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Now on its 76th anniversary

Leyte Landings celeb will go virtual

ROEL T. AMAZONA

TACLOBAN CITY-All is now set for today's 76th Leyte Gulf Landings anniversary.

But unlike in previous anniversaries, this year's commemorative event will not only be low-key but will go virtual amid the coronavirus disease (COVID-19) pandemic.

The annual event is split into two parts, the 'live' event for the flag raising and wreath laying ceremonies while the commemorative program will be a virtual event.

The decision to make the celebration largely in a virtual setup is due to the restrictions imposed under the quarantine due to COVID-19 pandemic like mass gathering.

Leyte Governor Leopoldo Dominico Petilla, who will spearhead the historic occasion, will deliver his speech at the MacArthur Landing Memorial National Park in Barangay Candahug, Palo town, where the program is being held.

The virtual commemorative program will follow the usual sequence of the yearly event that starts with the invocation, then welcome remarks of the Palo Mayor Frances Ann Petilla.

This will be followed by the tribute to the veterans and lighting of the peace

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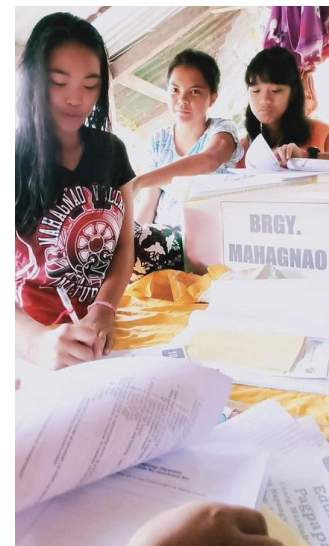
76th LEYTE GULF LANDINGS. Unlike in previous commemorative programs, this year's Leyte Gulf Landings anniversary will largely go on virtual due to the pandemic caused by coronavirus disease (COVID-19). This means, there would be no crowd during today's anniversary program. Photo shows Leyte Governor Leopoldo Dominico Petilla (center) leading the Signal Day program in Tolosa on Sunday (Oct.18). The governor was joined by Tolosa Mayor Maria Ofelia Alcantara and Major Jamel Batara, executive officer of the 93rd IB. (PIA)

Leyte students have to walk for hours just to catch mobile signal

TACLOBAN CITY - As blended method of learning is now being implemented in the country in the aftermath of the coronavirus disease (COVID-19) pandemic, students either will take the modular method or online class.

But while modular learning has been adopted among schools in the region, students have still to go online in some instances.

In Barangay Mahagnao, about 20 kilometers away from the town proper of Burauen, Leyte, secondary students need to walk for about 30 minutes to its nearby village of Lanawan, which is part of MacArthur town, just to have mobile phone signal when they need to ask some clarifications from their teacher.



Students from Barangay Mahagnao, Burauen in Leyte have to walk for hours just to get mobile signal during this time of blended learning setup. (ROEL T. AMAZONA)

have to wait until midnight to receive a signal.

This is why at least twice a week, students would hike up to the village of Lanawan which is about three to four kilometers away if they need some clarification on their lessons.

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Tacloban City Mayor Alfred Romualdez exhorted the young people to be 'strong and motivated' as they face the challenges that come to their way. The city mayor made this remark during an e-forum attended by 450 young people organized by Plan Philippines International in coordination with the Department of Labor and Employment and the Public Employment Service Office of the Tacloban city government, among others. The said event was held last Oct.14.

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76th Leyte Gulf Landings anniversary Leyte fulfills vow to remember the heroism of all who fought for the Motherland

TACLOBAN CITY- Amid the threat of COVID-19 pandemic, the province of Leyte will commemorate the 76th Leyte Gulf Landing Anniversary in fulfillment of the vow to remember the heroism of all who fought for the Motherland.

His Excellency Rodrigo Roa Duterte, President of the Republic of the Philippines, is expected to virtually deliver a Commemorative Message, Leyte Governor Leopoldo Dominico L. Petilla dis-

closed. Governor Petilla said that aside from the flag-raising ceremony and the wreath-laying cere-

monies which will be done at the MacArthur Landing Memorial National Park at Palo, Leyte, other parts of the program will be done virtually.

These include the invocation to be led by Msgr. Ramon Aguilos, Chaplain of the Holy Spirit Chaplaincy; the Welcome Remarks by Palo Mayor Frances Ann B. Petilla; the Tribute to the Veterans and Lighting of the Peace Torch by Veteran Marcial Y. Posion, World War II Veteran, Former Vice President of the Bureau Post; and Joel Joseph Cabides, Regional President and VFP SDAI Region VIII Chapter, with the special

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LAKAS-CMD BEEFS UP MUSCLE --- House Majority Leader and Lakas-CMD party president Rep. Martin Romualdez (4th left) administered the oath taking of new Lakas-CMD member 1st District Quezon City Rep. Anthony "Onyx" Crisolago (center) at the Majority office in the House of Representatives, witnessing the ceremony are from right Member Rep. Manuel Dalipe, VP for Muslim Affairs Rep. Yasser Alonto Balindong, Deputy Secretary General Rep. Wilter "Sharky" Palma, Executive Vice-President Rep. Juan Miguel "Mkey" Arroyo, Lakas-CMD Allies Rep. Mike Defensor, Secretary General Prospero Pichay Jr., Vice Chairman Rep. Fredenil Castro and Member Rep. Xavier Jesus Romualdo. As Part of the administration's coalito party, Romualdez reiterated Lakas-CMD's commitment to support the passage of President Rodrigo Duterte's legislative agenda. photo by Ver Noveno

Eastern Samar gov't hires 1,300 licensed teachers to tutor students

TACLOBAN CITY- At least 1,300 licensed teachers but remain without works in Eastern Samar province were hired by the provincial government as tutors of students who are studying their lessons through modular system of learning.

These licensed teachers, to be called as teacher-facilitators, will be assigned in the barangays who will also help in the distribution of the modules to the students.

The provincial government, under Gov. Ben Evardone, will be paying them at P300 per day and they will do their duties three times a week.

Their work will cover for only three months starting this October.

For this purpose, Evar-

done signed an agreement with both the city and provincial schools divisions.

Based on the agreement entered into between the provincial government and the two schools divisions, the three-month stint of the teacher-facilitators will earn them teaching experience credits which is needed in their application for regular teaching employment.

This effort of the provincial government was laud-

Drug suspect killed in Leyte buy-bust

TACLOBAN CITY-A 30-year old alleged drug personality was killed during a shootout with police officers who were conducting a buy-bust operation in Jaro, Leyte last October 15.

Police identified the vic-

ed by the Department of Education (DepEd) in the region.

Ramir Uytico, DepEd regional director, said that in the entire the region, it is only Eastern Samar which was able to hire massive teacher-facilitators as support to the local education sector.

The province has 4,956 teachers assigned in public schools and current enrollment of 108,697 students. (JOEY A. GABIETA)

tim as Lisbon "Vhonz" Nivera, a resident of Jaro town.

A poseur -buyer with the help of the confidential informant managed to buy one piece of heat-sealed plastic sachet containing suspected shabu from Nivera worth P35,000 using buy-bust money during the operation around 11:45 am Thursday at Barangay-3, Poblacion, of the said town.

However, the suspect sensed the approaching police officers and immediately fired his gun towards the operatives, prompting the latter to return fire and seriously wounded the suspect.

Nivera was immediately brought to Jaro Rural Health Unit for medical treatment

Leyte municipal hall under lockdown; mayor, vice mayor under isolation

Leyte town councilor among region's latest to get COVID-19 infection

TACLOBAN CITY- Cases of coronavirus disease (COVID-19) in Eastern Visayas continues to increase with among latest individuals to acquire the infection involves a municipal councilor in Leyte province.

In his Facebook account, Councilor Rowil Batan of Leyte-Leyte town, admitted that he was tested

positive of COVID-19.

Batan, a former provincial board member, narrated that he could have acquired the virus when he attended a party in Alangalang town, also in Leyte, wherein one of those who attended was said to be positive of COVID-19.

He and his family are now in isolation, Batan said.

Still in Leyte-Leyte, Mayor Arnold James Ysidoro, announced that since Oct.17, the municipal hall was placed under lockdown after one of its employees was tested positive.

He, however, said that operations of some offices of the municipal government would continue like its health and disaster risk reduction and management

offices, and those assigned in street cleaning garbage collection.

All the employee's nearest contacts at the municipal hall were directed to undergo swabbing and all now placed in isolation.

Ysidoro himself also announced that he is now in isolation as he was also among the close contacts. He also said that his brother, Vice Mayor Armando Ysidoro and members of the town council are also in isolation.

As this developed, Mayor Ysidoro issued an appeal to his people for understating and for them to strictly follow all the health protocols to ensure that COVID-19 would not further spread in the town.

The town has about 38 confirmed COVID-19 cases.

Meantime, the regional office of the Department of Health announced that the region's total COVID-19 cases is now at 5,817 with 26 new cases recorded last Sunday.

The new cases were from Leyte with 24 and two each from the provinces of Samar and Northern Samar. (JOEY A. GABIETA)

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Now on its 12th year

Oktubafest goes online amid COVID-19 pandemic

TACLOBAN CITY - Despite of the pandemic on coronavirus disease (COVID-19), the annual Oktubafest will continue but in a different platform.

This was disclosed by Philippine Coconut Authority Regional Manager Joel Pilapil.

Unlike in previous years where events are held in big venues, this year's Oktubafest will go online as restrictions imposed by the government to avoid COVID-19 transmissions.

The event, now on its 12th year and an initiative of the An Waray party-list, started last Oct. 16 with the awarding on the last day of this month.

"This aims to help those who are in the coconut industry and its stakeholder by providing them venue to interact through a contest, and by showcasing of talents," Pilapil said, citing the reason why the event pushed through despite of the pandemic.

Included in the online event is the search for the best tasting tuba. A total of 34 tuba products from municipalities and cities from six provinces in the region are competing in the contest which will be chosen through an online voting.

Contenders for best tasting tuba are the towns of Alangalang, Babatngon, Barugo, Burauen, Calubian, Carigara, Dagami, Dulag, Jaro, La Paz, Leyte, Mahaplag, Merida, Palo, Palompon, San Miguel, Sta. Fe, Tabonta-



The annual Oktubafest, initiated by the An Waray party-list which aim to promote 'tuba', will be held online in deference to the health protocols being imposed during this time of pandemic cause by COVID-19.

(ROEL T. AMAZONA)

bon, Tanauan, Tolosa, and Tunga in Leyte province and the cities of Ormoc and Tacloban.

The towns of Anahawan, Limasawa, and Hinundayan in Southern Leyte, Basey and Calbiga in Samar, Cabucgayan and Caibiran in Biliran, and Can-avid and Sulat in Eastern Samar, and Laoang in Northern Samar.

Those who will vote for the best tasting tuba will have to visit the official page of An Waray, and have to like, heart or wow, the town or city that they think have the best coconut wine. The voter must also leave a comment on the chosen entry.

The vote has also chance to win a prize which includes load or a brand new mobile phone while the winning tuba

will win a trophy.

Another event is the "Tubalentado," an online talent contest that should follow this year's theme, "Tuba sa panahon ng Pandemya/Tuba in the time of Pandemic."

The online talent competition may be participated by a solo or group act from any age and gender through a Tiktok or video format.

The entry must be an original concept, and must not include nudity or other sexually suggestive content, hate speech, threats or direct attack on an individuals or group, self-harm or violence, use of explosives, and consumption of alcohol beverages for minors and pregnant women.

The video entry must have a minimum of one minute and 30 seconds and a maxi-

mum of three minutes, and must be sent at oktubafest-official@gmail.com with following information name, sex, age, contact number, and address.

Deadline of submitting the entry is on October 23.

Winners of the Tubalentado will receive P6,000 for the champion, and P4,000 for 1st runner-up, and P2,000 for the 2nd runner-up.

Oktubafest is the local version of German beer known festival Oktoberfest which the An Waray initiated in 2008.

The festival had been an annual event since then where one of the most anticipated competition is the cooking contest for tuba-infused dish and 'kutil' or wine mixture contest.

(ROEL T. AMAZONA)

26 LGUs avails funding of their anti-COVID-19 response from DSWD

TACLOBAN CITY- The Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD) through its Kapit-Bisig Laban sa Kahirapan-Comprehensive(KALAHI-CIDSS) is assisting 26 local government units (LGU) on their coronavirus disease (COVID-19) pandemic response by using the Community Driven Development (CDD) technology.

This COVID-19 response includes the construction of quarantine/isolation facilities as identified by the communities, according to Jonna Marquez Raness, social marketing officer of KALAHI-CIDSS.

The 26 LGUs includes Allen, Gamay, Victoria,

Mapanas and Rosario in Northern Samar province; Biliran town, and Kawayan in Biliran province; Giporlos, Lawaan, Maydolong, Oras, San Julian, and Mercedes, all in Eastern Samar; Hinundayan, Macrohon, Libagon, Padre Burgos, Pintuyan, Saint Bernard, San Francisco, San Ricardo, Silago, and San Juan in Southern Leyte; Inopacan, and Merida in Leyte province, and the town of Pag-sanghan in Samar province.

A total of 244 sub-projects amounting to P174.79 million are being implemented in these municipalities, targeting 36, 250 households.

The recipient communities are implementing the projects they themselves

have identified like a quarantine facility.

She added that the communities also implement a cash-for-work scheme under the Kalahi-CIDSS program.

Of the 26 recipient-LGUs, 15 had already completed the projects, namely, Kawayan Giporlos, Lawaan, Maydolong, Mercedes, Oras, Inopacan, Merida, Rosario, Pagsanghan, Macrohon, Pintuyan, San Juan, San Ricardo, and Silago.

In the municipality of Lawaan, Kalahi-CIDSS had funded five community quarantine facilities which will be used by locally stranded individuals or LSIs and returning residents upon their return for isolation.

These quarantine facilities are projects of the communities under the Disaster Response Operation Procedure (DROP) which is a temporary procedure aims to provide assistance to LGUs through funding community-identified projects.

The rural health workers with the help of the barangay health emergency response team (BHERT), manages the facilities.

As of to date, 17 returning residents of the said municipality are being monitored and two of whom were already reintegrated to their villages after completing the quarantine period and showing no symptoms for the virus.

(ROEL T. AMAZONA)

Its office in Catarman was earlier shut down PSA office in Maasin placed under lockdown after some of its field personnel were tested positive of COVID-19

TACLOBAN CITY - The provincial offices of the Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA) in Maasin City, Southern Leyte and Catarman, Northern Samar were shut down after some their personnel were tested positive of the coronavirus disease (COVID-19).

This was confirmed by PSA Regional Director Wilma Perante who said that the office will be in a lockdown 'until further notice.'

The said office, particularly the provincial census processing center, was closed since October 6, she added.

Earlier, PSA's office in Catarman was also placed under lockdown from Oct. 14 to 16 after some of its employees were identified to be close contacts of confirmed COVID-19 patients.

Perante explained that the closure was in view of the reported confirmed COVID-19 positive cases among hired 2020 Census of Population and Housing (CPH) field personnel.

The PSA director said that risk reduction measures have been implemented and all PSA - Southern Leyte employees and hired

field personnel with close contacts to the confirmed COVID-19 positive cases are now on home quarantine while waiting for their swab results.

She added that disinfection has already been conducted at the said office, including all service vehicles.

The PSA-8 has already coordinated with proper health authorities for contact tracing, Perante added.

Perante said that her office would like to assure the public that these hired field personnel contracted the virus after the conduct of the 2020 CPH enumeration and precautionary measures have been implemented to prevent virus transmission.

"They are now in quarantine facilities for proper treatment," she said.

(RESTITUTO A. CAYUBIT)



Teacher hangs self after 2 of her children tested positive for COVID-19

TACLOBAN CITY- A 47-year old elementary teacher committed suicide after reportedly her two children were tested positive of coronavirus disease (COVID-19) in Dulag town, Leyte province on Friday (Oct.16).

Based on the reports reaching the regional headquarters of the Philippine National Police (PNP) based in Palo, Leyte, the suicide incident happened at around 6:30 am inside the house of the victim.

The police requested that the name of the victim not to be disclosed out of respect to her grieving family.

The lifeless body of the victim was discovered by her husband, who also a high school teacher, below the stairs of their house' second floor by hanging herself using a nylon.

Based on the account of the husband to the Dulag police investigators, his wife became depressed after their two children were tested positive of

COVID-19 conducted to them by the Dulag Rescue Team.

The husband said that while his wife became depressed after they learned the COVID-19 test to their two children, he could not believe that she could commit suicide.

The regional office of the Department of Health (DOH-8) has on several occasions, acknowledged that the pandemic caused by COVID-19 does not only result to 'physical ailment' but even mental ailment and anxiety.

Dr. Minerva Molon, DOH regional director, then urged the family members of those suffering from anxiety or depression due COVID-19 pandemic should provide them strong support.

She also said that their office has a 'helpline' where these people suffering from depression could call them for advice or learn proper treatment.

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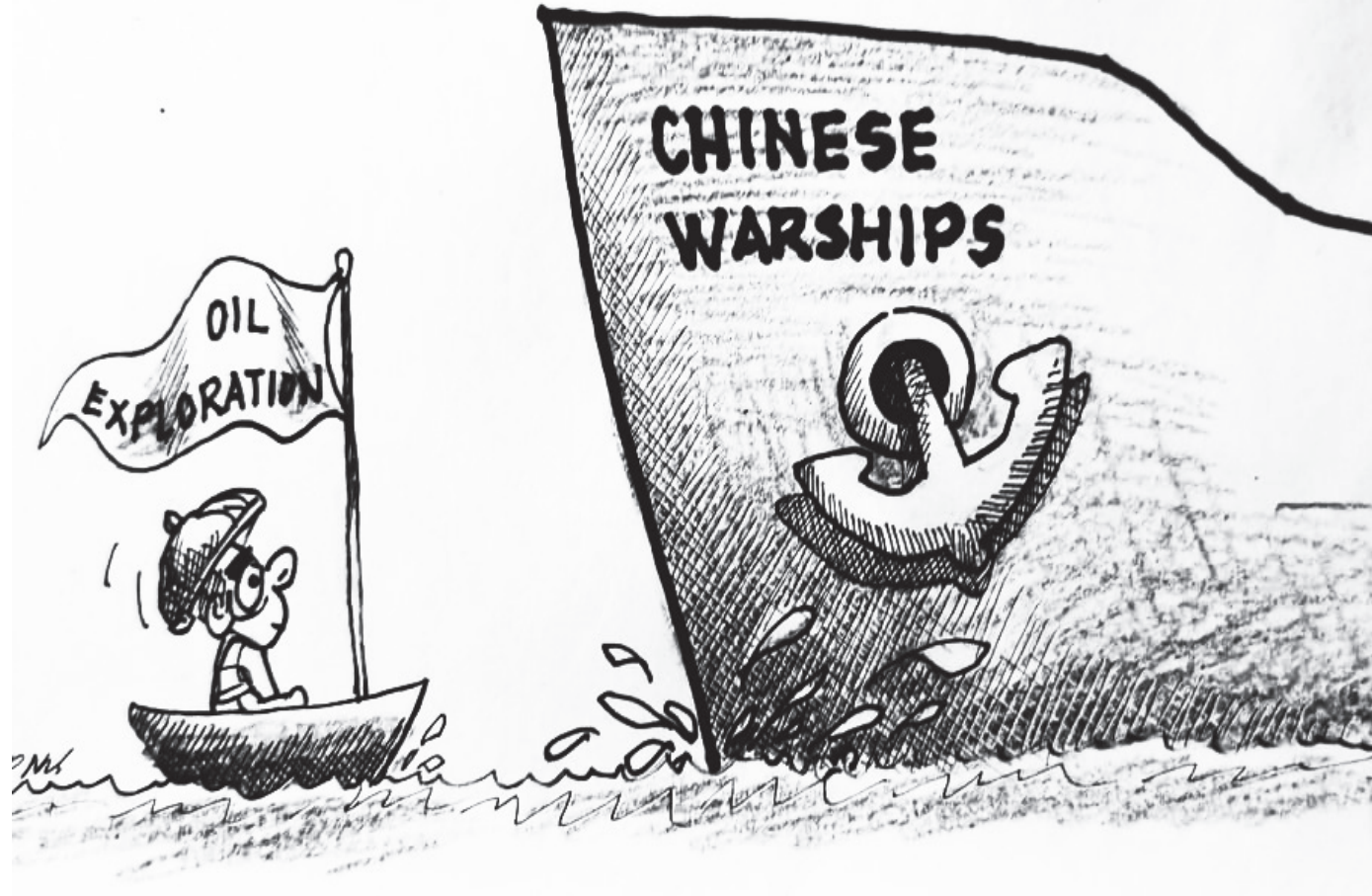
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Risky but rightful

The Financial Times has this report that the Philippines will resume oil and gas exploration in the West Philippine Sea. This is quite risky as China's presence in the disputed waters has been all over and militarized at that, but this is the rightful move for our country knowing that this operation is taking place within our legal territory.

This is the likely move now that the six-year moratorium on resource exploration in the disputed waters is about to end. Former President Benigno Aquino III suspended these exploration and activities there in 2014 to ease up tensions with China. But after the UN-backed arbitration tribunal ruled against China's "nine-dash-line" claims in 2016, our country can now legally resume these activities.

The Duterte administration, however, had been rather friendly with China instead of maximizing the tribunal's ruling in favor of the Philippines such that, in 2018, a memorandum on joint exploration with China was instead

signed. But this proposed cooperation has yet to take off. The US boosted its support to the country against Chinese harassment in the waters declared by the UN tribunal as illegally claimed by China.

Unlawful as those claims are, China still pursues them, resulting in clear bullying of its weaker neighbors like the Philippines. It continues to assert maritime claims even among areas within the Philippine exclusive economic zone, threatening to use military might if opposed. This is what makes the situation tense. If China could not allow Filipino fishermen in these areas, bumping their boats to pieces, how much more if these are vessels exploring oil resources.

As a leader among the community of nations, China and its people must learn to respect smaller countries like ours, and to use their common sense. How dare they claim ownership of areas that are too far from them and are just on our doorstep? Yes, such madness is risky, but we need to exploit what is legally ours.



Things To Mind

DOMS PAGLIWAN

New addicts

Since the ushering into society of various abnormalities brought about by the coronavirus pandemic, children and early teens had been confined to the four walls of the home, forbidden to roam around or stroll, which is the thing that they love the most.

Deprived of mobility, they must have found staying at home so boring, more so that the order had been indefinitely extending. The many tasks to do at home cannot address this boredom as only adults have developed the perception of maximizing the use of time on these worthwhile matters; children do not see these that way. Their antidotes for this are games, not outdoor games, but indoor ones—the ones that they manipulate using hi-tech gadgets.

No, it's not an addiction

to drugs or pornography that they developed as a result, but one which we generally call computer games for being digital or computer-based. Mostly now, they use cellphones or tablets that are more handy. These could be built-in games in those gadgets, or downloaded apps. As the pandemic rages on, they developed this addiction all the more to while away the time, to get rid of boredom.

Most of these activities make use of wifi signals or

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What's New Mr. Q?

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The TEN Commandments versus coronavirus

- COMMANDMENT # 1 - Thou shalt always wear a mask a mask whenever you leave your house.**
- COMMANDMENT # 2 - Thou shalt also wear a face shield whenever you leave your home; take a public transportation, and enter a house or building.**
- COMMANDMENT # 3 - Thou shalt observe preventing or social distancing in any crowd or gathering -- at least one meter from the next person nearest you.**
- COMMANDMENT # 4 - Thou shalt always step on the footbath whenever you enter a building or another house.**
- COMMANDMENT # 5 - Thou shalt wash thy hands with soap several times daily; & always avoid touching any part of your face with your hands.**
- COMMANDMENT # 6 - Thou shalt remove your street clothes upon arriving home, put them in the laundry box/basket outside your house for eventual washing.**
- COMMANDMENT # 7 - Thou shalt spray with alcohol the things you often hold or handle, like door knobs, window locks, switches, faucets, ball pens, electric fans, TV, table, chairs & others.**
- COMMANDMENT # 8 - Thou shalt discreetly develop, as a precautionary measure, a sort-of paranoid**

attitude towards others, whether true or not, and consider that any person beside you can infect you with coronavirus.

COMMANDMENT # 9 - Thou shalt always at home; and not leave your house, when you have nothing important to do outside your home or elsewhere.

COMMANDMENT # 10 - Thou shalt obey medical experts who declared that germs, microbes, viruses, especially coronavirus can stick to money bills & coins for as long as 28 days.

So thou shalt spray with alcohol, both sides of whatever money bills & coins you have, in order to avoid infection.

Thou shalt note that aside from hospital refuse or garbage, money bills & coins are considered the dirtiest objects on earth, because from the bank, where they usually pass through their ultra-violet disinfectant system, the money bills & coins pass through so many hands and brought to so many unhealthy places, so it's natural for these money bills & coins to have germs, microbes and viruses....



Foulshot

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Stereo

Threatened by the grim prospect of operating government in the ensuing year on a reenacted budget, the president issued a stern warning to his proteges running the lower house. He ordered them to behave and settle the differences that he settled over a year ago between ambitious representatives who both wanted to be speaker. The ultimatum of that warning was issued to the disputing speakers, the one sitting and the other standing and waiting to sit.

The president ordered his allies in the lower how to speakers' rift over that hot seat where the speaker sits, to ensure the passage of the national budget for

next year. It cropped up in response to the blatant machination orchestrated by the cohorts of the sitting speaker who enjoys the seat and is wanting to prolong his enjoyment in such sitting position.

In a desperate move to glue himself to the seat of the speaker and maintain a physical distance from his wife who too is sitting in the same lower house. The couple who by law must dwell in one home as husband and wife were oddly coming from two separate and distinct legislative districts. They succeeded in getting elected as representatives of different legislative districts presumptively living under one conjugal home.

The speaker of the golden cauldron fame was unwilling to lift his ass from the seat which he enjoyed sitting on for months already. The seat must have been one of great fortune, a magical source of huge funds, most from the lard which enormous lard contained in barrels of fattened swine. The forthcoming year is a crucial one in preparation for the 2022 political derby. Getting so much from the national budget is a lure that keeps every representative salivating.

That prospect of not being in the circle of power when the pie is sliced is too strong for the sitting speaker to do acrobatic moves and design machinations that will keep him seated until he wants to. As house members recalled the agreement for him to share the term with the other ambitious representative who is similarly wanting to sit on the speaker's seat, the sitting speaker acted to preserve himself more than the lower house as an institution.

The squabble turned ugly when the sitting speaker and his cohorts rammed the budget and after its second reading, declared the lower house in recess until the day of his liking. The move was called out for being out of desperation to cling to power at the expense of the national budget that still has to be passed to the upper house. The speaker sounding in the lower house reportedly bowed to an agreement of sharing the term with the other ambitious representative. He disregarded that agreement for his own personal interest and the house with two speakers emitted a noisy stereo sound.

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I remember that time when the Civil Service Commission (CSC) had that laudable program called STREAM or Supervisory Training for Executives and Administrators Middle Level Managers. It was a 6-months live-in training wherein resource persons were invited to talk on specialized topics on supervision, management and administration. The purpose was solely to strengthen the middle level in the office hierarchical organization. Not only because I was president of STREAM Batch 9, represented by at least 50 Division Chiefs cum middle managers all over the country, but did

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consumable data, which they pay for. Unfortunately, internet signals are too slow during daytime, due perhaps to the many people using them at work, in offices, etc., so these youngsters imprisoned at home cannot enjoy the gadget games that much. It is at nights that signals become better off, so they opted to spend this addiction in the dead of the night.

Totally addicted as some of them are, they cannot anymore part from their gadgets. They may do so for a while, after the parents have lost their temper, but soon they will be back at play. These addicts cannot see time anymore—12 midnight, 1 a.m., 2 a.m., 3 a.m., 4 a.m. 5 a.m., they are still playing. Then, at daybreak when many people are already using internet signals that makes the latter go slower, they stop and go to sleep, finally.

No breakfast; they just want to lie down and sleep; they are not in the mood to eat. The sound

sleep extends to noon-time. Time for lunch, but many of them are still sleepy; they just sleep on, without eating their lunch; sleeping is still better than eating. Then, after completing eight or nine hours of sleep, they wake up and decide to take their late lunch. This is at 3 or 4 pm already. Next to this they might do chores like take a bath, brush their teeth, etc. But soon, they will be back at play as the internet speed is getting better. Come dinner time, they are still full and may opt not to eat.

That would be another all-night playing of gadget games—up to midnight, till daybreak. This has become their routine throughout this pandemic season, which has produced a new generation of addicts who could not attend to themselves anymore, to their duties at home, to other responsibilities. Many of them had become malnourished for eating just once-a-day, for having no exercise, for being glued to the gadgets that had turned their eyes black or grayish color.



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Middle Managers need specialized training before posting

Per collective observations, in both private and public offices, there exist a glaring mismatch between the warm-bodies posted in middle level agencies against the agency's Mission. The so-called middle managers in the business and/or non-academic agencies have their equivalent to the campus directors/deans in the academic setting. Some of the common observations are in the form of mismatches between the warm-bodies posted in an office as against its mandate or objectives it was established.

In the academic setting, the mismatch happens when an academic degree

is made as the primary basis for posting an individual as a campus director/dean, instead of his/her expertise to fit in the agency per its specialized area that needs to be developed and/or strengthened. If such mismatch happens, there is created a lull - characterized with unproductiveness on the part of the agency. This is caused by the posted warm-body trying to learn the ropes of the agency, and the built-in staff or workers trying to adjust to the style of the new 'Boss' management! The period of adjustment or I call as LULL may ran to months before the agency gains the work momentum/productive level.



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

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)

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

August 3, 2020

SPOUSES NADRES C. YU AND ANA C. YU
Poblacion, Alangalang, Leyte

Sir/Madam

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

OCT/TCT No. : **TCT-T-5895**
TD No. : **08-02-036-00132**
Lot No. : **4344-A-1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 15, 16, F & G**
Approved Survey No. : **Psd-08-041704 (AR)/Psd-08-025654 (OLT)**
Area per OCT/TCT/TD No. (has) : **6.9230 Has.**
Area acquired per ASP : **5.2756 Has.**
Location : **Brgy. Lukay, Alang-alang, Leyte**

Please be informed that out of the total area indicated in the aforesaid title of Tax Declaration an area of **5.2756** 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 **NINE HUNDRED FORTY TWO THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED ELEVEN PESOS AND 80/100 (Php 942,111.80)** covering **5.2756** 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.

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.) **RENATO G. BADILLA, MPMRD**
Provincial Agrarian Reform Officer II

ATTACHMENTS:
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CARPER LAD Form No. 53 (LO's Reply to NLVA)

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NOTICE OF LAND VALUATION AND ACQUISITION

July 21, 2020

S & R LARRAZABAL CORPORATION
Bonifacio St., Ormoc City

Sir/Madam

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

OCT/TCT No. : **TCT-TP-368**
TD No. : **00053-00168**
Lot No. : **4481**
Approved Survey No. : **CAD-256**
Area per OCT/TCT/TD No. (has) : **0.4479 Ha.**
Area acquired per ASP : **0.4479 Ha.**
Location : **Brgy. Magaswe, Ormoc City, Leyte**

Please be informed that out of the total area indicated in the aforesaid title of Tax Declaration an area of **0.4479** 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 **NINE-TY-THREE THOUSAND SIX HUNDRED FORTY-NINE PESOS AND 16/100 (Php 93,649.16)** covering **0.4479** 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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Republic of the Philippines
Department of Transportation and
Communication
**LAND TRANSPORTATION
FRANCHISING AND REGULATORY
BOARD**
Regional Office No. VIII
Palo, Leyte

R8-CC/EV-PA-2020-10-0276
Case No. VIII-2020-0276

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

MOUSE 1 TRANSPORT CO. INC.,
Applicant/s

x-----x

NOTICE OF HEARING

Applicant-Cooperative is a grantee of **NINETEEN (19)** Certificate of Public Convenience namely: Case Nos. **VIII-2015-0064, 2014-2983, 2015-0723, 2014-0361, 2014-2258, 2014-1124, 2014-0651, 2014-3688, 2016-0657, 2014-4653, 2014-2828, 2014-2821, 2014-3980, 2014-4376, 2014-0243, 2015-0078, 2015-0219, 2016-0660 and 2014-2769** to operate a PUJ service for the transportation of passengers and freights along the line: **CATARMAN-ALLEN & VICE VERSA** with the use of **NINETEEN (19)** unit/s for each Certificate which Certificates are valid and subsisting until **April 23, 2020**, respectively.

In the present application, applicant-Cooperative request authority for Consolidation of Cases with Extension of Validity for the said certificates using the same number of unit/s.

NOTICE is hereby given that this application will be heard by this Board on **NOVEMBER 3, 2020 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 **GUALBERTON N. GUALBERTO**, Regional Director, this **15th day of OCTOBER 2020.**

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

EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF THE ESTATE OF REYNATO S. AGUSTO WITH PARTITION AGREEMENT

NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of the late REYNATO S. AGUSTO extrajudicially settled, partitioned and adjudicated over a parcel of land designated as Lot 5 of the subdivision plan Psd-08-000630-D being a portion of Lots 2283-B and C (LRC) Pad-181313 situated at Brgy. Diit, Tacloban City covered by TCT No. T-56067 containing an area of 699 square meters, more or less. Per Doc No. 479, Page No. 97, Book No. I, Series of 2020. Notary Public Atty. Juan Manuel B. Cadano. *LSDE: October 20, 27 & November 3, 2020*

EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT

NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of the late REYNATO S. AGUSTO married to LAURA S. AGUSTO extrajudicially settled, partitioned and adjudicated over a parcel of land designated as Lot 1-B-9 of the subdivision plan Psd-08-019470-D situated at Brgy. Diit, Tacloban City covered by TCT No. T-64643 containing an area of 2,183 square meters, more or less. Per Doc No. 134, Page No. 28, Book No. III, Series of 2020. Notary Public Atty. Leo S. Giron. *LSDE: October 20, 27 & November 3, 2020*

EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE OF REAL PROPERTY

NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of the late JOAQUIN CONDRAA extrajudicially settled, partitioned and adjudicated over a parcel of agricultural/residential land located at Parik, Brgy. 01, Pop., Lorente, Eastern Samar covered by ARP No. 11-13001-00490/PIN-037-13-001-06-026 designated as Lot No. 1352 containing an area of 7,197.00 square meters, more or less. Per Doc No. 322, Page No. 66, Book No. XXVII, Series of 2020. Notary Public Atty. Charles B. Culo, CPA. *LSDE: October 13, 20 & 27, 2020*

EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE

NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of the late CRESCENCIA O. GADIN extrajudicially settled, partitioned and adjudicated over 2 bank deposits particularly described as: 1) Savings Dollar account under Account Number 313 261 204 336 with the ending balance \$2,067.93 ; 2) Time Deposit in Dollar in the amount of P5,000.00. Per Doc No. 12444, Page No. 68, Book No. XXIV, Series of 2020. Notary Public Atty. Pedro M. Labid. *LSDE: October 13, 20 & 27, 2020*

EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF THE ESTATE AND DEED OF ABSOLUTE SALE

NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of the late ALBERTO B. PASAGUI extrajudicially settled, partitioned and adjudicated over a parcel of land situated at San Jose Street, Brgy. Lusad, Dagami, Leyte designated as Lot 439, Case-1, Cad 503-D with an area of 419 square meters covered by TCT No. 115-P-100296. A Deed of Absolute Sale was executed in favor of REV. FR. ANRECO ESTRELLA as vendee of the above-described property. Per Doc No. 342, Page No. 70, Book No. VIII, Series of 2020. Notary Public Atty. Marierose P. Alvero. *LSDE: October 6, 13 & 20, 2020*

DEED OF EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF THE INTESTATE OF THE DECEASED PERSON, PARTITION WITH WAIVER OF SHARES

NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of the late CANDIDA IRINCO extrajudicially settled, partitioned and adjudicated over an agricultural land known as Lot No. 544, Pls. 481 D situated at Brgy. Cangaehipos, Laongan, Northern Samar under OCT No. 8655 under TD No. 12-09-0025-00051 and heirs hereby WAIVED and RENOUNCED all rights, privileges and interest of the above-described property unto ISIDRO DANDO ESPINA. Per Doc No. 420, Page No. 51, Book No. XVIII, Series of 2017. *LSDE: October 13, 20 & 27, 2020*

EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE WITH WAIVER

NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of the late HONORIO G. DALUCAPAS extrajudicially settled, partitioned and adjudicated over 5 parcels of land particularly described as: 1) A parcel of land denominated as Lot No. 1383, Pls-1056-D situated at Brgy. Linongoran, Sawang, Capul, Northern Samar containing an area of 2,128sq.m., covered by OCT No. P-21013; 2) A parcel of land denominated as Lot No. 1450, Pls-1056-D situated at Brgy. Salucan, Sawang, Capul, Northern Samar containing an area of 7,865sq.m., covered by OCT No. P-21014; 3) A parcel of land denominated as Lot No. 1392, Pls-1056-D situated at Brgy. Linongoran, Sawang, Capul, Northern Samar containing an area of 2,259sq.m., covered by OCT No. P-21015; 4) A parcel of land denominated as Lot No. 1452, Pls-1056-D situated at Brgy. Sawang, Capul, Northern Samar containing an area of 9,944sq.m., covered by OCT No. P-21016; 5) A parcel of land denominated as Lot No. 1247, Pls-1056-D situated at Brgy. Payapay, Sawang, Capul, Northern Samar containing an area of 9,687sq.m., covered by OCT No. P-21017 and heirs hereby acknowledged the kindness and generosity of our niece hereby agreed, as an act of gratitude and liberty that 2 parcels of land mentioned in Parcel 2 and 4 be waived and adjudicated unto JENNIFER D. CAJANDAB. Per Doc No. 198, Page No. 4, Book No. 27, Series of 2020. Notary Public Atty. Fernando M. Abella, CPA. *LSDE: October 13, 20 & 27, 2020*



Republic of the Philippines of the Philippines
Department of Agriculture
BUREAU OF FISHERIES AND AQUATIC RESOURCES
Regional Fisheries Office No. 8
CRM Center, Brgy. Diit, Tacloban City
3rd Floor, MRGP Commercial Bldg., Marasbaras, Tacloban City
Tel. Nos. 832-4655 /888-1871
Fax #: 053-888-1871
Email: bfar8gsu@gmail.com

INVITATION TO BID FOR THE SALE OF UNSERVICEABLE PROPERTIES, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT ON "AS-IS-WHERE-IS" BASIS

The BUREAU OF FISHERIES AND AQUATIC RESOURCES VIII, Tacloban City wishes to announce to all Junk Shop Owners/Operators and Interested bidders that it will be accepting sealed offers for the SALE THROUGH PUBLIC BIDDING OF UNSERVICEABLE PROPERTIES, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT located at BFAR Regional Office 8, CRMC, Brgy. Diit, Tacloban City, RFTC and Pier 2, Catbalogan City (LOT 1); GMFDC, Guiuan, E. Samar (LOT 2) and BFAR-PFOs and Stations at the Province of Northern, Samar (LOT 3) with details as follows:

LOCATION/ WITHDRAWAL POINT	DESCRIPTION/ITEMS	ESTIMATED APPRAISED VALUE/ MINIMUM BID PRICE
LOT 1 -BFAR, Regional Office 8, Brgy. Diit, Tacloban City	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Various Unserviceable of IT Equipment, Software, Furniture, Communication and Office Equipment, Farm and Plant Machineries (6,001 KILOS) Various Scrap (engines from confiscated boats, waste materials) (2,857 KILOS) (43 KILOS) (170 KILOS) (1,677 KILOS) (1,400 KILOS) 	<p>P 42,012.00</p> <p>20,000.00</p> <p>306.00</p> <p>1,195.00</p> <p>11,742.00</p> <p>9,805.00</p> <p>P 85,060.00</p>
LOT 2 - GMFDC, Guiuan, E. Samar	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Various Unserviceable IT Equipment, Software, Furniture, Communication, Office Equipment and Farm Equipment (1,334 KILOS) 	<p>Php 9,344.00</p>
LOT 3 - Northern, Samar	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> UEP, Catarmar, N. Samar SRAPC, San Roque, N. Samar RBAPC, Lavezares, N. Samar LMSSH, Laoang, N. Samar 	<p>Php 10,624.00</p>

All interested Bidders are required to submit two (2) photocopies of the following documents or eligibility requirement, authenticated and put in a SEALED ENVELOPE:

- 2020 Mayor's/Business permit and Community Tax Certificate
- Latest Income Tax Return, stamped "received by BIR or its duly accredited and authorized Institutions.
- Special Power of Attorney (SPA) for sole proprietorship/partnership or Board Resolutions of Secretary's Certificate for Corporation, in case of authorized representatives.

Note : Original copy of the above documents must be presented to the secretariat for authentication within three (3) working days from being declared as the **WINNING BIDDER** and prior to issuance of the written **NOTICE OF AWARD**.

Issuance of **BID FORM** can be secured from the Disposal Committee Secretariat @ BFAR Regional Office 8, 3rd Floor MRGP Commercial Bldg., Marasbaras, Tacloban City and can also be inquired of at Telephone # 832-4655 from October 15 to October 23, 2020 from 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM (working days only). Bid Form Fee is Five Hundred Pesos (Php 500.00), payable at BFAR 8 Cashier and can also be deposited thru Palawan and Cebuana Lhuillier for bidder coming from the province.

All sealed bids shall be submitted in two copies to the Disposal Committee not later than **10:00 AM on October 26, 2020 @ BFAR Regional Office 8, 3rd Floor MRGP Commercial Bldg., Marasbaras, Tacloban City. Late Bids shall not be accepted.**

At the date of the submission of bids, all bidders shall register their names and address at the logbook and drop the sealed envelope containing the bid at the designated box. **For bidders from the provinces, the sealed envelope shall be mailed via registered mail or courier to BFAR 8, Regional Office 8.** All sealed bids shall be opened in the presence of attending bidders and or representative and the Disposal Committee.

Sale and withdrawal shall be on "as-is-where-is" and "no selection" basis. It is understood that the ITEMS were already seen and inspected by bidders prior to the submission of their respective bids.

The sealed offer submitted by a prospective bidder should be accompanied by a **Bid Bond equivalent to at least 10% of the value of the offer** in the form of **Cash, Cashier's Check or Manager's Check payable to BFAR 8** issued by a reputable commercial/universal bank, otherwise the bid shall automatically be rejected.

Note : Bidder shall submit **TWO SEALED envelope:**

- First Envelope – Eligibility Requirements
- Second Envelope – Bid Form together with the Bid Bond

(Second Envelope will not be opened if the Bidder fails to submit the required/eligibility documents on the First Envelope)

The bidder with the highest bid will be declared the winner as long as the bid is equal or exceeds the minimum bid price. Prospective Bidders may inspect the subject UNSERVICEABLE PROPERTIES, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT and scrap materials during regular working days at: **BFAR 8 CRMC, BRGY. DIIT, TACLOBAN CITY** and **RFTC and Pier 2, CATBALOGAN CITY (LOT 1); GMFDC, Guiuan, E. Samar (LOT 2) and BFAR-PFOs and Stations at the Province of Northern, Samar (LOT 3) on October 12-23, 2020, from 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM.**

That BFAR 8 reserves the right to accept any or all bids, to waive any formalities or defects found therein, and to annul the bidding process and reject all bids at any time prior to contract award, without thereby incurring any liability to the affected bidder (s) and to accept only such bids that are advantageous to the government.

(Sgd) **NOBERTO T. BERIDA**
OIC, Office of the Regional Director

NMP allows LNHS to put its station for modules distribution, retrieval

TACLOBAN CITY – The National Maritime Polytechnic (NMP) has tied up with Leyte National High School (LNHS) for the distribution and retrieval of modules.

This was learned from NMP Executive Director III Joel Maglunsod who said that this show their total support for continued education amidst the pandemic caused by the coronavirus disease-

COVID-19) by allowing the LNHS, the biggest school in the region, to set-up its 'Iya-Kadi' learning packet stations in front of their campus every Monday, from 8am to 5pm.

Maglunsod said that NMP's strategic location, being at the heart of the northern part of Tacloban City, is a perfect venue where LNS can distribute and retrieve its printed modules to the parents of students resid-

ing in the north.

Maglunsod added that LNHS' request was immediately granted provided that safety, health and security protocols are to be strictly implemented and cleanliness and orderliness in the vicinity will be maintained.

He said that the undertaking also served as an opportunity for NMP in marketing its training courses and services. **(RESTITUTO A. CAYUBIT)**

Leyte...

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torch. A virtual solidarity greetings from Veterans Federation of the Philippines president Retired Justice Manuel Pamaran and Philippine Veterans Affairs Office Administrator (PVAO) Undersecretary Ernesto Carolina will follow.

Australian Ambassador Steven James Robinsons, New Zealand Defense Attaché Group Captain Nick McMillan, Deputy Head of Mission for the embassy of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland Alastair Totty, Naval Attaché of the United State of America Embassy Captain Noel Corpus, and Japan Embassy Deputy Chief of Mission Minister Yasushi Yamamoto are to deliver their message through online.

President Rodrigo Duterte is also expected to 'attend' this year's commemorative program as he will deliver an online message.

Despite the threat of coronavirus disease 2019 (Covid-19), Gov. Petilla said that the province should continue celebrating the 76th Leyte Gulf Landing Commemoration to honor the bravery of the World War II veterans.

"We have to commemorate this big event that happened 76 years ago. We have to remember the patriotism, the sacrifices, and the heroism of the veterans. We still have living veterans, we have to honor them because of their bravery we learned how to face the crisis brought by corona virus and we ought

to pray for them," Petilla said during a virtual press conference organized by the Philippine Information Agency (PIA).

Petilla added that the activities and program of the 76th Leyte Gulf Landing will be seen on social media for everyone to have access especially the youth so they will be aware and understand the vital role of the veterans played in shaping the future of the country.

"They sacrificed their lives to give us good life. Let's make sure that we sustain that. That we have a good country and a good life in honor of our veterans. We hope that we can continuously instill awareness in our youth," he said.

Petilla added that the province will also revisit the proposal to the Department of Education to include the significance of Leyte Gulf Landings in the school curriculum.

At present, the region has 92 surviving World War II veterans, were 58 are in Leyte; 21 in Samar Island, and 12 are from Biliran.

The oldest of these veterans is a 104-year old from Javier town.

The surviving veterans are provided assistance by the government with P20,000 monthly compensation aside from wheel chairs, canes, and disability pension of P1,700 per month, according to Paul Harry Lobrigo of Philippine Veterans Affairs Office (PVAO).

Leyte province annually commemorates the Leyte Gulf Landings which celebrates the arrival and return of the Allied Forces to the Philippines lead by General Douglas McArthur to end World

War II and the occupation of Japanese Forces in the country.

The Leyte Gulf battle is considered the largest naval battle in recorded history.

His arrival signaled the fulfillment of Gen. MacArthur's famous words, "I shall return," after going to Australia to muster support from the Allied forces in the quest to liberate the Philippines from the Japanese occupation.



With COVID-19 surge, Baybay city mayor issues order strengthening health protocols

TACLOBAN CITY – The mayor of Baybay City has issued an executive order as the city appears to be experiencing a surge of coronavirus disease (COVID-19).

"As I have been saying since the time of the pandemic, all we need is to follow the protocols and instill discipline among ourselves," Mayor Jose Carlos said.

"For the past seven months since the start of the pandemic, we have maintained our policy of opening our borders, but having strict protocols such that there had been no local transmission of the virus in Baybay City. Now, I am asking you to be more vigilant, discerning, and disciplined as we are now facing greater challenges as Baybayanos," he added.

The city mayor issued Executive Order 79 which mandates stricter policies and protocols against the spread of COVID-19 which took effect last October 17.

Under the order, which is to end on Oct.31, the city enforces curfew from 9 pm to 5 am the following day to all residents and persons who are inside the city's jurisdiction.

Minors and senior citizens are not allowed to go outside their respective houses including those with comorbidities.

Liquor ban is also imposed until October 31.

Those who will be allowed to leave the premises of their houses are ordered to strictly observe social distancing, wearing of face-masks, handwashing, and other protocols set by the city government to prevent the spread of the infection.

The business establishments such as amusement, betting, and gaming stations, bars, internet cafes, travel agencies and tourism-related industries, gyms and sport facilities, barber shops, parlors, salons, ready-to-wear item stores, boutiques, and learning centers are also ordered to temporary suspend their operations.

Hotels may operate but only for accommodating locally stranded individuals (LSIs) and returning residents who are billeted in their facility.

Food establishments may operate but only for take-out and order while public markets and talipapa will remain open.

Entertainment related gathering is also suspended until Oct 31 but religious

gathering is allowed subject to the minimum health protocols and attendees must only be 25 percent of its venue capacity but must only for the celebration of the Holy Mass inside the church.

Family gathering is also allowed by only for immediate family members,

Wakes and burials shall be limited to immediate family members and shall be limited to a period of three days.

Individual outdoor exercises like walking, jogging, running, tennis, biking and practical shooting are allowed but groups sports activities is strictly prohibited such as basketball, football, Frisbee, volleyball, swimming, and other contact sports.

The city government also suspended accepting LSI until Oct 31.

Baybay City's COVID-19 cases have dramatically increased after a doctor assigned at the Western Leyte Provincial Hospital (WLPH) was tested positive and potentially infected many of his co-workers and patients.

As of Oct.18, the city has 85 COVID-19 cases of which only eight remain as active cases.

(ROEL T. AMAZONA)

Biliran island town opens RHU Pharmacy, offers free medicines to indigents

MARIPIPI, Biliran-In an unprecedented move to provide quality and accessible healthcare services especially to the indigents of this island town, a soft opening of the Rural Health Unit (RHU) of Maripipi Pharmacy was held October 14.

The initiative of establishing a pharmacy, which is part of the Usrag Six-Point Agenda of Maripipi Mayor Joseph Canonoy Caingcoy, is a partnership with the Maripipi Rural Health Unit, various stakeholders, sponsors, benefactors and donors from both government and private organizations as well as individuals.

According to Mayor Caingcoy, the initiative is one of the many firsts of his administration's Usrag Maripipi Six-Point Agenda which is to provide quality and accessible healthcare

services especially to the indigents or disadvantaged individuals of the island town.

"I am very excited for this project as this is the dream of many of our residents who are less fortunate. Now, they will have access to the basic medicines that they need especially in case of emergency without having to worry about the cost," Mayor Caingcoy said in his message.

He added that sometimes, Maripipinhons have to risk their lives in crossing the sea in the middle of the night or day to go to the hospital or buy medicines.

"It is definitely a big help for our townspeople," the first term local chief executive of the island town emphasized.

With the launching of RHU Maripipi Pharmacy, it is expected that this will

significantly improve the delivery and accessibility of health care services especially to those who are in dire need.

It has an impressive fully air-conditioned facility with assigned registered pharmacist to supervise the proper dispensing of medicines and monitoring inventory, Caingcoy further said.

On the other hand, Municipal Health Officer of RHU-Maripipi, Dr.Keisha Arcolas, said "it is of great joy that the dream for a pharmacy inside our own Rural Health Unit where we can dispense free medicines for the community has now become a reality."

"It's always heartbreaking to see patients unable to comply with the prescribed medications due to financial constraints and unavailability of the medicines. Thus,

we are very thankful for the efforts and support of the LGU headed by our Mayor, Hon. Joseph Canonoy Caingcoy, together with the Municipal Health Office staff and personnel, partner agencies, NGOs and other sponsors who have been extending their generosity," the young MHO of the town further said.

She assured the island town residents that the opening of the RHU Maripipi Pharmacy would be of great contribution in fulfilling the goal of delivering quality and accessible health care to the people of Maripipi.

Attendees of the soft opening of the RHU- Maripipi Pharmacy were given vitamins and supplements courtesy of Santa Baer, a resident of Maripipi who is *see Biliran /page 11 ...*

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learn a lot to improve, correct my hands-on style of management and more. Indeed, found out how important it is to have a strong 'mid-section' of any organization, as this connects the Rank-in-File with its upper/senior section!

If this were not true, how then would you have a productive organization when people posted as

middle managers are alien to the priorities of his/her agency's Vision, Mission, and Objectives. How can say an education founded administrator be able to strategize effectively when assigned to an agency whose mandate needs an agriculture-educated officer? An agriculture nurtured official posted to head an agency whose thrust is on Fisheries? A doctor of management becoming a campus head, whose specialization

is on Physical, Chemical or Biological sciences.

I, therefore, strongly support for a mandatory crush program on purely management and supervision as a palliative to mismatch situations cited above. This way, agencies are able to achieve their goals, produce better prepared students, effect research in areas specialized for a particular agency suffering from mismatch between posted officials against the agency's mandate.

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NEXT TOPIC : "Local Government Code Need a Revisit"

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participation of the SAMLEYAW DANCE COMPANY.

Solidarity greetings will also be done virtually by Justice Manuel Pamaran (RET), President of the Veterans Federation of the Philippines; Usec. Ernesto Carolina, Administrator of the Philippine Veterans Affairs Office; His Excellen-

E. Visayas remains ASF-free: DA

TACLOBAN CITY – Eastern Visayas is one of the seven regions in the country still free from African swine fever (ASF), the Department of Agriculture (DA) said.

This means the region can transport live hogs and swine products anywhere in the country but accept shipments only from other non-affected areas, DA Eastern Visayas ASF coordinator Ernestine Ibañez said in a phone interview.

Ibañez said other ASF-free regions are Central Visayas, Western Visayas, Northern Mindanao, Caraga, Zamboanga, and the Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao.

"Pork consumption here is safe. We have local production here and we no longer accept shipments from Luzon. Although the virus does not cause disease to humans, under the Food Safety Act, infected animals are not fit for consumption," she added.

cy Steven James Robinson, Ambassador of the Embassy of Australia; Group Captain Nick McMillian, Defence Attaché of the Embassy of New Zealand; Mr. Alastair Totty, Deputy Head of Mission, Embassy of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland; Minister Yasushi Yamamoto, Deputy Chief of Mission, Embassy of Japan; and Captain Noel Corpus, Naval Attaché, Embassy of the United States of Amer-

In the country, a total of 1,491 villages from 323 towns and cities in nine regions have been affected by ASF, with culled pigs reaching 344,969, based on the DA monitoring report.

To control and eradicate the disease, all local government units (LGU) were ordered to strictly implement the national zoning and movement plan for prevention and control of ASF.

Ibañez said the strategy establishes zones in the country depending on the level of risks of an area to ASF that has struck mostly backyard farms in Luzon.

"I am thankful for the six provinces in the region because they are all proactive in implementing the directive from the central government by issuing executive orders to regulate the entry of live swine and all pork products to the region," she added.

Apart from the zoning strategy, the agriculture department has also crafted information materials on ASF preven-

tion translated in local dialects and intensified surveillance to monitor unusual swine mortalities or those manifesting symptoms.

Pigs that affected by ASF usually manifest high fever, reddish mumps in the body, and bleeding of internal organs that could lead to sudden death within two to 10 days.

Ibañez said they also geo-tag animals to trace swine movements, and conduct on-the-spot monitoring and surveillance in markets for laboratory testing.

"We urge LGUs to implement their own initiatives to protect the swine industry and eradicate the disease in the country such as establishment of checkpoints to monitor entry of live hogs and other pork products," she added.

The region's population needs about 200,000 heads of swine a year. Most pork meat here is produced by local farmers and traders from General Santos City, the DA said. **(GERICO SABALZA/PNA)**

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A dedication to the Eastern Visayas Surviving Veterans of World War II will be done through a solo rendition of Dakilang Lahi by Mr. Carlo Martin Igot.

This will be followed by the virtual Leyte Gulf Landings Digital Story Telling, a virtual tour of the MacArthur Landing Memorial National Park.

The Anniversary Mes-

sage will be given by Leyte Governor Leopoldo Dominico L. Petilla.

Governor Petilla called on Leyteños not to go to the MacArthur Park on October 20 but instead watch the proceedings through the social media. This will ensure the safety of the people and stop the spread of COVID-19, the governor said. **(PIA-8)**

Republic of the Philippines
Office of the 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

LEO RODRIGO MALATE has filed with this Office

(Complete name of petitioner)

a petition for change of first name from

PEDRO to **LEO** in the Birth

(First name to be changed) (New first name to be adopted)

Certificate of **PEDRO RODRIGO MALATE** who was born on **JUNE 25, 1961** at **Bo. Bagacay Tac. City**

(Place of Birth)

and whose parents are **ARNADO MALATE** and **MERCEDES RODRIGO**.

Any person adversely affected by said petition may file his written opposition with this Office not later than **November 3, 2020**.

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

LSDE: October 20 & 27, 2020



REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES
DEPARTMENT OF AGRARIAN REFORM
Tunay na Pagbabago sa Repormang Agraryo

Please be informed that the landholdings described below had been placed under coverage of the Comprehensive Agrarian Reform Program (CARP) per Notice of Coverage as indicated below:

LANDOWNER	DATE NOC PUBLISHED	TITLE NO	LOT NO	AREA PER TITLE	MUNICIPALITY / PROVINCE	BARANGAY	DATE OF FIELD INVESTIGATION
1. QUIRICO C. YUSAY	JUNE 28, 2014 / THE PHIL. STAR	T-7918	5	3.4939	KANANGA, LEYTE	TUGBONG	NOVEMBER 5, 2020

In this connection, may we invite you or your authorized representative to participate in the Conduct of Joint Field Investigation as scheduled on the above date at 8:00 in the morning.

Your failure to participate in the Field Investigation shall be a waiver on your part to question the findings thereof.

We anticipate your full cooperation and support. Thank you.

(Sgd.) **RENATO G. BADILLA, MPMRD**
PARPO II

Republic of the Philippines
Province of Northern Samar
MUNICIPALITY OF SAN JOSE
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OFFICE OF THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN

EXCERPT FROM THE JOURNAL OF THE REGULAR SESSION OF THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN OF SAN JOSE, NORTHERN SAMAR HELD ON OCTOBER 5, 2020 AT THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN SESSION HALL.

PRESENT:

- Hon. Raul T. Robles – Municipal Vice Mayor, Presiding Officer
- Hon. Silvino T. Balasolla – Sangguniang Bayan Member
- Hon. Harlan A. Tomenio, Sr. – -do-
- Hon. Ernesto E. Nualla – -do-
- Hon. Virgilio V. Esidera – -do-
- Hon. Marcelino A. Mora – -do-
- Hon. Electorado P. Somoray, Jr. – -do-
- Hon. Jose Agripino S. Ballesta – -do-
- Hon. Ma. Gundelina V. Balasolla – Liga ng mga Barangay Federation Vice President
- Hon. Joebert A. Evaristo – Pambayang Pederasyon ng Sangguniang Kabataan President

ABSENT:

- Hon. Merlita S. Evangelista – Sangguniang Bayan Member

**Ordinance No. 17
Series of 2020**

Sponsor: **Hon. Harlan A. Tomenio, Sr.**

Be it ordained by the Sangguniang Bayan of San Jose, Northern Samar in session assembled that:

AN ORDINANCE PROHIBITING THE PRESENCE OF ASTRAY ANIMALS IN ALL PUBLIC PLACES WITHIN THE MUNICIPALITY OF SAN JOSE, NORTHERN SAMAR, AUTHORIZING FOR THIS PURPOSE THE ESTABLISHMENT OF CARANGIAN POUND AND THE COLLECTION OF FEES FOR THE USE THEREOF, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, Section 16 of Republic Act No. 7160 otherwise known as the Local Government Code of 1991 provides that: *Every local government unit shall exercise the powers expressly granted, those necessarily implied therefrom, as well as powers necessary, appropriate, or incidental for its efficient and effective governance, and those which are essential to the promotion of the general welfare. Within their respective territorial jurisdictions, local government units shall ensure and support, among other things the xxx promotion of health and safety xxx;*

WHEREAS, the Municipal Government of San Jose, Northern Samar is committed to protect the health and well-being of its citizens, while at the same time ensure that responsible ownership and humane treatment of animals be practiced;

WHEREAS, improper and irresponsible care and protection of domesticated animals pose a grave threat to the safety and security of our constituents;

NOW THEREFORE, after thorough deliberations and discussions and upon motion of **HON. ELECTORADO P. SOMORAY, JR.** with secondment of **HON. HARLAN A. TOMENIO, SR.**, this Sangguniang Bayan in session assembled hereby ordains that –

SECTION 1. Title – This ordinance shall be known and cited as “**Anti-Astray Animal Ordinance of the Municipality of San Jose, Northern Samar**”.

SECTION 2. Definition of Terms – As used in this Ordinance, the following definition of terms shall apply, to wit:

- a. **Astray animal** – refers to any domesticated animals such as dogs, cats, goats, poultry, rabbits, carabaos, cows, horses and the like without being accompanied by an owner or tamer at loose elsewhere roaming freely in public places within the municipality.
- b. **Carangian pound** – a fixed enclosure complete with some personnel and facilities where animals found to be astray in public places within the municipality are kept or seized for the time being.
- c. **Domesticated** – tamed or trained for household use.
- d. **Public Places** – areas designated solely for public use such as municipality streets and national highways within the municipality, public plazas, public market, public schools and other as may be designated by virtue of an ordinance or statute.

SECTION 3. Declaration – Pursuant to Article 100 paragraph (a), of the Implementing Rules and Regulations of the Local Government Code, it is hereby declared that:

- a) All municipal streets and other public places within the municipality shall be
- b) Owners of dogs, cats, goats, poultry, rabbits, carabaos, cows, horses and other domesticated animals shall keep such animals within their household; and
- c) Any violation hereof shall be penalized as prescribed hereto or in accordance with other applicable laws.

SECTION 4. Prohibited Acts

a.) No person shall allow or neglect his/her animal to wander or go astray in all public places within the municipality of San Jose, Northern Samar. If his/her astray animal is captured and kept in the Carangian Pound, and s/he fails to claim it within seven (7) days from notice for such purpose, s/he is liable for the penalty provided for under Section 9 hereof. Relative to this, the Police assigned in San Jose Police Station, Barangay Officials and Tanods are hereby deputized to capture any animal found to be astray and to immediately commit such animal to the Carangian Pound. Any other person may

also do the capturing and commit the same to the Carangian Pound;

b.) Immediately after such animal has been committed to the Carangian Pound, the Municipal Agriculture Office shall cause the finding of the whereabouts of its owner and/or tamer. S/he shall cause such owner and/or tamer to be formally notified of the capture and detention of his/her animal and thereby direct such person to forthwith claim the same. Said owner and/or tamer shall be made to pay the prescribed fees required for the release of his/her detained animal as provided for under Section 7(d) hereof;

c.) It shall be unlawful for any person charged with the custody of captured astray animals to maltreat, torture, poison or inflict any suffering or harm to such animals. This prohibition applied to any private person. This prohibited act is penalized under Section 9 hereof;

d.) No farmer or non-governmental organization, people’s organization who was chosen as beneficiary of the astray animals as provided for under Section 5© hereof shall dispose of, sell, maltreat, torture or kill such animal, except if the killing/slaughtering is permitted under the law;

e.) It shall be unlawful for an owner/tamer even if s/he accompanied the said animal/s to urinate or poop in public places.

SECTION 5. Disposal of unclaimed animals

a.) All animals found to be astray shall be seized and impounded at the Carangian Pound until such time that the said animal is properly claimed by such animal is sold to any interested parties after seven (7) days following notice to the owner of its capture or after seven days from notice as provided under Section 5 (e);

b.) All unclaimed astray animals at the Carangian Pound are entitled to proper custody, care, shelter and sustenance;

c.) No such animal shall stay detained at the Carangian Pound for more than fifteen (15) days after notice to the owner or notice to the public as provided under Section 5 (e) hereof. If astray dogs, cats are not sold to any interested party within the same period, the same shall be offered to any duly accredited Non-Government Organization (NGO)/People Organization (PO) or animal lovers for care and proper disposition. In the case of poultry, rabbits, horses, cows, carabaos, goats, the same shall be turned-over to the Municipal Agriculture Office for proper disposition to deserving farmers for this purpose, if there be any. The beneficiary NGO/PO or farmer, as the case maybe, is prohibited from disposing, selling, maltreating, torturing or killing of the said animal, except if killing/slaughtering is permitted under the law;

d.) The Municipality of San Jose, Northern Samar shall have the right to auction any unclaimed animals detained at the Carangian Pound, the proceeds of which shall accrue to the coffers thereof. After seven (7) days following notice to the owner or tamer thereof or notice as posted in accordance with Section 5(e), the animals detained at the Carangian Pound shall become eligible for auction to any interested parties if the same remained to be unclaimed by the owner and/or tamer, or that no person purports to be its owner or tamer;

e.) The Municipal Agriculture Office which has charge of administering the Carangian Pound shall make public the list and picture of all unclaimed animals and their corresponding general description which shall include their kind, breed, color, markings if any, and their characteristics for the information and interest of all concerned. The list and picture shall be posted at said office, lobby of the municipal hall and other barangay halls of all barangays of the municipality. Upon the capture of the astray animal, it shall likewise immediately post a written notice on the aforesaid places which notice shall contain the kind, breed, color, markings, if any, and other characteristics and requiring the owner or tamer thereof the claim the astray animal within seven (7) days from date of notice. For proper identification of animals, the Municipal Agriculture Office in coordination with the Barangay should conduct an animal survey for every household and consequently inform the owners to register their respective animal.

SECTION 6. Establishment of Carangian Pound and Purchase of Impounding Cage/Vehicle

a.) There shall be established as Carangian Pound at which captured astray animals shall be kept for the time being;

b.) There shall be an Impounding Vehicle that will carry the impounded animal/s to the Carangian Pound;

c.) The Barangay is encouraged to have an Impounding Cage to serve as temporary Impounding area while waiting for the impounded animal/s to be carried to Carangian Pound wherein the said animal/s shall be transferred by the Municipal Agriculture Office within the day of impoundment;

d.) The Carangian Pound shall be situated at a definite site within the Municipality which environment is conducive and not harmful to animal health and safety. Such site shall be determined and designated by the Municipal Mayor and shall not be contrary to the Zoning Plan or Zoning Ordinance of the Municipality;

e.) The Carangian Pound shall be administered by the Municipal Agriculture Office and shall consists of facilities necessary to properly carry-out the purpose and functions of an animal pound;

f.) Fund necessary for the establishment and operation of the Carangian pound and purchase of Impounding Vehicle shall be appropriated in the Municipal Annual Fund Budget or any appropriation ordinance, subject to the pertinent provisions of Republic Act No. 7160 otherwise known as the Local Government Code of 1991, and other applicable, laws, rules and regulations.

SECTION 7. Custody and Release of Astray Animals

a.) The Municipal Agriculture Office shall be responsible to secure for the life, health and safety of all animals detained at the Carangian Pound;

b.) To insure the general welfare of animals detained at the Carangian Pound, the Municipal Agriculture Office with the assistance of the Provincial Veterinarian, after conducting regular diagnosis to each,

shall have the exclusive discretion to order the segregation and seclusion of any such animals found to have afflicted by contagious diseases either at the time of its findings or during detention. Should an animal die during detention, the same shall be buried in a place and manner that the health and safety of the public are not endangered;

c.) The Municipal Agriculture Office shall prescribed for the regular/daily dietary consumption and supplements of all animals detained at the Carangian Pound, taking into consideration the capacity of the Municipal Government to provide of such necessities and requirements. Should an animal die during detention, the same shall be buried in a manner and place that it should not endanger the health and safety of the public;

d.) All animals at the Carangian Pound shall be released to their respective claimants only upon showing of proof that they are owners or tamers and upon payment of an Impounding Fee in the amount of Three Hundred Pesos (Php 300.00) per day of detention per animal, regardless of kind, breed or size.

SECTION 8. Disbursement of Impounding Fee – Fees collected and accumulated as a consequence of the enforcement of this Ordinance shall be held in trust by the Municipal Government of to be allocated only for the purpose of financing the maintenance and operation of the Carangian Pound, or other activities relative thereto.

SECTION 9. Penalty – Any person found to have violated this Ordinance shall pay a fine of:

- First Offense – Fine of One Thousand Pesos (Php 1,000.00);
- Second Offense – Fine of Two Thousand Pesos (Php 2,000.00); and
- Third Offense – Two Thousand Five Hundred Pesos (Php 2,500.00) and/or imprisonment of not less than one (1) month but not more than six (6) months depending upon the discretion of the court.

SECTION 10. Repealing Clause – All ordinances, rules and regulations, or part thereof, provisions of which are in conflict with, or contrary to the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed, amended and modified accordingly.

SECTION 11. Separability Clause – If, for any reason or reasons, any part or provisions of this Ordinance shall be held to be unconstitutional or invalid, other part of provisions hereof which are not affected thereby shall continue to be in full force and effect.

SECTION 12. Effectivity Clause – This Ordinance shall take effect after posting in a public and conspicuous place in all sixteen (16) barangays of San Jose, Northern Samar.


APPROVED by the Sangguniang Bayan in session assembled this 5th day of October, 2020 at San Jose, Northern Samar.



HON. SILVINO T. BALASOLLA
Sangguniang Bayan Member



HON. HARLAN A. TOMENIO, SR.
Sangguniang Bayan Member

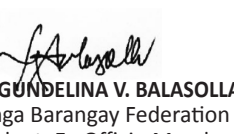

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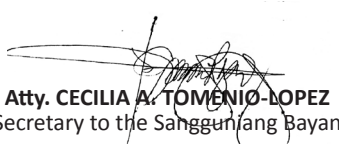

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Liga ng mga Barangay Federation Vice President, Ex-Officio Member

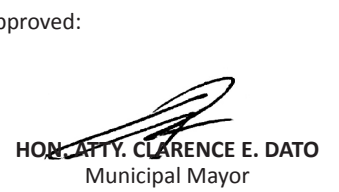

HON. JOEBERT A. EVARISTO
Pambayang Pederasyon ng Sangguniang Kabataan President, Ex-Officio Member

I HEREBY CERTIFY to the correctness of the foregoing ordinance of the Sangguniang Bayan of San Jose, Northern Samar held on October 5, 2020 at the Sangguniang Bayan Session Hall.


Atty. CECILIA A. TOMENIO-LOPEZ
Secretary to the Sangguniang Bayan

Attested:

HON. RAUL T. ROBLES
Municipal Vice Mayor, Presiding Officer

Approved:

HON. ATTY. CLARENCE E. DATO
Municipal Mayor



STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES

LGU: Province of LEYTE
Period Covered: August 2020

Particulars	NGAS Code	Actual Expenditures				
		PS	MOOE	FE	CO	Total
GENERAL FUND						
General Public Services	1000					
Office of the Governor/Mayor	1011	3,577,763.42	9,612,370.89		2,555,913.93	15,746,048.24
Office of the Warden/Maintenance of the Prisoner	1012	2,898,652.76	2,701,739.97			5,600,392.73
Civil Security	1013	158,756.47				158,756.47
Sanguniang Panlalawigan/Panlungsod/Pambayan	1021	3,152,684.98	754,891.85		49,980.00	3,957,556.83
Office of the Planning and Development Coordinator	1041	575,338.32	33,429.72			608,768.04
General Services Office	1061	175,877.44	2,056,606.03			2,232,483.47
Office of the Provincial/City/Municipal Budget Officer	1071	366,634.76	9,854.00			376,488.76
Office of the Provincial/City/Municipal Accountant	1081	142,400.64	28,588.32			170,988.96
Office of the Provincial/City/Municipal Treasurer	1091	1,873,361.85	91,972.61		159,647.24	2,124,981.70
Office of the Provincial/City/Municipal Assessor	1101	920,777.57	3,703.88		89,586.00	1,014,067.45
Office of the Provincial/City/Municipal Auditor	1111		13,741.25			13,741.25
Library Services	1122	109,807.37	1,299.00			111,106.37
Office of the Legal Officer	1131	419,163.48				419,163.48
Office of the Provincial/City/Municipal Prosecutor	1141					
Regional Trial Court	1151		289,000.00			289,000.00
Office of the Registry of Deeds	1161	4,000.00	6,276.36			10,276.36
Public Order & Safety Department	240,106.02	240,106.02	4,884.17			244,990.19
Aids to Barangay						
20% Local Development Fund	1912					
70% Local Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Fund						
Disaster Prevention and Mitigation						
Disaster Preparedness						
Disaster Response						
Disaster Rehabilitation and Recovery						
Procurement/Acquisition of Disaster Equipment for Disaster Response and Rescue Activities						
30% Local Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Fund						
Others	1192					
SOCIAL SERVICES						
Education, Culture & Sports/Manpower Development	3000					
Others	3999		2,511,111.41			2,511,111.41
Health, Nutrition & Population Control	4000					
Office of the Provincial/City/Municipal Hospital	4421	1,830,156.23	38,237.55			1,868,393.78
Office of the Population Officer	4999-1	488,900.96	61,161.29			550,062.25
Others (HOSPITALS)	4999	18,076,717.41	10,659,054.58		740,260.00	29,476,031.99
Housing and Community Development	6000					
Maintenance of Plazas, Parks & Monuments	6544	406,030.58	104,397.21			510,427.79
Social Services and Social Welfare	7000					
Office of the Social Welfare and Development Officer	7611	423,626.41	56,830.84			480,457.25
Budgetary Reserve						
Others	7999					
Economic Services						
Office of the Provincial/City/Municipal Agriculturist	8711	4,827,113.15	193,649.81			5,020,762.96
Office of the Veterinarian	8721	154,877.44	20,480.23		15,000.00	190,357.67
Office of the Environment and Natural Resources Officer	8731	255,743.43				255,743.43
Office of the Provincial/City/Municipal Engineer	8751	4,175,268.81	3,242,071.02		6,672,203.41	14,089,543.24
20% Local Development Fund	8911					
Others	8912		1,060,540.00			1,060,540.00
Debt Service						
Principal						
Local Development Projects						
Loan Amortization-Domestic (Debt Service-Principal)						
Interest and Other Charges						
Interest Payment - Domestic (Debt Service-Interest)			15,993.62			15,993.62
TOTAL CURRENT OPERATING EXPENDITURES		45,253,759.50	33,571,885.61		10,282,590.58	89,108,235.69
OTHER NON-OPERATING EXPENDITURES						
Particulars	Budget Appropriation	Actual Expenditures				
	NGAS Code	PS	MOOE	FE	CO	Total
Purchase of Inventory						
Disbursement of Trust Liabilities						
Due to other NGAs						
Due to other GOCCs						
Due to other LGUs			3,285,185.78			3,285,185.78
Due to National Treasury						
Due to BIR			14,886,452.87			14,886,452.87
Due to GSIS			11,969,385.97			11,969,385.97
Due to PAG-IBIG			1,026,554.61			1,026,554.61
Due to PhilHealth			846,593.52			846,593.52
Due to Officers and Employees			2,616,524.91			2,616,524.91
Grant of Cash Advances						
Intra-Agency Payables						
Due to Other Fund						
Other Current Liabilities						
Guaranty Deposits Payable			298,715.16			298,715.16
Performance/Bidders/Bail Bonds Payable						
Other Payables			21,822,754.05			21,822,754.05
Other Deferred Credits						
Payable Accounts						
Accounts Payable			7,664,190.01			7,664,190.01
Notes Payable						
Dividend Payable						
Interest Payable						
Payment of Prior Year Expenses Debited to PY Adj						
TOTAL NON-OPERATING EXPENDITURES			64,416,356.88			64,416,356.88
TOTAL GENERAL FUND		45,253,759.50	97,988,242.49		10,282,590.58	153,524,592.57
SPECIAL EDUCATION FUND						
Education, Culture & Sports/Manpower Development	3000-1					
General Administration	3311-1					
Others	3999-1					
TOTAL SEF						
TOTAL EXPENDITURES		45,253,759.50	97,988,242.49		10,282,590.58	153,524,592.57
Payment of Account Payables (Prior Year) - GF			4,335,809.99		10,845,923.72	15,181,733.71
Payment of Account Payables (Prior Year) - SEF						
CONTINUING APPROPRIATION - GF					295,561,213.49	295,561,213.49
CONTINUING APPROPRIATION - SEF						

Certified correct:

RUTH Y. SURPIA
Acting Provincial Treasurer



STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS SOURCES

LGU: Province of LEYTE
Period Covered: Q3, 2020 (AUGUST)

Particulars	Acct. Code	Income Target (Approved Budget)	Actual Receipts (August)	Excess of Actual vs Target	% of Over/ (Under) to Target
LOCAL SOURCES					
TAX REVENUES		40,924,347.00	3,195,050.13	5,890,573.60	14.39%
REAL PROPERTY TAX		30,491,488.00	2,535,315.32	6,247,366.58	20.49%
Current Year		19,200,000.00	1,665,259.13	8,162,684.46	42.51%
Fines and Penalties-Current Year		191,488.00	19,890.22	-97,211.41	-50.77%
Prior Year/s		10,000,000.00	634,495.17	-3,301,513.58	-33.02%
Fines and Penalties-Prior Year/s		1,100,000.00	215,670.80	1,483,407.11	134.86%
TAX ON BUSINESS		8,600,000.00	465,501.00	-518,774.95	-6.03%
Amusement Tax		500,000.00	-	-213,149.31	-42.63%
Franchise Tax		1,500,000.00	-	967,719.76	64.51%
Tax on Delivery Trucks and Vans		1,100,000.00	10,045.00	331,845.50	30.17%
Tax on Sand, Gravel & Other Quarry Resources		5,200,000.00	421,788.00	-1,746,716.50	-33.59%
Fines and Penalties-Business Taxes		300,000.00	33,668.00	141,525.60	47.18%
OTHER TAXES		1,832,859.00	194,233.81	161,981.97	8.84%
Professional Tax		250,000.00	23,632.50	120,518.83	48.21%
Real Property Transfer Tax		1,550,000.00	133,527.22	-31,078.97	-2.01%
Other Taxes		32,859.00	37,074.09	72,542.11	220.77%
Fines and Penalties-Other Taxes		0.00	-	0.00	
NON-TAX REVENUES		510,531,930.00	27,095,102.57	-150,410,970.62	-29.46%
REGULATORY FEES (Permits and Licenses)		931,930.00	19,800.00	-481,424.25	-51.66%
Occupational Fees		500,000.00	-	-246,060.00	-49.21%
Other Permits & Licenses		431,930.00	19,800.00	-235,364.25	-54.49%
SERVICE/USER CHARGES (Service Income)		500,000,000.00	27,075,302.57	-166,167,272.18	-33.23%
Clearance and Certification Fees		200,000.00	16,751.30	-103,402.95	-51.70%
Other Service Income		21,500,000.00	792,208.64	-10,861,697.94	-50.52%
Fines and Penalties-Service Income		0.00	-	0.00	
Hospital Fees		478,300,000.00	26,266,342.63	-155,202,171.29	-32.45%
Medical, Dental and Laboratory Fees		0.00	-	0.00	
OTHER INCOME/RECEIPTS (Other General Income)		9,600,000.00	-	16,237,725.81	169.14%
Interest Income		9,500,000.00	-	16,334,045.81	171.94%
Miscellaneous - Others		100,000.00	-	-96,320.00	-96.32%
TOTAL INCOME-LOCAL SOURCES		551,456,277.00	30,290,152.70	-144,520,397.02	-26.21%
EXTERNAL SOURCES					
SHARE FROM NATIONAL TAX COLLECTION		2,552,543,723.00	212,086,776.92	-854,543,259.23	-33.48%
INTERNAL REVENUE ALLOTMENT		2,540,000,000.00	212,086,776.92	843,305,784.64	-33%
Current Year		2,540,000,000.00	212,086,776.92	843,305,784.64	-33.20%
OTHER SHARES FROM NATIONAL TAX COLLECTIONS		12,543,723.00	-	-11,237,474.59	-89.59%
Share from National Wealth			-	-	
Mining Taxes			-	-	
Utilization of hydrothermal, geothermal and other sources of energy			-	-	
Share from PAGCOR/PCSO/Lotto		12,523,723.00	-	-11,217,474.59	-89.57%
Share from Tobacco Excise Tax (RA 7171)		20,000.00	-	-20,000.00	-100.00%
Others			-	-	
EXTRAORDINARY RECEIPTS/GRANTS/DONATIONS/AIDS		1,000,000.00	-	105,343,389.00	10534.34%
TOTAL EXTERNAL SOURCES		2,553,543,723.00	212,086,776.92	-749,199,870.23	-29.34%

Particulars	Actual Receipts	Excess of Actual vs Target	% of Over/ (Under) to Target
OTHER NON-INCOME RECEIPTS			
Collection Receivables	60,000.00	235,453.12	
Refund of Cash Advances	10,520.00	1,655,173.88	
Collection from Inter-Agency Receivables	-	-	
Collection of Trust Liabilities	1,094,165.49	127,621,117.78	
Due from other NGAs	-	119,822,348.90	
Due from other GOCCs	-	-	
Due from LGUs	1,094,165.49	7,798,768.88	
Other Receivables	306,098.48	13,298,198.54	
Collection of Prior Year Income credited to Prior Year Adjustment	-	-	
TOTAL OTHER NON-INCOME RECEIPTS	-	142,809,943.32	
TOTAL GENERAL FUND	3,105,000,000.00	243,847,713.59	-750,910,323.93

Particulars	Income Target	Actual Receipts	Excess of Actual vs Target	% of Over/ (Under) to Target
SPECIAL EDUCATION FUND				
SPECIAL EDUCATION TAX				
Special Education Fund	70,000,000.00	6,732,413.83	12,875,469.34	-18%
Current Year	45,000,000.00	5,689,579.15	2,253,812.57	-5%
Fines and Penalties-Current Year	1,600,000.00	179,605.42	469,492.29	-29%
Prior Year/s	18,600,000.00	684,624.28	8,611,935.95	-46%
Fines and Penalties-Prior Year/s	4,800,000.00	168,604.98	1,540,228.53	-32%
Other Receipts	-	-	59,330.68	
Interest Income	-	-	48,391.28	
Other Business Income (Miscellaneous)	-	-	10,939.40	
TOTAL SPECIAL EDUCATION FUND	70,000,000.00	6,732,413.83	12,816,138.66	-18%
GRAND TOTAL (GF + SEF)	3,175,000,000.00	250,580,127.42	763,726,462.83	-24.05%

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Leyte...

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Aside from the cell-phone signal, there is also one particular spot in Lanawan near the primary school campus where they can access mobile data and research their topic in the internet and access the messenger where they can view the discussion in their class group chat.

The students would sometime stay there for two to three hours depending on how quick their teachers are in answering their messages. Before they go to the village, questions that they wanted to ask to their teachers are all written in a piece of paper.

Friza Joy Agrava, 15, a Grade 10 student of Burauen National High School (BNHS), said that they are lucky if they will get an immediate reply from their teachers, they can go home early, but if not, they need to wait, even for hours.

Friza Joy, together with her cousins Jaymima Banzale, Bethzaida Mae Paza, both 15, Pearly Ann Agrava, 16, and Jaira Crystal Paza, 17, with other high school students in the village would leave their house at around 10

pm to Lanawan, and would go home before 3:00 pm, or sometimes before 5:00 pm.

It is a tiring walk to Lanawan according to her because of its uphill slope but with her cousins and friends joining her, travel become easy.

“Our classmates are lucky that they live in places with a good signal. But for us, obtaining signal is a big sacrifice,” said Pearly Ann, who also studies at the BHNS.

The cousins added that although, the new mode of learning had saved their family P600 a month on fare for each of them, they still prefer the face-to-face education because it allows them to understand their lessons easily and they have actual conversation and interaction with their teachers when they wanted to make some clarification on their lessons that they do not understand.

“We have to deal with the modular now because of COVID-19. This is the only way that we can continue our studies and to make sure that we are safe from being infected by it,” Jaymima said who studies at Atty. Roque A. Marcos Memorial School (ARAMMS) in La Paz town. **(ROEL T. AMAZONA)**

Calbayog city gov't extend food aid affected by the lockdown as it grapples rising COVID-19 cases

TACLOBAN CITY-The city government of Calbayog is targeting to distribute food assistance to more than 59,000 families from its 157 villages who are affected by the lockdown imposed by the city government, particularly on its 16 barangays.

The city government, however, is prioritizing first the families who are residing on its 16 villages that were affected by the 14-day lockdown imposed to address its rising cases of coronavirus disease (COVID-19), Ronald Ricafort Jr, focal person of the City Inter-Agency Task Force, said.

These 16 villages are

Aguit-itan, Bagacay, Balud, Capooan, Carmen, Central, Dagum, East Awang, West Awang, Hamorawon, Matobato, Nijaga, Obrero, Payahan, Rawis, and San Policarpo.

The lockdown of these villages started last October 10 and is to end on Oct.23.

Of the 16 villages, distribution are already done in Obrero where 1,475 families received the food assistance that consists of five kilos of rice and a choice of whether a three kilos of fish or two dressed chickens, Aguit-itan with 620 families, Balud with 1, 034 families, West Awang with 750 families, Payahan with 1, 114 families, Central with

262 families, Carmen with 884 families, Hamorawon with 1, 329 families, and Dagum with 1, 825 families.

“Once the team is finish distributing in these 16 villages, they will then move to areas that are not placed under lockdown,” Ricafort said.

As of October 17, the city has a total of 426 with two deaths.

Member of the City Inter-Agency Task Force Dr. Cesar Sabenico noted that in the first two days of the lockdown, the street of Calbayog are empty but it was noticed that in the following days residents are going out of their respective houses.

In the Executive Order 34 issued by Mayor Ronald Aquino as guidelines for the lockdown, those who are allowed to leave their house are health workers, uniformed government personnel, authorized government officials and employees providing social services who are living in the city proper, and workers in essential establishments performing official functions, village officials,

and members of the inter-agency task force.

“The use of quarantine pass and occupational pass is suspended. If you want to buy something, you need to talk with your village officials, then the purchasing team of the respective villages are the one to buy the goods that a resident needs,” Sabenico said.

“Your cooperation is needed in this lockdown because we implemented this to limit the movement of people, so that we can stop the virus from spreading,” he added.

Calbayog City Deputy Chief of Police PLt Abelardo Llanita appeals to residents of the city to follow the guidelines set in the EO to avoid getting penalty or fines.

“Our enemy is not the doctor or police or anyone who is implementing these guidelines, our enemy is COVID so please follow the orders in the EO and don't wait for a case be filed against you,” PLt. Llanita said.

(ROEL T. AMAZONA)

Biliran...

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now residing in the United States of America and one of the supporters of the initiative.

It was learned that numerous positive comments from Maripipians here and abroad were posted and shared in the Uswag Maripipi Facebook Page, and in the RHU Maripipi Facebook Page regarding the initiative.

“It is my hope that this will be sustained with the continued help and support of our partners and benefactors. I'd like also to take this opportunity to thank those who have been very supportive and have given generously to this great initiative. I'd like to encourage our fellow Maripipians both local and abroad who have the heart to donate vitamins and supplements for the less fortunate.” Caingcoy added. **(Idl/rsv/PIA Biliran)**

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