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# CALABARZON RDP 2023-2028 Roadshow kicks off in Cavite

#### **Fewer party-list** groups eyed in 2025 elections

The Commission on Elections (Comelec) eyeing a shorter list of partylist groups participating in the May 2025 elections.

Comelec Chairman George Garcia said the poll body wants to cut down the number of groups who would be fielding bets in the party-list system to around 130 starting in next year's elections.

A total of 177 party-list organizations participated in the May 2022 polls. But Garcia said the Comelec

The province of Cavite played host to the first provincial roadshow of the CALABARZON Regional Development Plan (RDP) 2023-2028 on April 23, 2024 at the International Convention Center of Cavite State University (CvSU) - Indang Campus. Spearheaded by >> P2 the National Economic and Development Authority Regional Office IV-A in partnership with the Provincial Government of Cavite and CVSU, the event gathered various stakeholders in the aim to improve

#### **Passport on Wheels brings** convenience to Caviteños

In a move to make passport application more accessible and convenient for Caviteños, the Office of the Provincial Public Employment Service Manager (OPPESM), in collaboration with the Department of Foreign Affairs (DFA), launched the Passport on Wheels event on April 26, 2024, at SM City Trece Martires. The initiative aimed to streamline the passport application process and cater to the needs of over 400 eager applicants.

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## DA provides P2.16-B aid to El Niño-hit farmers, fishers



EL NIÑO AID. Agriculture Assistant Secretary Arnel de Mesa reports the country has logged agriculture damage of PHP4.39 billion due to the El Niño phenomenon, during the inter-agency briefing on Monday (April 29, 2024). De Mesa said the Department of Agriculture provided PHP2.16 billion worth of interventions to affected farmers and fishers. (Screengrab)

The Department of Agriculture (DA) on Monday said it has distributed PHP2.16 billion >> P2 worth of aid and intervention to farmers and

# **Cavite committed to sustain Malaria-Free status**

With its commitment towards a healthier and Malaria-free province, the Office of the Provincial Health Officer (OPHO) marked the Provincial Celebration of World Malaria Day on April 25, 2024 at the Cavite Collaboration Center for Public Health, Trece Martires City. The event, with the theme "Advancing Health Equity, Gender Equality and Human Rights in the Fight Against Malaria", was attended by representatives from different health units in Cavite. The short program commenced



#### **Economists bat for more infra support for Calabarzon** biz expansion

in the Economists government and academe agreed that Calabarzon Region's stature as a manufacturing hub is poised for further growth but they pointed out that more interventions are needed to support the expansion of production activities as well as the movement of goods and raw materials.

The Philippine Statistics



CRUCIAL INFRASTRUCTURE. Economists said more projects supporting manufacturing activities are needed to further spur forward Calabarzon's economy. The Cavite-Laguna Expressway (CALAX) was singled out as a big contributor to the seamless transport of goods. (Photo courtesy of Metro Pacific Tollways Corp.)

#### Medical, Dental Mission in Brgy. Javalera serves hundreds of constituents

Another round of free health services was conducted by the provincial government led by the office of the Provincial Governor, in collaboration with medical and dental practitioners from the Office of the Provincial Health Officer (OPHO). The efforts of local officials and staff headed by Punong Barangay Teddy Romero together with barangay health workers brought essential healthcare services to the doorstep of Brgy. Javalera, Gen. Trias City, on April 25, 2024. Despite the scorching heat, the medical and dental mission witnessed an overwhelming response

#### **EDITORYAL**

# **MAYO UNO, TAAS SUWELDO NAMAN!**

Mayo 1, 2024. Labor Day. Araw ng mga Manggagawa. Holiday, o walang pasok ang mga eskwelahan at mga tanggapan sa buong bansa.

Sa iba't ibang lugar, may mga isinasagawangt Jobs Fair, programa, at kung minsan ay protesta/ rally ng labor sector.

Isang grupo ng mga laborers sa isang planta ang nagtanong, "Mayroon po ba tayong dapat ipagdiwang ngayon? WALA. Kasi, araw-araw tumataas ang presyo ng mga bilihin, gasolina, kuryente at kung anu-ano pa, pero ang aming SU-WELDO ay nananatili sa minimum na P400?"

"Taas-sweldo naman sana," sabad ng isang kasamahan, na palagi umanong PRESYON ang tumaas sa kanila.

Samantala, nitong nakalipas na lingo lamang ay may mga nag-panukala at tila nais nilang pagtibayin ng Pangulong Marcos na gawing P750 ang minimum wage ng mga manggagawa sa buong

Makatuwiran umano ito dahil sa patuloy napagtaas ng presyo ng mga serbisyo at mga pangunahing bilihin. Ang mga bagay na ito umano, ayon naman sa nakakaunawa ng wastong proseso, ay nararapat daw na isabatas at pagtibayin ng Kongreso, at marahil naman ay lalagdaan ng Pan-

Makatuwiran naman marahil ang kahilingan o ang panukalang ito sapagkat kung walang mga manggagawa, hindi magkakaroon ng produksyon at walang kikitain ang mga Negosyo at kumpanya.

Marahil, magrereklamo rin ang mga iyan at ikakatuwiran na malulugi sila, hindi kakayanin at malamang magsara na lang.

Kahit umano magsara sila, hindi naman sila magugutom dahil pinayaman na sila ng kanilang mga manggagawa na siyang magdurusa at magugutom tiyak.

#### BALUKTOT NA KATUWIRAN.

Sa pagkakataong ito, nawa ay maging makatao sila. Ang manggagawa ang kanilang lakas at dapat na isipin din ang kapakanan ng mga ito upang patuloy na makakapagtrabaho at manatiling maunlad at produktibo ang mga Negosyo at kumpanya.

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# Senate panel tackles preservation, enhancement of PH culture, heritage

The Senate Committee on Culture and Arts chaired by Senate President Pro Tempore Loren Legarda on Tuesday opened discussions on 32 bills seeking to establish key cultural institutions, declare national heritage zones, and safeguard diverse traditions, languages, arts, and practices that shaped the Filipino identity.

In her opening statement, Legarda stressed that the Philippines' cultural heritage, influenced by colonization, indigenous traditions, neighboring cultures, and global interactions, reflects the resilience and creativity of the Filipino people.

"While governmental bodies such as the National Commission for Culture and the Arts, the National Historical Commission of the Philippines, and those represented here today play important roles in this endeavor, we recognize that the preservation of Filipino culture is a collaborative effort. It requires active engagement from communities, robust educational initiatives, and acknowledgment on the global platform," she said "Through these proposed laws, coupled with efficient and effective implementation, we endeavor to cultivate, protect, and uphold the invaluable treasures of Filipino arts and culture, ensuring that they remain accessible, adequately utilized, and valued for generations to come." Among the proposed measures are Senate Bill (SB) No. 2365 and House Bill No. 7986, or the Solemn Declaration of Philippine Independence declaring August 1 of each year a special working holiday to honor and remember the historic moment when the declaration of Philippine Independence was proclaimed during the Bacoor Assembly in Bacoor, Cavite on August 1, 1898.

"Ito ay pagkilala at pasasalamat sa mga sakrispisyo ng mga magigiting na Pilipinong tumindig at lumaban para sa ating bayan (This is a recognition and gratitude for the sacrifices of the brave Filipinos who stood up and fought for our country)," Senator Ramon Revilla Jr., who filed the Senate version, said in his opening statement.

SB 1523, which seeks to preserve the Indigenous Sports and Games of the Philippines, and SB 1270 or the Protection, preservation, conservation and promotion of the "Baybayin" script, were also tackled by the panel.

"Kalayaan, Kasaysayan at Kultura - ito ay mga batayan ng ating pagka-Pilipino. At habang tayo ay nagpupunyaging pangalagaan at itaguyod ang mga ito, patuloy ding buong tapang na wawagayway ang bandila sa luntiang pangakong bayan (Freedom, History and Culture - these are the foundations of our Filipino identity. And as we strive to preserve and promote them, the flag of a verdant promised land will continue to bravely beckon)," Revilla said. Both Legarda and Revilla consider the proposed measures as crucial for protecting and preserving Philippine culture, ensuring that future generations can continue to celebrate and connect with their heritage. (PNA)

## D.A. provides P2.16-B aid to << P1

fishers affected by the El Niño effects. He said (PCIC) worth El Niño phenomenon. "Kasama po rito iyong (This includes the) PHP1.065 billion worth of rice farmers financial assistance. Ito iyong PHP5,000 na ipinamahagi natin sa mga magsasaka ng di tataas sa dalawang ektarya (This is the PHP5,000 worth of assistance distributed to farmers of lands not exceeding 2 hectares)," DA Assistant Secretary Arnel de Mesa said during the inter-agency briefing on

they also distributed farm inputs including seeds and fertilizers worth PHP638 million, as well as PHP295 million allocation for smallscale irrigation projects.

In terms of the Survival and Recovery (SURE) aid loan program, the DA provided PHP77.5 million to 3,100 farmers while some 7,322 farmers benefited from the indemnification from the Philippine Crop Insurance Corporation

million. Other interventions include the distribution of livestock animals, provision of alternative livelihood projects for fishers, and cloud seeding operations, among others.

De Mesa, meanwhile, said the validated agricultural damage nationwide is now worth PHP4.39 billion, with Occidental Mindoro and Palawan provinces, being the hardest hit areas. "Hardest hit, ang Mimaropa (Mindoro,

Romblon, Marinduque, and Palawan) at PHP1.7 billion and then followed by Western Visayas at PHP1.02 billion," he said.

To date, 11 regions nationwide are affected including the Ilocos region, Cagayan Valley, Central Luzon, Calabarzon (Cavite, Laguna, Batangas, Rizal, Quezon), Mimaropa, Bicol Region, Western Visayas, Zamboanga Peninsula. Davao region, Soccsksargen. (PNA)

# Passport on wheels brings << P1

The event provided a onestop-shop for individuals seeking to obtain or renew their passports. It eliminated the need for residents to travel long distances to DFA offices, saving them time and effort in the application process. The Passport on Wheels brought the services

directly to the community, ensuring that more people could avail themselves of this essential document without inconvenience. Applicants were able to complete the necessary requirements onsite, including document verification, data encoding, and biometric capturing. The

presence of DFA personnel and OPPESM staff facilitated a smooth and efficient processing experience.

partnership The between OPPESM and DFA exemplifies a collaborative effort to improve public service delivery. By bringing government services closer

to the people, initiatives like Passport on Wheels contribute significantly to enhancing accessibility and convenience. The approach aligns with the government's goal of promoting efficiency and responsiveness serving the needs of the people.--- OPIO

## Fewer party-list group << P1

wants a shorter list to ensure that only the most qualified groups can run.

"Hopefully, we can reduce the number of partylist groups to just around 130... so that it will really be representative of the truly marginalized and in a radio interview over the weekend.

He said the commission also wants to avoid a lengthy official ballot for the midterm elections.

The Comelec would be imposing stringent rules

underrepresented," Garcia in the accreditation of new party-list groups to reduce the number of participating organizations in elections, he added.

or less 200 applicants," Garcia

noted. Of the total number of applicants, only 17 have so far been accredited.

Only organized groups duly registered with the "We have already Comelec and have filed the dismissed 130 (petitions for Manifestation of Intent to registration) out of the more Participate may join the party-list elections next year.

#### **CALABARZON RDP 2023-2028 << P1**

public awareness, support and participation in the regional and provincial level development plans.

The CALABARZON RDP 2023-2028 is the regional counterpart of the Philippine Development serves Plan and CALABARZON's blueprint development 2028. Ms. Revy Ann Grace Jolongbayan, OIC Chief Economic Development Specialist, NEDA IV-A, further explained that the RDP is a six-year investment programming document which contains priority programs and projects for the region. It also serves as an instrument to monitor targets and commitments, and a reference document

to channel resources. For the provincial level, Cavite has its Provincial Development and Physical Framework Plan (PDPFP). These plans assessed the socio-economic performance of key sectors in the economy as well as the development challenges, and identified the targets, strategies and legislative agenda to attain economic and social transformation prosperous, towards inclusive and resilient region and province. Governor Jonvic Remulla noted Cavite as one the fast-developing provinces in the country with its vibrant economy strategic location. Nevertheless, the governor pointed out that geography alone does not spell the province's success adding that its strength lies in its people. He describes the integration of people coming in from the different parts of the country as high breed vigor which propels the development in the province. He also shared the current and upcoming development projects that will further the bolster province's economy including the major road infrastructures, heightened peace and order, better education and other innovations. NEDA Regional Director Agnes Tolentino emphasized that the RDP is not the plan of NEDA alone but is a product of a multistakeholder assessment target-setting; and encouraged the participants

to take part in ensuring that the programs are implemented, and strategies are carried out to see the realization of the shared vision for progress.

A short but insightful talk show during the program elicited ideas and recommendations the participants and the panelists composed of Board Members Shernan Jaro and Irene Bencito, and Engr. Lorna Leyran from the PGC, Ms. Agnes Nuestro and Engr. Orlando Delos Reves from CvSU, Ternate Mayor Lamberto Bambao, and RD Agnes Tolentino for NEDA IV-A. Among the areas tackled were agriculture and food security, education and employment, to name a few.

# ATI, DP World to help new Cavite ecozone into world class facility



a smart and world-class facil-

World inaugurated on Thursday the Tanza Container Terminal Inc. (TCTI) located trial Estates - Special Eco-Barangay Calibuyo in Tanza, Cavite.

"(T)he four-hectare facility features a concrete container yard, docking facilities with harbor cranes support-

#### The Asian Terminal, Inc. ed by reach-stackers, loaders, and internal transfer vehicles (ATI) and Dubai-based lo- among other necessary equipment," the Philippine Economgistics firm DP World target ic Zone Authority (PEZA) shared in its statement Thursday. to turn a newly registered "TCTI will be directly linked to the Manila South Harbor economic zone in Cavite into through barges, which increases the efficiency of container transfers and reducing land traffic in the region," it added. PEZA told reporters in a Viber message that the TCTI costs This, as ATI and DP PHP2 billion and has an annual capacity of 100,000 twenty-foot equivalent units (TEUs) and a static capacity of 2,500

With ATI and DP World's project inside the MIE-SEZ, inside the MetroCas Indus- the ecozone's developer MetroCas Properties, Inc. eyes the facility to be a self-sustaining ecozone, having a self-use port nomic Zone (MIE-SEZ) in facility and a township project. PEZA and MetroCas signed the registration agreement last April 17, with the latter eyeing to invest PHP500 million to develop the MIE-SEZ.

"With this registration agreement signing comes the fruition of innovative and exemplary ideas of MetroCas Properties Inc., as well as technological advancements dedicated to bringing forth waves of economic growth and development for the country," PEZA Director General Tereso Panga said.

# **Economist bat for more << P1**

Authority (PSA) reported around and deliver goods that the value of the fiveprovince region's economy breached the PHP3-trillion barrier in 2023.

Calabarzon maintained its position as the second-largest contributor to the gross domestic product (GDP), accounting for 14.7 percent last year.

Only the National Region (NCR) Capital contributed more, accounting for 31.2 percent of the final tally in 2023.

However, Calabarzon narrowly missed its 6 to 7 percent gross regional domestic product (GRDP) target last year, growing by a still-respectable 5.2 percent.

In an interview on Friday, Roberto Galang, Jr., dean at Ateneo de Manila's John Gokongwei School of Management, said more resources must be spent towards developing critical infrastructure that support manufacturing operations in

Specifically, he suggested that Calabarzon's air and seaports and its network of highways be further enhanced to ensure seamless transportation of products.

"The CALAX (Cavite-Laguna Expressway) project is designed to make activities saw a 14.8 percent it easier for trucks to go growth,

to the ports. They need to enhance connectivity and productivity of Batangas Port," he told the Philippine News Agency.

"Calabarzon is the industrial hub of the Philippines. It hosts many of our economic zones. A lot of our local manufacturing capacity is there, especially in Cavite, Laguna and Batangas. So if this region falls short, then that may mean a slowdown in manufacturing growth," Galang noted.

Meanwhile, Agnes Tolentino, regional director of the National Economic and Development Authority (NEDA), said that key government initiatives topbilled by the continued expansion of economic zones, various export promotion activities and even the Small Enterprises Technology Upgrading Program will play crucial roles in driving the region's

Calabarzon's tourism sector flourished, with 29.17 million tourists recorded in 2023, thanks to initiatives like the Department of Tourism's Philippine Experience Program, she added.

Also, construction

**Cavite committed** 

to sustain << P1

government projects like the Pambansang Pabahay Para sa Pilipino program, Tolentino further reported.

The NEDA official explained that while there has been strong emphasis on the industrial side of Calabarzon's progress, the government has also lined up projects to boost the suboptimal performance of the region's agricultural sector.

These projects include the Kaliwa Dam Project, also called the New Centennial Water Supply Project, which is envisioned to irrigate farms in the region even through droughts.

challenges, "Despite Calabarzon remains optimistic about its economic future, with proposed projects focused infrastructure social sector development. Collaboration among stakeholders is crucial to achieving the targeted GRDP growth rate," Tolentino emphasized. (PNA)

## Medical, Dental Mission << P1

from the community, with repellent 309 constituents availing themselves of the services offered. Among beneficiaries, 259 received medical consultations, addressing a range of health concerns, while 50 individuals underwent dental extractions, improving their oral health. Additionally, free eye check-ups, prescription

provided to the community.

The event's success highlights the dedication and commitment of all parties involved in serving the community's basic health needs. Through collaborative endeavor, vital healthcare services, were made accessible, contributing to the overall well-being of the medicines, and mosquito residents of Brgy. Javalera.

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

HOME DEVELOPMENT MUTUAL FUND (PAG-IBIG FUND)

Petitioner/Mortgagee,

-versus-

SPS. AUGUST F. BAGAFORO married to LIGAYA A. BAGAFORO, August F. Bagaforo is represented by Ligaya A. Bagaforo. as his Attorney-in-fact,

Respondents/Mortgagors.

File NO. FC-DC-1301-24 For: Extra-Judicial Foreclosure of Real Estate Mortgage under Act No.

3135 as amended by Act No. 4118

**NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE** 

Upon extra-judicial petition for sale under Act No. 3135, as amended by Act 4118 filed by the petitioner/mortgagee, HOME DEVELOPMENT MUTUAL FUND (PAG-IBIG FUND), a government financial institution duly organized and existing under and by virtue of Republic Act. No. 9679, with postal address at The Petron Mega Plaza Building No. 358 Sen. Gil Puyat Avenue, Makati City, against the respondents/mortgagors, SPS. AUGUST F. BAGAFORO married to LIGAYA A. BAGAFORO, August F. Bagaforo is herein represented by his Attorney-in-fact, Ligaya A. Bagaforo, with postal address Lot 13, Blk. 8, St., Joseph Village Ph. 1, Langgam San Pedro Laguna; Lot 22, Block 14, St. Joseph Ridgeview, Paliparan, Dasmariñas City, Cavite and for the satisfaction of the mortgaged debt which as of 20 March 2024 amounts to SIX HUNDRED EIGHTY FIVE THOUSAND FOUR HUNDRED TWENTY THREE PESOS & 94/100 (Php 685,423.94), exclusive of legal fees and expenses incidental to this foreclosure and sale, the undersigned Sheriff will sell at public auction on June 7, 2024 at 10:00 o'clock in the morning or soon thereafter in the Court Room of Branch 90, Regional Trial Court, Ground Floor, Dasmariñas Community Affairs (DASCA) Building, Congressional Road, Burol 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. 057-2015047547

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

A parcel of land (Lot 22, Blk. 14 of the subdivision plan, PSD-

04-218531, being a portion of Lot 5732-C-2, PSD-042109-062503, LRC Rec. No. 8813), situated in the Barrio of Paliparan, Municipality of Dasmariñas, Province of Cavite, Island of Luzon. Bounded on the NE., along line 1-2 by Lot 5; Blk. 14; on the SE., along line 2-3 by Lot 23, Blk. 14; on the SW., along line 3-4 by Road Lot 8; and on the NW., along line 4-1 by Lot 21, Blk. 14; all of the subdivision plan. Beginning at a point marked "1" on plan being S.09 Deg. 21'E., 663.06 m. from MON. No. 74, Imus Estate; Thence S. 66 Deg. 32'E., 6.00 m. to point 2; thence S. 23 Deg. 28'W., 10:00 m. to point 3; thence N. 66 Deg. 32'W., 6.00 m. to point 4; thence N. 23, Deg. 28'E., 10.00 m. to the point of beginning; containing an area of SIXTY (60) SQ. METERS more or less.

All points referred to are indicated on the plan and are marked on the ground by P.S. Cyl. Conc. Mons. 15x40 cms; bearings true; date of original survey July 27, 1905-June 12, 1908 and that of the subdivision survey: Aug. 1-15, 2010 and was approved on Jan. 27,

Prospective buyers and/or bidders are hereby enjoined to investigate for themselves the title of the said real property and the encumbrances 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 June 21, 2024 at the same time and place without further notice.

Dasmariñas City, Province of Cavite, April 26, 2024.

**GERALD A. FARGAS** Sheriff IV

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Malawig from DOH -

Infectious Diseases head, welcoming the participants 1-3-5 Strategy are the and instilling in their minds the importance of collective for the surveillance of, responsibility and action and guidelines in Malaria in safeguarding human health and eliminating Malaria disease and its life-threatening impacts. More so, Dr. Dotollo stated that the celebration was an opportunity to see the progress in addressing this global burden. Likewise, talks of Ms. Michelle hard work, and support Regional Office IV-A and control. The province of Mr. Raffy Macdonald from Cavite OPHO underscored free in 2005, and continues the strategies, preventive to take action in sustaining

with Dr. Armand Dotollo, Online Malaria Information System (OLMIS II) and implemented elimination. highlights were the Pledge of Commitment, through which the participants dedicated themselves to meaningful contribution in mitigating the threat of the disease; and the awarding of certificate for the efforts, of the agencies to malaria Cavite was declared Malariameasures, and prompt its status until the future response to Malaria. The generations.--- OPIO

# DOE: PH has over 4K MW new power supply in 2024

Department of Energy (DOE) Undersecretary Rowena Cristina Guevara said there are at least 4,164.92 megawatts of new power supply that will come online this year to address the growing electricity demand in the country.

In a virtual press briefing Thursday, Guevara said half of the new supply will come from solar power projects and the rest will come from conventional power infrastructure.

"To date, 161.2 MW of the 2024 committed projects are in full commercial operation while 835 MW are under test and commissioning. So, even though they are under test and commissioning, they are injecting power to the grid," she said.

Guevara said 4,030 MW of these projects are in Luzon, 80.25 MW in Visayas, and 52.50 MW in Mindanao.

The DOE expects that 1,224.66 MW will come online this quarter, 1,352.17

quarter, and 1,571.15 MW in the fourth quarter of the year.

Power plants with biggest committed capacities include the four units of 150 MW Mariveles Coal-Fired Power Plant, with total capacity of 600 MW, while the three units of 440 MW Batangas Combined Cyle Power Plant of Excellent Energy Resources Inc. (EERI) has a combined capacity of 1,320 MW.

The Mariveles power plant's Unit 1 commenced commercial operation last month, while the remaining three units are under testing and commissioning. They are expected to be on full commercial operations by the third quarter of 2024.

The EERI facility will come online by the last quarter of the year.

Guevara said at least 590 MW of battery energy storage system will also augment the supply this year, of which, 32.42 MW are already online.

She added the country's MW will come in the third power generation growth has surpassed economic expansion. "(It's) an 18 percent increase from the 2022 generation. If you look at our economic growth, which is 6 percent per year, we can show that the number of projects coming online in 2024 is greater than the expected economic growth of the country," the energy official said. In the same briefing, Electric Power Industry Management Bureau Assistant Director Luningning Baltazar reported that the Luzon grid has exceeded the peak demand forecast of 13,917 MW for this year on April 24.

On Wednesday, actual power demand reached 14,016 MW, or 99 MW higher than the forecast demand.

Also, the Luzon grid has not only surpassed the peak demand for this year but also exceeded the level at an earlier period.

Based on the DOE's demand projection for 2024, the peak power demand will be hit around Week 20 of



NEW SUPPLY. A solar power project of Aboitiz Power Corp. in this undated photo. The Department of Energy said on Thursday (April 25, 2024) that half of the new power supply coming online this year will come from solar power projects.

May. However, it was already exceeded during Week 17 of the year. DOE Assistant Secretary Mario Marisagan said the increasing temperature due to lingering effects of El Niño has pushed higher demand for electricity.

With the current situation, Guevara said yellow alerts in the Luzon grid will persist, with the possibility of red alerts until mid-May.

DOE Secretary Raphael Lotilla said the higher temperature due to El Niño is also causing further "stress" to power plants that could affect their operations. Lotilla

the year, or the third week of added the El Niño phenomenon poses many challenges not only in the energy sector but also other sectors. "It remains a challenge. If we look at the impact of El Niño—and the El Niño phenomenon has created problems not only in the energy, but also in agriculture, water, health, and

education. So these are indications of a natural calamity, and therefore the local government units in many areas have already declared such. So we are recognizing that as a fact," he said. "It's a calamity and we are responding to it as needed," the energy chief added. (PNA)

Republic of the Philippines **Fourth Judicial Region REGIONAL TRIAL COURT, Branch 19** 

**REGIONAL TRIAL COURT, Branch 114** City of Bacoor, Cavite

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IN THE MATTER OF CANCELLATION OF LEGAL **ENCUMBRANCE UNDER SEC. 7 of R.A. 26 ON** TRANSFER CERTIFICATE TITLE NO. (057-2011032782) 167-2016005354 OF THE REGISTRY OF DEEDS OF BACOOR CITY, CAVITE

LRC Case No. 8843-2024-28

#### SPS. RONNIE B. VILLAMOR and HAZEL D. VILLAMOR

Petitioners,

#### REGISTRY OF DEEDS BACOOR CITY, CAVITE Respondent.

#### **ORDER**

This is a petition filed by petitioners praying that after due notice, publication and hearing, a judgment be issued cancelling the annotation appearing in the third page of Transfer Certificate Title No. (057-2011032782) 167-2016005354 on the grounds alleged therein.

Finding the petition to be sufficient in form and substance, let the hearing be set on June 28, 2024 (Friday) at 1:30 in the afternoon, in this court, on which date and hour and place, any person interested is cited to appear and show cause why the same should not be granted.

Let this Order be published once a week for three (3) consecutive weeks in a general circulation in the Cities and Province of Cavite. Furnish the Office of the Clerk of Court — Bacoor City of this Notice for the raffle of newspaper.

The Sheriff of this court is ordered to post copies of this Order in three (3) conspicuous places in the City of Bacoor, where the subject property is situated, particularly in the main entrance of the City Hall Building of Bacoor, the Hall of Justice of Bacoor City and the Barangay where the property is located.

Furnish a copies of this Order and Petition to the Registry of Deed for the Province of Cavite and the City of Bacoor.

#### SO ORDERED.

IN CHAMBER. City of Bacoor, Cavite, March 20, 2024.

NIKKI ROSE DELA PEÑA ESPERANZA Assisting Judge

#### Copy Furnished:

Bacoor City, Cavite

1. Sps. Ronnie B. Villamor and Hazel D. Villamor (petitioners) - Blk. 9, Lot 13, Lawaan cor. Cedar Streets, Meadowood

Executive Village, Panapaan 8, Bacoor City, Cavite 2. Registry of Deeds - Bacoor City - Bacoor City Hall, Cavite

3. Registry of Deeds for Province of Cavite – Trece Martires 4. Office of the Clerk of Court - Bacoor City - Hall of Justice,

Southern Tagalog Herald Cavite April 21, 28 and May 5, 2024

REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES **FOURTH JUDICIAL REGION REGIONAL TRIAL COURT** OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF COURT DASMARIÑAS CITY, CAVITE

HOME DEVELOPMENT MUTUAL FUND (Otherwise known as Pag-IBIG Fund), Petitioner/Mortgagee,

-versus-

#### **EDGARDO BAGUNAS GARNACE, married to** JANE ALEJANDRIA GARNACE,

Respondent/Mortgagor.

File No. FC-DC-1323-24 **EXTRA JUDICIAL FORECLOSURE** OF REAL ESTATE MORTGAGE **UNDER ACT 3135. AS AMENDED BY ACT 4118** 

#### NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE

Upon extra-judicial petition for sale under Act 3135, as amended by Act 4118 filed by the petitioner/mortgagee, HOME DEVELOPMENT MUTUAL FUND (Otherwise known as Pag-IBIG Fund), a government financial institution duly organized and existing under and by virtue of Republic Act No. 9679, with postal address at The Petron Mega Plaza Building, No. 358 Sen. Gil Puyat Avenue, Makati City against respondent/mortgagor EDGARDO BAGUNAS GARNACE, married to JANE ALEJANDRIA GARNACE with postal addresses at #23 Josefina Cmpd., Santos Village, Pulang Lupa 2, Las Piñas City and Lot 6, PCS-04-006177, Blk. 48, Stockholm St., Summerwind Village 4, Bo. San Agustin, Dasmariñas City, Cavite and for the satisfaction of the mortgaged debt which as of March 26, 2024 amounts to SEVEN HUNDRED SEVENTEEN THOUSAND SIX HUNDRED FIFTY TWO PESOS & 61/100 (Php717,652.61), exclusive of all legal fees and expenses incidental to this foreclosure and sale, the undersigned Sheriff will sell at public auction on June 06, 2024 at 10:00 o'clock in the morning or soon thereafter in the Court Room of Branch 90, Regional Trial Court, Ground Floor, Dasmariñas City, Province of Cavite to the highest bidder and for CASH or CERTIFIED CHECK, in Philippine Currency, the following described real property together with all the buildings and other improvements existing thereon, to wit:

#### Transfer Certificate of Title No. 057-2016013892

IT IS HEREBY CERTIFIED that certain land situated in BO. OF SAN AGUSTIN, MUN. OF DASMARIÑAS, PROV. OF CAVITE, bounded and described as follows:

A PARCEL OF LAND (LOT 6 OF THE CONS./SUBD. PLAN, PCS-04-006177, BEING A PORTION OF THE CONS. OF LOTS 1 TO 11, BLK. 48, PSD-04-045869, L.R.C. REC. NO.), SITUATED IN THE BO. OF SAN AGUSTIN, MUN. OF DASMARIÑAS, PROV. OF CAVITE. BOUNDED ON THE S., ALONG LINE 1-2 BY LOT 5 OF THE CONS/SUBD. PLAN; ON THE W., ALONG LINE 2-3 BY Raffle Date of Judicial Notices: 19 April 2024

LEGAL EASEMENT; ON THE N., ALONG LINES 3-4-5, BY RD. LOT 32, PSD-04-045869; AND ON THE E., ALONG LINES 5-1 BY LOT 4 OF THE CONS./ SUBD/ PLAN. BEGINNING AT A PT. MARKED "1" ON PLAN, BEING N. 72 DEG. 41'E., 1333.01 M. FROM MON. 147, IMUS ESTATE; THENCE S. 83 DEG. 03'W., 7.03 M. TO PT. 2 THENCE N. 13 DEG. 30'W., 10.60 M. TO PT. 3; THENCE N. 83 DEG. 03'E., 6.22 M. TO PT. 4; THENCE N. 83 DEG. 83'E., 1.97M. TO PT. 5; THENCE S. 06 DEG. 57'E., 10.00 M. TO THE PT. OF BEGINNING, CONTAINING AN AREA OF SEVENTY SIX (76) SQUARE METERS. ALL PTS. REFERRED TO ARE INDICATED ON THE PLAN AND ARE MARKED ON THE GROUND BY P.S. CYL. CONC. MONS. 15X40 CM., BEARINGS TRUE; DATE OF ORIGINAL SURVEY, JULY 27, 1905-JUNE 11, 1908 AND THAT OF THE SUBD. SURVEY DEC. 5-12, 1991 AND WAS APPROVED ON JAN. 10. 1992.

Prospective buyers and/or bidders are hereby enjoined to investigate for themselves the title of the said real property and the encumbrances 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 June 20, 2024 at the same time and place without further notice

25 April 2024, Dasmariñas City, Province of Cavite.

RODRIGO C. ESTOGERO, JR Sheriff IV

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

Copy furnished: HOME DEVELOPMENT MUTUAL FUND

Makati City.

(Otherwise known as Pag-IBIG Fund), The Petron Mega Plaza Building, No. 358 Sen. Gil Puyat Avenue,

#### ATTY. SIMEON P. MADRID

S.P. Madrid & Associates,

5th Flr. Bedrock Bldg., Kayumanggi Center, Commonwealth Ave.. Matandang Balara, Quezon City.

#### **EDGARDO BAGUNAS GARNACE, married to** JANE ALEJANDRIA GARNACE

#23 Josefina Cmpd., Santos Village, Pulang Lupa 2, Las Piñas City and

Lot 6, PCS-04-006177, Blk. 48, Stockholm St., Summerfield Village 4, Bo. San Agustin, Dasmariñas City, Cavite.

Notice posted at:

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# PTFoMS, Cavite police help photojourno trace stolen equipment

Force on Media Security (PTFoMS) on Thursday commended the police for its swift assistance to a freelance photojournalist whose belongings were illegally seized by members of a private security agency in Silang, Cavite.

In a news release, the PTFoMS said Jose Monsieur Santos, 23, a member of the Filipino Freelance Journalists' Guild and correspondent of news outfit One PH, sought the task force's assistance after unidentified members of the Jarton Security Agency forcibly confiscated his equipment while covering a demolition operation in a disputed property in Barangay Tartaria past midnight on April 20.

Among the confiscated items were Santos' Nikon D750 DSLR camera, two camera lenses, press chest vest, Kevlar helmet and backpack containing his computer tablet, laptop, mess kit and other personal items. Despite introducing himself as a member of the

The Presidential Task press and repeated appeal to have his seized personal items returned to him, the security guards refused, Santos told PTFoMS.

Undersecretary Gutierrez, PTFoMS Executive Director, sought police assistance through Calabarzon Police Regional Office (PRO-4A) Director, Brig. Gen. Paul Kenneth Lucas and Cavite Police Director Col. Eleuterio Ricardo Ir.

Gutierrez also sought the assistance of the PRO-4A press corps in disseminating the incident.

Silang Police chief Lt. Col. Louie DC Gonzaga received PTFoMS' request and took the initiative of recovering the items seized, in coordination with the office of Mayor Alston Kevin Anarna.

However, since the recovered belongings were incomplete, Santos refused to claim them, upon the advice of his lawyer.

They are now preparing the filing of criminal charges against Jarton Security Agency for theft.

Despite this, Santos still expressed gratitude to the PTFoMS for its prompt action in assisting him.

Meanwhile, Gutierrez commended the Calabarzon police office and Anarna for their effort in not only assisting Santos and the affected tenants but also in easing the tension in Barangay Tartaria. A reported 137 farmers were reportedly being evicted from the property by the security agency hired by private firms despite the pending decision of the Supreme Court and the Department of Agrarian Reform on land ownership.

Gutierrez particularly lauded Gonzaga for ensuring the return of Santos' stolen items and his assurance that the photojournalist would get full police assistance and security in Silang should he decide to pursue charges against Jarton Security Agency.

"It this kind of voluntary and sincere inter-agency cooperation that makes the PTFoMS effective in discharging its mandate as



ON THE JOB. Photographer Jose Monsieur Santos (center), 23, lost his digital camera, accessories, laptop and other items while recovering a demolition in Silang Cavite on April 20, 2024. On Thursday (April 25), the Presidential Task Force on Media Security reported that the Calabarzon Region and Cavite police and Silang Mayor Alston Kevin Anarna assisted Santos in recovering his things from Jarton Security Agency which illegally confiscated them. (PNA photo by Robert Oswald Alfiler)

the government's official mechanism to address all violations of media rights," Gutierrez said.

"With every agency working together, we assure our colleagues in the media that their right to perform their job as truth seekers is being protected by the government," he added. (PNA)

REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES **FOURTH JUDICIAL REGION REGIONAL TRIAL COURT** OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF COURT **CITY OF IMUS, CAVITE** 

HOME DEVELOPMENT MUTUAL

FUND (otherwise known as PAG-IBIG Fund),

**FORECLOSURE OF REAL ESTATE MORTGAGE UNDER ACT 3135 AS** 

**EXTRA-JUDICIAL** 

-versus-**AMENDED BY ACT 4118** JENNEFE T. BUENAVENTURA,

Mortgagor,

Mortgagee,

FC CASE NO. 18866-23

#### **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 (otherwise known as PAG-IBIG FUND), mortgagee, with principal place of business at The Petron Mega Plaza Building, No. 358 Sen. Gil Puyat Ave., Makati City 1200, against JENNEFE T. BUENAVENTURA, mortgagor, with residential and postal address at Lot 21 Blk. 4 One Lancaster Lane, Brgy. Alapan 2-C, Imus, Cavite and/or 178 Maunlad St., CAA BF International, Las Pinas City, to satisfy the mortgage indebtedness which as of September 18, 2023 amounts to ONE MILLION FOUR HUNDRED FORTY SIX THOUSAND THIRTY SEVEN PESOS & 21/100 (1,446,037.21), Philippine Currency, including interest and penalties, but excluding attorney's fees, sheriffs fees and all other charges incidental to this foreclosure and sale the undersigned will sell at public auction on MAY 14, 2024 at 10:00 A.M. or soon thereafter at the main entrance of the Office of the Clerk of Court, RTC-Imus Hall of Justice, Aguinaldo Highway, Imus, 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. T-1330129

"A parcel of land (Lot 21, Blk. 4 of the cons./subd. plan, Pcs-04-023573, being a portion of Lots 1622 & 1623, Imus Estate). situated in Brgy. of Alapan 2-C, Mun. of Imus, Prov. of Cavite. Island of Luzon. Bounded on the NE., along line 1-2 by Lot 23, Blk. 4; on the SE., along line 2-3 by Road Lot 5; on the SW, along line 3-4 by Lot 19, Blk. 4; and on the NW, along line 4-1 by Lot 22, Blk. 4, all of the cons./subd. plan. x x x containing an area of FIFTY SEVEN SQ. METERS AND THIRTY SQ. DEC. (57.30), 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 MAY 21, 2024 at 10:00 A.M. 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.

Imus, Cavite, March 27, 2024.

WILMAR M. DE VILLA Sheriff IV **BRANCH 21** 

APPROVED: ARMIE A. FRANCISCO Clerk of Court VI

COPY FURNISHED: HOME DEVELOPMENT MUTUAL FUND (otherwise known as PAG-IBIG FUND) The Petron Mega Plaza Building, No. 358 Sen. Gil Puyat Ave., Makati City 1200

#### JENNEFE T. BUENAVENTURA

Lot 21 Blk. 4 One Lancaster Lane, Brgy. Alapan-2-C, Imus, Cavite and/or 178 Maunlad St., CAA BF International, Las Pinas City 1740

ATTY. AIRISA FE ESPERANZA D. MOLAER Attorney-in-Fact, ALEXIS A. MOLAER LAW OFFICES Lex Citadel Bldg., No. 7 La Salle St., Brgy. Silangan, Cubao, Quezon City 1102

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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

#### HOME DEVELOPMENT MUTUAL FUND (PAG-IBIG FUND)

Petitioner/Mortgagee,

-versus-

NERILYN L. CONDE is herein represented by Her Attorney-in-fact, Lloyd Mediadero Respondent/Mortgagor.

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File No. FC-DC-1285-24 For: Extra-Judicial Foreclosure of Real time and place without further notice. Estate Mortgage under Act No. 3135 as amended by Act No. 4118

**NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE** 

Upon extra-judicial petition for sale under Act No. 3135, as amended by Act 4118 filed by the petitioner/mortgagee, HOME DEVELOPMENT MUTUAL FUND (PAG-IBIG FUND), a government financial institution duly organized and existing under and by virtue of Republic Act. No. 9679, with postal address at The Petron Mega Plaza Building No. 358 Sen. Gil Puyat Avenue, Makati City, against the respondent/mortgagor, NERILYN L. CONDE is herein represented by her Attorney-in-fact, Lloyd Mediadero with postal address at Blk. 11 Lot 19, St. Joseph Village 10, Phase 3, Langgam, San Pedro, Laguna: Lot 5 Blk. 15. St. Joseph Ridgeview. Paliparan II, Dasmariñas City, Cavite 4023 and for the satisfaction of the mortgaged debt which as of 23 January 2024 amounts to SIX HUNDRED THIRTY NINE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED SEVENTY ONE PESOS & 56/100 (Php639,871.56), exclusive of legal fees and expenses incidental to this foreclosure and sale, the undersigned Sheriff will sell at public auction on June 7, 2024 at 10:00 o'clock in the morning or soon thereafter in the Court Room of Branch 90, Regional Trial Court, Ground Floor, Dasmariñas Community Affairs (DASCA) Building, Congressional Road, Burol 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. 057-2014079398

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

A parcel of land (Lot 5 Block 15 of the subd. Plan PSD-04-218531, being a portion of Lot 5732-C-2, PSD-042109-062503, LRC Rec. No. 8843), situated in the Barrio of Paliparan, Municipality of

Dasmariñas, Province of Cavite, Island of Luzon. Bounded on the SW., along line 1-2 by Lot 22 Blk. 15; on the NW., along line 2-3 by Lot 4 Blk. 15; on the NE., along line 3-4 by Road Lot 8 and on the SE., along line 4-1 by Lot 6, Blk. 15 all of the subdivision plan. Beginning at a point marked "1" on plan being S. 07 Deg. 49'E., 683.13 m. from Mon. No. 74, Imus Estate, Thence N. 66 Deg. 32'W., 6.00 m. to point 2; thence N. 23 Deg. 28'E., 10.00 m. to point 3; thence S. 66 Deg. 32'E., 6.00 m. to point 4; thence S. 23 Deg. 28'W., 10.00 m. to the point of beginning; containing an area of SIXTY (60) SQUARE METERS, MORE OR LESS. All points referred to are indicated on the plan and are marked on the ground by P.S Cyl. Conc. Mons. 15x40 cms; bearings true; date of original survey July 27, 1905-June 11, 1908 and that of the subdivision survey, August 1-15, 2010 and was approved on Jan. 27, 2011.

Prospective buyers and/or bidders are hereby enjoined to investigate for themselves the title of the said real property and the encumbrances 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 June 21, 2024 at the same

Dasmariñas City, Province of Cavite, April 26, 2024.

**GERALD A. FARGAS** Sheriff IV

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

Home Development Mutual Fund (PAG-IBIG Fund) The Petron Mega Plaza Building No. 358 Sen. Gil Puyat Avenue, Makati City

Atty. J.V. Rommel C. Cubelo Attorney-in-fact, 24K ACCOUNTS CONSULTANT, INC. 3F Fass Inteli College Bldg., No. 11, Pittsburgh St., Brgy. Silangan, Cubao, Quezon City

NERILYN L. CONDE represented by her Attorney-in-fact, Lloyd Mediadero Blk. 11 Lot 19, St. Joseph Village 10, Phase 3, Langgam, San Pedro, Laguna

Lot 5 Blk. 15, St. Joseph Ridgeview, Paliparan II, Dasmariñas City, Cavite 4023

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# PEATC: No violation in filing of mandamus case on CAVITEX

The Public Estates Authority Tollways Corporation (PEATC) on Tuesday belied the claims of the Metro Pacific Tollways Corporation (MPTC) that the mandamus case filed before the Court of Appeals (CA) for the return of the Manila–Cavite Expressway (CAVITEX) back in the hands of the government has no basis and should be dismissed.

MAY 5-11, 2024

In a press conference in Manila, PEATC Legal Manager, lawyer Sylvester Golez said the mandamus case was filed as the PEATC is not part of the joint venture agreement (JVA) and toll operations agreement (TOA) among the MPTC-led CAVITEX Infrastructure Corporation (CIC), the PRA, and the Toll Regulatory Board.

Thus, the PEATC is not part of an arbitration agreement between CIC and the government, he said.

"Since PEATC is not a party or privy to the contract, there is no option or remedy in the ordinary course of law. There is no plain, speedy, adequate remedy so this is the remedy that we need to pur-



PRESS CONFERENCE. Public Estates Authority Tollway Corp. (PEATC) Spokesperson Ariel Inton (from left), PEATC President and Officer-in-Charge Steve Esteban, PEATC Legal Manager Sylvester Golez, and PEA Tollway Security Unit president Rodolfo Fernandez during a press conference in Manila on Tuesday (April 30, 2024). The PEATC officials belied the claims of Metro Pacific Tollways Corporation president and CEO Rogelio Singson that the mandamus case filed by the PEATC before the Court of Appeals for the turnover of the CAVITEX back to the government should be dismissed. (PNA photos by Ben Priones)

sue to restore to the PEATC its mandate to collect. This was also stated in the articles of incorporation naming," Golez said.

A mandamus case, he said, is a special civil action under Rule 65 of the Rules of Court used in situations where a corporation or officer unlawfully excludes another from the performance of their right. "The petitioner may ask the court to issue an order commanding the respondent to perform the act or bring

back the right that was encroached or violated," he said.

He noted that the CIC's attempts to appear as the aggrieved party have no basis since the government has yet to collect the 60-40 revenue-sharing agreement that was supposed to have been in effect in 2022 after the CIC's operations and maintenance agreement (OMA) expired on Aug. 25, 2021.

"According to the JVA, once the project's phase 1 is complete, repayment of loans,

## **NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC**

City Law LLC, a legal firm based in Singapore, is attempting to reach **Sofia Cabog Aringino** regarding initiation of divorce proceedings. A marriage certificate was issued on 19 March 1998. Communication with Ms. Aringino has been lost since 2002. Efforts are being made to locate her in Cavite, Philippines, for necessary legal actions.

If found, please contact:
Eng Yan Yi (Litigation Secretary)
for an on behalf of Mr Teo Eng
Thye, City Law LLC, Advocates &
Solicitors, Block 490 Lorong 6 Toa
Payoh #03-16, HDB Hub, Singapore
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Email: city.llc@citylaw.sg



and return of equity—when they have earned their money back—it is proper to shift to a revenue sharing of 60-40 [in favor of the government]," he said

PEATC President and Officer-in-Charge Steve Esteban said several of the claims made by MPTC president and CEO Rogelio Singson were misinformed including the claim that the operation and maintenance of CAVITEX

Biwas, Tanza

PR - Medical
Mission in

On April 17, 2024, the provincial government of Cavite organized a highly successful medical mission at Broy Riwas Tanza Cavite The health outreach program brought essential services to 565 residents of Tanza, benefiting from the dedicated efforts of the provincial government medical mission team. Led by Drs. Rhemielene De Leon and Millicent Fojas, alongside the GEAMH staff, the medical mission team demonstrated unwavering commitment and service to the community. Collaborating with the local government, led by Councilor Aicel Del Rosario-Morales, staff and health professionals, the mission achieved its goals. In addition to medicine distribution and the provision of anti-mosquito repellent lotion, the mission also included free eye checkups, ensuring comprehensive healthcare support for the constituents. The success of the mission highlights the effective partnership between government agencies and healthcare professionals in addressing the healthcare needs of the community ---

have already been turned over to PEATC. "Hindi totoo na na-turnover na nila lahat. Na-turnover na nila ang trabaho samin pero hindi po ang pananalapi. Ang koleksyon, wala po sa amin (It's not true that they have turned over everything. They've turned over the work but not the financial operation. Toll collection is still not under our control)," Esteban said. He also clarified that CAVITEX is not a Public-Private Partnership (PPP) or a Build-Operate-Transfer project since the original concession agreement was between a Malaysian company and the Philippine government. "San ka nakakita ng PPP na gobyerno ang nag-operate (Where have you seen a PPP where the government is the one responsible for operation)?" he said.

He, however, agreed that the operation of CAVITEX has been "lousy" and alleged that it was being done on purpose by the MPTC to buy out the government's share in CAVITEX. "Hindi niya sinabi na mula pa 2006, MPTC na ang nago-operate nun. Sila na po ang nago-operate nun. Sinasadya nila na bumagsak ang performance at sinisisi nila sa PEATC para nga ma-buyout nila ang nasabing service agreement (What he hasn't mentioned is since 2006, the MPTC has been operating CAVITEX. They're deliberately downgrading its performance and is blaming the PEATC so they can buy out the service agreement)," he said. PEATC Spokesperson, lawyer Ariel Inton clarified that the workers inside CAVITEX tollbooths are PEATC employees but that the money—in the form of a radio frequency identification

(RFID) contactless payment system—is in the hands of CIC.

"Yun ba ang reason kung bakit ayaw niyo iturnover ang collection? Kasi kapag kinolekta yun, it should be turned over to the government (Is that why you won't turnover the collection? Because once we collect that, it will be turned over to the government)," Inton said.

He rejected Singson's claim that the conditions that would require CAVITEX to be turned over back to PEATC are not yet met.

"Na hindi pa ibabalik yan kasi meron pa kayong dapat bayaran. Walang ganung kondisyon. Yung mga sinasabi niyang dapat bayaran, hindi naman yun kasama sa phase 1--yun lang yung nasa JVA (That it should be returned because the government is yet to pay. But there is no such condition. What he's claiming should be paid is not part of phase 1—whatever is in the JVA)," he said. Earlier, Singson claimed that the mandamus case filed by the PEATC against its subsidiary, CIC, should be dismissed as Esteban has no authority to file such a case without a PEATC Board. As a government-owned and -controlled corporation (GOCC) by the Philippine Reclamation Authority (PRA), he questioned the absence of PRA as a respondent in the case. In addition, he said the case should be dismissed outright because of a "false and defective verification and certification" without the proper authority of the PEATC, the PRA Board, and the sign-off of the proper counsel, the Office of the Government Corporate Counsel (OGCC). (PNA)

# Comelec hopeful to register at least 3M voters by Sept. 30



The Commission on Elections (Comelec) is hopeful to at least meet its projected number of voter applicants for the 2025 midterm elections.

Comelec chair George Garcia said Saturday that they are 700,000 away from their targeted three million voters.

The deadline for registration is on Sept. 30.

"Mahaba pa. Three million ang projection namin. Meron pa kaming 700,000 na hinahabol at baka sumobra pa (It's still a long way. Our projection is three million. We are going after the remaining 700,000 or more)," he said in an interview.

As of April 26, 2024, the total number of applications have reached 2,397,555, with 1,240,410 of them females.

Of the total, Garcia said about a million are new voters.

Region IV-A or Calabarzon (Cavite, Laguna, Batangas, Rizal and Quezon) posted the most applications at 439,842, followed by the National Capital Region with 357,801.

Completing the top five are Region III (Central Luzon), 276,199; Region VII (Central Visayas), 171,942 and Region XI (Davao Region, 130,632).

The Cordillera Autonomous Region (CAR), on the other hand, recorded the lowest number of registrants at 30,086, followed by Region IV (Mimaropa) at 58,623 and Caraga with 63,587. (PNA)