

# Landfill inconsistent with NCC as investment, tourism haven

BCDA, CDC: MCWMC contract extension to violate BOT Law



**C**LARK FREEPORT – Contractual limitations and planned development initiatives by the Bases Conversion and Development Authority for the New Clark City have been cited as the causes for the non-renewal of the contract of the Metro Clark Waste Management Corp. to operate the Kalangitan Sanitary Landfill in Capas, Tarlac. **PAGE 11 PLEASE**

## Hospital waste crisis endangers 2 regions, MM

**CLARK FREEPORT** – Not only Central and Northern Luzon, but Metro Manila as well stands to be endangered by the hazards of hospital wastes arising from the garbage crisis the government shutdown of the lone engineered sanitary landfill based in Tarlac will engender.

“The looming garbage crisis in Central and Northern Luzon regions will not only affect households and industries but will certainly pose major health problems as soon as the government’s plan to close down the engineered sanitary landfill in Capas is implemented,” warned Danny Abadilla, president of Clark Sanitation Services, at the media forum of the Capampangan in Media Inc. (CAMI) at Bale Balita here over the weekend.

A group of indignant hospital and toxic waste treaters have expressed fears that patients of some 1,000 hospitals including small clinics, as well as their workers, will be exposed to health hazards.

“[Kalangitan Sanitary Landfill’s] immediate closure is a helpless situation. We cannot collect and process medical and hospital wastes if there are no available and fully compliant sanitary landfill where we could dispose treated wastes,” noted Abadilla.

He said that most of these hospital wastes that are coming from the two regions, Metro Manila, Cavite, Laguna, **PAGE 11 PLEASE**

## Kalangitan shutdown big problem for Subic

**SUBIC BAY FREEPORT** – “It will be big problem for us if Metro Clark won’t be able to find an alternative [sanitary landfill] for the disposal of some 60 to 65 tons of residual waste generated daily in the Subic Bay Freeport Zone.”

Thus, a media report cited Amethya dela Llana, manager of the Subic Bay Metropolitan Authority’s Ecology Center, as her reaction to the impending closure of the Kalangitan Sanitary Landfill operated by the Metro Clark Waste Management Corp. in Tarlac province.

Data from the SBMA Ecology Center showed some 1,650 to 1,690 tons of waste produced every month by industrial and commercial establishments, as well as residential units in the freeport. Of these, 58% are disposed of at the Kalangitan landfill, with the rest recycled. **Punto News Team**

## Large-scale automated MRF opens

**PORAC, Pampanga** – Citing a commitment to industrialize the waste management system in the country, Prime Infra and its wholly owned subsidiary, Prime Integrated Waste Solutions (PWS), on June 5 inaugurated their large-scale, automated materials recovery facility (MRF) in Porac, Pampanga.

“It is truly inspiring to witness how Prime Infra companies as **PAGE 11 PLEASE**



Present at the MRF inauguration are (L-R) SBMA chairman Eduardo Aliño, Porac Mayor Jamie “Jing” Capil, NSWMC commissioner and vice chairman Crispian Lao, DENR Undersecretary Juan Miguel “Mitch” Cuna, Prime Infra waste sector lead Cara Peralta, Gov. Dennis “Delta” Pineda, DENR Secretary Antonia “Toni” Yulo-Loyzaga, Prime Infra president and CEO Guillaume Lucci, BCDA chairman Delfin Lorenzana, CIAC president and CEO Arrey Perez, Barangay Planas chairman Alfer Nacu, and Prime Infra director Steve Paradies, chief financial officer Sandy Alipio and chief administrative officer Minerva Matibag. **CONTRIBUTED PHOTO**



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Gov. Dennis "Delta" Pineda and heads of irrigators' associations along with board member Jun Canlas, provincial agriculturist Jimmy Manliclic, and PDRMO chief Angelina Blanco show signed MOA. **PHOTO: DANIEL OMBINA/ PAMPANGA PIO**

# Delta signs P40-M agri aid MOA with farmers

CITY OF SAN FERNANDO – Governor Dennis "Delta" Pineda has signed a memorandum of agreement with 20 irrigators' associations (IA) in Pampanga for the provision of P40-million assistance to mitigate the adverse effects of El Niño to farming communities.

The 20 IAs met the necessary requirements, positioning them as the initial recipients eligible to receive the assistance, out

of the 27 that sought Capitol help in 2023.

"Malaking bagay po para sa aming mga lider na mayroong lumalapit sa amin para magsabi ng kanilang mga pangangailangan. Dahil sa dami po ng barangay rito sa ating probinsya, nahihirapan din po kami na malaman lahat ng mga problema. Kaya maraming salamat po dahil ipinaabot niyo po sa amin ito, sana po kahit paano'y

makatulong kami sa inyo," noted Pineda during the MOA signing at the Sangguniang panlalawigan hall on June 4.

Chaired by the governor, the provincial disaster risk reduction and management council approved Resolutions No. 3 and 7-2024 that allocated the P40 million for various activities and interventions, including the provision of agricultural, water, and irrigation

equipment, supplies, fuel, materials, subsidies, and other forms of assistance to farmers, fisherfolks, poultry owners, and other vulnerable sectors affected by the El Niño phenomenon.

Under the MOA signed by Pineda and each association leader, in the presence of board member Jun Canlas, provincial agriculturist Jimmy Manliclic, and PDRMO chief Angelina Blanco, the financial

assistance must be used according to the terms and conditions set forth by the council.

"Ito po ay malaking, malaking tulong sa amin, lalo na't gumagamit kami ng makina, diesel, para makahigop ng tubig mula sa sapa. Kaya itong financial assistance na ito, napakalakalaking tulong po sa amin," said Gilberto Guina, vice chairman of the Maunlad na Candating Sapang Paitan

Farmers Irrigators' Association.

To further support the agricultural community in coping with the challenges posed by El Niño, the provincial government plans to visit barangays to distribute cash assistance directly to associations' individual members registered in the Registry System for the Basic Sectors in Agriculture. **Jasmine Jaso/OG-Pampanga**



CG Elmer Cato with Eva Airways executive. **CONTRIBUTED PHOTO**

# Amare Le Filippine seeks to bring more Italians to PH

MILAN, ITALY -- The Consulate General of the Philippines in Milan has formally launched its Amare Le Filippine (Love the Philippines) tourism promotion campaign aimed at getting more Italians to visit the Philippines.

The campaign hews to the Bagong Pilipinas vision of President Ferdinand R. Marcos, Jr. to promote the Philippines as a leading international tourism destination.

"Amare Le Filippine seeks to take advantage of the positive image of our kababayan in Italy, host to the largest number of Filipinos in the European Union, to convince more Italians and second- and third-generation Filipino-Italians to visit the Philippines and enjoy what the country has to offer," said Consul General Elmer G. Cato at a press conference announcing the program on May 31.

For the maiden tour it hopes to mount before the end of the year, the Consulate is looking at a seven-day program that would bring participants to Manila, Pampanga, Tarlac, Bataan, and Cebu.

Participants will also be given the option to visit Boracay, Palawan, Siargao or other popular tourist destinations in the country.

"We are also launch-

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**NU DOUBLE-CHAMP VOLLEYBALL TEAMS MEET FANS AT SM CITY CLARK**

National University (NU) recently united its double champion teams, the NU Bulldogs and Lady Bulldogs, at a special meet-and-greet event held at SM City Clark. Fans were encouraged to join in the celebration of the teams' remarkable achievements. The Lady Bulldogs claimed the #UAAPSeason86 women's volleyball championship after a thrilling victory in the finals against the UST Golden Tigresses. On the other hand, the men's volleyball team secured their fourth consecutive UAAP title, showcasing their dominance in the sport. Players from both teams eagerly interacted with fans, signed autographs, and shared their memorable experiences from the season during the event. Stay updated by visiting the National University (NU) website or following them on social media. **SM-PR**







# To the Point

## Land restoration, desertification and drought resilience

WE ARE here in Riyadh as part of preparations for World Environment Day, which this year is being hosted by the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia on the 5th of June.

The 2024 day is focusing on land restoration, desertification and drought resilience. As a nation facing degradation, desertification and drought, the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia is deeply invested in delivering solutions. The Kingdom is acting nationally and regionally through the Saudi Green Initiative and the Middle East Green Initiative. And it is acting globally, as we saw when the Saudi presidency of the G20 resulted in the adoption of the Global Land Restoration Initiative.

Such action and leadership are vital as we face a worrying intensification of the triple planetary crisis: the crisis of climate change, the crisis of nature and biodiversity loss, and the crisis of pollution and waste. This crisis is placing the world's ecosystems under assault. Billions of hectares of land are degraded, affecting almost half of the world's population and threatening half of global GDP. Rural communities, smallholder farmers and the extremely poor are hit hardest.

But land restoration can reverse the creeping tide of land degradation, drought and desertification. Every dollar invested in restoration can bring up to \$30 in ecosystem services. Restoration boosts livelihoods, lowers poverty and builds resilience to extreme weather. Restoration increases carbon storage and slows climate change. Restoring just 15% of land and halting further conversion could avoid up to 60% of expected species extinctions.

But we must also end the drivers of land degradation, drought and desertification, such as climate change. Last year, temperatures records were shattered. Much of the world felt the impacts, not just in heat but in storms, floods and drought. Restoring land without tackling climate change would be like giving with one hand and taking away with the other, so G20 nations must show leadership across the whole climate agenda – as the Kingdom has done and continues to do on land restoration.

There is real hope. Countries have promised to restore one billion hectares, an area larger than China. If they deliver, this will be huge. Through World Environment Day and through hosting the UN Convention to Combat Desertification's conference of the parties this December, the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia can build momentum and action towards these restoration goals, slow climate change, protect nature and boost the livelihoods and food security of billions of people around the world.

**(Statement of UN undersecretary-general and executive director of UN Environment Programme Inger Andersen on World Environment Day 2024)**



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## Shepherd's Call

Bishop Pablo Virgilio S. David

## Blood Compact

SA AMERICA, lalo na noong bago nag-pandemya, sanay sila sa double species na communion sa Misa. Bukod sa ostia, umiinom din sila sa konsagradong alak.

Sayang hindi natin nakasanayan ito sa Pilipinas, sa kabila ng kultura natin sa pagtagay sa inuman. It's good to be reminded of the two components of the Eucharist—not just the Body but also the Blood; Corpus et Sanguinis Christi, katawan at dugo ni Kristo. Kung nakinig kayong mabuti sa binasang ebanghelyo tungkol sa huling hapunan ayon kay San Marcos, marahil napansin ninyo na mas mahaba pa ang sinabi ni Jesus tungkol sa dugo kaysa sa sinabi niya tungkol sa katawan.

Sa parte tungkol sa tinapay—ganito lang ang sinabi: "Tanggapin ninyo ito at kanin; ito ang aking katawan." Pero sa parte tungkol sa alak, mas mahaba ang sinabi niya: "This is my blood of the new covenant, which will be shed for many. Amen I say to you, I shall not drink again the fruit of the vine until the day when I drink it new in the Kingdom of God." Maikli lang ang tungkol sa tinapay; ang mas mahaba ay ang sinabi niya tungkol sa alak na tinawag niyang dugo ng bagong tipan. Ito ang pagnilayan natin.

Sa sinabi ni Jesus nang ibigay niya ang kalis ng alak, parang "Blood Compact", o "Sanduguan" ang pumasok sa isip ko. Alam natin ang ibig sabihin nito. Tiningnan ko ang depinisyon sa Ingles ng blood compact. Heto ang sabi; "It is a traditional ritual and symbolic compact of friendship or peace treaty that was practiced by indigenous tribes before the arrival of the Spanish colonizers in the 16th century in these islands that were later called the Philippines." The term "Sandugo" is a Visayan word that means "one blood," o "SANDUGUAN" sa Tagalog.

Sa isang Sanduguan, pumapasok sa isang kasunduan ang dalawang panig. They would make small cuts or incisions on their arms, collect a small amount of blood, and mix it with coconut or rice wine or water. Then they would drink the mixture as a sign of unity, friendship, or agreement. The statement is plain and simple: "Now we are family. There shall be no more wars between our peoples, because we are one blood."

Can you imagine what the first Mass at Lima-sawa more than 500 years ago now must have meant to the natives who participated in it? When the priest lifted the chalice and said the words of consecration, they must have understood it as a very unique kind of SANDUGUAN, not between two tribes but between Bathala and Tao. Ang dugo ni Kristo ay SANDUGUAN ng Diyos at Tao.

Sa ating first reading, bilang tanda raw ng pagpapatibay ng tipanan sa pagitan ng Diyos at Israel, hinati daw ni Moises ang dugo ng kinatay na hayop—ang kalahati nito ay ibinuhos sa altar, ang kalahati ay iwinisik sa bayan. Ibig sabihin: Si Yahweh at ang bayang Israel ay magkadugo, iisang pamilya na.

Sa second reading, ayon sa manunulat, hindi na dugo ng hayop kundi ang sariling dugo ni Jesu Cristo ang nagsilbing simbolo ng Bagong Pagtitipan. Sa kanya, ang Diyos at Tao ay naging iisang persona. At ang umiinom ng kanyang dugo ay nagiging kadugo, kapwa tagapagmana ng Kaharian, katulad ni Cristo, handa na ring magbuwis ng sariling dugo.

May negative reaction kasi ang awtor ng sulat sa mga Hebreo sa walang katapusan at paulit-ulit daw na pagpapadugo na ginagawa ng mga sacerdote sa templo alang-alang sa Diyos. Wala daw itong katuturan dahil ang paring nagpapadugo at ang handog na pinapadugo ay magkahiwalay. In English, one might call the kind of image of God that it projects as that of a bloodthirsty God. Parang Dracula ang naiisip ko pag nababanggit ang salitang Ingles na "bloodthirsty." Parang ganoon ang ginawang caricature ng mga sinaunang sakripisyo ayon



sa ating second reading.

Ang kabaligtaran ng "bloodthirsting a-la Dracula ay "blood-letting" a-la Rosa Rosal na director ng Red Cross. Bloodletting ang tawag natin sa blood donation, ang pagbubuhos ng sariling dugo para magligtas ng buhay. "THIS IS MY BLOOD OF THE COVENANT, WHICH WILL BE SHED FOR MANY."

Siguro narinig na ninyo ang minsa'y sinabi ng isang dating senador bilang reaksiyon niya sa ating pambansang awit, ang Lupang Hinirang. Bakit ganoon daw ang huling linya ng ating himno nacional: "ANG MAMATAY NG DAHIL SA IYO"? Ang suggestion daw niyang ipalit dito ay ANG IPAGLABAN ANG KALAYAAN MO. Naisip ko, siguro ang gusto niyang ipalit ay "ANG PUMATAY NANG DAHIL SA IYO." Ang kabayanihan ay walang kinalaman sa obsession na pumatay para mailigtas ang bayan. Ito ay tungkol sa pagiging handang magbuwis ng sariling buhay (hindi ng buhay ng iba). Marami pa ring mga Dracula sa mundo—mga tipong uhaw sa dugo, mahilig sa patayan. Imbes na blood-letting, blood thirsting ang gusto. Walang kinalaman iyon sa Eukaristiya.

Nabanggit ko kanina na may pangalawang parte pa sa sinabi ni Hesus tungkol sa dugo ng bagong tipan. May layunin daw ito. The goal is to bring about the Kingdom of God: of justice, peace and the integrity of creation. Kaya siguro nauso ang TOASTING sa mga inuman. Toasting has to do with the practice of expressing our wishes for each other before drinking wine or any spirited drink. Sa mga Judio: "LACHAYIM!" (To Life), parang Pinoy "MABUHAY!". Sa mga Espanyol: "SALUD!" (To health!) Sa Germans "PROSIT!" (May it be good for you! May you prosper!)

Parang ganoon din pala ang ginawa ni Jesus sa huling hapunan nang ipasa niya ang kalis ng dugo ng bagong tipan: ipinahayag niya ang kanyang pangarap katulad ng sinabi niya sa Ama Namin: "mapasaamin ang kaharian mo." Walang kwenta ang pag-inom natin ng Kalis ng Bagong Tipan kung hindi natin tinototoo ang layunin ng Sanduguan—ang pagpapalaganap ng katarungan at kapayapaan, ng bagong langit at bagong lupa na pangarap natin at pangarap din ng Diyos para sa atin.

**(Homiliya para sa Kapistahan ng Corpus Christi, 2 Hunyo 2024, Markos 14:12-16, 22-26)**





**Ad Lib**  
Rey Yumang

## Opinion

### Pustahang ice-tubig, anyone?

LONG BEFORE these inter-color, inter-barangay, inter-town, inter-commercial tournaments and one-day league became popular, there were the friendly *pustahang ice-tubig* in make-shift basketball and volleyball courts which one can find in every nook and cranny around the barangay.

Sometimes, the games were played on a vacant lot, a neighbor's garage, or even a rice paddy that was "flattened" after the harvest to resemble a playing court. In most cases, games were played on a half-court right in the middle of the barangay road, with the board and ring attached to a wooden electric post or any sturdy tree trunk.

I remember how from morning till late afternoon, the make-shift half court located a few meters from our house was filled with young boys and the not-so-young men who took turns playing a basketball game of a race to 11 or to 21, depending on the number of other groups waiting for their turn to play. There was no significant amount of cash that served as a bet, wager or stake; unless of course you could consider the *pesus-pesus* collection for thirst-quenching *ice tubig* that served as the prize.

There would even be a shooting match in between games, where any interested player can join and display his shooting prowess. A certain distance from the ring would be determined, sometimes a line is drawn using a chalk, or in most cases just a slipper which no player should cross or step on, or take the risk of being disqualified from winning the "pot money."

I was already in college when I found myself going around different barangays in Macabebe and Masantol for a game of volleyball. Back then, it was not as popular as it is today but there was already a growing number of players who were beginning to be hooked on the game. My bff Rani would always find a way to gather us every Saturday, and then decide which barrio to explore for a volleyball match and other adventures.

We were a major force to reckon with on the court, both for our well-balanced offensive and defensive volleyball skills. Our opponents would always remark, "*Oren na reng salusad!*" There was not even a libero during that time but we were known for our flawless reception and impeccable digging skills. Our "sweeping" abilities enabled us to keep the ball in play, and prevent it from dropping on the floor, most of the time. Our net defense was also on-point and so were our varied attacks, including our drop balls executed with the grace and poise of ballerinas. When it was our best server's turn on

the service area, we would request a double-blade or triple-blade for a killer of a serve that translated into an automatic point.

At the same time, we gained notoriety for our audacity to challenge the referees for wrong calls. We would never back down from any wrong call and would protest strongly for infractions committed by our opponents. Back then, most players were not yet familiar with the rules so we always found a way to reverse a wrong call. My bff Rani would always come up with explanation that kept everyone in stitches "*Holding! Meg-merienda ne ing bola kareng gamat mul!*" Or when someone touches the net, we would all shout "*Kitig! Melambat ya ing bulig.*" Our opponents and the spectators would then laugh with us and take everything in stride.

Matches were played from 8:00 until 11:00 in the morning and sometimes extend until past 12:00 noon. While the games were ongoing, somebody would go around to collect any amount that anyone was willing to share – others called it *patak-patak* but my gay friends and I would gladly announce, "Sheryl Cruz na!" This meant all of pitching in for a lunch of *tinolang native na manok*, *derang tilapia* freshly caught from the pond, assorted vegetables sautéed in shrimp paste, or *ginisang sardinas a binulugan maligoso*, or any food that our "hosts" would cook heartily for the *dayo*. After lunch, we would stay for an afternoon nap on bamboo papag under the canopy of native fruit-bearing trees. Sometimes the rest of the players would play a game of cards to kill time.

At about 3:00 in the afternoon, the other *dayo* would start arriving for afternoon matches. This meant playing games until past 5:00 PM. The players would even take turn in officiating the games. After the matches, we would walk our way home, relieving game highlights and sharing funny anecdotes.

Today, athletes go around and join tournaments to play the sports they love. My only wish is that as these sports competitions provide them the perfect avenues to sharpen their skills and hone their athleticism, may they also find the opportunities to forge lasting friendships with their teammates and build new ones with their on-court rivals.



**Napag-uusapan Lang**  
Marvel V. Garcia

### Diborsiyo, napapanahon na bang isabatas?

Napapanahon na nga bang pairalin?  
Diborsiyo dito sa inang bayan natin?  
Masalimuot ang nagiging usapin  
Sapagkat may pabor at may salungat din

Mga di sang-ayon hinggil sa diborsiyo  
Ay ang ibat-ibang sektang Kristianismo  
Pag-iisang dibdib ng dalawang tao  
Ayon sa kanila'y napakasagrado

Ang konserbatibong mga mamamayan  
Sa usaping ito ay tutol din naman  
Narapat lang daw na pahalagahan  
Kultura't tradisyon na nakamulatan

Ang kasal ay tipan sa atin ng Diyos  
Ayon sa biblia sa sulat ni Marcos  
Ang dalawang taong kanyang pinagbuklod  
Walang sino man ang makapagbubukod

Isa pang dahilan ng di pabor dito  
Magagamit lamang itong instrumento  
Ng lalaking mayrong pagka-babaero  
Kaya't hindi dapat isa-batas ito

Paliwanag naman ng dito'y sang-ayon  
Iba na ang takbo ngayon ng panahon  
Kung wala ng saysay ang isang relasyon  
Ay diborsiyo lamang ang tanging solusyon

Alangan naman na parehong magdusa  
Habang panahon ang mga mag-asawa  
Kung ang bawat isa'y hindi na masaya  
Anong kabuluhan pa ng pagsasama?

At dahil sa kasal di makahulagpos  
Lalaking biktima raw ng pamimikot  
Kung mayrong diborsiyo pwede ng malagot  
Ang taling sa leeg ay naka-pulupot

Ganoon din naman sa mga babae  
Na nagka-asawa ng iresponsable  
Sa buhay nila na naging miserable  
Diborsiyo ang sagot upang makalibre

Sa tanikalang sa kanila'y nagbigkis  
Na pinag-isa ng dahil sa pag-ibig  
Ang pagsasama na sa dusa ay liglig  
Hinagpis ang dulot at pagkaligalig

Sa diborsiyo nama'y may alituntunin  
Kung saka-sakaling ito'y paiiralin  
Ito'y mabusisi't bago maihain  
May imbestigasyon pa munang gagawin

Hindi madali ang magiging proseso  
Sa nagnanais na makipag diborsiyo  
Mayrong pamantayan na susundin dito  
Ang mga hukumang hahawak ng kaso

Sa diborsiyo ba'y di masasamantala?  
Ang mga babaeng kabaro ni EBA  
Hindi kaya ito ang magiging mitsa  
Sa pagkawasak ng maraming pamilya?

Ikaw ba ay payag na maisabatas?  
DIBORSIYO dito sa bansang Pilipinas  
Ito ba ang sagot upang makatakas?  
Sa relasyong tigib ng dusa at dahas

## COMMENTARY

### Total ban on POGOs

BY ATTY. MARIA AMALIA TIGLAO-CAYANAN

AS THE Area Vice President for PCCI - North Luzon, I am compelled to express the collective dismay and alarm of the North Luzon Local Chamber of Commerce and Industry regarding the unlawful acts associated with the influence of Philippine Offshore Gaming Operators (POGOs) in our country. In particular, we are perturbed by the recent exposure of criminal activities in the POGOs in Bamban, Tarlac and the subsequent ongoing investigation and preventive suspension of Mayor Alice Guo whose jurisdiction is within our area.

We express grave concern in regard to the rising proliferation of various scams and criminal activities perpetrated by Chinese POGO operators. These activities include human trafficking, illegal detention, and extortion. The situation in Bamban is a stark reminder of the broader issues that POGOs bring to our communities. The involvement of local officials, law enforcements and government regulatory bodies in these activities further complicates the matter and underscores the need for decisive action.

Given the rampant criminal activities linked to POGO operations, the PCCI-NL proposes

a total ban on POGOs in the Philippines. The economic benefits purportedly brought by these operations are far outweighed by the social costs and threats to public safety and national security. The association of POGOs with criminal syndicates not only tarnishes the reputation of our country but also puts the safety and security of our citizens at risk.

However, it is crucial to distinguish between the criminal elements among Chinese POGO operators and the law-abiding Filipino-Chinese businessmen who have significantly contributed to nation-building.

We strongly condemn the actions of Chinese nationals involved in criminal activities within our borders. At the same time, we acknowledge and appreciate the positive contributions of the Filipino-Chinese business community, whose dedication and hard work have been instrumental in the economic development of our nation.

We urge the national government to take immediate and decisive action to:

1. Enforce a Total Ban on POGOs;
2. Implement a complete and permanent ban

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NOTICE OF EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT

Notice is hereby given that the heirs of **ELADIO NAGUIT MACAPINLAC** who died on June 19, 1999 in the City of San Fernando, Pampanga and **TERESITA HERNANDEZ MACAPINLAC** who died on October 8, 2008 in Sto. Tomas, Pampanga; executed an Affidavit of Extrajudicial Settlement on his/her estate; and more particularly described as follows;

TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. 267737-R

“1.) A parcel of land (lot No. 1, plan S.W.O. No. 11026), situated in the Bo. of Sta. Rita, Mun. of Minalin, Prov. of Pampanga; Containing an area of One Thousand Six Hundred Eighty (1,680) more or less. x x x x

2.) A parcel of land (lot No. 2, plan S.W.O. No. 11026), situated in the Bo. of Sta. Rita, Mun. of Minalin, Prov. of Pampanga; Containing an area of Two Thousand Seven Hundred and One Square Meters (2,701) more or less. x x x x

3.) A parcel of land (lot No. 3, plan S.W.O. No. 11026), situated in the Bo. of Sta. Rita, Mun. of Minalin, Prov. of Pampanga; Containing an area of Twenty Eight Thousand Nine Hundred and Forty-Eight Square Meters (28,948) more or less. x x x x

4.) A parcel of land (lot No. 4, plan S.W.O. No. 11026), situated in the Bo. of Sta. Rita, Mun. of Minalin, Prov. of Pampanga; Containing an area of Eighty Eight Thousand Five Hundred and Twenty Three Square Meters (88,523) more or less. x x x x

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before Notary Public Ryann T. Rueda, as per Doc. No. 386, Page No. 79, Book No. LI, Series of 2023.

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Notice is hereby given that the heirs of **JUAN FIORELLO L. MACAPINLAC (a.k.a. Fiorello L. Macapinlac)** who died on March 18, 2021 in Mabalacat City, Pampanga; executed an Affidavit of Extrajudicial Settlement on his estate; and more particularly described as follows;

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4.) A parcel of land (lot No. 4, plan S.W.O. No. 11026), situated in the Bo. of Sta. Rita, Mun. of Minalin, Prov. of Pampanga; Containing an area of Eighty Eight Thousand Five Hundred and Twenty Three Square Meters (88,523) more or less. x x x x

5.) A parcel of land (lot No. 5, plan S.W.O. No. 11026), situated in the Bo. of Sta. Rita, Mun. of Minalin, Prov. of Pampanga; Containing an area of Twenty-One Thousand and Nine Hundred Square Meters (21,009) more or less. x x x x

That during the lifetime of the deceased and at the time of his death, he is the registered owner of a property situated in San Pedro, Minalin, Pampanga, Containing an area of 686 sqm., more particularly described as **Lot 1219, Cad. 379-D, Minalin Cad., and covered by Original Certificate of Title No. 2017000113 and Residential Free Patent No. 2015-03-54-14-433.**

before Notary Public Ryann T. Rueda, as per Doc. No. 384, Page No. 78, Book No. LI, Series of 2023.

Punto! Central Luzon: May 27, June 3 & 10, 2024

NOTICE OF EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT

Notice is hereby given that the heirs of **NICOMEDES C. ISIP JR.** who died on October 3, 2021 in San Fernando, Pampanga; executed an Affidavit of Extrajudicial Settlement and Partition on his estate; and more particularly described as a parcel of land (Lot 4-a-2-C of the subd. Plan (LRC) Psd-335103, approved as a non-subd. Project, being a portion of Lot 4-a-2 (LRC) Psd-83610, LRC. Rec. No. 13240), situated in Bo. of Bancal, Mun. of Guagua, Prov. of Pamp.; Containing an area of One Thousand Three Hundred Twenty Nine (1,329) Square Meters and covered by Transfer Certificate of Title No. 311996-R of the Registry of Deeds for the Province of Pampanga; before Notary Public Rae Genevieve L. Acosta, as per Doc. No. 468, Page No. 95, Book No. III, Series of 2022.

Punto! Central Luzon: May 27, June 3 & 10, 2024

NOTICE OF EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT

Notice is hereby given that the heirs of **RANULFO DE GUZMAN ANDAYA** who died on February 07, 2002 in Angeles City, Pampanga Guagua, Pampanga; executed an Affidavit of Extrajudicial Settlement with Quitclaim on his estate; and more particularly described as a parcel of land (Lot 14, Block 26 of the cons-subdivision plan (LRC) Pcs-7705, being a portion of cons Lots 429-C to 629-L, (L.R.C) Psd-72734, L.R.C. Cad. Rec. No. 124), situated in the barrio of Cutcut, City of Angeles; Containing an area of Four Hundred Fifty (450) Square Meters; before Nostary Public MyCarol L. Bondoc, as per Doc. No. 3469, Page No. 55, Book No. 49, Series of 2024.

Punto! Central Luzon: May 27, June 3 & 10, 2024

NOTICE OF EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT

Notice is hereby given that the heirs of **SERVILLANO NAGUIT MACAPINLAC** who died on August 23, 1992 in Minalin, Pampanga; executed an Affidavit of Extrajudicial Settlement on his estate; and more particularly described as follows;

TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. 267737-R

“1.) A parcel of land (lot No. 1, plan S.W.O. No. 11026), situated in the Bo. of Sta. Rita, Mun. of Minalin, Prov. of Pampanga; Containing an area of One Thousand Six Hundred Eighty (1,680) more or less. x x x x

2.) A parcel of land (lot No. 2, plan S.W.O. No. 11026), situated in the Bo. of Sta. Rita, Mun. of Minalin, Prov. of Pampanga; Containing an area of Two Thousand Seven Hundred and One Square Meters (2,701) more or less. x x x x

3.) A parcel of land (lot No. 3, plan S.W.O. No. 11026), situated in the Bo. of Sta. Rita, Mun. of Minalin, Prov. of Pampanga; Containing an area of Twenty Eight Thousand Nine Hundred and Forty-Eight Square Meters (28,948) more or less. x x x x

4.) A parcel of land (lot No. 4, plan S.W.O. No. 11026), situated in the Bo. of Sta. Rita, Mun. of Minalin, Prov. of Pampanga; Containing an area of Eighty Eight Thousand Five Hundred and Twenty Three Square Meters (88,523) more or less. x x x x

5.) A parcel of land (lot No. 5, plan S.W.O. No. 11026), situated in the Bo. of Sta. Rita, Mun. of Minalin, Prov. of Pampanga; Containing an area of Twenty-One Thousand and Nine Hundred Square Meters (21,009) more or less. x x x x

before Notary Public Ryann T. Rueda, as per Doc. No. 387, Page No. 79, Book No. LI, Series of 2023.

Punto! Central Luzon: May 27, June 3 & 10, 2024

NOTICE OF EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT

Notice is hereby given that the heirs of **ROGELIO MALIG TORRES** who died on May 8, 2020 at Angeles University Foundation Medical Center, Angeles City, Pampanga; executed an Affidavit of Extrajudicial Settlement and Waiver of Rights and Sale on his estate; And he is the registered owner of a parcel of lot/land without improvements, leaving their property covered by Transfer Certificate of Title No.: 045-2011001479 situated in the Bo. of Bical, Mun. of Mabalacat, Prov. of Pampanga; Containing an area of Seven Hundred Thirty-One Square Meters (731sqm); before Notary Public Jonathan V. Javate, as per Doc. No. 380, Page No. 74, Book No. IV, Series of 2024.

Punto! Central Luzon: May 27, June 3 & 10, 2024

NOTICE OF SELF-AJUDICATION

Notice is hereby given that **JEFFREY RAYMUND MACAPINLAC PEREZ**, single, of legal age, Filipino, and a resident of Angeles City, Pampanga; and heirs of **EMILIANA MACAPINLAC PEREZ** who died on March 29, 1997 in Minalin, Pampanga and the late **JOSE SIMEON PEREZ** who died on May 4, 2021 in Bamban, Tarlac; executed an Affidavit of Self-Adjudication on his/her estate; and more particularly described as follows;

TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. 267737-R

“1.) A parcel of land (lot No. 1, plan S.W.O. No. 11026), situated in the Bo. of Sta. Rita, Mun. of Minalin, Prov. of Pampanga; Containing an area of One Thousand Six Hundred Eighty (1,680) more or less. x x x x

2.) A parcel of land (lot No. 2, plan S.W.O. No. 11026), situated in the Bo. of Sta. Rita, Mun. of Minalin, Prov. of Pampanga; Containing an area of Two Thousand Seven Hundred and One Square Meters (2,701) more or less. x x x x

3.) A parcel of land (lot No. 3, plan S.W.O. No. 11026), situated in the Bo. of Sta. Rita, Mun. of Minalin, Prov. of Pampanga; Containing an area of Twenty Eight Thousand Nine Hundred and Forty-Eight Square Meters (28,948) more or less. x x x x

4.) A parcel of land (lot No. 4, plan S.W.O. No. 11026), situated in the Bo. of Sta. Rita, Mun. of Minalin, Prov. of Pampanga; Containing an area of Eighty Eight Thousand Five Hundred and Twenty Three Square Meters (88,523) more or less. x x x x

5.) A parcel of land (lot No. 5, plan S.W.O. No. 11026), situated in the Bo. of Sta. Rita, Mun. of Minalin, Prov. of Pampanga; Containing an area of Twenty-One Thousand and Nine Hundred Square Meters (21,009) more or less. x x x x”

before Notary Public Ryann T. Rueda, as per Doc No. 385, Page No. 78, Book No. LI, Series of 2023.

Punto! Central Luzon: May 27, June 3 & 10, 2024

NOTICE OF EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT

Notice is hereby given that the heirs of **SPS. ERNESTO D. PALACIO SR. & NARCISA R. PALACIO** who died on September 15, 2005, and March 25, 2000; executed an Affidavit of Extrajudicial Settlement with Waiver of Rights on his/her estate; and more particularly described as follows;

TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. 20146

LOT: LOT 3 (LRC) Pcs-4294  
PORTION: LOT 3-A (LRC) Psd-77375  
LOCATION: Barrio of Virgen delos Remedios, Angeles City  
AREA: Three Hundred (300) Square meters, more or less

TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. 20147

LOT: LOT 3 (LRC) Pcs-4294  
PORTION: LOT 3-B (LRC) Psd-77375  
LOCATION: Barrio of Virgen delos Remedios, Angeles City  
AREA: One Hundred Fifty (150) Square meters, more or less

TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. 15166-M

LOT: LOT 48-A (LRC) Pcs-22789  
PORTION: LOT 3 BLOCK 7 (LRC) Psd-39036  
LOCATION: Ninabel Subdivision, Camachilles, dau, Mabalacat, Pampanga  
AREA: Two Hundred Thirty Six (236) Square meters, more or less

before Notary Public Alfredo D. Abadilla, as per Doc No. 119, Page No. II, Book No. XVI, Series of 2020.

Punto! Central Luzon: May 20, 27 & June 3, 2024

NOTICE OF SELF-AJUDICATION

Notice is hereby given that **LOLITA D. DE JESUS**, widow, of legal age, Filipino citizen and a resident of Brgy. Baliti, City of San Fernando, Pampanga; and heirs of **ERMAN DEANG DE JESUS** who died on March 26, 2021 at Purok 2 Brgy. Baliti, City of san Fernando, Pampanga; executed an Affidavit of Self-Adjudication with Deed of Donation on his estate; and more particularly described as a parcel of land (Lot 5 of the cons-subd., plan, Psd-03-016009, being a portion of cons-Lot 4244-B-21 & Lot 4244-B-22 Psd-03-143791 L.R.C. Rec. No.), situated in the Barrio of Lara, City of San Fernando, Prov. of Pampanga; Containing an area of Nine Hundred Ninety Six (996) Square Meters and covered by Transfer Certificate of Title No. 042-2012007025; before Notary Public Milkee Andrea B. Guevarra, as per Doc No. 33, Page No. 8, Book No. XXXIX, Series of 2024.

Punto! Central Luzon: May 27, June 3 & 10, 2024

NOTICE OF EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT

Notice is hereby given that the heirs of **ANGELITA G. BALAJADIA** who died on July 19, 2023 in Angeles Medical Center, Angeles City; executed an Affidavit of Extrajudicial Settlement on her estate; That the said deceased at the time of her death left a Time Deposit at BDO Union Bank the Amount of One Hundred Twenty-Two Thousand Six Hundred Ninety-Seven and Fifty Seven Centavos (P 122,697.57) with an Account Number of SA # 005230202190; before Notary Public Yvonne A. Pacete, as per Doc. No. 621, Page No. 49, Book No. XXVIII, Series of 2024.

Punto! Central Luzon: May 27, June 3 & 10, 2024

NOTICE OF EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT

Notice is hereby given that the heirs of **ANTOLINA PINGUL CALADIAO** who died on February 2, 2011 in Dr. Armando L. Garcia Medical Center, Inc., Angeles City of Cardiopulmonary Arrest and **LEONARDO RAZON CALADIAO** who died on December 31, 2013 at 3270 Asuncion St., LNW, Angeles City, Pampanga of Cardiopulmonary Arrest; executed an Affidavit of Extrajudicial Settlement with Waiver of Rights on his/her estate; and more particularly described as a parcel of land (Lot 10, Block 30, of the consolidation-subdivision plan (LRC) Pcs-5403, being a portion of Lot-11, Block 8, described on plan Psd-2017, (LRC) (GLO) cad. Rec. No. 124), situated in the Barrios of Pampang, San Nicolas, and Lourdes, City of Angeles, Island of Luzon; Containing an area of One Hundred Fifty (150) Square Meters more or less; and covered by Transfer Certificate of Title No. 49212; before Notary Public Karl Alen G. Yu, as per Doc No. 10, Page No. 23, Book No. 1, Series of 2024.

Punto! Central Luzon: May 20, 27 & June 3, 2024

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NOTICE OF EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT

Notice is hereby given that the heirs of **MARCIANA P. NAGUIT (MARCIANA VDA. DE TOLENTINO)** who died on March 14, 1999 in Minalin, Pampanga; executed an Affidavit of Extrajudicial Settlement on her estate; and more particularly described as follows;

TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. 1510

“Entered in accordance with Presidential Decree Nos. 266 and 1529, pursuant to an EMANCIPATION PATENT issued by the Ministry of Agrarian Reform, at Quezon City, on the 14th day of January in the year nineteen hundred and eighty-seven, and spread in the records of the said Ministry of Agrarian Reform, as follows:

REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES  
MINISTRY OF AGRARIAN REFORM  
EMANCIPATION PATENT NO. A-045304

xxx situated at Barrio San Pedro, Minalin, Pampanga, Philippines containing an area of 35,190 square meters, more or less.”

before Notary Public Ryann T. Rueda, as per Doc No. 232, Page No. 48, Book No. LXIII, Series of 2024.

Punto! Central Luzon: June 3, 10 & 17, 2024

NOTICE OF EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT

Notice is hereby given that the heirs of **GAYLORD MORGAN GIFFORD** who died on December 22, 2019 at Angeles City; executed an Affidavit of Extrajudicial Settlement and Sole Adjudication on his estate; and more particularly described as a parcel of land (Lot 6-C-2-A of the subd. plan (LRC) Psd-19261, being a portion of Lot 6-C-1, described on plan (LRC) Psd-17865, LRC (GLO) Cad. Rec. No. 124), situated in Barrio of Balibago, Mun. of Angeles, Prov. of Pampanga; Containing an area of Three Hundred (300) Square Meters and covered by Transfer Certificate of Title No. 196513; before Notary Public Allan M. Del Rosario, as per Doc. No. 467, Page No. 95, Book No. IV, Series of 2024.

Punto! Central Luzon: May 27, June 3 & 10, 2024

NOTICE OF EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT

Notice is hereby given that the heirs of **JOLLY M. LICUP** who died on September 12, 2010, at MacArthur Highway, Mabiga, Mabalacat, Pampanga; executed an Affidavit of Extrajudicial Settlement with Partition and Deed of Absolute Sale on her estate; and more particularly described as a parcel of land (Lot 5, Blk. 2 of the subd. Plan (LRC) Pad-59512, being a portion of Lot 1698, Porac Cad., LRC Rec. No. 372), situated in the Bo. of Sta. Cruz, Mun. of Porac, Prov. of Pamp.; Containing an area of Two Hundred Forty (240) Square Meters and covered by TCT No. 442203-R; before Nostary Public Kristine Keith Colle, as per Doc. No. 342, Page No. 74, Book No. IV, Series of 2024.

Punto! Central Luzon: May 27, June 3 & 10, 2024

NOTICE OF EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT

Notice is hereby given that the heirs of **ALEJANDRA MORALES LAPID** who died on September 27, 2005 at San Isidro, Sta. Rita, Pampanga; and **JOSE S. LAPID** who died on April 06, 2007 at Guagua, Pampanga; executed an Affidavit of Extrajudicial Settlement with Waiver of Rights on his/her estate; That during their lifetime said decedents left a certain parcel of land known as Lot No. 1913, Cad. 377-D situated in the Barrio of San Isidro, Municipality of Sta. Rita, Province of Pampanga; with an area of Four Thousand Nine Hundred Twenty-Eight 4,928 Square Meters and covered by Original Certificate of Title No. 3109 with Free Patent (III-I) 002172, of the Registry of Deeds of Pampanga; before Notary Public Atlee T. Viray, as per Doc. No. 27, Page No. 07, Book No. 117, Series of 2022.

Punto! Central Luzon: May 27, June 3 & 10, 2024

NOTICE OF EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT

Notice is hereby given that the heirs of **BERNARDO CARPIO** who died on August 5, 1989 in Lubao, Pampanga, Philippines and **EMILIA D. CARPIO** who died on October 18, 1984 in San Roque, Floridablanca, Pampanga, Philipines; executed an Affidavit of Extrajudicial Settlement on his/her estate; and more particularly described as a parcel of land (Lot 1 of the subdivision plan, Psd-03-001819 (OLT), being a portion of Lot-1, Psu-27639 L.R.C. Rec. No.\_\_\_\_\_, situated in the Barrio of San Roque, Municipality of Floridablanca, Province of Pampanga; Containing an area of Fifteen Thousand Eight Hundred Eighty Four (15,884) Square Meters x x x; and covered by Transfer Certificate of Title No. 11733 (Emancipation Patent No. 412258); before Notary Public Carlota Dela Cruz-Manalo, as per Doc No. 479, Page No. 97, Book No. 91, Series of 2024.

Punto! Central Luzon: May 20, 27 & June 3, 2024

NOTICE OF EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT

Notice is hereby given that the heirs of **TAN SONG BOK (aka RICARDO TAN)** who died on November 6, 2020 at Angeles City; executed an Affidavit of Extrajudicial Settlement on his estate; WHEREAS, at the time of his death, the decedent left behind, undivided ownership over receivables/redeeming claims from time deposits from the closed Export and Industry Bank which is now under liquidation of PDIC (“Redeeming Claims”); before Notary Public Jeselle Ann Vega Dayrit, as per Doc No. 573, Page No. 84, Book No. II, Series of 2024.

Punto! Central Luzon: May 20, 27 & June 3, 2024

NOTICE OF EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT

Notice is hereby given that the heirs of SO PENG TIAM who died on April 10, 2000 in Angeles City, Philippines; executed an Affidavit of Extrajudicial Settlement on his/her estate; and more particularly described as follows;

1. TRANSFER CERT. OF TITLE NO. 43419

A parcel of land situated in Angeles City, identified as lot No. 59, Block No. 1 of subdivision plan PSD-546, containing more or less One Hundred Twenty (120) sq. Meters.

2. TRANSFER CERT. OF TITLE NO. 43420

A parcel of land situated in Angeles City, identified as lot No. 61, Block No. 1 of subdivision plan PSD-546, containing more or less Two Hundred Seventeen and Forty Decimeters (217.4) sq. Meters.

3. TRANSFER CERT. OF TITLE NO. 43421

A parcel of land situated in Angeles City, identified as lot No. 60, Block 1 of subdivision plan PSD-546, containing more or less One Hundred Sixteen and Fifty Decimeters (116.5) sq. Meters.

4. TRANSFER CERT. OF TITLE NO. 196954

A parcel of land situated in City of Manila, identified as lot No. 3-C-14 of subdivision plan PSD-13-011691, being a portion of lot 3-C Psd-13-01360, situated in the District of Malate, City of Manila, containing more or less Eighty Three sq. Meters and Eighty Seven decimeters (83.87) sq. Meters

5. TRANSFER CERT. OF TITLE NO. 86165

A parcel of land situated in Quezon City, identified as lot No. 18, Block 4 of subdivision plan Pcs-13-003413, containing more or less One Hundred Fifty-Nine sq. Meters (159) sq. Meters

6. TRANSFER CERT. OF TITLE NO. 43721

A parcel of land situated in Angeles City, identified as lot No. 6, Block 4 of subdivision plan (LRC) PSD-27625, containing more or less Five Hundred Seventy (570) sq. Meters

before Notary Public Vincent Joseph Encarnacion, as per Doc No. 0412, Page No. 71, Book No. XXXI, Series of 2019.

Punto! Central Luzon: May 20, 27 & June 3, 2024









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ANGELES CITY – A grateful Pampanga 1st District Rep. Carmelo “Jon” Lazatin II celebrated his birthday on Jun3 with a Thanksgiving Mass and a thanksgiving banquet “to the people who put their trust in me and joined me in serving our constituents.” Dubbed “Pas-asalamat Sa Inyo,” the event held at the Holy Angel University Immaculate Heart Gymnasium was attended by a cross-section of the community and included the presentation of plaques of appreciation to different sectoral groups including the Central Luzon Media Association-Pampanga Chapter, the premier press club of the province.

**Punto Lifestyle Team**

# Bataan gov cited as WHO tobacco control champion

BY ERNIE ESCONDE

BALANGA CITY -- The World Health Organization has named Bataan Gov. Jose Enrique Garcia 3rd as one of three awardees this year from the Western Pacific Region for vital contributions to tobacco control.

The other awardees are Hangzhou Municipal People's Government, China, and the HealthBridge Foundation of Canada, HealthBridge Vietnam.

WHO honors individuals and organizations from the regions of Africa, America, Eastern Mediterranean, Europe, Southeast Asia,

and the Western Pacific for their outstanding contributions to tobacco control through the annual World No Tobacco Day Awards.

The world health body took notice of the “Tobacco-Free Generation” movement in the Philippines that was widely accepted in Balanga City and encouraged other municipalities in Bataan to join while Garcia was then city mayor and continued during his governorship.

“Buong-puso nating inihahandog sa ating mga kababayan ang prestihiyosong parangal na tinanggap ng inyong lingkod

sa WHO bilang pagkilala sa ating mga sinimulang hakbangin sa lalawigan ng Bataan sa ilalim ng Tobacco Free Generation campaign upang mapigil ang paglaganap ng tobacco at mabigyan ng proteksyon ang ating mga kabataan laban sa masamang epekto nito,” the governor said.

Garcia received the award from WHO representatives during the World No Tobacco Day celebration Thursday at the Bataan People's Center in Balanga City that has for its theme “Protecting Children from Tobacco Industry Interference.”



DSWD Secretary Rex Gatchalian and Mayor Roseller Rodriguez turn over one farming carabao and P10,000 to a beneficiary of the Pag-Abot program.

PHOTO: DSWD-3

# DSWD doles cash, carabaos to Tarlac Aetas

TARLAC CITY – Fifty members of the Aeta community in Capas town received cash aid and carabaos from the Department of Social Welfare and Development.

DSWD Secretary Rex Gatchalian personally led the turnover of one farming carabao and P10,000 to each Pag-Abot program beneficiary in Barangay Maruglu.

The livelihood assistance is a follow-up activity of the agency's Pag-Abot sa Pasko program in December 2023 where they assessed and identified the most appropriate interventions to reach-out individuals from the different sitios of the village based on their profile and needs.

“When we came here before, we heard your request for a carabao, so our department arranged to purchase a carabao for you. You can now use it,” enthused Gatchalian, noting that this is part of the agency's commitment to address the needs of vulnerable and marginalized communities, and to ensure that they receive sustainable livelihood from the government.

“We don't want you to feel that you are far away. The President's order is for national government agencies to be felt and seen even in the most remote areas of the Philippines,” he told the beneficiaries.

Gatchalian assured the immedi-

ate support and services of DSWD especially to disadvantaged and indigenous peoples through the implementation of other programs, citing the partnership with the municipal government to carry out and further develop the program for the residents of Maruglu.

“I know, as [Capas] Mayor [Roseller Rodriguez] said, that the local government will help us sustain and maintain this program,” he said.

The Pag-Abot sa Pasko Program was launched in July 2023 to help people living and staying on the streets enhance their social and economic status through various government interventions.

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A large, hearty plate of food featuring a sausage, pork ribs, burger steak, fries, chicken wings, rice, buttered corn, coleslaw, marbled potato, gravy, and BBQ sauce. The plate is set against a dark background with a green crown logo in the top left corner.

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Landfill inconsistent...

**FROM PAGE 1**

“Pursuant to the legal opinion of the Office of the Government Corporate Counsel, BCDA’s statutory counsel, extending the contract between Clark Development Corp. and MCWMC beyond October 2024 would be against the Build-Operate-Transfer (BOT) Law, the framework used in bidding and awarding the contract for the project,” read separate but similar statements of the BCDA and CDC issued hours apart on Monday, June 3.

It was the first time the state-run agencies made any comments publicly since the issue of a looming garbage crisis arising from the impending closure of the landfill this October broke in the local media on May 8.

The Kalangitan Sanitary Landfill “is no longer consistent with the government’s vision of transforming New Clark City into a premier investment and tourism destination” said the BCDA statement.

The CDC statement expounded on the BCDA position as it cited a letter from BCDA president and CEO Joshua Bingcang dated April 30, 2024 saying: “The [BCDA] is keen on the development and increase of the economic value of the 100-hectare land area currently covered by a Contract for Service with [MCWMC]... We are considering several options on rehabilitating the land, noting that the sanitary landfill is potentially encroaching on the expansion areas of the developable lands adjacent to it.”

“For this purpose, we wish to inform you that the Agreement with MCWMC is set to expire on 9 October 2024, resulting in the closure of the sanitary landfill, with no possibility of extensions,” Bingcang’s letter read.

“At the expiration of the Contract for Service, MCWMC should promptly vacate and deliver the property inclusive of all new constructions and improvements introduced

during the term of the Contract to the [CDC],” it furthered.

**Pampanga waste facilities**

Both the BCDA and CDC cited a report from the Department of Environment and Natural Resources-Environmental Management Bureau (DENR-EMB) Region III that there are two existing facilities in Pampanga that may be utilized upon the end of MCWMC’s contract. Located in Porac and Floridablanca towns, the facilities are said to have a combined total capacity of 3,500 metric tons of domestic waste per day, and a potential to expand further to 6,000 MT.

The BCDA also mentioned that it has been invited to the opening of another materials recovery facility in Porac with a capacity of 5,000 MT per day.

Concluding that: “This brings the total combined capacity to 11,000 MT, which is more than enough to address the

solid waste management requirements of Tarlac, Pampanga, and other provinces in and around the region. This should allay fears of a looming garbage and health crisis in the region.”

This, as the BCDA said it will assist local government units, government agencies, and locators “to explore alternative solutions for the affected stakeholders’ waste disposal requirements to ensure non-disruption of solid waste management services.”

For its part, the CDC said it is “pursuing alternative waste management solutions and procuring the services of a garbage collector for Clark within its jurisdiction, the Clark Freeport Zone, and the Clark Special Economic Zone.”

“Additionally, the CDC will accredit service providers for its locators/investors, ensuring designated disposal facilities for hazardous and non-hazardous waste,” it added.

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Total ban on POGOs

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on POGO operations in the Philippines to eliminate the source of these criminal activities;

3. Strengthen Law Enforcement;

4. Enhance the capabilities of our law enforcement agencies to crack down on criminal syndicates operating under the guise of POGOs;

5. Protect the Integrity of Local Governance

6. Investigate and hold accountable any local and other officials involved in criminal activities related

to POGOs, ensuring that governance remains transparent and accountable.

The criminal activities associated with POGO operations pose a significant threat to the PCCI-North Luzon’s commitment to promoting a safe and prosperous environment for Philippine businesses and citizens. We believe that a total ban on POGOs and stronger law enforcement and governance measures are essential to safeguarding our communities and upholding the rule of law.

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Massive hospital waste...

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and as far as Palawan, are treated in their respective recovery facility before being taken to the Kalangitan Sanitary Landfill which is the only waste facility accredited by the Department of Environment and Natural Resources.

Should the Bases Conversion and Development Authority and the Clark Development Corp. remain adamant in their decision to terminate the 25-year contract signed with the Metro Clark Waste Management Corp. (MCWMC) and cease operations of the Kalangitan Sanitary Landfill by October 5 this year, “most, if not all toxic wastes treatment firms will have no recourse but to stop the collection and processing of highly toxic medical wastes.”

“Apektado ang pasyente, apektado ang mga personnel sa mga hospitals, at apektado ang mga communities,” Abadilla declared.

He said medical wastes consisting of hypodermic needles body fluids, body parts, pharmaceuticals, radioactive materials, and health care establishments, health-related laboratories, and health research facilities generate cytotoxic drugs.

The Kalangitan Sanitary Landfill is the “only sanitary landfill accredited by DENR to accept medical wastes,” he furthered.

In the same CAMI forum, Christopher Tang, director for Business Development of SafeWaste Inc., said their treatment facility located near Kalangitan process some 30 tons of

medical wastes per week from some 120 hospitals in Region 2 and the Cordillera Administrative Region.

He expressed fears over the severe environmental and health crisis that the closure of the waste facility will cause.

All treatment facilities engage in the collection, transportation, treatment, and disposal of medical wastes. Treatment of hospital wastes includes the use of pressurized steam in the microbial inactivation of pathogens found in infectious wastes. After treatment, medical wastes are taken to the Kalangitan Sanitary Landfill for final disposal.

SafeWaste Inc. general manager Al Kane called the MCWMC “a national treasure” and should be kept running.

**1-M tons of wastes**

The MCWMC said some one million tons of wastes are being brought to the waste facility for processing each year, noting that no other facility in the immediate vicinity of the Kalangitan Sanitary Landfill has a similar capacity.

The Kalangitan Sanitary Landfill currently serves 150 local government units and more than a thousand industrial clients that represent roughly 15 million people in Central Luzon, Pangasinan, and the Cordilleras including the Summer Capital of Baguio City.

During the same media forum, MCWMC EVP Vicky Gaetos said they would also lodge “legal action” against the BCDA, who continues to ignore their

pleas, and CDC, the original contracting party, if the waste facility is shut down.

Earlier, Capas Mayor Roseller Rodriguez had also said they are mulling on filing a case against BCDA and CDC if no alternative facility is identified.

Several affected LGUs in Pampanga, including the regional capital City of San Fernando, and Tarlac had cited a “severe environmental crisis” if the only environmentally-compliant facility is closed by October. **Punto News Team/PR**



Large-scale...

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well as the government—national and local—have come together to build a healthier, safer, and cleaner environment for all of us,” enthused Environment and Natural Resources Secretary Maria Antonia “Toni” Yulo-Loyzaga who led the inauguration rites with Pampanga Gov. Dennis “Delta” Pineda, Porac Mayor Jaime “Jing” Capil, and Prime Infra president and CEO Guillaume Lucci and Waste Sector Lead Cara Peralta.

“As you know, the Philippines generates about 61,000 metric tons of waste daily...with 33% ending up in landfills, while 35% is leaked into the open environment. I would like to say that the company’s utilization of this state-of-the-art equipment transforms the strategy for resource

recovery and also links it to our fuel transition,” Loyzaga said.

“We in the DENR are here to applaud the investment of Prime Integrated Waste Solutions Inc. and the local government for taking this big step together. We look forward to seeing more such facilities in the future, and we’re here to support each and every LGU in their journey towards a climate-resilient and environmentally safe future,” she added.

Lucci said Prime Infra aims to industrialize the waste business in the Philippines at high scale through PWS. “This expansion in Luzon, starting in Pampanga—and we want to thank again the host province and host municipalities for this—really demonstrates our commitment to industrialize this market which

is the natural next step for waste management in the country.”

The Pampanga MRF is the first greenfield development of PWS, and the company’s second operational facility next to Cebu City.

PWS, a wholly owned subsidiary of Prime Infra, was established in response to the increasing demand for proper waste management and resource recovery solutions in industrialized and fast-growing cities in the Philippines. Its business model is based on Prime Infra’s overall objective of converting recovered resources into sustainable fuels.

“Our current waste management process is really built around resource recovery. We plan to invest in a waste-to-fuel facility here that will convert the waste into fuel for ships, airplanes, trucks, and so on and

so forth. This is an integral part of Prime Infra’s sustainability initiatives,” Lucci said.

For her part, Peralta said the Pampanga facility offers a “new age of waste disposal.” The Pampanga facility can accommodate up to 5,000 tons per day of municipal solid waste.

PWS uses state-of-the-art equipment procured from Europe and Asia such as vibrating sieves, baler systems, magnetic separators, as well as air density separator to maximize resource recovery.

“We commit to recover and recycle up to 80-90% of total waste received. We look forward to serving you and becoming partners in this journey, and to meet Prime Infra’s original objective of turning waste into sustainable fuels. Together, we can provide the right waste solutions for the Philip-

pines and beyond,” she said.

This, as Gov. Pineda noted how proud he is for Pampanga to have such a facility that will be of help in the provincial government’s solid waste management program.

“Nagpapasalamat po kami sa PWS management, in partnership sa provincial government. Bagay ito para sa solid waste management program namin. Ngayon po na first time po na may ganito, at least nakita ko po na state-of-the-art [equipment] po talaga. So hindi po kami ngayon nagwo-worry or natatakot na ipagmalaki ang project na ito kasi hindi ito kamukha ng ibang landfill o open site,” the governor said.

“The company and the DENR assured us na magiging state-of-the-art ito. So mga Kapampangan, wala po tayong dapat

katakutan dahil when we introduced ito sa mga Pampanga mayors, pwede po naming maipagmalaki ito,” he added.

Tarlac Gov. Susan Yap echoed the sentiment of Pineda, saying she was pleased at seeing the MRF equipment onsite. “Ang maganda ay ‘yung system. I thought that it was going to be a landfill system also, but apparently, not. So that’s why I said, natuwa ako.”

Mayor Capil expressed thanks for the PWS facility. “We are honored to have you here in our town. Based on what I saw, this is our best solution to the growing waste problem in our country. To the Razon Group of Companies, we are looking forward to more collaborations in the near future, for a cleaner and greener community.”

**Press release**



# Celebrate All Dads with Unique and Thoughtful Gifts from SM

Father's Day is quickly approaching, which means it is time to start thinking about a gift for your dear dad. Make Father's Day memorable with a gift he'll truly appreciate and enjoy. SM Supermalls in Bulacan, Nueva Ecija, Tarlac, Pampanga, Bataan and Olongapo have rounded up thoughtful gift ideas, cool finds, and even fun experiences for every type of dad out there. Check out our curated gift guide and make this Father's Day a special one for your one-of-a-kind dad!

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## FOR THE GAMER DAD

If your dad's a gaming enthusiast, swing by Huawei or visit Game Extreme and Data Blitz. The store got the newest gaming units, accessories, and video games, whether he's into PC, tablet or console gaming. It is a one-stop-shop to ramp up his gaming setup.

## FOR THE TECH-SAVVY DAD

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