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With 1.27 million EV students going back to schools

Lack of teachers, classrooms greet students

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TACLOBAN CITY- As the more than 1.27 million students started to return to their respective schools on Monday (June 3), perennial woes continue to hound the schools.

These perennial problems that besets the public school system include lack of teachers and inadequate school rooms making students to almost squeeze with each other.

At the Guadalupe Heights Integrated School located in Barangay Suhi, this city, these woes are evident.

The school is one of the newly-established public schools in Tacloban located at its northern portion where families whose houses were destroyed due to super typhoon 'Yolanda' in November 8, 2013 were resettled.

School principal Larry Peñalosa said that aside from needing new teachers, they need school buildings.

While the construction of a four-storey building is ongoing, students of the school, both in the elementary and secondary levels, are to contend with temporary school rooms made of light materials and separated only either by a wall or curtain.

"That is why, I asked the contractor if they could hasten the construction of the four-storey building consisting of 16 classrooms," Peñalosa said.

Based on the calendar of works, the project is to be completed by December of this year. It is worth P41 million funded by the Department of Education.

Peñalosa said that despite of the ongoing con-

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Students at the Guadalupe Heights Integrated School in Tacloban City have to contend with their shanty-type classrooms as the construction of a four-storey building has yet to be completed.

Remote Eastern Samar town first in EV to have a "Pride crosswalk" for LGBT members

TACLOBAN CITY- For some residents of San Julian town in Eastern Samar, the vibrantly-colored 10 meters crosswalk is just an ordinary concrete passage way.

But not for members of the lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender (LGBT) community of the town.

The rainbow-colored crosswalk symbolizes what the members of the LGBT community of the sleepy town have been fighting

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First in Eastern Visayas, the Pride crosswalk was unveiled on June 1 by members of the LGBT community in San Julian, Eastern Samar. (Photo Courtesy San Julian Pride)

Leyte teacher wins award for his school-based garden project

PALO, Leyte- The vegetable garden project established by Gary Mosquito proved to be helpful to the students enrolled at the public school in Barangay Cabarasan Daku, this town, after super typhoon 'Yolanda' leveled the town in November 8, 2013.

"My advocacy program is called Project LIFE or 'Lifelong Interventions Through a Finest Environment,' an innovation in which I enhanced the implementation of the 'Gulayan sa Paaralan' program to sustainable organic vegetable production in school

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Leyte public school teacher Gary Mosquito receives his plaque as Visayas awardee in the prestigious 2019 Bayaning Gurong Pilipino during the 15th ABS-CBN Gawad Geny Lopez Jr. Bayaning Pilipino Awards at the ABS-CBN Station in Mandaue, Cebu City on June 1. Accompanying him during the awarding ceremony was Dr. Melfe Sanchez, principal-in-charge/district supervisor of Palo II District in Leyte Division.

(Contributed photo)





Ayanna Angela Espino(center) of Barangay. 35- Pampango was crowned this year's Reyna Elena during the May 30 Grand Santacruz. (CIO)

Pampango lass is 2019 Reyna Elena

TACLOBAN CITY – To mark the culmination of the month-long observance of Flores de Mayo in the city, at least 9 barangay contingents participated in the Annual Grand Santacruz of the city government on May 30.

The iconic Filipino tradition that commemorates the search of the Holy Cross by Reyna Elena and her son, Emperor Constantine was organized by the City Government under Mayor Cristina G. Romualdez to highlight the religious fervor and intimate devotion of Taclobanons to the Blessed Virgin Mary and the Holy Cross.

A procession of sagalas (beautiful maidens) and elaborately-decorated arches adorned with flowers and children donning angel costumes was the main attraction of the late afternoon event.

The highlight of the festivities was the crowning of the 2019 Reyna Elena and the announcement of the Best Barangay Contingent and other special awards at the Balyu-an Amphitheater. The winners received trophies, sash, and cash prizes.

Ayanna Angela Espino of Brgy. 35- Pampango was crowned Reyna Elena 2019 and received a cash prize of P 10,000.

First runner-up Don-

nelyn Kate Espadilla of Barangay 96 Calanipawan received P 8,000 and, while second runner-up Mary Rose Ricafort of Brgy. 31 Pampango got P 5,000.

The grand champion honors went to Barangay 37 Reclamation Area which received P 60,000 cash prize; 1st runner up was Brgy. 35-A Pampango which won P 40,000 and Brgy. 65 Paseo de Legaspi won 2nd runner up and got P 25,000 cash prize.

Third and fourth runners up were Barangay 43-B Quarry District and Brgy. 96 Calanipawan which got P20,000 and P15,000, respectively Pampango /page 10 ...

DPWH-Biliran DEO provides assistance during Brigada Eskwela

NAVAL, Biliran-The Department of Public Works and Highways (DPWH) -Biliran District Engineering Office (DEO) participated the 'Brigada Eskwela' of the Department of Education (DepEd) from May 20 to 25, 2019 with the theme "Matatag na Bayan para sa Maunlad na Paaralan."

Believing that the community cannot stand without the school, and likewise the school without the community, DPWH-Biliran DEO under District Engineer (DE) David P. Adongay Jr. contributed their time, efforts and resources to help prepare the school for the opening of classes



Repainting of pedestrian lane in front of Biliran Province State University (BiPSU) main campus, former Naval State University (NSU) to provide a safety lane for students when crossing the street.

Monday (June 3).

The Maintenance Section headed by Engr. Glenda G. Dagalea, Chief Maintenance Engineer,

said that Biliran DEO has given assistance to some schools in towns of Naval, Almeria, Kawayan, see DPWH /page 13 ...

New farm-to-market roads to improve trade in Leyte towns

LA PAZ, Leyte – The Department of Public Works and Highways (DPWH) Leyte second district engineering office has recently completed seven farm-to-market road projects meant to improve road access and trade in three Leyte towns.

These projects include the concrete paving of Barangay Calaghusan to Caltayan and Brgy. Cogon to Buracan roads both in La Paz budgeted at P5 million each; Brgy. Tigbao to Romualdez road in Dulag worth P6 million; and four farm-to-market (FMR) roads in Mac Arthur, Brgy. Casuntingan to Osmeña, Brgy. Liwayway to Danao, Brgy. Sta. Isabel and Brgy. Gen. Luna roads with a total worth of P21 million.

According to Engr. Gerald Pacanan, head of the Leyte 2nd engineering district office, the completion of these projects would



increase agricultural productivity, income opportunities, and provide easier access to basic social services such as health centers and educational facilities to these communities.

"These concreted roads will help our hardworking farmers transport their farm products to commercial areas easier. Eventually, it will improve the overall economic progress of these towns," he said.

For 2018, the district is

tasked to implement a total of eight FMR roads with a total length of 4.2761 kilometers, of which one is still ongoing.

FMR projects is funded under the convergence program of the DPWH and the Department of Agriculture that aims to promote inclusive growth and poverty reduction in the country's hard to reach areas through better road connectivity.

(LIZBETH ANN A. ABELLA)

Tomalistis Falls the sweetest water in the world

BY: JENNIFER CAMARINES

Did you know that the sweetest water in the world is found in the town of Caidiran?

In particular, at Tomalistis Fall which is located in Barangay Asug which is just 20 minutes from the town proper.

The Tomalistis Falls is believed and has been reported to have the "sweetest-tasting" water in the world. Its water's taste has a

different kind of peculiarity that makes it exquisite.

The falls is known to be a main source of fresh water in the place.

Tourists and local folks visited the falls on summer or every special day also because of its cold temperature.

People enjoyed much in the falls and the sea just beside the falls.

Tomalistis Falls in Cai-

biran is one of its extraordinary attractions that will surely leave an impression on every visitor.

This falls made it to Guinness Book of World Records because it has the "sweetest-tasting water in the world."

(Note: The author is the teacher-in-charge of the Tinocdugan Elementary School, Leyte First Division, Leyte, Leyte)

Lightning kills siblings in Northern Samar

CATARMAN, Northern Samar – Two siblings have died after they were struck by lightning in the rice fields at Sitio Carugyao, Barangay Osmeña in Palapag town this province.

Police Major Joseph Quilitano, Palapag chief of police, identified the victims as Arnel Laoreno Jr, 21, Grade 12 student, and his younger sister Airene, 18, a Grade 10 student both residents of Brgy. Laniwan, Palapag.

Based on police reports, at around 10am last May 30, the siblings were tilling their farm along with their father, Arnel Sr., when a heavy downpour occurred prompting the three to take shelter in a nearby nipa hut.

They barely reached the hut when a lightning struck, hitting both Arnel and Airene who died instantly. Their father, though slightly injured, was in a state of shock after the incident Quilitano said.

Village residents assisted in transporting the victims to the Palapag poblacion where municipal health officer Delia Chy conducted a post mortem

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A farmers organization and rice retailers were the recipients of a livelihood assistance of the Tacloban city government under Mayor Cristina Romualdez and the Department of Labor and Employment.

Farmers group, rice retailers receives livelihood assistance from Mayor Romualdez,DOLE

TACLOBAN CITY- A farmers association in Barangay Palanog and several rice retailers from the different barangays of Tacloban City were recipients on May 31, 2019, of the livelihood assistance from the Department of Labor and Employment Livelihood Assistance program in partnership

with the city government through Mayor Cristina G. Romualdez.

The 34-member Palanog Coconut Farmers Association and 10 rice retailers received, respectively 2 coconut squeezers, 2 rice grinders, 100 pieces of coconut, 50 sacks of rice, 1 water tank (stainless) and

3 push carts. Present during the distribution of assistance were Councilor Evangeline Esperas, DOL Representative Gemma Dela Cruz, PESO Manager Emilia Cruz and Miss Tacloban 2018 Cassandra Marie Lee. **(TACLOBAN CITY INFORMATION OFFICE)**

Revamp at Burauen National High School

By: ANGELINA G. WING

Change has always been constant, with its new School Principal, the Burauen National High School plan the new teaching assignment designated to newly hired Teachers and non-Adviser teachers giving way to the newly promoted Master Teachers and Head Teachers.

There are five newly promoted Master Teachers. From the English Department Salve Renomeron, Paz Posion from the Science Department, Aurora Abud from the TLE Department, May Desabille from AP Department, and Analyn Naboya from the MAPEH Department. Adelfa Juan is promoted from Teacher III to Head Teacher I. Adelfa

Juan will be in-charged for the Grade 9 and Grade 10 as well as the Senior High School Applied subjects.

Dr. Rosita Pantin-Abio, the new School Principal of Burauen National High School, designated new teacher assignment corresponding to its grade level they will be holding as well as the new room assignment and class advisory.

Among its 63 teaching staff, 32 of which are Teacher Advisers from Grade 7 – Grade 10 and the Senior High School.

There are 9 sections in the Grade 7, for the Grade 8 there are 7 sections, for the Grade 9 there are 6 sections, for the Grade 10 there are 6 sections, and for the Grade

11 there are 4 sections as well as the Grade 12 having 4 sections also.

Newly-hired teachers are designated as new teacher advisers in lieu for the newly promoted 6 Master Teachers and 2 Head Teachers.

Dr. Abio emphasized in her message during the First Teaching and Non-Teaching Staff meeting for the S.Y. 2019-2020, that each Teacher who is given new assignment should embrace change for the betterment of the student's welfare and the school as a whole to cater their needs.

(Note: The author is a Teacher III of the Burauen National High School, Burauen,Leyte)

NTC shuts down 5 radio stations operating in the region

TACLOBAN CITY –At least five new radio stations in the region were served for cease and desist order by the National Telecommunications Commission (NTC-8).

Three of these radio stations are based in Catarman, Northern Samar, namely: 101.5 Radyo Samar Broadcasting;99.5 Brgy FM and 97.3 Omega Radio, meanwhile the other two radio stations are from Catbalogan City, 92.5 One Radio and

90.1 Sagay Broadcasting.

Lawyer Peme Cavales, NTC-8 legal officer, said that these radio stations have no business permit to operate reason why they were served the notice for them to stop their operations.

Cavales also said that the two radio stations in Catbalogan City changed their frequency but their office made a surprise inspection.

“We can file criminal cases against them be-

cause they are violating the radio control law,” he said.

The NTC lawyer issued a reminder for radio stations to secure proper permit to operate to avoid getting serve a cease and desist order.

It was learned that there are several radio stations based here in Tacloban City that lack business permit to operate which are now being closely monitored by the NTC. **(APRIL Q. UYKIENG – STUDENT INTERN – ASIAN DEVELOPMENT**

LGU-funded solar streetlight in Eastern Samar accomplished thru CDD process

The Kabit-Bisig Laban sa Kahirapan-Comprehensive and Integrated Delivery of Social Services (Kalahi CIDSS) uses Community-Driven Development as an strategy wherein the people have direct control over the decisions and resources in their community.

It is through their involvement that they can become empowered citizens which leads to an improved local governance and poverty reduction.

In Barangay Poblacion 9, Llorente Eastern Samar, it has been the hope of community to lessen the unsafety the dark street brings.

According to Lisa Gade, a community vol-

unteer, it poses fear and danger to the residents because of accounts of theft and violent incidents. Ms. Gade attested, “Before, the street was so dark that it invited theft, violence and accidents. And I have been a witness to those unfortunate situations.”

Aside from that, it is accounted that 40 per cent of the labor force in the barangay was affected due to this dim place. Affected were people which ‘padyak’ was the source of income and those who sell barbeque and the like during night time. Only a few people patronized because they were afraid to go out at night due to theft and violent incidents in that place.

It is no doubt that the



(From left to right) Lisa Gade and Salvacion Borado showing a thumbs-up sign as a sign of a successful implementation of Solar streetlight built out of Kalahi CIDSS. The said sub-project provides safety to the residents of Brgy. Poblacion 9 of Llorente, Eastern Samar.

community identified a solar street light in the Kalahi CIDSS LGU-led implementation. Only 11 of all 33 barangays were prioritized during their Municipal Development Council-Participatory Resource Allocation (MDC-PRA) to use the Kalahi CIDSS pure grant of P7, 052, 150. Brgy.Poblacion Nine was not included in the prioritization as it ranked 13th.

But the LGU Llorente allocated a fund of P1 million to be shared by the remaining barangays. Only two Brgy Poblacion 9 and Brgy Poblacion 11 were able to avail it. Barangay Pob. 9 got the P294, 473 for their identified street-light intervention project.

Though the fund is purely from the Local

Government Unit, its preparation and implementation followed the Community-Driven Development (CDD) process.

The local government unit of Llorente believed so much in the CDD process because of the community from planning to implementation and maintenance.

Some 186 households are now enjoying the seven-unit solar street light which helps them have a safer place and better opportunities.

This only shows how DSWD Kalahi CIDSS heightened the partnership of community and local government unit in addressing the most pressing need of the community. **(PR)**

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Back to school

The Department of Education (DepEd) Region 8 revealed that yesterday, June the third, was to be the start of classes and that more than 1.27 million students were supposed to report to school for the opening of this year's school calendar.

As such, teachers were likewise expected to be present, with their school heads and principals on the lead, and the division officials monitoring the said opening of classes. This was mandated by no less than Dr. Ramir Uytico himself, the DepEd regional director who stressed the observance of said date.

In fact, the age-old tradition of cleaning the classrooms and the surroundings first before the start of classes has been discarded. Classes

were to start at once as said clean up should have been done during the 'Brigada Eskwela', an annual activity of the DepEd aimed at cleaning up the vicinity and repairing damaged school facilities with the participation of students, parents, and volunteers.

Based on DepEd-8 records, the expected 1.27 million students who were to troop to their classes consisted of 110,845 kindergarten; 615,814 elementary; 405,521 junior high school; and 138,540 senior high school students. They are to be housed in the 4,167 public elementary/secondary schools region-wide.

It is our hope that DepEd will succeed in all its endeavors of educating children and young people in order to make them productive citizens in the near future.



Beggars and their modus

When you look like the haves and you happen to walk along the downtown sidewalk, it's very likely hands with open palms will be extended to you, not to shake your hand or tap you on the back, but to ask for monetary help.

That's right, these hands hovering in the air come from what we call beggars. Sometimes, we can't figure them right away as the owners tend to hide behind

electric posts, walls, or dirty clothing. It's just their hands that dangle, sometimes holding an empty can with which to collect the coins. If you are kind-hearted enough, you will slip your hand into your pocket to unearth those circular things. The next thing you do, you will be handing them these coins.

There is surely nothing wrong with giving a few amounts to these desperate souls. I've done that for sev-

eral times already. Especially when I see that the person is really worth-giving, like when the person is too old he can never work for a living anymore, or when disability had paralyzed his body hence his inability to work. But when I see that the "beggar" is able-bodied, and his dirty and richly-patched outfit is just a costume, I never give.

There's another group of beggars that break my heart—those filthy, emaciated street children. But just the same, I try to scrutinize their worthiness to receive alms. If I see that they are just wasting their money on gambling among themselves; if I notice that they engage in smoking or rugby sniffing, I don't bother to give. One more disqualification—if they are just being used by some syndicates to gather money. But this is rather difficult to prove.

I've had these experiences when beggars approached me, and I gave them a few pesos, only to turn their back on me and never even thanked me for what I gave, obviously out of frustration that the amount I gave them is too small. These are the kinds of beggars that I never want to give at all, although it's understandable that, with their illiteracy, they never know anything about social manners. But gestures of gratitude are supposed to be very basic that even animals know how to express them.

In Metro Manila, there are these beggars who would embark passenger-packed jeepneys just to distribute envelopes with which they are collecting money. After distributing, they would wait for a few

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Observer

ALVIN G.Z. ARPON

Focus: Teachers

Yesterday June 3, some 23 million students trooped to 42,025 public schools all over the country, start of classes for school year 2019-2020. As usual there were reports saying that in some areas they lack school buildings – desks etc. – a perennial problem that haunts education in our land. Having been a public elementary grades teacher I can see the difference between then and now.

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At age 21, I got employed at the Department of Education, Culture and Sports (DECS), then, as a fresh graduate of the Leyte Normal School (now University) in 1960.

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Here is one specific challenge I was confronted with upon assuming my first day of service in school. At that age I was assigned in a barrio school some 10 kilome-

ters away from home, classified as extention class at Barangay Carangag (renamed Hiagsam, Barugo- a river that flows along the barangay from far away Barangay Hiagsam, Jaro, Leyte).

In Barangay Carangag located on top of a hill, there was no school building. I taught a multi-grade classes of Grade I, II and III. Unbelievable?

I held my class at a barangay chapel. There were no desks – but chapel benches – no blackboards – or purely bare, the chapel for classroom use.

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First move: *Organized the Parents-Teacher (no “s” bcause I was alone) Association (PTA) a standard organization in elementary schools.*

Through the PTA we succeeded in requesting a landed estate in poblacion Barugo who owns this estate in Hiagsam to donate



Foulshot

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Return to sender

Millenials may not be familiar with marks that read “return to sender” for leaps brought by information technology. The vast changes in communication, chiefly on the mode of sending information, had caused people to keep in pace with the trends in time. Where paper and pen was the main means of crafting messages and envelopes and postal stamps the way of sending messages some decades ago, it is no longer so in the present. The fast development of computers and information gadgets had

put the old ways in the sidelines. Indeed, technology had overtaken people’s way of life as the information highway brings people close in space and time across the globe.

While we find advantages of information technology skewed in its favor as against a handful disadvantages, there are real scores on its downside. Notably, people have adopted an infotech jargon that deliberately disregards language, particularly spelling and grammar. The trend among people communicating with each or among one

less than a hectare vacant lot. Granted.

Second move: *Construct a one-room school building – thru “pintakasi”. Parents would go to a nearby forest to cut wood – other materials needed to build the school. I always joined them. The parents themselves constructed the building. In about 2 weeks the building was finished.*

My only expense was to provide snacks to the parents who joined the *pin-takasi*. Quite expensive but I was single then. My salary was P316 a month.

Note: *Not a centavo came from government for these projects and activities. Good PR did it. (ehemm!!) This happened in 1961.*

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A Teacher’s job is NOT easy. But the teachers have never been given what is supposed to be due them even in these times. After 15 years I left DECS to look for greener pastures. I succeeded.

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President Rodrigo Roa Duterte has granted the PNP and AFP double their salary increase. Rightly so because of the dangerous nature of their jobs. How about the teachers? They do extra- ordinary efforts to provide effective teaching learning process for the young – the future leaders of our country.

another, is to be a unique format that is understandable to all and sundry. The practice appears acceptable among users even if they bend or break basic rules of spelling and grammar.

This is why our present generation are no longer adept with the correct usage of the english language as they even care less with correct spelling and grammar.

Another aspect affected by information technology is the decrease of people using thepostal service. What remains in the mail are official communication in the bureaucratic communication lines. There are also those that require physical delivery as well as the proof of delivery and receipt. This is the continuing trend in the legal and judicial arena. Mail matters had to be delivered and received according to legal rules and procedures.

But there is irony in the reversal of roles between information technology entities and the postal service.



Commentary

By Fr. Roy Cimagala

Only with God...

WE should never forget that only with God can we properly deal with our own weaknesses, and the many temptations and sins around. Only with him can we manage to resist the devil himself. Without him, we are easy prey, a sitting duck. Our earnest desire should be how we can be with God always, our union with him as strong and vibrant as ever.

Let’s not forget that if our first parents, still in their state of original justice and therefore in theory should have been in close union with God, managed to sin, how much more us who are already born with original sin and whose lives here on earth will always be hounded by all forms of evil!

In the case of our first parents, we know that in spite of their very good condition, there was a moment when they failed in the proper exercise of their God-given freedom and chose to listen to the devil rather than to remain faithful to God. And so they fell.

We have to understand

The fast delivery of messages through fiber-optic connection, it still cannot bypass communication methods requiring legal proof that could stand in court trial and proceedings. This explains why telecommunication companies had become a top patron of the postal service.

The significance of communication is too high in the life of peoples across the globe. Amid the accessibility of information that is transmitted across the globe in real time, we need to confront the emergence of fake and false information. Our world becomes distorted by the onslaught of fake news. The real challenge is not much on the fast delivery of information. Ensuring the truth of information is everyone’s responsibility. In yesterday’s celebration of this year’s 53rd World Communications Day, let us all be mindful to check facts and verify the truth. Any false message or fake news ought to be, returned to sender.

that without God, the proper exercise of our freedom would be out on a limb, and it would just be a matter of time before we fall into sin. It is that automatic. We would have no sufficient defenses against our real enemies. We may even think that our enemies are our friends and allies.

We should never forget that our freedom is a very intoxicating endowment God has given us. It should only be exercised with God as its beginning and end. Otherwise, we will only misuse and abuse it and lead us to sin. We should constantly make the effort to choose God instead of what we simply like by ourselves.

We need to see to it that our union with God should, as much as possible, be abiding, completely sealed with no opening, no matter how minuscule, that can allow our weaknesses, the sinful allurements of the world and the devil himself to enter. We have to remember that as St. Paul warned us, we are actually ranged against powerful enemies in this life. (cfr. Eph 6,12)

Only with God can we be keenly aware of the many dangers that lurk within us

Beggar...

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minutes, then they would retrieve those envelopes hoping that the same already contain the amounts of money they are collecting. They are like swindlers of some sort.

The saddest part of this is that, sometimes, the man who embarks the jeepney would start talking to the passengers expressing his intent to collect money, usually for

and around us. Only with him can we resist the temptations and be unaffected by our weaknesses and the sins around.

In other words, we really need how to pray always. This means we have to know how to convert everything into prayer, always relating everything to God—our joys and sorrow, our work and rest, our successes and defeats, etc. Yes, everything can and should be a material and occasion to pray.

We should be in constant awareness of God’s presence in us and around us. And our relation with him should be driven by love, by desire to be with him and to do his will. We have to feel the need for him. In fact, he should be our greatest need, without whom we should feel completely empty. Nothing should replace or substitute for him in our mind and heart. We need him more than we need air.

What can show that we are truly with God is that in spite of the drama of life, we will always feel driven to praise him, to do a lot of good, to practice the virtues, to serve others. We would know how to be patient, to be forgiving. There is some kind of excitement and at the same time a deep sense of peace and confidence and joy that the world cannot give.

We would know how to sanctify our work and all the other circumstances of our life, whether they are good or bad as regarded in human and worldly terms. We would know how to flow with the times without getting confused and lost.

reasons such hospitalization of a loved one, the burning of their house to ashes and many other reasons. In this one-way talk, the beggar would even appeal to the passengers’ conscience, as if it’s the latter’s fault of not giving that’s making his life miserable. Kinokonsensya nira it mga tawo.

Well, it’s really up to you if you will give or not. It’s up to your sense of judgment and discretion. It all depends on your heart.

Prayer for the Nation and for Those who Serve in Public Office

God, our Father, you guide everything in wisdom and love. Accept the prayers we offer for our nation, by the wisdom of our leaders and integrity of our citizens, may harmony and justice be secured and may there be lasting prosperity and peace.

Almighty and eternal God, You know the longings of our hearts and You protect our rights in your goodness, watch over those in authority, so that people everywhere may enjoy freedom, security and peace.

We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever, Amen. (Courtesy of Daughters of St. Paul)



Pray the Holy Rosary daily for world peace and conversion of sinners (The family that prays together stays together)

AFFIDAVIT OF ADJUDICATION

NOTICE is hereby given that Rosario B. Urdaneta, heir of the late Sesinando Urdaneta extrajudicially executed an affidavit of adjudication over 2 parcels of land both situated at Brgy. Kilim, Municipality of Baybay, Leyte; more described as: 1) Lot No. 6875, Psc 5 with TCT No. T-6016, with an area of 4,334 square meters, more or less; 2) Lot No. 6874, Psc 5, with TCT No. T-6003, with an area of 2,801 square meters, more or less; per Doc. No. 260, Page No. 52, Book No. 72, Series of 2014 of Notary Public Atty. Ernesto M. Butawan. *LSDE: June 4, 11 & 18, 2019*

EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT WITH SPECIAL POWER OF ATTORNEY

NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of the late Rodolfo T. Lloren extrajudicially settled, partitioned and adjudicated over one half (1/2) portion of a parcel of land, situated at Brgy. Sagkahan, Tacloban City, designated as Lot No. 2667-B-3-B, containing a whole area of 6,395 square meters, more or less, covered by TCT No. T-8751 and half portion is 3,197.50 square meters, more or less and do hereby name, constitute and appoint their mother Evangelina Asturias Lloren, to be true and lawful Attorney-In-Fact, for us and in our name, place and stead, do and perform, to execute and sign and deliver any document relative to this extrajudicial settlement and to collect, demand, receive the owner's duplicate original of Transfer of Certificate of Title bearing No. T-8751 from Maybank; Doc. No. 18520, Service: 82-83; Series of 2018 of Deputy Consul General Kerwin Orville C. Tate of New York, New York, U.S.A.; Consulate General of the Phils., San Francisco de Consul Andre Peter C. Estanislao; Service No. 265, O.R.#8112, Doc. 101, Page No. 1, Book No. 1, Series of 2019; Deputy Consul General Raquel R. Solano of San Francisco, Service No. 360, O.R. No. 8202; Doc. No. 165, Page No. 2, Book No. 1, Series of 2019. *LSDE: June 4, 11 & 18, 2019*

Republic of the Philippines
Local Civil Registry Office
Province of Northern Samar
Municipality of Catarman

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

In compliance with Section 5 of R.A. 9048, notice is hereby served to the public that **MARLON L. DELORINO** has filed with this Office a petition for change of first name in his certificate of live birth from **“DARIO”** to **“MARLON”** he was born on **April 24, 1980** at **Catarman, Northern Samar** and whose parents are **AMADO DELORINO** and **CARIDAD LAGRIMAS**.

Any person adversely affected by said petition may file written opposition with this Office not later than (10) days after this publication.

(Sgd.) **DARWIN B. BEROS**
Municipal Civil Registrar

LSDE: June 4 & 11, 2019

EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF THE ESTATE OF ESTEBAN GOLEZ

NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of the late Esteban Golez and Hipolita Golez who died intestate on January 13, 1965 at Palo, Leyte and March 13, 1973 at Palo, Leyte extrajudicially settled, partitioned and adjudicated over a parcel of land, designated as Cad. Lot No. 8554, described as follows: A parcel of land situated at Brgy. Libertad, Palo, Leyte, with a total of 4,527 square meters; per Doc. No. 12, Page No. 3, Book No. LXVIII, Series of 2019 of Atty. Ronnan Christian M. Reposar. *LSDE: May 28, June 4 & 11, 2019*

EXTRAJUDICIAL PARTITION WITH SALE OF THE ESTATE OF THE LATE VICTORIO CABALQUINTO

NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of the late VICTORIO CABALQUINTO who died at Brgy. Abanilla, Calubian, Leyte, extrajudicially settled, partitioned and adjudicated over over a certain parcel of Agricultural land situated at Brgy. Abanilla, Calubian, Leyte which is more particularly described as follows: A parcel of coco land situated at Brgy. Abanilla, Calubian, Leyte covered under Tax Dec. No. 08-09-0007-00054 designated as Lot No. 028 by the Calubian Cadastre, containing an area of 2,834 square meters, more or less, assessed at P2,660.00 with Market Value of P6,650.00. A Deed of Sale was executed in favor of Jenny B. Balidio of legal age, single, Filipino and a resident of Brgy. Abanilla, Calubian, Leyte; per Doc. No. 269, Page No. 54, Book No. V, Series of 2018 of Atty. Mario N. Melchor Jr. *LSDE: May 28, June 4 & 11, 2019*

SELF-ADJUDICATION WITH DEED OF ABSOLUTE SALE

NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of the late Sps. Democrita Silva Cañanes executed an affidavit of Self-Adjudication over a real property, more particularly described, to wit: That a parcel of land covered under OCT No. P-55679, and Tax Dec. No. 08-30-0028-00252 (R13), designated as Cad Lot No. 8311, situated in Brgy. San Agustin, Tanauan, Leyte, containing a total area of 26,475.00 square meters, more or less, A Deed of Sale was executed in favor of JOEL S. PLAZUELA, Filipino of legal age, married and resident of Brgy. San Joaquin, Palo, Leyte and hereinafter referred to as the vendee; per Doc. No. 169, Page No. 34, Book No. 41, Series of 2017 of Notary Public Atty. Claro Robert P. Morantte. *LSDE: May 28, June 4 & 11, 2019*

EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT WITH ABSOLUTE SALE

NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of the late HILARIO BOCO who died intestate estate long time ago in Tanauan, Leyte extrajudicially settled, partitioned and adjudicated over a certain parcel of agricultural land and is more particularly described as follows: A parcel of coco land designated as Lot No. 10178, Case 32, Cad. 505, located at Brgy. Catmon, Tanauan, Leyte, covered by Katibayan ng Orihinal na Titulo Blg. P-57652 containing an area of 2,570 square meters, more or less. A Deed of Sale was executed in favor of ADAM GREG ECITO CAPEÑO, of legal age, Filipino, single and a resident of Brgy. Picas, Tacloban City and hereunder called the VENDEE; per Doc. No. 404, Page No. 82, Book No. XVIII, Series of 2017 of Notary Public Atty. Asterio A. Villero. *LSDE: May 28, June 4 & 11, 2019*

DEED OF SELF-ADJUDICATION OF THE LATE AGAPITA GEROMO WITH SALE

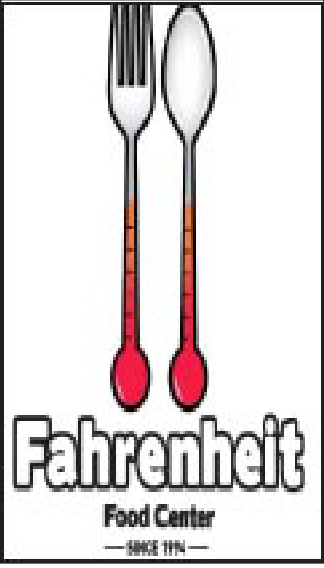
NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of the late Agapita Geromo died in Bato, Leyte executed an affidavit of Self-Adjudication over a parcel of land more particularly described as follows: An urban land designated as Lot 117 situated at Brgy. Kalanggaman, Bato, Leyte, covered by Tax Dec. No. 06000400133 and covering an area of 19 square meters, A Deed of Sale was executed by Sps. Reynaldo M. Bibera and Evelyn Dee-Bibera, both of legal age and residents of Brgy. Kalanggaman, Bato, Leyte; per Doc. No. 134, Page No. 27, Book No. XLVI, Series of 2018 before Notary Public Atty. Exzon B. Mendoza. *LSDE: May 28, June 4 & 11, 2019*

EXTRA-JUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF THE ESTATE (US DOLLAR DEPOSIT) OF THE LATE TERESITA ALLADO UNAY

NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of the late Teresita Allado Unay extrajudicially settled, partitioned and adjudicated over a US Dollar Deposit, including its Interest at Metro Bank, Catarman, Northern Samar Branch, more particularly described as follows: Account Name: USD 346-034600377-6; Account Name: Teresita Allado Unay, 735 Aguinaldo Street Calachuchi Catarman, Northern Samar; Status: Active; Current Balance: 2,003.85; per Doc. No. 293, Page No. 60, Book No. II, Series of 2019 of Notary Public Atty. Franco Archie N. Tonog. *LSDE: May 21, 28 & June 4, 2019*

EXTRA-JUDICIAL SETTLEMENT/PARTITION OF ESTATE

NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of the deceased Nilo L. Itom extrajudicially settled, partitioned and adjudicated over a motor vehicle with an existing Franchise as issued by the LTFRB, with the following specifications and/or description, to wit: CR. NO.: 9591339-2; MV File No.: 0716-00000442710; Plate No.: HVT 554; Make/Series: Nissan Urvan Shuttle; O.R. No.: 674694031; Engine No.: TD27-805009; Chassis No.: TV4LEFE24A32914; Denomination & Year Model: UV 2006; That heirs hereby WAIVE our rights, title, interest and claims over the above-described motor vehicle in favor of Agricola M. Itom including the said franchise; per Doc. No. 65, Page No. 13, Book No. XXVII, Series of 2016 of Notary Public Atty. Marian C. Donayre-Pelin. *LSDE: May 21, 28 & June 4, 2019*



Republic of the Philippines
Province of Samar
MUNICIPALITY OF CALBIGA
Office of the Municipal Civil Registrar

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

In compliance to Section 5 of Republic Act No. 9048, a notice is hereby served to the public that Mr. Julieta D. Mendaño has filed with this Office a Petition for Change of First Name from **JULIO** to **JULIETO** in the Certificate of Live Birth of **Julio Mendaño** who was born on **July 5, 1959** at **Brgy. Canticum, Calbiga, Samar** and whose parents are **Alfredo Mendaño** and **Saturnina Dacuro**.

Any person adversely affected by said petition may file his/her written opposition with this Office within ten (10) days from the publication of this notice.

Issued at Office of the Municipal Civil Registrar, Ground Floor, Municipal Hall, Calbiga, Samar, this 3rd day of June 2019.

(Sgd.) **MARIO D. CABUJAT**
Municipal Civil Registrar

LSDE: June 4 & 11, 2019

EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT AND PARTITION OF THE ESTATE OF THE LATE ANACORITA ALMOROTO LAO WITH CONFIRMATION OF SALE

NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of the late Anacorita Almoroto Lao extrajudicially settled, partitioned and adjudicated over a real property situated at Barangay San Francisco, Isabel, Leyte, Philippines and is more particularly described as follows to wit: It is a one-sixth (1/6) portion from the entire parcel of land designated as Lot No. 5063, C-24, Cad-661-D, covered by Original Certificate of Title No. P-42955, situated in Barangay San Francisco, Isabel, Leyte, with an area of 4,621 square meters, Cad 661-D, containing an area of 27,731 square meters. That parties sold a portion of the afore-described parcel of land containing an area of 13,865 square meters more or less, to the Sps. Pedro Almoroto Dinoy and Rosario Rollo-Dinoy likewise of legal ages, husband and wife respectively and residents of Barangay Antipolo, Isabel, Leyte; per Doc. No. 94, Page No. 19, Book No. 96, Series of 2019 of Notary Public Atty. Wilma Cordeño-Matuguina, CPA. *LSDE: May 28, June 4 & 11, 2019*

EXTRA-JUDICIAL PARTITION OF THE ESTATE OF THE LATE LEONARDO APAS WITH WAIVER QUITCLAIM

NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of the late Leonardo Apas extrajudicially settled, partitioned and adjudicated over a one-half (1/2) portion of a parcel of land and now particularly described as follows: A parcel of land designated as Lot No. 857-A-2 of the approved subdivision plan, Psd-08-034095-D, being a portion of Lot 857-A, Psd-08-015839-D, situated in the Brgy. Poblacion, Municipality of Baybay, Province of Leyte, Island of Leyte, containing an area of 2,832 square meters, more or less, covered by TCT No. 115-2017000567; per Doc. No. 128, Page No. 26, Book No. XLIII, Series of 2018 of Notary Public Eden B. Chavez-Butawan. *LSDE: May 21, 28 & June 4, 2019*

Republic of the Philippines
OFFICE OF THE CITY CIVIL REGISTRAR
Tacloban City

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

In compliance to Section 5 of R.A. 9048, a notice is hereby served to the public that **ELENITA CUSTODIO HENSON** has filed with *(Complete name of petitioner)*

this Office, a petition for change of first name from **ELENA** to **ELENITA** in the Birth *(First name to be changed)* *(New first name to be adopted)*

Certificate of **ELENA M. CUSTODIO** who was born on **DECEMBER 28, 1950** at **Tacloban City** and whose parents are **ILUMINADA MIRALLES** and **CARLOS CUSTODIO**.

Any person adversely affected by said petition may file his written opposition with this Office not later than **June 17, 2019**.

(Sgd.) **IMELDA A. ROA**
City Civil Registrar

LSDE: June 4 & 11, 2019



Republic of the Philippines
DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT
Regional Office No. VIII

May 14, 2019
Date

NOTICE OF FILING OF APPLICATION FOR ALIEN EMPLOYMENT PERMIT (AEP)

Notice is hereby given that the following employer(s) have filed with the Regional Office application/s for AEPs.

No.	Name and Address of Employer	Name and Nationality of Foreign National	Position and Brief Description of Duties and Functions	Qualifications	Monthly Salary Range & Other benefits, if there are any
	PHILPHOS CORPORATION LIDE, Isabel, Leyte	MR. RAMESH CHANDRA KAPAT - Indian	Technical Consultant	College graduate and with background on Bird Prayon Filter & Ship Unloaders and other related facilities technical and safety standard operations and management.	

Any person in the Philippines who is competent, able and willing to perform the services for which the foreign national is desired may file an objection at the DOLE Regional Office within 30 days after this publication.

Please inform the DOLE Regional Office if you have any information on criminal offense committed by the foreign national(s).

(Signature)
YAHYA A. CENTE
Regional Director

EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT WITH WAIVER OF RIGHTS

NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of the late NOEL CARLON LIM extrajudicially settled, partitioned and adjudicated over a PISO SAVINGS DEPOSIT, including its interest at LAND BANK, Allen, Northern Samar, described as: Account No.: 3991-0000-45; Name of Depositor: NOEL CARLON LIM, Magallanes Street, Brgy. Kinabranan-I, Allen, Northern Samar; Current Balance: P101,079.26 and heirs hereby waive, give, transfer of said Piso Savings Deposit in favor of their mother FELMA C. LIM; per Doc. No. 382, Page No. 79, Book No. VII, Series of 2019 of Notary Public Atty. Franco Archie N. Tonog. *LSDE: June 4, 11 & 18, 2019*

EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT

NOTICE is hereby given that Myrna M. Perez and Ma. Milagros C. Perez, heirs of the late Apolonio C. Perez extrajudicially settled, partitioned and adjudicated over a motor vehicle described as: Make: Isuzu; Plate No.: CP6173; Engine No.: AJJIPA8180; Chassis

AFFIDAVIT OF SELF-ADJUDICATION

NOTICE is hereby given that Ma. Christina R. Picardo heir of the late Jose Melvyn Q. Picardo executed an affidavit of Self-Adjudication over a parcel of residential house and lot at 543rd Street, Brgy. 12, Dolores, Eastern Samar, covered by ARP No. 11-06012-00149, designated as Cad. Lot No. 6-P, 5-P CCS 08-00032 part, containing an area of 2,361.7 square meters, with an assessed value of P44,500.00; per Doc. No. 264, Page No. 60, Book No. IV, Series of 2019 of Notary Public Atty. Celestino A. Cabato. *LSDE: June 4, 11 & 18, 2019*

EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT

NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of the late Antolina Zaldivar Flandez extrajudicially settled, partitioned and adjudicated, Lot No. 9681-A, Psd-08-001510, located at Brgy. Aguinting, Kananga, Leyte, covered by T.C.T. No. T-19956 now covered by T.C.T. No. TC-3369 based on CLOA No. 00679261, covering an area of 66,411 square meters, more or less; per Doc. No. 209, Page No. 42, Book No. LXXXIV, Series of 2019 of Notary Public Atty. Joseph Carmel Bandalan. *LSDE: June 4, 11 & 18, 2019*

EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT

NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of the late Perlita Pacibe Baygan extrajudicially settled, partitioned and adjudicated over a savings account with the LandBank of the Philippines under account number 0606235860; per Doc. No. 424, Page No. 85, Book No. 23, Series of 2019 of Notary Public Atty. Sherry Mae A. Arcales. *LSDE: June 4, 11 & 18, 2019*

EXTRAJUDICIAL PARTITION OF ESTATE

NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of the late Sps. Bienvenido Y. Lacerna and Remedios Alvarado who both died intestate extrajudicially settled, partitioned and adjudicated over a real property, that is described as follows: A parcel of land (Lot No. 78 of the Cadastral Survey of Baybay), situated in the Poblacion Baybay City, Leyte, covered by TCT Title No. T-1226, containing an area of 207 square meters, more or less; per Doc. No. 800, Page No. 160, Book No. LIV, Series of 2019 of Notary Public Atty. Rene Allan G. Jervoso. *LSDE: May 21, 28 & June 4, 2019*

Publication Notice
RA 9048

Republic of the Philippines
City Civil Registry Office
Province of Eastern Samar
City of Borongan

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

In compliance with Section 7 of R.A. 9048, a notice is hereby served to the public that **MARGARITA GALUPE SECRETARIA**, has filed with this Office a **Petition for Change of Child's first name** from **RACQUEL** to **MARGARITA** in the Birth Certificate of **RACQUEL MACASAR GALOPE** who was born on **February 22, 1974** at **Borongan, Eastern, Samar** and whose parents are **VIRGINIA ARIOLES MACASAR** and **ROMEO BULA GALUPE**.

Any person adversely affected by said petition may file written opposition with this Office not later than June 10, 2019.

(Sgd.) **MA. LUISA M. AZUL III**
City Civil Registrar

LSDE: May 28 & June 4, 2019

No.: MPAUCRB5G01001656; MV File No.: 1301-667732; C.R. No.: 247833692; per Doc. No. 311, Page No. 64, Book No. III, Series of 2019 of Notary Public Atty. Jerome Cordero Avila. *LSDE: June 4, 11 & 18, 2019*

EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT

Republic of the Philippines
Department of Transportation and Communication
LAND TRANSPORTATION
FRANCHISING AND REGULATORY
BOARD
Regional Office No. VIII
Palo, Leyte

R8-EV/PA-PJ-2019-5-20142157
Case No. VIII-2014-2157

Application for **Extension of Validity** of a Certificate of Public Convenience to operate a PUJ service

MARIA L. CAÑETE,
Applicant/s

x-----x

NOTICE OF HEARING

Applicant is a grantee of a Reconstituted Certificate of Public Convenience to operate a PUJ service for the transportation of passengers and freight on the route: **BABATNGON-TACLOBAN CITY & VICE VERSA** with the use of **TWO (2)** unit/s which Certificate is valid and subsisting until **AUGUST 29, 2019**.

In the present application, applicant request authority for extension of validity of the said certificate using the same number of unit/s.

NOTICE is hereby given that this application will be heard by this Board on **JULY 2, 2019 at 10:00 a.m.** at its office of the above address.

At least **TEN (10)** days prior to the above date, applicant/s shall cause the publication of this Notice of Hearing once in a newspaper of local circulation.

This application will be acted upon by this Board on the basis of its records and documentary evidence submitted by the parties, unless the Board deems it necessary to receive additional documentary and/or oral evidence.

WITNESS the Honorable **GUALBERTO N. GUALBERTO**, Regional Director, this **31st** day of **MAY, 2019**.

(Sgd.) **GUALBERTO N. GUALBERTO**
Regional Director



MISS TACLOBAN 2019. Fifteen young women from Tacloban City are vying the title of Miss Tacloban 2019, one of the highlights of the annual Tacloban city fiesta. The candidates are (from left):Czarmy Alcober, Isabella Balbo, Maerylle Blauta, Myka Cyril Cadaro, Bianca Cassandra Devora, Carissa Maynette Domingo, Alyzza Lagera, Ashleen Joy Llanita, Jean Pearl Quennie Maraviles,Nicole Kaye Morano, Belinda Movido, Guila Isabela Rona, Angel Rose Tambal, Jhyry Ross Yboa, and May Ann Ygrubay. The coronation will be held on June 22 at the Tacloban Convention Center (astrodome).

Divining the presidency on Higatangan Island

BY: MARILOU N.GO

Higatangan Island is a part of Naval Municipality that is separated by a narrow channel located in the north west tip of Leyte.

The name Higatangan is derived from the word “atangan” meaning to wait for. Old folks say that the place was where the pirates ambush approaching ships laden with goods and also the place where the Moros lay in wait for their enemies going to Sumbul (Naval).

The island has several white beaches and blessed with exotic rock formations.

From the town of Mabini, which was named in memory of Apolinario Mabini, there is a 200-meter white sand bar that stretches out like

a giant tongue. Because the current surrounding the sand bar is strong, some people lost their lives, some attribute this as “alay-buhay” to placate the gods.

The unnaturally beautiful rock formations along the south coast were said to be home to supernatural beings. There were cases that a sudden big wave or a gush of wind rock the boat when passengers were being noisy.

President Marcos temporarily took refuge during WWII on this little island, that’s why the highest point on the island (46m) is still called Marcos Hill to this day and a light house is erected on it to guide boat men.

It is said that this is where Marcos received

his divine sign that he was destined to be a president of the Philippines.

The truth behind his stay is a source of controversy for the Biliranons. The long held belief was that it was Fidel Limpiado, member of a prominent clan who hid Marcos and his companions against the Japanese patrollers.

However, Professor Rolando Borrinaga, a known Philippine historian disproves that story. His long and arduous research give way to the fact that it was a simple skipper named Man Dising from Caray-Caray Biliran, who helped Marcos in hiding.

NOTE: The author is he teacher-in-charge of the Tag-abaca Elementary School in Leyte, Leyte)

PNP monitors school bullying, says official

PALO, Leyte – The Philippine National Police (PNP) here in Eastern Visayas continue on their advocacy on anti-bullying in schools.

With the start of the school year on Monday(June 3), Police Regional Office 8 Deputy Regional Director for Administration Brigadier General Ariel Arcenas said that policemen are not only after ensuring that children are safe in going to their schools but

are safe while staying inside their school campuses and classrooms.

Arcenas said that they are regularly conducting their information drive among students on the negative effects of bullying to victims and even to those who are behind the bullying.

“We are asking people, especially our students, to refrain bullying others because it is not good,” Arcenas said.

Under Section 2 of Re-

public Act 10627 or the “Anti-Bullying Act of 2013” it states that bullying refers to any severe or repeated use by one or more students of a written, verbal or electronic expression, or a physical act or gesture directed at another student that has the effect of actually causing or placing the latter in reasonable fear of physical or emotional harm or damage to his property; creating a hostile environment at school for the other student; infringes the



Wilfredo Mosong, school head of Liloan National Technical Vocational High School, supervised the ongoing construction of project. Ongoing activity in the project site include pouring of concrete for the tie beam.

Construction of P46-M high-rise school building in Liloan, So. Leyte underway

MAASIN CITY – The construction of multi-million high-rise school building in Liloan National Technical Vocational High School is now up and running in a bid to address shortage of classrooms in Liloan, Southern Leyte, the Department of Public Works and Highways (DPWH) field office here reported.

The 3-storey school building currently being constructed will have 15 classrooms equip with comfort rooms, emergency exits, and fire protection facilities. It has an allocation of P46 million funded under last year’s Basic Education Facilities Fund (BEFF) of the Department of Education.

Based on the recent project inspection con-

ducted by DPWH Southern Leyte engineers, ongoing works in the site include pouring of concrete for the tie beam as well as fabricating and placing of steel bars for the beams.

Liloan National Technical Vocational High School, with over 1,000 students, is one of the national high schools of the government carrying out the implementation of the K to 12 program.

“The school building granted to Liloan National Technical Vocational High School aims to cater the increasing number of enrollees here particularly in the Senior High School program. This new school building will be the venue for technical laboratory and workshops that

would equip students with technical and vocational skills necessary for future employment,” said DPWH Southern Leyte District Engineer Ma Margarita Junia.

Junia said the project started on December 3, 2018 and is targeted to be completed on February 3, 2020. She added, the DPWH has been regularly monitoring civil works and is optimistic that the school building will be finished earlier than the set completion date.

“The DepEd in a joint effort with the infrastructure agency will remain relentless in implementing school building projects necessary for educational development,” Junia said. **(PR/FMMT)**

AUCTION SALE PROMO

AGENCIA AVENIDA, INC. (MAIN) #226 P. Gomez Street, Tacloban City on **JUNE 24, 2019** at 9:00 o'clock in the morning all unredeemed pledges articles up to JANUARY 24, 2019.

AGENCIA AVENIDA, INC. (BRANCH 1) #90 Rizal Avenue, Tacloban City on **JUNE 25, 2019** at 9:00 o'clock in the morning all unredeemed pledges articles up to JANUARY 25, 2019.

AGENCIA AVENIDA, INC. (BRANCH 2) #162 M.H. Del Pilar Street, Tacloban City on **JUNE 26, 2019** at 9:00 o'clock in the morning all unredeemed pledges articles up to JANUARY 26, 2019.

DTI Leyte Permit No. L-014 Series of 2019

AGENCIA AVENIDA, INC. OFFERS THE LOWEST INTEREST AT 2.5% WITH NO ADVANCE INTEREST AND NO SERVICE CHARGE

see PNP /page 14 ...

CARPER LAD Form NO. 51
(Revised Carp-LAD Form NO. 51)

Republic of the Philippines
DEPARTMENT OF AGRARIAN REFORM
Provincial Agrarian Reform Office
Liceo del Verbo Divino, Former Law Building
Avenida Veteranos, Tacloban City

NOTICE OF LAND VALUATION AND ACQUISITION

May 28, 2019

RURAL BANK OF PALO, LEYTE, INC
Palo, Leyte

Sir/Madam

This refers to your agricultural land covered by the Comprehensive Agrarian Reform Program (CARP) pursuant to Re-public Act (R.A.) No. 6657, as amended by R.A. No. 9700, particularly described as follows:

OCT/TCT No.	:	TCT-T-21223
TD No.	:	08-02-019-00039
Lot No.	:	5006-A-1 & 3
Approved Survey No.	:	Psd-08-039913-D(AR)
Area per OCT/TCT/TD No. (has)	:	0.2412 Ha.
Area acquired per ASP	:	0.2377 Ha.
Location	:	Brgy. Cabadsan, Alangalang, Leyte

Please be informed that out of the total area indicated in the aforesaid title of Tax Declaration an area of 0.2377 hec-tares is subject to immediate acquisition and distribution to qualified agrarian reform beneficiaries (ARBs) under () Voluntary Offer to Sell (x)Compulsory Acquisition.

On the basis of the value determined by the Land Bank of the Philippines (LBP) per attached Memorandum of Valuation (MOV) and Land Valuation Worksheet (LVW), the compensation for your landholding amounts to **FIVE THOU-SAND FIVE HUNDRED FIFTY FIVE PESOS AND 41/100 (Php 5,555.41)** covering 0.2377 hectares, including improve-ments thereon, if any.

We have already requested the LBP, with address at: Sagkahan Street, Tacloban City to deposit in your name the said amount, in cash and bonds. The release of payments shall be effected or may be withdrawn upon your submission of all documents required by LBP on the release of claims.

Please accomplish the attached CARPER LAD Form 53 (Landowner’s Reply to NLVA) within thirty (30) days upon receipt of this Notice and return it to the DAR Provincial Office.

In case you reject the compensation offered for your property or fail to reply to this notice within thirty (30) days from receipt thereof, we shall advise the Department of Agrarian Reform Adjudication Board (DARAB), with address at DAR Regional Office Compound, Sto. Niño Extension Tacloban City to conduct summary administrative proceedings on the matter. In the event that you subsequently accept the value as computed by the LBP based on existing valuation guidelines, you should manifest in writing with respect to such acceptance of the original value, or jointly with LBP manifest in writing with respect to the recomputed value by the LBP, with the DARAB or the regular court.

The DAR shall take immediate possession of the property upon issuance of a Certification of Deposit (COD) by LBP and the concomitant transfer of the title to the landholding in the name of the Republic of the Philippines.

Very truly yours,

(Sgd.) PAULINA S. CANALES
OIC, Provincial Agrarian Reform Program Officer II

ATTACHMENTS:
CARPER LAD Form No. 50 (Memorandum of Valuation) with Land Valuation Worksheet
CARPER LAD Form No. 53 (LO’s Reply to NLVA)

Copy Distribution:
Original - LO
Duplicate - LBP
Triplicate - DARPO
Quadruplicate - DARMO

CARPER LAD Form NO. 51
(Revised Carp-LAD Form NO. 51)

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRARIAN REFORM
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NOTICE OF LAND VALUATION AND ACQUISITION

May 28, 2019

RURAL BANK OF PALO, LEYTE, INC
Palo, Leyte

Sir/Madam

This refers to your agricultural land covered by the Comprehensive Agrarian Reform Program (CARP) pursuant to Re-public Act (R.A.) No. 6657, as amended by R.A. No. 9700, particularly described as follows:

OCT/TCT No.	:	TCT-T-21226
TD No.	:	08-02-019-00039
Lot No.	:	5006-D-1 & 3
Approved Survey No.	:	Psd-08-039912-D(AR)
Area per OCT/TCT/TD No. (has)	:	0.1497 Ha.
Area acquired per ASP	:	0.1478 Ha.
Location	:	Brgy. Cabadsan, Alangalang, Leyte

Please be informed that out of the total area indicated in the aforesaid title of Tax Declaration an area of 0.1478 hec-tares is subject to immediate acquisition and distribution to qualified agrarian reform beneficiaries (ARBs) under () Voluntary Offer to Sell (x)Compulsory Acquisition.

On the basis of the value determined by the Land Bank of the Philippines (LBP) per attached Memorandum of Valuation (MOV) and Land Valuation Worksheet (LVW), the compensation for your landholding amounts to **FOUR THOU-SAND SIXTY THREE PESOS AND 61/100 (Php 4,063.61)** covering 0.1478 hectares, including improvements thereon, if any.

We have already requested the LBP, with address at: Sagkahan Street, Tacloban City to deposit in your name the said amount, in cash and bonds. The release of payments shall be effected or may be withdrawn upon your submission of all documents required by LBP on the release of claims.

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Very truly yours,

(Sgd.) PAULINA S. CANALES
OIC, Provincial Agrarian Reform Program Officer II

ATTACHMENTS:
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CARPER LAD Form NO. 51
(Revised Carp-LAD Form NO. 51)

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRARIAN REFORM
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TD No.	:	08-02-019-00039
Lot No.	:	5006-C-1 & 3
Approved Survey No.	:	Psd-08-040001-D(AR)
Area per OCT/TCT/TD No. (has)	:	0.1993 Ha.
Area acquired per ASP	:	0.1969 Ha.
Location	:	Brgy. Cabadsan, Alangalang, Leyte

Please be informed that out of the total area indicated in the aforesaid title of Tax Declaration an area of 0.1969 hec-tares is subject to immediate acquisition and distribution to qualified agrarian reform beneficiaries (ARBs) under () Voluntary Offer to Sell (x)Compulsory Acquisition.

On the basis of the value determined by the Land Bank of the Philippines (LBP) per attached Memorandum of Valu-ation (MOV) and Land Valuation Worksheet (LVW), the compensation for your landholding amounts to **FIVE THOU-SAND NINE HUNDRED SEVENTY EIGHT PESOS AND 66/100 (Php 5,978.66)** covering 0.1969 hectares, including im-provements thereon, if any.

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OCT/TCT No.	:	TCT-T-21228
TD No.	:	08-02-019-00039
Lot No.	:	5006-F-1 & 3
Approved Survey No.	:	Psd-08-039771-D(AR)
Area per OCT/TCT/TD No. (has)	:	0.2263 Ha.
Area acquired per ASP	:	0.2209 Ha.
Location	:	Brgy. Cabadsan, Alangalang, Leyte

Please be informed that out of the total area indicated in the aforesaid title of Tax Declaration an area of 0.2209 hectares is subject to immediate acquisition and distribution to qualified agrarian reform beneficiaries (ARBs) under ()Voluntary Offer to Sell (x)Compulsory Acquisition.

On the basis of the value determined by the Land Bank of the Philippines (LBP) per attached Memorandum of Valuation (MOV) and Land Valuation Worksheet (LVW), the compensation for your landholding amounts to **SIX THOU-SAND SIX HUNDRED EIGHTY PESOS AND 57/100 (Php 6,680.57)** covering 0.2209 hectares, including improvements thereon, if any.

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Tacloban City

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DATE: 5-27-19
TIME: 3:00
BY: [Signature]
DARAB-LEYTE

EMELIA GO-MONTEJO
Landowner,

DARAB CASE NO. LV-0801-0074-2017
FOR: FIXING OF JUST COMPENSATION

X-----X

SUMMONS AND NOTICE OF HEARING

To:

EMELIA GO-MONTEJO
Brgy. San Agustin
Babatngon, Leyte

FIEL M. PEDROSA
Head
Agrarian Operations Center-
LANDBANK
Real St., Sagkahan District
Tacloban City

PAULINA S. CANALES
PARPO II
DAR Prov'l., Office
Avenida Veteranos, Tacloban City

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The proceeding being summary in nature, you are directed to submit within thirty (30) days from receipt hereof your respective memorandum/position paper and affidavits, supported with pertinent documents and evidence as to just compensation of said property. Parties may examine the claim folder in the Adjudicator's Office.


DAR, LVD Law Bldg. Avenida Veteranos, Tacloban City, May 27, 2019.

FOR THE ADJUDICATOR

[Signature]

MESALINA M. PAMAT
Clerk of the Adjudicator

LSDE: June 4, 11 & 18, 2019



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DARAB-LEYTE

NICOLAS SALAZAR married to
ENCARNACION CORREGIDOR
Landowner,

DARAB CASE NO. LV-0801-0024-2017

X-----X

SUMMONS AND NOTICE OF HEARING

To:

NICOLAS SALAZAR married to
ENCARNACION CORREGIDOR
Brgy. Mudburon, Alangalang, Leyte

FIEL M. PEDROSA
Head
Agrarian Operations Center-
LANDBANK
Real St., Sagkahan District
Tacloban City

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DATE: 5-27-19
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BY: [Signature]
DARAB-LEYTE

ESTELIT ENDRIANO
Landowner,

DARAB CASE NO. LV-0801-0054-2016
FOR: FIXING OF JUST COMPENSATION

X-----X

SUMMONS AND NOTICE OF HEARING

To:

ESTELITO ENDRIANO married to
Illuminada Endriano
c/o Annelie E. Perido
Brgy. Calingga, Dagami, Leyte

FIEL M. PEDROSA
Head
Agrarian Operations Center-
LANDBANK
Real St., Sagkahan District
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DATE: 5-27-19
TIME: 3:00
BY: [Signature]
DARAB-LEYTE

RURAL BANK OF PALO, LEYTE INC.
Landowners,

DARAB CASE NO. LV-0801-0076-2018
LV-0801-0077-2018
FOR: DETERMINATION OF JUST COMPENSATION

X-----X

SUMMONS AND NOTICE OF HEARING

To:

THE PRESIDENT
RURAL BANK OF PALO, LEYTE INC.
Palo, Leyte

FIEL M. PEDROSA
Head
Agrarian Operations Center-
LANDBANK
Real St., Sagkahan District
Tacloban City

PAULINA S. CANALES
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DAR Prov'l., Office
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DOCKET NO.	TITLE NO.	LOT NO.	AREA	AREA ACQUIRED	LOCATION
LV-0801-0076-2018	TCT T-21227	5006-E	0.2152	0.2152	Brgy. Cabadsan, Alangalang, Leyte
LV-0801-0077-2018	TCT T-21230	5006-H	0.1833	0.1833	

subject of Compulsory Acquisition scheme of R.A. 6657.

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LSDE: June 4, 11 & 18, 2019

BFAR-8 breaks ground for its 5-storey new office building

TACLOBAN CITY- A five-storey building that will serve as the regional office of the Bureau of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources (BFAR) in Region 8 is expected to rise in July next year, about 15 months from now or 450 calendar days.

The groundbreaking ceremony for the office building was held on May 29 at Barangay Diit, Tacloban City, the previous site of the office building which was heavily damaged by super typhoon Yolanda in November 2013.

In his message, Dr. Juan Albaladejo, BFAR regional director said, "With five years in the making, our dream of having a climate resilient and environment-friendly office building has finally become a reality. With our Typhoon Yolanda experience, we designed our building to become storm surge-proof, safe and with state-of-the-art design."

"We want to get back to Barangay Diit because this is our original home and we want to build our dreams and hopes here, aside from being close to the sea," he said.

He added that the five-storey building has a floor area of 5,000 square meters at 1,000 square meters per floor while the laboratory section will be located at

the 5th floor and other facilities at the upper floors, making them safe from floods and other calamities.

It was learned that BFAR-8 was given a total budget of P260 million in February 2014 from the government's savings intended for the Yolanda rehabilitation projects.

"Of the total budget, P189 million is allotted for the office building construction and the remaining amount is for the rehabilitation of BFAR facilities like the surveillance and monitoring building and other facilities in Guiuan," Albaladejo said.

The BFAR official also disclosed that its office has a lot of equipment donated by the Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA) that are temporarily housed in Guiuan, Eastern Samar.

Some of these equipment will be transferred to Tacloban upon completion of the building.

Director Albaladejo also bared that his office will be engaging more projects with JICA like tooling and post-harvest facilities, to cater to the needs of mariculture.

A breathing area will also be provided for the safekeeping of the boats used in law enforcement, in times of inclement weather.

Meanwhile, Philippine Fisheries Development Authority (PFDA) Officer-

in-Charge for Technical Services Department, Danilo Axalan said the project, which is a joint venture of PFDA and BFAR, was bid out in 2018 but was only awarded February this year for some technical reasons.

The contractors for the project, according to Axalan, are the Penacle and Pacific Summit, same contractors awarded for the construction of the Eastern Visayas Regional Medical Center (EVRMC), who are expected to deliver the project efficiently, effectively and within the given timeline.

"Our office, the PFDA and BFAR will jointly supervise and monitor the implementation of the project as we are partners in fisheries management. In this collaboration, BFAR takes charge of the marine resources to include inland waters such as fishponds, while PFDA provides the needed facilities like the fishing docks for the fishing vessels, market halls, among others, to ensure good quality of fishery products," Axalan said.

The groundbreaking rite was led by the BFAR Director and Assistant Director themselves, with the presence of PFDA and NEDA officials, and a representative from the Pacific Summit. **(LDL/GTT/PIA-8, Leyte)**

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for: equality and recognition as legitimate members of the populace of San Julian of more than 15,000 people.

On Saturday (June 1), San Julian became the first area in Eastern Visayas to have a 'pride crosswalk,' as the LGBT community calls it, with its unveiling.

It's unveiling coincided with the observance of LGBT Pride Month which first started on June 27, 1970, incidentally, sparked by a riot involving the gay community in New York City calling for recognition and equality among its members.

In San Julian, behind the Pride crosswalk are the 159-members of the San Julian Pride founded on December 23, 2017.

Its founder, Roel Andag, a graduate of public administration at UP-Diliman, said that it was just fitting that their Pride

crosswalk version is located in a busy street of the town where the seat of the municipal government is located.

"It symbolizes our call for equality and recognition. It is located along a national highway in between Barangays 4 and 5 where our municipal building is located," the 42-year old Andag said in a Facebook interview.

And based on their Facebook account, the group said that the Pride crosswalk signifies their 'oneness with the rest of the world in celebrating the Pride month.'

"That we are part of a bigger diverse community. It is our assertion of our LGBT+identity in our rural setting-that we will not be rendered invisible, we will see and will be seen."

The group also said that the Pride crosswalk is a proof that the rest of the people of San Julian embraces and accepts them as members of the community.

"Our Pride crosswalk is our visual reminder that we have come a long way and we still have a long way to go," the group said.

And true to form, their group does not 'discriminate' their own saying that members of their group came from all walks of life-professionals and non-professionals, students, out-of-work, and even farmers.

Andag said to discriminate who can become members of the group would go contrary to what they are fighting for-equality and recognition.

The 10-meter crosswalk was a group effort as they hired a painter to do the job for more than three hours Saturday night.

Andag said that they have to use blow-dryers so the paints could dry right away.

For this project, the group spent P3,000 from their group's funds.

Once the work was completed, they all felt not only relieved but 'happy and



Leyte Governor Leopoldo Dominico "Mic" L. Petilla hand over certificates to the 23 graduates on Multiple Income creating project information and communication technology and award medals to achievers Jinky Llonas, best programmer; Joel Mercolita best in designer of the Leyte Academic Center MIC P data center; Aljon Lerios best programmer; Ronald Mercado best designer; and Jason Gonzaga most resourceful scholar of Baybay MIC P-E Learning Center and Pillars of excellence are Alijon Lerios, Joseph Andrey Dacena and Joshua Flores. Joining the governor in the distribution of certificates and medals were Dr. Marilyn Siao asst. school division superintendent DepEd- Leyte division, Dr. Gil Esplanada, education program supervisor DepEd Leyte Division, Dr. Aurora Villarente MIC-P project manager and education consultant; and Jescyn Kate Ramos LTIPC unit head. The said activity was held at MIC Marketing Center Pawing, Palo, Leyte. **(Gina P. Gerez)**

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struction, they still need at least 16 new classrooms to accommodate their growing population coming from Guadalupe I, II, III, and IV with a combined population of over 10,000 people.

Genrix Oliva, a Grade 4 pupil, said that he does not mind if their classrooms are just like shelter-type.

"This is just temporary, I guess. I just want to learn," the student said.

At present, the school has about 700 enrolled elementary students and about 500 secondary students being handled by a combined 27 teachers.

Peñalosa said that they expect the enrollment to

balloon as enrollment is still ongoing.

At the Bureau National High School in Bureau town, Leyte province, it still need at least seven new classrooms to accommodate its increasing number of student population, said junior high teacher Angelina Wing.

At present, the school has about 45 classrooms with an enrollment of about 1,600 handled by 63 teachers.

Jasmin Calzita, regional information officer of the Department of Education, said that all these inadequacies are being addressed by their office.

For one, lack of teachers are being addressed.

Their central office has allocated more than 340 new teachers for the region

for this school year.

The regional DepEd office could not say how many teachers are needed in the region to fill up the void.

Calzita also said that based on their monitoring, the opening of classes went smoothly.

"We have not received any negative reports from any of our (school) divisions," she said.

The DepEd expects an enrollment of about 1.27 million students in kindergarten, elementary, secondary and senior high.

Police personnel were also deployed during the opening of classes to ensure that no untoward would happen.

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tively.

Consolation prizes of P 6,000 were given to the remaining barangays.

Special awardees were Brgy. 99 Mercyville Diit for most disciplined barangay, Brgy. 37 Reclamation Area for the Most Participated Barangay, the best arch award went to Brgy. 35-A Pampango Anibong and Brgy. 37 Reclamation Area for the Best Lantern Award. The special awardees each received cash prizes.

According to the City Tourism Operations Office (CTTOO), the holding of the grand Santacruz, one of the major tourism event here in the city, is part of the efforts to keep the religious tradition 'alive' and relevant to the younger generation. **(HENRY JAMES ROCA/CIO).**

town council which passed an ordinance of which the group is passionate about-the creation of a local AIDS council. The ordinance was passed last year.

Incidentally, one of the advocacies of the San Julian Pride Advocacy Group is on HIV-AIDS awareness campaign which they do by conducting lectures and distribution of condoms donated by the Department of Health (DOH).

HIV-AIDS commonly affects among members of the LGBT community.


In Eastern Visayas, there are more than 700 HIV-AIDS cases with 48 deaths as of this year, records from the DOH said.

(JOEY A. GABIETA)

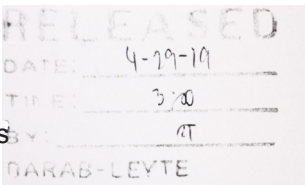
proud' that they have now their own version of Pride crosswalk which could be seen in other parts of the country like in the cities of Quezon and Cebu.

They have planned to have their Pride crosswalk for the last three months and were just gratified that the provincial office of the Department of Public Works and Highways allowed them to have a section of the public street be painted with various and bright colors.

And they are also thankful that officials of the municipal government of San Julian are very supportive of their campaign, naming Mayor Dennis Estaron and the members of the



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FREDA C. CATARATA, married to
ERLINDO CATARATA
Landowners,
X-----X

DARAB CASE NO. **LV-0801-0002-2019**

FOR: FIXING OF JUST COMPENSATION

SUMMONS AND NOTICE OF HEARING

To:

**FREDA C. CATARATA, married to
ERLINDO CATARATA**
Brgy. Lourdes, Alangalang, Leyte

**PAULINA S. CANALES
PARPO II**
DAR Prov'l., Office
Avenida Veteranos, Tacloban City

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DAR, LVD Law Bldg. Avenida Veteranos, Tacloban City, April 29, 2019.

FOR THE ADJUDICATOR

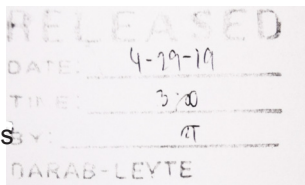


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CHARITO SALAZAR
Landowner,
X-----X

DARAB CASE NO. **LV-0801-0022-2019**

FOR: FIXING OF JUST COMPENSATION

SUMMONS AND NOTICE OF HEARING

To:

CHARITO SALAZAR
Poblacion, Alangalang, Leyte

**PAULINA S. CANALES
PARPO II**
DAR Prov'l., Office
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FIEL M. PEDROSA
Head
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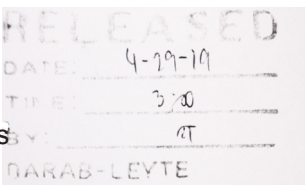


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NICOMEDES CORDIAL
Landowners,
X-----X

DARAB CASE NO. **LV-0801-005-2019
LV-0801-006-2019
LV-0801-007-2019**

FOR: FIXING OF JUST COMPENSATION

SUMMONS AND NOTICE OF HEARING

To:

NICOMEDES CORDIAL
Brgy. Sta. Elena, La Paz, Leyte

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LV-0801-005-2019	TCT T-13892	2351	0.4160	
LV-0801-006-2019	TCT T-13891	2347	0.3391	Brgy. Caltayan,
LV-0801-007-2019	TCT T-4026	2348	0.6694	La Paz, Leyte

subject of Compulsory Acquisition scheme of R.A. 6657.

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DAR, LVD Law Bldg. Avenida Veteranos, Tacloban City, April 25, 2019.

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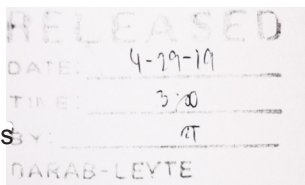


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ELEANOR BUGHO
Landowners,
X-----X

DARAB CASE NO. **LV-0801-0031-2017
LV-0801-0034-2017
LV-0801-0051-2018**

FOR: FIXING OF JUST COMPENSATION

SUMMONS AND NOTICE OF HEARING

To:

ELEANOR A. BUGHO
c/o Oliver Bugho
5253, San Ramon Street
San Antonio Valley 5,
Sucat, Parañaque City

**PAULINA S. CANALES
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LV-0801-0031-2017	TCT T-9470	1-A & B	5.7600	5.7600	Brgy.
LV-0801-0034-2017	TCT T-23060	2-B-1	1.9143	1.8437	Consuegra,
LV-0801-0051-2018	TCT T-9468	391-B-1, 2, 4 & 5	3.8679	1.0122	Leyte, Leyte

subject of Compulsory Acquisition scheme of R.A. 6657 (as amended).

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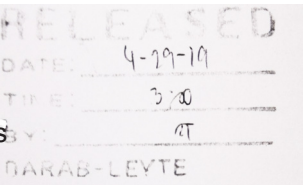


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EMILY S. REYES, married to
EDWARD REYES
Landowners,
X-----X

DARAB CASE NO. **LV-0801-0001-2019**

FOR: FIXING OF JUST COMPENSATION

SUMMONS AND NOTICE OF HEARING

To:

EMILY S. REYES, married to
EDWARD REYES
Brgy. Cavite, Alangalang, Leyte

FIEL M. PEDROSA
Head
Agrarian Operations Center-
LANDBANK
Real St., Sagkahan District
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DAR, LVD Law Bldg. Avenida Veteranos, Tacloban City, April 15, 2019.


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MIGUELA DE VEYRA, married to
ISIDRO JARANILLA
Landowners,
X-----X

DARAB CASE NO. **LV-0801-0018-2019**

FOR: FIXING OF JUST COMPENSATION

SUMMONS AND NOTICE OF HEARING

To:

MIGUELA DE VEYRA, married to
ISIDRO JARANILLA
33-B, Liberty Avenue, Murphy
Quezon City

FIEL M. PEDROSA
Head
Agrarian Operations Center-
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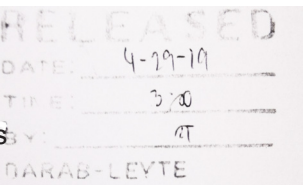
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CATALINA L. VDA DE QUINONES
Landowner,
X-----X

DARAB CASE NO. **LV-0801-0009-2019**

FOR: FIXING OF JUST COMPENSATION

SUMMONS AND NOTICE OF HEARING

To:

CATALINA L. VDA DE QUINONES
Brgy. Hiagsam, Jaro, Leyte

FIEL M. PEDROSA
Head
Agrarian Operations Center-
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Real St., Sagkahan District
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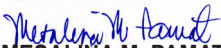
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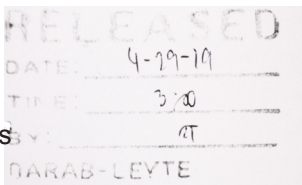
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TEJIDA MORALES
Landowner,
X-----X

DARAB CASE NO. **LV-0801-0003-2019**

FOR: FIXING OF JUST COMPENSATION

SUMMONS AND NOTICE OF HEARING

To:

TEJIDO MORALES
Brgy. Tabu-anon, Burauen, Leyte

FIEL M. PEDROSA
Head
Agrarian Operations Center-
LANDBANK
Real St., Sagkahan District
Tacloban City

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Gov. Mercado: Southern Leyte’s division into 2 congressional districts will bring in more funds from national gov’t

MAASIN CITY – Governor Damian Mercado expressed his hope that the splitting of Southern Leyte will result to economic benefits to the province.

Mercado, who just won another fresh term during the May 13 midterm elections, was referring to the creation of another congressional district of the province which was principally authored by his brother, Rep. Roger Mercado.

The governor said that with two congressional districts, Southern Leyte could expect more funding from the national government.

Under Republic Act 11198, Southern Leyte’s 17 towns and Maasin City were divided into two congressional districts.

The first district is comprised of the capital Maasin City, and the towns of Macrohon, Padre



Gov. Damian Mercado

Burgos, Malitbog, Tomas Oppus, Bontoc and the island town of Limasawa.

The towns of Sogod, Libagon, Liloan, San Francisco, Pintuyan, San Ricardo, Saint Bernard, Anahawan, San Juan, Hinundayan, Hinunangan, and Silago make up the second district.

The governor was also quick to say that the division of the province into two congressional district is not politically-motivated.

“The move to divide the province has nothing to do with politics because our main purpose was to en-

sure that more projects will come to help and benefits the residents of Southern Leyte,” Mercado added.

He added that once they have two representatives, these officials will now have enough time to visit all 500 barangays of the province.

At present, Rep. Mercado is on hold-capacity as representative of Southern Leyte in the Lower House.

“They say that an election will be held this November,” Gov. Mercado disclosed.

Southern Leyte province plays an important role in the inter-island transportation system of the country, with its two towns, Liloan and San Ricardo as main entry and exit point for roll-on, roll-off going to Mindanao Island.

An agricultural province, Southern Leyte is a top coconut and abaca fiber producer in the region. **(ROEL T. AMAZONA)**

DPWH...

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Caibiran, Cabucgayan, and Biliran during the Brigada Eskwela.

“Among the assistance given were cleaning of school grounds by cutting grasses, repainting of concrete benches, and repainting of pedestrian lanes,” said Dagalea.

Dagalea added that Biliran DEO through DE Adongay has also donated empty containers of asphalt sealant that can be used as trashcans and bags of cement to be

used in constructing/ repairing some structures of the school.

“This kind of activity wouldn’t be possible without the help also of our dedicated school personnel, cooperative parents, accountable community and innovative learners,” said Dagalea.

The Brigada Eskwela is the National Schools Maintenance Week that aims to prepare the school one week before its formal opening of classes.

The following schools served by DPWH-Biliran DEO were Naval Central

School, Catmon Elementary School, Lucsoon Elementary School, Calumpang Elementary School, Agpangi Elementary School, Naval Night High School, Naval School of Fisheries, Naval National High School, Biliran Province State University (main campus), Jamorawon Elementary School, Masagongsong Elementary School, Information and Communication Technology High School for the Eastern Biliran, Talibong Elementary School and Biliran Province State University

Lightning...

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examination on the cadavers.

The remains of the victims were brought at their residence in Laniwan.

Dr. Chy told Leyte Samar Daily Express in a mobile interview that both victims suffered second degree burns from the head to their anterior chests that caused their instant death. Their clothes were burned and torn.

Catarman Pagasa manager Feleon Corona said that structures like a solitary nipa hut or a tree are commonly hit when lightning strikes in rice field areas.

“Thunderstorms occur most frequently during May; kasagsagan ng init dito sa ating lugar. During thunderstorms when you notice that a thunder and a lightning strike, ibig sabihin niyan yung clouds na pinanggalingan ng lightning is overhead or near your place. And it will hit at the highest object in your area,” he said.

Corona noted that in rice fields usually the highest object is a nipa hut, a coconut tree or a person standing.

“So to avoid being hit don’t shelter in a solitary hut. Go to areas where there are several houses. If you have nowhere to go better just duck in a place where

you are not the highest object,” he said.

He also advised not to lie on the ground as the place may be wet or moist. (And) when the lightning hits a tree near you malaki ang posibilidad na makuryente ka din,” Corona said.

Corona said that their agency always include tips on how to avoid being hit by a lightning during Disaster Risk Reduction and Management seminars.

“Disasters from lightning is often disregarded kasi isa o dalawa lang naman an natatamaan. Pero paano kung ikaw o ang pamilya mo ang tamaan?” the official said. **(RACHEL V. ARNAIZ)**

Dormitory saves Leyte students from dropping out of school

BY: RAUL SALANO

MACARTHUR, Leyte-Mary Ann Bren, 16, is all thankful to the dormitory set up inside Palale National High School in Mac Arthur, Leyte, saying the place has saved her from stopping on her studies.

Growing up in a family of 12, Bren said that sustaining her education has been a constant challenge of her parents who are both farmers.

“We are 10 siblings. Our parents have a hard time supporting our studies especially for our allowance and transportation needs,” said Bren from the interior barangay of San Antonio in the said town.

Bren has to walk for an hour just to reach the school.

Yet after she moved into a dormitory room for the girls inside the high school premises, Bren said she found relief.

“It’s much better here, because I will no longer get tired from walking everyday in going to school. I can attend to my classes every day and save my allowance, too,” she said.

Bren stayed in one room along with 12 other girls in the school. Another room is also made for the 13 other boys whose houses are far from the school.

“This is the first time that I am away from my parents. But it’s just fine because this will be for my own good. I was able to adjust to my new environment. This is just little sacrifices for me to finish my studies,” said Bren who wanted to take up tourism degree in college.

“I really want to finish my studies and find work to help my parents,” she said.

Eighteen-year-old Mark Sumaya, an incoming Grade 8 student, said the distance in going to school was difficult for him.

“We are five siblings. Only two finished Grade 6 while the others already got married. I am thankful that I’ve found a new home inside the school so I can finish my high school,” Sumaya said.

He started staying at the dormitory in September 2018 after it opened in August.

Sumaya said that his parents have to spend P800 every month for the rental payment of a motorcycle which they used to take to the school.

“We have to resort to ‘pakyaw’ for our transportation. It would take about two hours if we will walk going to school from our house,” said Sumaya.

The school assigned some faculty members who also resided in the barangay to serve as “managers” or in-charge of the two rooms inside the school.

The student-boarders were given respective assignments from cooking to cleaning their area.

They also eat together, like in a family. The student-boarders have one cooking area and comfort rooms, respectively.

The dormitory “managers” also instilled discipline and values to the student-boarders. On their free time, they also have some form of recreations like playing chess and learning to play the guitar, among others.

On weekends, the students who chose to stay in the school also get the opportunity to earn extra money by tending to crops of some farmers in the barangay or act as “helper” to other teachers and residents in the area.

While the students do not get extra allowance from the school itself, they however get free board and lodging.

The allocated Maintenance and Other Operating Expenses (MOOE) for Palale National High School is around P38,555 only. It is being spent for electricity, water, support-learning programs, and other school activities.

While the school’s monthly expenditures have increased due to additional consumption of water and electricity, this did not stop the school and community officials from sustaining the operation of the two-room dormitory for the sake saving the students from dropping out from school.

Before the school only paid about P1,000 for the power and P600 for the water. This time, they are paying about P2,000 for the water and P3,000 for the electricity.

But for Sumaya, he said he is now “focused” on her studies after finding a place in the dormitory.

“I want to become an engineer someday, and hopefully build a bigger dormitory in the school for the next students like me,” he said.

The school leaders also sought technical assistance from Raul Salano, who handled the Drop-Out Reduction Program (DORP) of the Division of Leyte, in bringing in more sponsors and coordinate with other stakeholders for the operation of the dormitory.

DORP is an adherence to the national government’s program of “Education for All.”

It provides intervention program to reduce the high dropout rate and improve learning outcomes among schools both private and public.

More, it increases significantly the achievement level of the Students-at-Risk of Dropping Out (SARDO).

In the case of Palale National High School, the school leaders with the help of the Division and community officials, managed to increase their capabilities to establish, implement, monitor, evaluate and continuously improve the DORP.

The innovation of putting up a dormitory served as its best practice.

With the help of the local government of Mac Arthur, the school’s one story, two-rooms building became a refuge to the students in the interior villages of the town who are at risk of dropping out from their studies.

The Leyte division also envisioned that the project to counter the DORP in Palale will be replicated in all schools in the 40 towns of Leyte and to the rest of the region and the country where many students quit on their studies due to the distance and expenses in going to school.

(Note: The author is a supervisor at the Division of Leyte, handles the Drop-out Reduction Program of the Leyte province)

DA Eastern Visayas fetes 60 'Gawad Saka' champs

TACLOBAN CITY- The Department of Agriculture (DA) has recognized farmers, fisherfolk, and distinguished groups and individuals for their significant contributions in the development of agriculture and fishery sectors in Eastern Visayas.

This year's prestigious "Gawad Saka" Award held Friday at summit Hotel here has awarded 60 individuals and groups in the region, citing their productivity, innovativeness, community involvement, and entrepreneurship.

"Our farmers and fishermen deserve this recognition because no matter how rich you are and no matter how expensive your cars are, it's worthless if no one would produce food for you," DA Regional Executive Director Milo delos Reyes said.

Among those recognized for their outstanding contributions were rice farmers, organic farmers, vegetable producers, farming entrepreneurs, agricultural researchers, agricultural scientists, agriculture and fishery councils, barangay (village) food terminals, coconut farmers, and sugarcane farmers.

Also awarded are rural improvement club, farm family, corn farmer, small animal raiser, agricultural scientist, local government units, small water irrigator's association, agricultural extension workers, local farmer technicians, rural woman farmer, seed innovator, local television



WINNERS. Outstanding Agricultural Entrepreneur couple Troy and Anna Louisa Bumagat (center) of Ormoc City receive their check from the Department of Agriculture during the 'Gawad Saka' Award at Summit Hotel in Tacloban on Friday (May 31, 2019). Joining them are DA Regional Technical Director Elvira Torres (extreme right), DA Regional Executive Director Milo de los Reyes (2nd from right), Ormoc Mayor Richard Gomez (3rd from right), DA farmer director Inocencio Morillos (3rd from left), Bureau of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources Regional Director Juan Albaladejo (2nd from left), and Philippine Coconut Authority Regional Manager Jeffrey delos Reyes (extreme left).

(Photo courtesy of Department of Agriculture)

program, local radio station, and Tacloban-based journalists.

All awardees got cash incentives from the farm department to empower winners who have been inspiring those engaged in the region's agricultural sector.

"This year, media awards were likewise given importance by the DA as we believe in the vital role of our media partners in helping the DA Family spread the good news of modern agriculture and fisheries," said DA regional information officer Francis Rosaroso, regional Gawad Saka coordinator.

Gawad Saka is an annual search program of DA which has become the high-

est form of recognition to deserving farmers and fisherfolk in the country who have excelled in the various sectors of agriculture.

Rosaroso is optimistic that regional winners will be qualified for national recognition to inspire more farmers in Eastern Visayas.

The region is a predominantly farming area where 45 percent or 976,415 hectares of its total land area is devoted to agriculture.

Of its agricultural lands, 70 percent is planted to coconut and 20 percent to rice and corn. The rest is planted to other crops, used to raise livestock and poultry, or inland fishery products. **(PNA)**

Man shot dead inside Ormoc City school

TACLOBAN CITY- A man was shot dead inside a classroom at Mabini Elementary School in Ormoc City Sunday (June 2).

Authorities identified the victim as Bienvenido Casimiro, 42, married, and a resident of Purok Tagayatay in Barangay Mabini.

Police said Casimiro,

a city government employee, was sitting at the area around 4:40 p.m. when a certain Ronnie Pocson, 46, suddenly appeared and shot the victim, hitting him in the different parts of his body which resulted to his immediate death.

Initial investigation showed that personal

grudge pushed the suspect to shot the victim who immediately fled after the incident.

Pocson, married and jobless, is also a resident of the said barangay.

Police are conducting follow-up investigation for the arrest of the suspect. **(RONALD O. REYES)**

office of the Department of Education.

Of these number 301, 529 are learners who avail the early registration of DepEd conducted in January which targeted Kindergarten, Grade 1, 7, 11 and transferee.

There are 110, 845 learners are in kindergarten, 615,814 are in elementary, 405, 521 are in junior high school while 138, 540 are in senior high school, for his school year. **(ROEL T. AMAZONA)**

A hundred year old Mamanwa continue to practice tribe's tradition in Barangay Kagbana

BY: ROMMEL D. ALDE

"Bernal Kalipayan Banagbanag is a hundred year old man. He was born on December 12, 1918" said Jonny Banagbanag, his son.

Bernal lived in a small house together with his wife Talina Pinao Banagbanag and his daughter.

Mano Bernal has 9 children with 5 boys and 4 girls. His family came from the province of Surigao and migrated to the mountainous part of Javier, Leyte and sooner they stayed in a mountainous barangay of Burauen now Brgy. Kagbana for about five decades now where he supported and raised his family through hunting of wild animals and fishing as their primary source of living.

During that time their family has no chance to visit the town to buy their basic needs like rice, coffee and dried fish. But instead they ate "pugahan" as a substitute to rice, they drink "dugos" honey as their coffee - they



mixed it with water.

Mano Bernal is the leader of their tribe. He is called as "ma-an" meaning the chieftain of their community. Bernal has no religion but he has beliefs and tradition.

He exercises his beliefs and rituals specially during wedding ceremony, farming and hunting of wild life or even cutting of trees by praying -uttering of words, ritual dance and offering of live chicken and pigs to what he is called Diwata.

Mano Bernal can also see and talk to "diwata" asking blessing and guidance during calamities and catastrophes like typhoon, drought, floods and even

viral diseases.

Today, Mano Bernal is still active in exercising his beliefs and rituals and even can participate in any gathering in Barangay and school activities whenever he is invited.

His beliefs and rituals are respected by the whole community neither Mamanwa or the common people as he is consider the IP elder in barangay.

"Mano Bernal is now preparing the next "maan" as the successor of his legacy," said Mang Jonny.

(Note: the author is the teacher-in-charge of Kagbana Elementary School in Burauen, Leyte)

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for malnutrition alleviation," said Mosquito, 34.

Since 2014, Mosquito led in planting vegetables using organic farming for their 345 pupils at the Cabarasan Daku Elementary School, Palo II District.

"The harvest goes to a feeding program to alleviate malnutrition in school and improve academic and non-academic performance of children," he said while

thanking his fellow teachers in implementing the project.

The excess harvest are sold in the community with the proceeds going to special programs and projects of the school like reproduction of test materials, Christmas party of the pupils and school beautification, Mosquito said.

The project would free the students from the burden of finding money for their school projects and other expenses, he added, noting that the majority of their students are children of ordinary farmers.

Mosquito was selected as Visayas winner in the prestigious 2019 Bayaning Gurong Pilipino of the ABS-CBN Gawad Geny Lopez Jr. Bayaning Pilipino Awards at the ABS-CBN Station in Mandaue, Cebu City on June 1.

He was awarded "for setting aside personal interest, pursuing excellence in all endeavors, and dedicating his life in the service of fellow Filipinos."

Accompanying him during the awarding ceremony was Dr. Melfe Sanchez,

principal-in-charge/district supervisor of Palo II District in Leyte Division.

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Among the players selected for the ASEAN games is pingpong stand-out Sultan of Catbalogan. **(KEVIN A. SIOSANA)**

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Pasig City emerged as the over-all champion amassing 39 golds, followed by Pangasinan with 25 golds, and Davao City placing third garnering 20 golds.

The week-long games provided a playing platform where players with disabilities such as visually-impaired, deaf, mute, cerebral palsy, ortho handicapped and intellectual disability get the chance to pit skills against each other.

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Seeing the success from the school-based vegetable garden project, Mosquito extended his advocacy to the community as their livelihood program, calling it "Gulayan ha Kabablayan Program."

"I believe that solution to malnutrition should start at home," Mosquito said.

"According to Mother Teresa, everyone can rise above their circumstances and achieve success if they are dedicated and passionate about what they do. The plaque that you received is an evidence of how great you are and portrays the best version of yourself as a public servant," said Sanchez as she lauded the "selfless efforts" of Mosquito.

"You really made a difference in the lives of our fellow Filipinos," she added.

Meanwhile, Mosquito thanked the support of Sanchez, his seven other fellow teachers at school, Leyte division officials, and local leaders for their full support.

The annual Gawad Geny Lopez Jr. Bayaning Pilipino Awards is named after the late Don Eugenio "Geny" Lopez Jr., founder of ABS-CBN Corporation, the biggest television network in the country.

It is now on its 25th year. **(RONALD O. REYES)**

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students from Kindergarten to Grade 12 returned back to their schools on Monday for school year 2019-2020, based on the record of the regional of-



EV paralympic athletes win medals in national games

TACLOBAN CITY- Paralympic players from



Linard Sultan, an ortho athlete with an artificial leg from Catbalogan City, displays the medals he obtained in table tennis in the Philspada National Games.

Eastern Visayas showed they can compete with the country's best as they claimed medals in the just concluded 7th Philippine Sports Commission-Phil Sports Association for Differently Abled (PSC--Philspada) National Para Games in Malolos, Bulacan.

Marciano Paragatos of Catbalogan City lead the winners for Region 8, snatching 3 medals in throwing events.

Paragatos, a mute athlete, took the gold medal in discuss throw, silver in javelin throw and bronze in shot put.

Another Catbaloganon, Linard Sultan, an ortho player with an artificial right leg, made a sterling performance in table tennis.

The 19-year old BS In-

formation Technology student at Samar State University, copped silver medals in doubles and team categories, and a bronze in men's singles

Other players from Samar are Arnulfo Manog (chess), Ven Vone Elejedo (swimming), Angelo Quemano (throwing) and Rolando Nabaunag (throwing).

Meanwhile, Felizardo Reneses of Maasin City, Southern Leyte won the gold in Javelin and bronze in discuss throw.

A paralympic swimmer from Ormoc City bagged a gold in the pool competitions.

Roland Jun Jimwel Arcadio from Northern Samar was a part of the silver winning team in the goal ball event.

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The victorious TABCI 13-under team poses after winning the PYD title in their division.

ABCI wins crown in PYD hoops tilt

TACLOBAN CITY- The Tacloban Active Basketball Center Inc. (TABCI) added another feather to its cap by winning the title in the 13-under division of the 3rd Pinoy Youth Dreamers (PYD) National Basketball Challenge in Cebu City on May 30 - June 1, 2019.

The TABCI young

hoopsters lorded it over in their division registering an immaculate 5-0 win-loss slate in the eliminations, then trashed Bacolod Taytung High School, 62-52, in the finals.

Aside from the crown, some members of the team garnered individual citations.

Up and coming cage wizard Zyldrone Asuncion of Liceo del Verbo Divino was adjudged as the MVP in the 13-under division.

As a fitting recognition of his talent, Asuncion joined the Philippine squad that will see action in an international tournament in Singapore this year.

Dezetto Villanueva and Dason Bocateja made it to the Mythical Five, Stephen Abayan and Cleo Jerwega as Promising Players, and Jesli Dela Cruz given the

Defensive Player Award.

Meanwhile, TABCI's 19-under crew also brought honors by bagging third place in their category when they downed a Manila-based team.

The 16-under team showed potential in their matches although they failed to secure a place in the final four.

Teams coming from Bacolod, Cebu, Bukidnon, Manila, Bohol and Eastern Samar also competed in the games.


TABCI, headed by chief trainer/coach Noli Cabibihan with his able assistants led by Randy Lou Corregidor, has been participating in various national tournaments and several of their young cagers made it to university varsity teams in the country.

(KEVIN A. SIOSANA)

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