

NLEX and Pampanga Provincial Government bolster disaster preparedness



NLEX Corporation and the Provincial Government of Pampanga have joined forces to strengthen the province's disaster resilience as the rainy season approaches.

Some 40 participants from key provincial departments, including the Provincial Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Office, the Department of Public Works and Highways, the Office of the Provincial Agriculturist, and the Provincial Health Office, attended a two-day Policy-Making on Disaster Management Workshop facilitated by the Philippine Disaster Resilience Foundation (PDRF). The primary goal of the session was to identify critical safety gaps and ensure that the province's disaster management protocols are robust enough to protect residents during a disaster.

Workshop participants posed for a photo with (L-R, front row) PDRF Center Director Arnel Capili, Pampanga PDRRM Officer Janica Mikhail Yam-

Reñon. Second District Board Member Atty. Claire Lim emphasized that the priority remains the safety of her constituents and the protection of their homes. "In situations where the lives and livelihoods of Kapampangans are at stake, we welcome this help because even if we are resilient, we still need outside assistance," she said.

First District Board Member Cherry Manalo also expressed her gratitude for the collaboration and the dedication of the provincial staff. "We are grateful to NLEX and PDRF for helping up-skill our frontliners. This workshop demonstrates our shared commitment to strengthening the province's disaster management and ensuring we are better prepared to protect every Kapampangan," she noted.

By ensuring seamless coordination between the government and NLEX, the partnership aims to keep the prov-

PhilHealth, IBP Seal Partnership to Strengthen Member Protection, Rights, and Access to Legal Support



PASIG CITY - Philippine Health Insurance (PhilHealth) and the Integrated Bar of the Philippines (IBP) have signed a two-year Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) aimed at strengthening member protection, promoting patient rights, and expanding access to legal support for Filipinos under the Universal Health Care (UHC) program.

PhilHealth President and Chief Executive Officer, Dr. Edwin M. Mercado and IBP National President and Chairper-

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IMUS CITY BRIGADA ESKWELA 2026



Nakibahagi kamakailan sa taunang Brigada Eskwela kasama sina City Mayor Alex L. Advincula kasama sina School Division Superintendent Lito Palomar, Assistant School Division Superintendent Glenda Catadman, at mga konsehal ng lungsod bilang pakikiisa sa paghahanda ng ating mga paaralan para sa panibagong taon ng pag-aaral. Kasabay nito, nagkaloob din ang siyudad ng Imus ng 100 E-learning Interactive Display para sa mga Kindergarten teachers, at bininyang pagkilala ang mga nagwagi sa 2025 Regional Schools Press Conference, at pina-ngunahan ang ribbo cutting at blessing ng bagong conference hall

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ANTIPOLO CITY, RIZAL — In celebration of local entrepreneurship and Rizaleño pride, Samahan ng mga Rizaleño sa Sektor ng Agrikultura at Pagkain, Inc. (SARAP Inc.), in partnership with the Department of Trade and Industry (DTI) Rizal Provincial Office and Robinsons Place Antipolo, officially opened

EDITORIAL: The reckoning

THE impeachment ball rolled out Monday from the House of Representatives, with the flag speeding alongside it with focus on accountability and rule of law.

That ball is now in the Senate hall, which interestingly changed leadership minutes before the 255 yes votes were cast against 26 no and nine abstentions – with 24-member Senate sitting as the impeachment judges.

The charges include misuse of confidential funds, unexplained wealth, and alleged threats against President Marcos.

They highlight the legal process over political standing and focus on the repeated nature of the charges, and when confidential funds met public scrutiny.

The margin of votes was heard and watched by millions, north and south of the capital, to send articles of impeachment against Vice President Sara Duterte to the Senate, throwing her announced 2028 presidential run in a legal and Constitutional zone of doubt.

Under the 1987 Constitution, an impeachment triggers a Senate trial. A guilty verdict there would see Duterte removed from office and barred from elected office for life.

Filipinos will be watching how the Senate, with its new leadership, will act on the impeachment complaints.

Senator Alan Peter Cayetano, who served as then president Rodrigo Duterte's foreign secretary, replaced Vicente Sotto III as Senate president after a 13-9 vote, with two abstentions.

Filipinos including political and election observers will be watching keenly if the change in Senate leadership could play a significant role in the outcome of the attempt to impeach the vice president.

The House committee on justice chairman Gerville Lustrro sponsored the impeachment complaint before the votes were counted, underlining process and evidence.

The plenary discussions focussed on the four consolidated Articles of Impeachment adopted by the Justice panel after combining similar allegations from the Saballa and Cabrera impeachment complaints.

The first article involves the alleged misuse and irregular disbursement of confidential funds under both the Office of the Vice President and the Department of Education during Duterte's tenure as secretary.

The second article focuses on allegations of unexplained wealth and discrepancies involving Duterte's Statements of Assets, Liabilities and Net Worth and bank transactions flagged by the Anti-Money Laundering Council.

The third article concerns allegations of bribery tied to cash envelopes reportedly distributed to DepEd officials when Duterte was secretary.

The fourth article centers on Duterte's controversial remarks in November 2024 in which she publicly stated online that she had arranged for President Ferdinand R. Marcos Jr., First Lady Liza Araneta-Marcos, and then-Speaker Ferdinand Martin Romualdez to be killed should anything happen to her.

The impeachment, which may highlight the end of the line, for the Vice President, deserves attention which underlines accountability in public office.

DOLE...

CALAMBA CITY, Laguna (PIA) — The Department of Labor and Employment (DOLE) in Calabarzon is mobilizing beneficiaries of the Tulong Panghanapbuhay sa Ating Disadvantaged/Displaced Workers (TUPAD) program to assist in various Brigada Eskwela activities in preparation for the opening of classes on June 8.

This is in response to the directive of President Ferdinand R. Marcos Jr. to simultaneously prepare learning facilities for the incoming school year and provide temporary employment opportunities to disadvantaged, displaced, and underemployed workers.

In Antipolo City, Rizal, a total of 20 TUPAD workers were deployed to each participating school to render 10 days of community work focused on improving school facilities and learning environments.

According to DOLE Rizal, beneficiaries will assist in repainting

classrooms and school facilities, cleaning school grounds, clearing overgrown vegetation, repairing and refurbishing school furniture, organizing learning spaces, beautifying school premises, and carrying out other maintenance activities identified by school administrators.

"The initiative forms part of Secretary (Francis) Tolentino's effort to maximize the impact of TUPAD by providing temporary employment opportunities while supporting priority government programs.

By integrating TUPAD into Brigada Eskwela, disadvantaged and displaced workers are able to earn income while contributing to the improvement of public schools before the start of classes," DOLE Rizal Supervising Labor and Employment Officer Victoria B. Natanauan said in a statement.

School officials welcomed the deployment of TUPAD workers, noting that the additional man-

power would help expedite school preparation activities and address maintenance needs ahead of the opening of classes.

Natanauan said that the partnership between DOLE and the Department of Education (DepEd) reflects the government's commitment to strengthening both education and employment initiatives.

"As schools across Rizal finalize preparations for the incoming school year, the partnership between DOLE and the Department of Education underscores the government's commitment to both education and employment, ensuring that schools are ready to receive students while providing meaningful work opportunities to members of the community," she added.

Meanwhile, in San Pedro City, Laguna, 684 TUPAD beneficiaries have been engaged to support Brigada Eskwela activities in 28 public schools across the city.

The beneficiaries will be deployed to a mix of elementary, integrated, and national high schools strategically located in various barangays, ensuring

wider coverage of school maintenance and preparation efforts before students return to their classrooms.

DOLE Laguna Officer-in-Charge Provincial Head Herbert M. Matre said the initiative demonstrates the strong collaboration among national government agencies, local government units, and school communities in promoting quality education and community development.

"The implementation of the TUPAD-Brigada Eskwela program highlights the strong collaboration between DOLE, DepEd, local government units, and school communities in ensuring that public schools are prepared and ready for the incoming school year," Matre said.

"At the same time, the initiative provides immediate financial assistance and temporary employment to workers in need, especially those affected by economic challenges and displacement.

Through programs such as TUPAD, the government continues to promote inclusive opportunities while empowering communities through meaningful and productive work," he added.

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SSS begins...

QUEZON CITY, June 2, 2026 – The Social Security System (SSS) today begins the early roll-out of the second tranche of the Pension Reform Program (PRP) to 4.1 million pensioners, advancing the originally scheduled September pension increase to provide SSS pensioners with earlier financial relief.

Finance Secretary and Social Security Commission (SSC) Chair Frederick D. Go and SSS President and Chief Executive Officer Robert Joseph M. de Claro said the agency is releasing approximately ₱6 billion in additional pension benefits from June to August 2026 to help pensioners cope with inflationary pressures and higher energy costs.

"We are releas-

ing the second tranche of pension increases ahead of schedule to support millions of pensioners and their families, helping them meet their daily needs and enjoy greater financial security sooner," Go said.

"With the early implementation, we hope to provide timely relief to our pensioners and their families as they continue to face every day financial challenges," de Claro said.

He explained that SSS pensioners as of May 31, 2026, will be eligible to receive the pension hike beginning June 1, 2026, while those whose contingencies fall between June 1 and August 31, 2026, will receive their increased pension starting September 1, 2026.

Under the second tranche of the PRP, retirement and disability

occupancy.

"Dahil sa pagta-as ng loanable amount sa Pag IBIG, patuloy nating pinalalawak ang saklaw ng Expanded 4PH Program upang mas marami pang Pilipino ang magkaroon ng pagkakataong makabili ng sariling bahay," Secretary Aliiling said.

"Kasabay nito, napapagalaw din natin ang ekonomiya dahil maraming sektor ang konektado sa pabahay. Kapag may housing development, mas maraming negosyong nakikinaibang," he added.

The DHSUD chief noted that the higher loan ceiling will help more Filipino workers and professionals secure homes in areas closer to jobs, transport systems and essential services where property values have significantly increased in re-

He explained that stronger housing demand creates ripple effects on employment and business opportunities, especially in construction, manufacturing, transport, retail, furniture, and other allied industries that benefit from housing development and

Cayetano...

Senate President Alan Peter Cayetano on Tuesday urged senators to allow independent committee work to continue amid efforts to regain control of key committees, saying ongoing hearings are vital to addressing public concerns and ensuring accountability.

Speaking during a Facebook livestream on June 2, Cayetano said recent developments in the Senate should not distract senators from addressing the issues that matter most to Filipinos, including rising prices, jobs, healthcare, education, and public accountability.

"We are listening to you, we hear you, na ang pangunahing isyu ay trabaho, kita, ang pagtaas ng presyo, at ang araw-araw na kabuhayan ng ating kababayan," he said.

"In the next few days, we will be announcing to you the hard work that we're going to do in the different committees to help address inflation, problema sa production sa agriculture, y'ung mga walang pera sa pagpapagamot, the problems of K to 12, sa kabuhayan ng mga kababayan natin sa Middle East," he added.

Cayetano also assured the public that the Majority bloc is working to

ensure that Senate committees remain operational amid efforts to regain control of key committees that handle hearings on corruption investigations.

"Ngayon po ang Majority, ginagamit ang rules sa tama, morally, legally, to ensure na hindi agawin ang mga committees para po matuloy ang hearing ng Blue Ribbon sa Thursday at ang iba't iba pang mga importanteng hearing sa bawat committee," he said.

Among these is the Senate's investigation into alleged irregularities in flood control projects, which Cayetano said should continue in the interest of public accountability.

"[We cannot] allow the flood control issue, the biggest corruption issue in our history, to go unchecked," he said.

C a y e t a n o stressed the need for a thorough and independent inquiry as he noted the many unanswered questions on the issue such as the total number of ghost flood control projects, substandard infrastructure, and to what extent such issues exist across the country.

"Hindi po ito masasagot kung wala tayong independent, impartial na

hearing," he said.

The Senate President also reiterated the Majority's commitment to an independent and impartial impeachment process guided by evidence and established rules.

"We want an independent impeachment. Magaganap po 'yan na walang mga scheme, sinister plot. Basta kung ano'ng ebidensya, lalabas y'ung ebidensya," Cayetano said.

He said both the prosecution and defense should be allowed to present their respective cases before senator-judges evaluate the evidence.

"The prosecution dapat ang lumatat ng ebidensya nila to convict. Ang defense ang dapat lumatat ng ebidensya nila para ma-acquit.

Ang senator-judges naman ang dapat mag-examine ng mga ebidensya," he said.

Cayetano maintained that the Senate must be allowed to continue its committee work and constitutional duties without losing sight of its role in uncovering the truth.

"Uulitin ko po: kailangan tingnan natin ang nangyayari sa Senado sa mas malaking konteksto ng katotohanan," he said. PR

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PHILHEALTH...

ration between PhilHealth and the country's national organization of lawyers to improve support systems for PhilHealth members, particularly in addressing concerns related to healthcare benefits, patient rights, and access to information.

Under the partnership, PhilHealth and the IBP will work together to promote greater awareness of members' rights and entitlements under the UHC Act through joint information and education campaigns.

The two institutions will also collaborate on policy initiatives that seek to enhance patient welfare and improve the delivery of healthcare services.

The agreement also covers collaboration

in health law and policy development, capacity-building programs, continuing legal education for PhilHealth lawyers, and fraud prevention efforts.

These initiatives are expected to strengthen PhilHealth's ability to deliver responsive services and ensure that members receive the benefits and protections they are entitled to under the law.

A key feature of the agreement is the provision of free legal aid activities for qualified PhilHealth members, particularly those who are indigent or marginalized, on matters related to healthcare benefits and claims.

PhilHealth will support these initiatives by providing the necessary information and documentation to facilitate legal as-

sistance.

The partnership will likewise support the enhancement of existing dispute resolution mechanisms within PhilHealth to further improve service delivery and ensure that member concerns and benefit-related issues are addressed in a timely, fair, and efficient manner.

Through this partnership, PhilHealth reaffirms its commitment to protecting the interests of its members and advancing

Universal Health Care by ensuring that every Filipino not only has access to health insurance coverage, but is also equipped with the information, support, and legal safeguards needed to fully enjoy their healthcare rights. PR

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'TUPAD MADE EASIER': DOLE CALABARZON LAUNCHES TUPAS BIOS

Making TUPAD implementation faster, easier, and more efficient for both implementers and beneficiaries, the Department of Labor and Employment (DOLE) CALABARZON officially launched the TUPAD Biometrics Integrated Online System (TUPAD BIOS) on June 2, 2026, at the DOLE IV-A Regional Office Training Center in Calamba City, Laguna.

Developed as a major innovation initiative of DOLE CALABARZON, the TUPAD BIOS is designed to streamline and modernize the implementation of the Tulong Panghanapbuhay sa Ating Disadvantaged (TUPAD) Workers program through a centralized and automated platform for beneficiary verification, attendance monitoring, and records management. By utilizing biometric technology, the system minimizes manual paperwork, reduces encoding errors, strengthens monitoring mechanisms, eliminates duplication, and facilitates more efficient program administration across the region.

The launch activity featured an overview of the system, the unveiling of the official TUPAD BIOS logo, and an actual rollout demonstration involving TUPAD beneficiaries. During the demonstration, beneficiaries experienced firsthand the convenience and efficiency of the biometric-based platform, which enables faster validation, issuance of TUPAD IDs, and more organized recording of attendance and beneficiary information.

Beneficiaries who participated in the rollout welcomed the new system, noting its speed, ease of use, and reduced documentary requirements. One of the beneficiaries, Aileen Geli of Cabuyao City, Laguna, expressed appreciation for the platform's efficiency, sharing that the registration and validation process was completed quickly and seamlessly. "Napak-

abilis po ng proseso. Nakapag-register po kami agad at lumabas kaagad ang impormasyon namin sa system," she remarked, highlighting how the innovation simplifies participation in the program.

In his message, Regional Director Atty. Erwin N. Aquino emphasized that the launch of TUPAD BIOS marks another important step in the continuous transformation of public service delivery in DOLE CALABARZON. He underscored that the system strengthens beneficiary validation, improves monitoring mechanisms, minimizes duplication, and enhances program integrity, ensuring that government assistance reaches the rightful beneficiaries efficiently and with accountability. Through innovations such as TUPAD BIOS, the agency continues to advance a more modernized and data-driven implementation of employment programs across the region. Assistant Regional Director Nicanor V. Bon, meanwhile, highlighted that the initiative reflects DOLE CALABARZON's continuing commitment to innovation, accountability, and excellence in public service.

He noted that while digital transformation is an evolving journey, the TUPAD BIOS brings the agency closer to a more streamlined, transparent, and efficient implementation of the program, ultimately improving service delivery for workers and communities.

The launch of the TUPAD BIOS marks another milestone in DOLE CALABARZON's efforts to make government services more accessible, responsive, and citizen-centered. The initiative also aligns with the directive of newly appointed Labor Secretary, Francis N. Tolentino to continuously improve the delivery of government services through innovation, efficiency, and responsive programs that directly benefit workers and their communities. PR

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NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the estate of the late **LEONARDO M. TRINIDAD** and **SUSANA L. TRINIDAD**, consisting of a parcel of land, known as Lot 1871-D-2 of the subd. Plan Psd-04-030043, being a portion of Lot 1871-D, Psd-04-0019933, L.R.C. Rec.) located at Bo. of. Capiisa, Mun. of Tanza, Province of Cavite, Island of Luzonxxxxxxxxxx with a total area of 1000 square meters and embraced and covered by Transfer Certificate of Title No. T-1141057 of the Register of Deeds of Cavite Province, has been the subject of an Extra-Judicial Settlement of Estate of the Deceased **LEONARDO M. TRINIDAD** and **SUSANA L. TRINIDAD** Among the Legal Heirs, as per Doc.No.381; Page No.78; Book No. XXV and series of 2026 of Notary Public Jameswell M. Resus of Naic, Cavite.

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DEED OF EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF THE ESTATE OF THE LATE AVELINA BALICHA SEMBRANO

Notice is hereby given that the estate of the late AVELIN BALICHA SEMBRANO who died on August 11, 2024 at Quezon City, Metro Manila died intestate during her death left a real property (house & lot) covered by Transfer Certificate of Title T-365536 situated in the Bo. of Anabu, Mun. of Imus, Province of Cavite containing an area of SEVENTY FIVE (75) SQUARE METERS has been extrajudicially settled by her heirs thru Deed of Extrajudicial Settlement of the Estate as per Doc. No. 694; Page No. 23; Book No. XXII series of 2026 by Notary Public Atty. Albert C. Arpon.

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DISHES ON SCREEN



CARD MRI Hijos Tours partner head chef Procy Balasoto styling dishes on a film set.

From supplying food tours across the country to styling dishes for a film set, this is Procy B. Balasoto, 53, from Sta. Cruz, Laguna. Cooking for her was once just a way to make ends meet. But today, it became her pathway to opportunities she never thought were within her reach.

First opportunity A single mother of three, Procy had no steady source of income and was looking for ways to support her family. In 2013, Procy became a client of CARD MRI Rizal Bank, Inc., a microfinance-oriented rural bank under CARD MRI. Through business guidance in their center meeting and her first loan, she began a small charcoal and rice supply business.

But even then, her passion for cooking was already simmering in her ways. She prepared home-cooked dishes and placed them in front of their house to offer them to neighbors and passers-by. To augment her earnings, she also became a reseller of personal care products.

But she didn't stop there. Procy also attended livelihood seminars where she learned to make homemade products that she sold personally. During weekly center meetings, she would bring her cooked dishes and offer them to fellow clients and their Account Officer.

Drawn by their good taste, her co-clients showed their support by consistently buying her products. After the meetings, she would continue selling house to

house.

She didn't mind this routine. For her, as long as she was able to cook and sell her products, and as long as it sustained her family's needs, everything was worth it.

A table of new possibilities

In 2023, the CARD MRI Hijos Tours offered a culinary scholarship to microfinance clients. Because Procy's cooking is known in their area, their Account Officer referred her to Hijos Tours. Without hesitation, Procy seized the opportunity and enrolled in the program, completing her culinary studies within the same year.

This training opened doors she had never imagined. She began preparing food for Hijos Tours' participants during various activities and tours. With the guidance of a chef specialist, she was able to contribute to menu formulation for the Kasadya Fine Dining food tour experience and served as a food stylist for food tours. Her role allowed her not only to cook but also to present Filipino dishes in ways that showcased their heritage and appeal.

More than enhancing her cooking skills, Procy felt a strong sense of community. Through joining the tour company as a cook, she met people from different backgrounds, which helped her develop confidence, social skills, and adaptability. Interacting with diverse groups also deepened her appreciation for the wide

variety of Filipino culture.

By the following year, she was appointed as Hijos Tours' head chef partner in Laguna. The role enabled her to learn heritage recipes from different regions in the country. Among her most memorable experiences were learning to cook the dishes of other regions in the country and preparing meals for events serving more than a hundred participants. Through her travels, she gained not only culinary knowledge but also a deeper understanding of simplicity and resilience in life.

Despite her growing career, Procy remains deeply committed to her role as a mother. She makes it a point to stay closely involved in her children's studies and personal struggles, even when her work requires her to travel for tours.

Reaching the screen

This year, another shift in her journey occurred. After being busy during one of Hijos Tours' events, she was tapped as a food stylist assistant for the film production of Bente Productions, a multimedia company under CARD MRI. The film highlights the story of a blind cook, so it features food and culinary culture, making the assistance of chefs and food stylists on set crucial. The opportunity came as a surprise, but Procy accepted it with gratitude and excitement, carefully preparing and styling every dish for the film set.

She admits that

Improved GAD Help Desk launched as a lactation facility for DOST-CALABARZON employees



The Department of Science and Technology-CALABARZON (DOST-CALABARZON) officially launched the improved Gender and Development (GAD) Multipurpose Help Desk on May 25, 2026, at the DOST-CALABARZON Regional Office, retrofitted into a dedicated lactation facility for lactating employees and visitors.

The initiative supports the implementation of Republic Act No. 10028 or the Expanded Breastfeeding Promotion Act of 2009 and Executive Order No. 51, also known as The Philippine Milk Code, which promotes and protects breastfeeding practices in workplaces by providing safe, healthful, and supportive environments for working mothers.

The facility aims to provide a safe, private, and accessible space for

lactating mothers within the office, including employees and visiting clients who may need an area to express milk during working hours. The initiative also reflects the agency's continuing commitment to promoting gender-responsive and family-friendly workplace policies and support mechanisms.

As a member of the E.O. 51 Task Force in CALABARZON, DOST-CALABARZON continues to support the enforcement and advocacy efforts of the Philippine Milk Code in the region. The launch of the improved facility also forms part of the agency's preparation toward applying for recognition as a Mother-Baby Friendly Workplace under the accreditation program of the Department of Health (DOH).

Highlighting

Filipino cultural heritage. She remains committed to improving her craft and serving others through her cooking.

To fellow cooks, Procy offers simple yet heartfelt advice: "Do not be afraid to try and discover new things and potentials." For her, cooking is not only about following recipes but about embracing creativity, being open to learning, and finding beauty even in the sim-

ple importance of creating a more inclusive and supportive workplace, DOST-CALABARZON GAD Focal Person, Ms. Vera Karuna C. Sudaprasert, emphasized that the initiative strengthens the agency's commitment to gender mainstreaming and employee welfare.

"Having a lactation facility in DOST-CALABARZON strengthens our commitment to gender mainstreaming and creating an inclusive agency for both our visitors and employees.

It allows lactating parents to have a designated space where they can comfortably and safely perform reproductive tasks without sacrificing their productivity in the workplace," Ms. Sudaprasert said.

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plest dishes.

From selling food in front of her home, Procy never thought that she would one day be styling dishes to be shown on screen. This experience reflects how determination and a passion for one's craft can open unexpected doors. When paired with community support, even the most modest beginnings can grow into a journey filled with meaningful opportunities. PR

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Address: 71 APOLLO ST., SAN ISIDRO, TAYTAY RIZAL

In the event the public auction should not take place on the said date, it shall be held on **October 20, 2026 at 10:00 o'clock** in the morning without further no-

Aboitiz, Vietnam Discuss Stronger Cooperation in Energy, Food Security and Infrastructure



Aboitiz Group officials led by (L-R) AboitizPower Chief Corporate Services Officer Carlos Aboitiz (1st), AboitizPower Chief Financial Officer Sandro Aboitiz (2nd), Aboitiz Foods President and CEO Tristan Aboitiz (3rd), Aboitiz InfraCapital President and CEO Cosette Canilao (5th), and Aboitiz Equity Ventures Chief Corporate External Affairs Officer DJ Sta. Ana (6th) met with Vietnamese General Secretary and President To Lam (4th) on the first day of his state visit to the Philippines

The Aboitiz Group met with Vietnamese General Secretary and President To Lam during his state visit to the Philippines, underscoring the strong alignment between Vietnam's development priorities and the Group's investments in energy, food security, and infrastructure.

The discussions focused on opportunities to support Vietnam's continued economic expansion and strengthen regional competitiveness, particularly in sectors where Aboitiz has established capabilities and a

growing presence. President Lam also expressed support for deeper engagement between Vietnamese and Philippine businesses as both countries pursue shared development goals.

The meeting highlighted the increasingly important role of regional collaboration in strengthening economic resilience, improving supply chains, supporting growing populations, and expanding opportunities for trade, investment, and tourism between the Philippines and Vietnam.

"We believe the

economic relationship between Vietnam and the Philippines has significant untapped potential, particularly in agriculture, food security, and sustainable development," said Aboitiz Foods President and Chief Executive Officer Tristan Aboitiz. "We remain committed to supporting long-term cooperation, investment, and shared growth between our two countries."

Aboitiz's investments in Vietnam reflect its commitment to sectors that are central to the country's long-term development agenda.

Through Aboitiz Foods, the Group operates a US\$45-million feed mill in Long An Province, equipped with modern facilities capable of producing 300,000 metric tons of animal nutrition feed annually.

In the energy sector, AboitizPower made its first major international investment through the acquisition of a 25 percent stake in Van Phong Power Company Limited, which owns an operational 1,320 megawatt high-efficiency, low-emission coal-fired power plant in Khánh Hòa Province. It is currently undergoing the mandatory process of securing government approval. "We are keen to continue investing

in Vietnam's power sector. This will span both more coal power investments, gas, and especially renewable energy as your country continues to require more energy generation given the demand for growth," said AboitizPower Chief Financial Officer Sandro Aboitiz.

Beyond energy and food security, Aboitiz InfraCapital is helping strengthen connectivity between the Philippines and Vietnam by expanding direct air links between Cebu and key Vietnamese cities, including Hanoi and Ho Chi Minh City, through the Mactan-Cebu International Airport.

The award-winning Mactan-Cebu Inter-

national Airport forms part of Aboitiz InfraCapital's growing airport portfolio, joining Bohol-Panglao and Laguindingan International Airports.

"We hope to deepen partnerships with Vietnamese travel and tour enterprises so that we can bring more Vietnamese travelers into Cebu, Bohol, and Northern Mindanao and likewise more Filipino travelers into Vietnam," said Aboitiz InfraCapital President and CEO Cosette Canilao. Through its investments in strategic industries, Aboitiz is advancing opportunities for sustainable growth and shared prosperity in the Philippines and beyond.



In support of the SM Cares Brigada Eskwela 2026 program, employees, agency personnel, and security guards from SM City Dasmariñas, SM Marketmall, and SM City Trece Martires participated in volunteer activities at Bautista Elementary School in Dasmariñas City and Aliang Elementary School in Trece Martires City.

The team worked together in cleaning, painting, and conducting minor repair works to help prepare the schools for the upcoming academic year. Cleaning materials were also donated to further support the schools in providing a safe, clean, and conducive learning environment for students and teachers.

Through initia-

tives such as Brigada Eskwela, SM Cares and SM Supermalls remain committed to empowering communities through education, volunteerism, and meaningful partnerships, helping create better opportunities and a brighter future for Filipino learners.

#EmpoweringCommunities #SMCares #SMSupermalls #BrigadaEskwela2026

Megaworld's...

Continuing to outperform amid industry challenges, the Megaworld Group recorded P29.7-billion in reservation sales during the first quarter of the year, up 10.4% from the same period last year, driven by resilient demand for its residential developments across Metro Manila and even in the provinces.

Out of this total, property giant Megaworld remained the Group's primary growth driver, contributing around 71% of total reservation sales, equivalent to P21.2-billion. Driving this performance was the company's 54-story Uptown Modern in Uptown Bonifacio, which generated P3-billion in sales during the quarter.

Also performing significantly well during the first three months of the year are other Megaworld properties such as Park McKinley West at McKinley West in Taguig City; One Crown Suites at Winford Resort Estate in Manila; as well as the company's provincial properties like Ilocandia Beach Village at Ilocandia Coasttown in Laoag City, Ilocos Norte; Maple Grove Park Village at Maple Grove in General Trias City, Cavite; Santé

Residences Palawan at Paragua Coasttown in San Vicente, Palawan; Firenze at Iloilo Business Park in Iloilo City; and La Victoria Global Residences at The Mactan Newtown in Lapu-Lapu City, Cebu.

"Our residential business continues to show strong resilience, led by steady sales across our Metro Manila developments and growing demand for our provincial properties. Even amid a challenging business environment, we remain focused on accelerating growth across our portfolio and creating lasting value for our stakeholders. More importantly, the sustained performance of our residential developments reflects the enduring strength of the township model that Megaworld pioneered—an integrated, lifestyle-driven approach that continues to provide us with a distinct competitive advantage and remains aligned with the evolving needs of the market," says Lourdes T. Gutierrez-Alfonso, President and CEO, Megaworld.

Megaworld accelerated its expansion in key provincial growth areas during the first quarter with the launch of two landmark residential developments: the 14-story Santé Residences Palawan, the Philippines' first WELL-registered residential development with projected sales of P6.5-billion, and the 19.4-hectare Ilocandia Beach Village, a beachfront estate poised to contribute P4-billion in sales.

Earlier this year, Megaworld also announced that it is developing the 97-hectare The Sugartown in Talisay City, Negros Occidental, the company's 37th township development and its third within the Negros Island Region.

This June, Megaworld celebrates its 37th year in the Philippine real estate industry as it continues to uplift lives, impact society, and help shape the nation through its 37 townships across the country spanning more than 7,000 hectares of land from Luzon, Visayas, and Mindanao.

Today, Megaworld remains to be one of the Philippines' biggest property giants today with over 800 residential developments spread across the country, and it remains to be the largest office landlord and the largest hotel operator in terms of room keys in the Philippines.

Tagapangulo ng KWF, Pinangaralan ng Pinakamataas na Gawad sa Lungsod ng Baguio

Ginawaran ng prestihiyosong Gawad Gintong Laurel si Atty. Marites A. Barrios-Taran sa Lungsod ng Baguio noong 25 Abril 2026, sa huling araw ng Pambansang Seminar-Palihan at Kumperensiya sa Filipino 2026. Pinagtibay ang parangal ng mga matataas na opisyal ng Pambansang Samahan ng mga Propesional at Mananaliksik sa Pilipinas, Inc. (PSPPI), sa pangunguna ng Pangulo at CEO nito na si Dr. Winnaflor G. Gaspar, kasama ang lupon ng mga Direktor ng samahan bilang pagpapatunay sa dangal at integridad ng naturang gawad. Ang nasabing parangal, na itinuring na pinakamataas na pagkilala mula sa PSPPI ay iginagawad sa mga indibidwal at institusyong nagpakita ng natatanging kahusayan at karangalan sa kanilang larangan. Kinikilala rin nito ang taos-pusong paglilingkod at dedikasyong higit pa sa kanilang sinumpaang tungkulin, gayundin ang mga ambag na nagdudulot ng tagumpay para sa bawat Pilipino at sa buong bansa. Iginawad ang naturang pagkilala bilang bahagi ng tatlong-araw na Pambansang Seminar-Palihan at Kumperensiya sa Filipino 2026 na dinaluhan ng mga guro, mananaliksik, at dalubwika mula sa iba't ibang panig ng bansa.



CALABARZON...

CALAMBA CITY, Laguna (PIA) — With only a few years left for implementation, the Department of Health (DOH) will focus on strengthening capacity building programs, standardizing monitoring tools, and strengthening logistics support for areas covered by the Philippine Multisectoral Nutrition Project (PMNP).

In CALABARZON, the PMNP is currently being implemented in 24 pilot municipalities facing challenges in child malnutrition.

Since its rollout, the DOH lauded the participating LGUs for successfully expanding the number of households covered by the PMNP, which led to improved nutrition services in the region.

Krishna Mae Cajucom, Regional Project Officer for Mobilization and Technical Assistance, noted the continuous support of local government units to the region's nutrition programs.

"All pilot sites showed improved household coverage and increased approvals over time. Ito 'yung ating ki-

no-commend sa mga LGU. Although mababa 'yung kanilang coverage pero nag-improve naman kahit paano."

Cajucom added, "Ang maganda sa ating pilot sites ay mayroon silang strong implementation ng breastfeeding programs, but the complementary feeding ay nagiging challenge pa rin."

With only a few years left in its implementation timeline, the project will now focus on strengthening its capacity building programs, standardizing its monitoring tools, and strengthening its data validation mechanisms.

Additionally, the DOH will improve its logistics support especially in project areas with weak data connectivity and are located in Geographically Isolated and Disadvantaged Areas (GIDA).

Nutrition initiatives in the CALABARZON region continue to face implementation and systemic challenges, particularly in areas with high rates of child malnutrition.

"Most gaps across LGU [local government unit] pilot sites are

not the absence of their services, but rather gaps in the system, data quality, and social behavior implementation," Cajucom explained.

Citing results for the Integrated Supportive Supervision and Mentoring (ISSM) visits across 24 PMNP municipalities,

Cajucom revealed that local health and nutrition offices are strained with staffing challenges and outdated training.

"Usually lumalabas dito na sila ay overloaded and understaffed, or matagal na 'yung kanilang last capacity building activity."

Several pilot sites of the PMNP are located in the region's island municipalities with poor internet connectivity, which lead to delays in data collection.

"Marami pang nag-arise na concerns sa ating findings about data encoding and syncing, as well as in approval due to weak internet connectivity.

Nagkaroon rin ng concerns sa ilang pilot sites dahil sa insufficient number of Community Volunteer Workers."



Since 2014, Vietnam has been a key growth market for Aboitiz Foods through Pilimco's acquisition of Vinh Hoan 1 Feed JSC. Most recently, the company further strengthened its presence with a US\$45-million feed mill in Long An Province that can produce up to 300,000 metric tons of livestock and animal nutrition feed annually—underscoring the company's commitment to supporting Vietnam's food security and agricultural growth.