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Plan to defund NTF-ELCAC

GOVS. Petilla, Evardone nix move

ROEL T. AMAZONA

PALO, Leyte – Both Governors Leopoldo Dominico Petilla of Leyte and Ben Evardone of Eastern Samar have expressed their opposition to defund the National Task Force to End Local Communist Armed Conflict (NTF-ELCAC) saying this would affect the development of the targeted far-flung villages.

The NTF-ELCAC current budget is at P19 billion of which P16 billion is intended for the barangay development program (BDP).

However, some senators have expressed their plan to defund the NTF-ELCAC after its spokesperson, Lt. Gen. Antonio Parlade called them stupid in the midst of controversy on the community pantry organized by Anna Patricia Non whom the Army general red tagged.

Both Petilla, who chairs the Regional Development Council, and Evardone, who sits at the Regional Peace and Order Council, said that this move could hamper the development effort on the targeted barangays, especially in the



OPPOSITION. The move to defund the National Task Force to End Local Communist Armed Conflict(NTF-ELCAC)is being opposed by Governors Leopoldo Dominico Petilla of Leyte and Ben Evardone of Eastern Samar, saying this would hamper development to targeted barangays, especially those once considered under the influence of the NPA.

remote areas.

“We will not allow that. We will strongly oppose it.In the first place it is not the ELCAC that is utilizing or disbursing or using the

funds. The funds is used directly by the barangay,”he said.

“I think the perception of some of our friends in the Senate are misplaced.

This ELCAC funds are intended for barangay which had been cleared from insurgency, from conflict situation so that the people will see Govs/page 7 ...

Mayor Romualdez extends assistance to fire victims in Calanipawan



FIRE INCIDENT. A fire broke out on May 1 in Barangay 96, Calanipawan that left 16 families homeless were immediately given assistance upon the order of City Mayor Alfred Romualdez. (TCIO)

TACLOBAN CITY- Fire victims that erupted in Barangay 96, Calanipawan on Saturday (May 1) were immediately provided assistance on the order of City Mayor Alfred Romualdez. The city mayor personally went to the area to look after the 16 families whose houses were gutted down by the fire incident that started at around 11:10 am.

Upon Mayor Romualdez’ order, the City Social Welfare and Development Office(CSWDO), headed by Chona Fe Bahin, distributed food packs composed of six kilos rice, 10 canned goods, coffee, biscuits, milk, and cup noodles, together with hygiene kits, blankets, mosquito nets, and mats.

A day after the blaze, the CSWDO again extended kitchenware and used clothing to the fire victims

who are temporarily taking shelter at their relatives’ houses in the area.

Meanwhile, CSWDO Head Bahin stated that the office is working on the recommendation of the family-victims for financial assistance from the

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73,000 Sinovac vaccines arrive in the region, expected to complete shots for medical and frontline workers

TACLOBAN CITY- At least 73,200 doses of Sinovac vaccines arrived in the region last Saturday (May 1) which are intended for frontliners who have not yet received the vaccines.

The arrival of these vaccines is expected to

complete the vaccination of all health and frontline workers in the region, Dr. Exuperia Sabalberino, DOH regional director said.

The vaccines are also to be administered to medical workers and frontliners as their sec-

ond doses.

As of last week, 42,101 medical and other frontline workers across the region have received the vaccines, the DOH reported.

“This is the biggest number of doses received by Eastern Visayas and is

expected to complete the vaccination of those belonging to A1 category,” she said.

These doses could accommodate over 36,500 individuals, Sabalberino said.

Sabalberino earlier see 73,000/page 10 ...



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## DPWH-NSFDEO begins road widening project in Brgy. Doña Lucia along Catarman-Laoang Road section

CATARMAN, Northern Samar-To ensure public safety and to promote faster mobility, the Department of Public Works-Northern Samar First District Engineering Office(DPWH-NSFDEO) began construction works on expanding



the secondary highway in the villages of Doña Lucia and Makiwalo, Mondragon N. Samar along Catarman-Laoang road section.

The P14.6-million road widening project involves the construction of road widening-Catarman-Laoang Rd-(K0749+000-K0749+500), 3.35m width per lane with 0.28m thickness and 1.50m width of concrete shoulder with 0.23m

thickness.

The widening from two lane to four lane road is necessary to accommodate large number of motorists and to ease traffic congestion since it is one of the vital roads leading to Catarman-the Capital town of Northern Samar. (PR)



## Groups conducted outreach activity in a remote village in Calbayog City, zeroing on women and children protection and insurgency problem

TACLOBAN CITY – Against Women and Their Government forces and some private groups have conducted an activity in a remote village in Calbayog City on the campaign of the government against ending the insurgency problem and on various laws giving protection to women and children.

The People's Outreach Program (POP), the 125th Special Action Company of Special Action Force, 3rd Maneuver Platoon of 803rd Maneuver Company, Calbayog City Police Station, First Samar Mobile Force Company, Calbayog Airport Police, and 43rd Infantry Battalion (IB) conducted their community outreach activity in Barangay Tarabucan, Oquendo District, 30 kilometers away from the city proper.

During the community outreach, law enforcement personnel discussed to the residents provisions of Republic Acts 8353 or the Anti-rape Law of 1997, Republic Act 7610: Special Protection of Children Against Abuse, Exploitation and Discrimination Act, and Republic Act 9262: Anti-Violence

Against Women and Their Children Act of 2004.

The orientation was conducted in order to prevent further abuses by informing the public especially women who are suffering exploitations.

On the part of the military forces, the 43rd Infantry Battalion solicited strong support from the Tarabucan residents on the government's campaign to end insurgency through the Enhanced Comprehensive Local Integration Program.

They also encouraged the residents who knows people who are supportive or members of the communist group to convince them to yield themselves and firearms to the government forces so as their reintegration to their respective communities.

The group also assured them that the police and military forces assigned in the city will work hand in hand to instill peace on their area as they solicited for their cooperation and support.

They group also provided rice packs to around 172 families and food packs to 100 children. (ROEL T. AMAZONA)

## St. Roch Parish Church of Julita invites bike enthusiasts to join the "Pilgrim Ride"

JULITA, Leyte-The St. Roch Parish of Julita will conduct a fund raising activity entitled Pilgrim Ride on May 15, 2021 which aims to augment the needed fund for the ongoing renovation of the Parish Church.

Parish priest Rev. Fr. James Jubal P. Meneses explained that the Pilgrim Ride is open to all mountain and road bike enthusiasts.

This is a "relay ride" wherein the participants will assemble at their nearest parish Church - the

identified Pilgrim Ride route - and wait for the other participants before proceeding to the next church.

The route of the Pilgrim Ride is as follows: the 1. St. Roch Parish Church in Julita; 2. Our Lady of Refuge Parish in Dulag; 3. St. Michael the Archangel Parish in Tolosa; 4. Assumption of Our Lady Parish in Tanauan; 5. St. Anthony of Padua Shrine in Tabontabon, and 6. back to the Julita Municipal Plaza.

"As Pilgrim Riders, they will drop by the church and offer personal prayers. Usa

ini nga mahinungdanon nga paagi hin pagselebraran ika-500 Years of Christianity ha aton nasud," Fr. Meneses adds.

Moreover, the organizers revealed that the event will conclude with a raffle draw for all the cyclists who registered and joined the ride. Free breakfast will also be distributed.

Interested bikers may register until May 10, 2021 with a fee of P200 at the office of the parishes mentioned above.

"This is not a race but a fun and spiritual ride. More

so, the riders will not only help build a Church but they may also obtain plenary indulgence, so long as they meet the usual conditions of going to confession, receiving the Eucharist, and praying for the intentions of the Pope," Fr. Meneses emphasized.

For more inquiries on the Pilgrim Ride, interested bikers may text/call 09174421650 or visit the Facebook page @ PILGRIM RIDE - St. Roch Parish, Julita, Leyte. (VINCENT JHUDIEL C. ESPLAGO)

## Former Leyte board member Villasin dies due to heart attack

TACLOBAN CITY- Former Leyte 2ND district Board Member Niccolo Villasin succumbs to heart attack on April 27. He was 41.

In a statement, Leyte board member Raisa Villasin confirmed her younger brother's passing due to complications of the heart.

According to her, her brother suffered a heart attack last Friday, April 23 and was rushed to a hospital in Quezon City.

Villasin, who was a lawyer by profession, was elected as a board member in 2010 until 2019.

During the 2019 elections, he ran but later withdraw for the congressional district in the second district.

He was the son of former Leyte vice governor and board member Nestor 'Ganggang' Villasin.



Board Member Niccolo Villasin

In his thank you message in 2019, Villasin said that his decision to run for board member proved to be a catalyst for an immense change in him not just as a public servant but as a person.

Villasin left his wife Karla and son Rafi. (LIZBETH ANN A. ABELLA)

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Probers claim no foul play on Mendoza's death

# Marina regional director found dead inside his apartment

TACLOBAN CITY- The director of the Maritime Industry Authority (Marina) here in the region was found dead inside his apartment in this city Sunday (May 2) morning.

The dead body of Rommel John Mendoza, 55, was discovered by his personal bodyguard, Dennis Barcelo, 49, who entered his room at around 8 am at their apartment located in Barangay 110, this city, for him to take his breakfast.

But Barcelo, who also

works at Marina, noticed that Mendoza was not breathing and immediately called the Tacloban City Rescue Unit (Tacru).

Tacru paramedics arrived at the scene at around 8:30 am with the victim already lifeless and with no vital signs, said team leader Laiden Calderon.

Based on the information relayed by Barcelo to Tacru personnel, Mendoza was suffering from an illness which he did not divulge.

Police probers discount the possibility of any foul

play on the death of Mendoza whose cause of death could be due to his lingering illness.

Mendoza assumed his post as Marina-8 director just last April 22 and was the head of their office in Manila before his assignment in Eastern Visayas.

He was from Bulacan province and a member of PMA Class 93.

He retired as a colonel at the Philippine Navy.

Engr. Rodolfo Paner, maritime industry development specialist, said that they were shock on the

sudden death of their director.

"We were shock on his sudden death. He just assumed his post last April 22. And a sign of our mourning, we have placed our flag at half-mast," he said.

"We have already informed his family and also made a request with the Air Force for his remains be air lifted. But (as part of the protocols), he was swabbed and we are still waiting for the result," he said in a phone interview.

(JOEY A. GABIETA)

# With ballooning COVID cases, Biliran Gov. Espina suspends tourism-related activities

TACLOBAN CITY - Beginning on Thursday (May 6), all tourist destinations and tourism-related facilities in Biliran province will be closed.

The closure was based on the order of Governor Rogelio Espina as the province grapples with increasing coronavirus disease (COVID-19).

The temporary closure of operation will last until the order is lifted by the governor.

Espina, on his order, said that these tourism sites and facilities will be closed not only among the locals but even those coming from outside the province.

The move will also avoid any mass gathering which is considered be one of the causes for the rise of COVID-19 cases.

The suspension on the operations of the tourism destinations across the province came just a few days after the municipal government of Maripipi decided to reopen again its Sambawan Island, one of the top tourist destinations

in Biliran last April 23.

Local government units in Almeria and Kawayan have also reopened their tourist sites last March.

Meantime, under the order issued by Gov. Espina, the provincial government also imposes the mandatory 14-day facility quarantine of all incoming Biliran residents who went out of the province for more than three days and non-Biliran residents who wanted to visit the province, except for senior citizens, those with comorbidities, and minors under the case of parents.

Those who are undergoing the mandatory 14-day quarantine has an option to be swabbed after five days from arrival at their own expense. Those with negative result will immediately discharge from the quarantine facility.

Local government units are also given prerogative if they will transfer patients who are from other towns and undergoing isolation in their quarantine facility.

(ROEL T. AMAZONA)

# Bong Go leads the unveiling of 'Malasakit Center' at LPH and Schistosomiasis Hospital

PALO, Leyte- Senator Christopher Lawrence 'Bong' Go lead last Friday (April 30) the opening of the 'Malasakit Centers' at the Leyte Provincial Hospital (LPH) and at the Schistosomiasis Hospital, both this town.

During the occasion, Go, who chairs the committee on health at the Senate, donated P2 million for the initial funding of the two Malasakit Centers at the said hospitals.

Go also vowed to facilitate the release of additional P10 million as an additional fund for the two hospitals.

He also gave food, groceries for patients and raffled shoes, bikes and tablets for the frontliners.

The senator also provided financial assistance to the patients and medical workers in the said facilities.

It was learned that the LPH and the Schistosomiasis Hospital is the 104th and 105th malasakit centers in the country.

The senator said



Senator Christopher Lawrence 'Bong' Go with Leyte Gov. Dominic Petilla, Vice Gov. Carlo Loreto, Presidential Assistance for Visayas Michael Dino, An Waray party-list Representative Florencio 'Bem' Noel and LPH chief of hospital, Dr. Ofelia Absin.

(LIZBETH ANN A. ABELLA)

that the Malasakit Centers, of which he initiated, is the government's response to help the poor people get access to their medical needs.

Dr. Ofelia Absin, officer-in-charge of the LPH, expressed her gratitude to Sen. Go saying the Malasakit Center will be of big help, considering that majority of their clients are poor.

"This is a good news to patients here in

Leyte as this will assure them of assistance," she said.

Gov. Leopoldo Dominico Petilla also assured Go that the purpose of the Malasakit Center will not go to waste saying they will be committed to help all their clients.

The Malasakit Center is a one-stop shop wherein several government agencies like the Department of Social Welfare and Development, Department

of Health and the Philippine Health Insurance Corp. have their offices in the hospital to provide assistance to poor patients on their medical needs.

Almost all provincial hospitals in the region have their own Malasakit Center, to include the Eastern Visayas Regional Medical Center where the first such service was put up in the region by Sen. Go.

(LIZBETH ANN A. ABELLA)

# NMP approves fee reduction for CONSO-MARPOL course by over 43 percent from its current rate

TACLOBAN CITY- The board of trustees (BOT) of the National Maritime Polytechnic (NMP) has approved fee reduction for CONSO-MARPOL 73/78 Training.

NMP Executive Director Joel Maglunsod said that the approval of the fee reduction of the training will be of great help to the seafarers especially in this time of coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) pandemic.

He pointed out that the alarming effects of the COVID-19 pandemic have dramatically changed the existing education and training landscape to technology-based learning to lessen physical contact in adherence to the existing health and safety protocols.

In order to adopt to the fast-changing technology and with the advent of

the "new normal" way of conducting trainings, the NMP reviewed, revised and converted to online learning some of its courses, one of which is Consolidated MARPOL 73/78.

He added that in the process of its conversion and with the conduct of cost analysis, it was observed that there is a need to reduce the training fee of the said course from P3,000 to P1,300 or a reduction of about 43.33 percent.

Maglunsod said that during the recent first virtual NMP BOT Meeting for this year, the NMP board unanimously approved the proposal for the reduction of its training fee for the said course.

"On this premise, more seafarers will be encouraged to enroll considering the importance see NMP/page 10 ."

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## Beware of fire



**A**t a time like this when the heat of summer is intense, we should altogether bear in mind that fire could erupt anytime, anywhere, especially if we are not careful enough in using it, and more so if we use it in the midst of highly flammable materials.

The high temperature prompted by the scorching sun during the daytime aggravates the likelihood of fire occurrences in congested areas where houses are made of light materials. Good if the fire occurs in an accessible area, but if it rages inside the slums and squatter areas where passages are very narrow, then fire could be fast enough like lighting while depriving firetrucks of an entry point.

We have already witnessed samples of this phenomenon wherein the fire suddenly bursts into tremendous flames, devouring neighborhoods

into ashes. Last Saturday alone, gigantic flames and dark smoke had enveloped a cluster of houses beside the diversion road near the Saver's Depot or the crossing bound for V&G, this city. The fire was so fast under the heat of the noonday sun that, while the fire trucks delayed their coming, houses were turning to glowing embers.

An initial investigation had it that a child, who was left alone to cook their food, was not able to control the fire as it spread. In the absence of adults, the fire ran out of control until it devoured the adjacent houses. This boils down to neglect and gross irresponsibility. Children should not be left alone to do this chore as their playfulness might divert their attention to something else.

And so, anything that poses danger brought about by fire should be monitored closely, making sure they do not lead to a disaster. We can allow ourselves to be robbed ten times and still possess some things, but if fire razes our place to the ground, we will end up empty-handed.



**Things To Mind**

**DOMS PAGLIAWAN**

## Clashes of the minds

Diversity of opinions is commonplace in a democratic society. That's the beauty of this freedom of expression, freedom of speech—a thing to treasure, to cherish, indeed. And it's a healthy sign of a functioning democracy, this free flow of ideas.

And so, we see these clashing of ideas, then, that hopefully result in broader perceptions of things. These may escalate into heated arguments, but to the neutral listeners, this means a more in-depth treatment of issues and events necessary for a better grasp and under-

standing.

This holds true in almost all areas of life, of society. These clashes of opinions particularly abound in politics, in religion, in sports, in philosophy, etc. And they invite attention to both positive and negative aspects contributory to the bulk of ideas attached to every issue or field or event. They represent not just the two sides of a coin, but the various angles that manifest.

Sometimes it becomes a personal quarrel between the opposing parties, even snowballing into grudges that prove vindictive over time. But at the end of the day, and often without their knowing it, they both open wide the public eye. There should be no monopoly of

ideas even from sure winners. For even the truths need the lies to validate their claims to truism.

Supposedly, advocates and proponents of ideas should stay in good terms despite their differing opinions. Anyway, those are nothing but insights that have nothing to do with their personal relationships. But there is this tendency for them to impose their ideas on others instead of just sharing and simply stating the same. If you force your thoughts on somebody, it oftentimes causes resistance, hence the eventual clash.

The problem with these disputes is that they sometimes result in violence *see Clashes /page 7 ...*



## Automatic for the People

CLEMELLE MONTALLANA

### A few minutes to dawn

There is a grim milestone posted in our social media today, April 26, Monday. The country had breached the million mark of Covid cases. *Rappler reported that; The Department of Health (DOH) tallied 8,929 new COVID-19 infections on Monday, bringing total cases in the country to 1,006,428. From the peak of 203,710 active cases on April 17, it went down to 74,623 on Monday.*

The DOH also recorded 70 new deaths due to COVID-19, pushing the death toll to 16,853. There have been over 3,500 deaths added so far in April alone, already the most for any month since the coronavirus pandemic began.

The news send shivers down the spine of already terrified populace. It will be quickly blown out of proportions by a news broadcast that would multiply the terrifying news impact on every household. The bias for the negative will be bombarded on people's consciousness. They will feel the pressure like an ever tightening choke, they will feel the paralysis it causes. Their hold will tremble even if it will not show in their fingers, in their hearts it is there.

This is the usual and staple mode, paint a grim picture, multiply them and strike fear in people's hearts.

Meanwhile, beneath the top paragraph buried and prevented by the fatigue of

digging deep into the written words is this from *Rappler* still: *Meanwhile, recoveries increased by 11,333, raising the total to 914,952.*

The total cases from the start of the Pandemic is at 1,006,428 and the recoveries is 914,952. The math will give us 91,476 as the recoveries total.

The sad fact remains the news outlets are fully and myopically fixated with the total cases which is on the million now, it fails or deliberately disregards the recoveries. It does not highlight them too. We have not a banner headline or story that reads RECOVERIES NOW AT 914, 452! And why is that, because good news does not sell and that people will never bother to look into it, they will just glance at a good news. They will laugh and relay a scandal but a positive story will be nothing but a normal thing needing no repetition.

Instead of looking at the pitch midnight as a prelude to the golden dawn, midnight is just dark and its darkness is an oft repeated observation. Instead of counting the minutes towards the dawn, midnight see *A few /page 7 ...*

but out of track. We will never reach the finish line that way.

Keeping the proper priorities means that we should first of all be motivated by love of God and others. This is and should be the ultimate and constant motivation of everything we do in our life.

We should be wary of our strong tendency to be motivated only by self-interest or by some worldly goals which, while having their objective value, would give us nothing in the end if they are not animated by the love of God and others.

Let's always remember what Christ said in this regard. "What does it profit a man if he gains the whole world but loses his own soul," he said. (Mk 8,36) Of course, given our weakened human condition, we usually act with purely human and worldly motives alone. But it would be good if from time to time, we pause so that we can purify our intentions and set things aright. We can always do that. Let's remember that two



## What's New Mr. Q?

TENTE U. QUINTERO

### What to do with inoculation side effects

Being a Senior Citizen, I was called by a staff member of Tacloban City Hall if I wanted to be inoculated with the China-made SINOVAC Vaccine, to which I readily answered YES!

Yes, because I definitely have high hopes about the efficacy of the China-donated vaccine! And especially since I personally saw on television, no less than Tacloban City Mayor Alfred S. Romualdez, leading by example, by being personally vaccinated!

And so, being a 79-year-old "Senior Sixty-Cents" being the 'second oldest personality' at the Tacloban City Hall, I

called for an appointment and visited my cardiologist, Dr. Ernesto Chan at the Divine Word Hospital last April 17th; had a relatively thorough check-up & tests, which ended with his much-awaited pronouncement that I was "ready to be vaccinated!"

So, last Wednesday, April 21st, promptly at 1:00pm, I lined up at the Tacloban Vaccination Center at the USAID Building, City Hall complex and 35 minutes later, I got inoculated by a well-mannered nurse, who quietly injected me with a very fine needled syringe; and that was it -- feeling absolutely nothing at all during the "ceremony."

So when I proudly announced two days later during my regular PA-DAYON NGA AKSYON video commentary show on Facebook nga "gin-bakunahan na ako," I received so many texted messages & phone calls the days that followed; mainly from fellow Senior Sixty-Centers, asking how the vaccination went, and if I experienced any side effects.

And so, if only to answer a lot of questions

through text messages & phone calls, I have herewith answered the Ten (10) FAQs -- Frequently Asked Questions as to WHAT TO DO WITH INOCULATION SIDE EFFECTS

(Con Magca-ada man)

So in effect, what should be done if a newly-vaccinated person has some side-effects ...

Well, the usual side effects are the following -- You may have one side effect; or any of the following "combinations" --

NUMBER ONE -- you feel numbness (nan'ma-manhod) at the spot where you got inoculated; or

NUMBER TWO -- the spot or area around the inoculation spot becomes reddish (namu-mula).

NUMBER THREE -- the spot or area around the inoculation spot becomes itchy (na'catol)

NUMBER FOUR -- the spot or area around the inoculation spot becomes painful (na-ulol) which is relatively rare.

NUMBER FIVE -- the spot or area around the inoculation spot becomes a little bit swollen (na-hubag hin gutiay).

NUMBER SIX -- You don't feel well; you become feverish (mahuru-hiranat) and many really develop a mild fever.

NUMBER SEVEN -- You feel sluggish, or relatively weak, that you just want to lie down a rest

NUMBER EIGHT -- You could develop a headache (take a pill for this)

NUMBER NINE -- your muscles could get sore and you feel unwell.

see *What to do/page 7 ...*



## Commentary

FR. ROY CIMAGALA

### Order and dispatch

THE way things are now, we really should learn how to blend well the requirements of order and the necessity of dispatch. There are now such a growing number of things to attend to that if we do not know how to blend these two items, we would simply be lost.

And if we are not emotionally stable and psychologically healthy to handle this predicament, then it is very easy for us to fall into all kinds of mental illness. Things would just get worse in our life.

In a previous essay, I have said that the virtue of order has become these days a huge, tricky and

nasty challenge. And that's simply because there are just so many things to take care of.

In that scenario, the likelihood is high for us to get easily distracted, to lose our proper sense of priority, to simply give knee-jerk reactions that would fail to consider see the over-all picture of any issue at hand.

It's important that while we should worry about doing things with certain dispatch, we should also see to it that everything is done with the proper priority. The obvious reason was articulated once by a saint who said something to the effect that it profits us nothing if we manage to run fast

of the most important elements that would make any human act of ours to be good and moral, pleasing to God and capable of bringing us to him, are that both the object of the act and the intention behind the act should be good, that is, in accordance with the will of God, our Father and Creator.

We should not just be concerned with the technical aspects of what can be considered as meeting the requirements of order and the necessity of dispatch. These technical aspects should be attended to as a consequence of our love for God and others. In other words, religion, faith, hope and charity have to come in as primary consideration and the animating spirit behind our actions.

Thus, of the many things we have to do, let's give primary attention to prayer, recourse to the sacraments, and other related duties we have toward God. They should not be attended to only when we have extra time. They have to be given time and priority always!



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)

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 Member, Sangguniang Panlalawigan

**ORDINANCE NO. 02**  
**Series of 2021**

**AN ORDINANCE REGULATING THE USE OF PROVINCIAL ROADS, BRIDGES, AND SIMILAR PUBLIC PLACES WITHIN THE TERRITORIAL JURISDICTION OF THE PROVINCE OF NORTHERN SAMAR, PROHIBITING ILLEGAL OBSTRUCTIONS, AND PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS THEREOF**

**Preamble**

**WHEREAS**, Section 16 of Republic Act 7160 otherwise known as the Local Government Code of 1991 provides that "each 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";

**WHEREAS**, Section 4 of Republic Act 11494 or the Bayanihan To Heal As One Act mandates that COVID-19 response and recovery interventions include, among others, "regulation of traffic on all roads, streets, and bridges, and access thereto; prohibit putting up of encroachment or obstacles; authorize the removal of encroachment and illegal constructions in public places";

**WHEREAS**, the promotion of the general welfare as a prime duty of Local Government Units is amplified by DILG Memorandum Circular No. 2019-121 as amended by DILG Memorandum Circular No. 2020-027 and DILG Memorandum Circular No. 2020-145 reiterating the Presidential Directive to "clear roads of illegal structures and constructions and enjoined all local officials to exercise their powers essential to reclaim public roads which are being used for private end and rid them of illegal structures and constructions";

**WHEREAS**, an enabling ordinance is necessary to institutionalize road clearing operations in the Province of Northern Samar and effectively enforce mechanisms to ensure compliance thereto thereby promoting the safety and protection of its people from any harm or mishap caused by any form of illegal obstruction on public roads, bridges, streets, and public places within its territorial jurisdiction.

**NOW WHEREFORE**, be it ordained by the Sangguniang Panlalawigan in session assembled that:

**Section 1. SHORT TITLE.** This Ordinance shall be referred to and cited as the Northern Samar Road Clearing Ordinance of 2021.

**Sec. 2. DECLARATION OF POLICY.** It is hereby declared a policy of the Sangguniang Panlalawigan pursuant to existing laws and applicable guidelines to regulate the use of public roads, bridges, streets and similar public places and to prohibit any illegal obstructions therein within the territorial jurisdiction of the Province of Northern Samar.

**Sec. 3. DEFINITION OF TERMS AND MEANING OF ACRONYMS USED**

a. **Illegal obstruction.** Any structure, whether permanent or temporary, immovable or movable, erected along, standing or adjoining, or in any manner impeding safe and convenient passage through any provincial road, road shoulders, bridges, side walk, streets, and alleys; provided that the property of the Provincial Government such as official road signs, construction signages or any similar structures erected or installed therein, shall not be considered as illegal obstructions.

b. **Provincial Roads.** Any road, alleys, or pathways classified and declared as Provincial Roads such as those connecting municipalities without traversing national roads; those connecting national roads to barangays; those connecting provincial government infrastructures; and all other roads that may be classified or reclassified and declared by the Sangguniang Panlalawigan as Provincial Roads, Used in its generic sense, road refers to dirt road, gravel road, asphalt road, and concrete or cemented road.

c. **Bridges.** Concrete bridge, footbridge, overflow causeway, hanging bridge, steel and concrete bridge and any form of makeshift bridge owned and/or maintained by the Provincial Government of Northern Samar.

d. **Similar Public Places.** Any and all public properties that are wholly intended for public use such as buildings, sport arenas, demonstration farms, and similar establishments exclusively owned and/or supervised by the Provincial Government of Northern Samar.

e. **Road Clearing.** Any and all act performed or instituted that seek to clear the provincial roads and bridges owned or supervised by the Provincial Government of Northern Samar against all forms

of encroachment or obstruction pursuant to this Ordinance or other applicable laws, policies or guidelines.

1. **PGNS**, Provincial Government of Northern Samar
2. **PEO**, Provincial Engineering Office
3. **DILG**, Department of Interior and Local Government
4. **DPWH**, Department of Public Works and Highways
5. **PRCIT**, Provincial Road Clearing Implementing Team
6. **PNP**, Philippine National Police
7. **BFP**, Bureau of Fire Protection
8. **LGU**, Local Government Unit
9. **PDRRMO**, Provincial Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Office
10. **PGSO**, Provincial General Services Office
11. **PLO**, Provincial Legal Office

**Sec. 4. MAINTENANCE AND INVENTORY OF PROVINCIAL ROADS AND BRIDGES.** The maintenance and inventory of all provincial roads and bridges shall be the duty of the Provincial Engineering Office (PEO) in coordination with the Provincial General Services Office (PGSO), concerned DPWH District Office and Municipal Engineering Offices and shall include among others, road classification, road measurement, and identification and documentation of obstructed roads and the nature of said obstructions. The PEO shall submit a **quarterly inventory** report to the Provincial Road Clearing Implementing Team through its secretariat for proper monitoring and supervision. Said report, among others shall contain the following:

- a. Short Narrative on the Conduct of Inventory
- b. Areas Identified with Obstructions
- c. Common Obstructions Observed
- d. Annexes (photographs, other supporting documents)

**Sec. 5. PROVINCIAL ROAD CLEARING IMPLEMENTING TEAM (PRCIT).** There shall be a Provincial Road Clearing Implementing Team composed of the following:

- a. Provincial Engineering, PGNS
- b. Provincial Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Officer, PGNS
- c. Provincial Information Officer, PGNS
- d. Provincial Director, DILG
- e. Commanding Officer, 803rd Brigade, AFP
- f. Provincial Director, PNP
- g. Provincial Fire Marshal, BFP
- h. Representative from the Media
- i. Representative from the Religious Sector

On the basis of the **quarterly inventory report** as referred to in Section 4 hereof, the PRCIT shall conduct inspection, visit, and monitoring of all provincial roads and bridges once every six (6) months and submit recommendation to the Office of the Governor and Office of the DILG Provincial Director for property disposition.

The Provincial Liga Ng Mga Barangay Federation President, Provincial Philippine Councilors League-Northern Samar Federation President, and Provincial Sangguniang Kabataan Federation President shall serve as ex-officio members of PRCIT tasked to extend assistance and coordination whenever necessary to the Municipalities and the Barangays.

The Provincial Engineer shall serve as Team Leader of the PRCIT and in the performance of his functions s/he shall be given technical as well as administrative assistance by concerned section/division chiefs of the Provincial Engineering Office and other units/departments of the Provincial Government of Northern Samar. As Team Leader, he is likewise tasked to constitute a **secretariat** from the PEO to assist the PRCIT during conduct of meetings, monitoring, and related activities.

**Sec. 6. IMPLEMENTING RULES AND REGULATIONS OF THIS ORDINANCE**

The Provincial Road Clearing Implementing Team (PRCIT) shall be tasked to come up with an Implementing Rules and Regulations (IRR) within thirty (30) days after the effective of this Ordinance. Said IRR shall lay down the specific details of the provisions of this Ordinance particularly the key items or provisions such as Section 9 and Section 13 hereof, that need to be clarified or defined, provided that the same shall be consistent with existing laws, issuances, guidelines, and policies promulgated by national government agencies like the DILG, among others.

**Sec. 7. DISPLACEMENT PLAN**

a. The Provincial Government of Northern Samar shall exercise due diligence in coordinating with concerned utility service providers in the removal or relocation of structures or facilities causing obstruction to the road right-of-way. Said removal or relocation, however, shall not cause disruption or unnecessary delay in the delivery of utilities and other basic services.

b. In cases where there are projects of any national government agencies wherein materials, equipment, and structures temporarily obstruct the road right-of-way, the Provincial Engineering Office shall coordinate with said concerned agencies for the relocation of said obstructions and/or for the timetable for their removal.

c. Portions of provincial roads that are being utilized as parking areas, transportation terminals and vehicle repair shop shall be removed and/or relocated accordingly in coordination with their respective owners/occupants.

d. Informal settlers and/or sidewalk vendors affected in the clearing operations shall be relocated to designated areas identified by the Municipal or Barangay LGUs in which case proper coordination shall be made to ensure smooth-sailing implementation. Those who may qualify for national agency and/or Provincial and Municipal LGU-initiated livelihood programs shall be provided proper assistance and/or referral.

**Sec. 8. INTER-LGU AND PARTNERS/STAKEHOLDERS COORDINATION.** To ensure the smooth-sailing implementation of this Ordinance, the Provincial Government of Northern Samar thru the Provincial Engineering Office shall maintain close coordination between and among Municipal and Barangay LGUs especially those where the provincial roads/bridges/streets are situated, as well as with other partner agencies like DILG, DPWH, PNP, AFP, BFP, among others, and all stakeholders tasked to extend assistance to this nationwide initiative.

**Sec. 9. GRIEVANCE MACHINERY.** The PRCIT Secretariat established under Section 5 hereof shall maintain a Help Desk on Road Clearing Operations pertaining to feedbacks, complaints, and grievances coming from affected individuals, establishments, or institutions. The PRCIT shall refer the same to the Provincial Legal Office and/or any concerned government agencies for proper disposition.

**Sec. 10. COORDINATION, ASSISTANCE, AND SUPPORT TO THE INTER-AGENCY COMPOSITE EVALUATION TEAM.** The Provincial Government shall extend full coordination, assistance, and support to the members of the Inter-Agency Composite Team tasked to monitor compliance of the existing laws, guidelines and policies pertaining to road clearing operations enforced by the Office of the President thru the DILG.

**Sec. 11. FUNDS FOR ROAD CLEARING OPERATIONS.** Funds for the road clearing operations and all necessary expenses that may be incurred in the implementation of this ordinance shall be taken from the Special Purpose Appropriation in the annual budget of the Provincial Government. The Provincial Engineer shall submit a proposed budget pertaining the same to the Local Finance Committee for proper disposition. Said allocation shall be included in the said fund classification of the Annual Budget of the Province of Northern Samar beginning Calendar Year 2021 and every year thereafter. A supplemental appropriation where needed shall be enacted to carry out this provision.

**Sec. 12. OVERSIGHT FUNCTIONS OF THE SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN.** The Sangguniang Panlalawigan particularly the Committee on Public Order and Safety shall monitor the implementation of this Ordinance and shall introduce amendments thereto whenever necessary upon recommendation from the Office of the Governor and/or the PRCIT.

**Sec. 13. PENAL PROVISION.** Any person who will be found guilty of violating any of the provisions of this Ordinance by a court of law shall be subjected to the following penalties:

- First Offense - Written warning  
 Second Offense - Confiscation of items and/or removal of obstruction  
 Third and Subsequent Offenses - Administrative Fine of Two Thousand Pesos (P2,000.00) per violation but not to exceed Five Thousand Pesos (P5,000.00)

**Sec. 14. SEPARABILITY AND REPEALING CLAUSE.** If any provisions of this Ordinance is declared not valid or unconstitutional, the other provisions not declared as such shall remain in full force and effect. All Ordinances, Resolutions, and Executive Orders inconsistent hereof are hereby modified, amended, or repealed accordingly.

**Sec. 15. EFFECTIVITY.** This Ordinance shall take effect upon approval and faithful compliance with posting and publication requirements where applicable pursuant to the provisions of the Local Government Code of 1991.

ENACTED by the Sangguniang Panlalawigan in session assembled this 1st day of March 2021, Catarman, Northern Samar.

  
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 Member,  
 Sangguniang Panlalawigan

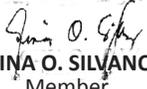
  
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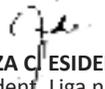
  
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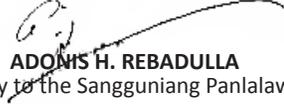
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 Member, Sangguniang Panlalawigan  
 Temporary Presiding Officer

Approved:

  
**GARY M. LAVIN**  
 Acting Governor



Samar Vice Governor Angelica Gomez and board member Julius Mancol sat down with Leyte Samar Daily Express correspondent Henry Puyat for an interview, coinciding with the 50th birthday celebration of Dexter Mancol, who was once a correspondent of the paper. (HENRY PUYAT)

**Govs...**

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not go back at the other side of the law," Evardone added.

The Easter Samar governor revealed that in the current budget of NTF-ELCAC, although some villages in his province has been declared cleared from influence of the communist group has not yet received funding from the project.

He said that the current budget of ELCAC is allocated for villages that had been cleared from influence of the communist group from 2018 downward.

"If the village will

not receive project from ELCAC the government reputation will be tarnished; its credibility is affected. People in the village will say, you promised to help us but where is it? So the people will not believe the government. If that happens they go to the other side," the Eastern Samar governor added.

For his part, Gov. Petilla also expressed his opposition to the possible defunding ELCAC saying this would greatly affect villages especially in hinterlands that needs accessibility, social services and help for development.

"ELCAC is one of the few funds from the na-

tional government that can be used to fund projects for far-flung communities especially the conflict-affected areas. If ELCAC is defund, you are punishing the communities in hinterlands and not the person who committed a mistake," he said.

In Leyte province, although the provincial government had been providing funds for barangay development which includes infrastructure and livelihood projects in conflict-affected areas since 2013 under the Leyte Economic- More Income in the Countryside Program, support from the national government is still needed mostly in big funded projects like road network construction.

"Right now, all villages in Leyte are already declared as conflict-affected free areas, but if they push for that plan to defund

**What to do...**

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NUMBER TEN -- Make sure that the spot or area around the inoculation spot is always clean and dry for at least 24 hours.

**BUT, there is no real need for worry, because after your inoculation, you were advised to stick around for a minimum of 30 minutes inside the Vaccination Center, "just in case you feel anything" and a doctor is/was ready to take care of you.**

So even if you get a "combination of the above side-effects," that's still no

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is looked at as a dreadful state.

The recoveries at 914,952 is close to the total cases of 1,006,428 the difference is 91,476 spread across our archipelago which is 300,000 square kilometer that leaves us with only 3.2 cases per square kilometer. This is not alarming to the degree that we are alarmed.

This is admittedly a figure that would be reason to be very careful, observe safety protocols and stay away from each other beyond the point of droplets transmission. But never would it be a cause for panic nor of despair. As the moving yet violent movie Sleepers by a character named King Ben-

ny Life is Risk, which was repeated by the character Snyder (played by Dustin Hoffman) Life is A Risk. The difference of the view is that King Benny says life is nothing but a dangerous thing in which Snyder narrow them to the particular by adding A Risk. Snyder believes that not all life is danger. Poignantly, it tells us that beyond the fear that the numbers pushes there are other things in life more promising than a dreadful grim milestone of a million Covid case because as we speak there are no one million active case only a number below hundred thousand and our population is more than a hundred million.

We are a few minutes to dawn and we must be careful yet hopeful.

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**PROVINCE OF NORTHERN SAMAR**  
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**Sangguniang Panlalawigan**

*EXCERPT FROM THE JOURNAL OF THE REGULAR SESSION OF THE SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN OF THE PROVINCE OF NORTHERN SAMAR HELD ON NOVEMBER 4, 2020, AT 2:30 IN THE AFTERNOON AT ITS SESSION HALL, CAPITOL BUILDING, CATARMAN, NORTHERN SAMAR.*

**ORDINANCE NO. 23**  
**Series of 2020**  
 Authored by:  
**Honorable ALBERT A. LUCERO**  
 Board Member, Second District  
 Northern Samar

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 10, SERIES OF 2020, SPECIFICALLY SECTION 1 THEREOF, DULY ENACTED BY THE SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN OF THE PROVINCE OF NORTHERN SAMAR.**

**WHEREAS**, the number of confirmed COVID-19 cases continues to rise in the Philippines despite government interventions, thus President Rodrigo Roa Duterte declared a State of Calamity throughout the Philippines on March 17, 2020;

**WHEREAS**, COVID-19, which is a pandemic according to the World Health Organization (WHO), poses an imminent threat to a province like Northern Samar;

**WHEREAS**, Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG) Memorandum Circular No. 2020-071 is enjoining local government units to enact local ordinances relative to this matter;

**WHEREFORE**, in view of the foregoing, with the intent of preventing further increase in COVID-19 in the Province, and upon motion of Honorable Albert A. Lucero, duly seconded, BE IT ORDAINED by this Sangguniang Panlalawigan in session assembled;

**Section 1.** Section 1 of Ordinance No. 10, Series of 2020, is hereby amended to read now as follow:  
*"Section 1. It is hereby mandatory for all residents in the Province of Northern Samar to wear face mask and face shield in public places for the entire duration of the General Community Quarantine (GCQ) or as may be recommended by the Provincial Inter-Agency Task Force for COVID-19."*

**Sec. 2.** This ordinance shall take effect immediately.

ENACTED by the Sangguniang Panlalawigan in session assembled this 4<sup>th</sup> day of November 2020, Catarman, Northern Samar.

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**FLORENCIO A. BATULA**  
Vice Governor/Presiding Officer

**ADONIS H. REBADULLA**  
Secretary to the Sangguniang Panlalawigan

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_

**GARY M. LAVIN**  
Acting Governor  
Nov. 4, 2020

*LSDE: May 1, 4 & 8, 2021*

ELCAC, other provinces such as Samar will be greatly affected. And if conflict happens in Samar, Leyte is also affected," Petilla said.

During his visit in Palo, Leyte last April 30, Senator Christopher Lawrence "Bong" Go also expressed his strong opposition on this move.

"I'm opposing to it because it will hamper the government's anti-insurgency campaign," Go said in an interview after the turn-over of cash assistance worth P3,000 each to 526 typhoon Auring flooding affected families in Palo town.

He also lead the turn-over of the Malasakit Center at the Leyte Provincial Hospital and at the Schistosomiasis Hospital also both in Palo town.

that could turn deadly. This is common again especially in relation to politics—Philippine politics, that is. How many political figures and their allies have been slain just because of political rivalry and disagreements? In fact, in recent years, there is no electoral exercise in the country without any recorded election-related death. Every time there is an election, there are always such reports.

Next year's election is not going to be an exemption. In fact, it could be deadlier, knowing how violent some people had become especially in confronting the present regime which they accuse of numerous anomalies and irregularities. These are selected people, though; people who considered

themselves victims of the government's war against drugs, corruption, oligarchy, insurgency, and many others; people who belong to, or are allied with, the opposition.

We can only hope and pray that political confrontations in the coming elections will not turn out violent. Hopefully, they should merely take the form of ideas, expressed in a democratic space, and respected even by the opposing sides.

Otherwise, what is our democracy for if differing ideas are not allowed. What kind of critics are we to have if they are only good at criticizing, but when they are the ones that are being criticized, they cry foul and demand apologies and threaten legal actions and even assassination?

**Clashes...**

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**EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT/PARTITION WITH DEED OF ABSOLUTE SALE**

NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of the late CECILIA DELFIN-MACABUGWAS extrajudicially settled, partitioned and adjudicated over a parcel of residential land situated at Brgy. Smo. Rosario, Naval, Biliran bearing TD No. 00190 (R11), Cad Lot 182 with an area of 236sq.m., with an assessed value of Php18,690.00. A Deed of Sale was executed in favor of LUZVIMINDA Q. VILLARIN as vendee of the above-described property with all the improvements thereon, free from all liens and encumbrances. Per Doc No. 33, Page No. 7, Book No. I, Series of 2021. Notary Public Lolita Casas-Nueve.  
LSDE: April 27, May 4 & 11, 2021

**EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE WITH DEED OF ABSOLUTE SALE**

NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of the late MANUEL B. CABAHUG extrajudicially settled, partitioned and adjudicated over 2 parcels of land covered by OCT 238 described as; **1)** A parcel of land designated as Lot 1304, Pls-54 situated at Brgy. Jubasan, Allen, Northern Samar containing an area of 5,485sq.m.; **2)** A parcel of land designated as Lot 1308, Pls 54 situated at Brgy. Jubasan, Allen, Northern Samar containing an area of 3,499sq.m., A Deed of Sale was executed in favor of LIEZEL R. SIM as vendee of the above-described properties free from liens and encumbrances. Per Doc No. 191, Page No. 70, Book No. 26, Series of 2021. Notary Public Ranulfo R. Lafuente.  
LSDE: April 20, 27 & May 4, 2021

**DEED OF EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF THE ESTATE OF HERMILO A. CALBITAZA**

NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of the late HERMILO A. CALBITAZA extrajudicially settled, partitioned and adjudicated over a parcel of land with Katibayan ng Orihinal na Titulo Blg. P-80463, Patent Blg. 083741-26238, Lot No. 3124, Case 23, Cad 821-D situated at Brgy. Bahay, Pastrana, Leyte with an area of 25,923sq.m., Per Doc No. 117, Page No. 25, Book No. VI, Series of 2021. Notary Public Kerby A. Enabore.  
LSDE: April 20, 27 & May 4, 2021

**EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT AND PARTITION OF THE ESTATE**

NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of the late TEODORA ASOMBRADO extrajudicially settled, partitioned and adjudicated over a parcel of land designated as Lot No. 914 located at Sitio Tab-ang, Brgy. Dist. III, Babatngon, Leyte per subdivision plan of land fro Lot 914 covered by Katibayan ng Orihinal na Titulo Blg. P-82781 with an area of 18,930sq.m., more or less. Per Doc No. 247, Page No. 51, Book No. 12, Series of 2021. Notary Public Vicente B. Cañas.  
LSDE: April 20, 27 & May 4, 2021

**EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE WITH WAIVER**

NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of the late PABLO M. MABINI extrajudicially settled, partitioned and adjudicated over 3 parcels of land described as; **1)** A parcel of residential land located at Poblacion, Borongan City, Eastern Samar covered by TCT No. T-516 designated as Lot No. 399-C, Case 1, Cad 434-D containing an area of 586sq.m.; **2)** A parcel of residential land located at Poblacion, Borongan City, Eastern Samar covered by OCT No. RP-1007(9060) designated as Lot No. 326, Case 1, Cad 434-D containing an area of 180sq.m.; **3)** A parcel of residential land located at Poblacion, Borongan City, Eastern Samar covered by OCT No. RT-206(T-1289) designated as Lot No. 325, Case 1, Cad 434-D containing an area of 214sq.m.; and heir, BERNARDITA B. MABINI hereby WAIVED her rights, interest and participation of the above parcels of real properties in favor of JOHN GLENN B. MABINI, MYLA M. BONDOC, MYRA M. BONDOC, AIMEE M. BULA AND KATRINA M. CAPITO.; AND JOHN GLENN B. MABINI do hereby WAIVED his rights, interest and participation of PARCELS NO. 2 AND 3 in favor of AIMEE M. BULA AND KATRINA M. CAPITO. Per Doc No. 173, Page No. 36, Book No. IV, Series of 2018. Notary Public Charles B. Culo, CPA.  
LSDE: April 20, 27 & May 4, 2021

**AFFIDAVIT OF LOSS**

NOTICE is hereby given that CARMELEO B. GALDO, heirs of the late ISIDORA GATELA executed an Affidavit of Loss of a land title of a property located at Brgy. Canvertudes, Alangalang, Leyte and covered by OCT - 30637 together with our relevant documents and land titles, I kept the said OCT-30637 in our drawer. However, during the onslaught of Super typhoon Yolanda the said drawer including its contents were swept away by the strong winds. OCT-30637 was not spared and was lost as well. Despite diligent search and efforts to locate the said title, I could not find the same such that I now believe that it is now lost beyond recovery. I am executing this affidavit to attest to the truth of the foregoing and for the purpose of recording the loss of the said OCT-30637 and securing a new certificate of title in replacement of the one which was lost and other legal purpose/s it may serve. Per Doc No. 348, Page No. 71, Book No. X, Series of 2020. Notary Public Kenneth Spice M. De Veyra.  
LSDE: May 4, 11 & 18, 2021

**DEED OF ABSOLUTE SALE**

NOTICE is hereby given that CARLOS ABUG CASTELLO, married to CHARITA LABRA CASTELLO executed a Deed of Sale in favor of EDISON O. BETCHER as vendee over a parcel of land (Lot No. 2, Block 18 of the consolidation subdivision survey plan, Pcs-08-000311, being a portion of the consolidated lots 5979-A and 5979-B, Psd-08-000857 located at Brgy. Tigbao, now Nula-Tula, City, Tacloban City containing an area of 190sq.m., more or less covered by TCT No. T-51130 and TD No. 2012-03-0021-01873. Per Doc No. 468, Page No. 94, Book No. II, Series of 2021. Notary Public Lemuel Montes.  
LSDE: May 4, 11 & 18, 2021

**EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE WITH ABSOLUTE SALE OF A PORTION OF REAL PROPERTY**

NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of the late CESARIA SABATE CAPITO AND MODESTO SABATE extrajudicially settled, partitioned and adjudicated over a parcel of land situated at Brgy. Loco-on, Borongan City, Eastern Samar covered by OCT No. 17441 containing an area of 16,230sq.m., more or less designated as Cad Lot No. 7936, Case 8, Cad 434-D. A Deed of Sale was executed in favor of ENGR. JAIME J. VOCES married to MA. LUISA A. VOCES as vendees of a portion of the above-described land including the improvements thereon consisting of 2,350sq.m., designated as Lot 7936-A. Per Doc No. 44, Page No. 10, Book No. XXXVI, Series of 2021. Notary Public Charles B. Culo, CPA.  
LSDE: April 20, 27 & May 4, 2021

**EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE**

NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of the late SPS. MARCELINO M. CABUGWASON AND MARIA GANTON CABUGWASON extrajudicially settled, partitioned and adjudicated over 4 parcels of land described as; **1)** A parcel of land designated as Lot 1233-C, Psd-08-008244-D being a portion of Lot 1233 situated at Brgy. Kan-ipa, Baybay, Leyte with TCT No. 29321 with an area of 1,240sq.m., more or less; **2)** A parcel of land designated as Lot 1233-I, Psd-08-008244-D being a portion of Lot 1233 situated at Brgy. Kan-ipa, Baybay, Leyte with TCT No. 29316 with an area of 1,276sq.m., more or less; **3)** A parcel of land, with all the improvements thereon situated at Brgy. Union, Mahaplag, Leyte containing an area of 9,618sq.m., or 0.9618 hectares more or less under TD No. 082502800178; **4)** A parcel of land, with all the improvements thereon situated at Brgy. Poblacion, Mahaplag, Leyte containing an area of 35,783sq.m., or 3.5783 hectares more or less under TD No. 0825023001182. Per Doc No. 102, Page No. 22, Book No. VIII, Series of 2021. Notary Public Jerome Cordero Avila.  
LSDE: April 27, May 4 & 11, 2021

**EXTRAJUDICIAL PARTITION OF ESTATE WITH DEED OF CONFIRMATION OF SALE**

NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of the late SPS. BONIFACIO PAREJA AND FLAVIANA MELENDRES extrajudicially settled, partitioned and adjudicated over a parcel of land designated as Lot No. 6934, Psc-5 situated at Brgy. Kilim, Baybay, Leyte containing an area of 4,107sq.m., more or less embraced by OCT No. 862 and heirs hereby CONFIRMED the sale of the said property unto OSCAR M. BALTAZAR. Per Doc No. 253, Page No. 51, Book No. XLIII, Series of 2018. Notary Public Eden B. Chavez-Butawan.  
LSDE: April 20, 27 & May 4, 2021

**EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT WITH DEED OF ABSOLUTE SALE**

NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of the late PROCESO CAINTIC and VISITACION OLMEDO namely: Fe M. Caintic and Bernard Piedraverde Caintic extrajudicially settled, partitioned and adjudicated over a parcel of land Lot No. 7017 with improvements thereon, situated in the Municipality now City of Baybay, containing an area of 3,821 square meters, more or less, covered by TCT No. T-10860. A Deed of sale was executed in favor of SPOUSES ENRIQUE ALCOBER and DOLORES LLANO ALCOBER as vendee for the above-described property; per Doc. No. 189, Page No. 038, Book No. XXXIX, Series of 2020 of Notary Public Atty. Gloriosa M. Cayunda Guinocor.  
LSDE: April 27, May 4 & 11, 2021

**JOINT EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE WITH PARTITION AND REPUDIATION OF RIGHTS**

NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of the late TEODORICO SORILA TARIMAN AND GENEROSA PANAL TARIMAN extrajudicially settled, partitioned and adjudicated over 13 parcels of land particularly described as; **1)** Location: Brgy. Bung-aw, Hilongos, Leyte; Lot No. 3594, Area size 3,647sq.m., Title: Katibayan ng Orihinal na Titulo Blg. P-74304; **2)** Location: Brgy. Bung-aw, Hilongos, Leyte; Lot No. 3571, Area size 4,297sq.m., Title: Katibayan ng Orihinal na Titulo Blg. P-74305 Kaloob na Patente Blg. 083719-21824; **3)** Location: Brgy. Bung-aw, Hilongos, Leyte; Lot No. 3218, Area size 1,281sq.m., Title: Katibayan ng Orihinal na Titulo Blg. P-74306 Kaloob na Patente Blg. 083719-21823; **4)** Location: Brgy. Bung-aw, Hilongos, Leyte; Lot No. 9118, Area size 3,536sq.m., Title: Katibayan ng Orihinal na Titulo Blg. P-74301 Kaloob na Patente Blg. 083719-21828; **5)** Location: Brgy. Bung-aw, Hilongos, Leyte; Lot No. 3598, Area size 4,444sq.m., Title: Katibayan ng Orihinal na Titulo Blg. P-74302 Kaloob na Patente Blg. 083719-21827; **6)** Location: Brgy. Bung-aw, Hilongos, Leyte; Lot No. 3597, Area size 8,791sq.m., Title: Katibayan ng Orihinal na Titulo Blg. P-74303 Kaloob na Patente Blg. 083719-21826; **7)** Location: Brgy. Marangog, Hilongos, Leyte; Lot No. 6005, Area size 23,442sq.m., Title: OCT No. OC-7626, Certificate of Land Ownership Award No. 00178994; **8)** Location: Brgy. Marangog, Hilongos, Leyte; Lot No. 9343, Area size 102,769sq.m., Title: OCT No. OC-9025, Certificate of Land Ownership Award No. 00180068; **9)** Location: Brgy. Owak Hilongos, Leyte; Lot No. 615, Area size 1,600sq.m., Title: Katibayan ng Orihinal na Titulo Blg. P-74030 Kaloob na Patente Blg. 083719-21310; **10)** Location: Brgy. Owak, Hilongos, Leyte; Lot No. 608, Area size 938sq.m., Title: Katibayan ng Orihinal na Titulo Blg. P-74029 Kaloob na Patente Blg. 083719-21311; **11)** Location: Brgy. Marangog, Hilongos, Leyte; Lot No. 6184, Area size 2,129sq.m., Title: OCT No. OC-7408, Certificate of Land Ownership Award No. 00179009; **12)** Location: Brgy. Marangog, Hilongos, Leyte; Lot No. 6212, Area size 8,676sq.m., Title: OCT No. OC-18959, Certificate of Land Ownership Award No. 00280200; **13)** Location: Brgy. Marangog, Hilongos, Leyte; Lot No. 6104, Area size 13,365sq.m., Title: OCT No. OC-8835, Certificate of Land Ownership Award No. 00204863 and heirs EVELYN TARIMAN-CASTILLO, ALLAN P. TARIMAN AND EPHRAIM P. TARIMAN hereby RENOUNCED their rights and interests over Generosa's proportionate share on the parcel of land covered by OCT NO. 9023 in favor of NIM-DORGE P. TARIMAN. Per Doc No. 139, Page No. 29, Book No. I, Series of 2019. Notary Public Phillip Don G. Recentes.  
LSDE: April 20, 27 & May 4, 2021

**EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT/PARTITION WITH DEED OF ABSOLUTE SALE**

NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of the late SPS. LECERIO JAYUBO AND ALLEN SABONG JAYUBO extrajudicially settled, partitioned and adjudicated over a parcel of land located at Brgy. Calumpang, Naval, Biliran bearing TD No. 00664, Survey No. 1141, Katibayan ng Orihinal na Titulo Blg. P-1874 with an area of 1.7166 hectares, assessed at Php15,640.00. A Deed of Sale was executed in favor of JORGE C. CASTIN as vendee of a portion measuring 1,752sq.m., from the above-described property with all the improvements thereon, free from all liens and encumbrances. Per Doc No. 43, Page No. 9, Book No. I, Series of 2021. Notary Public Lolita Casas-Nueve.  
LSDE: April 27, May 4 & 11, 2021

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

**NELIA F. CAPILOS** has filed with this Office a

(Complete name of petitioner)

petition for change of first name from

**AMPARO** to **NELIA** in the Birth Certificate

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

of **AMPARO MODESTO FEVIDAL** who was born on **OCTOBER 21, 1960** at **Tacloban City** and whose

parents are **AMPARO G. MODESTO** and

**BENJAMIN D. FEVIDAL.**

Any person adversely affected by said petition may file his written opposition with this Office not

later than **May 17, 2021.**

(Sgd.) IMELDA A. ROA  
City Civil Registrar

LSDE: May 4 & 11, 2021

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

**ARNOLD MANHUYOD SONGALIA** has filed

(Complete name of petitioner)

with this Office a petition for change of first name

from **BB. BOY ARNOLD** to **ARNOLD** in the Birth

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

Certificate of **BB. BOY ARNOLD MANHUYOD SONGALIA** who was born on **JUNE 22, 1976** at

**Tacloban City** and whose parents are **ASTERIA C.**

**MANHUYOD** and **MIGUEL T. SONGALIA.**

Any person adversely affected by said petition may file his written opposition with this Office not

later than **May 17, 2021.**

(Sgd.) IMELDA A. ROA  
City Civil Registrar

LSDE: May 4 & 11, 2021

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

**NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION**

In compliance with the publication requirement and pursuant to OCRG Memorandum Circular No. 2013-1, guidelines in the Implementation of the Administrative Order No. 1, series of 2012 (IRR) on RA 10172), notice is hereby served to the public that **ALBERT MIRANDA CAÑETE** has filed with this Office a Correction of Entry in his/her sex: from **FEMALE** to **MALE** in the Certificate of Live Birth (COLB) of **ALBERT MIRANDA CAÑETE** at Tacloban City and whose parents are **LUCIA G. MIRANDA** and **EMMANUEL V. CAÑETE.**

Any person adversely affected by said petition may file his written opposition with this Office not later than **May 06, 2021.**

(Sgd.) IMELDA A. ROA  
City Civil Registrar

LSDE: April 27 & May 4, 2021

Publication Notice  
R.A. 10172

Republic of the Philippines  
**MUNICIPAL CIVIL REGISTRY OFFICE**  
Balangkayan, Eastern Samar

**NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION**

CFN-0001-2020

CCE-0002-2021

In Compliance with the publication requirement and pursuant to OCRG Memorandum Circular No. 2013-1, Guidelines in the Implementation of the Administrative Order No. 1, Series of 2012 (IRR) on RA 10172), Notice is hereby served to the public that **JAZEL AMBIDA GLOBIO** has filed with this Office, a petition for change of first name from **“JOHNY DEL”** to **“JAZEL”** and correction of Child's SEX from **“FEMALE”** to **“MALE”** in the Certificate of Live Birth of **JOHNY DEL AMBIDA GLOBIO** who was born on **March 2, 1987** at **Balangkayan, Eastern Samar** and whose parents are **JESUS G. GLOBIO** and **SOCORRO AMBIDA.**

Any person claiming interest or may be adversely affected by said petition may file his/her written opposition with this Office not later than **07 MAY 2021.**

(Sgd.) CARLOS G. MONTES  
Municipal Civil Registrar

LSDE: April 27 & May 4, 2021

Republic of the Philippines  
Province of Northern Samar  
Municipality of Mondragon  
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**OFFICE OF THE MUNICIPAL CIVIL REGISTRAR**

Publication Notice

R.A. 10172

**NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION**

Date: April 15, 2021

In Compliance with the publication requirement and pursuant to OCRG Memorandum Circular No. 2013-1 Guidelines in the Implementation of the Administrative Order No. 1 Series of 2012 (IRR on R.A. 10172), Notice is hereby served to the public that **LORNA PALACIO CANTONG**, has filed with this Office, a petition for correction of entry in the month of birth from **“09”** to **“JUNE”**, child's middle name from **“GOMATAY”** to **“GUMATAY”** and mother's maiden name from **“ASUNCION GOMATAY PALACIO”** to **“ASUNCION MAPA GUMATAY”** in the Certificate of Live Birth of **LORNA GUMATAY PALACIO** at **Mondragon, Northern Samar** and whose parents are **Gabriel Olango Palacio** and **Asuncion Mapa Gumatay.**

Any person adversely affected by said petition may file his/her written opposition with this Office not later than May 10, 2021.

(Sgd.) MARIBEL A. PINANGAY  
Municipal Civil Registrar

LSDE: April 27 & May 4, 2021

## 5 tourism road projects ongoing in Southern Leyte

TACLOBAN CITY – The Department of Public Works and Highways (DPWH) has been upgrading road networks leading to five tourism sites in Southern Leyte province.

“These tourism access roads will not only attract more tourists and travelers but will also provide locals easier transportation of their goods and farm products to commercial districts. Hopefully, these projects will unlock economic opportunities for communities near these sites,” DPWH -

Southern Leyte district engineer Manolo Rojas said in a statement on Friday.

Rojas was referring to the projects to improve access to Fatima Hills in Macrohon town, with a budget of P2.61 million; Crater Lake in San Juan town (P24.5 million); Olives Wall dive site in Liloan town (P9.8 million); Guinsaogon Lake (P9.8 million); and Bird Sanctuary and Mangrove in St. Bernard town (P9.8 million).

He said they are eyeing to complete these projects within the year.

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# EV posts 63.72% decline in trade balance in January 2021

TACLOBAN CITY – Eastern Visayas recorded a 24.04 percent decline in total trade in goods, from \$ 300.31 million in January 2020 to \$ 228.11 in January 2021, a report from the Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA) said.

PSA Regional Director Wilma Perante disclosed that the total value of exports dropped by 43.28 percent, from \$ 291.54 million in January 2020 to \$ 165.35 million in January 2021.

“On the other hand, the total value of imports soared to \$62.76

million in January 2021, around seven fold of its USD 8.77 million value in January 2020,” Perante said.

Perante reported that the balance of Trade in goods (BoT-G), or the difference between the value of export and import, plunged by 63.72 percent from \$282.76 million in January 2020 to \$ 102.58 million in January 2021.

She added that the total volume of exports in January 2021 had a gross weight of 68.8 million kilograms with a total value of \$165.35 million.

The top commodi-

ty group exported was copper and articles thereof worth \$158.78 (96.03%). The major trading partner in January 2021 was the People’s Republic of China which remitted 63.87 percent or \$105.62 million of the regional export revenues.

Perante said that imported goods in January 2021 had a gross weight of 181.7 million kilograms which amounted to \$62.76

million.

The commodity group of ores, slag and ash comprised the bulk or about two-thirds (62.18%) of the region’s total import bill in January 2021 valued at \$39.03 million. Papua New Guinea’s total imports accounted for the largest share of \$38.75 million or 61.73 percent of the region’s total import in January 2021.

(RESTITUTO A. CAYUBIT)

### EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF PROPERTY WITH WAIVER OF SHARES

NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of the late SPS. CLARA TARCELA SIPACO AND CESARIO SIPACO extrajudicially settled, partitioned and adjudicated over 2 parcels of land all situated at Brgy. 31, Pampango, Tacloban City under TD No. 2012-02-0023-01247 with assessed value of Php210,870.00 particularly described as; 1) A parcel of land designated as Lot No. 5059 covered with TCT No. T-486 containing an area of 91sq.m.; 2) A parcel of land designated as Lot No. 5452 containing an area of 690sq.m., and heirs, DELIA SIPACO RICHARDS, CLARITA SIPACO TENMATAY AND CESAR PAUL SIPACO hereby WAIVED all rights, interests and shares in favor of CEZARBIEN S. NABONG. Per Doc No. 343, Page No. 70, Book No. XXI, Series of 2019. Notary Public Jeffrey A. Didulo and Honorary Consulate of the Republic of the Philippines Christchurch by Nicole Stephanie Y. Macaballug Vice Consul, a.h. Doc No. 0072, Service No. 0090, Book No. 04, Series of 2020. LSDE: April 20, 27 & May 4, 2021

### AFFIDAVIT OF ADJUDICATION OF SOLE HEIR

NOTICE is hereby given that GRACE B. BOLLEDO, lone compulsory heir of the late SALVACION B. BOLLEDO executed an Affidavit of Adjudication over a bank deposit at Philippine National Bank (PNB), Catbalogan Branch, Catbalogan, Samar with Peso Savings Account No. 0131326000915027 with ending balance of Php1,142,311.80. Per Doc No. 16275, Page No. 18, Book No. XXVIII, Series of 2021. Notary Public Pedro M. Labid. LSDE: May 4, 11 & 18, 2021

### ERRATUM

A legal notice that appears on this paper that appeared on page six and issued on April 27, 2021 should have been read as GRETA BALMACEDA ESCALA and not as GRETA DALMACEDA ESCALA as appeared on the paper. Our apologies. ED

### EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT AMONG HEIRS

NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of the late REYNALDO R. DAGALEA AND LUIS O. DAGALEA extrajudicially settled, partitioned and adjudicated over 4 (1-A to 1-D) properties owned by the late Reynaldo R. Dagalea and 5 (2 -A to 2 -E) properties owned by the late Luis O. Dagalea particularly described as; 1-A) 1/2 share in a parcel of land located at Brgy. Balilit, Carigara, Leyte covered by OCT No. P-28694 with an area of 799sq.m.; 1-B) 1/2 share in a parcel of land with improvements located at Brgy. Hiagsam, Jaro, Leyte covered by TCT No. T-22293 with an area of 72,092sq.m.; 1-C) 1/2 share in a parcel of land located at Hiagsam, Jaro, Leyte covered by OCT No. P-26698 with an area of 12,018sq.m.; 1-D) 1/2 share in a parcel of land located at Hiagsam, Jaro, Leyte with TD No. 08-00119 with an area of 15,124sq.m.; 2-A) 1/10 share in a parcel of land located at Brgy. Balilit, Carigara, Leyte covered by OCT No. P-28694 with an area of 799sq.m.; 2-B) 1/10 share in a parcel of land with improvements located at Brgy. Hiagsam, Jaro, Leyte covered by TCT No. T-22293 with an area of 72,092sq.m.; 2-C) 1/10 share in a parcel of land located at Hiagsam, Jaro, Leyte covered by OCT No. P-26698 with an area of 12,018sq.m.; 2-D) 1/10 share in a parcel of land located at Hiagsam, Jaro, Leyte with TD No. 08-00119 with an area of 15,124sq.m.; 2-E) 1/2 share of the improvement located at Brgy. Hiagsam, Jaro, Leyte with TD No. 08-18020-00594 with an area of 101 and 15/100 sq.m., Per Doc No. 472, Page No. 96, Book No. 93, Series of 2021. Notary Public Jaress Amores Neri. LSDE: May 4, 11 & 18, 2021

### EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE WITH WAIVER OF RIGHTS

NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of the late MACARIA C. AYUSTE extrajudicially settled, partitioned and adjudicated over a parcel of coconut land situated at Brgy. Bukid, Barugo, Leyte designated as Cad Lot No. 3177, Pls 1061-D under TD No. 08-05-0010-00194(R13) containing an area of 9,589sq.m., more or less assessed at Php10,700.00. and heirs hereby WAIVED all rights, titles and participation in favor of the HEIRS OF SANCHIA AYUSTE-PONFERRADA represented by son, QUINTIN A. PONFERRADA. Per Doc No. 78, Page No. 17, Book No. 54, Series of 2020. Notary Public Ismael C. Lloren. LSDE: April 20, 27 & May 4, 2021

REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES  
Department of Human Settlements and Urban Development  
Kagawaran ng Pananahanang Pantao at Pagpapaulad ng Kalunsuran  
Regional Office 8

### NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that **COMMUNITIES LEYTE, INCORPORATED**, of **Phase 2, Camella Leyte, Campetic, Palo, Leyte** has/have filed with this office a sworn registration statement for the sale of **HOUSE and LOT** in **CAMELLA ORMOC NORTH SUBDIVISION** project located at **Brgy. Dolores, Ormoc City, Leyte** and more particularly described as **LOT No. 2-C-2, Psd-08-009623-D, 2-B-2-A, 2-B-2-B to Lot No. 2-B-2-K, PCS-08-001738-D**, containing an area of **149,820 sq.m.** and covered by **TCT No. 121-2017000772, 45019, 45020, 45021, 45022, 45023, 45024, 45025, 45026, 45027, 45028 and 45029 respectively.**

The foregoing project is utilizing **BRIA BALINGASAG, MISAMIS ORIENTAL** located at **Brgy. Linggangao, Balingasag, Misamis Oriental** as its compliance pursuant to Section 18 of Republic Act No. 7279 and amended by R.A. 10884.

All papers relative thereto shall, upon request and payment of processing fee, be available for inspection during business hours by any person having legal interest thereon.

Absent any legal impediment, the above-cited project is deemed registered and a certificate, in evidence thereof, shall forthwith be issued after five (5) days from the last day of publication.

Tacloban City, Philippines, 26 April 2021.

ENGR. EVELYN A. BOBIER  
OIC-Regional Director

REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES  
Department of Human Settlements and Urban Development  
Kagawaran ng Pananahanang Pantao at Pagpapaulad ng Kalunsuran  
Regional Office 8

### PAUNAWA

Ipinagbibigay-alam na ang **COMMUNITIES LEYTE, INCORPORATED**, of **Phase 2, Camella Leyte, Campetic, Palo, Leyte** ay naghain sa Department of Human Settlement and Urban Development ng sinumpaang aplikasyon para sa pagbebenta ng mga house and lots sa **CAMELLA ORMOC NORTH SUBDIVISION** matatagpuan sa **Brgy. Dolores, Ormoc City, Leyte** at sinasakop ng **Lot No. 2-C-2, Psd-08-009623, 2-B-2-A, 2-B-2-B to Lot No. 2-B-2-K, PCS-08-001738-D** containing an area of **149,820 sq.m.** ng **TCT No. 121-2017000772, 45019, 45020, 45021, 45022, 45023, 45024, 45025, 45026, 45027, 45028 at 45029.**

Ang nasabing proyekto ay ginagamit ang **BRIA BALINGASAG, MISAMIS ORIENTAL** na matatagpuan sa **Brgy. Linggangao, Balingasag, Misamis Oriental**, bilang pagtupad sa Seksyon 18 ng Batas ng Republika Blg. 7279 na at inamyenda ng Batas Republika Blg. 10884.

Lahat ng mga kasulatang kaugnay nito ay maaaring suriin ng sinu-man na nagtataglay ng legal na interes dito matapos humiling ng pagsusuri at magbayad ng kaukulang halaga sa tanggapan ito.

Kapag walang sagabal na legal, ang proyektong nabanggit ay ituturing na rerehistrado at maari nang bigyan ng sertipiko bilang kati-bayan nito, pagkalipas ng limang (5) araw mula sa huling paglalatha.

Tacloban City, Pilipinas 26 Abril 2021.

ENGR. EVELYN A. BOBIER  
OIC-Regional Director

LSDE: April 27 & May 4, 2021

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

April 7, 2021

**MAGDALENA H. PANTAS married to DALMACIO PANTAS**  
**Naga-asan, Babatngon, 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.	: OCT-P-28738
TD No.	: 2008-04014-0052
Lot No.	: 2274-A, B & C
Approved Survey No.	: Psd-08-042481 (AR)
Area per OCT/TCT/TD No. (has)	: 3.2499 Has.
Area acquired per ASP	: 3.2499 Has.
Location	: Brgy. Naga-asan, Babatngon, Leyte

Please be informed that out of the total area indicated in the aforesaid title of Tax Declaration an area of **3.2499** 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 **ONE HUNDRED NINETY-FIVE THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED FIFTY PESOS AND 78/100 (Php 195,250.78)** covering **3.2499** 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:  
CARPER LAD Form No. 50 (Memorandum of Valuation) with Land Valuation Worksheet  
CARPER LAD Form No. 53 (LO’s Reply to NLVA)

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

**73,000...**  
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said that they have identified over 80,000 medical and frontliners in the region who are to receive the shots.

The region, she added, expects to receive doses of vaccines this month and on June.

Meantime, the regional Office of Civil Defense (OCD) will be providing free meals for medical and frontline workers in the region.

Lord Byron Torrecarion, OCD-8 director, said that providing meals to these medical and frontline workers is their way of expressing their gratitude during this time of pandemic.

“This is our way of giving back to our medical and frontline workers who are making their own sacrifices (during this pandemic), Torrecarion said.

The giving of free meals started on Sunday and initially projected to

**NMP...**  
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of the course as regards the protection of our marine environment, the same reason why most shipping companies require their new recruit to undertake the aforementioned course,” he said.

Maglunsod claims that NMP’s Consolidated MARPOL 73/78 is now offered online.

He added that the said initiative confirms with the reprioritization of government programs on adult learning in protecting the marine environment and in improving its accessibility to seafarers.

“NMP plays a crucial end next month.

OCD had earlier provided assistance to various hospitals and offices in the region like distribution of PPEs (personal protective equipment)

As of Monday, the region has 18,223 confirmed coronavirus disease (COVID-19) cases with 35 new cases as reported by the DOH. **(JOEY A. GABIETA)**

role in engaging seafarers to be responsible partners of government in marine pollution prevention. With the offering of the course, NMP continues to provide and create awareness on the effects of ship’s daily operations to the marine environment and contribute for the attainment of the IMO’s overarching objective to achieve safe, secure and efficient shipping on cleaner ocean”, Maglunsod said.

The implementation of the new rate will be effective on 24 May 2021 for both online and face-to-face learning of the said course, the director said. **(RESTITUTO A. CAYUBIT)**

**Mayor Romualdez...**  
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City Government of Tacloban.

The fire which was declared “fire out” after almost an hour and left 16 families homeless, was responded by Tacloban City Fire Station, Tacloban Chamber Volunteer Fire Brigade, and the Local Chief Executive himself, Mayor Alfred S. Romualdez.

**(TACLOBAN CITY INFORMATION OFFICE)**

**DPWH-NSFDEO now constructs multi-purpose building in Brgy. Nenita, Mondragon N. Samar**



CATARMAN, Northern Samar-the Department of Public Works and Highways Northern Samar First District Engineering Office(DPWH-NSFDEO) is now constructing the multi-purpose building in Barangay Nenita, Mondragon, this province.

The P6.3-million project involves construction of multi-purpose building (covered court) with embankment of 0.5m, column, beams, steel roof framing, metal sheet and accessories, painting works masonry and painting works steel (red oxide primer only), and 1

pair basketball goal fiber glass board & electrical works.

It also includes the repair of stage. The said project was started last January 05, 2021 and set to be completed in June 30, 2021.

Prior to the construction of said project, barangay activities were conducted in a small

space causing inconvenience due to hot weather.

Once completed, the covered court will serve as decent venue for recreational activities and other public gatherings. It can also be utilized as evacuation center during typhoons.

**(ANALIZA A. PABIA,PIO Alternate)**

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1. HONORATA ARCELON	JUNE 19, 2014 / THE PHIL STAR	OCT-N-933	10786	5.7601	BURAUEN, LEYTE	CADAHUNAN	MAY 24, 2021
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3. LORETO I. DUMAGUING	JUNE 23, 2014 / THE PHIL STAR	OCT-P-19365	3-A	4.4401	MAHAPLAG, LEYTE	POBLACION	JUNE 1, 2021

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

## Maasin City strengthens campaign for re-usable, carry-on plastics

MAASIN CITY- The local government unit of Maasin City has strengthened efforts at spreading awareness for people to make use of recyclable or re-usable hand-carried bags where they can put consumer goods bought in the market and commercial stores.

Last week, the city LGU through the Office of General Services (OGS) put up tarpaulins in public places around the city, displaying the main contents of City Ordinance 2019-122.

The regulation, also known as plastic bag regulation ordinance, "regulates the use and provision of single plastic bags as a packaging material in Maasin City and prescribing penalties hereof."

Single-use 'sando' cellophanes, as illustrated in the tarps information, education campaign (IEC), are disallowed, but eco bags provided by big, commercial stores are allowed for repeat marketing usage.

Sando-type cellophanes are often thrown after use since these can only be used once and can often end up as non-biodegradable garbage.

Other packing containers allowed under the

ordinance to be brought during shopping are baskets, bayongs, recycled juice pouch, and oxo biodegradable plastic.

Ordinance 2019-122 designated two days in a week, Wednesdays and Saturdays, as "No Plastic Days," and consumers buying essential goods in bakeries, food outlets, agrivet stores, among others, often receive their bought items in packaging materials made of paper.

Based on the ordinance, individual violators are fined P150 and confiscation of plastic bags for the first offense; P300 fine and confiscation of plastic bags for second offense and, for third and succeeding offenses, P600 fine and imprisonment of not more than six months upon discretion of the court.

Violating business establishments face the following graduated penalties: first offense - P1,000 fine and confiscation of plastic bags; second offense - P3,000 fine and confiscation of plastic bags; and third, succeeding offenses - P5,000 fine and imprisonment of not more than six months upon discretion of the court.

(nbq/rgc/PIA8-Southern Leyte)



Leyte Governor Leopoldo Dominico 'Mic' L. Petilla listens intently to Dr. Jose Bacusmo, project leader and director for research of the Visayas State University, who briefed him on the update of the university-initiated Yolanda recoveries and rehabilitation project result-based monitoring project that involves 106 local government units which include the province of Leyte. Also present during the April 21 meeting held at the New Governor's Office at the Government Center, Brgy. Candahug, Palo, were Imelda Sievert, officer-in-charge of the Provincial Agriculturist Office and Nenita Sultan.

(GINA P. GEREZ)

## Sen. Go lauds nurses from Eastern Visayas deployed in NCR

PALO, Leyte- Senator Christopher "Bong" Go praised the courage of the Visayan medical frontliners who volunteered to be deployed in Metro Manila during his speech at the launch of the country's 105th Malasakit Center at the Schistosomiasis Control and Research Hospital in Palo, Leyte on Friday, April 30.

The Department of Health (DOH) in the region has deployed 27 nurses detailed at the Philippine Lung Center and at the Philippine General Hospital as the National Capital Region continue to experience surge of coronavirus disease (COVID-19).

"Maraming salamat sa mga Bisaya sa inyong pagmamalasakit at pagpapadala ng medical workers sa Maynila. Kulang talaga ang mga frontliners sa National Capital Region Plus dahil sa

tumataas na bilang ng kaso ng COVID-19. Sa ngayon, nakapadala na tayo ng dalawang batches at may mga susunod pa," he began.

Go said he had appealed to Secretary Carlito Galvez Jr., vaccine czar and chief implementer of the National Task Force Against COVID-19, and Health Secretary Francisco Duque III to augment the number of health workers in the country by prioritizing the inoculation of the Philippine Regulation Commission's frontline personnel in order for the nursing board exams not to be delayed.

"Nung isang araw, nakiusap ako sa Inter-Agency Task Force na isali ang mga PRC examiners at iba pa nitong opisyal para makapag-resume na ng pag-eek-samin sa mga graduate ng health courses," he revealed.

"Pinayagan na so, hopefully, ang exams ng mga

nurses ay mapapaaga na para naman kapag pumasa sila, makatulong na rin sila at makapagserbisyo sa ating mga kababayan," continued Go.

As chair of the Senate committee on health, he vowed to lend his voice and fight for the rights and welfare of all healthcare workers as they dedicate their lives to fighting this pandemic.

"Ito ang panahon na dapat bigyan natin ng importansya ang mga health workers. Patuloy kong ipaglalaban ang inyong kapakanan. Kung may reklamo kayo, ako ang inyong boses," Go said.

(GAY GASPAY)

## 5 tourism... ...from Page 9

Last year, the DPWH field office completed the construction of access roads to eight tourism destinations in the province.

The site for the tourism access road project has been identified through a convergence between the DPWH and the Department of Tourism to attract more tourists to less-developed communities.

Southern Leyte province is known for its world-class dive sites, caves, extreme adventure sites, waterfalls, safari, river trekking, crater lake trekking, fish feeding, island escapades, beach fun, and religious journeys.

(SARWELL Q. MENIANO/PNA)

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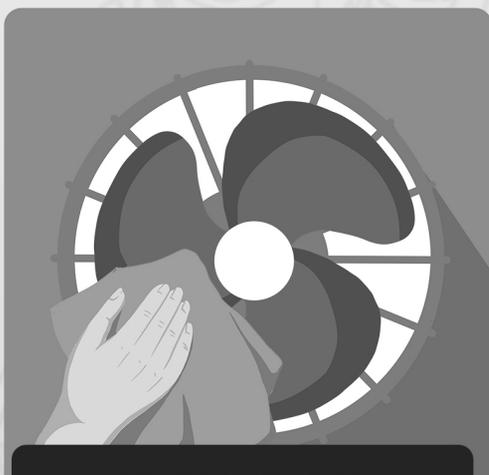
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### ELECTRIC FAN

- Regular na linisin ang fan blades ng bentilador para mas malakas na ang hangin, mas matipid pa sa konsumo.



### TELEVISION

- Huwag pabayaang naka-standby mode ang TV at ibang appliances dahil kumokonsumo pa rin ito ng kuryente. Tanggalin ang mga ito mula sa saksakan kung hindi ginagamit.



### ILAW

- Para mas maliwanag ang mga bumbilya, punasang maigi ang mga ito para matanggal ang mga dumi at alikabok.
- Gumamit ng Compact Fluorescent Lamps (CFL) o LED bulbs.



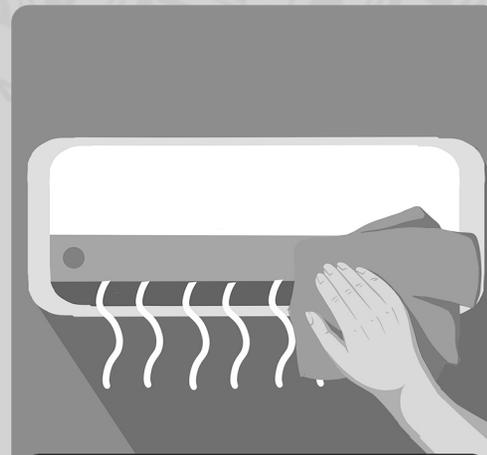
### PLANTSA

- I-schedule ang pagpaplantsa ng isang beses sa isang linggo. Gawin ito sa off-peak hours o bago mag-9AM o pagkatapos ng 9PM.



### REFRIGERATOR

- I-defrost ang ref kapag lampas na sa ¼ pulgada ang yelo.
- I-check nang mabuti ang pinto ng ref para masigurong hindi tumatagas ang lamig.



### AIRCON

- Linisin ang aircon filter at condenser kada anim na buwan.
- Isara ang pinto at mga bintana bago buksan ang aircon para mas madaling lumamig.