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PGC gears up for SGLG 2024

SSS unveils saving schemes with 7.2% returns to boost members' retirement fund

The Social Security System (SSS) today announced that its members can boost their retirement and savings through the MySSS Pension Booster program, which offers a projected 7.2 percent annual return rate.

SSS President and Chief Executive Officer Rolando Ledesma Macasaet said that SSS renamed the Worker's Investment and Savings

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PAGKILALA SA KATAPATAN AT KAHUSAYAN NG PAMAHALAANG LOKAL

The provincial government of Cavite gears up for the 2024 Seal of Good Local Governance regional validation as it undergoes the SGLG Provincial Assessment conducted by the team from the Department of the Interior and Local Government-Cavite on June 4, 2024 at the Ceremonial Hall of the Provincial Capitol in Trece Martires City.

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Public enjoined to participate in Independence Day activities

The National Historical Commission of the Philippines (NHCP) on Monday urged the public to be part of the various activities the government has lined up in observance of the country's 126th Independence Day.

"The theme is since last year is 'Kalayaan, Kinabukasan, Kasaysayan'. The highlight is on June 12 when a commemorative flag raising will be held. In the afternoon, a huge parade consisting of 22 floats from across the country will feature the government established

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Teen wonder Cutiyog triumphs in Cavite chess tournament



ON A ROLL. Jirah Floravie Cutiyog wins the 1st BGA Realty CEO Pres. Gerry Bustamante 1900 and below rapid chess tournament at the Robinsons Place Imus in Cavite on June 9, 2024. It was her fourth title victory after sweeping the Under-16 division (standard, rapid and blitz) in the National Age Group Chess Eliminations in Dumaguete City, Negros Oriental on June 5. (Contributed photo)

Jirah Floravie Cutiyog ruled the 1st BGA Realty CEO President Gerry Bustamante 1900 and below rapid chess tournament at Robinsons Place Imus in Cavite on Sunday. It was the 15-year-old Cutiyog's fourth title

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LRT-1 Cavite Extension to be completed by 2031

The Light Rail Transit Line 1 (LRT-1) Cavite Extension is expected to be completed by 2031, an official of the Light Rail Manila Corporation (LRMC) said on Friday.

"[For] Phase 2 and 3, [we are] meeting with the DOTr (Department of Transportation) to be able to commence the construction. We have to clarify a few points before we proceed," LRMC General Manager Enrico Benipayo said in a briefing during the LRT-1 Cavite Extension Phase 1 site visit at the Dr. Santos Station

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ALMOST COMPLETE. Transportation Secretary Jaime Bautista (right), Finance Secretary Ralph Recto (2nd from right) lead the inspection of the Dr. Santos Station in Parañaque City on Friday (June 7, 2024). The completion rate of the Dr. Santos which is the end of the Phase 1 of the LRT-1 Cavite Extension, is now at 98.2 percent. (PNA photo by Leah Gonzales)

Drum and Bell Corps hosts 5th National Competition in Bacoor

Last June 9, 2024, the City Government of Bacoor and the Drum and Bell Corps Organization of the Philippines Inc., in partnership with the Percussive Arts Society (Philippine Chapter), successfully hosted the 5th National Competition of the Drum and Bell Corps Organization of

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'Habagat', easterlies to bring rain showers over parts of PH



Most parts of the country will get dampened with rain showers due to the southwest monsoon (habagat) affecting western Luzon and the easterlies, the weather bureau said Monday. In its 4 a.m. weather advisory, the Philippine Atmospheric, Geophysical and Astronomical

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in Parañaque City. "In terms of length of construction and pre-activities prior to construction such as financial closure, all the other pre-requisites for the construction, we hope that by 2031, ROWs 2 and 3 would be completed. There are preliminary works already started as far as right of way acquisition is concerned," he said. With a project cost of PHP64.915 billion, the LRT-1 Cavite Extension is being financed through a hybrid model consisting of PHP17.80 billion in official development assistance (ODA) from the Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA); PHP39.57 billion from the private sector operator LRMC; and PHP7.55 billion from the government of the Philippines. The project

consists of three packages and is expected to add about 300,000 passengers to the daily LRT-1 ridership, bringing the total to 800,000, during the first year of full operations in 2031.

It will connect Manila to Cavite, reducing travel time from Baclaran, Pasay City to Niog, Cavite from 1 hour and 10 minutes via local roads to only 25 minutes via train.

The construction of the Phase 1 is progressing as scheduled with its 98.2 percent completion rate as of end April 2024.

The project will add 6.2 kilometers to the existing LRT-1 line from Baclaran Station in Pasay City to Dr. Santos Station in Parañaque City. Phase 1 which is expected to be operational before the end of the year, is capable of serving 600,000

passengers daily. The five new stations under Phase 1 are currently at various stages of completion with Redemptorist Station registering 97.4 percent; Manila International Airport Station at 97.2 percent; Asia World Station at 90.4 percent; Ninoy Aquino Station at

93.5 percent; and Dr. Santos Station at 97.7 percent. LRT-1 Dr. Santos Station, the end terminal for Phase 1, will serve as a major transit hub. Passengers will have seamless access to various modes of transportation through the intermodal facility. The intermodal facility is located

with access to and from Dr. A. Santos Avenue and C5 Road Extension and will have designated bays for public buses, jeepneys, taxis, private cars, motorcycles, as well as dedicated parking slots for PWDs. "The nearing completion of the LRT-1 Cavite Extension Phase 1 is a testament to the government and private sector's

commitment to improving public transportation in the country. An excellent showcase of how public private partnership (PPP) works, this project underscores LRMC's commitment to providing a safe, convenient, and passenger-centric commuting experience for everyone," Benipayo said.

Teen wonder cutiyog << P1

after sweeping the Under-16 division (standard, rapid and blitz) in the National Age Group Chess Eliminations in Dumaguete City, Negros Oriental on June 5.

She was also blitz and rapid champion in the Calabarzon Regionals held in the City of Santa Rosa, Laguna in April that earned her a spot in the July Palarong Pambansa in Cebu. "I am happy with my performance," Cutiyog, a Grade 9 student

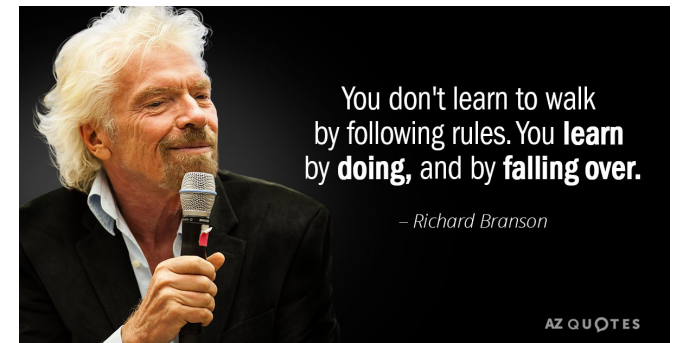
at Bethel Academy General Trias City, said. Cutiyog beat Kermiel Laxamana, Arena International Master Rowel Canaveral, Elcid Estaron, Noel Trines Jr., Arena FIDE Master Jaymiel Piel and Clark Kaeron Kwan to pocket PHP3,000 in cash prize and a trophy.

Last year, Cutiyog competed at the World Youth Chess Championship in Montesilvano, Italy.

She will join the

National Age Group Chess Championships grand finals in Dapitan City, Zamboanga del Norte on June 22 to 30

and the Eastern Asia Chess Championships in Penang, Malaysia on July 12 to 21. (PNA)



You don't learn to walk by following rules. You learn by doing, and by falling over.

— Richard Branson

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by Emilio Aguinaldo as well as the towns that were part of the revolution," NHCP History Researcher II Alton Concillado said in the Bagong Pilipinas Ngayon briefing over PTV4.

He said President Ferdinand R. Marcos Jr. is inviting the public to witness the parade that will start at 5 p.m. on June 12 from the CCP grounds to Roxas Blvd. up to the Burnham Green across the Quirino Grandstand.

A concert will be held after the parade, he added.

Simultaneous flag raising activities will be held in Cavite; Malolos; San Juan City; Calocan; Angeles City; and NHCP museums across the country.

Meanwhile, Concillado said 132 booths were opened on Monday at the Luneta Park. These booths are open to the public, allowing them to access various government services. Aside from Kadiwang Pangulo, medical and dental services are also available in those booths, he said. Last Friday, the government also staged the Musikalayaan, featuring musicians and the Armed Forces of the Philippines.

On June 4, the Presidential Communications Office said the festival-like celebrations from June 10 to 12 will be held at the Rizal Park Burnham Green in Roxas Boulevard, Manila, right across the Quirino Grandstand.

SSS unveils saving scheme << P1

Program (WISP) and WISP Plus into the MySSS Pension Booster to reflect the primary goal of the savings program of boosting their retirement funds.

Macasaet said that the MySSS Pension Booster savings schemes were part of the reforms introduced by Republic Act No. 11199 or the Social Security Act of 2018, sponsored by Finance Secretary Ralph G. Recto during his tenure as a senator.

"We want to thank Secretary Recto for helping pass this landmark legislation in 2019. We also want to acknowledge him for conceptualizing these retirement savings schemes, which we rebranded today as MySSS Pension Booster. So, we are grateful that he pushed for the inclusion of the program in the law, which is boosting the retirement funds of millions of members," Macasaet said.

Aside from being the Finance Secretary, Recto also serves as the Chairperson of the Social Security Commission, the highest governing body of the SSS.

Macasaet emphasized the importance of early retirement planning during the relaunching event of the MySSS Pension Booster held today at the SSS headquarters in Quezon City, which

was attended by maritime professionals, Overseas Filipino Workers (OFWs), self-employed professionals, and corporate executives.

"Aside from renaming the program, we also want to reposition the MySSS Pension Booster to cater more to corporate managers and executives, doctors, lawyers, OFWs, Filipino expats, seafarers, young professionals among others, as we have identified their need for bigger retirement funds. We do not lose sight of the other SSS members through other programs, but our rebranding is a move towards capturing those who want to invest more and can invest more to enroll in the MySSS Pension Booster," Macasaet said.

Macasaet told them that by making retirement their top priority early on, they can ensure they have ample time to reach their retirement goals, adding, "Now is the best time to start building your retirement fund with the help of SSS." Macasaet urged members to take control of their retirement planning by utilizing the MySSS Pension Booster program, which supplements members' savings to enhance the retirement benefit they can get under the Regular SSS Program. "The MySSS

Pension Booster is not just an ordinary retirement savings plan. It's a safe, convenient, and tax-free investment opportunity that allows you to earn income from your contributions. By participating, you can attain your savings goal, ensuring a comfortable retirement," Macasaet said.

SSS Vice President for Benefits Administration Joy A. Villacorta said that the MySSS Pension Booster consists of mandatory and voluntary schemes.

Villacorta said that the mandatory scheme automatically enrolls SSS members contributing to the Regular SSS Program. It gives an opportunity to save more beyond the threshold.

"Rest assured, your contributions and earnings to the MySSS Pension Booster are in safe hands. As a member of this program, you will have your account managed by the SSS, where we will place your contributions and interest earnings. Your MySSS Pension Booster contributions for the mandatory scheme are paid together with your regular SSS contributions," Villacorta explained. Villacorta said that the voluntary scheme, on the other hand, requires interested SSS members

to enroll in the savings plan through their My.SSS account. Those applying for the issuance of a Social Security (SS) Number may also enroll in the program already by accepting the terms and conditions.

"For as low as P500 per payment in the voluntary scheme of MySSS Pension Booster, members can add to their savings which grows over time. It's a flexible scheme as members may contribute any amount, with the maximum based on limits set by our collection partners," Villacorta said.

Villacorta said that for urgent cash needs, they can withdraw their total contributions including its investment earnings because SSS allows partial or full withdrawal of their savings in the program. "However, we encourage you to stay in the program for at least five years to maximize the potential earnings on your savings," Villacorta emphasized.

She added that for those who want to use their savings in the program to augment their retirement funds, they have the option to get their total contributions plus interest when they get their retirement, total disability or death benefits from the Regular SSS Program, which is also tax-free.

PGC gears up for SGLG << P1

Leading the DILG-Cavite team was the Project Manager, LGOO VI Charmaine R. Lopez, together with SGLG Focal Person LGOO III Nina Norisa Maranga, and the rest of the validators composed of LGOO V Ramon V. Nedic, LGOO III Beverly Villaruel, LGOO III Alice Bay, and Engr. Earl Buna.

The PGC team, on the other hand, was led by OIC-Provincial Administrator Rodel Vincent Bae who also gave his welcome message

emphasizing PGC's tenacity and willingness to take on the challenge as part of the commitment to public service excellence. Ms. Anne Minette Dastas, PGC SGLG Focal Person acknowledged all the participants joining the activity. The assessment covered different governance areas including Financial Administration and Sustainability, Disaster Preparedness, Social Protection and Responsiveness, Sustainable Education,

Business-friendliness and Competitiveness, Safety, Peace and Order, Environmental Management, Tourism, Heritage Development, Culture and Arts, and Youth Development. This was done through document review and onsite visit for areas requiring a check on infrastructures and other means of verification.

Feedbacks were provided by the assessment team during the exit conference with inputs to better enhance

the documentation, followed by action planning for the succeeding validation to be conducted by the regional validators of the DILG.

In closing, Ms. Haydee Sy, Deputy Chief-of-Staff of the Office of the Provincial Governor delivered her message of appreciation to the entire PGC team for the commendable efforts in preparing for the SGLG provincial assessment and hopes for the positive turnout in the upcoming regional validation.

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Pride radiates colorful energy in Cavite

Honoring the vibrancy of all colors across the province, the Provincial Government of Cavite, through the Office of the Provincial Social Welfare and Development Officer, officially held the Provincial Pride Month Celebration at the Provincial Gymnasium, Trece Martires City, on May 30, 2024.

The program started off with Mr. Alvin S. Mojica – Provincial Administrator for Community Affairs, Mr. Cyrus Cruzat – Provincial LGBTQIA Federation President, Ms. Precyl Ramos – OPSWDO Officer in Charge, and Hon. Romel Enriquez – 1st District Board Member and Committee Chair on Social Services, Family, Women, Children and Elderly gracing the event and conveying their ardent joy and appreciation to all who have shown support for the Pride. Above all that, PA Mojica and BM Enriquez assured the LGBTQIA+ community of the consistent support and assistance of the PGC, led by Cavite Governor Jonvic Remulla, to the advocacy, initiatives and projects for the betterment of the said community.

Additionally, as part of the celebration, a Career Fair Caravan was arranged with the help of the Office of the Provincial Public Employment Service Manager, headed by Ms. Rizalie Eno, to which Ms. Precyl Ramos thanked for giving the colorful community the opportunity to shine brighter. “Sa lahat po ng mga korporasyon at mga kompanya na narito para i-engage natin ang atin pong mga kapatid from the LGBT community, maraming salamat po” she expressed. Likewise, free HIV testing was offered by the Office of the Provincial Health Officer represented by Ms. Haydelisa Maderazo.

Consequently, Ms. Kimberly Mae Dimaranan led the zumba dance as an energizer to keep the enthusiasm of the attendees and participants burning.

The second part of the program was filled with rainbows, as six LGBTQIA+ entrants, composed of federations from General Emilio Aguinaldo, General Mariano Alvarz, Trece Martires City, Maragondon, Amadeo, and Bacoor, flaunted their talents in the 2024 Festival of Colors Competition.

Mr. King David Agreda, Mr. Ryann Buban, and Mr. Richard Lumandas were invited to be judges of the competition.

After all the energetic performances, Trece Martires City Pride stood out and took home the Champion title. Maragon-



don Pride secured the 1st Place, while the Bacoor Pride landed on the 2nd Place. Special awards were also given – Best Theme for the contestant of Maragondon and Best in Costume for GMA.

The Provincial Celebration of Colors and Pride reflects

the commitment of the PGC in recognizing gender diversity and sensitivity, accepting the LGBTQIA+ community.

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CITY OF IMUS, CAVITE**

HOME DEVELOPMENT MUTUAL FUND (PAG-IBIG FUND), Mortgagee,
-versus-
EXTRA-JUDICIAL FORECLOSURE OF REAL ESTATE MORTGAGE UNDER ACT 3135 AS AMENDED BY ACT 4118

MARLON Q MELORIN married to **MARIANIE S. MELORIN,** Mortgagees.
X-----X
FC CASE No. 19019-24

NOTICE OF EXTRA-JUDICIAL SALE

Upon extra-judicial petition for sale under Act 3135 as amended by Act 4118 filed by **HOME DEVELOPMENT MUTUAL FUND (PAG-IBIG FUND),** mortgagee, with principal place of business at The Petron Mega Plaza Building, No. 358 Sen. Gil Puyat Avenue, Makati City, against **MARLON Q MELORIN** married to **MARIANIE S. MELORIN,** mortgagors, with residential and postal address at Near Baptist Church, Bahayang Pag-Asa Ph.3 BNT Imus, Cavite and/or Lot 12, Blk. 15 Greenplace Homes 1 Barrio of Malagasang-2, Imus, Cavite, to satisfy the mortgage indebtedness which as of April 17, 2024 amounts to SEVEN HUNDRED SIXTY TWO THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED NINETY PESOS AND 22/100 (Php762,890.22), Philippine Currency, including interest and penalties, but excluding attorney's fees, sheriff's fees and all other charges incidental to this foreclosure and sale, the undersigned will sell at public auction on **July 16, 2024 at 10:00 o'clock in the morning** or soon thereafter at the main entrance of the Office of the Clerk of Court, RTC-Imus Hall of Justice, Aguinaldo Highway, Imus City, Cavite to the highest bidder for CASH and in Philippine Currency, the following property with all improvements therein, to wit:

TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE No. 057-2013024980

“A PARCEL OF LAND (LOT 12 BLK. 15 OF THE CONS. AND SUBD. PLAN PCS-04-024772, BEING A PORTION OF THE CONS. OF BLOCK 12, PSD-04-199624 LOT 1873, IMUS ESTATE, L.R.C. REC. NO. 8843) SITUATED IN BARRIO OF MALAGASANG-2, MUN. OF IMUS, PROVINCE OF CAVITE, ISLAND OF LUZON. BOUNDED ON THE SW., ALONG LINE 1-2 BY LOT 11, BLK. 15; ON THE NW., ALONG LINE 2-3 BY LOT 14, BLK. 15; ON THE NE., ALONG LINE 3-4 BY ROAD LOT 9 AND ON THE SE., ALONG LINE 4-1 BY LOT 10, BLK. 15 ALL OF THE CONS. AND SUBD PLAN. X X X CONTAINING AN AREA OF THIRTY-SIX (36) SQUARE METERS, MORE OR LESS. X X X.”

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

In the event the public auction should not take place on the said date, it shall be held on **July 23, 2024 at 10:00 o'clock in the morning** without further notice.

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

City of Imus, Cavite, Philippines, May 23, 2024

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SPS. JOSEPH SHIEREL C. BENOSA AND MARISSA C. BENOSA, Mortgagees.
X-----X

**Foreclosure No. 2024-91
For: Extra-Judicial Foreclosure of Real Estate Mortgage**

NOTICE OF EXTRA JUDICIAL FORECLOSURE

Upon Extra-judicial Petition for Sale under Act 3135 as Amended by Act 4118 filed by the mortgagee, **BDO UNIBANK, INC.** at 11th Floor BDO Towers Valero, 8741 Paseo de Roxas, Salcedo Village, Makati City, and against the mortgagors, **SPS. JOSEPH SHIEREL C. BENOSA AND MARISSA C. BENOSA** at Block 4 Lot 25 Avida Residences Electra, Sta. Catalina, Brgy. Salawag, Dasmariñas, Cavite and Block 2 Lot 46 Camella Cerritos Terraces, Brgy. Molino, Bacoor, Cavite, to satisfy the mortgage indebtedness which as of May 31, 2024 amounts to FIVE MILLION TWO HUNDRED SIXTY SIX THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED SIXTY PESOS & 76/100 (P5,266,560.76), Philippine Currency, inclusive of interest and penalty charges but exclusive of other fees incidental to this foreclosure, the undersigned or her duly authorized representative will sell at the public auction on **July 18, 2024 at 10:00 o'clock in the morning** or soon thereafter, at the main entrance of the Hall of Justice of Bacoor City, Cavite, to the highest bidder for CASH and in Philippine Currency, the following described property with all the improvements thereon, to wit:

**TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. (057-2015026119)
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All sealed bid must be submitted to the undersigned on the above stated time and date.

In the event the public auction should not take place on the said date, it shall be held on July 25, 2024, without further notice.

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

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Drum and Bell corps << P1

The Philippines Inc. The competition saw enthusiastic participation from 14 marching bands hailing from various regions including Bicol, Laguna, Cavite, Quezon City, Camarines Norte, Isabela, Bulacan, Rizal, and Caloocan.

The competition was divided into four categories: Junior Class A and Junior Class B for elementary schools, and Senior Class A and Senior Class B for open class participants. The performing bands showcased their talents in an array of impressive routines. The winners of the competition were: Class A Elementary:

1st place – San Gabriel 1 Elementary School

Class B Elementary: 1st place – Partida Elementary School

Class A Open: 1st place – WMP

Class B Open: 1st place – Jose Panganiban Elementary School

The event concluded with the awarding ceremony, where winners were honored for their outstanding performances, leaving a lasting impression on all attendees. The success of this event marks another milestone in the city's rich tradition of supporting the arts and local talent.

Habagat Easterlies to bring << P1

Services Administration (PAGASA) said habagat will cause scattered rain showers and thunderstorms over Palawan while scattered rain showers and thunderstorms due to the easterlies will prevail over Eastern Visayas, Caraga and Davao Region.

Those areas are likely to experience moderate to heavy rains that may result in flash floods or landslides, PAGASA said.

PAGASA, meanwhile, said habagat will also bring isolated rain showers or thunderstorms over Metro Manila, Ilocos Region, Batanes, Babuyan Islands, Zambales, Bataan, Cavite, Batangas, Occidental

Mindoro, and Oriental Mindoro. Isolated rain showers caused by localized thunderstorms will prevail over the rest of the archipelago. The whole country will experience light to moderate winds and slight to moderate winds.

PAGASA forecaster Obet Badrina said they are expecting habagat will continue causing rains over the next few days. Thunderstorms are likely in the afternoon or evening.

He also said no tropical cyclone was seen to affect the country and that there is a slim chance for a tropical cyclone to develop or enter the country this week. (PNA)



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Capability building seminar for coops held in Cavite

On May 30, 2024, a breakthrough seminar titled "Capacity Building Seminar for Cooperatives: Orientation on Intellectual Property" was organized by the Office of the Provincial Cooperatives Development Officer (OPCDO) in collaboration with the Intellectual Property Office of the Philippines (IPOP/PHL), to strengthen the capability and competitiveness of cooperatives in Cavite. The program was supported by collaborations with the Union of Enterprising Cooperatives, the PAMANA Development Cooperative Federation, and the IMUST Cooperative Federation.

The warm welcome from Mr. Alvin S. Mojica, Provincial Administrator for Community Affairs, set the tone for an insightful session ahead. Following this, Ms. Avelina Lopez, Chairperson of the IMUST Cooperative Federation, delivered the opening remarks, underlining the significance of the seminar in equipping cooperatives with essential knowledge on intellectual property rights.

In a brief but powerful speech, Mr. Wilfredo Noel, Chair of the PAMANA Development Cooperative Federation, emphasized the importance of intellectual property knowledge for cooperatives and how it may improve their competitiveness and sustainability in the marketplace.

The highlight of the seminar was a presentation by the resource speaker from IPOP/PHL, Mr. Joel C. Caalaman, IP Field Operations Specialist and Account Manager for Intellectual Property Satellite Office (ITSO). Mr. Caalaman explained the importance of ITSO in helping cooperatives navigate the complexities of protecting their cooperative name and brand. His enlightening speech clarified the many aspects of intellectual property laws and how they affect cooperative businesses.

After the talk, cooperative members had the opportunity to connect with the speaker and discuss relevant intellectual property concerns in an interactive open forum. Participants



also got a chance to have a close look at the ITSO system and use it to verify the availability and sustainability of their cooperative names and trademarks. The session concluded with words of challenge and concluding remarks by Ms. Fe Regielyn S. Catibayan, Executive Director of the Union of Enterprising Cooperatives. Her closing remarks captured the heart of the event, asking cooperative leaders and members to use what they learned to strengthen their organizations and navigate the ever-changing world of intellectual property rights.

In essence, the Capacity Building Seminar for Cooperatives served as a critical platform for providing cooperative firms with the information and resources they needed to protect their intellectual assets and support long-term growth in Cavite's thriving cooperative sector.

PGC's conducts Operation Tuli in Tres Cruces



On June 6, 2024, the Cavite provincial government successfully carried out another round of the Operation Tuli Program in Barangay Tres Cruces, Tanza, Cavite. This initiative aimed to promote health and hygiene to qualified young adolescent boys.

During the event, medical health professionals from General Emilio Aguinaldo Memorial Hospital (GEAMH) and Tanza Rural Health Unit (RHU) provided their services to 121 young males who availed of the free circumcision. In addition to the procedure, the beneficiaries received free antibiotics, pain relievers, and mosquito repellent lotion from OPG staff, to aid in their recovery and overall health.

The program's success was credited to the collaborative efforts of Barangay Chairperson Eduard G. Toledo, local officials, medical health practitioners, and staff. Their combined efforts ensured that the event ran smoothly and effectively, providing necessary medical services to the community.

Bacoor City engages in Korean Government Investment Plans

A significant meeting was convened at the SBR Conference Room on June 10, 2024, organized by the Office of The Mayor, to explore Korean government investment plans for Bacoor City.

Led by Mayor Strike B. Revilla, the Bacoor LGU delegation, including Atty. Paul Sangalan and other officials, engaged in discussions with key participants. Representatives from RMS Consultant – Resilience Management Solutions, namely David Lee, Jean Youmi, Sung Junwong, and Jung Na Youn, were present. Additionally, the Korea Overseas Infrastruc-



ture & Urban Development Corp. (KIND) was represented by Park Nojun and David Lee.

The primary aim of the meeting was to discuss plans that could benefit Bacoor with the support of the Korean Government, particularly focusing on the SMART CITY initiative of Bacoor. Funding was provided to advance this initiative, showcasing a collaborative effort towards the city's development and progress.

PGC holds career caravan in Mendez

As the provincial government continues its pursuit of providing better future to young Caviteño hopefuls, the Office of the Provincial Public Employment Service Manager (OPPESM), under the supervision of Ms. Rizalie Enero, goes to Mendez, Cavite on June 07, 2024 for another leg of Cavite Career Caravan giving Mendezeños a range of employment opportunities for growth and development. The program served 48 applicants who sought for better careers in the 26 participating companies. Likewise, eight national government agencies were present to provide services for those who are planning to join the corporate world. Mendez Mayor Francisco Mendoza, Jr., graced the program, conveying his utmost gratitude to Governor Jonvic Remulla and Vice Governor Athena Tolentino for bringing the said program in their municipality and giving his constituents the opportunity to connect with various companies and employers. "Kami po ay taos pusong nagpapasalamat dahil hindi ninyo nakakalimutan ang bayan ng Mendez para sa ganitong mga programa. Sana ay malaking porsyento ng mga nag-aaply ngayon ay matanggap ng iba't ibang kompanya dito sa Cavite." Eight aspiring individuals were hired on-the spot, while others are continuing with the application procedures.