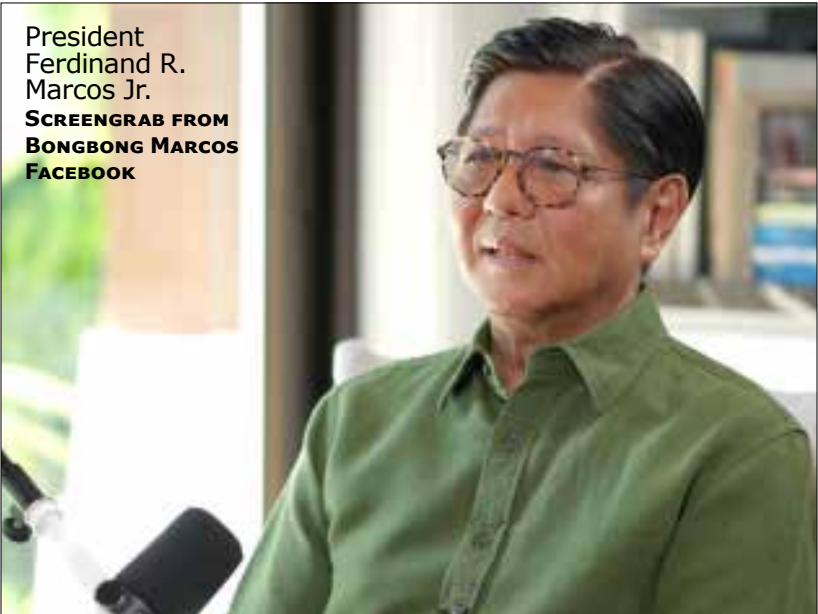


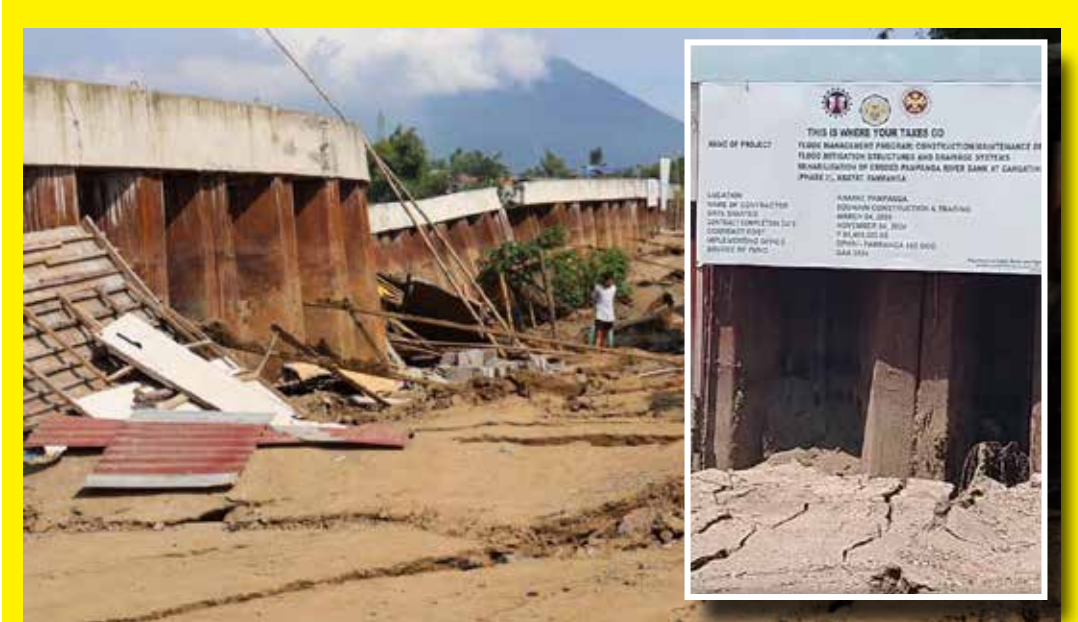
Marcos Jr. to spare no one in flood-control crackdown

By PUNTO NEWS TEAM

MANILA — No one will be spared in the crackdown on those responsible for failed flood-control projects that left several parts of the country submerged at the recent onslaught of the southwest monsoon and series of weather disturbances. **PAGE 13 PLEASE**



President Ferdinand R. Marcos Jr.
SCREENGRAB FROM BONGBONG MARCOS FACEBOOK



AUGUST 2024. Collapsed slope protection. Project details in tarp. **FILE PHOTOS**

Collapsed in 2024, Arayat flood control project in danger again

By Punto News Team

ARAYAT, PAMPANGA — Repair and rehabilitation of the slope protection in Barangay Candating here that collapsed in August 2024 are yet to be completed and already it is in danger of a complete collapse with the onslaught rampaging waters of the Pampanga River wrought by the southwest monsoon and the recent series of weather disturbances.
On July 29, Gov. Lilia “Nanay” Pineda personally went on-site inspection and delivered relief packs to the 387 affected **PAGE 13 PLEASE**



JULY 2025. Gov. Lilia “Nanay” Pineda inspects flooded unfinished slope protection. **PHOTO: PAMPANGA PIO**

Cong Pogi seeks Pampanga LGU support for watershed measures



Then-Angeles City Mayor Pogi Lazatin planting sapling at the Sapangbato Watershed on Oct. 5, 2023. **CONTRIBUTED PHOTO**

ANGELES CITY -- Pampanga 1st District Rep. Carmelo “Pogi” Lazatin, Jr. is seeking the support of the Provincial Government of Pampanga and the Local Government Units of Angeles, Mabalacat, and Magalang for two House measures on the Sapangbato Watershed here.
On July 29, Lazatin simultaneously filed House Bill No. 2423, “An Act Declaring Sapangbato as a Protected Area in the Province of Pampanga, Providing For Its Management And For Other Purposes,” and House Resolution No. 77, “Renaming the Reforested Portion of Barangay Sapangbato in Angeles City Intended For Watershed To Renato ‘Abong’ Tayag Watershed In Honor Of His Exemplary Service And Contribution To The Preservation Of The Watershed.”
In separate letters dated July 31, addressed to Gov. Lilia “Nanay” Pineda, Ange- **PAGE 13 PLEASE**



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Nanay Gov: Purpose-driven, people-centric leadership in local governance



CITY OF SAN FERNANDO – “Leadership is not just a position, but a responsibility. Let this program be a reminder to lead with purpose and for the people, and to always serve with compassion, not for personal gain.”

Thus, Gov. Lilia “Nanay” Pineda urged local officials to embrace a style of leadership anchored in purpose, unity, and public service in her speech at the Leadership, Ethics, Accountability, and Development (L.E.A.D.) Program held at the Kingborough International Convention Center here on Aug. 5.

Spearheaded by the Provincial Government of Pampanga, in coordination with the Department of the Interior and Local Government, the L.E.A.D. Program seeks to enhance the leadership capacity of local officials by strengthening their understanding of ethical governance, accountability, legislative functions, and development-oriented leadership.

Also present during the program were Vice Gov. Dennis “Delta” Pineda, sangguniang panlalawigan members, mayors and vice mayors from various cities and municipalities, as well as members of the sangguniang bayan and sangguniang panlungsod across the province.

In her message,

the governor also reiterated her call for unity among public servants regardless of political affiliations.

DILG Undersecretary Marlo Iringan, who also graced the event, lauded Governor Nanay. “That’s the mindset of a true leader,” he said, commending her efforts to promote unity among local leaders.

Iringan also reminded the participants that public officials are not above the people, but rather among them, and that they are entrusted with the duty to remain present, available, and responsive to the needs of their constituents.

Discussed during the program were various topics crucial to local governance, including ethical leadership in public service as presented by the Civil Service Commission; the role of local government units in the anti-illegal drugs campaign by the Philippine Drug Enforcement Agency; environmental responsibility in local legislation by the Department of Environment and Natural Resources; Sangguniang Panlalawigan Ordinance No. 878 by the Provincial Legal Office; and local legislation and the functions of standing committees discussed by the DILG. **Pampanga PIO/Photos: Daniel Ombina**

CDC expands academic partnerships to boost workforce readiness

CLARK FREEPORT — The Clark Development Corp. continues to strengthen its commitment to workforce development by expanding its academic partnerships under the Town and Gown Program, aimed at preparing students for employment through hands-on industry experience.

In a recent pinning ceremony held at the Clark Visitors Center, CDC recognized 27 interns from Pampanga State University, Southern Luzon State University, and Ateneo de Manila University for completing their training across various CDC departments.

The event, themed “Empowered Through Experience,” also marked the signing of new agreements with Southern Luzon State University, Angeles City National Trade School, and Asia Pacific College.



CDC president and CEO Atty. Agnes VST Devanadera emphasized the agency’s focus on human capital development. “It’s something we take seriously at CDC, because we believe that our greatest investment should be in the human capital of the country.”

“If we invest that way, then we know that there’s no other way for the Philippines to go but up,” she added.

Devanadera also highlighted the deeper value of the Town and Gown Program.

“We see the Town and Gown Program as a model



Young leaders and students in Aurora commemorate the 81st death anniversary of President Manuel L. Quezon. **PHOTO: PIA-3**

Quezon’s life inspires Aurora youth to lead with purpose

BALER, AURORA – Young leaders and students in Aurora paid tribute to President Manuel L. Quezon, drawing inspiration from his purposeful leadership during the province’s commemoration of his 81st death anniversary.

The ceremony, held on Aug. 1 at Quezon Memorial Park here, served as a moment of reflection for young leaders and students, who expressed their commitment to uphold Quezon’s values of service and patriotism through active community involvement and leadership.

Sangguniang Kabataan Federation president Eunie May Fernando described Quezon as a guiding star for the nation, whose life and work continues to inspire the youth to lead with purpose and national pride.

“He remains a beacon of courage, justice, and love for the country. His legacy reminds us to fulfill our duties with patriotism and compassion,” declared Fernando.

Born in Baler in 1878, Quezon rose from humble beginnings to become the first President of the Philippine Commonwealth.

He championed the development of the national language, advocated for social justice, and laid the groundwork for an independent Philippine government.

Fernando noted that Quezon’s contributions hold a significant place in history, as they helped the nation’s identity and uphold the ideals of independence.

For his part, municipal administrator Vincent Paladio urged young people to view Quezon not merely as a historical figure, but as a living example of leadership anchored in vision, integrity, and love for the country.

“His story teaches us that where you

Young AC athletes reap 43 medals in nat’l swim meets

ANGELES CITY – Doing the city proud at a very young age, swimmers from Gueco Balibago Elementary School, Sto. Rosario Elementary School, and Angeles Elementary School brought home a combined 43 medals after competing in the UP Diliman SwimWave 4th Leg International Qualifying Competition and the Ignite Swimming Competition held recently at New Clark City.

The team of Gueco and Sto. Rosario Elementary Schools, composed of 14 swimmers, earned a total of 27 medals — 20 gold, 2 silver, and 5 bronze.

Meanwhile, Angeles Elementary School’s 12-member team secured 16 medals — 8 gold, 4 silver, and 4 bronze — competing in age brackets ranging from 5 to 10 years old.

All the swimmers train under Coach Bernie Policarpio of BP Scorpions.

They paid a courtesy visit to Mayor Carmelo “Jon”



Lazatin II to celebrate their achievements and thank the city government for its continued support for grassroots sports.

The mayor congratulated and thanked the athletes, the coach, trainers, and everyone who contributed to the success of these young athletes.

Joining Mayor Lazatin in welcoming them were councilors JC Parker Aguas, Niknok Bañola, Alex Indiongco, Atty. Jeselle Dayrit, Raco Del Rosario, and Richard Gaza Jr. **Angeles CIO**

OPERATIONS TULONG EXPRESS

Thousands get aid as SM ramps up relief efforts in CL

CITY OF SAN FERNANDO -- As torrential rains brought by Typhoons Crising, Dante, Emong, and the southwest monsoon inundated large parts of Luzon, SM Foundation Inc., in partnership with SM Supermalls and SM Markets, swiftly mobilized its Operations Tulong Express to provide immediate relief to thousands of families displaced by the widespread flooding in Central Luzon.

With several provinces placed under a state of calamity, SM Foundation distributed a total of 3,019 Kalinga Packs, each containing food and basic essentials, prioritizing the

hardest-hit barangays and vulnerable sectors across Bulacan, Pampanga, Tarlac, Olongapo, and Bataan.

In Bulacan, SM City Marilao led large-scale relief operations, reaching 1,500 flood-affected families in the town's most disaster-prone barangays. With Marilao placed under a state of calamity following extensive damage to homes, infrastructure, and farmlands, the mall mobilized support to reach the severely affected barangays and deliver aid. Simultaneous relief efforts were also conducted by SM City Baliwag and SM Center

Pulilan, where volunteer teams braved flooded areas to deliver Kalinga Packs to 400 households in barangays Tibag and Poblacion in Baliwag, and Tabon in Pulilan.

Targeting vulnerable sectors such as farmers and marginalized communities, SM malls across Pampanga provided aid for displaced families. SM City Clark delivered relief to 130 farmers in Barangays Dampe and Maligaya in Floridablanca, while an additional 100 kalinga packs reached evacuees in Mabalacat City.

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To the Point

GSIS REPURPOSED

Gambling Service Investment Scheme

“WHY DID the Government Service Insurance System invest in online gambling?”

Asked Senate Deputy Minority Leader Risa Hontiveros in her privileged speech on Aug. 5, as she criticized the GSIS for allegedly investing over P1 billion of its funds in the online gambling platform DigiPlus.

“GSIS got into this when Digiplus shares were being offered at a peak of P65.30. Those shares have since dropped to a low of P13.68. That’s a loss! In the first place, what was GSIS thinking, investing funds in online gambling?” she said.

Hontiveros went on to question why the GSIS is using public funds, particularly those of government employees, as capital for gambling. “Eh, tayo nga po, mga kasamang nagtatrabaho sa gobyerno, ni hindi pwedeng tumungtong sa casino lalo na hindi pwedeng magsugal doon. Kaya bakit ang GSIS, todo taya, at ginawang puhunan ang pera ng public employees sa sugalan.”

And at a time when the nation has come practically as one in standing against online gambling!

“As of now, we in the Senate, along with the House of Representatives and even Malacañang, are all taking strong initiatives and firm stands against online gambling because of its harmful social costs,” Hontiveros noted.

“So why is GSIS doing the opposite? Why is GSIS investing the retirement money of public servants to seemingly expand the e-gaming industry? We need explanations,” she added.

Why, oh why, indeed?

Maybe, just maybe, quietly GSIS has repurposed itself to a new meaning – Gambling Service Investment Scheme.

GSIS into online gambling is but the latest manifestation of the “reckless and questionable investment decisions” under the current GSIS leadership.

“The guardrails we have put in place to guide and protect GSIS investments are seemingly being breached,” Hontiveros said.

Aside from its questionable investment in online gambling, GSIS also maintains a 0.82% stake in Del Monte Pacific, a company “teetering under \$2.3 billion in debt” and facing massive write-offs.

“This investment has already incurred an estimated paper loss of P19.1 million for GSIS, representing a 32.5 percent decline in its stake,” noted Hontiveros, calling on the Senate to act swiftly and review the policies, procedures, and guidelines governing GSIS’s investment decisions.

“We should strengthen GSIS’s investment policy compliance and oversight. We should increase transparency and accountability in their investments. And we should plug policy gaps and clarify ambiguities,” she said. **With media reports**



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Shepherd's Call

Pablo Virgilio Cardinal David

Ang Kabalintunaan ng Kawalang-Hustisya

Baha, sugal, at ang kamatayan ng isang kabataan

ISA IYON sa mga gabing ang mga kalsada ng Malabon at Navotas ay tila naging isa na sa mga ilog at dagat. Bumalik na naman ang malalakas na ulang dala ng habagat, at kasama nito ang pamilyar na takot na unti-unting pumapasok sa mga tahanan ang baha. Pero sa gabing iyon, hindi lang baha ang nawala—kundi isang ama.

Noong Martes, July 22, hindi nakauwi ang ama ng anim na anak. Sanay na ang mga bata sa baha pero hindi sa ganitong misteryosong pagkawala ng kanilang tatay. Nagsimulang mag-alala ang buong pamilya. Ang panganay, si Dion Angelo—kilala sa bahay bilang Gelo at sa mga kapwa sakristan sa Señor de Longos Mission Station bilang Dion—ay lumibot sa mga kalsada kasama ang kanyang nanay na si Jennylyn na may kapansanan (bulag ang isang mata). Nagtanong-tanong sila, lumusong sa maruming tubig-baha na abot-baywang sa ilang lugar, puno ng takot at pag-aalala.

Hindi nila alam na na-aresto pala nang walang warrant ang hinahanap na tatay ni Gelo at nakakulong dahil diumano sa paglabag sa PD 1602—pagkakasangkot daw sa illegal gambling. Naaktuhan daw siya na nakikipaglaro ng kara y krus. Ang batas na ito laban sa illegal gambling, na ipinasa noong panahon ng yumaong ama ng kasalukuyang presidente ng Pilipinas, noong 1978, ay sinasabing proteksyon daw para sa mahihirap laban sa bisyo ng sugal. Pero makalipas ang ilang dekada, walang naaresto ni isa sa mga malalaking gambling lord. Ang mahihirap lang ang biktima ng batas na ito—katulad noong panahon ng Tokhang, kung saan quota sa mga drug suspect ang naging tiket para sa promosyon.

Ito ang matinding kabalintunaan: habang kinakasuhan ang mga dukhang nagsusugal ng kara y krus, wala tayong magawa sa pinakamalaking operator ngayon ng negosyo ng sugal sa pamamagitan ng online gambling: ang guberno sa pamamagitan ng PAGCOR. Dati, napaka-istrikto ng guberno sa public accessibility ng pasugalan. Ayon sa batas, hindi pwede ang slot machines sa mga supermarket at mataong lugar. At kailangan pa ng bouncer sa mga casino para sitahin ang mga menor-de edad at mga walang katibayan na kumikita sila ng higit sa 50k kada buwan. Ngayon, may access na ang pasugalan sa bawat cellphone, pwede nang magsugal sa silid, sa jeep, sa kama, ang kahit na sino, 24/7. Pwede pa ngang umutang sa Gcash ng pansugal.

Bakit pa pag-aaksayahan ng panahon ng kapulisan na arestuhin ang naglalaro ng kara y krus kung kahit mga bata ay pwede nang mag-sugal sa cellphone bago pa man sila matutong mag-multiply? Kung addictive ang sugal, ang pinakamalaking pusher ng adiksiyon sa sugal sa kasalukuyan ay walang iba kundi sariling guberno natin sa pamamagitan ng PAGCOR—para daw kumita ang guberno ng pandagdag gastusing pampubliko.

Katatapos lang naming maglabas sa CBCP ng isang sulat pastoral laban sa online gambling na may pamagat na “Isang Pahayag Ukol sa Moral at Panlipunang Krisis Dahil sa Online Gambling.” Pagkaraan ng ilang araw, naglabas naman ako ng isa pang sulat pastoral para sa Diocese of Kalookan tungkol sa pagbaha at korapsyon sa public works na pinamagatang “Kapag Tumataas ang Tubig at Nalulunod ang Katotohanan.” Hindi ko alam na sa trahedyang sasapitin ng pamilya ni Gelo ay pagtatagpuin ng kapalaran ang magkatambal na problema ng korapsyon ng baha at sugal.

Si Gelo, 20 years old, isang third-year college student, ay siya sanang pag-asa ng pamilya. Tahimik, maaasahan sa pamilya, at tapat na sakristan sa simbahan. Panganay sa anim na magkakapatid, determinado sanang makatapos ng kursong HRS Human Resources Services sa Malabon City College para matulungan ang pamilya na makaahon sa kahirapan.

Pagkalipas ng 24 oras na walang balita tungkol sa kanyang ama, hinikayat ni Gelo ang kanyang ina na ipagpatuloy ang paghahanap kahit baha. Nilibot nila ang lahat ng police stations sa Caloocan, Malabon, at Navotas pero walang makapagbigay ng sagot.

Kinabukasan, naghiwalay pa sila ng kanyang ina para mas marami daw silang mapuntahan at mapagtanungan. Sinamahan si Gelo ng kanyang lola sa paghahanap, at doon nga nila natagpuan ang kanyang ama sa isang Police Station sa Caloocan. Parang nadurog ang kanyang puso sa nakita: sa isang munting silid sa likod ng police station kabit-kabit ang mga posas sa tatay niya at lima pang

mga arestado rin. July 22 nang mawala, ipina-blotter sa lahat ng police stations (na sanay namang magpalitan ng information sa isa’t isa.) Pero July 25 na nang aminin ng kapulisan na nasa custody nila ang pinaghahanap na ama, at nasampahan na daw ng kaso noong araw mismong iyon. Unang araw pa lang nakiusap ang ama na ipaalam ng pulis sa pamilya ang pagkakaaresto sa kanya pero hindi siya pinagbigyan. ₱30,000 daw ang bail—isang imposibleng halaga para sa pamilyang halos hindi na makasapat sa pang-araw-araw na gastusin at bayarin sa eskwela. Pati nga bayad sa bawat dalaw sa presinto mabigat sa balsa nila.

Kaya binalik-balikan ni Gelo ang ama para dalhan ng pagkain at lakarin ang kaso. Inaraw-araw ang paglusong sa maitim na tubig-baha hanggang magsimulang lagnatin nang Sabado ng gabi. Humingi pa ng paumanhin sa ina nang umaga na ng Linggo na hindi siya masamahan nito sa presinto dahil masakit ang katawan. At ibig pang magpasabi na hindi rin muna siya makakapag-serve sa Misang Linggo sa bagong simbahan ng Longos Mission Station.

Sinabihan siya ng nanay niya na uminom ng paracetamol at magpahinga muna. Nang gabing iyon bukod sa nilalagnat, nanginginig na rin siya. Pero ang ipinag-aalala pa rin niya ay ang kanyang ama, at kung paano makahabap ng pambayad sa piyansa. Na-trauma pa ang tatlong taong gulang na bunsong kapatid niya dahil siya ang unang nakatuklas kalaunan na wala na palang buhay ang kanyang Kuya Gelo. Linggo ng gabi, July 27 nang pumanaw ang binatang naging haligi ng pag-asa ng pamilya. Ang dahilan: leptospirosis, isang sakit na dala ng ihi ng daga sa maruming baha na nilusong niya sa paghahanap sa kanyang ama na inaresto diumano dahil sa kara y krus.

ISANG SIGAW NA UMAABOT SA LANGIT

Abot-abot ang paghihinagpis ng ama nang mabalitaan mula sa presinto ang pagkamatay ni Gelo. Kahit anong pag-alalay ng misis, sarili pa rin ang sinisisi. Pakiwarì ba niya, pinabayaan na sila ng Diyos. Ni hindi alam kung ano ang gagawin para makapagbayad ng piyansa para makauwi, para maipagluksa at maipalibing ang panganay niyang anak.

Samantala, ang asawa niyang may kapansanan (bulag ang isang mata)—at ang lima pang nakababatang anak ang nagbantay sa burol na literal na nasa kalsada, dahil wala silang pambayad sa komersyal na memorial chapels para sa burol kay Gelo.

Paano ito nangyari? Paano mawawala ang buhay ng isang kabataan dahil sa sunod-sunod na dagok ng kapalaran? At ano bang magagawa nila kundi ang patuloy na lumusong sa baha kung sira pa rin ang flood control gate sa kabila ng bagong buhos na namang 281 milyong piso para ma-repair ito?

Sa kabilang banda, patuloy na kumokota ang kapulisan sa pag-aresto sa bisa ng lumang batas laban sa sugal na ginagamit ngayon na pam-bully sa mahihirap habang tahimik na winawasak naman ng talamak na online gambling ang mga pamilya. Paano tayo nasanay sa ganitong kultura ng pang-aabuso ng kapangyarihan ng ilang mga alagad ng batas na halos ginawa nang normal na kalakaran ang pag-aresto nang walang warrant, pati ang panghihikayat na aminin na lang sa korte ang paratang para daw ma-absuelto at isanlibong piso lang daw naman ang penalty. Kaysa nga naman manatili sa kulungan at magpabalik-kalik sa husgado at magbayad pa ng abugado. Naisip ko: ilang libo katao ang umaamin sa hindi nagawang kasalanan dahil walang kalaban-laban sa batas? Ano na ang nangyari sa prinsipyong pinasikat ng yumaong Presidente Magsaysay “Those who have less in life should have more in law.”?

Ang walang katuturang kamatayan ni Gelo ay isang talinghaga ng ating panahon. Ang kanyang kwento ay sumisigaw sa langit—at sa ating lahat. Isinisigaw ang tanong: ilang Gelo pa ba ang kailangang mamatay bago natin harapin ang mga sistemikong kawalang-hustisya na hindi lang kumikiti ng kabuhayan kundi ng mismong buhay ng ating mga kababayan?



Ad Lib
Rey Yumang

Opinion

What Now?

AS FLOODWATERS in my beloved hometown Macababad continue to subside and people's lives slowly begin to acquire a state of normalcy, my town mates' frustration, anger, angst and collective gnashing of the teeth that were overwhelmingly prevalent just a week ago are also starting to lose steam, with the flames that burned brightly at the height of the devastating floods now being extinguished again by their apathy and indifference.

Antini tana mu ba talaga? Alang pamiyaliwa keng ningas cogon?

It is ironic how when a disaster or a calamity strike us, we become emboldened to question a broken system and demand accountability from our leaders. But the moment we start to receive relief goods, cash assistance, *libreng sakay* and various forms of *ayuda* complete with tarp and photo-ops, we revert to being complicit and willing accomplices to that same broken system.

Our local government must act now. The Philippine News Agency has reported that in August 2024, President Bongbong Marcos inaugurated the ₱7.57 billion Integrated Disaster Risk Reduction and Climate Change Adaptation (IDRR CCA) Project Stage 1. This project aimed to dredge and widen key tributaries—the Third River, Caduang Tete, Eastern Branch, and Sapang Maragul.

So now, the Macababad townsfolk must actively and consistently petition the national government to fast-track the proposed Phase II of the IDRR CCA and the Central Luzon–Pampanga Floodway and San Antonio Swamp Ring Dike Project, an equally-important project designed to channel excess flow from Upper Pampanga River directly to Manila Bay via a 60 km, 400 m wide floodway.

As for another immediate step? Enforce the regular desilting at Pampanga Bay's mouth and maintain channel gates and dikes all throughout the year - not only during the typhoon season.

In a news report by Punto CL, Governor Lilia Pineda has urged DPWH to prioritize clearing operations downstream to prevent backflow of floodwaters into Macabebe and Masantol.

Nanay Gov. explained that although the provincial government is doing its part, solving the problem requires inter-agency coordination and a serious investment from the national

government. She added that the desilting must cover the 34-kilometer stretch of the Pampanga River, which covers the towns of Arayat, Candaba, Macabebe, Masantol, Lubao, and Sasmuan.

At the municipal level, local investments should include pump systems in low barangays, elevated roads in flood prone corridors, and rehabilitation of drainage canals. Did you know that as of today, our town does not even have a working pumping station in place? Sad but true. In the many instances that millions were spent on elevating roads, the same cannot be said for pumping stations in key areas, and a regular desilting of river channels in Purmerung Tete, Caduang Tete, Mataguiti, and Candelaria.

Lest we forget, we need to integrate nature based solutions: reforest upland watersheds, restore mangrove buffers along delta zones, and rehabilitate wetlands. These are strategies that are tested and proven to absorb tidal surges and reduce sediment load.

The time has come for us to end an era defined by passive spectators who turn devastating and painful flood season into humorous memes.

We should demand public disclosure on the funding and timeline of the IDRR CCA Stage II project, require third-party audits of flood control contracts, insist on quarterly updates on river dredging progress and sluice gate repairs, and involve local groups and various sectors to monitor the maintenance of canals and waterways.

The next chapter for our town is rehabilitation—with long term infrastructure, resilient environmental strategies, and bold citizen oversight. Only then can our community transform from “Macababad” into a model of climate litigation resilience - and ensure that seasonal floods become a thing of the past.



Napag-uusapan Lang
Marvel V. Garcia

Pamamahagi ng rasyon, sa pagbaha'y di solusyon

1. Aanhin ang RELIEF na pinamimigay kung BAHA naman sa loob ng 'yong bahay kung NASALANTA ang tinanim mong palay na siyang tangi ninyong IKINABUBUHAY
2. Kung palaisdaan umapaw sa BAHA at nakawala ang alaga mong ISDA kahit ang mata mo'y MAMUGTO sa luha ano pa nga ba ang iyong MAGAGAWA?
3. Hindi kailangan ang RELIEF taun-taon na lumulustay ng daan-daang MILYON dapat ang atensiyon nila ay ITUON sa pag-iisip ng agarang SOLUSYON
4. kung pa'nong ang baha ay MALULUNASAN sa tuwing may bagyo't malakas ang ULAN malaking halaga rin ang NASASAYANG sa mga produktong mula sa TANIMAN
5. NASISIRA pati ang mga kalsada at iba pang uri ng IMPRASTRAKTURA ang dulot ng baha malaking PROBLEMA sa mamamayan at sa EKONOMIYA
6. Ang baha nang dahil sa MARUMING tubig di lang alipunga ang pwedeng MAKAMIT IHI NG DAGA ay lubhang mapanganib ang sakit na dulot ay LEPTOSPIROSIS
7. Sa walang tigil na PAGBUHOS ng ulan ilang oras lang ay baha ang lansangan dahil barado sa basura ang KANAL pagkati ng tubig ay NAPAKABAGAL
8. Ang problemang ito ay hindi KAILA sa bawat LIDER ng bayan sa'ting bansa subalit sila ay walang GINAGAWA upang solusyunan ang mga PAGBAHA
9. Kaysa ang PONDO ng bayan ay maubos sa mga RELIEF GOODS na pinamumudmod GAMITIN na lamang sa pagsasa-ayos ng mga FLOOD CONTROL at wag mangurakot
10. Kapag daw TINUOS ang gastos sa relief ang siste ng iba'y KUMULANG-HUMIGIT limang kilong bigas, meat loaf saka corned beef subalit kung minsan daw ay nama-MAGIC
11. At ang HOKUS-POKUS daw na nagaganap kapag sa BARANGAY ito nire-repack nagiging DALAWANG KILO lang ang bigas ang meat loaf at corned beef nagiging SARDINAS
12. May maririnig pang REKLAMO ng iba na ang pangalan raw ay di NAKALISTA kung di mo kadikit mga TAGALISTA malabo na ikaw ay magka-AYUDA
13. Sino ba naman ang di MAGREREKLAMO kung INALISAN ka ng karapatan mo gayong ang RASYON na para sana iyo ay pinamigay sa hindi APEKTADO
14. Kung nagkataon pang masiba ang CHAIRMAN sa relief siya lamang ang MAKIKINABANG sampu ng alagad nitong MATATAKAW sa biyayang dapat ay sa TAONG-BAYAN



COMMENTARY

Ganap na kalinawan sa pananalapi ng AC ang kailangan

By Alex S. Cauguiran

KAMAKAILAN AY lumabas sa isang lokal na media outlet ang ulat na mula umano sa Commission on Audit (COA), kung saan ipinapakitang mayroong mahigit ₱1.5 bilyon sa Cash and Cash Equivalents at higit ₱11 bilyon sa kabuuang assets ang Lungsod ng Angeles hanggang Hunyo 30, 2025.

Isang positibong larawan nga ito, lalo't nagmula ito sa pagtatapos ng nakaraang administrasyon. At sa usapin ng good governance, karapat-dapat lamang kilalanin ang anumang resulta na nagpapakita ng maayos na pamamalakad.

Ngunit gaya ng laging paalala, ang datos ay dapat tingnan nang buo, malinaw, at hindi pinili lamang ang paborableng bahagi.

HINDI LANG ARI-ARIAN, KUNDI OBLIGASYON DIN

Ang isang kumpletong State of Financial Position ay hindi nagtatapos sa pagbanggit ng cash at assets. Ang katapat nitong bahagi — ang Liabilities (mga utang at obligasyon) at Net Assets (tunay na halaga matapos ibawas ang mga utang) — ay napakahalaga din.

Kung hindi ito isasapubliko, may panganib na maipinta ang isang hindi lubos na totoo o balanseng larawan ng kalagayang pinansyal ng pamahalaang lungsod.

Maaaring may cash nga, pero baka may maraming pinaggastusan o may malalaking obligasyon din. O baka naman walang masyadong utang, at lalong dapat papurihan ang dating

pamunuan.

Ngunit hindi natin malalaman hangga't hindi kumpleto ang ulat.

ANG TRANSPARENCY AY HINDI DAPAT SELECTIVE

Sa panahong mataas ang antas ng kawalan ng tiwala sa mga institusyon, ang transparency ang pundasyon ng tiwala ng mamamayan.

Ang pagbibigay-linaw at buong ulat — hindi pilí — ang magtitiyak na ang anumang pahayag ay hindi spin kundi katotohanan.

Kaya naman, marapat ipanawagan — hindi upang manira o pumabor sa sinuman — kundi upang panatilihin ang kredibilidad ng anumang ulat pinansyal.

Sa mga kinauukulan, sa dati o kasalukuyang administrasyon, ilathala po ninyo ang buong COA Report, o hindi man, ang kumpletong Statement of Financial Position ng Angeles City.

Hindi po ito usapin ng politika, kundi usapin ng pananagutan at bukas na pamahalaan.

Sa huli, sa kabila ng iba't ibang pananaw, iisa ang interes nating lahat — ang kapakanan ng ating lungsod.

REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES
THIRD JUDICIAL REGION
REGIONAL TRIAL COURT
OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF COURT
ANGELES CITY

JEFFREY G. PONCE,
married to RIGGIE M. PONCE
Mortgagee,

EXTRAJUDICIAL FORECLOSURE
UNDER ACT NO. 3135 AS UNDER
ACT NO. 3135 AS AMENDED

- versus -

F.C. CASE NO. 2025-0132

PULCROM REALTY DEVELOPMENT
CORPORATION, represented by its
president, MARIA RAMONA TIGLAO-
MILLAN
Mortgagor.

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NOTICE OF SHERIFF’S SALE

Upon extrajudicial application for sale under Act 3135, as amended
filed by the Mortgagee, **JEFFREY G. PONCE, married to RIGGIE
M. PONCE, with postal address at No. 6021, Azucena Street,
Timog Park Subdivision, Brgy. Pampang, Angeles City,** against the
Mortgagor, **PULCROM REALTY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION
with principal office address at Royal Garden Estate, Friendship
Highway, Circumferential Road, Brgy. Cutcut, Angeles City,** is
represented herein by its president **MARIA RAMONA TIGLAO-MILLAN
with residence address at 63-2, Ilang-Ilang Street, Timog Park
Subdivision, Angeles City.** In order to satisfy the mortgage debts which
as of January 5, 2025 amounting to **EIGHT MILLION FOUR HUNDRED
NINETY-SIX THOUSAND PESOS (P8,496,000.00),** Philippine Currency,
principal balance including the accrued interest allowed by law but excluding
attorney’s fee and legal expenses, the undersigned Sheriff IV hereby gives
notice and announces that on **September 17, 2025 at 10:00 o’clock in
the morning at Municipal Trial Court (MTC), Porac, Pampanga, Floor
Municipal Hall Bldg., F. Ortigas St., Poblacion, Porac, Pampanga**
will sell all public auction for **CASH AND MANAGER’S CHECK** and in
Philippine Currency, the following parcel of lands with all the existing and
future improvements thereon, to wit:

TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. 714518-R

“A PARCEL OF LAND (LOT 319 OF THE SUBD. PLAN PSD-03-
068995, BEING A PORTION OF LOT 270 PSD-035415-061577, LRC.
REC. NO.), SITUATED IN THE BRGY. PLANAS, MUN. OF PORAC,
PROV. OF PAMP. BOUNDED ON THE SW., ALONG LINE 1-2 BY LOT
309; ON THE NW., ALONG LINE 2-3 BY LOT 310; ON THE NE., ALONG
LINE 3-5 BY LOT 318; ON THE SE., ALONG LINE 5-6 BY LOT 320; ON
THE SW., ALONG LINE 6-7 BY LOT 88, ROAD; ALONG LINE 7-1 BY LOT
309, ALL OF PSD-03-068995 (AR). xxx CONTAINING AN AREA OF
TWENTY-ONE THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED THIRTY-NINE (21,539)
SQUARE METERS, MORE OR LESS. xxx

TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. 714451-R

“A PARCEL OF LAND (LOT 264 OF THE SUBD. PLAN. PSD-03-
068995, BEING A PORTION OF LOT 270 PSD-035415-061577, LRC.
REC. NO.), SITUATED IN BRGY. PLANAS, MUN. OF PORAC, PROV.
OF PAMP. BOUNDED ON THE NE., ALONG LINE 1-2 BY LOT 265, ON
THE SE., ALONG LINE 2-5 BY LOT 263, ON THE SW., ALONG LINE
5-6 BY PROPERTY OF JOSE GIL; ON THE NW., ALONG LINE 6-1 BY
LOT 266, ALL OF PS0-03-068995 (AR). xxx CONTAINING AN AREA
OF ELEVEN THOUNSDAND ONE HUNDRED FORTY-SEVEN (11,147)
SQUARE METERS, MORE OR LESS. xxx

TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. 714485-R

“A PARCEL OF LAND (LOT 318 OF THE SUBD. PLAN PSD-03-
068995, BEING A PORTION OF LOT 270 PSD-035415-061577, LRC.
REC. NO.), SITUATED IN THE BRGY. PLANAS, MUN. OF PORAC,
PROV. OF PAMP. BOUNDED ON THE NE., ALONG LINE 1-2 BY LOT 317;
ON THE SE., ALONG LINE 2-3 BY LOT 387; ON THE SW., ALONG LINE
3-4 BY LOT 320; ALONG LINE 4-6 BY LOT 319; ON THE NW., ALONG
LINE 6-1 BY LOT 311, ALL OF PSD-03-068995. xxx CONTAINING AN
AREA OF TWENTY-FIVE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED FOUR
(25,804) SQUARE METERS, MORE OR LESS. xxx

Prospective buyers/bidders may investigate for themselves the above-
mentioned parcel of land for their information and protection.

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, it
shall be held on **October 15, 2025** at the same place without further notice.

Angeles City, July 7, 2025.

DANICA C. DIONICIO
Sheriff IV

Copy Furnished:

JEFFREY G. PONCE married to
RICGIE M. PONCE
Mortgagee
6021 Azucena St., Timog Park Subd.,
Brgy. Pampang, Angeles City

PULCROM REALTY DEVELOPMENT
CORPORATION, represented by its president,
MARIA RAMONA TIGLAO-MILLAN
Mortgagor,
Royal Garden Estate, Friendship Highway,
Circumferential Road, Brgy. Cutcut, Angeles City or
63-2, Ilang-Ilang Street, Timog Park Subdivision, Angeles City

Punto! Central Luzon August 4,11 & 18, 2025

REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES
REGIONAL TRIAL COURT
THIRD JUDICIAL REGION
BRANCH 58
ANGELES CITY
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IN THE MATTER OF PETITION FOR
CORRECTION OF ENTRIES NO. 1 AND
13 IN THE CERTIFICATE OF LIVE BIRTH
OF KRISTAL MAYE BRIONES BONUS
with REGISTRY NO. 2000-3451 AND
CANCELLATION OF HER CERTIFICATE
OF LIVE BIRTH with REGISTRY NO.
2019-13515,

KRISTAL MAYE BRIONES BONUS,
Petitioner,

-versus-

EDWIN L. MALLARI, EMETERIO U.
AMAT, JOLLY B. AMAT, JENALYN B.
AMAT, ANALIZA B. AMAT, SHERWIN
B. MALLARI, SHERWINA B. MALLARI,
CHEENIE M. BUTALON, KRICEL
ANNE BRIONES, THE LOCAL CIVIL
REGISTRAR OF ANGELES CITY, THE
LOCAL CIVIL REGISTRAR OF CITY
OF SAN FERNANDO, PAMPANGA,
THE NATIONAL STATISTICIAN AND
CIVIL REGISTRAR-GENERAL OF THE
PHILIPPINE STATISTICS AUTHORITY,
AND ALL PERSONS IN INTEREST WHO
MAY BE AFFECTED THEREBY,
Respondents.

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ORDER

The court notes and admits into the records the Amended Petition
dated July 4, 2025, filed on July 7, 2025, pursuant to the Order dated June
9, 2025.

In her verified Amended Petition for correction of entries in certificate of
live birth and cancellation of second certificate of live birth, petitioner Kristal
Maye Briones Bonus (Kristal Maye) prays that after due notice and hearing,
judgment be rendered:

During registration, petitioner was told that she could not use her father
(Edwin)’s surname, Mallari, because her parents were not married. Thus,
she dropped the “Mallari” and officially started using “Kristal Maye Briones”
- under which her Certificate of Live Birth (San Fernando Birth Certificate)
was registered and issued by the Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA).

On December 18, 2021, the Petitioner, using the name Kristal Maye
Briones, got married to Prince Jessie A. Bonus. Consequently, Petitioner’s
name became “Kristal Maye Briones Bonus”.

Sometime in 2024, Petitioner’s twin sister informed her that, in the
Office of the Civil Registrar of Angeles City, there were Certificates of Live
Birth that were first registered under the names “Angelika Briones Amat”
and “Angela Briones Amat” - apparently pertaining to the Petitioner and her
twin sister, respectively.

The Petitioner was shocked to discover the existence of the Angeles
Birth Certificate, as she knows her name to be “Kristal Maye Briones” and
not “Angelika Briones Amat”. Even more shocking was the revelation that
the father indicated on said Angeles Birth Certificate was someone named
“Emiteryo U. Amat” (Emiteryo) - who was certainly not the father (Edwin)
she knew and grew up with and was a stranger to her.

Later, Petitioner found out that Emitteryo was her mother’s legal
husband and the biological father of her half-blood older siblings, Jolly
Briones Amat (Jolly), Jenalyn Briones Amat, and Analiza Briones Amat.

The Petitioner has never seen or met Emitteryo in her entire life until
recently, on February 6, 2025. As aforementioned, Petitioner has always
known Edwin to be her biological father since birth.

After discovering the Angeles Birth Certificate, Petitioner asked her
father, Edwin, about the discrepancies in her two birth certificates since
she could no longer ask her mother, Shirley, who passed away on January
6, 2009.

Edwin was also shocked to learn about the existence of a Certificate of
Live Birth under the name “Angelika Briones Amat”, yet he readily affirmed
and assured Petitioner and her twin sister that “siguradu ku, anak da kayu”
(I am sure you are my children).

To provide relief and peace of mind to the Petitioner, she and Edwin
underwent DNA testing at the EasyDNA, a DNA Diagnostics Center, in
Angeles City, where the results yielded a 99.998% probability of paternity.

Assured by the results, Petitioner sought legal help to start the process
of cancelling her San Fernando Birth Certificate and to correct her Angeles
Birth Certificate as advised by the PSA upon discovery of the existence of
the latter birth certificate.

As such, the Petitioner and her twin sister called their eldest half-blood
sibling, Jolly, to inform her about the existence and contents of the Angeles
Birth Certificate and to enlist her help in contacting Emitteryo.

Shocked by the revelation, Jolly readily called her biological father,
Emiteryo, and informed him about Petitioner’s Angeles Birth Certificate.
She then helped and accompanied Petitioner and her twin sister to
personally meet Emitteryo (later found to be “Emeterio”) on February 6,
2025.

Emeterio was also shocked to learn about the existence of the Angeles
Birth Certificate and affirmed that he was not the biological father of
Petitioner and her twin sister.

The existence of the Angeles Birth Certificate at the records of
respondents affects the Petitioner’s identity given the fact that her name
ever since she was a child is “Kristal Maye Briones Mallari” and her
biological father is, in fact, Mr. Edwin L. Mallari and not Mr. Emeterio U.
Amat.

Based on the foregoing, it is evident that although the San Fernando
Birth Certificate of the Petitioner reflects her correct name (using her
mother’s surname) and filiation, it is void there being a previously registered
birth certificate, and that it was erroneously filed in a place other than the
Petitioner’s actual place of birth. On the other hand, the Angeles Birth
Certificate was filed in the correct place of birth but erroneously reflects,
her name and her true filiation;

Petitioner now seeks not only to correct the name of her biological father
(Edwin L. Mallari), but also to correct her name and use Edwin’s surname,
and be henceforth legally known as “Kristal Maye Briones Mallari (as her
maiden name) and “Kristal Maye Mallari Bonus (as her married name).

Petitioner declares that the instant petition is not in any way filed to
mislead the public or for any other fraudulent purposes and does not in any
way prejudice public interest.

Finding the Petition to be sufficient in form and substance, the court
hereby SETS the case for initial hearing on October 15, 2025 at 1:30 in

R-ANG-25-01556-SP
For: Petition for
Correction of Entries in
Certificate of Live Birth
and Cancellation of
Second Certificate
of Live Birth

The material allegations of the Amended Petition states:

Petitioner Kristal Maye was born on April 11, 2000 in Angeles City,
Pampanga to parents, Shirley C. Briones (Shirley) and Edwin L. Mallari
(“Edwin”). She was named and thus had been using the name “Kristal
Maye” from birth.

On May 26, 2000, Petitioner was baptized under the name “Kristal
Maye Briones”.
When Petitioner started schooling, she used the name “Kristal Maye
Briones Mallari” until she graduated in high school.

The Petitioner has been using the name “Kristal Maye Briones Mallari”
in both public and private transactions. She is known by her siblings,
respondents Sherwin, Sherwina, and Cheenie, and their community by
this name.

Likewise, the Petitioner’s father, Edwin, has been known as her
biological father since her birth. This fact is also known by her siblings and
their community.

Sometime in November 2019, Petitioner, along with her twin sister,
Kricel Anne, went to SM Downtown (Customer Service) in the City of
San Fernando, Pampanga to obtain their respective Certificates of Live
Birth, as Petitioner and her twin were planning to get married with their
respective partners soon. However, the twins were informed that they had
no Certificates of Live Birth recorded therein.

Thus, the twins went to the Office of the Civil Registrar of the City of San
Fernando, Pampanga, to late-register their birth, so that their respective
Certificates of Live Birth would be issued.

More, the court directs the petitioner to serve copies of the Petition and
its annexes upon the Office of the Solicitor General, the Philippine Statistics
Authority, and the Office of the Local Civil Registrars of Angeles City and
City of San Fernando, Pampanga and to each of the private respondents,
within five (5) calendar days from receipt of this Order, and submit proof of
their compliance within three (3) calendar days from completion of service.

In turn, the court directs the Office of the Solicitor General to enter its
appearance in this case for the State within seventy-two (72) hours from
receipt of the Petition and its annexes.

Finally, the court notes the Compliance with Manifestation of Petitioner
stating, through their Joint Affidavit of No Relation, that they are not related
to the branch clerk of court.

Serve copies of this Order upon the petitioner and his counsel, the
Office of the Solicitor General, the Philippine Statistics Authority, the Office
of the Local Civil Registrars of Angeles City and City of San Fernando,
Pampanga, to each of the private respondents and to the Office of the Clerk
of Court, Regional Trial Court, Angeles City.

SO ORDERED,

Angeles City, July 16, 2025.

RIGOR RAYMUNDO PASCUAL
Acting Presiding Judge

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Angeles City Hall, Pulung Maragul, Angeles City

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OCC-RTC OF ANGELES CITY

Punto! Central Luzon August 4,11 & 18, 2025

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NOTICE OF EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT

Notice is hereby given that the heirs of **CESAR CONSTANTINO** who died on February 18, 2002 at Concepcion, Tarlac; executed an Affidavit of Extrajudicial Settlement on his/her estate; and and more particularly described as a parcel of land (Lot 10, of the Consolidation Subdivision Plan Pcs-03-006481 being a portion of consolidated of Lots 4383-F-1A to C, Psd-03-030696 and Lots 4383-F-2-A to J, Psd-03-031398, L.R.C. Rec. No.), situated in the Barrio Pulungbulu, Municipality of San Fernando, Province of Pampanga; containing an area of One Hundred Thirty Nine (139) square meters; and covered by Transfer Certificate of Title No. 042-2013012993; before Notary Public Atty. Michael Paul A. Escoto, as per Doc. No. 1412, Page No. 74, Book No. III, Series of 2025.

Punto! Central Luzon: August 4, 11 & 18, 2025

NOTICE OF EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT

Notice is hereby given that the heirs of **CLAY CLEVELAND RICE** who died on October 24, 2024 at Angeles City; executed an Affidavit of Extrajudicial Settlement with Waiver of Rights on his/her estate; and more particularly described as a parcel of land (Lot 9, Block 216 of the consolidation-subdivision plan Pcs-03-009243, being a portion of consolidated lot of Block 17, Psd-03-084472, lot 1-G, Psd-03-092530, lot 74-D-3, Psd-03-091246, L.R.C. Rec. No.), situated in the Barrio of Capaya, Angeles City; containing an area of One Hundred Eighty-Eight (188) Square meters; and covered by Transfer Certificate of Title No. 125859 of the Registry of Deeds of Angeles City; before Notary Public Atty. Arnel S. Santos, as per Doc. No. 189, Page No. 37, Book No. XLII, Series of 2025.

Punto! Central Luzon: August 4, 11 & 18, 2025

NOTICE OF EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT

Notice is hereby given that the heirs of **FERNANDO ANUNCIACION** who died on February 28, 2006 at 3613 Taal St., talimundok, Dau, Mabalacat City, Pampanga; executed an Affidavit of Extrajudicial Settlement with Absolute Sale on his estate; and more particularly described as a parcel of land (Lot 6, Block 13 of the subd., plan Psd-25790, being a portion of lot 2, blk. 9 described on plan Psd-16067, L.R.C. (CLRO) Rec. No.), situated in the Barrio of Dau, Mun. Mabalacat, Province of Pampanga; containing an area of One Hundred Eighty-Eight (188) Square meters; and covered by Transfer Certificate of Title No. 198616-R; before Notary Public Atty. Carlota Dela Cruz-Manalo, as per Doc. No. 294, Page No. 60, Book No. 110, Series of 2025.

Punto! Central Luzon: August 4, 11 & 18, 2025

NOTICE OF EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT

Notice is hereby given that the heirs of **PERFECTO CANLAS JR.,** who died on April 25, 2025 in Angeles City; executed an Affidavit of Extrajudicial Settlement with Waiver of Rights on his estate; and at the time of his death he left behind a certain bank account jointly held with his spouse, Leticia Lumbang-Canlas, under a joint "AND/OR" account with the Bank Name Philippine National Bank (PNB), Branch Sto. Rosario Branch, Angeles City, Account Name of Perfecto Canlas Jr., and or Leticia Lumbang Canlas with Account Number 2026-6007-9903 & Type of Account Dollar Savings Account; before Notary Public Atty. Arnold M. Pamintuan, as per Doc. No. 208, Page No. 043, Book No. I, Series of 2025.

Punto! Central Luzon: August 4, 11 & 18, 2025

NOTICE OF EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT

Notice is hereby given that the heirs of **ROSARIO DAAG DUEÑAS** who died on November 30, 2021 in Gagua, Pampanga; executed an Affidavit of Extrajudicial Settlement on his/ her estate; and at the time of her death, she was an account holder of China Banking Corporation (San Fernando Branch) with Savings Account No. 107702034654, with a closing balance of Fifty-Three Thousand One Hundred Fifty-Eight and 18/100 pesos only (P53,158.18); before Notary Public Atty. Ryann T. Rueda, as per Doc. No. 515, Page No. 104, Book No. LXXXIV, Series of 2025.

Punto! Central Luzon: August 4, 11 & 18, 2025

NOTICE OF EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT

Notice is hereby given that the heirs of **RUFINO BULANADI SIGUA** who died on August 21, 2017 in Angeles City, Pampanga; executed an Affidavit of Extrajudicial Settlement with Waiver and Renunciation of Rights on his/her estate; and more particularly described as a parcel of land (Lot 27, Block 5, of the subdivision plan Psd-035401-062833, being a portion of Lot 3, Pcs-03-000549, L.R.C. Rec. No.), situated in the Barrio of Cutcut, Angeles City; containing an area of One Hundred Fifty One (151) Square meters; and covered by Transfer Certificate of Title No. 108247; before Notary Public Atty. Rochelle V. Lorenzo, as per Doc. No. 1381, Page No. 105, Book No. XX, Series of 2025.

Punto! Central Luzon: August 4, 11 & 18, 2025

NOTICE OF EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT

Notice is hereby given that the heirs of **SPS. JESUS D. GOMEZ** and **MARCELA G. GOMEZ** who died on September 4, 2004 and on May 11, 2009 both in Angeles City; executed an Affidavit of Extrajudicial Settlement on his/her estate; and at the time of their death, the decedents left as their lone estate a house and lot described and identified under "ARP No. (Lot): 2009-00021-00401, Property Index No. (Lot): 205-00-021-06-41", located at Lot 4383-F-1-A, Roseville Subdivision, Pulungbulu, City of San Fernando, Pampanga; before Notary Public Atty. Arnel S. Santos, as per Doc. No. 289, Page No. 57, Book No. XXXIII, Series of 2021.

Punto! Central Luzon: August 4, 11 & 18, 2025

NOTICE OF EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT

Notice is hereby given that the heirs of **RICARDO ENGUENCO SANTOS** and **ANGELINA TUAZON SANTOS** who died on April 30, 2011, and April 20, 2019 in Angeles City; executed an Affidavit of Extrajudicial Settlement with Waiver and Renunciation of Rights on his/her estate and more particularly described as a parcel of land (Lot 6-8 of the subdivision plan (LRC) Psd-122497, being a portion of Lot 6, Block 10, (LRC) Psd-27625, LRC Rec. No. 8714) situated in the Barrio of Santo Domingo, City of Angeles, Island of Luzon; containing an area of Two Hundred Twenty-Four (224) square meters, more or less; and covered by Transfer Certificate of Title No. 045-2016007200; before Notary Public Atty. Michael C. Yabut, as per Doc. No. 307, Page No. 62, Book No. XLV, Series of 2025.

Punto! Central Luzon: July 21, 28 & August 4, 2025

NOTICE OF EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT

Notice is hereby given that the heirs of **RICARDO PARAS DE LUNA** who died on March 16, 2025, executed an Affidavit of Extrajudicial Settlement with Waiver of Rights on his estate and more particularly described as follows;

MAKE: Toyota

MODEL: 2021

DENOMINATION: Utility Vehicle

CERTIFICATE OF REG.: CR No. 41543055-1

MV FILE NO.: 0301-00001371117

CHASIS NO.: MHKM5EF2FLK027750

ENGINE NO.: 1NRG113678

PLATE NO.: CBL-8376

before Notary Public Atty. Allan M. Del Rosario, as per Doc. No. 411, Page No. 84, Book No. XVI, Series of 2025.

Punto! Central Luzon: August 4, 11 & 18, 2025

NOTICE OF EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT

Notice is hereby given that the heirs of **SOTERO CORDERO SALUNGA** who died on July 8, 2019, in Gandus, Mexico, Pampanga; executec an Affidavit of Extrajudicial Settlement with Absolute Sale on his estate and more particularly described as a parcel of land located in Brgy. Acili/SucIaban, Municipality of Mexico, Province of Pampanga, covered by Transfer Certificate of Title No. 042-2024010672 of the Registry of Deeds of Pampanga; with Lot no. 4-AH, Plan no. Psd-03-253659, Portion of Lot 4, Pcs-03-016188 with an area of Five Hundred seventy One Square Meters, more or less; before Notary Public Atty. Allan M. Del Rosario, as per Doc. No. 201, Page No. 42, Book No. XVI, Series of 2025.

Punto! Central Luzon: July 21, 28 & August 4, 2025

ERRATUM

In the Notice of Extra-Judicial Settlement of **CHUL WOO NAM** published on July 21, 28 & August 4, 2025 should be Dollars and not as earlier published.

Punto! Central Luzon: August 4, 2025

NOTICE OF EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT

Notice is hereby given that the heirs of **SPOUSES ANA MARIE RODRIGUEZ-ASIS & DOMINADOR S. ASIS, JR.** who died on May 13, 1994 and July 1, 2001; executed an Affidavit of Extrajudicial Settlement on his/her estate and more particularly described as follows;

TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. 042-2022010955

Registry of Deeds for San Fernando, Pampanga

It is hereby certified that certain land situated in Barangay Marimla, Municipality of Porac, Province of Pampanga, Island of Luzon, bounded and described as follows;

Lot No: R-1, Plan No: Psd-03-245612

Portion of: Lot R, Psd-03-212392 (AR)

Location: Barangay Marimla, Municipality of Porac, Province of Pampanga

Area: Two Hundred Ninety Eight (298) Square Meters, More or Less

TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. 042-2022010956

Registry of Deeds for San Fernando, Pampanga

It is hereby certified that certain land situated in Barangay Marimla, Municipality of Porac, Province of Pampanga, Island of Luzon, bounded and described as follows;

Lot No: R-2, Plan No: Psd-03-245612

Portion of: Lot R, Psd-03-212392 (AR)

Location: Barangay Marimla, Municipality of Porac, Province of Pampanga

Area: Three Hundred (300) Square Meters, More or Less

TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. 042-2022010957

Registry of Deeds for San Fernando, Pampanga

It is hereby certified that certain land situated in Barangay Marimla, Municipality of Porac, Province of Pampanga, Island of Luzon, bounded and described as follows;

Lot No: R-3, Plan No: Psd-03-245612

Portion of: Lot R, Psd-03-212392 (AR)

Location: Barangay Marimla, Municipality of Porac, Province of Pampanga

Area: Three Hundred (300) Square Meters, More or Less

TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. 042-2022010958

Registry of Deeds for San Fernando, Pampanga

It is hereby certified that certain land situated in Barangay Marimla, Municipality of Porac, Province of Pampanga, Island of Luzon, bounded and described as follows;

Lot No: R-4, Plan No: Psd-03-245612

Portion of: Lot R, Psd-03-212392 (AR)

Location: Barangay Marimla, Municipality of Porac, Province of Pampanga

Area: Three Hundred (300) Square Meters, More or Less

TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. 042-2022010959

Registry of Deeds for San Fernando, Pampanga

It is hereby certified that certain land situated in Barangay Marimla, Municipality of Porac, Province of Pampanga, Island of Luzon, bounded and described as follows;

Lot No: R-5, Plan No: Psd-03-245612

Portion of: Lot R, Psd-03-212392 (AR)

Location: Barangay Marimla, Municipality of Porac, Province of Pampanga

Area: Three Hundred (300) Square Meters, More or Less

TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. 042-2022010960

Registry of Deeds for San Fernando, Pampanga

It is hereby certified that certain land situated in Barangay Marimla, Municipality of Porac, Province of Pampanga, Island of Luzon, bounded and described as follows;

Lot No: R-6, Plan No: Psd-03-245612

Portion of: Lot R, Psd-03-212392 (AR)

Location: Barangay Marimla, Municipality of Porac, Province of Pampanga

Area: Five Hundred (500) Square Meters, More or Less

TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. 042-2022010961

Registry of Deeds for San Fernando, Pampanga

It is hereby certified that certain land situated in Barangay Marimla, Municipality of Porac, Province of Pampanga, Island of Luzon, bounded and described as follows;

Lot No: R-7, Plan No: Psd-03-245612

Portion of: Lot R, Psd-03-212392 (AR)

Location: Barangay Marimla, Municipality of Porac, Province of Pampanga

Area: Five Hundred (500) Square Meters, More or Less

TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. 042-2022010962

Registry of Deeds for San Fernando, Pampanga

It is hereby certified that certain land situated in Barangay Marimla, Municipality of Porac, Province of Pampanga, Island of Luzon, bounded and described as follows;

Lot No: R-8, Plan No: Psd-03-245612

Portion of: Lot R, Psd-03-212392 (AR)

Location: Barangay Marimla, Municipality of Porac, Province of Pampanga

Area: Five Hundred (500) Square Meters, More or Less

TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. 042-2022010963

Registry of Deeds for San Fernando, Pampanga

It is hereby certified that certain land situated in Barangay Marimla, Municipality of Porac, Province of Pampanga, Island of Luzon, bounded and described as follows;

Lot No: R-9, Plan No: Psd-03-245612

Portion of: Lot R, Psd-03-212392 (AR)

Location: Barangay Marimla, Municipality of Porac, Province of Pampanga

Area: Five Hundred (500) Square Meters, More or Less

TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. 042-2022010964

Registry of Deeds for San Fernando, Pampanga

It is hereby certified that certain land situated in Barangay Marimla, Municipality of Porac, Province of Pampanga, Island of Luzon, bounded and described as follows;

Lot No: R-10, Plan No: Psd-03-245612

Portion of: Lot R, Psd-03-212392 (AR)

Location: Barangay Marimla, Municipality of Porac, Province of Pampanga

Area: Five Hundred (500) Square Meters, More or Less

TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. 042-2022010965

Registry of Deeds for San Fernando, Pampanga

It is hereby certified that certain land situated in Barangay Marimla, Municipality of Porac, Province of Pampanga, Island of Luzon, bounded and described as follows;

ERRATUM

In the Notice of Extra-Judicial Settlement of **PABLO RODRIGUEZ** published on July 7, 14 & 21, 2025 should be Doc. No. 723, Page No. 67, Book No. 88, Series of 2024 and not as earlier published.

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Lot No: R-11, Plan No: Psd-03-245612

Portion of: Lot R, Psd-03-212392 (AR)

Location: Barangay Marimla, Municipality of Porac, Province of Pampanga

Area: Five Hundred (500) Square Meters, More or Less

TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. 042-2022010966

Registry of Deeds for San Fernando, Pampanga

It is hereby certified that certain land situated in Barangay Marimla, Municipality of Porac, Province of Pampanga, Island of Luzon, bounded and described as follows;

Lot No: R-12, Plan No: Psd-03-245612

Portion of: Lot R, Psd-03-212392 (AR)

Location: Barangay Marimla, Municipality of Porac, Province of Pampanga

Area: Five Hundred (500) Square Meters, More or Less

TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. 042-2022010967

Registry of Deeds for San Fernando, Pampanga

It is hereby certified that certain land situated in Barangay Marimla, Municipality of Porac, Province of Pampanga, Island of Luzon, bounded and described as follows;

Lot No: R-13, Plan No: Psd-03-245612

Portion of: Lot R, Psd-03-212392 (AR)

Location: Barangay Marimla, Municipality of Porac, Province of Pampanga

Area: Five Hundred (500) Square Meters, More or Less

TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. 042-2022010968

Registry of Deeds for San Fernando, Pampanga

It is hereby certified that certain land situated in Barangay Marimla, Municipality of Porac, Province of Pampanga, Island of Luzon, bounded and described as follows;

Lot No: R-14, Plan No: Psd-03-245612

Portion of: Lot R, Psd-03-212392 (AR)

Location: Barangay Marimla, Municipality of Porac, Province of Pampanga

Area: Five Hundred (500) Square Meters, More or Less

TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. 042-2022010969

Registry of Deeds for San Fernando, Pampanga

It is hereby certified that certain land situated in Barangay Marimla, Municipality of Porac, Province of Pampanga, Island of Luzon, bounded and described as follows;

Lot No: R-15, Plan No: Psd-03-245612

Portion of: Lot R, Psd-03-212392 (AR)

Location: Barangay Marimla, Municipality of Porac, Province of Pampanga

Area: Five Hundred (500) Square Meters, More or Less

TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. 042-2022010970

Registry of Deeds for San Fernando, Pampanga

It is hereby certified that certain land situated in Barangay Marimla, Municipality of Porac, Province of Pampanga, Island of Luzon, bounded and described as follows;

Lot No: R-16, Plan No: Psd-03-245612

Portion of: Lot R, Psd-03-212392 (AR)

Location: Barangay Marimla, Municipality of Porac, Province of Pampanga

Area: Three Hundred (300) Square Meters, More or Less

TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. 042-2022010971

Registry of Deeds for San Fernando, Pampanga

It is hereby certified that certain land situated in Barangay Marimla, Municipality of Porac, Province of Pampanga, Island of Luzon, bounded and described as follows;

Lot No: R-17, Plan No: Psd-03-245612

Portion of: Lot R, Psd-03-212392 (AR)

Location: Barangay Marimla, Municipality of Porac, Province of Pampanga

Area: Three Hundred (300) Square Meters, More or Less

TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. 042-2022010972

Registry of Deeds for San Fernando, Pampanga

It is hereby certified that certain land situated in Barangay Marimla, Municipality of Porac, Province of Pampanga, Island of Luzon, bounded and described as follows;

Lot No: R-18, Plan No: Psd-03-245612

Portion of: Lot R, Psd-03-212392 (AR)

Location: Barangay Marimla, Municipality of Porac, Province of Pampanga

Area: Three Hundred One (301) Square Meters, More or Less

TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. 042-2022010973

Registry of Deeds for San Fernando, Pampanga

It is hereby certified that certain land situated in Barangay Marimla, Municipality of Porac, Province of Pampanga, Island of Luzon, bounded and described as follows;

Lot No: R-19, Plan No: Psd-03-245612

Portion of: Lot R, Psd-03-212392 (AR)

Location: Barangay Marimla, Municipality of Porac, Province of Pampanga

Area: Eight Hundred Nineteen (819) Square Meters, More or Less

TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. 042-2022010974

Registry of Deeds for San Fernando, Pampanga

It is hereby certified that certain land situated in Barangay Marimla, Municipality of Porac, Province of Pampanga, Island of Luzon, bounded and described as follows;

Lot No: R-20, Plan No: Psd-03-245612

Portion of: Lot R, Psd-03-212392 (AR)

Location: Barangay Marimla, Municipality of Porac, Province of Pampanga

Area: Seven Thousand Nine Hundred Eighty Seven (7,987) Square Meters, More or Less

TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. 042-2022010975

Registry of Deeds for San Fernando, Pampanga

It is hereby certified that certain land situated in Barangay Marimla, Municipality of Porac, Province of Pampanga, Island of Luzon, bounded and described as follows;

Lot No: R-21 (R.O.W.) , Plan No: Psd-03-245612

Portion of: Lot R, Psd-03-212392 (AR)

Location: Barangay Marimla, Municipality of Porac, Province of Pampanga

Area: One Thousand Four Hundred Eighty Seven (1,487) Square Meters, More or Less

before Notary Public Atty. Jonathan Francis C. Nepomuceno, as per Doc. No. 264, Page No. 33, Book No. XVIII, Series of 2025.

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AC ramps up rescue operations in Balibago

ANGELES CITY -- The city social welfare and development office in collaboration with the Angeles City Tourist Information Visitors and Engagement (ACTIVE), successfully conducted a rescue operation along MacArthur Highway, Fields Avenue, and some secondary thoroughfares in Barangay Balibago, aimed at safeguarding minors and vulnerable individuals.

The operation on Aug. 1 resulted in the rescue of a total of 37 individuals, comprising minors and adults.

Among those rescued were 21 minors—six females and fifteen males—and 16 adults—11 females and five males.

The CSWDO said the operation was part of the ongoing efforts of Mayor Carmelo “Jon” Lazatin II’s administration to promote safety and protect the welfare of minors in the area known for nightlife and entertainment establishments. The team conducted a thorough assessment and intervention for all individuals found during the

operation.

Fifteen minors were brought to the Kanlungan Ng Kabataan Reformation Center for further assessment, counseling, and reformation programs aimed at reintegration and rehabilitation.

The remaining 22 individuals, including both minors and adults, were provided with initial warnings and advised on proper conduct and safety measures.

The measures undertaken are part of the city’s

broader initiatives to curb illegal activities and ensure a safer environment for both residents and visitors.

“We remain steadfast in our mission to protect our youth and maintain the integrity of our city,” said Mayor Lazatin in a statement. “These operations will continue regularly.”

The LGU encourages residents and visitors to report any suspicious activities and to cooperate with ongoing efforts to uphold public safety and order in Angeles City. *Angeles CIO*



NOTICE OF SELF-ADJUDICATION

Notice is hereby given that **CECILIA GAYLON LUTHER**, of legal age, Filipino Citizen, widowed, and with postal address at 30-24 Vienna St., Don Bonifacio, Subdivision, Pulung Maragul, Angeles City Philippines; and heirs of **JAMES HAMMOND LUTHER III**, born on February 23, 1947, who died on December 14, 2024 in the Medical City Clark, 100 Gatwick Gateway, Sabah Al Ahmad, GGLC, Industrial Estate 5, Clark Freeport Zone, Mabalacat City, Pampanga; executed an Affidavit of Self Adjudication on his estate; and more particularly described as follows;

a. A parcel of land with improvement located at Don Bonifacio Subdivision, Pulung Maragul, Angeles City, with a total area of Four Hundred Sixteen (416) Square Meters which is covered by Transfer Certificate of Title No. 045-2015013045 of the Register of Deeds of Angeles City;

b. A 2018 Toyota Innova with plate number CAM 1356 covered by Certificate of Registration No. 316975201;

c. US Dollar deposit with Unionbank Clark Branch under Account Number 13180000998 in relation to his Special Resident Retiree’s Visa No. M-033625;

before Notary Public Atty. Kim Cyrille Mei R. Basco, as per Doc. No. 296, Page No. 067, Book No. III, Series of 2025.

Punto! Central Luzon: August 4, 11 & 18, 2025

REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES
REGIONAL TRIAL COURT
THIRD JUDICIAL REGION
OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF COURT
ANGELES CITY

BDO UNIBANK INC.,
Represented by **LEINE A. DE CASTRO.**
Mortgagee,

FC Case No. 2025-0044

EXTRA JUDICIAL FORECLOSURE
PROCEEDINGS OF MORTGAGED
REAL PROPERTY UNDER ACT 3135
AS AMENDED BY ACT 4118

- versus -

FROILAN QUIZON PULMANO,
Mortgagors,
X ----- X

NOTICE OF EXTRA-JUDICIAL SALE

Upon extra-judicial petition for sale under Act 3135, as amended filed by the Mortgagee, **BDO UNIBANK INC., represented by LEINE A. DE CASTRO** with principal office address at 33’d Floor, BDO Corporate Center Ortigas, No. 12 ADB Avenue, Mandaluyong City, against the Mortgagor **FROILAN QUIZON PULMANO** with postal address/es at **(1) No. 365 Quezon New Valley Street, Mt. View Balibago, Angeles City, Pampanga;** **(2) Lot 7 Block 12 SMDC Cheerful Homes Brgy. Sta. Maria and Bundagul, Mabalacat City, Pampanga** in order to satisfy the outstanding mortgage debt which as of March 14, 2025 amounts to **TWO MILLION NINETY FOUR THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED ELEVEN PESOS AND 95/100 (Php2,094,111.95)**, Philippine Currency, principal including, interest, and other charges allowed by law, the undersigned Sheriff IV hereby gives notice and announces that on **August 27, 2025 at 10:00 o’clock** in the morning at the **Municipal Trial Court in Cities, Branch 1**, located at the **Bldg. 2 Unit 33, Great Mall of Central Luzon, Xevera Plaza, Mabalacat, Pampanga**, will sell at public auction for cash and in Philippine Currency, the following parcels of land with all existing and future improvements thereon, to wit:

TCT NO. 045-2022008147

LOT NO : 7, BLOCK NO 12, PLAN NO : PCS-03-021923
PORTION OF : LOT 2 TO 9, PCS-03-012744, LOT 188-D-7, PSD-03- 083529,
LOT 188-D-8-G AND LOT 188-D-8-1 (LRA)
PSD-414557 AND
LOT 13, (LRA) (continued on next page)
TECHNICAL DESCRIPTION (continued from page 1)
PCS-E2013000109
LOCATION: STA. MARIA, MABALACAT, PAMPANGA, LUZON

BOUNDARIES:		
LINE	DIRECTION	ADJOINING LOT(S)
1-2	SE	LOT 8, BLOCK 12, PCS-03- 021923
2-3	SW	LOT 9, BLOCK 12, PCS-03- 021923
3-4	SW	LOT 68, BLOCK 12, PCS-03- 021923
4-5	NW	LOT 6, BLOCK 12, PCS-03- 021923
5-1	NE	ROAD LOT 5 (6.50 M. WIDE), PCS-03-021923

TIE POINT: BBM NO. 13, CAD 93, MABALACAT CADASTRE XXXX
AREA: FIFTY SQUARE METERS (50), MORE OR LESS
DESCRIPTION OF CORNERS: ALL CORNERS ARE MARKED BY P.S. CYL. CONC. MONS. 15X40 CMS

Prospective buyers/bidders may investigate for themselves the above-mentioned parcel/s of land for their information and protection.

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, it shall be held on **September 23, 2025 at same time and place without further notice.**

Angeles City, April 2, 2025.

YVES GABRIEL V. GADIA
Sheriff IV

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BDO UNIBANK INC.,
LEINE DE CASTRO
33rd floor, BDO Corporate Center Ortigas
No 12 ADB Avenue, Mandaluyong City

FROILAN QUIZON PULMANO
(1) No. 365 Quezon New valley Street, MT. view. Balibago. AC
(2) Lot 7 Block 12 SMDC Cheerful Homes Brgy Sta. Maria and Bundagul, Mabt City, Pamp.

Punto! Central Luzon July 21, 28 & August 4, 2025

Arrested in entrapment, San Simon mayor is no stranger to tangling with the Anti-Graft Law

SAN SIMON, PAMPANGA – Today, Aug. 6, Mayor Abundio “JP” Punsalan Jr., is set to undergo inquest proceedings for graft and corruption in the wake of his arrest in an entrapment operation at a restaurant in Clark Freeport Zone yesterday, Aug. 5.

A post-operation report showed that the entrapment was conducted by the National Bureau of Investigation-Intelligence Service led by assistant director Noel C. Bocaling, with the assistance of the technical intelligence division, counter-terrorism division, criminal intelligence division, counter-intelligence division, intelligence research and analysis division, and the Pampanga District Office of the agency.



The operation reportedly stemmed from a complaint of Real Steel Corp., an investor in San Simon, alleging Punsalan was asking for P80 million – an initial P30 million, and the remaining P50 million in installment – in exchange for a local government resolution favorable to the company.

Punsalan and his alleged cohort, identified as a certain Dr. Ed Ryan Dimla alias Doctor Yang, were arrested in the act of receiving the initial P30 million payment.

Also taken into custody by the NBI was a security personnel of the mayor after he yielded firearms and live ammunitions which will be subjected to verification.

The NBI said Punsalan and Dimla will face charges

for violation of RA 3019 (Anti-Graft and Corrupt Practices Act), among other violations of the Revised Penal Code.

SUSPENSION VETERAN

The entrapment is only the latest in Punsalan’s brushes with RA 3019.

On June 24, 2024, the mayor was served with a 60-day preventive suspension order by the provincial government.

Signed by then-Gov. Dennis “Delta” Pineda, the order was based on Sangguniang Panlalawigan Resolution 8538 dated April 29, 2024 recommending suspension on the grounds of Administrative Case No. 01-2024 against Punsalan for alleged “gross neglect of

duty, grave abuse of authority, gross misconduct in the performance of duty, and violation of the Anti-Graft and Corrupt Practices Act (RA 3019)."

The suspension was intended to ensure that the ongoing case against Punsalan “will remain unbiased and uninfluenced.”

In June 2023, Punsalan, along with Vice Mayor Romanoel “Dading” Santos and five members of the sangguniang bayan were suspended by the Office of the Ombudsman for “simple neglect of duty and simple misconduct” in the reclassification of a parcel of land in 2020.

On July 9, 2021, the Department of the Interior and Local Government served Punsalan a six-month

suspension order after the Sangguniang Panlalawigan of Pampanga found him and five other councilors guilty of “dishonesty, grave misconduct in office, gross negligence, gross dereliction of duty, and grave abuse of authority” over the purchase of that parcel of land near the municipal hall in 2020.

On Nov. 6, 2020, Governor Pineda ordered the two-month preventive suspension of Punsalan Jr. and councilors Romanoel Santos, Mark Macapagal, Irene Dagdag, Randell Bondoc, Archiebald Basilio, and Alekseyevich Vergara on the strength of SP Resolution No. 5529 arising from the same administrative case over the land purchase.

Punto News Team



Cong Pogi wants expanded mental health coverage from PhilHealth

ANGELES CITY -- Pampanga 1st District Rep. Carmelo “Pogi” Lazatin, Jr. is seeking mental health emergency, psychiatric, and neurological services to be included in the PhilHealth Mental Health Benefit Package for Out-Patient, through House Bill No. 2933, “Expanding The Primary Care Package Under PhilHealth To Include Benefit Package For Mental Health And For Other Purposes,” which he filed on Aug. 4.

“There is a dearth of mental health services including hospitals and facilities in the country for individuals facing mental health challenges,” said Lazatin in the bill’s explanatory note.

The current benefit packages for out-patient offered by PhilHealth amounts to P9,000 for General Health Services and P16,000 for Specialty Health Services annually.

Lazatin notes that due to the expensive treatment for mental health disorders, the current benefit package is not enough; hence, the need to expand its coverage

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Crypto scam hub busted in Clark, 27 Chinese nationals arrested

CITY OF SAN FERNANDO – Police uncovered a suspected cryptocurrency scam and illegal offshore gaming operation at the Clark Freeport with the arrest on Aug. 5 of 27 Chinese nationals and the discovery of eight Filipina women allegedly working in online scam activities.

Acting on Mission Order No. 2025-195 dated July 25, 2025 issued by the Fugitive Search Unit-Bureau of Immigration, Police Regional Office 3,

together with the BI and military intelligence units conducted a predawn raid on a resort compound along Jose Abad Santos Avenue in the freeport.

Twenty-four Chinese nationals, 22 males and two females were caught in the act of operating a cryptocurrency investment scam hub, and eight Filipina women were also discovered on site, police said.

An hour later, a follow-up operation under Mission Order No.

2025-219 dated August 4, 2025 also issued by the FSU-BID was conducted at Unit 31, Clark Hills Village D, Sacobia Street, resulting in the arrest of three more Chinese nationals engaged in phishing and other scam-related activities. Dozens of computer workstations and electronic devices were seized and are now undergoing forensic examination, police said.

In a statement, PRO3 director BGen. Ponce

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DUGONG TSINO, PUSONG PINOY
TARLAC CITY – The Central-Northern Luzon Filipino-Chinese Hiap Ho Grand Mason and Fraternity Association Inc. brings its outreach program to this city with sacks of premium rice turned over to Mayor Susan Yap. “Maraming salamat po sa inyong bukas-palad na suporta at donasyon sa panahon ng kalamidad. Malaking tulong po ito sa ating mga kababayan sa Lungsod ng Tarlac,” Yap said in gratitude. **CONTRIBUTED PHOTOS**

NOTICE OF DISSOLUTION

NOTICE is hereby given that the Board of Directors and shareholders of **PRIME CITADEL REALTY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION**, a Philippine Corporation with registration number CS2023080112908-07 with address at Lots 13, 15, 16 Grand Bldg, F-ship Hiway, Anunas, Angeles City has approved the Amended Articles of Incorporation to change its corporate term of its existence until August 30, 2025. Threafter the corporation shall de deemed dissolved without any further legal proceedings. Parties having claims againsts the said corporation are hereby notified to present the same to Ms. Josephine V.J. Marfa at Brgy. Anunas, Angeles City,This notice is being issued to inform the public and all concerned parties who may have legal claims against the said corporation.

JOSEPHINE V.J. MARFA
Corporate Secretary


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Cong Pogi wants...


FROM PAGE 10
to include other services in order to make a significant impact in addressing mental health concerns. The issue of mental health has always been front and center for Lazatin. During his time as mayor of Angeles City, Lazatin implemented a rescue program for mentally-challenged individuals roaming the streets of the city. Upon rescue, the individuals were brought to third-party private mental health institutions and underwent treatment, paid for by the city government. From 2020 to June 2025, when Lazatin stepped down as mayor, the city government rescued and sponsored the treatment of 210 mentally-challenged individuals. **Team Lazatin-PR**

Crypto scam...

FROM PAGE 10
Rogelio Peñones Jr. commended the successful operation as part of the government's broader crackdown on transnational cybercrime and illegal Philippine Offshore Gaming Operators. “These operations are a testament to our intensified campaign against transnational cybercrimes and illegal POGO activities. We are sending a clear message—Central Luzon is not a haven for scammers and exploiters,” said Peñones. “I commend the FSU-BID, RID, RSOG3, and all partner agencies for their swift and coordinated action. We will continue to work relentlessly to protect our communities and extend appropriate support to those exploited by these syndicates.” **Punto News Team/PRO-3**



Republic of the Philippines
Department of Environment and Natural Resources
ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT BUREAU
Region III – Central Luzon



NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

This is to inform the public that the Local Government Unit (LGU) of Masinloc, Zambales has submitted an Environmental Performance Report and Management Plan (EPRMP) for the Improvement of Baloganon-Coto, Taltal Farm-to-Market Road (FMR) project located in Barangay Baloganon and Barangay Taltal, Masinloc, Zambales.

Relative to this, notice is hereby given to all parties who wish to comment or raise concerns on the Environmental Performance Report and Management Plan (EPRMP) on the following date, time, and venue:

DATE	TIME	VENUE
August 20, 2025 (Wednesday)	01:00PM Registration starts at 12:30PM	Conference Room of Masinloc Municipal Hall, Zambales


The Public Hearing is being conducted as part of the review of the EIS Outline. We provided below the relevant project information:

Project Name	IMPROVEMENT OF BALOGANON-COTO, TALTAL FARM-TOMARKET ROAD (FMR) PROJECT		
Project Location	Barangay Baloganon and Barangay Taltal, Masinloc, Zambales		
Project Type	Road Project		
Project Length	26,070.35 linear meters		
Project Rationale	The proposed 26.21-kilometer farm-to-market road in Masinloc, Zambales, is a vital infrastructure project designed to address longstanding challenges faced by local farmers, traders, and residents in rural areas. Currently, the lack of a reliable and accessible road network hinders the efficient transportation of agricultural products from farms to markets, resulting in high transportation costs, significant post-harvest losses, and reduced profitability for local farmers. This project is essential for fostering socio-economic development in the region by improving rural accessibility, boosting agricultural productivity, and enhancing the quality of life for the local population.		
Project Components	COMPONENT	NO. OF UNITS	Total Size/ Capacity
	Main Road Infrastructure Improvement	1	26,070.35 linear meters
	Bridge Improvement	11	138.49 linear meters
	Drainage System		
	1.0 Box Culvert (1.54m x 1.54m)	10	
	a. Single Barrel	7	
	b. Double Barrel	3	
	2.0 Lined Canal	75	12,302.02 linear meters
	3.0 Catch Basin	14	
	Retaining Wall	49	2,054.28 linear meters
	Road Signages		
	1.0 Danger/Warning Signs (60cm Triangle)	50	
	2.0 Regulatory Signs (60cm Triangle)	50	
	3.0 Informative Signs (18" x 24")	50	
Proponent	Portable Toilets	20	
	Materials Recovery Facility	1	12 square meters
Proponent	Local Government Unit (LGU) of Masinloc, Zambales		

We encourage all interested and concerned parties who want to participate at the Public Hearing to confirm their attendance by sending an e-mail to records3@emb.gov.ph. Parties may also send their position paper or comments to records3@emb.gov.ph at least three days before the Public Hearing schedule. Those who will not be able register or submit written comments or position papers will be given opportunity to be heard during the Public Hearing.


The EIA Study is posted at the EMB Region 3 website (<https://r3.emb.gov.ph/>) and copies will be available at Masinloc Municipal Hall, Zambales.

For further details, please contact the Clearance and Permitting Division at (045)-963-3623 local 106 or 114.



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Republic of the Philippines
Department of Finance
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Tarlac City, Extension Office
2nd Floor Tarlac City Legislative Building, Tarlac City
Philippines



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SEC Case No: TAREO 2024-05-002
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IN THE MATTER OF:

PETITION
FOR REVIVAL OF CORPORATE EXISTENCE

Petitioner RIVERSIDE ESTATE REALTY INC represented by its Corporate Secretary, Soledad O. Flores, and unto this Honorable Commission, most respectfully manifests that:

- Petitioner is a duly registered corporation under the Philippine Laws, with **SEC Registration No 34246** dated **January 25,1968** and with principal office address at **1251 Miranda St. Angeles City**
- Petitioner's Certificate of Registration was revoked/suspended by virtue of SEC Order dated **May 22, 2003**.
- Petitioner's term expired last **January 26, 2018**.
- Petitioner has no intention to violate the law and any SEC rules and regulations; 5.
- Petitioner shall henceforth submit reportorial requirements religiously;
- The revival of Petitioner's corporate term was approved by a vote by at least majority at the special joint meeting of the stockholders and Board of Directors during its meeting held on **March 26, 2024** at its principal office.
- Resolved that the corporation's expired corporate term be revived through the filing of a petition for Revival with Securities and Exchange Commission.
- That there has been no change in the composition of the stockholders from the date of expiration of its corporate term up to the date of the Joint Meeting's approval of the resolution to file the Petition for Revival of Corporate Existence.
- That, as of the date of filing of the Petition for Revival, no action or proceeding has been filed or is pending before any court or tribunal involving an intra-corporate dispute or claim by any person or group against the directors, officer, or stockholders of the Corporation.
- That the revival of Petitioner's corporate term shall not cause damage, loss, or injury to any third person or any government agency.
- That the petitioner has not undergone a liquidation proceeding prior to the petition.
- The petitioner undertakes to change its corporate name within thirty days [30] days from the issuance of its Certificate of Revival of Corporate Existence if said corporate name has already been validly reused and / or used by another existing corporation.
- Petitioner attaches the following documentary requirements in support of its application:
 - Annex A – Verification with Certificate of Non-Forum Shopping
 - Annex B – Director's Certificate
 - Annex C – Revived Articles of Incorporation
 - Annex D – Notarized list of Stockholders as of March 26, 2024
 - Annex E – General Information Sheet as per date of approval Revival as of March 26, 2024
 - Annex F – General Information Sheet at the date of expiration of the term in January 26, 2018
 - Annex G- Secretary Certificate of No-Intra Corp Dispute

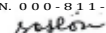
WHEREFORE, it is most respectfully prayed that the Order of Revocation/Suspension against Petitioner's registration be lifted.

Others reliefs just and equitable are likewise prayed for.

Angeles City: March 27, 2024
Respectfully submitted.

Republic of the Philippines
ANGELES CITY

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RIVERSIDE ESTATE REALTY INC
T.I.N. 000-811-415-000
By: 
SOLEDAD O. FLORES
Corporate Secretary
TIN 441-010-914-000

VERIFICATION AND CERTIFICATION AGAINST FORUM SHOPPING

I, SOLEDAD O. FLORES of legal age, married/single and a resident of **1251 Miranda St Angeles City** after having been duly sworn to in accordance with law hereby depose and say:

I am the **CORPORATE SECRETARY** of **RIVERSIDE ESTATE REALTY INC.**, the petitioner in the above-entitled case, and I am duly authorized to execute this Verification and Certification of Non-Forum Shopping on behalf of the company. I have read and understood its content and the same are true and correct of my own personal knowledge and based on authentic records;


I hereby certify that:

There is no other petition, complaint, or action involving the same parties, issues, and cause of action pending before the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) or any other government agency, to the best of my knowledge.

If any such similar action is filed or is pending after the filing of this petition, I shall immediately notify the SEC within Five [5] days of such filing.

This certification is made to comply with the rules and regulations of the SEC against forum shopping.


IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto affixed my signature in this document this 27th day of February, 2025, here at Angeles City, Philippines.


SOLEDAD O. FLORES
Affiant

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me this 3rd day of June 2025, at Angeles City. The affiant exhibited to me her competent proof of identification 441-010-914-000.

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Clark's 7,300-strong Milo Marathon fuels Filipinos' active journey

CLARK FREEPORT — The Clark leg of the National Milo Marathon surged with over 7,300 runners from all walks of life, including students, families, persons with disabilities, and influencers like Carla “Run with Carla” Navarro, who all raced across the 3K to 42K distances in a celebration of strength, stamina, and Filipino grit. Held on August 3, under the

banner of MILO® Philippines Active Pilipinas, this year's marathon wasn't just about speed, it was a movement. Backed by 40 partner organizations offering free sports clinics, and supported by the Department of Education and nearby schools, the event highlighted Clark's rise as a premier sports hub ideal for nationwide fitness campaigns.

“This year we want to be more intentional in discovering and uncovering ‘My Milo Story’ where we learn personal stories and journeys of participants who were influenced by our sports program,” said Milo Sports Head Carlo Sampan. From inspiring first-time runners to long-time champions, the Clark race spotlighted how the marathon—since

its inception in 1974—continues to mold lives through discipline, determination, and sportsmanship. Beyond running, the event promoted nutrition, physical literacy, and holistic wellness across ages. The Milo Marathon remains a race not just for medals, but for milestones, proving that in every Filipino is a story worth running for.







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Marcos Jr. to spare...

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This, President Ferdinand R. Marcos Jr. vowed in the latest episode of "BBM Podcast" aired over GMA on Aug. 4 night, hinting that he was aware which officials benefited from these failed or non-existent projects.

The president said he already had "some names" of the private contractors involved in these anomalous projects but did not identify

them, only saying that "they know who they are."

"They are very notorious. They have been doing this for a long time," Marcos Jr. said. "I'm sorry, but they will have to account for their actions, and they will have to account for the expenditures that they have made that we did not see the results."

He emphasized that he is focused on solving the problem, not merely assign-

ing blame. "You cannot fix the problem without knowing who to blame. So, one thing follows another."

"For us to fix the problem, we have to know what happened, where it went wrong, and who should be held accountable," furthered the president. "Someone must be held accountable because of the hardships our fellow Filipinos are going through. They deserve to know who is responsible,

and someone has to answer for their suffering."

Asked if there were allies among these corrupt officials, Marcos said: "Sorry, but I can no longer consider you an ally if that's what you're doing. I don't want to be allied with you anymore."

In his 4th State of the Nation Address on July 28, Marcos Jr. directed the DPWH to submit a list of all flood control projects

under his administration to determine which ones were failures, unfinished, or "ghost" projects.

Said the president: "So, the people will find out. Those from Barangays 1, 2, 3 will say, 'That's supposed to be in our area, but we never saw anything like that.' Then they should report it."

"We already have some names that are coming up. First of all, corporations that, mga contractor na tal-

agang kitang-kita na hindi maganda ang trabaho nila. We will put them on a blacklist. Hindi na sila puwedeng magkontrata sa gobyerno," he added.

"We will ask them where the funds for these projects went. 'Pag hindi sila makapag-explain nang mabuti, we will have to take it to the next step: we will pursue cases against all of them,'" Marcos said. **With PNA, media reports**



SAME SPOT. August 2024 (Left). July 2025 (Right). CONTRIBUTED PHOTOS

Budget Secretary Amenah Pangandaman with Arayat Mayor Jeffrey Luriz visiting Candating. CONTRIBUTED PHOTO

Collapsed in 2024...

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families.

Even as the governor lamented the delay in the project completion causing further anxiety and suffering to the residents on the riverbanks, she called on the Department of Public Works and Highways not only to facilitate "with utmost

urgency" the repair of the slope but also to review similar infrastructures on implementation to check on their structural integrity.

The collapsed slope protection was under the 23CG0041 Flood Management Program—Construction/Rehabilitation of Flood Mitigation Facilities

within Major River Basins and Principal Rivers funded with P91,485,522.95 by the General Appropriations Act. Construction started on March 4, 2024, with completion date set on Nov. 4, 2024.

Pineda has also renewed her call for the dredging of the Pampanga River as a

flood-mitigation measure.

DBM to DPWH:

Visiting the Candating on Aug. 4, Budget Secretary Amenah Pangandaman urged the DPWH to check on the design of various projects. "Kailangan baguhin na natin mga design ng flood control project."

Even as the Candating flood control project is still under warranty, thereby repairs are at no cost to the government, Pangandaman enjoined contractors to ensure that all projects must be of high quality.

She seeks to make flood control projects transparent to the public. "Gagamit

po kami ng mga satellite at drones to check... Para makita kung tama ang pagpapagawa ng mga proyekto."

This, even as she called on the public to take photos of flood control and other road projects to monitor the developments and ensure there is no delay and corruption.

Shepherd's Call

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PAG-ASA AT PANININDIGAN

Bilang Simbahan, hindi tayo pwedeng pumikit. Hindi tayo pwedeng basta malungkot lang at makipagluksa sa burol. Kailangan nating maging tinig ng mga taong tinabunan na ng kahirapan, binalewala ng mga institusyon, at pinatahimik ng takot.

Hindi magiging walang saysay ang buhay at kamatayan ni Gelo. Panandaliang nakalabas ang ama ni Gelo dahil sa perang pampiyansa galing sa nagmagansdang-loob; pero haharap pa rin siya sa kaso. Kanino tatakbo ang mga katulad nila? Paano mabubuhay nang malaya upang maghanapbuhay at mapakain ang lima pang mga kapatid ni Gelo? Sino ang

magmamalasakit sa dignidad ng kanyang pamilya, at kikiilos para sa ikapagbabago ng sistemang pang-hustisya na matagal nang hinihintay ng ating bayan, lalo na ng mga dukha? Hindi tayo kahahabagan ng langit hangga't hindi bumuhos ang hustisya na parang ilog na dumadaloy at ang katuwiran na parang umaagos na sapa (Amos 5:24).

Sa ngayon, ipagdasal natin ang pamilya. Pero ipagdasal din natin ang ating sarili—bilang Kristiyano at bilang mamamayan—para matigil ang pagtaas ng pagbaha ng kawalang-katarungan at para wala nang kabataan na katulad ni Gelo ang mapagkaitan ng kinabukasan dahil sa kabalintunaan ng sistemang nagpaparusa sa mahihirap at pumoprotekta sa mga makapangyarihan.

Cong Pogi seeks...

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les City Mayor Carmelo "Jon" Lazatin II, Mabalacat City Mayor Gerald "Geld" Aquino, and Magalang Municipal Mayor Maria Lourdes "Malu" Lacson, Lazatin said that the Sapangbato Watershed in Angeles City is deemed as "a vital catchment area that supplies water, not only to the city but to stream systems in the entire Province of Pampanga."

Due to the Sapangbato Watershed's significance to the province, Lazatin seeks

the passage of a resolution expressing support for HB 2423 by the Sangguniang Panlalawigan, headed by Vice Gov. Dennis "Delta" Pineda; the Sangguniang Panlungsod of Angeles, headed by Vice Mayor Amos Rivera; the Sangguniang Panlungsod of Mabalacat, headed by Vice Mayor Marcos Castro Jr.; and the Sangguniang Bayan of Magalang, headed by Vice Mayor Eller Pecson.

Likewise, Lazatin requested support for HR 77, in honor of Tayag's

contribution to the preservation of the Sapangbato Watershed.

HB 2423 aims to ensure the preservation of the ecological biodiversity within the Sapangbato Watershed, located in Barangay Sapangbato, Angeles City, through its establishment as a Protected Area.

Meanwhile, HR 77 seeks to rename the reforested portion of the Sapangbato Watershed in Angeles City after Kapampangan environmental advocate and Abacan

River and Angeles Watershed Advocacy Council, Inc. (ARAW-ACI) founder Renato "Abong" Tayag, Jr.

During Lazatin's time as city mayor, the Angeles LGU partnered with ARAW-ACI for a massive reforestation program at the Sapangbato Watershed.

The reforestation kicked off in June 2020, initially targeting only 45,000 endemic trees to be planted in the area. By year 2025, a total of 145,041 seedlings have been planted. **Team Lazatin PR**

CDC expands...

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of symbiotic learning. It's about meaningful engagement, where both the interns and the host offices benefit. That's when they are truly valued," she said.

To date, CDC has partnered with 24 academic institutions nationwide, reinforcing its role in bridging education and employment through strong industry-academe linkages. **CDC-PR**

Quezon's life...

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come from does not define your future. Quezon showed us that anyone—even from a small town like Baler—can change

the course of a nation," Paladio said.

President Quezon died on Aug. 1, 1944 in Saranac Lake, New York. His legacy is commemorated annually in

Aurora through "Quezon Day," as declared under RA 9417.

As the nation moves forward, Aurora's youth continue to draw strength from Quezon's ideals—

carrying his legacy with them as they strive to build a just, united, and purpose-driven Philippines. **Melody Joy R. Deliguin/PIA-3**

tance to 100 families in Barangays Sibacan, Tor-tugas, and Puerto Rivas of Balanga City, with employee-volunteers personally delivering the aid to the affected communities.

To date, the SM Foundation Inc., through its Operation Tulong Express program, has distributed over 18,800 Kalinga Packs to families affected by disasters in key areas across the country.

Beyond Central

Luzon, the relief efforts have extended to Metro Manila, Rizal, Pangasinan, Cavite, La Union, Laguna, and Cebu City. Carried out in close coordination with employees and volunteers from SM Supermalls and SM Markets, the large-scale relief effort underscores SM Foundation Inc.'s enduring commitment to provide timely and compassionate support to Filipinos in times of crisis. **SM-PR**



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