

SMC TURNS OVER UPGRADED SCHOOL BUILDING FOR BILIBID STUDENT-INMATES

San Miguel Corporation (SMC), through its San Miguel Foundation (SMF), has formally turned over a newly renovated school building and upgraded learning facilities to benefit student-inmates at the Medium Security Compound of the New Bilibid Prison (NBP).

The facility, now known as Better World Bilibid, is operated as the Bilibid Extension School (BES) and managed by the University of Perpetual Help System Dalta (UP-HSD) in partnership with the Bureau of Corrections (BuCor) since 1984. Over

the years, the school's condition deteriorated due to lack of funding.

The renovation is part of SMC's ₱150-million donation to NBP and the Women's Correctional. It follows a pledge made by SMC Chairman and CEO Ramon S. Ang during his visit in 2024.

Recently unveiled in simple turnover rites, the upgraded school now features new classrooms, a computer room, library, audio-visual room, and a spacious multipurpose hall. The event was led by SMF Chairperson Cecile L. Ang, UPHSD



The Better World Bilibid is a newly renovated school building which now features upgraded learning facilities — among them a fully-equipped computer room.



President Dr. Anthony Jose M. Tamayo, UP-HSD founder Dr. Daisy M. Tamayo, BuCor Director-General Gregorio Pio P. Catapang, Jr., Sandiganbayan Associate Justice Karl B. Miranda, and UPHSD School Director Arnaldo S. de Guzman.

Hundreds of persons deprived of liberty (PDLs) enrolled in tertiary education and skills training programs are expected to benefit from the upgraded facilities. At the same time, the recurring donation for learning materials, uniforms, and TES-DA-certified skills courses

will benefit over 6,000 PDLs.

In her message, Ms. Ang expressed SMC's commitment to support reformation efforts through education and skill-building. "Real change begins within each of us. We're here to support you, to provide the facilities and materials that can help. But beyond what you now see — beyond the new buildings and tools — the most meaningful transformation must start from inside you.

It's your dreams, your choices, and your will to grow that will make this

truly work," she said in Filipino.

Of the total donation, ₱50 million was allocated for the BES program, including the school's renovation and learning tools. An additional ₱85 million is funding a five-year meal augmentation program that benefits 31,219 PDLs over 48 days. Last Christmas, SMC also distributed ₱15 million worth of food packs as holiday gifts to the PDLs.

Better World Bilibid joins SMC's growing network of community centers under the Better World initiative, which includes facilities in Tondo, Smokey Mountain, Diliman, and Cubao that address hunger, education, health, and livelihood needs in underserved communities.

The Better World initiative is one of the ways SMC is pursuing its major sustainability goals, which includes helping uplift the lives of 15 million Filipinos by 2030. PR



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Remulla and Revilla scions rule over Cavite

DTI LAGUNA EMPOWERS ENTREPRENEURS THRU A LIVELIHOOD SEMINAR



On March 26, 2025, the Department of Trade and Industry (DTI) - Laguna, in collaboration with the Calamba Manpower Development Center (CMDC), successfully conducted a comprehensive livelihood seminar for the trainees of the CMDC.

This event

was made possible through the combined efforts of key partners, including the Negosyo Center Business Counselors from the towns of Calauan, Rizal, and Pangil.

The seminar opened with a remark from Leonardo D. Dela Cruz Jr., the Supervising Manpower Development Officer of CMDC. He extended

a warm welcome to all the distinguished guest speakers and participants, setting a positive and engaging tone for the day's activities. Dr. Emilio D. Casulla, representing Calamba City Mayor Roseller Rizal, also delivered an opening message on behalf of the mayor, expressing the local government's



CAYETANO-LED BILL TO MODERNIZE PHIVOLCS NOW A LAW

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Mandaluyong City, May 7, 2025 – The Philippine Charity Sweepstakes Office (PCSO) provided 20 wheelchairs and 20 crutches to Barangay Lucsuhin, Silang, Cavite, as part of its ongoing commitment to social welfare.

In a turnover ceremony held at the PCSO Main Office in Mandaluyong City, Barangay Chairman Arnold Garcia officially received the mobility aids from PCSO Corporate Planning Department Manager, Atty. Anna Liza P. Inciong.

According to Garcia, the assistive devices will be distributed to senior citizens and persons with disabilities (PWDs) within their community to improve their well-being.

This initiative is a crucial component of PCSO's Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) program, which is dedicated to delivering immediate assistance to those in need. Through programs like this, PCSO continues to uphold its mission of fostering inclusivity and enhancing the quality of life for Filipinos.

ATI CALABARZON E-LIBRARY ON AGRI-FISHERIES TO BE MADE ACCESSIBLE TO PUBLIC STARTING MAY 20

EDITORIAL: Better choices are possible

TECHNOLOGY now affords us the opportunity to view elections results, partial or complete, a few hours after the close of polling.

And so it came to pass that before Filipinos went to sleep on Monday, the day they voted the next set of national and local leaders, they already had a good sense of what the outcome would be.

There were several surprises.

Foremost, poll surveys on which many relied in the days leading to the elections did not completely predict the results. In the senatorial race, for instance, some of those leading the surveys performed dismally in the actual race. Meanwhile, those with modest expectations fared better, even dislodging the early frontrunners.

Perhaps the methods could be improved. Or that people really just thought hard, changing their minds at the last minute.

The party-list contest also offered surprises, with groups carrying nominees deemed truly worthy of being legislators performing better than expected. This brings greater balance to the composition of our legislative chambers.

Certainly, the results were mixed. In some areas where the people were bold with their decision, traditional politicians suffered crushing defeats from their challengers. In other areas, however, powerful families continued to prevail, showing their tight grip on people's minds and hearts, obtained through whatever means available.

Still, there appears to be an emerging message for many traditional politicians and names affiliated with disgraced figures even as they clinched victory. For the next three years, their constituents will keenly watch their every move. They should know better than treat their posts like it were their birthright.

Progress does not come flooding in all at once. It happens over time, painstakingly, with steps forward but also steps backward, even some stagnation. The elections of May 2025 at least reveals that while the quality of voters' decision-making leave much to be desired, there is hope – even just a little.

There are signs that people are looking into issues more than names.

They want their candidates to engage in conversations and debate over substantive matters, instead of singing and dancing and spewing nonsense onstage.

They hold politicians to account for their articulated positions on several issues.

They take note of the garbage that comes out of candidates' mouths. They reject those whose only qualification is a distant memory of popularity.

It's a slow beginning, but it is a sign that we could look forward to better times because of better choices.

This would be another incentive to efforts to improve our young people's critical thinking that would shield them from disinformation, enable them to think independently, and rely only on facts and rationality.

The just-conducted elections were a mixed bag, but they offer lessons we can learn as we prepare to live with our choices and gear up for an even bigger, higher-stakes battle in 2028.

CAYETANO-LED...

Senator Alan Peter Cayetano's push to modernize the Philippine Institute of Volcanology and Seismology (PHIVOLCS) is now a reality.

This after President Ferdinand Marcos Jr. on Thursday, April 24, 2025, signed Republic Act No. 12180 or the PHIVOLCS Modernization Act, which is based on Senate Bill No. 2825 which Cayetano sponsored and defended in the Senate.

The law strengthens PHIVOLCS by upgrading its equipment, expanding its monitoring network, and increasing its personnel.

"By modernizing PHIVOLCS, we are making a bold move to ensure that science and innova-

tion are at the heart of our disaster response and preparedness," Cayetano said after leading the Senate in ratifying the final version of the PHIVOLCS Modernization Act earlier this year.

He emphasized that the measure comes at a crucial time, following natural disasters like the recent eruption of Mount Kanlaon.

Among other upgrades, the law provides for the equipping of seismic monitoring systems in all 24 active volcanoes in the country, up from the previous 10.

Likewise, the number of earthquake monitoring stations is expected to increase from 125 to 300.

ATI CALABARZON...

Containing useful and essential information on agriculture and fisheries, the DA-Agricultural Training Institute (ATI) CALABARZON's e-Library will be made publicly accessible starting May 20, 2025.

This initiative aims to support farmers, fishers, students, researchers, and the general public by providing free and open access to a wide range of digital learning resources.

As the catalyst, capacity builder, and knowledge bank of the Philippine agriculture extension system, the e-Library is in line with one of the key initiatives of the Institute, encouraging the flexible dissemination of knowledge in terms of modality and availability in all forms of media to upskill clients and stakeholders through knowledge-sharing activities.

The ATI CALABARZON e-Library features a curated collection of digital brochures, pamphlets, booklets, manuals, and other knowledge products on key agri-fisheries topics across banner

programs of the Institute and focus commodities in the region.

Some of the useful resources underscore crop production, livestock, climate-resilient practices, organic agriculture, and agriprenueurship.

The e-Library can be accessed through: <https://aticalabarzon.web.app/home>.

Users will be able to browse and download materials, search by topic or keyword, and stay updated with the latest publications and learning materials published by ATI, its partners and stakeholders in the agri-fisheries extension.

The launch of the ATI CALABARZON e-Library also coincides with

Farmers' and Fisherfolk's Month this May, in celebration of the vital contributions of the country's key players for food sustenance and security.

The webpage was developed by the Information Technology students from Cavite State University as their project for the on-the-job training at the ATI CALABARZON.

"This law will fill the gaps in our disaster monitoring systems and help Filipinos become more prepared when calamities strike," Cayetano said.

The law allows PHIVOLCS to hire more experts and improve operational standards. It will also provide the agency with state-of-the-art instruments, equipment, and facilities to deliver timely and reliable data for disaster preparedness, climate change adaptation, agriculture, and other key sectors.

Cavite...

Francisco Gabriel "Abeng" Remulla scored a landslide win as Cavite Governor, and will be leading the province with Ram Revilla Bautista who ran for Vice Governor unopposed.

Both are members of prominent political clans in the province.

Abeng is the son of the Justice Secretary

The law also supports advanced research and development by adopting a more systematic and integrated approach in improving PHIVOLCS' operations.

Cayetano said the law will strengthen the country's ability to respond to natural disasters while also promoting a culture of preparedness and environmental stewardship.

"What we can do is to be prepared, warn people, and of course what we can do is honor God's creation by protecting nature," he said.

Jesus Crispin Remulla, while Ram is the son of Sen. Bong Revilla and Cavite Rep. Lani Mercado. Abeng's brother Crispin or "Ping" also won the race for representative of Cavite's 7th district.

Ram's brother Jolo was reelected Cavite first district representative, while their mother Lani was reelected Cavite second district representative.

"A LITTLE PROGRESS EACH DAY ADDS UP TO BIG RESULTS."

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DICT PROVIDES FREE HIGH-SPEED INTERNET CONNECTIVITY TO SSS EWHEELS IN LUCENA



Left photo shows Social Security System (SSS) Lucena Branch Head Frederik D. Isip (5th from left) and SSS Lucena Accounts Management Section Head Erwin M. Mauban (3rd from left) listening on the demonstration on how to operate the Mobile Starlink equipment to be used in the SSS eWheels while in the right photo, Department of Information and Communications Technology (DICT) Quezon Provincial Officer Edd Fernan D. Gonzales (right) explains to the members of SSS Lucena's Accounts Management Section how to set up and troubleshoot the high-speed internet equipment for the mobile e-centers.

LUCENA CITY, Quezon – The Social Security System (SSS) Lucena Branch said that the Department of Information and Communications Technology (DICT) provincial office has equipped the SSS eWheels with free high-speed internet, which will be used during visits to far-flung areas to bring SSS services to grassroots communities.

SSS Lucena Branch Head Frederick D. Isip said that DICT has

provided SSS with a free Mobile Starlink device, which it can utilize for one year starting March 28, 2025.

Isip explained that the partnership will enhance the SSS e-Wheels program – ensuring seamless online services in areas with limited or no internet connection.

"This satellite internet technology directly addresses challenges in remote locations, significantly improving system

uptime and reducing client waiting time.

This is a game-changer for SSS Lucena as it allows us to bring our digital services closer to members," Isip said.

Covering 29 municipalities and two cities in Quezon Province, including geographically isolated and disadvantaged areas (GIDAs), Isip added that SSS Lucena will now be better equipped to provide uninterrupted digital

services to its members.

SSS Lucena can now offer faster access to My.SSS portal and SSS Mobile App, Real-Time Processing of Contributions (RTPC), membership application, online registration, verification, and benefit consultations in last mile communities.

"This initiative reflects our commitment to innovation and excellent public service, ensuring that no member is left behind due to connectiv-

ity challenges. We can efficiently bring essential transactions – making our services more accessible and reliable.

In fact, we are going to conduct e-Wheels in majority of towns and municipalities under the jurisdiction of SSS Lucena," Isip said.

"This partnership is a great example of how interagency collaboration can really make a difference.

By working with

DICT and tapping into their Starlink technology, we're not just improving connectivity – we're making sure our members, wherever they are, get the service they deserve.

We thank the agency for their continued support, and we look forward to exploring more ways we can work together to bring social security services closer to every Filipino," Isip concluded.

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Holy Redeemer School of Cabuyao, Inc. partners with DOST-CALABARZON for STARBOOKS installation



In a significant step toward promoting digital learning and accessible science and technology resources, Holy

Redeemer School (HRS) of Cabuyao, Inc. officially signed a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) with DOST CALABARZON

through DOST Laguna for the installation of the Science and Technology Academic and Research Center (STARBOOKS) on page 6

PAGPAPASIGLA SA WIKANG INATA



Ginanap ang Seremonya ng Pagtatapos ng unang batch ng programang Bahay-Wika sa wikang Inata para sa Taóng Panuruan 2024–2025 noong 22 Abril 2025 sa Sityo Manara, Baran-

gay Celestino Villacin, Lungsod Cadiz, Negros Occidental.

Labing-isang batang Ata ang nagtapos sa naturang programa.

Ang programang Bahay-Wika sa wikang

Inata ay naka-integrate sa Day Care ng Sityo Manara.

Layunin ng programang ito na mabigyan ng exposure ang mga bata sa paggamit ng Inata sa cont. on page 6

CAVITE WINNING CANDIDATES PROCLAMATION



Mananatili sa Unang Distrito ang magkakapatid na Chua matapos ang pormal na iproklama ang pagkapana-lo ni Davey Chua bilang alkalde ng bayan ng Noveleta. Samantala, pangungunahan naman ni Dino Chua ang bagong Sangguniang Bayan bilang bise-alkalde.



Pormal nang naiproklama kamakailan si Atty. Kevin Anarna bilang bagong Mayor ng Silang, Cavite.



The official proclamation ceremony of Mayor of City of Dasmariñas;Jennifer Austria-Barzaga with the duly elected officials of the 2025 local elections in the City of Dasmariñas was successfully held last 13 May 2025 at the Sangguniang Panlungsod Session Hall, Socio-Economic Building.



Re-electionist Strike Revilla has been formally proclaimed as mayor of Bacoor city. This is accompanied by the proclamation of Revilla's teammates who won different positions.



Opisyal nang naihalal bilang alkalde ng Cavite City si Denver Chua. Sa botong 50,325, ito ang pinakamataas na bilang ng mga botong naibigay sa isang kandidato sa kasaysayan ng Cavite City.



Board member Francisco Gabriel “Abeng” Remulla has won Cavite’s gubernatorial race and has been proclaimed by the Commission on Elections (Comelec) City Provincial Board of Canvassers on Tuesday.



Re-electionist Alex “AA” Advincula was re-elected as mayor of Imus City. Meanwhile, AJ Advincula will be the body of the third district again.



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IN RE: PETITION FOR ISSUANCE OF OWNERS DUPLICATE COPY OF TRANSFER CERTIFICATE IF TITLE NO. (T-2697) RT-171 ISSUED IN THE NAME OF ANTERO SALINAS MARRIED TO ZAMORA PAPA IN LIEU OF THE LOSS COPY.

LRC CASE NO. 5964-003-25

GERONIMO S ESGUERRA, HEREIN REPRESENTED BY VILMA CAMPO LAVILLA AND/OR EVANGELINE R. MUNDA, BY VIRTUE OF SPECIAL POWER OF ATTORNEY.

Petitioner.
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NOTICE OF HEARING

Filed before this Court is a verified Petition for Issuance of Owners Duplicate Copy of Transfer Certificate of Title No. (T-2697) RT-171 issued by the Registry of Deeds for the Province of Cavite, in the name of **ANTERO SALINAS married to ZAMORA PAPA**, the registered owner.

After being satisfied that the Petition is sufficient in form and substance, the same is hereby set for initial hearing on **September 8, 2025 and October 27, 2025, both at 1:30 o'clock** in the afternoon, at which date, hour, and place any and all interested persons are required to appear and show cause why the Petition should not be granted.

Let a copy of this Notice of Hearing be published for three (3) consecutive weeks, at the expense of the petitioner, in a newspaper of general circulation and be posted at the General Trias City Public Market, the City and the Barangay Halls where the property is situated, as well as on the land itself located at Barangay Bacao, General Trias City, Cavite, and other copies be furnished to the Registry of Deeds for the Province of Cavite, petitioner’s counsel.

The Sheriff of this Court is hereby directed to post copies of this Notice accordingly. The petitioner’s counsel is likewise directed to submit a copy of the Petition with its annexes to the Registry of Deeds for the Province of Cavite.

Send a copy of this Order to the Office of the Clerk of Court (OCC) for raffle of the publication.

SO ORDERED.

Trece Martires City, Cavite, March 31, 2025.

(SGD) GAYSOL C. LUNA
Presiding Judge

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ZAMORA PAPA
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SIMBAYANAN NI MARIA MULTI-PURPOSE COOPERATIVE,

Mortgagee.

Foreclosure No. 2025-69
For: Extra-Judicial Foreclosure of Real Estate Mortgage

-versus-

SPS. KHALED & KATRINA PANGANDAMAN,
Mortgagors.

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NOTICE OF EXTRA JUDICIAL FORECLOSURE

Upon Extra-Judicial Petition for Sale under Act 3135 as Amended by Act 4118 filed by the mortgage, **SIMBAYANAN NI MARIA MULTI-PURPOSE COOPERATIVE** at 115 New Lower Bicutan, Taguig City, Metro Manila, and against the mortgagors **SPS. KHALED & KATRINA PANGANDAMAN** at No 308 Mangga St., Justinville Subd., Panapaan VII, Bacoor City, Cavite, to satisfy the mortgagee indebtedness which as of December 28, 2024 amounts to **FIVE MILLION FOUR HUNDRED FIFTY EIGHT THOUSAND SIX HUNDRED FORTY SIX PESOS & 50/100 (P 5,457,646.05)**, Philippine Currency, inclusive of interest, penalty charges and other fees incident to this foreclosure, the undersigned or her duly authorized representative will sell at the public auction on **June 17, 2025 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. (057-2018058377) 167-2020070286

“A PARCEL OF LAND (LOT 21, BLK. 11, OF THE

CONS.-SUBDN. PLAN, (LRC) PCS-3017, BEING A PORTION OF THE CONSOLIDATION OF LOTS 4717, 4723 AND 4724, IMUS ESTATE, L.R.C (GLRO) REC. NO. 8843), SITUATED IN BO. OF PANAPAAN, MUN. OF BACoor, PROV. OF CAVITE, ISLAND OF LUZON. X X X, CONTAINING AN AREA OF **NINETY SIX (96) SQUARE METERS, MORE OR LESS.**”

“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 and time, its shall be held on JUNE 24, 2025, 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.

City of Bacoor, May 6, 2025.

(SGD) MELY C. HERMOSURA-VISTA
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WARNING:
It is absolutely prohibited to remove, deface, or destroy this notice of Extra-Judicial Sale on or before the date of sale.

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NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the estate of the late **LORETA REYES ESGUERRA**, consisting of her undivided share in a parcel of land known as Lot No.6041-Part, Cad-608-D situated at Kabulusan, Magallanes, Cavite, with a total area of **TWENTY THOUSAND SIX HUNDRED FIFTY TWO SQUARE METERS** and **TWENTY ONE DECIMETERS (20,652.21)**, more or less, declared under **TAX DECLARATION NO. AA-12-0010-00059** of the Municipal Assessor of Magallanes, Cavite, has been the subject of an Extra-Judicial Settlement of Estate of the Deceased Loreta Reyes Esguerra Among the Legal Heirs, as per Doc.No.144; Page No.30; Book No. XXV and series of 2025 of Notary Public Jameswell M. Resus of Naic, Cavite.

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NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE ESTATE OF THE LATE **GEORGE SOLIS ESTRADA** HAS BEEN EXTRA-JUDICIALLY SETTLED BY HIS HEIRS THRU ADDENDUM OF EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE WITH WAIVER OF SHARES AS PER DOC. NO. 438; PAGE NO. 89; BOOK NO. 44; SERIES OF 2025, BEFORE NOTARY PUBLIC ATTY. STEVE B. DELA REA JR.

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EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE OF THE LATE SPS. BERNARDO GASCON AND CARMELITA DOMINGUEZ

Notice is hereby given that the estate of the late **SPS. BERNARDO GASCON AND CARMELITA DOMINGUEZ** who died intestate respectively on August 26, 2021 in the City of Imus, Cavite and on December 24, 1996 in the Cavite City who left a parcel of land (1) TCT No. T-278901 situated in the Bo. of Palico, Mun. of Imus, Cavite containing an area of **ONE HUNDRED HUNDRED FOURTEEN (114) SQ. meters**; (2) TCT No. T-278901 situated in the Bo. of Palico, Mun. of Imus, Cavite containing an area of **TWO HUNDRED AND THIRTY SIX (236) SQ. meters**; (3) TCT No. T-950931 situated in the Bo. of Tanzang Luma, Mun. of Imus, Cavite containing an area of **ONE HUNDRED EIGHTY FOUR (184) SQ. meters** and (4) TCT No. T-278901 situated in the Bo. of Toclong, Mun. of Imus, Cavite containing an area of **SEVENTY ONE (71) SQ. meters** has been extrajudicially settled by their heirs thru extrajudicial settlement as per Doc. No.: 250; Page No.: 050; Book No.: 1; Series of 2025 by Notary Public Atty. Eloisa M. Aceron-Papa

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DA...

ta ang Ginintuang Butil ng Sta. Teresa Irrigators Association Inc. para sa Outstanding Rice Cluster-Irrigators Associations mula sa Lucena City, Quezon; si Jovencio Reyes para sa Outstanding Agricultural Extension Worker (AEW) mula sa Tanay, Rizal; at si Marites Caña para sa Outstanding High Value Crops Farmer mula sa Nagcarlan, Laguna.

Sinundan naman ito nina Gemma Chavez para sa Outstanding Large Animal Raiser Adopting Integrated Farming System, Cooperative Bank of Quezon Province para sa Outstanding Rural Financial Institution, Dr. Cleofas Cervancia para sa Outstanding Agricultural Scientist, Palcon Dairy MPC para sa Outstanding Dairy Cattle Raiser, Claudette Anne Aguila para

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sa Outstanding Young Farmer, Talahib Pandayan RIC para sa Outstanding Barangay Rural Improvement Club, at Victor Esmeris para sa Outstanding Coconut Farmer.

Kaugnay nito, Si Marites Caña ay buong puso ang pasasalamat sa pagtulong ng lokal na pamahalaan at DA-4A upang mabigyan sila ng pagkakataon sa Gawad Saka na mas maipakilala pa ang kanilang samahan sa buong bansa lalo na ang kanilang ipinagmamalaki na mga produkto.

Samantala, in-aasahan ang opisyal na paggagawad sa mga mananalito sa darating na buwan ng Mayo kasabay ng selebrasyon ng Buwan ng mga Magsasaka at Mangingisda ngayong taon.

DOST-CALABARZON...

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search-Based Openly-Operated Kiosk Stations (STARBOOKS) on March 10, 2025.

The ceremonial signing was graced by Ms. Agnes G. Morales, Provincial Director of DOST Laguna and Mr. Charles Andrew M. Reyes, Science Research Specialist I, alongside Ms. Marietta P. Sampang, School Principal of HRS, Ms. Benilda Marie "Day" Ignacio, School Director of HRS, Engr. Benhur B. Ignacio, President, and Ms. Francisca Gotiongco Ignacio, Vice President of HRS.

Their collective support underscores the shared commitment to enhancing science and technology education through innovation.

The installation of STARBOOKS was facilitated by the team from DOST CALABARZON led by Jayson Villarino, Project Technical Assistant IV.

STARBOOKS, the Philippines' first digital science library, will provide students and faculty with offline access to thousands of science, technology, and innovation resources. Its rich content includes:

- S & T

journals, research papers, and technical reports

- Educational videos and interactive learning materials

• DOST-developed technologies and livelihood opportunities

- K - 12 learning materials in science, mathematics, and engineering

- Climate change studies, disaster preparedness resources, and more!

By bringing cutting-edge learning tools to Holy Redeemer School of Cabuyao, this initiative ensures that students and teachers gain access to valuable educational content even without internet connectivity.

Ms. Day is confident that this technology will unlock new levels of achievement in science and mathematics for students and teachers, positively impacting HRS's reputation.

This partnership marks another milestone in DOST CALABARZON's mission to make science and technology accessible for all—empowering future innovators, researchers, and changemakers.

CARD RBI...

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well as MSMEs. We aim to provide financial and non-financial products and services," said CARD RBI President and CEO Ms. Lyneth Derequito.

According to the 2020 LGU Households Survey, Sindangan has a total household population of 26,068, with an average household size of 4.3. CARD RBI Sindangan Branch is now ready to meet the banking needs of the local communities, particularly the microentrepreneurs.

Sindangan is known for its thriving agribusiness sector, which includes fish and seaweed processing.

These industries play a vital role in the economy of Zamboanga del Norte, a province recognized for its diverse agribusiness activities, such as coconut oil milling, wood processing, and rubber production.

"We are committed to reaching more communities and MSMEs through branch expansion. Our goal is to offer essential services and implement community-based development programs to address the various needs of the people," Chairman of the Board Mr. Aristeo A. Dequito said.

The Bank CARD RBI caters to various financial needs of its clients as it offers

a wide range of banking products and services such as micro and SME loans, savings, and remittance services to ensure that all socioeconomically challenged families in the country have access to affordable and quality financial services.

The opening ceremony was attended by CARD MRI Rizal Bank President and CEO Ms. Lyneth L. Derequito, CARD RBI Executive Vice President Ms. Juliana B. De Leon, together with Chairman of the Board Mr. Aristeo A. Dequito, CARD RBI Former President and Board Director Ms. Elma B. Valenzuela, Sindangan Mayor Hon. Rosendo "Dodoy" S. Labadlabad, Vice Mayor Hon. Nilo Boy Sy, and other CARD MRI officers and staff.

This new branch is part of CARD RBI's mission to promote financial inclusion in the country. The new branch is located in Poblacion, Sindangan, Zamboanga del Norte.

As of December 2024, CARD RBI has grown significantly with over P7.5 billion in assets and more than 330 offices nationwide, serving over 820,000 clients.

For more information about CARD MRI Rizal Bank, Inc., visit its official website at www.cardmri.com/rbi/, and its Facebook page at CMRBofficial.

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loob ng Day Care upang matutuhan nila ang kanilang katutubong wikang hindi na nila natutuhan ang paggamit sa kanilang tahanan.

Pagkatapos ng seremonya, nagsagawa ng Focus Group Discussion kasama ang mga magulang, guro, at elder para sa ebalwasyon ng programang Bahay-Wika.

Isinagawahan naman ang workshop sa pagbuo ng mga planong pangwika ng komunidad. Noong 2024, nagtakda ang komunidad ng mithiin para sa wikang Inata. Naitarget nila na sa loob ng tatlong taon, mula 2024–2027 lahat ng magulang na Ata ay marunong nang magsalita ng Inata, at sa loob ng 10–15 taon, 2024–2039 nagagamit na ang Inata.

bilang wikang panturo sa paaralan sa kanilang komunidad.

Dinaluhan nina Indigeous Peoples Mandatory Representative (IPMR) Reneboy Francisco, Chieftain Garry Consing, mga elder, magulang, guro, at kabataang lider ang isinagawang workshop.

Sa tulong ng KWF, nakabuo sila ng plano at kongkretong hakbang sa pagkamit ng kanilang mithiin.

Nagsagawa ng workshop upang maisapin ang binubuong aklat ng Inata na naglalaman ng mga pangunahing salitang ginagamit sa pagtuturo at sa araw-araw, mga diyalog, tula, at kuwento.

Gagamitin ang aklat na pantulong sa pagtuturo ng Inata.



WHAT'S NEW, Ka-Markets? Smell the freshness in the air—RC Perfume is now open at SM Marketmall Dasmariñas! Visit them at the Upper Ground Floor, between DNSm Café and Juan Linaw, and discover your new favorite scent!

Make your summer count at the SM Active Hub in SM City Trece Martires!

Head to the Level 2 Event Area and dive into exciting free play activities like table tennis, chess, and billiards—happening now until May 29! Just register via the SM Malls Online app or scan the SMO QR code on-site to claim your swipe coupon and join in the fun!

Las Piñas Entreps Get Mentoring at Go Negosyo's 3M on Wheels



GATCHALIAN HAILS NEW LAW STRENGTHENING EARLY CHILDHOOD CARE AND DEVELOPMENT

Senator Win Gatchalian hailed the signing of the Early Childhood Care and Development System Act (Republic Act No. 12199), a landmark law that seeks to promote the optimum growth and development of children younger than five years old.

The new law applies the Early Childhood Care and Development (ECCD) System to all provinces, cities, municipalities, and barangays to achieve universal ECCD access for all children below five years old. The ECCD System covers the full range of health, nutrition, early childhood education, and social services development programs.

Local government units (LGUs) shall be responsible for implementing the ECCD System. They shall provide facilities and resources for the effective delivery of ECCD programs and services. LGUs shall also create plantilla positions for Child Development Workers (CDWs) and Child Development Teachers (CDTs) and ensure that there is at least one Child Development Center (CDC) in every barangay.

"Mahalaga ang pagpapatatag ng pundasyon ng ating mga kabataang wala pang limang taong gulang, lalo na't nakasalalay dito ang kanilang kakayahang matuto at magtagumpay bilang mga mamamayan," said Gatchalian, sponsor the law.

GO NEGOSYO AT SOUTHMALL. Hundreds of MSMEs from Las Piñas and nearby municipalities south of the National Capital Region trooped to the SM Southmall in Las Piñas City last May 10, 2025 for Go Negosyo's 3M on Wheels.

The event is part of Go Negosyo's advocacy to promote entrepreneurship across the Philippines through free mentoring.

Leading the mentoring is Go Negosyo founder Joey Concepcion, who together with the Philippine Chamber of Commerce and Industry (PCCI) Las Piñas and veteran entrepreneurship mentors, volunteered to

mentor the active and aspiring entrepreneurs.

With Concepcion were PCCI Las Piñas Chair and President Myraflor Miranda, WomenBiz chair Rosemarie Rafael, Phil. Commission on Women's Myrna Yao, PCCI's George Barcelon, PCCI NCR's Tess Ngan Tian, RL Lapid President

Violy Lapid, Semiconductor and Electronics Industries President Dan Lachica, event host Mercado Centrale founder RJ Ledesma, and Karsa Café owner and content creator Gracey Celosa-Mel, who gave a talk about how entrepreneurs can use content creation for their businesses.

Sampung field validation sa CALABARZON para sa 50th Gawad Saka ng DA, isinagawa



Nakapasok sa sampung kategorya ang mga representante ng Department of Agriculture IV-CALABARZON (DA-4A) at sumailalim na sa field validation ng National Technical Committee (NTC) para sa 50 th Gawad Saka: Parangal sa mga Natatanging Magsasaka at Mangingisda.

Ang Gawad Saka ay isinasagawa upang parangalan ang mga natatanging kontribusyon ng mga magsasaka, mangingisda, nag-aalaga

ng hayop, at maging ang mga dedikado sa serbisyo publiko na nagpamalas ng huwarang gilad sa galing para sa ikauunlad ng sektor ng agrikultura.

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CARD RBI opens its 39th branch in Zamboanga del Norte



Leading the way to financial inclusion, CARD RBI opens its 39th branch in Sindangan, Zamboanga del Norte.

CARD MRI Rizal Bank, Inc. (CARD RBI), a microfinance oriented-rural bank under CARD MRI opened its 39th branch in Sindangan, Zamboanga

del Norte on January 20, 2025. "This event marks more than just the opening of a new branch; it signifies the opening of

new doors to opportunities that will better serve communities, especially those facing social and economic challenges, as cont. on page 6