

LGU CARMONA TO GIVE P2K FINANCIAL AID TO NEEDY FAMILIES

Mayor Emmanuel Maliksi discusses plans of converting the CIAD-AC office into the City Molecular Biology and Genetics laboratory. (Photo from Mayor Emmanuel Maliksi FB Page)



CARMONA, Cavite (PIA) -- The municipal government here will provide assistance to the needy households of the municipality thru the Carmona Covid-19 Assistance Program (CCAP) amounting to Php2,000.

This program is a cash aid that will somehow lessen the burden to buy food and basic essentials like medicines during the Enhanced Community Quarantine.

Target beneficiaries are families who were not granted with cash subsidy under the Social Amelioration Program of the Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD) and other DSWD programs like the 4Ps, and

Senior Citizens pension; CAMP and TUPAD of the Department of Labor and Employment (DOLE), DOLE AKAP for OFWs; Small Business Wage Subsidy from SSS, DOF and BIR; families of OFWs who could not send money, and employees in the formal sector now on a 'No Work, No Pay' status due to the ECQ.

On the other hand, people who are not qualified to receive this aid



Mayor Roy Loyola

include residents with family members employed in the government from barangay level up to the local and national governments, Government Owned and Controlled Corporation (GOCCs); employees and teachers of public schools, colleges and universities; SSS pensioners with pension above Php3K and GSIS pensioners with pension

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LGU Imus approves resolution, ordinances to help Imuseños amid crisis

IMUS CITY, Cavite May 8 (PIA) -- The local government of Imus recently approved a resolution and ordinances to address concerns and lessen the burden of fellow Imuseños pursuant to R.A. 11469 or the Bayanihan to Heal As One Act.

On April 30, 2020 the members of the Sangguniang Panglungsod (SP) approved Resolution No. 04-2020-72, a resolution extending the payment of 1st Quarter Real Property Tax (RPT), extending the grant of 10 percent discount on the Prompt Payment of Real Property Taxes and the Quarterly Payment of Business Tax including Franchise Tax until June 15, 2020.

Mayor Emmanuel Maliksi stated, "This resolution aims to support the welfare of our fellow Imuseños amid the health crisis that our country is facing."

Meanwhile, employees of the DSWD and volunteers from other offices are working double time to finish the first batch of SAP cash subsidy distribution until May 10, 2020 amid continuous complaints regarding discrepancies on the validation of beneficiaries with the DSWD list.



Mayor Emmanuel Maliksi

Thus, the Mayor ordered for the creation of the Imus Grievance and Redress Committee that will look into complaints about the SAP pay-

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BIR issues strict rules on reopening of POGOs, service providers

MANILA -- The Bureau of Internal Revenue (BIR) is making sure that Philippine Offshore Gaming Operators (POGOs) and their respective service providers are properly registered and will pay the correct amount of income taxes and franchise fees to the government before they are allowed to resume operations during the quarantine period, a report to Finance Secretary Carlos Dominguez III showed.

According to the set of guidelines and requirements

issued by the BIR, all POGO licensees or operators should first show proof that they have already paid their 2019 franchise taxes, their withholding taxes due for the months of January to April this year, as well as the first quarter payments of their 2020 franchise tax, before they would be given tax clearances allowing them to resume operations.

POGO service providers, meanwhile, are similarly required to submit proof that they have paid their 2019 in-



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come taxes; and remitted and paid withholding taxes for the months of January to April this year, including the 25 percent final withholding tax due from their foreign employees, before the BIR would give them tax

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Tolentino: give DepEd secretary power to defer opening of classes, shorten school year

The Secretary of the Department of Education (DepEd) will have the power to defer opening of classes and shorten the start of school year during emergencies and calamities once measures filed by Sen. Francis "Tol" Tolentino are enacted into law.

In his Senate Bill No. 1457, Tolentino wants to amend Republic Act No. 7977 to give the DepEd Secretary the authority to the opening of classes and the start of school year to a date later than August if calamities and emergencies occur before the start of the school year.

Tolentino also submitted Senate Bill No. 1458, empowering the DepEd Secretary to shorten the school year and mass promote the students during calamities and emer-

gencies, such as the coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) pandemic.

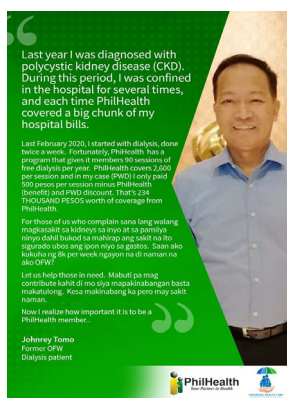
Currently, Tolentino explained that Republic Act No. 7977 provides that the start of the school year should not be later than the last day of August.

"Dapat nang amyendahan ang batas na ito, lalo pa ngayon na nahaharap tayo sa epidemya ng COVID-19 at hindi natin talaga alam kung kailan maaaring magbukas ang mga paaralan," said Tolentino.

"There really still no certainty as to when the country will be able to effectively control this contagion and this will certainly put students at risk of contracting the disease as they attend and congregate

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MR. JOHNREY TOMO
FORMER OFW
DIALYSIS PATIENT

"Last year, I was diagnosed with polycystic kidney disease (CKD) and was confined in the hospital for several times, each time PhilHealth covered a big chunk of my hospital bills.

Last February, I started with dialysis, done twice a week. PhilHealth covers 2,600 per session and in my case I only paid 500 pesos per session minus PhilHealth (benefit) and PWD discount. That's 234 THOUSAND PESOS worth of coverage from PhilHealth.

For those of us who complain sana lang walang magkasakit sa inyo at sa pamilya ninyo dahil bukod sa mahirap magkasakit siguradong ubos ang ipon niyo sa gastos. Saan ako kukuha ng 8k per week ngayon na di naman na ako OFW?

Let us help those in need. Mabuti pa mag contribute kahit di mo siya mapakinabangan basta makatulong. Kesa makinabang ka pero may sakit naman.

Now I realize how important it is to be a PhilHealth member".

CAVITE TOURISM OFFICERS CONTINUE TO EXTEND ASSISTANCE TO DTs:

City and Municipal Tourism Offices, and the Provincial Government of Cavite headed by Governor Jonvic C. Remulla through the Provincial Tourism and Cultural Affairs Office once again joined hands with the Department of Tourism to immediately address the situation of stranded Caviteños in different cities and provinces due to COVID-19 pandemic. Another batch of domestic sweeper flight from Davao arrived safely at Ninoy Aquino International Airport (NAIA) on May 06, 2020. Upon arrival at the airport, the land transportation assistance going back to their respective communities was arranged by the concerned city and municipal tourism officers of the province. This catered a total of 28 stranded Cavite domestic travelers (DTs) including Philippine Navymen, teachers, and students from Bacoor, Cavite City, Imus, Dasmariñas, General Trias, Tagaytay, Carmona, General Mariano Alvarez, Rosario, and Tanza. The DOT, as member of the Inter-Agency Task Force for the Management of Emerging Infectious Diseases (IATF-EID) and PGC continuously response to the the needs and concerns of stranded tourists.

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clearances to reopen for business
Tax compliant POGO service providers would not be issued tax clearances by the BIR should their POGO operators or licensees fail to comply with the bureau's new requirements.

All POGO licensees, operators and service providers should also submit a notarized undertaking affirming their commitment to pay all tax arrears for prior years of their operations and should be registered with the respective Revenue District Office (RDOs) having jurisdiction over their places of business.

"Failure to comply with any of the (requirements) will result in the denial of the issuance of a BIR Clearance for resumption of operations," states the Guidelines & Requirements issued by the BIR's POGO Task Force headed by Revenue Deputy Commissioner Ar-

nel Guballa.

The Guidelines & Requirements issued on May 6 also state that "the application of a Service Provider for the issuance of a BIR Clearance shall not be approved in case its POGO Licensee failed to comply with the BIR requirements for BIR Clearance."

Dominguez earlier made it clear that no POGO operator or service provider would be allowed to operate again "unless they are compliant with all government laws and regulations, including, but not limited to, those involving health and taxation."

For POGO licensees and operators, the BIR has required the submission of the following documentary requirements: [1] Copy of Application for Registration of Corporations, et al. duly received by the concerned RDO (BIR Form No. 1903) or BIR



Certificate of Registration (COR), if already registered; [2] Copies of Franchise Tax Returns (BIR Form No. 2553) for the taxable quarters of 2019 and 1st quarter of 2020 together with proof of payments; [3] Copies of Monthly Remittance Form for Income Taxes Withheld (BIR Form Nos. 1601C and 0619-E and F), Quarterly Remittance Return of Income Taxes Withheld (BIR Form No. 0605) for the months of January to April, 2020; and [4] Notarized Undertaking to pay all tax arrears for prior years.

POGO service providers will have to submit the following: [1] Copy of BIR Application for Registration duly received by the concerned RDO (BIR Form No. 1901 or 1903) or BIR Certificate of Registration (COR), if already registered; [2] Copy of 2019 Income Tax Return or ITR (BIR Form No. 1701

or 1702) and proof of payments; [3] Copies of Monthly Remittance Form for Income Taxes Withheld (BIR Form Nos. 1601C and 0619-E and F), Quarterly Remittance Return of Income Taxes Withheld (BIR Form No. 0605) for the months of January to April, 2020; and [4] Notarized Undertaking to pay all tax arrears for prior years.

Aside from securing a clearance from the BIR, all POGOs and their service providers must also strictly adhere to the government's safety and health protocols such as limited operations per shift, shuttle services for employees, regular body temperature checks and disinfection within the workplace, social distancing and wearing of masks, among other measures to prevent transmission of the novel coronavirus. (DOF)

Municipality of Naic



Mensahe sa Bayan: Isang Paglilinaw

Mga ilang araw napo ang nakalipas ng naifecture muli ang Naic sa TV5 tungkol sa quarantine facility para sa mga suspected at mild cases ng Covid19 virus. Isang paglilinaw lamang po, ang quarantine facility po na ito ay PARA LAMANG SA MGA TAGA NAIC in case po na kailanganin natin. Requirement po na ang bawat bayan ay may kanya kanyang quarantine facility.

MULI PO, ang pasilidad na ito ay nakalaan PARA SA MGA TAGA NAIC PO LAMANG. Sana po ay maging malinaw napo ito sa inyo. Mabuti na po ang maging handa ngunit patuloy po tayong magdasal na sana ay hindi natin magamit ang pasilidad na ito.

Marami pong salamat.

Naic Mayor Junio C. Dualan



Limang Bacooreño na balikbayan mula sa Canada na inabot ng ECQ dito sa Bacoor ay nakaalis na noong May 4 at nakabalik na muli sa Canada. Ito ay sa ilalim ng programa ng Pamahalaang Lungsod ng Bacoor, sa direktibo ni Mayor Lani Mercado Revilla na ibigay ang lahat ng assistance sa mga balikbayang mga Bacooreño para makabalik sa mga lugar kung saan sila nanggaling at nagtrabaho. Ang mga kababayan natin na nakabalik na sa Canada ay dumaan sa rapid testing para sa Covid-19 at nagnegatibo naman silang lahat.

Salamat sa sipag at dedikasyon ng Bacoor Tourism Office at PESO Bacoor Office na walang pagod na nakikipag-ugnayan sa Department of Tourism para patuloy na matulungan ang mga balikbayang Bacooreño na naipit dito sa lungsod sanhi ng ECQ.

TV, radio as alternative medium for delivery of education pushed

A mix of traditional and new media to ensure the delivery of education is being pushed as school opens in August in the midst of the ongoing public health threat brought by COVID-19.

Senator Sherwin Gatchalian, chair of the Senate Committee on Education, Arts and Culture committee, during the Lagging HandaPH Public briefing on May 9 said that what is important is the safety and health of students and parents as education transitions to the 'new normal'. This means the adoption

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pandemic," Poe stressed.

Ramped up disinfection of vehicles every trip, cleaning of the surroundings and making available sanitation kits are among the measures that should be enforced among PUVs and mass transport such as trains.

The no mask, no ride will be strictly implemented. Conductors and terminal personnel will also be equipped with thermal scanner to check every passenger.

An automated fare system, if not the pay before boarding, will be the new method in jeepneys and buses.

Poe called on the public to cooperate and observe proper social distancing as they board the PUVs.

"To our passengers, the most important really is to maintain social distancing, to always wash your hands, to keep a mask on. Otherwise all of these measures will be for nothing," said Poe.

During the hearing, Poe pointed out that government should be on hand in helping PUV drivers and operators survive with the reduced capacity brought about by social distancing.

"Kailangan ituloy ang subsidiya sa kanila dahil mababawasan ang kanilang kita, kung wala nito, lugi ang bawat pasada at baka hindi na lang sila lumabas," she said.

The Department of Transportation said it has submitted its proposal to the Inter Agency Task Force seeking close to P3 billion fund every month, which would include fuel subsidy for drivers, equivalent to 30 percent of their daily fuel consumption.

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above Php5K; and individuals who are temporary residents of Carmona.

The CCAP forms have been distributed to the barangays May 10, 2020. Qualified residents must fill up the form and return it to the barangay after completion. Once the schedule for the release of the cash aid is announced, resident beneficiaries must present any government issued ID in claiming the CCAP aid.

Mayor Roy Loyola reminded resident beneficiaries that the deadline for the submission of the CCAP forms is May 13, 2020 at 5:00pm. (Ruel Francisco, PIA-Cavite with reports from Atty. Roy Loyola FB Page)

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14-day quarantine at mahigpit na imonitor ng BHERT ng kanilang mga barangay. Abot-langit ang pasasalamat nila sa Pamahalaang Lungsod ng Bacoor higit kay Mayor Lani pati sa mga kawani ng Tourism Office sa pangungu-

of learn from home arrangements, a review of curriculum to reduce the number of subjects, use of traditional media such as TV and radio, among others as not everyone has access to the internet.

"Isa sa minungkahing natin ang tinatawag nating 'learn from home' na ginagawa na sa maraming bansa. Ang ibig sabihin nito ay ayusin natin ang ating curriculum, bawasan natin ang bilang ng subjects para ituro muna ang pinakamahalaga at gamitin ang mga traditional medium tulad ng TV

at radio para makapagturo. Gusto nating gamitin ang internet pero nakita natin na karamihan pa rin ay wala pa nito," Gatchalian said.

He also said that another alternative is 'hybrid learning' where students practice social distancing whenever in school, activities that would require mass gatherings will not also be allowed; class sizes will also be reduced as well as the number of days that students need to go to school and ensure that health protocols are in place.

Meanwhile, in the same briefing PCOO Secretary Martin Andanar offered the use of the government's television stations, PTV and IBC 13 for the im-

plementation of this alternative medium for distance learning programs and has proposed that funds be allotted for the transmitter of both TV stations for wider reach.

The Department of Education on May 8 presented the Basic Education Learning Continuity Plan (BE-LCP) to the IATF which include, among others the 'adoption of various learning delivery options such as but not limited to face-to-face, blended learnings, distance learnings, and homeschooling and other modes of delivery which shall be implemented depending on the local COVID Risk Severity Classification and compliance with minimum health standards'. (MACV/PIA)

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in schools in the usual opening of classes in June of 2020," he added.

Department of Secretary Leonor Briones had earlier said that the opening of school year 2020-2021 has been set on August 24, going against the earlier recommendation of IATF to have the school year start on late September which was also supported by President Rodrigo Duterte.

In this regard, Tolentino underscored the need to amend Republic Act No. 7977 to avoid any legal dilemma and afford the government and the schools more time to effectively implement safety measures to secure the health of the students attending their classes.

Also, Tolentino wants Republic Act No. 7977 amended to authorize the DepEd Secretary to cut short the school year from the prescribed 220 days and give passing marks to affected students.

"The law on the matter, Republic Act No. 7977, does not allow for such humane measure as it provides that the school year shall be not more than 220 days and ending or shortening the school year may be considered a violation. Hence, there is a need to amend the law," he said.

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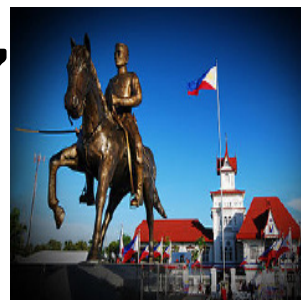
out particularly for those who were qualified but did not receive any cash assistance and those unqualified but included in the payout.

On the testing and treatment of COVID-19 patients, the local government is exerting great effort for the accreditation of its own laboratory.

LGU Imus also announced the immediate hiring of medical technologists and molecular biologists who will be part of the medical staff of

the City Molecular Biology and Genetics laboratory which the LGU plans to set-up in the City of Imus Anti-Drug Abuse Council (CIADAC) office.

"Actually it is intended to be a COVID-19 laboratory but officials and members of the SP decided to go with an extensive facility since there is enough fund allocated," shared Jay Saquilayan, City Information Officer. (Ruel Francisco, PIA-Cavite with reports from Jay Saquilayan, Imus City Information Office)



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FIRST RECOVERED COVID-19 PATIENT SA PAGAMUTAN NG DASMARINAS, NAKALABAS NA

Noong Mayo 8, 2020 pinauwi na ang unang pasyente ng Pagamutan ng Dasmariñas na gumaling sa Coronavirus disease-2019 (COVID-19).

Ang pasyente na si James Sumalinog, 26 anyos ay na admit sa ospital noong ika-28 ng Abril matapos lumabas ang resulta ng kanyang pagsusuri na isinagawa noong ika-24 ng Abril kung saan nakumpirma na siya ay positibo sa COVID-19. Siya ay si Patient No. 31.

Matapos lamang ang lampa isang linggong gamutan bumuti ang kondisyon ng pasyente at gumaling sa Pnevmonia na komplikasyong dulot ng COVID-19. Kasalukuyan nang nasa kanyang tahanan sa Barangay Langkaan II ang pasyente na dating naninirahan sa Barangay Emmanuel Bergado I kasama ang kanyang mga magulang.

Bago lumabas ng ospital, sinalubong at binati siya ng mga doktor at nars ng Pagamutan ng Dasmariñas na saludo sa katapangang ipinakita niya upang labanan ang sakit. Lubos ang kanyang pasasalamat sa lahat ng staff ng ospital na naging bahagi ng kanyang paggaling.

ENSURE SAFETY OF DRIVERS, COMMUTERS--POE

Safety protocols should be strictly enforced to prevent the spread of COVID-19 once public utility vehicles (PUV) resume operations, Sen. Grace Poe said.

At the same time, Poe reiterated the need for government support to PUV drivers and operators with the reduced passengers per trip to compensate for the decrease in their take-home pay.

"We will explore the possibility of a progressive resumption of public transportation in the coming weeks," Poe said on Monday's virtual



hearing of the public services committee, which she heads.

"The challenge is to restore mobility and livelihood of the drivers without compromising safety amid the

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Mga Bacooreño na inabutan ng ECQ sa Cebu at Palawan nakabalik na sa Bacoor



**MAYOR LANI
MERCADO-REVILLA**

Matapos ang ilang buwang na-stranded sa ibang lugar, 12 sa Cebu at 2 sa Palawan ay nakauwi na sa kani-kanilang pamilya sa tulong ng Pamahalaang

Lungsod ng Bacoor sa pangunguna ni Mayor Lani Mercado Revilla.

Sa direktibo ni Mayor Lani na makipag-ugnayan at makipagtutulungan ang Bacoor City Tourism Office at PESO Bacoor sa Department of Tourism ay nakauwi ng matiwasa ang 14 na Bacooreño na na-stranded sa malalayong lugar dahil sa ECQ. Silang lahat ay dumaan sa rapid testing sa NAIA at nag-negatibo naman sila sa Covid-19. Sasailalim sila sa

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Fund released by PhilHealth to 494 hospitals nationwide as of May 6, 2020 as financial assistance in the fight against COVID-19

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