



UNVAXXED CHILDREN ALLOWED ENTRY IN CAVITE MALLS

IMUS CITY MAYOR MANNY MALIKSI led the ground-breaking ceremony on Jan 4 for the elevator building of Imus Public Market. This is part of our beautification in our market, where it will be more convenient, safe, and accessible for our fellow citizens, PWDs, and for pregnant women to visit and shop here, said Mayor Maliksi



Also in the said event are Vice Mayor Ony Cantimbuhan, City Architect Roel Saquilayan, City Engr. Christiaan Sarno, City Administrator Emoy Francisco, and City Public Market Administrator Totie Camantigue.

Cavite Governor Jonvic Remulla



TRECE MARTIRES, Cavite (PIA) – Children below 18 years of age whether vaccinated or not are allowed to enter the malls and commercial establishments in the province by virtue of Executive Order no. 4 S. 2022 recently signed and approved by Cavite Governor Jonvic Remulla.

The above provision and other guidelines for the operations of malls in the province under Alert Level 2 starting February 1 – 15, 2022 are declared under the executive order.

Operating hours will be from 9am – 10pm and

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ACOSTA IS NEW CSC COMMISSIONER

Atty. Ryan Alvin R. Acosta sits as new commissioner of the Civil Service Commission (CSC), the central human resource agency of the Philippine government.

Commissioner Acosta, 42, served as Deputy Executive Secretary for Legal Affairs of the Office of the President before he was nominated to said new role. His nomination was confirmed by the Commission on Appointments on 2 February.

CSC Commission-



Atty. Ryan Alvin R. Acosta

er Aileen Lourdes A. Lizada expressed welcoming words for the incoming official. "I congratulate Commissioner

Acosta on his confirmation by the Commission on Appointments. We at the CSC look forward to working with him on critical programs and significant reforms to improve efficiency, effectiveness, and professionalism in the civil service," she said.

Commissioner Acosta started his career as Foreign Affairs Research Specialist at the Foreign Service Institute from 2000 to 2006, then moved to the private sector as associate

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Indoor activities, limited F2F classes at 50% capacity

TRECE MARTIRES, Cavite (PIA) – The Tagaytay City Government recently enacted Executive Order no. 405 S. 2022 that allows establishments, or activities such as limited face-to-face classes, dine-in services, sports and other personal services establishments to operate at 50% capacity under Alert Level 2 from February 1 – 15, 2022.

Outdoor activities are allowed up to 70% venue capacity which may include contact sports such as basketball and volleyball provided conduct of

games are approved by the barangay and the minimum public health standards are observed at all times. Individual outdoor exercises are also allowed.

Guests/visitors, either residents or tourists need to present their vaccination card to be allowed entry into commercial establishments, restaurants or recreational establishments. Unvaccinated residents or tourists may be denied entry should they fail to show proof of complete vaccination.

Public transporta-

tion shall be allowed to operate at 70% vehicle capacity with inter/intrazonal travel permitted.

Government agencies and other public offices shall remain to be operational and adhere to at least 80% on-site capacity, or applying other work arrangements such as Work-From-Home, and other flexible work arrangement.

Under the order, the use of face shields is mandatory inside hospitals and other medical facilities/clinics.

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NEWS UPDATE



Extension of Application Period
for Renewal of Accreditation of
Hospitals and Infirmaries

In view of on-going state of calamity due to COVID 19 pandemic
and to ensure access to quality health services by all Filipinos,
please be informed that PhilHealth will further extend the
period of application for renewal of accreditation of hospitals
and infirmaries until **February 28, 2022.**

Only applications with complete documentary requirements
submitted to their respective PhilHealth Regional Offices on or
before February 28, 2022 shall be accepted.

Application received for continuous/renewal of accreditation
beyond February 28, 2022 shall result to a gap in accreditation.

For any clarification, please coordinate with your respective
PhilHealth Regional Offices.

(Sgd.) ATTY. DANTE A. GIERRAN, CPA
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ACADEMY PARA SA
ENTREPRENEURS,
ISINULONG



Panawagan ni Sen. Joel Villanueva na magbabago ng mindset ang ating mga graduate mula wage employment patungong self-employment, sa tulong ng pagtatatag ng Philippine Entrepreneurs Academy.

Hinain ng senador ang panawagang ito sa kanyang sponsorship speech para sa Senate Bill No. 2205 sa ilalim ng Committee Report No. 585 na nagtatayo ng naturang Academy na may mga degree program at training para sa entrepreneurship.

Sabi ni Villanueva, na Chair ng Senate Committee on Higher, Technical and Vocational Education, "catalyst for change" ang academy para tulungang umangat ang ekonomiya ng bansa.

Aniya, tinutulungan din nito ang paglago ng mga high-value enterprises o MSMEs (micro, small and medium enterprises) sa bansa.

"Napapadali po ng Academy ang paglago ng mga MSME na magpapasigla sa ating ekonomiya sa pamamagitan ng pagdagdag ng trabaho, teknolohiya, at produksyon," sabi ni Villanueva.

Sinabi rin ng senador na mga MSME pa rin ang sandigan ng ekonomiya sa bansa, na kumakatawan sa 99 porsyento ng mga negosyo sa bansa, umaambag ng 25 porsyento ng pambansang exports, at umaako sa ? ng kabuuang bilang ng manggagawa sa bansa.

Entrepreneurship sa "new normal"

Bilang pinuno rin

Sen. Joel Villanueva ng Senate Committee on Labor and Employment, sinabi ni Villanueva na nagbago ang tradisyunal na pagtatrabaho patungo sa remote working dahil sa mga lockdown sa kasalukuyang pandemya, na nagdulot ng mga kawalan at pagbabawas ng mga trabaho.

"Kailangang mag-isip ang mga Pilipino ng iba pang paraan para maghanapbuhay ngayong pandemya. Dahil dito, naging entrepreneur sila at nagtayo ng negosyo sa MSME," sabi niya.

Dahi sa kalakaran ng "new normal at mga lockdown", sinabi ni Villanueva

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20 GenTri MSMEs
benefit from DTI's
LSP-NSB program

TRECE MARTIRES, Cavite (PIA) – Around 20 Micro Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) from four barangays in the City of General Trias benefit from the Department of Trade and Industry's (DTI) Livelihood Seeding Program- Negosyo Serbisyo sa Barangay (LSP-NSB) program last January 31, 2022.

The beneficiaries were from Barangays Pasong Kawayan 1, Pasong Kawayan 2,



Pinagtipunan and Barangay Tapia received business kits worth P8K to start their chosen businesses.

According to DTI Provincial Director Revelyn Cortez, the LSP-NSB is one of DTI's programs to aid those greatly affected by the COVID-19 pandemic.

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Rizal
Resbakuna sa Botika ng
Calabarzon, umarangkada na

Umarangkada na ang “RESBAKUNA sa BOTIKA” ng Department of Health sa Mercury Drug Q Plaza Branch, Cainta, Rizal noong Pebrero 3.

Personal na sinaksihan nina DOH Assistant Secretary Maria Francia M. Laxamana, Undersecretary Roger P. Tong-An, Regional Director Ariel Valenca, Cainta Health Officer Edgardo Gonzaga at Mr. Martin C. Gumayan of Mercury Drug Corporation ang pagtuturok ng booster shots para sa mga residenteng nais magpabakuna.

Ayon sa DOH, ang pagsisimula ng Resbakuna sa Botika ay magiging daan upang mas mapalawak ang kapasidad ng bakunahan sa pamamamagitan ng mga pharmacies sa buong Calabarzon.

Tanging mga fully vaccinated individuals lamang na pre-registered sa kanilang mga LGU ang bibigyang prayoridad ng pamahalaan sa pag-arangkada ng "RESBAKUNA SA BOTIKA". | Ulat ni Patricia Bermudez



DOH Assistant Sec. Maria Francia M. Laxamana

“Botika On Wheels”
sa 11 Barangay
sa Tagaytay



Nag-ikot sa 11 barangay sa lungsod ng Tagaytay ang proyektong Botika On Wheels ni Cavite Governor Jonvic Remulla kamakailan.

Pinangunahan nina Tagaytay City Mayor Agnes D. Tolentino, DMD, BM Rainier Ambion, Tagaytay City Councilor Athena "Tin" Tolentino, Aniela Tolentino, at Dra. Liza Capupus - OIC CHO ang nasabing aktibidad kung saan namahagi ng libreng gamot at bitamina sa mga senior citizen.

Source/Photos: City Government of Tagaytay

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only such establishments allowed to operate under the guidelines issued by the Inter-agency Task Force against COVID-19 may open inside the malls.

Malls and other food preparation establishments are allowed 50% of indoor and dine-in capacity for fully vaccinated individuals and children below 18 years even if they are unvaccinated, while outdoor venue is allowed up to 70% capacity.

Entrance/exit points may be opened by the mall operators as they deem convenient for the mall patrons provided that physical distancing shall be implemented and frontline workers will be given priority for access to entrance/exit doors.

The order also declares that all employees and workers of the mall and the establishments operating inside the mall must be fully vaccinated against COVID-19 and the Minimum Public Health Standards are observed at all times inside the mall.

E.O. no. 4 S. 2022 was in effect for implementation on Tuesday, February 1, 2022. (Ruel Francisco with reports from the Provincial Government of Cavite)

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na minarapat ng ilang masigasig na Pilipino na gumamit ng mga digital services at magnegosyo sa online selling.

Dagdag pa niya na pinabilis ng pandemya ang digital transformation ng Pilipinas, dahil hindi na nakatali sa mga pabrika at opisina ang mga hanapbuhay, at pwede nang magtrabaho kahit saan basta may internet connection at smartphone o laptop computer.

"Kailangan nating arugain ang ating future entrepreneurs at "digipreneurs" (digital entrepreneurs) para sa tinatatawag nating "Fourth Industrial Revolution". Tinutulungan ng Academy ang mga business-minded nating mga kababayan na makinabang sa new normal," sabi ng senador.

Ayon kay Villanueva, tamang edukasyon, training, at suporta ang kailangan ng mga nangagarrap maging entrepreneurs sa panahon ng kagipitan. "Sa tulong ng Academy, matutulungan natin ang ating mga kababayan na magtayo ng sustainable business, at magbigay ng trabaho sa kapwa Pilipino," sabi niya.

Aprubado ni TEDSAMAN

Binanggit ng dating Technical Education and Skills Development Authority (TESDA) Director General ang "success stories" ng TESDA Specialista Technopreneurship Program sa kanyang dating ahensiya na pruweba na kailangan nga ng bansa ang entrepreneurship academy.

"Mayroon po tayong Academy for sports, police, military, merchant marines, at iba pa. Napapanahon na ang pagtatatag ng Academy para naman sa mga Pinoy entrepreneurs," sabi niya.

Itinatag ng panukalang batas ang mga campus na magtuturo ng degree programs, technical-vocational

Indoor activities...page 1

Fireworks display may be held in such occasions as weddings and other similar celebrations but should be compliant with regulations under City Ordinance 247 S. 2017 with duration of until fifteen (15) minutes.

This ordinance also lifts the implementation of curfew hours and the liquor ban within the city jurisdiction.

The establishments allowed by the IATF to operate under Alert Level 2 shall be subject to regulations and guidelines set forth by other government agencies such as Department of Trade and Industry (DTI), Department of Labor and Employment (DOLE), Department of Health (DOH, and Department of Transportation (DoTr) for public transport. (Ruel Francisco with reports from the City Government of Tagaytay)

EXTRA-JUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE
WITH WAIVER OF RIGHTS

Notice is hereby given that estate left by the deceased **ALEXANDER A. LORENZO**, consisting of two (2) parcels of land situated at Brgy. Carsadang Bago, Imus, Cavite, covered by TCT No. T-744778 and T-744787 has been the subject of an Extra-Judicial Settlement of Estate with Waiver of Rights by and among the heirs of the deceased as per Doc. No. 132, Page No. 28, Book No. CII, Series of 2022 of Notary Public Atty. Marvyn L. Maristes-la.

Sgd. By all the heirs

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and legal counsel from 2007 to 2015, and returned to government service as technical assistant at the Office of the President in 2015. He was appointed as Deputy Executive Secretary for Legal Affairs in an acting capacity in July 2016, then formally assumed said position in December 2017.

He replaces former Commissioner Leopoldo Roberto W. Valderosa Jr., who finished his term in February 2020, and will join Commissioner Lizada at the Commission en banc.

Meanwhile, the chairperson post is vacant after former Chairperson Alicia dela Rosa-Bala ended her term last 2 February.

ADJUDICATION BY SOLE HEIR OF ESTATE OF
THE LATE EVANGELINE T. ZAMORA

Notice is hereby given that estate left by the deceased **EVANGELINE T. ZAMORA**, consisting of a parcel of land with improvement known as Lot 58, Block 19, situated at Camella Tanza, Brgy. Bagtas, Tanza, Cavite, covered by TCT No. 057-2015033644 has been the subject of an Affidavit of Adjudication by the sole heir, **MICHAEL ARNIE T. ZAMORA** as per Doc. No. 421, Page No. 86, Book No. 248, Series of 2022 of Notary Public Atty. Diosdado A. Macabutas.

Sgd. By the sole heir

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Silang, Cavite DISPLACED WORKERS NA MIYEMBRO NG LGBT COMMUNITY SA SILANG, NAKATANGGAP NG TULONG



Binigyan ng Livelihood Starter Kits sa ilalim ng Tulong Pinansyal para sa Displaced Workers (TUPAD) ng Department of Labor and Employment (DOLE) ang mga miyembro ng LGBT community sa Silang. Isinagawa ang nasabing pamamahagi ng tulong noong nakaraang Enero 24 sa Paitio Medina. Malaki ang pasasalamat ni mayoral aspirant Omil Poblete kina Asec. Silvestre Bello, Provincial Persident Jayson Hisola at National President Dindi Tan na nanguna upang mai-sakatuparan ang nasabing programa sa kanilang bayan. Dagdag pa ni Poblete, magpapatuloy ang kanyang pakikipag-ugnayan sa iba pang mga ahen-sya ng gobyerno upang mailapit ang mga pangangailangan ng bawat Silanguño at matugu-nan ang mga ito.

‘KASALANG BAYAN’ HANDOG NG KAWIT LGU



'Wedding of the country', a gift of song LGU
Kawit local government will have a "Town Wedding" for unmarried partners due to lack of spending and to strengthen their union.
Kawit Mayor Angelo Aguinaldo is the leader of the town with the theme "Aguinal-Do, I Do! : Town Wedding 2022"
Until February 18 you may submit the following requirements to the Local Civil Registrar:
- PSA Birth Certificate of couple
- Valid ID with proof of residency or barangay certificate of residency of couple
CENOMAR bill is now free, wedding reception and Kawit LGU also has a gift offer for the newlyweds.



Mayor Jenny Barzaga meet some homeowners association representatives that tackle problem in charging delivery fees for some service vehicles entering their villages or subdivision.
The grievance of service providers was promptly addressed through dialogue with our legal counsellors to correct the promotion of HOAs.

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"We reach out to those communities who do not receive assistance and help them in coordination with the local government unit (LGU), Barangays, and Business Permit and Licens-ing Office of the locality," PD Cortez said.

Five individuals from each barangay were evaluated by DTI to deter-mine what kind of business they wish to engage in such as sari-sari store, water re-filling station, barber shop, parlor, poultry supply, bakery, fashion boutique and kakanin

business.

"We expect them to grow and manage the busi-ness for their livelihood, as we require them to attend seminars prior to the distri-bution of seed kits to prepare them with the proper knowl-edge and skills on business management," added PD Cor-tez.

DTI-Cavite also monitors the recipients with their progress and continues to guide them in terms of small business development.

During the simple ceremony, Councilor Jonas

Labuguen on behalf of Con-gressman Luis Ferrer IV ex-pressed the LGU's apprecia-tion to the officials of the DTI.

"Napakapalad po na napili po ang lungsod ng Gen-eral Trias sa mga beneficia-ries po ng programa ng DTI," Councilor Labuguen said.

The program targets to reach all the barangays in the cities and municipali-ties in the province with the completion of 4th to 6th class municipalities like the towns of Amadeo and Magallanes. (Ruel Francisco with reports from Dennis Abrina)

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achieved our goal by also growing the number of so-cialized homes and the num-ber of members helped by the AHP. As I always say, our approach to housing has always been comprehensive. Even amid the pandemic, the

AHP still offers the lowest rate in the market, which in turn keeps monthly amor-tization lower than the cost of rent. And, since qualified borrowers do not need to put out cash for equity un-der the program, payments

are always within budget of low-income members. Walang iwanan lalo na sa panahon ng pandemya. That is the mark of our Lingkod Pag-IBIG brand of service," said Moti. (HDMF)/source: PIA,HDMF

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likewise seized.

The arrested sus-pect, after having been duly informed of his Miranda Rights, was brought to Imus City Police Station for fur-ther investigation and the pieces of evidence seized

were likewise recorded and kept to be presented into court as evidence for Viola-tion of RA 10591 (The Com-prehensive Law on Firearms and Ammunition Regulation Act), Omnibus Election Code (Gun Ban), and Usur-

pation of Authority.

PCOL ARNOLD E ABAD directed his men to strictly enforce the COMELEC Gun Ban in this time of Election period. (Cavite PIO)

Revilla Bill giving night shift differential pay to gov't workers approved

Congress ratified on the Bicameral Conference Committee Report granting night shift differential pay to government employees and the doubling of said benefit for public health care work-ers, for work performed be-tween 6:00 in the evening and 6:00 in the morning of the following day.

Senator Ramon Bong Revilla, Jr. Chairman of the Senate Committee on Civil Service, Govern-ment Reorganization and Professional Regulation, is the principal author and sponsor of Senate Bill 643 - "AN ACT GRANTING NIGHT SHIFT DIFFER-ENTIAL PAY TO GOV-ERNMENT EMPLOYEES INCLUDING THOSE IN GOVERNMENT-OWNED OR CONTROLLED COR-PORATIONS AND AP-PROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR."

In the final version

of the bill, government em-ployees occupying position items from Division Chief and below, or their equiv-alent, including those in government-owned and con-trolled corporations, wheth-er permanent, contractual, temporary or casual, shall be paid a night shift differ-ential at a rate not exceeding twenty percent (20%) of the hourly basic rate of the em-ployee.

The legislation ef-fectively amends Republic Act No. 7305 or the Mag-na Carta of Public Health Workers which provides that public health workers are entitled to only 10% of their regular wage as night shift differential pay.

"Umaasa po kami na sa pamamagitan ng bat-as na ito ay mabibigyan natin ng karampatang bene-pisyo ang ating mga lingkod bayan, kasama na ang mga public health care workers,"

Revilla emphasized during his sponsorship of the bi-cameral conference commit-tee report, which was later ratified in both Houses of the legislature.

"I sincerely thank the House panel led by Rep. Eric Go Yap for acceding to the Senate version and agreeing to our proposal of including medical frontlin-ers from the public health care system as deserving recipients of this additional benefit," Revilla said.

Senate Bill 643 and House Bill 9458 intend to legislate the grant of night shift differential pay to gov-ernment employees, similar to that granted to the work-ers in the private sector as provided under the Labor Code. Moreover, they aim to institutionalize and make mandatory the grant of the said benefit as permitted under DBM Budget Circular No. 8, series of 1995.



Sen. Bong Revilla, Jr.

Not covered by the measure are government employees whose work hours fall between 6:00 am and 6:00 pm and whose ser-vices rendered beyond the regular work hour schedules are paid overtime pay in ac-cordance with existing laws, as well as those whose ser-vices are required, or are on call, 24 hours a day such as uniformed personnel of the Armed Forces of the Philip-pines (AFP), Philippine Na-tional Police (PNP), Bureau of Jail Management and Pe-nology (BJMP), Bureau of Fire Protection (BFP), and other similarly situated as may be determined by the Civil Service Commission (CSC) and the Department of Budget and Management (DBM).

Pope Francis grants canonical coronation to Maasin's Our Lady of the Assumption



The image of Our Lady of the Assumption, patron-ess of the Diocese of Maasin.

Pope Francis has granted canonical coronation to the image of Our Lady of the Assumption, the patroness of the Diocese of Maasin.

The Marian statue, which is enshrined at the Maas-in Cathedral or the Diocesan Shrine of Our Lady of the As-sumption, will be the first pontifically crowned image in the 53-year-old diocese in Southern Leyte province.

The approval was made on Dec. 14, 2021, nearly four months after Bishop Prescioso Cantillas petitioned the Vatican to confer the image with the distinct honor.

+“The rite of canonical coronation is tentatively set for early August this year,” the diocese said.

The diocese released a copy of the decision of the Vatican’s Congregation for Divine Worship and the Disci-pline of the Sacraments on Wednesday, Feb. 2.

A canonical coronation is the Vatican’s recognition of a certain Marian image under a specific title being venerated in a locality.

The venerated image should also be historically old, acclaimed, and in times of need serves as a beacon of faith and hope among the people.

It was in 1771 when Maasin was canonically estab-lished as a parish under the care of the Jesuit missionaries.

When the Franciscans took charge in 1843, the parish was placed under the patronage of Our Lady of the As-sumption.

In 1968, upon the elevation of the parish church into a cathedral, the newly erected diocese also took Our Lady of the Assumption as its patroness./source: By CBCP News

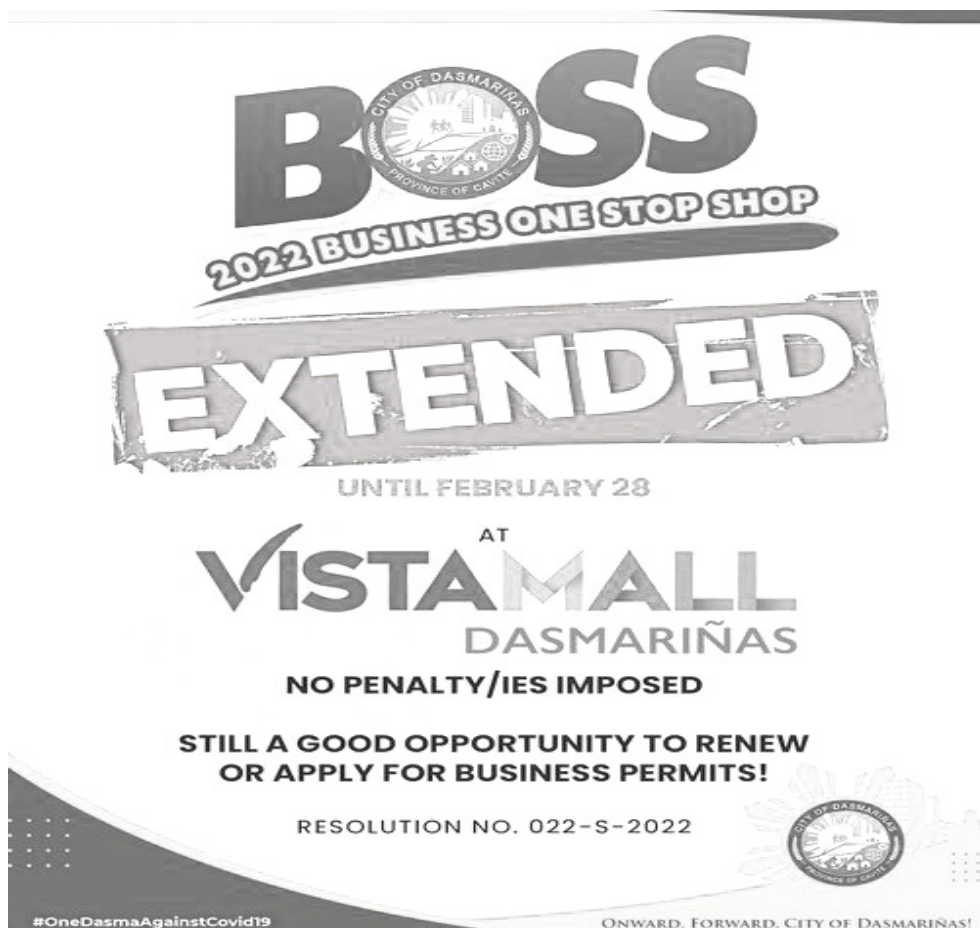
Sharing with you PCLEDO Cavite's Calendar of Activities for February 2022:

February 2 to 14 - Valentine's Day Bazaar @Trece Tower Mall
February 4 to 6 - Palengke Fresh Market @Walter Mart Trece, Bacoor and Carmona
February 10 to 11 - Staff Development with PICAD Cavite/PIA
February 11 to 13 - Palengke Fresh Market @Walter Mart Trece, Bacoor and Carmona
February 14 - Theme Celebration: National Arts Month
February 18 to 20 - Palengke Fresh Market @Walter Mart Trece, Bacoor and Carmona
February 22 - Health and Wellness Activity for Team PCLEDO
February 22 - Cavite Entrepreneurship Students Caravan @ Colegio De Amore
February 24 - Cavite Entrepreneurship Students Caravan @ Dasmariñas East Integrated High School
February 25 to 27 - Palengke Fresh Market @Walter Mart Trece, Bacoor and Carmona
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Available products:
- coffee
- mushroom chips
- jacobina
- tablea
- herbal powder drink
- chicharon
- crackers
etc.
Interested exhibitors may still join. Also open for Wal-terMart Carmona and Bacoor. Message us for details.



PRAYER IS A
CONCENTRATION OF
POSITIVE THOUGHTS



CAVITE PNP ARRESTS A FAKE MILITARY THRU A CONCERNED CITIZEN

Camp BGen Pantaleon Garcia, Imus City, Cavite - A fake military man clad in military uniform and armed with a gun replica was arrested in Cavite, after a police response acted upon by the elements Imus City Police Station last February 2, 2022.

The suspect was identified as one (1) Villardo Zape. Peradilla Jr., 40 years old born, male, married, an online seller, and a resident of Brgy. Bayan Luma 7, Imus City, Cavite. Prior to the arrest, a report was received in the afternoon of February 2, 2022 by Imus City Police Station informing that a man wearing military uniform and carrying a firearm was seen at Brgy. Bayan Luma 7, Imus City, Cavite. And at around 2:00 PM of February 2, 2022, the dispatch team proceeded to the said place to verify the veracity of the report, and upon arrival confronted a man wearing a military uniform and who appears to be carrying a firearm bulging and tucked in his waist. Responding police officers immediately accosted and asked the suspect for identification card and the latter presented ID cards bearing the logo of the Armed Forces of the Philippines but upon verification was proved fake, hence the suspect was arrested and the weapon tucked in his waist, which was confirmed a gun replica, was

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Pag-IBIG Fund finances 22,028 socialized homes in 2021, up 30%

MANILA -- Pag-IBIG Fund financed more homes for low-income earners in 2021 even during the pandemic, top executives said..

In 2021, the number of socialized homes financed by Pag-IBIG Fund increased 30% to 22,028 compared to the 16,975 socialized units funded in 2020. The amount of socialized housing loans, meanwhile, surged 37% to P9.71 billion compared to the P7.10 billion released in 2020.

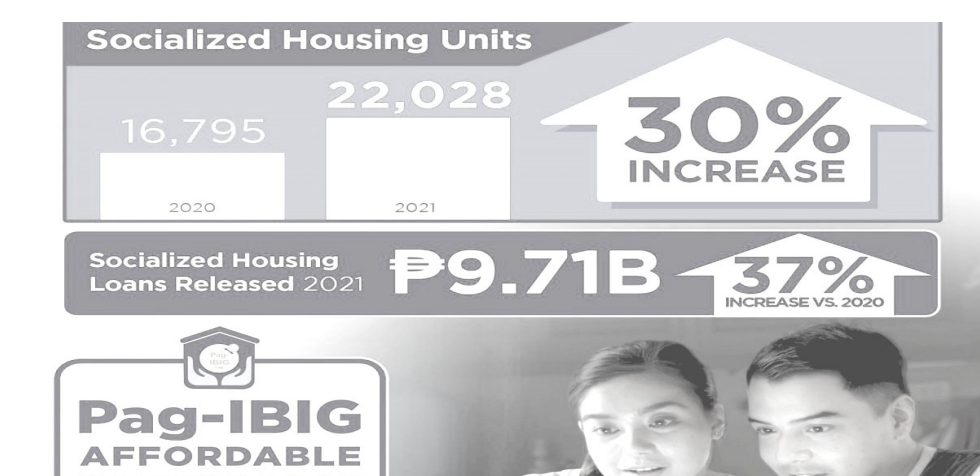
“As the pandemic subsists, Pag-IBIG Fund’s Affordable Housing Program continues to help more

low-income workers secure homes of their own. For 2021, we have released more funds so that more of our low-wage members have a safe place of their own. Providing service to the underserved is our contribution to the recovery of our country,” said Secretary Eduardo D. del Rosario, Chairman of the Department of Human Settlements and Urban Development (DHSUD) and the 10-member Pag-IBIG Fund Board of Trustees.

Pag-IBIG Fund’s Affordable Housing Program (AHP) is a special home financing program that

caters to the needs of minimum-wage and low-income members who earn up to P15,000 a month in the National Capital Region (NCR) and members who earn up to P12,000 per month outside the NCR. Under the AHP, home loans worth up to P580,000 come with a subsidized rate of 3% per annum, which is still the most affordable rate in the market today.

Pag-IBIG Fund Chief Executive Officer Acmad Rizaldy P. Moti added that socialized units make up 23% of the 94,533 total homes funded by the agency



in 2021. Meanwhile, socialized home loans comprise 10% of the P97.28 billion in home loans released last year.

“For years, we

have been striving to break the glass ceiling of releasing home loans worth P100 billion in a year. In 2021, I’m glad to say that we have achieved this seemingly im-

possible goal! And we did that by steadily growing our home releases year in and year out.

Best of all, we
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