



Palengke on Wheels will continue to provide Alfoseños safe access to food under the SSE-ECQ effective May 3 - 15, 2020.

SUPER STRICT EXTENDED -ECQ EFFECTED IN ALFONSO TOWN

ALFONSO, Cavite(PIA) -- The municipality of Alfonso headed by Mayor Randy Salamat placed the town under Super Strict Extended- ECQ pursuant to the provincial government's 14-day Strict Quarantine.

According to the guidelines for the implementation, Quarantine passes issued on March 15 - May 1 will be valid until May 4, 2020 since new (color coded) Home Quarantine Passes will be issued on May 2 & 3, 2020.

Twenty four (24) hour curfew will be strictly implemented in the town, and only HQP holders will be allowed to go out or residences up to 6pm during



Mayor Randy Salamat

their cluster schedule and only authorized personnel like frontliners, foodhandlers, employees of banks

and other financial services institutions, farmers and those engaging in relief operations are allowed to go out of their houses.

Services provided by the LGU will continue like the Palengke on Wheels, Botika on Wheels in coordination with the Sangguniang Kabataan (SK) while shuttle service will be provided for those who need to accomplish bank and other financial transactions since private vehicles will not be allowed passage beyond Crossing Alfonso checkpoint.

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828 LGUS LAUDED FOR BEATING SAP PAYOUT DEADLINE

MANILA – The Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG) hailed 828 local government units (LGUs) nationwide that have completed the payout of the first tranche of the Social Amelioration Program (SAP) financial assistance to poor families in their localities and have met the deadline set by the DILG for SAP distribution.

“Good job sa ating mga LGUs na naipamahagi na sa mga mahihirap na pamilya ang SAP cash subsidy. Pinapatunayan lamang nito ang inyong pagmamalasakit sa inyong mga (to our LGUs that have distributed the SAP cash subsidy to poor families. This only proves your compassion to your) constituents,” DILG

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Revilla commends DOLE, DTI for assisting companies reopening under “the new normal”

Senator Ramon Bong Revilla, Jr. commends the Department of Trade and Industry (DTI) and the Department of Labor and Employment (DOLE) for assisting businesses and other private institutions which are allowed to reopen and operate amid the novel Corona virus (Covid-19) pandemic.

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Sen. Ramon Bong Revilla, Jr.

DA & DTI's Kadiwa Diskwento Caravan sells products for lower prices



CALAMBA CITY, Laguna, (PIA) --Products with lower and reasonable prices were sold recently to more than 200 residents of Bacoor City, Cavite thru the Kadiwa Diskwento Caravan, a joint activity of the CALABARZON regional offices of the the De-

partment of Agriculture (DA) and the Department of Trade and Industry (DTI).

The Kadiwa Diskwento Caravan, held in Bahayang Pag-asa covered court, Brgy. Molino 5 in Bacoor City last April 27 is combination of DA's KADIWA

ni Ani at Kita which focused mainly on agricultural products while DTI's Diskwento Caravan covers more affordable basic commodities.

Food products such as vegetables, fruits, fish, chicken, canned and frozen

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**SENATE CORNER****POE ON NATIONAL PUBLIC TRANSPORT COALITION'S CALL:**

Adequate safeguards and support must be in place if our PUV drivers must hit the road under the reduced capacity protocol.

To protect not only them but also our commuting public, our drivers must be included in the mandatory COVID-19 testing without out-of-pocket expense.

As social distancing is enforced, the government should provide our PUV drivers fuel and livelihood subsidy to make up for the expected decrease in their take-home income.

It is lamentable that until now, a number of families of PUV drivers have yet to receive the promised cash aid close to two months since the lockdown.

We reiterate our call to speed up the release of the assistance since they are clearly among the sectors in need and without means of living if they are not allowed to go out.

As warriors in this pandemic, our PUV drivers are also putting themselves on the frontline to rush to our side and keep the economy moving.

We owe it to them that after every trip at the end of the day, they return to their families safely and not shortchanged.

Stay at HOME

Huwag tayo maging sanhi ng pagkalat ng COVID-19

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**NEWS UPDATE****OFFICIAL RESPONSE TO THE INCREASED PREMIUM RATES AFFECTING OVERSEAS FILIPINO WORKERS (OFWS)**

PhilHealth fully understands the sentiments of our OFWs regarding the increase in premiums. We have explored several possibilities to cushion the impact of the increase through flexible payment terms that are embodied in the recently published Circular. The increased premium rates from 2.75% to 3% in 2020 is in accordance with specific provisions of Republic Act 11223 otherwise known as the Universal Health Care Act of 2019. These premium rates were announced last year in PhilHealth Circular No. 2019-0009 published in Nov. 23, 2019 entitled 'Premium Contribution Schedule in the National Health Insurance Program (NHIP)' and further clarified by the recently published PhilHealth Circular No. 2020-0014.

The purpose of the Universal Health Care Act, as in other societies with the same program, is to provide affordable and adequate healthcare to all Filipinos. Such a program requires funding collected through premium contributions. In 2019, forty-four percent (44%) of the premiums were subsidized by the national government while the balance was collected from individual members and their employers, where OFWs are counted. Benefits-wise, 36% of beneficiaries were from the informal and private sector while 37% were accounted for from the indigents and senior citizens whose premiums were paid by the national government.

In the past some 10 to 12 million claims per year were processed, ranging from natural childbirth to kidney transplants. Last year, with a collection from OFWs amounting to P 1.02 Bil-

lion (comprising 0.7% of premiums from total collections), OFWs claimed P 1.7 Billion in benefits with 69% of claims attributed to their dependents in the country while 31% was claimed by overseas OFWs. Under the UHC Act, benefit coverage is planned to be increased and expanded so that more Filipinos can be served better. This is the fundamental basis for the premium increase. These ambitious health goals must be supported by adequate funding collected through increased premium rates.

Year 1 of UHC coincided with the unprecedented coronavirus disease 2019 pandemic. Even wealthy nations - nations with highly vaunted health systems - are struggling to protect their citizens. The Philippines has not been spared from this scourge. To provide financial protection to Filipinos, PhilHealth has rolled out a P30 billion CoViD-19 response fund - the biggest of any agency - which is being prepositioned with some 5,000 accredited health care facilities nationwide.

Recognizing that everyone is cash-strapped during these difficult times, and in the spirit of the recently passed R. A. 11469 or the Bayanihan We Heal As One Law which is government's response to the CoViD-19 pandemic, PhilHealth has adopted a flexible payment scheme which will allow OFWs - and all other directly paying self-employed members - to pay their contributions within the year. As an agency of government, sensitive to the welfare and well-being of all Filipinos, PhilHealth commits to continue exploring means to soften and alleviate the impact of premium rate increase, but it cannot change the Law.

Revilla commends DOLE, DTL...from page 1

"Tayo ay nagpapasalamat sa Pangulo na pinayagan nang magbukas ang ilang mga negosyo at kumpanya simula May 1 dahil marami sa ating mga kababayan ang maaari nang magbalik trabaho. Ngunit hindi nangangahulugan nito na balik lang tayo sa dating gawi at hindi na kailangang mag-ingat," the senator said.

"Malaking bagay ang inilabas na guidelines ng DOLE at ng DTI upang gabayan ang mga manggagawa at mga negosyo sa kanilang muling pagbubukas at pagbibigay serbisyo sa publiko sa gitna ng patuloy na pagpapatupad ng Enhanced Community Quarantine at General Community Quarantine sa ating bansa at maigting na pagsasaalang-alang pa rin sa kalusugan at kaligtasan ng lahat," Revilla emphasized as the country ushers into the "new normal."

Revilla, who is the Chairman of the Senate Committee on Civil Service, Government Reorganization and Professional Regulation, also called on the Civil Service Commission (CSC) to issue similar guidelines for government offices who will resume work and frontline workers who will transact with the general public.

Under the Omnibus Guidelines on the Implementation of Community Quarantine issued by the Inter-Agency Task Force for the Management of Emerging Infectious Diseases, all agencies and instrumentalities of the government, including GOCCs, as well as local government units, in areas under ECQ, will be allowed to operate with a skeleton workforce. Meanwhile, work in government offices in areas under GCQ may be at full operational capacity.

Under the Interim Guidelines on Workplace Prevention and Control of Covid-19 which applies to all workplaces, employers and workers in the private sector, health and safety standards

shall be implemented aligned with the minimum health standards of the Department of Health (DOH).

Among the health and safety procedure to be imposed are:

Wear face masks at all times. Employers should provide face masks for their workers.

Prior to entrance in their workplaces, they will accomplish a health symptoms questionnaire and their temperature will be checked.

Physical distancing of one meter will be observed.

Frequent disinfection of workplaces and communal areas. Sanitizers, soap and water should also be made available.

Alternative work arrangements, such as working hour shifts and work-from-home schemes, will be adopted. Workers 60 years old and above, and those with co-morbidities or pre-existing illnesses, should be allowed to work from home.

Online systems, such as videoconferencing, will be encouraged. Meetings needing physical presence will be kept to a minimum number of participants and will be of short duration.

"I encourage the businesses, workers and the private sector to strictly implement and to follow these protocols for everyone's safety, Revilla said, as he added: "Hindi pa po tapos ang laban natin sa Covid-19. Kailangan nating patuloy na magkaisa para magtagumpayan natin ang laban na ito."



MUNICIPALITY OF CARMONA

Details and information from the Municipal Health Office (MHO):

Mga kababayan, bilang paglilina sa ilang katanungan ukol sa second confirmed case natin ng COVID-19 ay narito ang ilan pang detalye at impormasyon mula sa Municipal Health Office (MHO):

1. Hindi tayo nagpatupad ng "LOCKDOWN" sa Brgy. Mabuhay dahil ang pasyente ay naka-confine sa RITM simula pa noong Abril 26, 2020.

2. Maagang na-contain ang sitwasyon sapagkat ang DALAWANG CLOSE CONTACT ng nasabing pasyente ay noon pang April 26 ang last exposure at agad din silang nag-self isolation. Pareho din silang ASYMPTOMATIC.

3. Sumailalim na rin sa swab testing ang dalawang close contact at naghihintay na lamang ng resulta.

4. Sila ay nakatigil sa isolated na tahanan at regular na nakikipag-ugnayan sa tanggapan ng MHO.

5. Sa surveillance report ng barangay ay sumusunod ang pamilya sa STRICT HOME QUARANTINE. Nabigyan na rin ng magagamit na hygiene kits ang nasabing close contacts.

6. Sa initial na investigation ng MHO ay MAY POSIBILIDAD na sa paggamit ng ATM nahawa ang ikalawa nating COVID-19 case, subalit hindi rin isinasantabi ang iba pang mode ng transmission kagaya ng exposure sa iba pang confirmed case.

Kung kaya't, muli pong pinapaalala ng Pamahalaang Bayan ng Carmona na tayo pong lahat ay sumunod pa rin sa mga alituntunin ng Enhanced Community Quarantine. Patuloy pa din nating paigtingin ang ating mga resistensya habang nasa loob ng tahanan.

Gayundin, pinapaalala sa lahat na iwasan din natin ang anumang uri ng diskriminasyon sa ating mga COVID-19 cases maging ang kanilang close contacts at mga suspected at probable cases al-insunod sa ating Anti-Discrimination Ordinance (Municipal Ordinance No. 07-2020).

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Secretary Eduardo Año said in a news release.

Año urged the 828 LGUs to liquidate immediately.

"Ang (The) next challenge sa inyo ay makapag-liquidate kaagad (for you is to immediately liquidate) and account for each centavo of this taxpayer's money to the DSWD," he said.

Of the 828 LGUs who beat the deadline on Monday, 56 are in the Cordillera Administrative Region, 38 in Ilocos Region, 31 in Cagayan Valley; 36 in Central Luzon, 63 in Calabarzon, 62 in Mimaropa, 70 in the Bicol region, 114 in Western Visayas, 52 in Central Visayas, 95 in Eastern Visayas, 71 in Zamboanga Peninsula; 17 in Northern Mindanao; 26 in Davao region; 32 in Soccsksargen; and 65 in Caraga.

For LGUs that have not yet completed the payout, Año said they have to work double-time for the benefit of their poor constituents who are severely affected by the coronavirus disease 2019 (Covid-19) pandemic.

"One moment of delay or inaction means additional hours of suffering of poor families in your localities. Let us not keep them waiting and let us show them that the government truly cares for them," he said.

Provincial LGUs were given a four-day extension or until May 4 for the SAP distribution.

Metro Manila LGUs and the provinces of Cavite, Rizal, Laguna, Bulacan, and Cebu and Davao City, which have high-density population, were given until May 7 to complete the payout. The deadline earlier set by the DSWD was April 30.

The DILG chief also urged SAP beneficiaries to use the cash subsidy that they received wisely to enable them to last the ECQ.

"Nawa'y gamitin ninyo ng tama at wasto para sa mga pangangailangan ninyo kagaya ng bigas, ulam at iba pa. Hindi po yung para sa luho at hindi puwede sa pangsugal at pambili ng alak (May you use the aid wisely especially in buying basic goods such as rice, food items and others. This is not for luxury, for gambling or for drinking of liquor)," Año said.

He said SAP beneficiaries who are also engaged in gambling and drinking and who use the financial aid other than the intended purpose will be delisted, required to return the full amount or sanctioned depending on the severity of their offense.

More than a thousand violators yield to Cavite's calibrated ECQ

TRECE MARTIRES CITY, Cavite (PIA) --A total of 1,554 violators of Cavite's calibrated enhanced community quarantine have been apprehended, Gov. Jonvic Remulla announced in his FB account on Sunday, May 3.

Out of 1,554 arrested, the city of Imus has the highest number with 287 violators, followed by the city Bacoor with 253 and General Trias City with 213 arrested violators.

"These figures are discouraging because it simply shows some people really don't take this crisis situation seriously but for the LGUs, this mean that the calibrated community quarantine protocols were strictly enforced," Gov. Remulla said in his FB post.

To remind everyone

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na nangangailangan ng 14-day quarantine

4. Marina Hotel: para sa Bacoor OFWs na nangangailangan ng 14-day quarantine

5. Aliw Inn: para sa mga suspect at probable patients

6. Southern Tagalog Regional Hospital: ongoing construction para sa 50 additional bed capacity rooms at 20 container rooms. Ang STRH ay tinalaga para sa mild to moderate at asymptomatic Covid-19 confirmed patients

7. Southeast Asian Medical Center: Level 2 hospital na tumatanggap ng Covid-19 confirmed patients

8. South City Medical Center: Level 2 hospital na tumatanggap ng Covid-19 confirmed patients

9. St. Dominic Hospital: Level 2 hospital na tumatanggap ng Covid-19 confirmed patients

10. Metro South Medical Center: Level 1 hospital na tumatanggap ng Covid-19 confirmed patients

11. Cavite Mayor's League Building: pinaghahandaan bilang future site para sa Bacoor City Covid Testing Center katuwang ng DOH 4A

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Issuance of other QP like Essential Service Providers' pass and Local Farmers' pass can be availed at the offices of the Municipal Administration and Municipal Agriculture respectively starting today May 1, 2020.

Meanwhile, establishments that will remain operational are those that provide food, water, gas and financial services from Mondays - Saturdays only because no one is allowed to go out on Sundays.

Travel passes issued by the Office of the Mayor are required for health emergency cases with coordination



to do what is right and not wait to be told what to do, Gov. Jonvic Remulla said, "Integrity is doing the right thing, even if no one is looking."

The provincial government of Cavite placed the province under a 14-day Strict Enhanced Community Quar-

antine effective May 1, 2020 until 5am May 15, 2020.

All LGUs stepped up with their quarantine protocols pursuant to the provincial government's implementation of the calibrated quarantine operations.

Meanwhile, two new

additional cases were recorded raising the total of confirmed cases to 199 for the province according to the latest COVID-19 Update for CALABARZON as of May 3, 2020. (Ruel Francisco, PIA-Cavite with reports from the official FB page of Governor Jonvic Remulla)

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Front-liners who would like to register may simply type [RapidPass.ph](https://www.rapidpass.ph) on their mobile phones, and submit pertinent information.

Once their application is verified and approved, they will receive a QR code, which they can either print or save on their device./source (PNA)

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In Kadiwa Diskwento Caravan, DA's KADIWA ni Ani at Kita was cued mainly on agricultural products while DTI's Diskwento Caravan covers more affordable basic commodities. (Photo from DA 4A-RAFIS)

food products as well as non-food products like detergents were made available to urban families affected by the enhanced community quarantine (ECQ) due to COVID-19 pandemic.

"Okay naman sya, dahil mabibili mo dito ang lahat ng kailangan mo sa pang araw-araw katulad ng karne, isda at mga gulay. Malaking halaga para sa amin na makabili dito dahil wala kaming palengke na mapupuntahan dahil sa ECQ," Nila Ancheta, a Bacoor resident said.

(This is a good activity because you can buy the everyday essentials you need like meat, fish, and vegetables. Buying here is a big deal for us because there is no nearby markets here and we cannot go to the nearest open markets because of ECQ.)

Kadiwa Diskwento Caravan served as a temporary market for those affected by ECQ. Because of direct links to farmers and other food manufacturers. Through this initiative various food products with cheaper prices, even lower than the suggested retail price can be sold to the public.

"Maganda dahil may ganito silang programa at mura ang mga bilihan katulad ng karne at gulay," said Luchi Arenas.

(We are lucky that the government has this kind of program where we can buy products for a lower price.)

Two agricultural groups supported by the regional office, the SAGULAY Farmers Association and the Gen. Trias Dairy Raisers MPC, offered their products during the activity. (CPG, PIA-4A with report from DA 4A-RAFIS)



CLOSE TO 300K APPLIED FOR 'RAPIDPASS' SYSTEM: DOST

EXTENDED EXTREME ENHANCED COMMUNITY QUARANTINE - IMUS EDITION

Effectivity: May 1, 2020



Para sa may Home Quarantine Pass:



Tatlong (3) araw na lamang maaaring lumabas sa loob ng isang (1) linggo upang bumili ng mga pangunahing pangangailangan (pagkain at gamot) at magsagawa ng transaksyon sa mga pinansyal na institusyon gaya ng banko at remittance center.

Bawal lumabas tuwing lockdown days.

Para sa mga business establishment:



Tatlong (3) araw na lamang maaaring magbukas ang mga business establishment o essential providers sa bawat cluster. Sarado ito kapag lockdown days.

Ang Imus Public Market lamang ang bukas mula Lunes hanggang Sabado, 5:00 A.M. hanggang 6:00 P.M.



CLUSTER SCHEDULE

Monday, Wednesday, Friday

Pwedeng lumabas

- ✓ Cluster 2 (Carsadang Bago, Pag-asa, Medicion)
- ✓ Cluster 5 (Bayan Luma)
- ✓ Cluster 6 (Bagong Silang, Magdalo, Maharlika, Mariano Espeleta, Pinagbuklod, Pasong Buaya, "Buhay na Tubig")
- ✓ Cluster 8 (Poblacion, Toclong)
- ✓ Buhay na Tubig (Ito ay mapapasama sa MWF Schedule upang magkasabay ang operasyon ng BPS Public Market at BNT Market)

Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday

Pwedeng lumabas

- ✓ Cluster 1 (Alapan, Bucandala)
- ✓ Cluster 3 (Anabu I-A - Anabu I-G)
- ✓ Cluster 4 (Anabu II-A - Anabu II-F)
- ✓ Cluster 7 (Palico, Tanzang Luma)
- ✓ Cluster 9 (Malagasang)

Sunday

- ✗ Walang lababas (lahat ng cluster)

MANILA – Department of Science and Technology (DOST) Secretary Fortunato dela Peña expressed delight with the growing number of registrations for the RapidPass, a system that the DOST co-developed to allow front-liners or authorized persons outside residence (APOR) to pass checkpoints by simply having their quick response (QR) codes scanned.

Data shared to the Philippine News Agency (PNA) on Monday showed that as of May 1, there are 298,917 individuals who have registered for the RapidPass.

Of the number, 221,182 were approved, while 43,044 were declined.

As of May 1, there were 34,610 pending applications, while 81 applications were suspended.

The RapidPass system was rolled out in the National Capital Region last April 9.

Dela Peña told PNA (our news source) that the registration, which started last April 6, is still open.

"For as long as they are in the APOR (Authorized Persons Outside of Residence) categories, and they have the approval of the government agency in-charge of that category, (they could register)," he said.

The challenge, he said, is when they receive big volumes of applications at the same time.

However, he said this causes a minor delay in the approval process.

Earlier in a virtual presser, dela Peña reiterated that RapidPass is the DOST's contribution to help the Philippine National Police lessen contacts at the checkpoints.



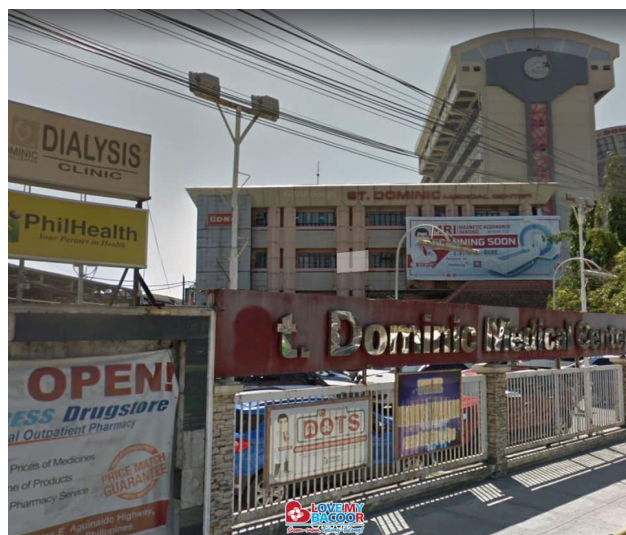
Secretary Fortunato dela Peña

The DOST helped in the conceptualization and field testing of this project.

The system was co-developed with the Department of Information and Communications Technology, Armed Forces of the Philippines, PNP, and DEVCON Community of Technology eXperts (DCTx), a non-profit digital solutions developer.

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MGA PINALAWAK NA QUARANTINE AT ISOLATION FACILITIES SA LUNGSOD NG BACCOOR



Dahil sa patuloy na pagtaas ng bilang ng positibong kaso ng Covid-19 sa Lungsod ng Bacoor, pinalawak ng Lokal na Pamahalaan ang pagkakaroon ng mga Quarantine at Isolation Facilities para makaiwas sa local transmission, family contamination, at ma-contain ang virus para hindi na lumaganap at makahawa pa ng iba.

"Pinagsisikap nating agad na maialis sa kani-kanilang mga tahanan ang mga kababayan nat-

ing may sintomas palang ng Covid-19 lalo na ang mga suspected at probable patients. Agad din natin inihihwalay ang mga pasyente na nagpositibo na sa Covid-19 partikular ang mga asymptomatic, mild to moderate patients," pahayag ni Mayor Lani Mercado Revilla.

Narito ang mga isolation at quarantine facilities sa Lungsod ng Bacoor:

1. SOGO: para sa ating mga Health Care

Workers

2. Golden Oasis Hotel: para sa Bacoor OFWs na nangangailangan

ng 14-day quarantine

3. One Seranata Hotel: para sa Bacoor OFWs
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