor Jonvic Remulla na walang lockdown na magaganap ngayong kapaskuhan sa lalawigan ng Cavite. Sa kaniyang post, una niyang ibinahagi ang mga kaso na nadagdag sa lalawigan sa bawat araw mula Disyembre 5 hanggang Disyembre 20. Aniya, "Admittedly, I am not proud of these numbers because COVID remains undefeated. Pero hindi ko maitatagong very proud ako sa mga Caviteño dahil talaga namang bumaba na ng husto ang mga positibong kaso natin." "Siguro naman ay maaari na nating maipagmalaki na kahit papaano ay umangat ang antas ng pagmamasiid at pag-iingat ng ating mga kalalawigan laban sa pandemya na nag-paralisa sa ating lahat nitong 2020," pagpapatuloy ng gobernador. Sinabi rin ni Remulla na base sa Provincial Health Surveillance Officer, "ang Cavite po ay patuloy na mananatili sa MGCC ngayong kapaskuhan." Dito na niya sinabi na walang lockdown na magaganap sa Cavite ngayong Disyembre. "I repeat: NO LOCKDOWN. Pero absolutely no Christmas parties or gatherings pa rin." (Photo: Reuters)

JAC to Double Dealer Footprint



Trisenburg Auto Corporation (TAC), the official distributor of JAC passenger and light commercial vehicles in the Philippines will double its dealer footprint.

The Chinese brand will be adding three new locations in key areas—two in Luzon and one in Visayas—to bring their total number of dealerships to six. These will be located in Bauan, Batangas; Kawit, Cavite; and Iloilo City. This will add to JAC's existing network of dealerships located in Alabang, Makati, and Santa Rosa, Laguna.

JAC Motors Iloilo, located at Pison Avenue, Barangay San Rafael, Mandurriao, Iloilo City will be their first-ever dealership in the Visayas region. The 250-square meter showroom will provide sales and service support to customers in the area. The dealership is headed by its principal, Peter Paul Yap.

Meanwhile, JAC Motors Kawit Cavite is located at the Centennial Road in Kawit, Cavite. The proprietor is APGS Auto Trading owned by Atty. Arlan Profeta. The dealership will rise beside Rapide Kawit Cavite which he also owns. This marks Atty. Profeta's first auto dealership.

Finally, for customers in Batangas, JAC Motors Bauan Batangas will be operated by CESCO Offshore Construction, Inc., and will rise at the National Road in Barangay San Roque, Bauan, Batangas. The dealership principal here is Fructoso Montano whose background is centered around construction, but has decided to diversify, and build his own dealership.

TAC says that while dealerships are known to require a huge investment and capital, that's not necessarily true with JAC.

Embracing digitalization, TAC believes that smaller dealerships can be just as effective as large ones. This allows any entrepreneur, even those without car retail experience, to open their very own JAC dealership.

The doubling of JAC's dealer footprint this year opens to a more optimistic 2021.

TAC will be holding an online launch for their new dealerships this Sunday, December 27 at 6 PM on their official Facebook page.