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Oil spill-affected Cavite fisherfolk to get aid via DOLE program

By Zen Trinidad

CALAMBA CITY, Laguna – The Department of Labor and Employment (DOLE) is mobilizing support for fisherfolk in Cavite affected by the oil spill in Bataan through its Tulong Panghanapbuhay sa Ating Disadvantaged/Displaced Workers (TUPAD) program.

The spill, originating from the sunken oil tanker

M/T Terranova near Limay town, has led to the declaration of a “no catch zone” in Tanza, Naic, Maragondon, and Ternate towns in Cavite for the remainder of the week.

Ricky Velasco, Senior Labor and Employment Officer and TUPAD Focal Person for DOLE-Cavite, said in a phone interview that DOLE Provincial Director Marivic Martinez has

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NO CATCH ZONE. Personnel of the Department of Labor and Employment (DOLE) in Cavite province assess employment interventions needed for oil spill-displaced fisherfolk on Wednesday (July 31, 2024). The local government units of Tanza, Naic, Maragondon, and Ternate towns have declared a “no catch zone” due to the oil spill in Bataan. (Photo courtesy of DOLE-Cavite)

BI nabs overstaying Kyrgyz woman linked to African drug ring

By Ferdinand Patinio

MANILA – The Bureau of Immigration (BI) is set to deport a woman from Kyrgyzstan for overstaying and alleged involvement in illegal drugs.

In a news release Wednesday, Commissioner Norman Tansingo said the BI’s fugitive search unit (FSU) arrested Anara Ruslanova, 29, under a mission order inside a residential village in Makati City on July 23.

She was later committed to the BI custodial facility in Camp Bagong Diwa, Taguig City where she will remain while awaiting deportation.

Ruslanova allegedly had links to members of a West African drug syndicate who were arrested by the BI and the National Bureau of Investigation (NBI) in a bar in Makati on June 20, 2022.

She is under investigation by the NBI regarding her knowledge of the activities of the West African syndicate, particularly its drug trafficking activities in the country.

On Nov. 21, 2023, the BI board of commissioners ordered her deportation for being an undesirable and overstaying alien and her inclusion in the immigration blacklist, which banned

her from re-entering the Philippines.

Records showed that Ruslanova last arrived in the country on Oct. 4, 2018 and has not departed since then.

She had not applied for any type of visa to prolong her stay in the country legally.

Bagong Pilipinas caravan

Meanwhile, the BI will provide essential immigration services during the Bagong Pilipinas Serbisyo Fair at the Leyte Normal University in Tacloban City from Aug. 2 to 3.

The service caravan aims to provide easy access to BI services, including tourist visa extensions, exit clearances, dual citizenship applications, and other essential transactions.

“We encourage everyone to visit the booths and utilize the services offered by the Bureau of Immigration and other government agencies,” Tansingo said.

The caravan is the sixth in a series of service caravans conducted by the BI this year in Zamboanga, Iloilo, Baguio, Batangas, and Cavite.

The initiative is part of the Department of Justice’s services for the Bagong Pilipinas Serbisyo Fair, which brings various government services closer to the people. (PNA)

Marcos: Buwan ng Wika a call to love, enrich Filipino identity

By Darryl John Esguerra

MANILA – President Ferdinand R. Marcos Jr. on Thursday urged Filipinos to love the country’s national language, emphasizing its importance in cultivating the Filipino identity.

In his message for the celebration of the Buwan ng Wikang Pambansa, Marcos said the commemoration is not just a mere reminder but

an invitation to continue to love and enrich our inherited languages that define our identity as Filipinos.

“Ang okasyong ito ay nagsisilbing mahalagang paalala sa atin na mahal in ang wikang Filipino nang bukal sa ating puso at nanggagaling sa kamalayan na ang mga wikang minana ay nagtatanghal ng ating kahanga-hangang pagkakakilanlan bilang isang lipi (This occasion serves as

an important reminder to us to wholeheartedly love the Filipino language and comes from the awareness that our inherited languages present our wonderful identity as a people),” Marcos said.

“Subalit ang Buwan ng Wikang Pambansa ay hindi lamang isang paalala; ito ay isa ring paanyaya na patuloy nating mahal in at pagyaman in ang ating mga wika (However, Continued on page 3...

NIA-Calabarzon to sell rice at P29 per kilo

By Zen Trinidad

CALAMBA CITY, Laguna – The National Irrigation Administration (NIA) in Region 4A (Calabarzon) will offer rice at PHP29 per kilogram (kg) starting in August, following a harvest under its rice contract farming program for Cavite and Batangas irrigators’ associations.

Vince Santoalla, NIA-4A’s public relations officer, confirmed in a phone

interview on Wednesday that the Cavite-Batangas Irrigation Management Office (IMO) has begun packaging rice in 10-kg bags, which will be sold at PHP290 each.

The palay (unhusked rice) harvest represents the third cropping cycle from NIA’s pilot contract farming program, which covered 10 hectares in July out of the 100 hectares contracted farm lots with various irrigators’ associations within the

Cavite-Batangas area. The bulk of the harvest is expected to be available in August and September from additional areas, Santoalla added.

In Sariaya, Quezon, he said, a total of 10,435 kilograms of palay were harvested from a 3.14-hectare area on July 26-27 under a contract agreement with the Nagkakaisang Magsasaka Samahan ng Magpapatubig, Inc. This will undergo drying Continued on page 3...

PH, Japan hold 1st maritime cooperative activity in WPS



JOINT PATROL. The Philippine Navy's missile frigate BRP Jose Rizal (FF-150) and Japan Maritime Self-Defense Force's destroyer JS Sazanami (DD-113) sail together during the two countries' first maritime cooperative activity in the West Philippine Sea on Friday (Aug. 2, 2024). The Armed Forces of the Philippines said the drill enhanced the tactical capabilities of the two naval forces and reinforced strong ties and mutual commitment to maintaining peace and stability in the region. (Photo courtesy of AFP)

By Priam Nepomuceno

MANILA – Naval vessels from the Philippines and Japan held their first bilateral maritime cooperative activity (MCA) in the West Philippine Sea on Friday.

In a statement, Armed Forces of the Philippines (AFP) public affairs office chief Col. Xerxes Trinidad said the MCA is part of ongoing efforts to strengthen regional and international cooperation toward realizing a free and open Indo-Pacific.

The AFP, through the Philippine Navy (PN), deployed the missile frigate BRP Jose Rizal (FF-150) while the Japan Maritime Self-Defense Force (JMSDF) sent its destroyer JS Sazanami (DD-113) for the activity.

"The types of exercises conducted during the MCA included a communications exercise (COMMEX), tactical maneuvering, and a photographic exercise (PHOTOEX)," Trinidad said.

He said the exercise enhanced the tactical capabilities of the PN and the JMSDF and reinforced the strong ties and mutual commitment to maintaining peace and stability in the region.

"The JMSDF and the PN are dedicated to promoting security and stability in the Indo-Pacific, demonstrating their shared commitment to upholding a rules-based international order," Trinidad said.

China's PLAN ships spotted

Meanwhile, the AFP said two Chinese People's Liberation Army Navy (PLAN) vessels, a Jiangdao-class corvette 624 and Jingkai class frigate 574, were observed in the area tailing the formation within four nautical miles and 4.9 nautical miles, respectively.

"This did not interfere with the MCA, which successfully included communication exercises, tactical maneuvering, and photographic exercises. The presence of the PLAN vessels was closely monitored, and the exercise proceeded as planned, achieving its objectives of improving tactical capabilities and strengthening cooperation between the JMSDF and the PN," it added. (PNA)

Appeal...

for their fate and possible release."

The Houthi hijacked the Bahamas-flagged MV Galaxy Leader near Hodeidah in November 2023 while it was sailing for India and held hostage its 25 crewmembers, 17 of whom are Filipino nationals.

The group has since

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launched numerous drone and missile attacks on ships transiting the crucial shipping channels of the Red Sea and the Gulf of Aden.

"Ang (The) Houthi rebels, they are making a statement with respect to the support sa mga (to the) Palestinians sa Gaza -- so we believe that related ito doon

sa nangyayari sa Gaza (that this is related to the ongoing conflict in Gaza)," Cacdac said.

Since the Oct. 7, 2023 conflict between Israel and the Hamas broke out, the Philippine government had already repatriated 1,100 Filipinos from various parts of Israel, Lebanon, West Bank and Gaza. (PNA)



CAREFUL PLANNING. Department of Migrant Workers Secretary Hans Leo Cacdac speaks to the press during the Saturday News Forum in Quezon City on Aug. 3, 2024. Cacdac said Manila's appeal for the release of the 17 Filipino crew members of the Houthi-seized MV Galaxy Leader in Yemen is still in the works. (PNA photo by Joan Bondoc)

PBBM...

by the President.

Based on EO 64, the first of the four tranches of the salary increase for government workers took effect on Jan. 1 and will be given retroactively.

The second tranche will be implemented on Jan. 1, 2025, while the third and fourth tranches will start on the same date in 2026 and 2027.

For covered GOCCs, the retroactive application of the first tranche will be subject to the entities' capacity to pay and compliance with other requirements under existing laws.

The rates in LGUs will be determined based on the class and financial capability of each LGU.

The funding requirements for salary increase in national government agencies will be charged against any available appropriations under RA 11975 of the 2024 General Appropriations Act or any other available appropriations.

For GOCCs, the budget will be taken from their respective corporate funds in the corporate operating budgets approved by the DBM.

The funds for the pay hike among LGU personnel will be charged against their respective local governments.

The basic pay of village personnel will be in the form of honoraria, while their year-end bonus based on the monthly honoraria as of Oct. 31 of the year and PHP5,000 worth of cash gift may also be given to them.

Medical allowance
On top of the salary

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increase, qualified government personnel will also receive an annual medical allowance not exceeding PHP7,000 starting in 2025, as a subsidy for the availment of health maintenance organization or HMO-type benefits.

The grant of the medical allowance will be subject to the conditions and guidelines that will be issued by the Department of Budget and Management (DBM) or the GCG.

Government officials and employees with HMO-based health care services under special laws, as well as officials and employees in the legislative and judicial branches and other offices vested with fiscal autonomy, are excluded from the grant of the medical allowance.

"The heads of the foregoing agencies and offices may grant a similar medical allowance to their employees to continue to procure allowable HMO plans, subject to the limitations and guidelines that the DBM may issue in consultation with the said offices," EO 64 read.

Funding requirements for medical allowance for next year and succeeding fiscal years will be included in the National Expenditure Program as a component of the Standard Allowances and Benefits of the Total Compensation Framework, subject to the approval of Congress.

EO 64 takes effect immediately upon publication in the Official Gazette or a newspaper of general circulation. (PNA)

Police...

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them assistance and take them to their destinations, at least the closest area to their destinations)," Fajardo said.

She added they are communicating with transport groups and stressed that the PNP respects their freedom to air their grievances.

"We appeal to those who will be joining the unity walk tomorrow (Monday) not to harass their fellow drivers who will decide not to participate and want to go back to their work as jeepney drivers to earn money for their families," Fajardo said in Filipino.

By Sunday night, the PNP will put up checkpoints to ensure protest actions will be orderly and peaceful.

"We expect the transport groups will come from Regions 1 (Ilocos), 3 (Central Luzon) and Calabarzon that will participate and in fact from Region 5 (Bicol), we have

received reports although we are still confirming it," Fajardo said.

LTFRB Chairperson Teofilo Guadiz III previously said several transport cooperatives scheduled the unity walk in support of the government's PTMP.

He called on those joining the walk to ensure that they will continue plying their routes.

Pasang Masda president Roberto Martin condemned the Senate resolution that seeks to suspend the implementation of the PTMP.

Martin, one of the leaders of the Magnificent 7 or the seven transport groups that support the PTMP, said he was surprised by the pronouncement of Senate President Francis Escudero since a significant chunk of the transport sector had already complied with the PTMP. (PNA)

BI tightens watch vs. aliens using bogus, stolen foreign passports

By Ferdinand Patinio

MANILA – Bureau of Immigration (BI) officers have been alerted to tighten their watch against foreigners attempting to enter the country using fraudulently acquired foreign passports.

Immigration (BI) Commissioner Norman Tansingco issued the warning Thursday amid recent cases of Vietnamese minors caught using such documents.

He reported that officers at the Ninoy Aquino International Airport (NAIA) Terminal 1 have recently encountered three incidents of children presenting illegally obtained German passports in separate incidents.

Two Vietnamese women arrived at the NAIA Terminal 1 last July 22 aboard a Philippine Airlines flight from Saigon and were denied entry for presenting German passports which turned out to be stolen.

They were only

identified as 'Diem', 15 and 'Quynh', 17, who presented German passports whose owners the two shared similar facial features with.

"They were look-alikes, but were detected as both German passports prompted a hit in the BI's Interpol derogatory check system indicating that their travel documents were reported as lost or stolen," Tansingco said.

The women later admitted during questioning that the German passports were not theirs and that these were only given to them by fixers who assured them they could easily travel if they used them instead of their Vietnamese passports.

They also brought out their Vietnamese passports which contained their real names and the German passports were confiscated for turnover to the German Embassy.

Both were denied entry to the country, boarded

on the next available flight back to their port of origin, and blacklisted.

Meanwhile, another Vietnamese minor was intercepted at the same terminal last July 23 before he could board a Korean Airlines flight to Incheon, South Korea en route to his final destination in Toronto, Canada.

The traveler identified only as "Thang", 17, also presented a fraudulently-acquired German passport when he presented himself for departure clearance.

When interviewed, he confessed his true identity and showed his Vietnamese passport which was wrapped in a foil and hidden inside his bag. He admitted that he intended to use the German passport to gain illegal entry to Canada.

The foreigner was taken into custody and temporarily housed under the Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD) while undergoing removal proceedings.

Investigations

revealed that he was able to illegally acquire his passport from a website allegedly based in Europe that sells fraudulent travel documents.

"It was surprising to hear how easy it was for him to acquire the passport online. This seems to be another scheme illegal migrants use to be able to secure work abroad," the BI chief added.

He noted that the apprehensions might be linked to the trafficking of minors to illegally enter other countries. (PNA)



Photo Courtesy of PNA

Marcos...

National Language Month is not just a reminder; it is also an invitation for us to continue to love and enrich our languages."

The President said Filipino literature is full of works that deepen our love for the country and encourage the new generation to also enjoy their own.

He urged Filipinos to take these literary pieces to heart and mind to foster greater collaboration for a progressive, free, and unified Philippines.

The country commemorates Buwan ng Wikang Pambasa every August, under Proclamation 1041 issued by former president Fidel V. Ramos in 1997.

For this year, the month-long celebration theme is "Filipino: Wikang

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Mapagpalaya."

According to Marcos, Proclamation 1041 is a cornerstone in strengthening our unity and sense of self and the reason why we celebrate these qualities.

"Ilan sa mga nabanggit ay ang pakinabang ng pagkakaroon ng wikang panlahat, ang malaking ambag nito sa pagkamtan ng kasarinlan ng ating bansa, at ang kapangyarihan nito na buksan ang ating mga mata at isipan sa kahalagahan, karanasan, at kakayahan ng bawat isa (Some of the mentioned benefits of having a universal language is its great contribution to the achievement of our country's independence, and its power to open our eyes and minds to the importance, experience, and abilities of each one)," he said. (PNA)



President Ferdinand R. Marcos Jr. (Screengrab from RTVM)

Oil...

instructed personnel to assess the situation in the coastal communities to determine the scope of employment interventions needed for the displaced fisherfolk.

Velasco said the local government units (LGUs) have declared a temporary fishing ban due to the oil spill, prompting the need for immediate support through

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the TUPAD temporary employment program.

Cavite's Provincial Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Office (PDRRMO) has also recommended declaring a state of calamity in the affected areas to facilitate aid and recovery efforts.

"We are currently awaiting the results of the

assessment to identify qualified TUPAD beneficiaries. Once finalized, we plan to conduct an orientation session this Friday," Velasco said.

Under the TUPAD program, each eligible fisherfolk will receive PHP5,200, equivalent to 10 days of work at PHP520 per day, which is the minimum wage in the province, according to Velasco. (PNA)

NIA...

and milling before being sold.

Harvesting is anticipated to begin in late August or early September for a 79-hectare farm in Infanta, Quezon contracted and cultivated by Agos River Farmer Irrigators Association, Inc., Santoalla added.

Meanwhile, farmers in Laguna are preparing to plant for the wet cropping season.

Under the contract farming agreement, NIA allocates PHP100,000 per hectare for an anticipated yield of 5 metric tons per hectare. The irrigators' associations receive an initial PHP50,000 per hectare for land preparation, planting materials, fertilizers, and other expenses until harvest.

The NIA purchases the rice at PHP20 per kilo and sells it at PHP29 per kilo, Santoalla said.

"Practically, the

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association will not shell out capital for the farm inputs. They are assured also of the buyer of the yield which is NIA at fixed price," he said.

Initially, rice from this harvest will be available at NIA Kadiwa in Cavite-Batangas IMO offices in

Nasugbu, Batangas, and Naic, Cavite.

"Priority for this initial rice bags will be given to senior citizens, solo parents, persons with disabilities, and other less privileged individuals to buy rice at the NIA offices," Santoalla added. (PNA)



AFFORDABLE RICE. Repacked rice at 10 kilograms per bag to be sold for PHP290 each or PHP29 per kilo at the National Irrigation Administration Kadiwa stores in Nasugbu, Batangas and Naic, Cavite starting August 2024. The grains were harvested under the rice contract farming agreement with irrigators' associations under the Cavite-Batangas Irrigation Management Office. (Photo courtesy of NIA-Calabarzon)

EDITORIAL

Great Plebeian, a tribute

“THE commemoration of Apolinario Mabini’s life and legacy on 23 July serves as a reminder of the enduring values he championed: infrastructure, social equity, and good governance.”

Apolinario Mabini, often referred to as the “Brains of the Revolution” and the “Great Plebeian,” stands as one of the Philippines’ most revered heroes.

Last Tuesday, 23 July, a day before “Carina” and the monsoon rains struck with impunity, the nation commemorated his greatness, reflecting on his invaluable contributions to the struggle for independence and the formation of the Philippine Republic.

Mabini’s life and legacy offer profound lessons in resilience, intellect, and patriotism, making him a figure of enduring significance in Philippine history, particularly amid the present-day tensions in the West Philippine Sea.

Born on 23 July 1864, in Tanauan, Batangas, Apolinario Mabini rose from humble beginnings to become a pivotal figure in the Philippine Revolution against Spanish colonial rule.

Despite facing numerous hardships, including poverty and a crippling illness, Mabini’s indomitable spirit and sharp intellect propelled him to prominence. He earned a law degree from the University of Santo Tomas, a testament to his perseverance and dedication to education.

Mabini’s greatest contributions came during the latter part of the 19th century, as the Philippines grappled with the twin challenges of Spanish oppression and the quest for self-governance.

His intellectual prowess and unwavering commitment to the revolutionary cause earned him the moniker “Brains of the Revolution.” As an adviser to Emilio Aguinaldo, the leader of the revolution, Mabini played a crucial role in shaping the strategies and policies that would guide the movement.

One of Mabini’s most significant achievements was his authorship of the 1898 Constitution of the First Philippine Republic, also known as the Malolos Constitution.

This landmark document laid the foundation for the establishment of an independent Philippine government, enshrining principles of democracy, equality, and human rights.

Mabini’s vision for a sovereign nation, governed by the rule of law and the will of the people, was a beacon of hope for Filipinos yearning for freedom. His influence

extended beyond his legal and political contributions.

His writings, particularly “The True Decalogue” and “The Constitutional Program of the Philippine Republic,” articulated a philosophy of governance and morality that resonated deeply with the Filipino people.

He emphasized the importance of ethical leadership, civic duty, and national unity, principles that remain relevant to this day. Mabini’s intellectual legacy continues to inspire generations of Filipinos to strive for a just and equitable society.

Despite his immense contributions, Mabini’s life was marked by personal trials and tribulations. In 1896, he contracted polio, which left him paralyzed from the waist down. However, his physical limitations did not deter his resolve.

Mabini continued to work tirelessly for the revolutionary cause, writing, advising, and strategizing from his sickbed. His resilience in the face of adversity exemplifies the strength of the human spirit and the power of intellect and determination.

Mabini’s unwavering patriotism and moral integrity also set him apart as a leader. In the aftermath of the Spanish-American War, when the Philippines found itself under American colonial rule, Mabini remained steadfast in his opposition to foreign domination.

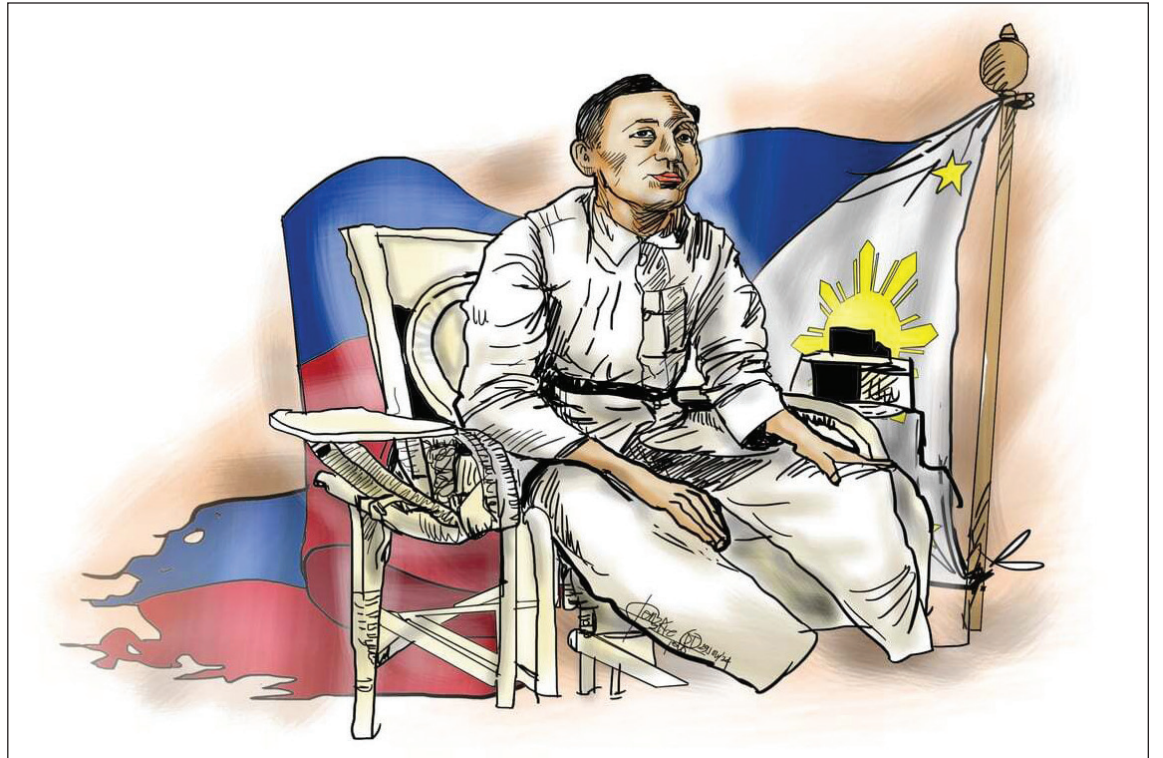
He was arrested and exiled to Guam in 1901 for refusing to pledge allegiance to the United States. Even in exile, Mabini’s commitment to the cause of Philippine independence never wavered.

His writings from this period reflect a deep sense of national pride and an unyielding belief in the Filipino people’s right to self-determination.

The commemoration of Apolinario Mabini’s life and legacy on 23 July serves as a reminder of the enduring values he championed. His contributions to the Philippine Revolution, his vision for an independent and democratic nation, and his unwavering dedication to the principles of justice and equality make him a towering figure in Philippine history.

Mabini’s life story is a testament to the power of intellect, the strength of character, and the resilience of the human spirit.

As the Philippines commemorates his greatness, it is a fitting tribute to a man whose life and legacy continue to inspire and guide the Filipino people in their pursuit of a better future.



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PART 2

ang Free Tuition Law. Isang pag-abante mula sa nakaraan na ang mga iskolar ng bayan ngayon ay hindi nagbabayad ng matrikula. Pag-abante ito mula sa pagturing sa edukasyon bilang pribilehiyo at sa komersyalisasyon. Mas malapit ito sa prinsipyong ang edukasyon ay karapatan. Mas makatarungan ito sa kalagayang iilan ang mayayaman kahit sa hanay ng mga estudyante ng mga pampublikong HEIs sa bansa.

Sa ganitong konteksto mainam ilugar ang bagong sanaysay ni JC Punongbayan, estudyante sa UP School of Economics at komentarista sa Rappler.com, na “Why the free tuition law is not pro-poor enough” at lumabas noong Pebrero 8.

Sa titulo, aakalaing kinikilala ni Punongbayan na “maka-mahirap” o pag-abante ang Free Tuition Law. Sa ibang bahagi pa nga ng sanaysay, sinasabi niyang pwede pang “paunlarin” ito. Pero lumalabas na praktikalidad lang ang dahilan kung bakit may ganito siyang pabalat-bungang retorika: “Hindi na matatanggal ang Free Tuition Law. Kahit sinong pulitikong mangahas na kwestyunin ito (o magpanukalang ibasura ito) ay gagawa ng political suicide.”

Malinaw ang sentral na argumento ni Punongbayan: “Bagamat ang Free Tuition Law ay pinuri bilang ‘maka-mahirap,’ ipinapakita ng mas malalim na pagsusuri na hindi ito maka-mahirap.

Pwede pa ngang ipakitang ito’y maka-mayaman.”

Aniya, ang mayayaman ang pangunahing nakikinabang sa batas dahil sinusubsidyuhan nito ang edukasyon nila mula sa buwis ng nakakaraming nagtatrabaho sa bansa — buwis ng mahihirap at panggitnang uri.

Datos at pagkwenta ang batayan ni Punongbayan. Aniyan, 80 porsyento ng income tax sa bansa ang mula sa “mga manggagawa na tumatanggap ng sahod o sweldo.” Sa kabilang banda, 20 porsyento lang ang mula sa mga propesyunal at self-employed. Aniyan, noong 2014, 17 porsyento ng mga estudyante ng mga pampublikong HEIs ang galing sa pinakamayamang sang-lima (1/5) ng populasyon ng bansa, habang 12 porsyento lang ang galing sa pinakamahirap na sang-lima.

Masyadong ipinapako ni Punongbayan ang paningin ng mambabasa sa 17 porsyento ng mga estudyante na mula sa pinakamayaman at 12 porsyento na mula sa pinakamahirap.

Bahagi ito ng pananakot na may malakilaking populasyon ng mayayamang estudyante na nakakatanggap ng subsidyo, habang maliit lang ang populasyon ng mahihirap na estudyante na nakakatanggap nito. Hindi datos ang nagsasalita sa pagsusuri ni Punongbayan kundi ang takot at pagtutol sa subsidyo ng gobyerno sa edukasyong pangkolehiyo.

Katunayan, pwedeng unawain ang datos ni

Punongbayan sa ibang paraan: ang pangunahing nakinabang sa Free Tuition Law ay ang nakakaraming 83 porsyento ng mga estudyante ng mga pampublikong HEIs na hindi kasama sa pinakamayaman sa lipunan pero noon ay nagbabayad ng matrikula. Mas magandang din sa pinakamahirap na 12 porsyento na hindi na nila kailangang patunayan ang pagiging mahirap para makatanggap ng scholarship. Mas posible sa mahihirap na makapag-aral sa kolehiyo kung maigagapang sila ng mga magulang na makatapos sa elementarya at hayskul. Dapat lang na sa kanilang lahat mapunta ang buwis na ang malaking bahagi ay galing sa mahihirap at nasa panggitnang uri ng lipunan.

Dito lalong makikita ang pangunahing problema sa sanaysay ni Punongbayan: wala itong pagkilala na pag-abante ang Free Tuition Law kumpara sa dating kalakaran sa mga pampublikong HEIs na kinakatangian ng komersyalisasyon ng edukasyon at pagkakait ng karapatan sa edukasyon.

Sa isang banda, parang radikal ang mga panukala ni Punongbayan: sa antas ng buong ekonomiya, taasan ang buwis ng mayayaman at magbigay ng subsidyo na nakatarget sa mahihirap. Kailangan din aniyang resolbahin ang problema ng batayang edukasyon sa bansa. Sabi pa niya, sa panahong libre sa matrikula at tumatanggap ng subsidyo ang lahat ng studyante,

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DOH warns of health risks from MT Terra Nova oil spill as Cavite towns declare state of calamity

By: Anna Mole

CALAMBA CITY, Laguna (PIA) – The Department of Health – Center for Health Development (DOH-CHD) Calabarzon advised residents of coastal towns in Cavite to take necessary precautions to avoid possible health risks associated with the reported oil spill near Manila Bay.

In an advisory released on Wednesday, DOH Assistant Secretary and concurrent Calabarzon Regional Director Ariel Valencia discouraged

residents from eating any fish, shellfish, and other marine food items from their areas as these may have been contaminated by the oil spill.

“We are reminding the people of Cavite to be careful. As much as possible, don’t eat any sea food for now. The fish may have been affected by the oil spill, which may cause food poisoning,” Valencia said.

He also advised the public to avoid areas affected by the oil spill as exposure to contaminated water and air may lead to

a variety of health issues including skin irritation, blisters, burns, peeling skin and dermatitis.

The oil spill caused by MT Terra Nova, which sank on July 25, continues to spread to the sea coast of Cavite, affecting the municipalities of Kawit, Noveleta, Rosario, Tanza, Naic, Maragondon, and Ternate, as well as the cities of Bacoor and Cavite.

Cavite Governor Jonvic Remulla has declared a state of calamity in the affected areas. Additionally, a No-Catch Zone for all



Photo Courtesy of PIO

shellfish directive has been implemented to avoid any potential health risks to the public.

“The province is declaring a State of Calamity in these areas. The province is also declaring a No-Catch Zone for all shellfish (mussels, crabs, crabs, halaan) in our vicinity. The Cavite government is currently meeting for the immediate distribution of relief goods for the 25,000 affected fishermen,” Remulla announced in a social media post.

Meanwhile, the Cavite Provincial Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Council (PDRRMC) convened

together with officials of the nine affected coastal local government units and laid down measures to address the ongoing oil spill crisis. These measures are aimed at mitigating the impact of the spill, protecting public health, and ensuring effective response to the crisis.

Office of Civil Defense (OCD) CALABARZON Regional Director and RDRRMC Chairperson Carlos Eduardo E. Alvarez III assured the province of their full support and assistance to lessen the impact of the oil spill. (AM/PIA-4A; with reports from HEPU DOH CHD Calabarzon

CAVITEVIEW

Carlos Yulo strikes gold for the second straight day



Artur Davtyan of Armenia, silver; Carlos Yulo of the Philippines, gold; Harry Hepworth of Great Britain, bronze (Screenshot)

By Ivan Stewart Saldajeno

MANILA – Carlos Edriel Yulo overhauled Philippine sports history with a second Olympic gold in Paris on Sunday, ruling the men’s gymnastics vault finals at Bercy Arena.

Following his floor exercise win on Saturday, Yulo became the first Filipino male athlete to win multiple golds in the Olympics -- on a single year.

Yulo’s first try set the tone for the rest of the final round as his near-perfect routine garnered him 15.433 points, the highest single-vault

attempt score for the night.

After tallying a 14.8 in his second vault, he finished with a total 15.116, enough to deny Great Britain a 1-2 finish.

Armenian Artur Davtyan, the last to perform, scored two consistent runs for a 14.966 average to overtake the British duo of Harry Hepworth and Jake Jarman and take the silver.

Hepworth, who scored the best second attempt with 15.066 points, ended up with the bronze at 14.949.

Jarman, the half-Filipino gymnast who was bronze medalist in the floor

finals, dropped to fourth at 14.933.

A 0.1-point deduction in his first attempt eventually denied Jarman another podium finish.

Yulo’s vault win gave the Philippines its fourth medal in the Paris Olympics, barely an hour after boxer Nesthy Petecio secured at least a bronze.

Petecio dominated Chinese Xu Zichun in the quarterfinals of the women’s 57-kilogram at Paris North Arena in Villepinte, France.

She put on a virtual clinic with her punching

accuracy and brilliant head movement to frustrate Xu, who struggled to connect on her shots.

Three judges, Holger Kussmaul, Yermek Suiyenish and Wade Peterson, scored the bout 30-27, while Jakov Peterson and Cho Jung-Sook had it 29-28, all for the Davao del Sur native, who will become the only Filipino female athlete to have multiple Olympic medals.

The 2021 Tokyo silver medalist will try to upgrade to another silver when she takes on Poland’s Julia Szeremeta in the semifinals at Roland Garros Stadium early Thursday (PH time).

Szeremeta scored a similar unanimous decision win against Puerto Rico’s Ashleyann Lozada.

The four-medal count as of Sunday, the other from virtual bronze medalist Aira Villegas (women’s boxing 50kg), matched the total number of medals the Filipinos hauled in Tokyo.

Weightlifter Hidilyn Diaz, the country’s first gold medalist in Tokyo, immediately posted a message for Yulo.

“Congratulations ulit, Caloy! Ang galing! Ipinagamalaki kita hindi lang sa mga medalya mo kundi dahil sa hirap na pinagdaanan mo para makamit ang tagumpay, para sa sarili at higit pang lalo, para sa

bayan (Congratulations again, Caloy. It was great! I am proud of you, not just of your medals, but of all the hardships you went through to achieve this success for your self and most of all, for the country),” Diaz wrote on Facebook.

“Magkikita tayo dyan, Caloy, at mahigpit na yakap mula sa Ate Haidie mo (I will see you there, Caloy, and again, tight hugs from your elder sister Haidie)! God bless you!”

“Answered prayers. We already broke the record in the Olympics,” Philippine Olympic Committee president Abraham Tolentino told reporters in Paris.

World No. 2 pole vaulter EJ Obiena can make it five medals during his final round Tuesday, starting at approximately 1 a.m. (PH time).

Meanwhile, hurdlers John Cabang and Lauren Hoffman will try to qualify for the finals via the repechage.

Cabang finished sixth in Heat 1 of the men’s 110-meter hurdles with a time of 13.66 seconds. Three-time world champion and 2021 Tokyo silver medalist Grant Holloway of the US ruled the heats in 13.01 to lead the 18-man outright cut.

Hoffman was eighth in Heat 4 of the women’s 400m hurdles with a time of 57.83 seconds. (PNA)

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IMUS CITY, CAVITE

SECURITY BANK CORPORATION,
JUDICIAL FORECLOSURE OF

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Mortgagee,
REAL ESTATE MORTGAGE UNDER
-versus-
AS AMENDED BY ACT 4118

ACT 3135

JOEMAR R. CALINAGAN,
Mortgagor,

FC Case No. 19087-24
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NOTICE OF EXTRA-JUDICIAL SALE

Upon Extra-Judicial Petition for Sale under Act 3135, as amended by Act 4118, filed by SECURITY BANK CORPORATION, mortgagee, with principal office at Security Bank Centre Building, 6776 Ayala Avenue, Makati City, against JOEMAR R. CALINAGAN, with residence and postal address at (1) Urban Deca Homes Hampton, Unit 205 Building 21, Barangay Buhay na Tubig, Imus, Cavite, (2) 1003 Masbate Street, Sampalok, Manila, (3) Blk. 1 Lot 16, Brecia Citta Italia, Bacoor City, Cavite to satisfy the mortgage indebtedness which as of May 27, 2024 amounts to ONE MILLION FIVE HUNDRED EIGHTY NINE THOUSAND FOURTEEN PESOS

and 03/100 (P1,589,014.03), Philippine Currency, including interest and penalty charges but excluding attorney's fees, sheriff's fees and all other charges incidental to this foreclosure and sale, the undersigned Sheriff IV will sell at public auction on August 13, 2024 at 10:00 a.m. or soon thereafter at the main Entrance of the Office of the Clerk of Court, RTC, Imus, Multiple Sala, Bulwagan Ng Katarungan, Aguinaldo Highway, Imus, Cavite, to the highest bidder, for CASH and in Philippine Currency, the following property with all the improvements therein, to wit:

TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. 057-2023000065

"SECOND FLOOR RESIDENTIAL LEVEL, B21-205, CONDO MODEL-STUDIO TYPE, WITH THE TOTAL FLOOR AREA OF (26.80) MORE OR LESS OF THE URBAN DECA HOMES HAMPTON.

In the diagrammatic floor plan appended to the enabling or master deed of the condominium project annotated on TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE 2017018331 which embraces and describes the land located at BARANGAY BUHAY NA TUBIG, IMUS, CAVITE with an area of FORTY ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED SEVENTY-ONE (41,871) Square Meter, x x x "

All sealed bids must be submitted to the undersigned on the stated time and date.

In the event the public auction should not take place on the said date, it shall be held on August 20, 2024 without prior notice.

Prospective bidders/buyers are hereby enjoined to investigate for

themselves the title to the said property and encumbrances thereon if any there be.

Imus, Cavite, Philippines, July 5, 2024.

(SGD) ISRAEL S. MEDINA

Sheriff IV

APPROVED:

(SGD) ARMIE A. FRANCISCO
Clerk of Court VI

Copy Furnished:
SECURITY BANK CORPORATION,
Security Bank Centre, 6776 Ayala Avenue, Makati City

ATTY. ALVIN JOSEPH G. CONSTANTINO
c/o CONSTANTINO AND ASSOCIATES LAW OFFICE
CALO Bldg., No. 12, Mapagkumbaba St., Sikatuna, Quezon City

JOEMER R. CALINAGAN
1) Urban Deca Homes Hampton, Unit 205 Building 21, Barangay Buhay na Tubig, Imus, Cavite
(2) 1003 Masbate Street, Sampalok, Manila
(3) Blk. 1 Lot 16, Brecia Citta Italia, Bacoor City, Cavite

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Telephone No. 09273707489

HOME DEVELOPMENT MUTUAL FUND
(otherwise known as Pag-IBIG Fund),

Mortgagee,

Foreclosure No. 2024-118

For: Extra-Judicial Foreclosure of
-versus-
Real Estate Mortgage

MA. CARMEN L. UMALI,
Mortgagor.

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NOTICE OF EXTRA-JUDICIAL FORECLOSURE

Upon Extra-Judicial Petition for Sale under Act 3135 as Amended by Act 4118, filed by the mortgagee, HOME DEVELOPMENT MUTUAL FUND (otherwise known as Pag-IBIG Fund), at The Petron Mega Plaza Bldg., No. 358 Sen. Gil Puyat Avenue, Makati City and against the mortgagor, MA. CARMEN L. UMALI at B02 L19 Dollar St., Summerhills Phase 3, Molino 4, Bacoor, Cavite and Lot 19 Blk. 64, PCS-04-023728, Summerhill Townhomes, Ph. 3, Brgy. Molino IV,

Bacoor, Cavite to satisfy the mortgage indebtedness which as of June 25, 2024, amounts to ONE MILLION ONE HUNDRED SIXTY SIX THOUSAND SIX HUNDRED THIRTY FIVE PESOS & 40/100 (P1,166,635.40), Philippine Currency, inclusive of interest, and penalty charges but exclusive of other fee incident to this foreclosure, the undersigned or her duly authorized representative will sell at the public auction on August 20, 2024 at 10:00 o'clock in the morning or soon thereafter, at the main Entrance of the Hall of Justice of Bacoor City, Cavite, to the highest bidder for CASH and In Philippine Currency, the following described property with all the improvements thereon, to wit:

TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. 167-2022000352

"A PARCEL OF LAND (LOT 19 OF THE CONS.-SUBD. PLAN, PCS-04-023728, BEING A PORTION OF THE CONS.-SUBD. OF LOTS 6, 8, 10, 12, 14, 16, 18, 20, 22, 24, 26, BLOCK 64, PSD-04-023040, L.R.C. REC. NO.), SITUATED IN THE BRGY. OF MOLINO IV, MUN. OF BACoor, PROV. OF CAVITE, ISLAND OF LUZON. X X X, CONTAINING AN AREA OF FIFTY TWO (52) SQUARE METERS, MORE OR LESS."

"All sealed bid must be submitted to the undersigned on the above-stated time and date."

"In the event the public auction should not take place on the said date, it shall be held on August 28, 2024, without further notice."

Prospective buyers or bidders are hereby enjoined to investigate for themselves the title to the said property and encumbrances, if any there be.

City of Bacoor, July 16, 2024.

MELY C. HERMOSURA-VISTA

Clerk of Court VI

By:

DEMETRIO T. VILLANUEVA, JR.

Sheriff IV

Copy Furnished:
HOME DEVELOPMENT MUTUAL FUND
(otherwise known as Pag-IBIG Fund)
The Petron Mega Plaza Bldg., No. 358 Sen. Gil Puyat Avenue, Makati City

JEFFREY A. RAMIENTAS
2546 A Bonifacio St., Bangkal, Makati City

MA. CARMEN L. UMALI
B02 L19 Dollar St., Summerhills Phase 3, Molino 4, Bacoor, Cavite
Lot 19 Blk. 64, PCS-04-023728, Summerhill Townhomes, Ph. 3, Brgy. Molino IV, Bacoor, Cavite

WARNING: It is absolutely prohibited to remove, deface or destroy this notice of Extra-judicial Sale on or before the date of sale.

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BRANCH 115
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LRC Case No. 8843-2024-69
EX-PARTE PETITION FOR ISSUANCE OF WRIT OF POSSESSION OVER A PARCEL OF LAND COVERED BY TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. 167-2020000001 ISSUED BY THE REGISTRY OF DEEDS FOR PROVINCE OF CAVITE, BACoor CITY BRANCH, REGISTERED IN THE NAME OF MARINA J. PANONG.

TRBank, Inc. (A Rural Bank),
Petitioner.

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NOTICE OF HEARING

There is a Petition filed by Petitioner, through counsel, Atty. Princess Kimberly Guariño-Amor, for the issuance of a Writ of Possession over a parcel of land covered by Transfer Certificate of Title (TCT) No. 167-2020000001 issued by the Registry of Deeds for the Province of Cavite, Bacoor City Branch, on the grounds alleged therein.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT said Petition has been set for hearing on August 28, 2024 at 08:30 a.m. in this Court, on which date and hour and place, any person interested is cited to appear and show cause why the same should not be granted.

Let this Notice be published once a week for three (3) consecutive weeks in a newspaper of general circulation in the Cities and Province of Cavite.

Let a copy of this Notice be furnished the Registry of Deeds for the Province of Cavite, Registry of Deeds for the Province of Cavite, Bacoor City Branch, and Land Registration Authority, and the same be posted by the Court Sheriff/Process Server of this Court in three (3) conspicuous places in Bacoor City where the property is located.

WITNESS THE HON. CHARISMA I. NOLASCO, Presiding Judge of this Court, this 10th day of July 2024 at Bacoor City, Cavite.

LORELEI P. BOLA-MINA
Branch Clerk of Court

Copy Furnished:
ATTY. PRINCESS KIMBERLY GUARIÑO-AMOR
ATTY. KATRINA MAY S. SULIT
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THE REGISTRY OF DEEDS FOR THE
PROVINCE OF CAVITE (BACoor CITY BRANCH)
Bacoor City, Cavite
rdbacoorcity@gmail.com

OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF COURT
Regional Trial Court, City of Bacoor
Hall of Justice, Evangelista St.
Bacoor City, Cavite
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FOR THE PROVINCE OF CAVITE
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LAND REGISTRATION AUTHORITY
East Ave., NIA Road, Quezon City, 1104

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REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES
 FOURTH JUDICIAL REGION
 REGIONAL TRIAL COURT
 OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF COURT
 DASMARIÑAS CITY, CAVITE

HOME DEVELOPMENT MUTUAL FUND
 (Otherwise known as Pag-IBIG Fund),
 Petitioner/Mortgagee,

File No. FC-DC-1401-24
 EXTRA JUDICIAL FORECLOSURE
 OF REAL ESTATE MORTGAGE

UNDER ACT 3135, AS AMENDED
 BY ACT 4118

-versus-

ANGEL O. DELA ROSA, married to
 ROSIE Z. DELA ROSA,
 Respondent/Mortgagor.

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NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE

Upon extra-judicial petition for sale under Act 3135, as amended by Act 4118 filed by the petitioner/mortgagee, HOME DEVELOPMENT MUTUAL FUND (Otherwise known as Pag-IBIG Fund), a government financial institution duly organized and existing under and by virtue of Republic Act No. 9679, with postal address at The Petron Mega Plaza Building, No. 358 Sen. Gil Puyat Avenue, Makati City against respondent/mortgagor ANGEL O. DELA ROSA, married to ROSIE Z. DELA ROSA with postal addresses at Lot 15 Blk 66, Mabuhay Homes 2000, Paliparan, Dasmariñas City, Cavite and Lot 14 Blk. 11, Tierra Vista Homes, Phase 2, Brgy. Langkaan, Dasmariñas City, Cavite and for the satisfaction of the mortgaged debt which as of April 11, 2024 amounts to ONE MILLION ONE HUNDRED NINETY FIVE THOUSAND FOUR HUNDRED THIRTY PESOS & 11/100 (Php1,195,430.11), exclusive of all legal fees and expenses incidental to this

foreclosure and sale, the undersigned Sheriff will sell at public auction on September 05, 2024 at 10:00 o'clock in the morning or soon thereafter in the Court Room of Branch 90, Regional Trial Court, Ground Floor, Dasmariñas Community Affairs (DASCA) Building, Congressional Road, Buro I, Dasmariñas City, Province of Cavite to the highest bidder and for CASH or CERTIFIED CHECK, in Philippine Currency, the following described real property together with all the buildings and other improvements existing thereon, to wit:

TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. 057-2014085124

IT IS HEREBY CERTIFIED that certain land situated in BRGY. OF LANGKAAN, MUN. OF DASMARIÑAS, PROVINCE OF CAVITE, ISLAND OF LUZON, bounded and described as follows:

A PARCEL OF LAND (LOT 14 BLK. 11 OF THE SUBD. PLAN PSD-04-208639, BEING A PORTION OF LOT 5951 IMUS ESTATE (REL-2433), LRC REC. NO. 8843), SITUATED IN BRGY. OF LANGKAAN, MUN. OF DASMARIÑAS, PROV. OF CAVITE, ISLAND OF LUZON. BOUNDED ON SE., ALONG LINE 1-2 BY LOT 16 BLK. 11; ON THE SW., ALONG LINE 2-3 BY ROAD LOT 12 (8.00 M. WIDE); ON THE NW., ALONG LINE 3-4 BY LOT 12, AND ON THE NE., ALONG LINE 4-1 BY LOT 13 BOTH OF BLK. 11, ALL OF THE SUBD. PLAN. BEGINNING AT A PT. MARKED "1" ON PLAN, BEING N. 54 DEG 27'E., 383.66 M. FROM MON. NO. 11, IMUS ESTATE, THENCE S. 58 DEG 24'W. 11.00 M. TO PT. 2; THENCE N. 31 DEG. 36'E. 8.00 M. TO PT. 3; THENCE N. 58 DEG. 24'E. 11.00 M. TO PT. 4; THENCE S. 31 DEG. 36'E. 8.00 M. TO THE PT. OF BEGINNING, CONTAINING AN AREA OF EIGHTY EIGHT (88) SQ. METERS, MORE OR LESS. ALL PTS. REFERRED TO ARE INDICATED ON THE PLAN AND ARE MARKED ON THE GROUND BY PS CYL. CONC. MONS 15X40 CM; BEARINGS TRUE; DATE OF ORIG. SURVEY JULY 27, 1905 TO JUNE 1, 1908 AND THAT OF THE SUBD. SURVEY; OCT. 6-31, 2008 & WAS APPROVED ON DEC. 24, 2008.

is registered in accordance with the provision of the Property Registration Decree in the name of
 Owner: ANGEL O. DELA ROSA MARRIED TO ROSIE Z. DELA ROSA, BOTH OF LEGAL AGE, FILIPINO CITIZEN.

Prospective buyers and/or bidders are hereby enjoined to investigate for themselves the title of the said real property and the encumbrance thereon, if there be any.

All sealed bids must be submitted to the undersigned on the above-stated time and date.

In the event the public auction should not take place on the said date and time, it shall be held on September 19, 2024 at the same time and place without further notice.

26 July 2024, Dasmariñas City, Province of Cavite.

(Sgd.) RODRIGO C. ESTOGERO, JR.

Sheriff IV

(Sgd.) ATTY. MARCELA L. BAYBAY

Clerk of Court VI & Ex-Officio Sheriff

Copy furnished:
 HOME DEVELOPMENT MUTUAL FUND (Otherwise known as Pag-IBIG Fund)
 The Petron Mega Plaza Building, No. 358 Sen. Gil Puyat Avenue, Makati City

ATTY. KEVIN T. TANINGCO
 Summit Collection & Allied Services Inc.,
 Suites 301-303 Summit One Tower, 530 Shaw Boulevard, Mandaluyong City

ANGEL O. DELA ROSA, married to ROSIE Z. DELA ROSA
 Lot 15 Blk 66, Mabuhay Homes 2000, Paliparan, Dasmariñas City, Cavite and
 Lot 14 Blk. 11, Tierra Vista Homes, Phase 2, Brgy. Langkaan, Dasmariñas City, Cavite

Notice posted at:
 1. The Bulletin Board of Regional Trial Court, Dasmariñas City, Cavite
 2. The Bulletin Board of Dasmariñas City Hall
 3. The Bulletin Board of Dasmariñas City Post Office
 4. The Bulletin Board of Dasmariñas City Public Market

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 Regional Trial Court of Cavite
 Office of the Clerk of Court & Ex-Officio Sheriff
 New Justice Hall, J.P. Rizal Avenue, Kaybagal
 South, Tagaytay City

HOME DEVELOPMENT MUTUAL FUND,
 (otherwise known as Pag-IBIG Fund),
 Mortgagee,

EJF NO. TG-24-016
 FOR: Extra-Judicial Foreclosure of
 Real Estate Mortgage under Act No.
 3135, as amended by Act No. 4118

-versus-

SEVERINO A. PLATA married to
 BENEDICTA M. PLATA,
 Mortgagor/s-Debtor/s,

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NOTICE OF EXTRA-JUDICIAL SALE

Upon Extra-judicial foreclosure sale under Act 3135, as Amended by Act No. 4118, filed by Mortgagee, HOME DEVELOPMENT MUTUAL FUND (otherwise known as Pag-IBIG Fund), a government financial institution duly organized and existing under and by virtue of Republic Act No. 9679, with principal office and place of business at The Petron Mega Plaza Building No. 358 Sen. Gil Puyat Avenue, Makati City, pursuant to the terms and conditions of the Loan and Mortgage Agreement ("MORTGAGE") executed and notarized on June 10, 1999 by Mortgagors-Debtors, SEVERINO A. PLATA married to BENEDICTA M. PLATA, both of legal age, Filipino citizens, with residence and postal addresses at (1) Brgy. Mabuhay, Carmona, Cavite and (2) Lot 25 Blk. 10 Magnagon Homes Subdivision Bo. Maguyam, Silang, Cavite, in favor of the Petitioner/Mortgagee, over a real estate property including improvements thereon, described in and covered by TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. (T-868612) 24509 of the Registry of Deeds for Tagaytay City, in order to satisfy the outstanding loan obligation of the Mortgagors/Borrowers in the amount of FOUR HUNDRED SIXTY-FOUR THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED SEVENTY-

NINE PESOS AND 08/100 (Php464,579.08) inclusive of interest and other charges, as of November 20, 2023, the undersigned Clerk of Court & Ex-Officio Sheriff of the Regional Trial Court of Cavite thru her deputy, Oliver T. Bocacao, Jr., will sell at public auction on September 23, 2024 at 10:00 o'clock in the morning or soon thereafter, at the New Hall of Justice of Tagaytay City, to the highest bidder, for Cash or Manager's Check and in Philippine Currency, the following property with all its improvements thereon, to wit:

TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. (T-868612) 24509
 Registry of Deeds for the Province of Cavite

"IT IS HEREBY CERTIFIED that certain land situated in the Municipality of Silang, Prov. of Cavite bounded and described as follows:

A parcel of land (Lot 25, Blk. 10 of the subd. plan, Psd-042118-073079, being a portion of Lot 1-A-2, (LRC) Psd-303024, LRC Rec. No.), situated in the Bo. of Maguyam, Mun. of Silang, Prov. of Cavite. Bounded on the N., along line 1-2 by Road Lot 2, on the E., along line 2-3 by Lot 24, Blk. 10 both of the subd., plan; on the S., along line 3-4 by the Property of Catalino Ambon on the W., along line 4-1 by Lot 26, Blk. 10 of the subd. plan. Beginning at a point marked "1" on plan being S. 43 deg. 29'W., 9472.46 m. from BLLM No. 2, Carmona, Cavite. thence N. 86 deg. 29'E., 4.00 m. to pt. 2; thence S. 3 deg. 31'E., 10.00 m. to pt. 3; thence S. 86 deg. 29'W., 4.00 m. to pt. 4; thence N. 3 deg. 31'W., 10.00 m. to the point of beginning, containing an area of FORTY (40) SQUARE METERS. All points referred to are indicated on the plan and are marked on the ground by PS cyl. conc. mons. 15 x 60 cm., bearings true; date of original survey, August 21, 1920 and that of the subd. plan survey, Jan. 22-31 Feb. 1-6, 1994 and was approved on August 4, 1994.

is registered in accordance with the provisions of the Property Registration Decree in the name of

Owner: SEVERINO A. PLATA, married to Benedicta M. Plata, both of legal age, Filipinos
 Address: Brgy. Mabuhay, Carmona, Cavite

In the event the public auction should not take place on the said date, it shall be held on September 30, 2024 without further notice.

Prospective bidders or buyers are hereby enjoined to investigate and verify for themselves the TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. (T-868612) 24509, the encumbrances thereon, if any there be.

All sealed bids must be submitted to the undersigned on the above stated time and date.

Tagaytay City, July 29, 2024.

ATTY. VARBRA ANN A. VARIAS-DIMAYUGA
 Clerk of Court & Ex-Officio Sheriff

OLIVER T. BOCACAO, JR.
 Sheriff-in-Charge

Copy Furnished:

HOME DEVELOPMENT MUTUAL FUND
 (otherwise known as Pag-IBIG Fund)
 Mortgagee
 The Petron Mega Plaza Building,
 No. 358 Sen. Gil Puyat Avenue, Makati City

MARIA VICTORIA D. CAPIRAL
 c/o ATTY. JULIUS VOLTAIRE ROMMEL C. CUBELO
 Attorney-in-Fact of the Mortgagee
 24K ACCOUNTS CONSULTANTS, INC.
 3F Fass Inteli College Bldg., No. 11, Pittsburg St.,
 Brgy. Silangan, Cubao, Quezon City

SEVERINO A. PLATA married to BENEDICTA M. PLATA
 Mortgagor/s-Debtor/s
 Brgy. Mabuhay, Carmona, Cavite
 Lot 25 Blk. 10 Magnagon Homes Subdivision, Bo. Maguyam,
 Silang, Cavite

WARNING: IT IS ABSOLUTELY PROHIBITED TO REMOVE, DEFACE OR DESTROY THIS NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE ON OR BEFORE THE DATE OF THE AUCTION SALE UNDER THE PENALTY OF LAW

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REGIONAL TRIAL COURT
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CITY OF IMUS, CAVITE

HOME DEVELOPMENT MUTUAL FUND
(PAG-IBIG Fund)
JUDICIAL FORECLOSURE OF

Mortgagee,
REAL ESTATE MORTGAGE UNDER
-versus-
AS AMENDED BY ACT 4118

VICTORIO P. AGGABAO married to
SHEILA E. AGGABAO,

Mortgagors,
F.C. Case No. 18590-23
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NOTICE OF EXTRA-JUDICIAL SALE

Upon Extra-Judicial Petition for Sale under Act 3135, as amended by Act 4118, filed by HOME DEVELOPMENT MUTUAL FUND (PAG-IBIG Fund), mortgagee, with principal place of business at The Petron Mega Plaza Building, No. 358 Sen. Gil Puyat Avenue, Makati City, against VICTORIO P. AGGABAO married to SHEILA E. AGGABAO of legal age, Filipino citizens, mortgagor, with residential and postal address at Condo B3, EP Villegas Camp Aguinaldo, Quezon City and/or Lot 1, Block 16, Greenplace Homes, Phase 2, Malagasang 2A, Imus, Cavite to satisfy the mortgage indebtedness which as of August 17, 2023 amounts to FIVE HUNDRED SIXTY TWO THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED TWENTY FOUR PESOS

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AND 44/100 (Php562,924.44), Philippine Currency, including interest and penalties, but excluding attorney's fees, sheriff's fees and all other charges incidental to this foreclosure and sale, the undersigned will sell at public auction on August 13, 2024 at 10:00 o'clock in the morning or soon thereafter at the main Entrance of the Office of the Clerk of Court, RTC-Imus Hall of Justice, Aguinaldo Highway, Imus City, Cavite, to the highest bidder, for CASH and in Philippine Currency, the following property with all the improvements therein, to wit:

TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. 057-2016063206

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DTI vows to boost income, condition of MSMEs through digitalization



MARCHING ORDER. Department of Trade and Industry Acting Secretary Cristina Aldeguer-Roque says during the Saturday News Forum in Quezon City on Aug. 3, 2024 that President Ferdinand R. Marcos Jr.'s marching order is to uplift the condition and competitiveness of micro, small and medium enterprises. Roque said digitalization and the use of technology will play key roles in fulfilling DTI's mandate. (PNA photo by Joan Bondoc)

By Joyce Ann L. Rocamora

MANILA – The Department of Trade and Industry (DTI) had been tasked to uplift the condition and competitiveness of the country's micro, small and medium enterprises (MSMEs) through digitalization and the use of technology, its acting chief said Saturday.

DTI Acting Secretary Cristina Roque said during the Saturday News Forum in Quezon City that President Ferdinand R. Marcos Jr.'s marching order is to boost income and MSME industry in general.

"For us in DTI, we will really do everything for the MSMEs to be able to grow their business. Doon kami naka-focus (We are focused there)," she said.

"We're not in the business of just product development. We are in the business of selling these products and making a good income out of these products, kasi kapag lumakas itong produkto na ito

(because when these products grow strong in the market), we will be able to give jobs to more people," she added.

Roque, previously the Undersecretary for the MSME, stressed the need to use digital platforms to make MSMEs competitive, considering the Philippines' large population of 115.6 million, which will be a big market for their products.

MSMEs must take advantage of this, Roque said, adding that the country's large population is actually attracting foreign investors to put their money in the Philippines.

"This is a very important sector of the businesses in our country because this comprises 99.5 percent of the business in our country and 60 percent of the labor force, therefore, this cannot be ignored," Roque said of the MSMEs.

Roque also mentioned the DTI's five-point strategy for the MSMEs that she plans to implement, including digitalization and artificial intelligence

(AI), diversification, and the provision of funding.

"We must go digital and we must also use AI to be able to help us or to assist us, for example question-and-answer. So, instead of putting time and effort to answer questions or replying to different text messages or inquiries, we can use AI to be able to do this part while we focus on growing our business," she said.

In terms of diversification, Roque said businesses cannot rely on a single income and must have a second source to ensure security and profitability.

To fund MSME operations, the government has been extending easy loans with low-interest rates.

"When we started to come in SB (Small Business) Corp., we made loans easier for the MSME. Before, you needed to have a collateral," Roque said of the financial assistance scheme to MSMEs.

Roque also previously served as chairperson of SB Corp., which funds the MSMEs.

"So, we have to understand that MSMEs don't have collateral. They're just actually -- some are startup, some are just getting started so definitely they don't have collateral," she said.

Roque officially assumed the role of Acting DTI Secretary during a turnover ceremony on Friday, attended by her, predecessor Alfred Pascual.

In her inaugural address, Roque outlined her vision for the agency and highlighted the importance of collaboration with stakeholders to achieve sustainable economic growth and inclusive development.

Meanwhile, Pascual thanked the DTI for its support during his tenure and expressed confidence in Roque to drive the country's economic growth and development.

"I extend my deepest gratitude to the entire Department as we worked on programs that complement President Ferdinand R. Marcos Jr.'s vision of a Bagong Pilipinas (New Philippines)," he said. "I am confident that under the leadership of Acting Secretary Roque, the DTI will continue to push forward programs that will empower businesses and consumers."

During her time as Undersecretary, Roque also managed the Bureau of Marketing Development and Promotions, the OTOP (One Town, One Product) Program Management Office and the Comprehensive Agrarian Reform Program Management Office.

She also oversaw the operations of the Cooperative Development Authority. (PNA)

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Iran releases 3 remaining Filipinos on board MSC Aries



MSC Aries (Photo courtesy of Vessel Finder)

MANILA – The three remaining Filipino seafarers from the Portuguese-flagged MSC Aries, seized by the Iranian authorities while passing through the Strait of Hormuz in April, have returned to the Philippines, the Department of Migrant Workers (DMW) said August 3, 2024.

The three were among the four Filipino crew members of the vessel. One was released in May because of health issues.

“Ang magandang ulat dito, hindi lang namin inanunsiyo pero quietly iyong tatlo na natira doon sa MSC Aries, that was seized by the Iranian Revolutionary Guard sa Strait of Hormuz ay naka-uwi na, naka-uwi na silang tatlo (We just didn't announce it but the three remaining Filipinos on the MSC Aries, which was seized by the Iranian Revolutionary Guard in the Strait of Hormuz, have been quietly returned home),” said DMW Secretary Hans Cacdac at the Saturday News Forum in Quezon City.

The official said they arrived home on August 1, 2024.

“Nagpapasalamat tayo sa DFA (Department of Foreign Affairs), sa ship owner and, of course, sa pagpayag na maka-uwi sila -- even the Iranian government ay tumulong din (They just got back so we thank the DFA, the ship owner and, of course, for allowing them to get back -- even the Iranian government helped),” he added.

The Islamic Revolution Guards Corps Special Naval Force seized the Portuguese-flagged MCS Aries between the Persian Gulf and the Gulf of Oman, saying it was linked to Israel. The ship had a total of 25 crew members. (PNA)

PEZA: Global pharma firms' interest to set up in PH grows



PHARMA ECOZONES. Philippine Economic Zone Authority (PEZA) Director General Tereso Panga (seated, 2nd from right) and Food and Drug Administration (FDA) Director General Samuel Zacate (seated, 2nd from left) sign a memorandum of agreement at the PEZA headquarters in Pasay City on July 31, 2024. The deal seeks to fast track transactions of pharmaceutical economic zone locators with the FDA. (PNA photo by Avito Dalan)

By Kris Crismundo

MANILA – The Philippine Economic Zone Authority (PEZA) said the country is gaining interest from global pharmaceutical companies and related industries to set up their facilities here as the ease of doing business improves and with the construction of the first ecozone exclusive for healthcare products.

On Wednesday, PEZA signed a registration agreement for the Victoria Industrial Park, which is the country's first pharmaceutical ecozone, and a memorandum of agreement with the Food and Drug Administration (FDA).

“This twin event could be regarded as a pivotal moment to create a pharmaceutical economic zone, making basic medicines more affordable and accessible for all Filipinos,” PEZA Director General Tereso Panga said at the signing ceremony in Pasay City.

“These agreements aligned with President Ferdinand Marcos Jr.'s directive to reduce cost of medicines by fostering an environment where pharmaceutical companies can manufacture and supply the domestic market efficiently,” he added.

Panga said he recently met nine Indian

pharmaceutical companies, five of which expressed their interest to put up facilities in the Philippines. These include USV Private Ltd., Scimplify, Nephroplus, Glenmark, and Shilpa Medicare.

He added that PEZA was able to attract two big Japanese pharmaceutical companies like Kaneko and Takeda. The latter will put up a plasma extraction facility for the manufacture of drugs for rare autoimmune diseases and immunodeficient patients.

Likewise, the PEZA chief said the agency has engaged with the Pakistani Pharmaceutical Industry Association that paves the way for Royal Life Pharma to set up the first drug manufacturing facility for intravenous solutions and injections.

Panga said PEZA's recent investment mission in Germany attracted the EMTS Group to register its project for a medical equipment calibration facility, which is a first of its kind in the country.

A Taiwanese company, which is one of the biggest suppliers of hospital bed in the United States, will also invest in the PEZA zone, he said.

The Katinko Group, whose family is also the developer of the Victoria Industrial Park, is eyeing an additional two facilities on top of its manufacturing plant in Tarlac.

Greenstone Pharmaceutical chief executive officer Melissa Yeung Yap said the current facility in Tarlac processes raw materials for its Katinko products that are being manufactured in Cavite. The expansion plan in Tarlac will also involve the production of new product lines.

“Slowly, we're inching up, we're going up higher value adding because of this mere announcement that we will have soon our pharma (ceutical) ecozone in the Philippines,” Panga said.

Ease of doing business

The Victoria Industrial Park, which was proclaimed by President Marcos as a special economic zone on July 4, is a 30-hectare development in Barangay Baculong in Victoria, Tarlac.

Pharmaceutical locators in the new ecozone will soon experience an easier transaction with the FDA as the pharmazone will also host an FDA laboratory.

FDA Director General Samuel Zacate said his office has submitted innovative policies to the Department of Health, which will prolong the validity of license to operate from three years for initial application and five years for renewal to six years for initial application and 12 years for renewal. The same period will apply for the certificate of product registration, except for the monitored products.

“It's already submitted to the Department of Health for final signature of Secretary Teodoro Herbosa,” Zacate said. (PNA)

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Police assistance ready during transport groups' unity walk

By Christopher Lloyd Caliwan

MANILA – The Philippine National Police (PNP) will provide security and dispatch vehicles for commuters who might be affected by the “unity walk” to be staged Monday by transport groups supporting the Public Transport Modernization Program (PTMP).

In a radio interview Sunday, PNP spokesperson and information chief Col. Jean Fajardo said the Land Transportation Franchising and Regulatory Board (LTFRB) and the Metropolitan Manila Development

Authority will also deploy assets to ferry commuters.

“On the part of the PNP, habang nagpapatrol ang ating mga pulis sa lansangan at matitiyempuhan ng ating mga kababayan na ma-stranded ay pupuwede nila itong parahin at bibigyan sila ng assistance at dadalhin sila sa kanilang mga destinasyon, at least pinakamalapit sa kanilang destinasyon (On the part of the PNP, while our police are patrolling the streets and people who are stranded chance upon them, they can stop them and they will be able to give

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KEY SECTOR. A public utility jeepney driver pays for fuel at a gasoline station in Quezon City in this file photo. On Monday (Aug. 5, 2024), several transport groups supporting the Public Transport Modernization Program are set to stage a unity walk. (PNA photo by Joan Bondoc)

Appeal to free 3 sick Filipino seafarers in Yemen ‘in the works’

By Joyce Ann L. Rocamora

MANILA – The appeal for the release of the 17 Filipino crew members of the Houthi-seized MV Galaxy Leader in Yemen, especially the three who were hospitalized and are exhibiting malaria symptoms, are “in the works,” the Department of Migrant Workers (DMW) said.

During the Saturday News Forum in Quezon City, DMW Secretary Hans Leo Cacdac said the three sick sailors are currently in a hospital while the other 14 are still on board the vessel.

“As far as we know, they are safe. They are being fed and given their basic necessities on board the ship,” he said, reporting the same for the three other hospitalized crew.

On the immediate release of the three, he said it “is something that is still in the works.”

“The Department Foreign Affairs (DFA) has reached out to the governments that have communication channels with the Houthi rebels and so we, of course,

are relying and coordinating with the DFA in terms of the information,” Cacdac said.

The DFA earlier informed President Ferdinand R. Marcos Jr. about the condition of the three.

It onfirmed that the Sana’a government in Yemen has provided necessary medical assistance.

Honorary Consul to Yemen Mohammad Saleh Al-Jamal had also sought the assistance from Sana’a authorities for the release of the Filipino crew members, citing humanitarian reasons because of their declining health.

A planned visit by Al-Jamal on board MV Galaxy Leader is also being worked out, the first since he was allowed to board about three months ago.

Sana’a, whose authorities control the Houthis, is the capital and the largest city of Yemen.

Based on a DFA memorandum dated July 30, the Sana’a government affirmed that “negotiations and discussions are plausible

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PBBM issues EO on gov’t workers’ pay hike, medical allowance

By Ruth Abbey Gita-Carlos

MANILA – President Ferdinand R. Marcos Jr. has issued an executive order (EO) granting a four-tranche salary increase and a medical allowance to government workers.

EO 64, inked by Marcos on Aug. 2, covers all civilian government personnel in the executive, legislative, and judicial branches, constitutional commissions, and other constitutional

offices.

There will also be a pay hike among those who are working in government-owned or -controlled corporations (GOCC) not covered by Republic Act (RA) 10149 or the GOCC Governance Act of 2011, as well as all personnel of local government units (LGUs), regardless of their appointment status, according to the new EO.

Marcos ordered the increase in salaries of government personnel to

“attract, retain, and engage high-performing civil servants.”

“Given the prevailing economic circumstances, including the erosion of purchasing power due to inflation, there is a need to update the salaries and benefits of government workers, thereby promoting social justice, integrity, efficiency, accountability, and excellence, and ultimately translating to increased productivity and higher quality public services,” the EO read.

The salary increase does not apply to individuals working in government through job orders, contracts of service, consultancy, or service contracts with no employer-employee relations, and GOCCs covered by a separate Compensation and Position Classification System (CPCS) established by the Governance Commission for GOCCs (GCG) and approved

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