

M/Gen. de Leon assures of peaceful elections EV's top Army official to pols: Don't use PAGS **JOEY A. GABIETA**

TACLOBAN CITY- Eastern Visayas top military official has warned candidates not to resort to arm use just to win in the forthcoming elections.

Major General Edgardo de Leon, the commanding officer of the 8th Infantry Division based in Catbalogan City, made this declaration as he vowed for peaceful and orderly elections in the region with the help from the Philippine National Police(PNP) and the Commission on Elections(Comelec).

He said that it is only see EV's top /page 9...



BAR EXAMINEES. Cheers, hugs, and bouquet of flowers greeted the more than 300 bar examinees after they finished the two-day grueling tests that ended last Sunday (Feb. 6). The bar examinations for Eastern Visayas was held at the Dr. Vicente Orestes Romualdez Educational Foundation (DVOREF) in Tacloban City. Story on Page 10. (ROEL T. AMAZONA)



assistance in all activities of the said agency. Joining the city mayor was administrator, Atty. Jojo Lacanilao. (ALFRED ROMUALDEZ FACEBOOK)

Conduct of in-person classes in selected schools in Leyte halted as province still under Alert Level 3

TACLOBAN CITY With Leyte still under Alert Level 3, the conduct alert level is lifted.

This was confirmed by Manuel Albaño, provincial schools who identified 18 public and private schools across the province that are to conduct the face-to-face classes.

However, with the declaration of the Inter-Agency Task Force placing the entire province under Alert Level 3 until Feb 15, this will need to be temporarily suspended and must wait for it to be lifted.

Leyte was earlier placed by Malacanang under Alert Level 3 beginning Feb.1 and is to end on Feb.15.

The in-person classes among these identified schools are to start once the alert level of Leyte will be downgraded to just Alert Level 2.

Among the public elementary schools that are to implement the limited in-person classes as recommended by the provincial office of the Department of Education (DepED) are Caloogan Elementary School (ES) and Cabarasan Daku ES in Palo; Granja Kalinawan National High

School in Jaro; Yapad ES and Manaybanay NHS in Pastrana; Sta. Fe ES; Sogod of limited face-to-face will NHS and Jugaban NHS be suspended until the in Carigara; Victory ES and Cabacungan NHS in Dulag; Danus ES in Leyte town, and Isabel Central superintendent School in Isabel town.

> Some private schools are also expected to be part of the expanded face-toface classes.

Albaño added that aside from the mentioned schools, they also visited far-flung schools if they are ready to implement the in-school learning like the public schools in Babatngon and Capoocan towns.

"We tried to visit them, and they are actually ready. As far as we are concerned, these schools are prepared and qualified, but because (our) central office always

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Lakas-CMD Party President and House Majority Leader Martin Romualdez (center) delivers a message for Lakas-CMD Vice Presidential aspirant and Davao City Mayor Sara Duterte during the launch of "Sara Para sa Barangay" at Sorsogon Provincial Gymnasium in Sorsogon City, also in photo are from left Zamboanga Rep.Manuel "Mannix" Dalipe, Ako Bikol Party List Rep.Zaldy Co, Governor Chiz Escudero and Lakas Regional Chairman and Catanduanes Rep. Hector photo by Ver Noveno Sanchez.

Though leading in various surveys, group will make sure Marcos-Duterte will win the May 9 balloting

TACLOBAN CITY - The camp of presidential and vice-presidential candidates Fer-"Bongbong" dinand Marcos and Davao City Mayor Sara Duterte will make sure that the survey results showing the two leading over their candidates will be converted into actual votes for them to clinch the two highest elective posts in the land.

Benito Ranque, who is the lead convenor of the Marcos-Sara Duterte Alliance (MASA-DA), made this declaration last week.

Duterte made her foray to Eastern Visayas last week, meeting veys, you can see that with local leaders and supporters and inaugurating their political headquarters.

Ranque said that their volunteers are campaigning down to the barangays to encourage more voters to support the Marcos-Duterte tandem and in the process, join the MASADA.

Prior of calling them-Marcos-Sara selves Duterte Alliance, the group was used be called Mayor Sara Duterte Alliance, backing and urging Mayor Duterte to run for president.

"If you check the sur-

they are leading which means that they will really win," Ranque said.

"And based on what I see, they are really the (sure) winners in this coming election. So MASADA is confident but we are not complacent," he added.

Ranque added that local convenors of MA-SADA in the region are working hard to make Marcos-Duterte the team win in the region though Eastern Visayas is considered as a bailiwick of Marcos.

Currently, the two candidates are leading in almost all surveys

conducted for this May 9, 2022 polls.

Aside from Tacloban City Mayor Alfred Romualdez, and Leyte 1st District Representative Ferdinand Martin Romualdez, who are cousins of Marcos, several local officials in the region have also vowed to support and endorse the candidacies of Marcos and Duterte.

Among them are Southern Leyte Governor Damian Mercado and couple Ormoc City Mayor Richard Gomez and his wife Leyte Representative Lucy Torres-Gomez.

(ROEL T. AMAZONA)

their programs.

3 men killed, 2 others injured in a shooting incident in Samar

TACLOBAN CITY-Three men were shot dead while two others were injured in a shooting incident in a remote village in Santa Margarita town in Samar at past 10 am on Sunday (Feb.6).

Reports from the local police identified the dead as Pedie Deborbon, Junjun Deborbon, and Ernesto Doinog, all residents of Barangay Roxas where the incident took place.

Injured were Ronnie Medorando and Gerry Deborbon.

The victims were on their way to attend a cockfight when the suspects appeared and suddenly shot them to dead, Patrolwoman Maria Margiline Caandoy said.

"Our investigators are still conducting their probe on this incident and the motive of the suspects," she said in a phone interview.

But in a post on his social media, retired Colonel Emil Zosa, who is running for mayor of the town in the forthcoming elections, claimed that the victims were his political supporters.

In fact, he said, one of those killed met him and informed him that his tarpaulin was destroyed.

Town police chief Lt. Lorben Deraco said that out of the six suspects, two were arrested in a follow-operations.

He also said that Junjun Debordon, one of the victims, had string of criminal cases.

During the 2019 elections, Santa Margarita was declared as among the areas of concern due to intense political rivalries and the alleged presence of armed groups.

(LIZBETH ANN A. ABELLA)

Tacloban's registry office wins recognition

TACLOBAN CITY-The Civil Registrar's Office of this city bagged the 1st place for the 100% timely submission of quality civil registry documents and complete data files for the

second year in a row. City Civil Registrar Imelda Roa expressed her gratitude to the staff for their tireless dedication in delivering services to all Taclobanons and Mayor Alfred Romualdez for his unwavering support of

Roa has revealed the lined-up activities for the 32nd Civil Registration Month. Should the health situation of the city permit, the office plans to conduct a mass wedding for cohabitating Taclobanons.

The office will also issue free certified transcription copies of live birth, marriage certificate, and death certificate by the end of February. Mobile registration for the year 2022 is likely also to kick off this month.

The 32nd Civil Registration month revolves around the theme, "Improving Civil Registration and Vital Statistics Implementation Strategies through Digital Transformation". (TACLOBAN CITY **INFORMATION OFFICE**)

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Cop killed in an encounter with NPA rebels in Northern Samar

TACLOBAN CITY- A member of the Philippine National Police was killed in an encounter in Lapinig town, Northern Samar province on Monday morning(Feb.7).

Killed during the exchange of fire between government troops and alleged members of the New People's Army (NPA) was Lt. Kenneth Tad-awan.

The police officers were conducting their preventive patrol in Barangay Look of the said town at around 6:40 am when they

encountered with the rebels.

This resulted in a firefight between the two groups which also lead to the recovery of several improvised explosive devices and camp from the communist armed group.

Bloodstains were also seen at the area where the rebels were positioned.

It was learned that reinforcement was immediately conducted by the personnel belonging to the 801st Maneuver Company.

(JOEY A. GABIETA)

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Leyte Governor Leopoldo Dominico "Mic" L. Petilla recently led the ceremonial blessing and turn over of the new temporary treatment and monitoring facility (TTMF) located at the Leyte Provincial Hospital compound in Pawing, Palo, Leyte. This is in line with the nationwide efforts to decongest hospitals of mild and asymptomatic COVID-19 patients. DOH-8 donated P10 million for the construction of the building while the provincial government provided the land, beds, other materials and equipment as well as the operating expenses for the facility. The turn over, held on January 28, 2022, was graced by the DOH-8 Regional Director Dr. Exuperia Sabalberino and her assistant, Dr. Rodolfo Antonio Albornoz. Also present were Dr. Amelita Gacis-Avenido, OIC Leyte Provincial Hospital; Dr. Antonio Ida, provincial DOH officer; Dr. Edgardo Daya, PHO II; Corazon Alvero, OIC-provincial administrator, and Palo councilor Pipes Ygrubay representing Mayor Frances Ann B. Petilla.

Soldier killed, civilian hurt in an ambush in Northern Samar

CATARMAN, Northern Samar - A soldier belonging to the Philippine Army's Alpha Company, 19th Infantry Battalion based here was killed while one civilian was wounded during a firefight between the government troops and the alleged New People's Army (NPA) Saturday morning, Feb. 5.

Deputy Brigade Commander Colonel Efren Morados informed media that at around 6:50 am, a platoon of 19IB soldiers led by 2Lt.Dan Joseph Aliwalas was on their way to Barangay Maliqaya, Matu-

guinao, Samar from their base in Brgy. Sinunugan de Tubang, Silvino Lobos, this province, for resupply operations when they encountered around 15 NPA members.

The soldiers were bringing food supplies to their troop who are conducting the Retooled Community Support Program (RCSP) in Matuguinao when they encountered the NPA rebels, identified as belonging to the squad of Platoon "Buhawi" under 'Kumander' Nasierto Osido.

During the 15-minute firefight, Private First Class John Jeffrey Dabalos died while a civilian, Erwin de la Cruz, who was reportedly caught in the crossfire, was slightly wounded in the head.

The dead body of PFC Dabalos is now at the St. Peter's Funeral in Catarman while the wounded civilian was brought to a hospital.

(RACHEL ARNAIZ)



In Northern Samar **One week police operations netted 112** suspects accused of various crimes

CATARMAN, Northern Samar-A total of 112 law violators were arrested in various police operations during the intensified Simultaneous Anti-Criminality Law Enforcement Operation (SACLEO) on Jan. 28-Feb. 4, 2022.

SACLEO is an all-out police operation against illegal gambling, illegal drug personalities, most wanted persons, possessors of loose firearms, and violations of local ordinances.

PCol. Alfredo Tadefa, police provincial director, lauded all operating units for their full cooperation and for a job well done.

"The incessant conduct of operations to pursue lawless elements is part of

a peaceful, secure, and orderly Northern Samar," he said in a statement.

Based on the report from the Northern Samar Police Provincial Office (NSPPO), at least 56 wanted persons of different crimes were arrested. At least seven of them were tagged as the most wanted persons in the province while another seven of them at the municipal level.

Two of the province's most wanted persons were caught in Bulacan and Quezon City.

On the other hand, a total of 46 individuals were apprehended for violations of special laws, the NSPPO said.

Of these, 39 were inmy commitment to uphold volved in illegal gambling,

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three for illegal logging, and four for illegal fishing.

In the campaign against illegal drugs, three individuals were caught during buy-bust operations, while two drug personalities voluntarily surrendered.

Different police stations also conducted repeated and continuous 'Oplan Katok' or house-to-house visits to firearm holders who have not renewed their firearms license.

A total of 21 firearms were turned over for safekeeping as a result of NSP-PO's intensive information dissemination of loose fireSeven individuals were

added to NSPPO's SACLEO for violation of the provincial ordinance.

They were brought to the respective arresting units for proper disposition and documentation. (EUGENE M. ENANO)

After the Jan. 20 all-time high EV's COVID-19 cases appear to be declining as DOH reported of 21 new cases on Monday

TACLOBAN CITYease (COVID-19) in the region appear to be on the decline.

Based on the bulletin issued by the Department of Health (DOH) on Monday (Feb.7), the region only had 21 new cases of COVID-19.

Of these new cases, 14 were from Leyte of which two came from Tacloban City; four in Southern Leyte; two in Eastern Samar, and one from Northern Samar.

new cases, the same DOH report said.

Jelyn-Lopez Malibago, information officer of the DOH-8, said that the 21 new cases logged by the region was its lowest since the Jan.20 'surge.'

"While this is not the lowest case(s) for this year as we only posted 3 new cases last Jan.2 of this year, the 21 new cases last Monday was our lowest since the Jan.20 surge," she said.

On that period, the re-

The provinces of Bili- gion logged 879 new cases keep following and prac-Cases of coronavirus dis- ran and Samar posted zero with the relaxation of some tice the minimum public protocols, gatherings of group of people, and presence of variants like the Omicron blamed for the spike.

> With the 21 new cases, the region has now 929 active COVID-19 cases.

> Despite of apparent declining COVID-19 cases in the region, the DOH continues to appeal to the public to always follow all the mandatory health protocols.

It urged the public to

health standards all the time and in all settings.

The DOH also strongly encourages eligible individuals, especially senior citizens, those with comorbidities, and children to get vaccinated and boosted immediately.

The health agency maintains that vaccines are still the best defense against the virus and its variants and proven to be safe, effective and free. (LIZBETH ANN A. ABELLA)



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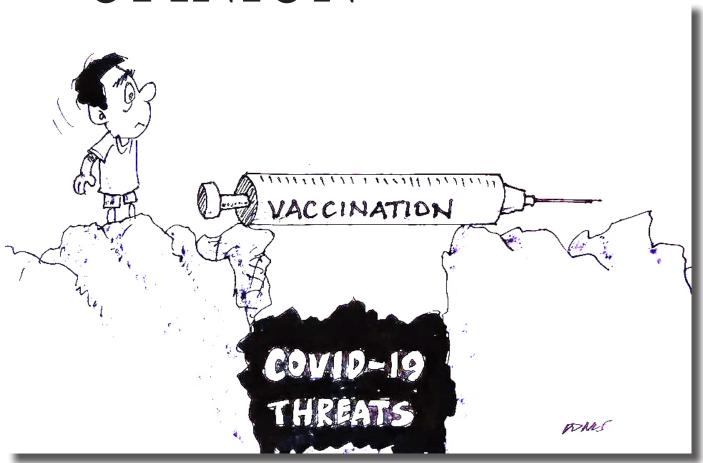
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Children's vaccination

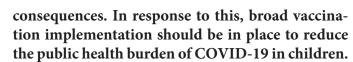


the vaccination of children aged 5-11 starts, it is important for our people to know which agencies or organizations are authorized to issue official statements and announcements regarding

children's health issues so that reliable information can be had.

So for the information of Filipino families, these agencies are the Philippine Pediatric Society (PPS) and the Pediatric Infectious Disease Society of the Philippines (PIDSP). These are the organizations that are acknowledged to have expertise when it comes to the medical treatment and overall health of our children. They are tasked to ensure the protection of our children's health necessary for the happiness of Filipino families.

What then are the official statements of PPS and PIDSP regarding the children's vaccination that has been worrying some parents? First of all, they make it clear that COVID-19 is a disease that directly or indirectly affects children and may lead to serious



They further highlight the following: in the pivotal trial of the vaccine conducted among children aged 5-11, the vaccine was found to be safe and efficacious, with no serious adverse events related to vaccination. After the vaccination of approximately 8.7 million children aged 5-11 in the US in 2021, serious side effects were rarely reported, with no deaths associated with the vaccine. In our country, as of January 23, 2022, more than 123.3 million doses of COVID-19 have been administered, and adverse reactions in children were non-serious.

PPS and PIDSP are therefore reiterating that vaccination is the best way to protect children from COVID-19 and its complications. Parents and guardians are enjoined to discuss vaccination with their healthcare provider and get their information only from sources with the right experience and expertise as these organizations continue to ensure vaccine safety, efficacy, and effectiveness.



Home remedies

In the midst of the on-going pandemic, we actually lose nothing by resorting to home remedies whenever the virus gets to our homes. It's better for us to do something to combat this virus than

to do nothing at all.

In the past weeks and days, we have heard of so many people showing the symptoms of the coronavirus disease. Some of these symptoms include colds, runny nose, cough,

sore throat, breathing difficulties, body aches, headaches, etc. As a result the nose, that is why we of which, pharmacies had run out of medicines that in public so that we are normally prescribed would spread the virus for these ailments such as paracetamol, etc.

In the absence of medicines, it would be better to just make do with home remedies such as the following that I would like to mention and elaborate. These will not cost us a lot, and these have been proven to work by countless numbers of people.

First of all, we should know how the virus gets to us, and what are their entry points to our bodies. Accordingly, it is through the mouth and cover them with masks in case we have it, and so we won't catch it from those who are infected. These viruses accordingly settle first in our nasal cavity and throat before

entering our bodies. If it goes to our throats, we should use a Bactidol. It's a liquid formula that we can gargle every time we feel an itch or an abnormality in our throat. We can do it for at least one minute, 2 to 3 times a day till the

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BBM vs Fake News - Did'Ja Know -

THAT almost all surveys which were telecast, broadcast, published in newspapers and posted on social media declared that former Senator Ferdinand "Bongbong" Marcos (BBM) was usually the "Survey Topnotcher" in the presidential derby in May?

-- With Davao City Mayor Sara Duterte -Carpio as his running mate for the vice-presidency?

THAT as recorded in several surveys in the past few months, Bongbong Marcos' ratings started with a relatively "low 46%" but now, his ratings "linger" between

50 to 56% or a clear majority of the survey respondents?

THAT news reports about the surveys wherein BBM has continuously landed as "Topnotcher" is now labeled by netizens as repetitively "boring news"?

THAT newswriters, citizens and even socalled opinion-writers who dislike BBM, and who belong to opposition camps, have come out with fake news & stories "in order to counter" the above-mentioned news on survey results?

THAT with these developments, with all of these fake news & stories directed at him, former



Stricter and holier than God?

wary of our tendency truth and the life" proper to be stricter and ho- for us. lier than God himself. This happened among they became rigid in the many of the Pharisees in the gospel who made laws, and interpreted and applied these laws according to their own understanding, without referring them to God. (cfr. Mk 7,1-13)

Of course, in their case, some excuse can be made since they could not believe that Christ was the God who became man precisely to

YES, we have to be show us "the way, the

As a consequence, application of their laws which, by the way, cannot fully capture what is truly good and proper for us, since we are governed not only by human laws but also by a supernatural law.

Remember Christ asking the Pharisees about the sabbath law: "Is it lawful to do good on the sabbath days, or to do evil? To save life, or

senator Bongbong Marcos has scathing words in reaction to the fake & fabricated stories that would sow discord among the supporters of the Uniteam?

THAT one fake story that is currently circulating is that Bongbong Marcos' wife, Liza Araneta-Marcos, who is a relative of the Liberal Party's 2016 presidential candidate Mar Araneta Roxas, has been rumored to have reportedly met several times with Senate President Tito Sotto (the vice- presidential running mate of Ping Lacson in the Partido para sa Demokratikong Reforma. (PDR) to supposedly "arrange" an off-the-record BBM-Sotto tandem "deal"?

THAT BBM had to warn his leaders, his political supporters and the general public NOT TO BELIEVE in such fake news that are circulated by his opponents to drive a wedge between him and his vice-presidential running mate Inday Sara Duterte?

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to destroy?" (Mk 3,4) In another instance, Christ was asked why his disciples not follow the tradition of the elders..." (cfr. Mk 7,5)

To which Christ responded by saying, "Well did Isaiah prophesy about you hypocrites, as it is written: This people honor me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me...You disregard God's commandment but cling to human tradition." (Mk 7,6-8)

We have to be wary of this danger which we may call as the new pharisaism that is manifested in many ways-like the tendency to legalism and formalism, developing a legal system that is animated by what is called as legal positivism, etc.

There is also what is called as the pharisaical conscience where grave sins are minimized while matters of little imporsee Stricter /page 9 ...



RP's PHARMA Firms need to venture on **Anti-Covid Drugs**

Since the onslaught of the Pandemia, I have challenged the Philippine-based pharmaceutical firms to venture solely or in collaboration with research institutions like the Department of Science and Technology (DOST) or foreign companies to venture on anti-covid drugs. The Philippines rich natural resources include herbal species which could be used as raw materials. In fact, DOST has been funding university-based researchers (mostly members of the NRCP) to experiment on chemical extracts from lagundi, tawa-tawa and virgin coconut oil from



The Real Stars

The Fourth Industrial Revolution is a way of describing the blurring of boundaries between the physical, digital, and biological worlds. It's a fusion of advances in artificial intelligence (AI), robotics, the Internet of Things (IoT), 3D printing, genetic engineering, quantum computing, and other technologies. (salesforce.com). In the country today we saw the rise of technology from all sorts of classification . Artificial Intelligence are here with us in not so complex appearance but one trait of 4th IR which is the Social Media is vibrant and intensely utilized in our daily

coconut meat. DOST-FN-RI (Food and Nutrition Research Institute), has an on-going collaborative experimental research using aforementioned Philippine plant materials with promising results for mild cases of Covid – 19 in one LGU in Laguna.

Also, there were talks about a possible collaboration with an Indian pharmaceutical company, but it seems unable to take off? The last news read was one top science official expressing regrets saying that the Philippines 'lack needed expertise and that it did not have the laboratory facilities to undertake the

lives. That is the reality and

we risk of even over-using

them and even weaponiz-

Pray the Holy Rosary daily

for world peace and conversion of sinners

(The family that prays together stays together)

ing the platforms.

formulation and manufacture of anti-covid drug'.

Personally, I was saddened with the negative statement afore cited - may have shut down, aborted the would-be anti-covid drug joint venture.

By manufacturing anti-covid drugs in the Philippines, would have saved dollars buying the medicines from foreign pharma firms - a big financial help to the financially strapped Filipinos.

I, so move for the Phil-Pharma ippine-based Firms to push through with the production of anti-covid and similar medicines locally, against the coronavirus. The DTI secretary recent statement is encouraging saying that the DTI "was able to convince a pharmaceutical firm to locally produce a drug to the treat the deadly virus". LET'S DO IT !!!

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The online statistical site Statista estimates that there are 79.5 Million smart phone users. In 2020, there were approximately 79 million smartphone users in the Philippines, reflecting an upward trend since 2017. It was forecasted that by 2025, there would be around 91.5 million smartphone users in the country.

At present, 2021 these numbers millions of Smart phone users adds up to the already huge statistics. This reality proves that a facesee The Real/page 9 ...

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)

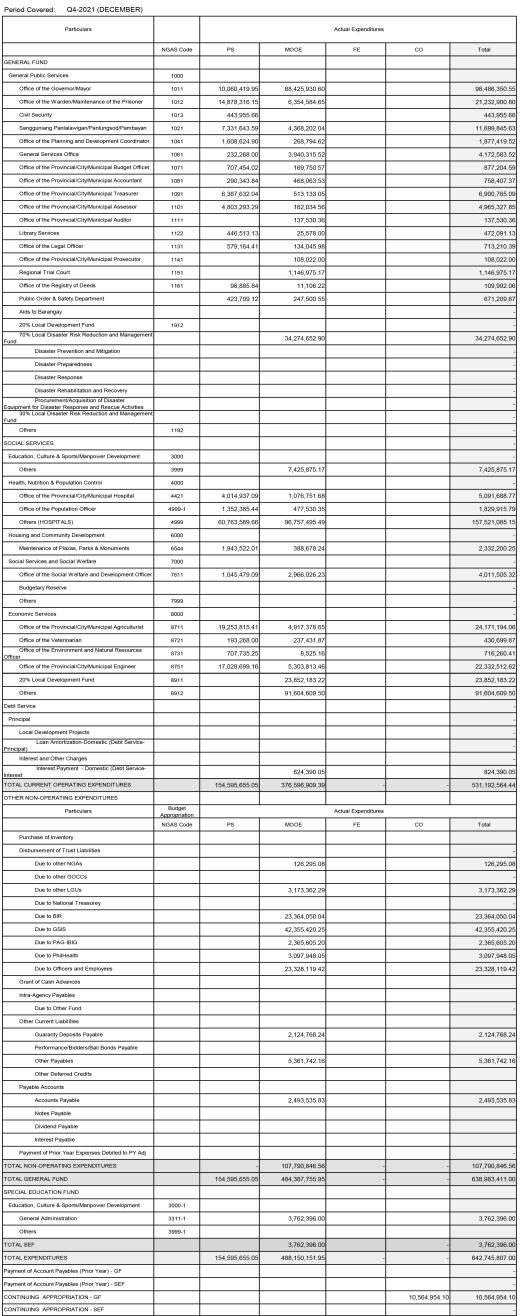
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Excess of Actual vs

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31,226,770.06

25,370,875.77

15,590,666.43

269,443.55

5,405,806.65

4,104,959.14

3,714,137.10

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Target

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-71%

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149

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STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS SOURCES

Actual Receipts

(December)

2,177,349.52

1,616,564.6

845,314.7

42,966.07

451,603.1

276,680.58

183,376.5

7,637.50

Income Target (Approved Budget)

35,924,347.00

25,491,488.00

19,000,000.0

191,488.0

5,300,000.00

1,000,000.00

8,600,000.0

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Acct. Code

LGU: Province of LEYTE Period Q4 2021 (DECEMBER)

Particulars

Fines and Penalties-Current Year

Fines and Penalties-Prior Year/s

Covered

LOCAL SOURCES

TAX REVENUES

REAL PROPERTY TAX

TAX ON BUSINESS

Amusement Tax

Current Year

Prior Year/s

Real Change in Attaining Inclusive and Sustainable Peace

The continuous battle cry for national peace and development affects all the different sectors of the society through the five long decades of localized armed conflict in the many parts of our country. Although many have been made aware of the circumstances, more have not made a stand or acted upon it. At this time, the good leaders denounced their commitment to the promise of working out a resolution to these recurring issues.

Despite these challenges, NTF-ELCAC utilizes Whole-of-Nation Approach (WNA) and claims its superior effectiveness against the previous attempts in addressing these recurring issues.

Such is the government's advocacy of a change in confronting "root causes of insurgencies, internal disturbances and tensions, armed conflicts and threats by prioritizing and harmonizing the delivery of basic services and social development packages by the government, facilitating societal inclusivity, and ensuring active participation of all sectors of the society in pursuit of country's peace agenda."

This development is more than welcome to the Philippine Air Force's CMO as NTF-ELCAC enables and enhances CMO's to reach farther areas and engage locals within conflict-affected and vulnerable communities.

The NTF-ELCAC or Executive Order 70, "involves all government agencies, from the national to the barangay level, with delineated roles and responsibilities in the WNA." Likewise, the PAF CMO also conducts coordination with relevant national agencies, LGUs, local communities, and other stakeholders, including but not limited to government-owned or controlled corporations (GOCCs) and state universities and colleges (SUCs) in accordance to the mandate in the implementation of the National Peace Framework (NPF).

For instance, the Regional Task Force 1 (RTF1-ELCAC) recommended the inclusion of 16 target barangays in Ilocos Sur for the implementation of Retooled Community Support Program (RCSP) as beneficiaries of the 2021 support to Barangay Development Plan (BDP). The 16 identified additional barangays are categorized as Communist Terrorist Group (CTG) less-influenced areas. The BDP provided an allocation of an amount not exceeding Twenty Million Pesos to each cleared barangay for the implementation of the following projects: (i) farm-to-market road; (ii) school building; (iii) water and sanitation system; (iv) health stations; (v) electrification; (vi) agricultural livelihood and technical vocational training/projects; and (vii) assistance to indigent individuals or families. Thus, providing assistance in conflict-areas are supervised by LGUs, NTF-ELCAC, and RTF-ELCAC.

The RCSP strengthens the Community Support Program (CSP) of the Armed Forces of the Philippines (AFP). It is an inclusive program that aims to address identified issues in the community by closing governance and development gaps by providing needed government Programs, Projects, and Activities (PPAs) that gears towards institutionalizing sustainable peace and development.

The Civil-Military Operations (CMO) programs extend their activities in support of the WNA as the military sector is also launching various activities and programs that enhance the strategic and operational levels for different community projects on counterinsurgency programs aid NTF-ELCAC. Further, the launch of

Campus Peace and Development Forum and the Supreme Student Council Society of the Philippines serves to sustain inclusive information and a clear concept on how Communist Terrorist Groups operate their recruitment among the youth sector. On this note, the extended reach and spread of public consciousness of the Communist Party of the Philippines-New People's Army-National Democratic Front (CPP-NPA-NDF), its infiltration works, schemes, deceptions, and lies in the farflung communities.

Therefore, NTFsee Real /page 9 ...

USAID leads dialogue on increasing internet affordability in the Philippines

Manila-The United States government, through the U.S. Agency for International Development (US-AID), recently led a virtual dialogue with more than 600 participants on government programs and private sector business models that can boost internet affordability and address digital inequality in the Philippines.

USAID Philippines Acting Deputy Mission Director Jeff Goebel joined Acting Department of Information and Communications Technology (DICT) Secretary Emmanuel Rey Caintic and representatives from the private sector and civil society to discuss ways to make the internet more accessible for all Filipinos.

"USAID is working toward a future where digital technology promotes inclusive growth, fosters resilient and democratic societies, and empowers all, including the most vulnerable," said Acting Deputy Mission Director Goebel. "Closing the digital divide requires global cooperation, leadership, and innovation in finance and technology. This is a need that is even more crucial today as we continue to face the challenges brought about by the COVID-19

pandemic."

While the cost of one gigabyte (1GB) of mobile data in the Philippines has become more affordable over the past five years, 1GB mobile broadband remains unaffordable for about 40 percent of the population. Only about half of the country's population use the internet due to high prices of data services and devices, and limited network coverage in the countryside.

"Our main challenge is the coverage of quality and affordable internet services, especially in remote locations. With wider coverage, Filipinos will be able to access information and participate in rebuilding the Philippine economy," said DICT Acting Secretary Caintic in his keynote message.

Participants noted that promoting infrastructure sharing, improving national data collection efforts, and encouraging interconnection and peering, among others, could help address these challenges.

Technologies and strategies to maximize bandwidth and optimize energy consumption are key to keeping costs low. Strategic partnerships with government agencies such as the Department of Education and civil society organizations to bring education programs to remote areas can also help bridge the digital divide.

Through its Better Connectivity and Access (BEA-CON) project, USAID helps improve the Philippines' ICT and logistics infrastructure; strengthen the regulatory, business, and innovation environment; and bolster cybersecurity. To help bridge the digital divide, USAID also assists the government in automation and digitization efforts, and supports community networks to expand low-cost internet access for underserved communities. (PR)

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 R.A. 10172), notice is hereby served to the public that <u>CHLOE ARAZA NAVAL</u> has filed with this office a Petition for Correction of Entry in his/her sex: from <u>Male</u> to <u>Female</u> in her Certificate of Live Birth (COLB) at <u>Tacloban City</u> and whose parents are <u>LETECIA ALBINO ARAZA</u> and <u>EUGENE</u> <u>DELORITO NAVAL</u>.

Any person having knowledge and/or claiming interest or may be adversely affected by said petition may file his/her written opposition with this Office.

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

LSDE: February 8 & 15, 2022

Hopes For An Everyday PP No.417, s.2018

BY: CINDY RUTH C. VIVERO

Today, February 8, 2022 is called "Safer Internet Day for Children Philippines" declared by the Philippine President under PP No. 417, s. 2018, announcing the second Tuesday of February of every year for this celebration.

As we all know, the internet is commonly used nowadays not just for leisure but on a daily basis for educational purposes. And it is widely used not just in higher grade levels but from the first ground of learning as young as preparatory school learning most especially in areas where online learning is rampantly utilized due to pandemic where pupils are not allowed to go to school physically.

There is almost no limit to what one can do using the internet. It makes it possible to access information quickly, communicate around the world, and much more. Unfortunately, the internet is also home to certain risks.

According to SWS, in November 2020 an estimated 4.3 million or 14 percent of enrolled school-age Filipinos were exclusively participating in online distance learning while 1.2 million or 4 percent were in online distance learning mixed with modular distance learning.

So then parents and guardians should be the best guards when children make use of gadgets, there should be a limitation to its usage.

We all know that education is very important and to this day we depend on the internet for information for further learning but using it by our children should be done responsibly not just today but on an everyday basis.

(Note: The author is a Teacher III of San Roque Elementary School, Tolosa District, San Roque, Tolosa, Leyte)

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Cancellation Form No. 1 DEPARTMENT OF AGRARIAN REFORM

> Province of BILIRAN Region No. VIII

> > CANC APPLICATION

APPLICATION FOR CANCELLATION

Republic of the Philippines

I/We, RICO ADO PAGAO, Filipino/s, of legal age/s, married/single, a resident of <u>P.S. EAMIGUEL NAVAL, BILIRAN,</u> <u>PHILIPPINES</u>, do hereby apply for the cancellation of the title/s in accordance with DAR Administrative Order (AO) No. 2, Series of 2018, as amended, described as follows:

EP/CLOA No./Title No.	REGISTRY OF DEEDS (ROD)	AREA (sqms.)	REGISTERED OWNER/S	LOCATION
OCT-NO OCL-2053	BILIRAN	12.894	NERISSA R. SAMONTE	SAN ISIDRO BILIRAN, BILIRAN

The aforesaid application for cancellation of title/s is based upon any of the following: (Please check appropriate box)

1. 🖾 Existence of a final and executory (FINEX) judgment with following information:

Docket No.	:	DAR CASE NO. APO-0860-0093-2018
		DAR CASE NO. APO-0806-0094-2018
Case Title	:	
Name of Parties	:	MARIA P. TABLATE VS. NERISSA R. SAMONTE
Office/Court	:	DAR
Date of Decision	:	28 FEBRUARY 2019
Date of Finality	:	02 AUGUST 2019

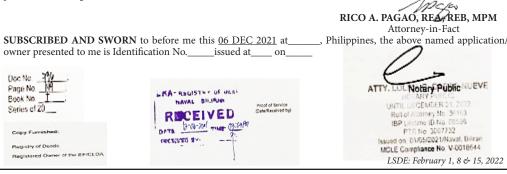
2. Correction of technical description in the aforesaid title/s which do not affect the identity or number of agrarian reform beneficiaries or the size and scope of the landholdings under the said title/s

3.
Transfer of title/s on the basis of a conveyance approved through a valid DAR Transfer clearance 4.
Motion of the petitioner/s or all the parties to withdraw the Cancellation Action.

Hereto attached are the required document/s to support the processing of my/our application/s: (Please check appro priate box)

- Certified true copy/ies of the subject EP/CLOA/other title issued not later than six (6) months before the filing of the application/s
- Certified True Copy of the Decision of the court/office
- Certification from the court/office that the Judgment has become final and executory
- Motion to Dismiss or Withdraw in Case No. ____pending at _____docketed as _____
 DAR Transfer Clearance issued by the Regional Director (RD)
 Corrected Technical Description of the subject EP/CLOA/other title issued under agrarian reform program certified as true and correct by the DENR-LMS/LRA
- Proof of service that the registered owner/s of the EP/CLOA/other titles and the Registry of Deeds (ROD) were served with a copy of the Cancellation Form No. 1

I/We hereby certify under oath that all statements I/we made in this application/s are true and correct based on my/our personal knowledge and that all documents attached are authentic.



DEED OF EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT

NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of the late PONCIANO SAY AND EXALTACION M. SAY extrajudicially settled, partitioned and adjudicated over a parcel of residential land designated as Cad Lot No. 6354 consisting an area of 2,575sq.m., situated at Brgy. Salvacion, Palo, Leyte covered by TCT No. T-8978, TD/ARP No. 08-30-0027-00420, Property Identification No. 044-30-0027-004-14. That, it is the best interest to divide, partition and adjudicate unto themselves the above-described estate into 11 parts; 1) Lot 6354-A with an area of 220sq.m., to PONCIANO M. SAY, JR.; 2) Lot 6354-B with an area of 220sq.m. to RODOLFO M. SAY; 3) Lot 6354-C with an area of 220sq.m. to VIRGINIA S. QUEQUE; 4) Lot 6354-D with an area of 220sq.m. to ARSENIO M. SAY; 5) Lot 6354-E with an area of 220sq.m. to RAUL M. SAY; 6) Lot 6354-F with an area of 220sq.m. to HEIRS OF NESTOR M. SAY; 7) Lot 6354-G with an area of 220sq.m. to HELEN S. PETILLA; 8) Lot 6354-H with an area of 220sq.m. to MILAGROS S. SAY; 9) Lot 6354-I with an area of 220sq.m. to JULIE S. YU; 10) Lot 6354-J with an area of 220sq.m. to RUBEN WENDELL M. SAY; 11) Lot 6354-K with an area of 220sq.m. to JUDITH S. ZABALA. Per Doc No. 125, Page No. 22, Book No. XXXII, Series of 2020. Notary Public Atty. Jessica Joy U. LSDE: February 1, 8 & 15, 2022 Bendoy.

EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT AMONG HEIRS WITH WAIVER OF RIGHTS

NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of the late AGAPITO CESAR extrajudicially settled, partitioned and adjudicated over a parcel of land designated as Lot No. 9849, Cad 505 situated at Brgy. Arado, Tanauan, Leyte containing an area of 4,618sq.m., and heirs hereby WAIVED all rights, participation and interests over the Lot No. 9849-B in favor of ROTE-LIO LACANDOZE. Per Doc No. 126, Page No. 13, Book No. III, Series of 2006. Notary LSDE: February 1, 8 & 15, 2022 Public Atty. Asterio A. Villena.

EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE WITH SALE

NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of the late CATALINO SALUTAN, JOSEFA CLOSA VICENTE SALUTAN AND FELICISIMO SALUTAN extraindicially settled partitioned and adjudicated over a parcel of land designated as Lot No. 1455, Pls 645 containing an area of 27,085sq.m., situated at Brgy. Picas Norte, Abuyog (now Javier) Leyte covered by OCT No. P-4328, TD No. 081902200182. A Deed of Sale was executed in favor of SPS. MA. TERESA G. MALQUISTO AND NICKIE S. MALQUISTO as vendees of a portion containing an area of 6,771.25sq.m., together with all the improvements found thereon. Per Doc No. 22, Page No. 5, Book No. X, Series of 2015. Notary Public Atty. Joy Estolano-Cerro, CPA. LSDE: February 1, 8 & 15, 2022

DEED OF ABSOLUTE SALE

NOTICE is hereby given that ANTONIO MONTILLA CABIDOG executed a Deed of Sale in favor of TRIVERDIA PROPERTIES CORPORATION represented by GEM-MALENE B. TRINIDAD as vendee over a parcel of land designated as Lot 833, Pls 450 situated at Brgy. Rizal, Dagami, Leyte containing an area of 6,576sq.m.,more or less covered by OCT No. OC-18790. Per Doc No. 486, Page No. 99, Book No. XVI, Series of 2021. Notary Public Atty. Rea Abigail M. Candido. LSDE: February 1, 8 & 15, 2022

EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE

NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of the late JOSE F. MURILLO extrajudicially settled, partitioned and adjudicated over a parcel of land designated as Lot 3203-A-2 containing an area of 36sq.m., being a portion of Lot 3203-A with the total area of 257sq.m., covered by TCT No. T- 3355 situated at Brgy. Caibaan, Tacloban City. Per Doc No. 132, Page No. 29, Book No. II, Series of 2021. Notary Public Atty. Gerry Val V. Baquilod. LSDE: February 1, 8 & 15, 2022

AFFIDAVIT OF ADJUDICATION NOTICE is hereby given that MA. ROSARIO T. CINCO heir of late Remedios Guy Joco, executed an affidavit of adjudication over a certain parcel of land situated in the Barrio of Dapdap, Munici-pality of Alangalang, Leyte, containing an area of 12,309 square meters, more or less, embraced in OCT No. 29846; per Doc. No. 439, Page No. 89, Book No. LXXXIII, Series of 2021 of Notary Public Atty. Cesar E. Lee. LSDE: Jan. 25 & Feb. 1 & 8, 2022

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

WILFREDO A. ARANTE has filed with this (Complete name of petitioner)

Office a petition for change of first name from <u>WILFREDO - ROMEO</u> to <u>WILFREDO</u> in the Birth (First name to be changed) (New first name to be adopted)

Certificate of <u>WILFREDO-ROMEO ALICER</u> ARANTE who was born on DECEMBER 15, 1963 at Tacloban City and whose parents are ERLINDA C. ALICER and VICENTE C. ARANTE.

Any person adversely affected by said petition may file his written opposition with this Office not later than February 15, 2022.

(Sgd.) IMELDA A. ROA

Home...

... from Page 4 discomfort disappears. But in the absence of this liquid, which is also very much in demand nowadays, we can dissolve a spoonful of salt in a December 14, 2021 one-half glass of warm water. Or mix a spoonful of pure coconut vinegar with the same amount of water and use them

If we start having a runny nose, or a sticky liquid in our nose, we can boil water and do steam inhalation for at least ten minutes, 2-3 times a day. For fever, we can drink salabat with warm water 3 times a day. But if severe flu-like symptoms finally come, we can cover ourselves with a blanket while seated and inhaling the steam of boiled water in front of us for at least 10 minutes. We can couple it with plenty of water or fluids to drink. Enough rest and sleep can also help.

for gargling, repeatedly if

possible.

For body pains, we can apply hot compress on the affected parts. We should put on masks so that other household members will not contract the disease. We should also wash our hands frequently with soap and stay distant from others in public places to avoid this virus. All these can help if we will just try them out. These could even expedite recovery.

MR. CELSO PAGDONSOLAN Allen Avenue Catbalogan City, Samar

Dear Mr. Pagdonsolan,

Please be informed that due to your non-compliance with the terms and conditions of Individual Notice of Award (INA) over the lot awarded in your favor, and despite the demand letter to you dated September 14, 2001, your award over the above stated property is hereby CANCELLED effective immediately.

Office of the President

NATIONAL HOUSING AUTHORITY

Regional Office VIII, Tacloban City

NOTICE OF CANCELLATION OF AWARD

Lot 6, Block 14, Pcs-5296

Muñoz Estate, Catbalogan City

Please be guided accordingly.

Very truly yours, By Authority of the General Manager: ENGR. CONSTANCIO G. ANTINIERO Regional Manager 🌂 Region VIII LSDE: Feb. 1, 8 & 15, 2022

AFFIDAVIT OF SELF-ADJUDICATION

NOTICE is hereby given that JESUS O. PILLE surviving heir of the late PASIENCIA L. PILLE executed an affidavit of adjudication over a parcel of land located at Brgy. Tuyo, MacArthur, Leyte identified as Lot No. 1966, Case No. 13, Cad. 900, containing an area of 5,052 square meters, more or less, covered by Katibayan Ng Original na Titulo Blg. P-41569; per Doc. No. 161, Page No. 33, Book No.XII, Series of 2021 of Notary Public Atty. Aluino Ala. LSDE: February 8, 15 & 22, 2022

DEED OF EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE

NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of the late BERNARDO S. DEJILLO extrajudi-cially settled, partitioned and adjudicated over a parcel of residential land designated as Lot 1, Pcs-083747-000377-D being a portion of Lot 562-A-3 and the whole of Lot 562-A-1, Psd-99880 situated in the Poblacion, Tacloban City, Leyte covered by TCT No. 35193 containing an area of 110sq.m.,more or less and heir, CIRILA REFUGIO DEJILLO hereby WAIVED all rights, interests and participation of the above-described real property in favor of all my children, namely; EVANGELINE DEJILLO YOSHIHARA, LUZ DEJILLO MAC CION, LIGAYA DEJILLO ESTUR, JOSE LEONIDAS REFUGIO DEJILLO AND ANA MARIE DEJILLO SOLIOT. Per Doc No. 8, Page No. 03, Book No. XVIII, Series of 2016 Notary Public Atty. Irene T. Pontejos. LSDE: February 1, 8 & 15, 2022

DEED OF EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT WITH DEED OF **ABSOLUTE SALE OF UNSEGRATED PORTION OF A** PARCEL OF LAND

NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of the late SPS. PORFERIO MIRALLES and CLARITA MONTOLO, extrajudicially settled, partitioned and adjudicated over a conjugal property over a parcel of land and all the improvements thereon, located at Brgy. Binongtoan, Alangalang, Leyte, under Lot No. 657-A, Bsd-08-000137 and embraced under TCT No. TE-1186 (RTE-001) and portion of Lot 657, Pcs-15, containing an area of 9, 153 square meters, and heirs hereby executed a Deed of Absolute sale a portion of 1,000 square meters from the above-described parcel of land in favor of Sps. ANTHONY LORENZO DAKILA MIRALLES and KRISNA MACANIP MIRALLES as vendee for the portion of 1,000 square meters, known as Lot No. 657-A; per Doc. No. 160, Page No. 33, Book No II, Series of 2020 of Notary Public Atty. Richmond G. Longjas. LSDE: January 25 & February 1 & 8, 2022

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

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

In compliance with the publication requirement and pursuant too 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 Marian Joy D. Galit has filed with this office a petition for correction of entry in Child's Sex from "FEMALE" to "MALE" in his certificate of live birth of KYLE JORIZ ONG SOTTO GALIT and whose parents are Marian Joy A. Ong Sotto and Ramon Jr. I. Galit.

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

LSDE: Feb. 1 & 8, 2022

(Sgd.) DARWIN B. BEROS Municipal Civil Registrar

City Civil Registrar

LSDE: February 1 & 8, 2022

Real...

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ELCAC's nationwide effort from national to barangay level exponentially improved CMO's accomplishments as CMO is enabled to conduct their counterinsurgency programs in farther places before was not easy to reach. The PAF CMO accomplishments were made possible through coordination and cooperation of the government agencies and other sectors involved is a testimony that coming together provides a clear picture of change in attaining inclusive and sustainable peace. As for NTF-ELCAC, we can now realize a world where we embrace differences and mitigate prejudices. Successful CMO activities are a legacy and a good foundation for the peace and development of our country for the gener-

ations to come. (PR)



BBM...

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THAT Bongbong Marcos described the spread of this fake news, disinformation & foul tactics, as the desperate attempts of his opponents to sow intrigues in order to break up his political partnership with Mayor Sara Duterte?

THAT BBM believes that their opponents are attempting to install a wedge between his unconditional partnership with Mayor Sara Duerte; and these attempts will continue until the elections in May?

THAT Bongbong Marcos has called out all his leaders & political supporters to be vigilant in guarding their hard-earned trust & harmony?

THAT former Senator Bongbong Marcos declared their BBMM-SARA COMMITMENTS and also to & with the entire UniTeam are UNCON-DITIONAL, UNBREAK-

Conduct... ...from Page 1

instructs us not to implement without their go signal, we have to abide," he said.

For a school to be selected for face-to-face classes, they must belong to a community that has had no active coronavirus disease (COVID-19) cases for the last 28 days.

They must also be supported by their respective local government units for the offering of limited faceto-face classes and certified by their rural health units of zero COVID-19 cases.

Ventilation of classrooms must also be improved and with a better lighting.

Classes will also last for only four and a half hours a day.

Prior to the 18 schools, three public elementary schools were selected to pilot the face-to-face classes in Leyte.

These are Dolho ES and Bato Central School in Bato town, and Palo Central School in Palo.

Meantime, of the 17,032 teaching and non-teaching staff at DepEd Leyte, more than 14,000 had already re-

ABE & STRONGER than ever?

THAT BBM called on his supporters worldwide to be discerning and to expect more disinformation to discredit them as "they are but figments of the imagination of those who have lost hope in a fair and honest election?"

THAT Bongbong Marcos declared that "with the faith ad loyalty of our leaders and supporters to the UniTeam and their dedication to their goals, he is sure that we shall survive these fake news & other distasteful political challenges?

THAT former Senator Ferdinand Bong Marcos Jr. finally declared that "With absolute certainty, the bind that keeps the mutual trust and respect between Mayor Inday Sara and me shall remain unsoiled."

PLEDGING.... lastly he said "And the binding will definitely remain so," the aspiring president and former Senator Ferdinand "Bongbong" Marcos Jr. solemnly promised.

PGNS Medical Scholarship Program immersion team meets for hospital intersion policy while also hoping to instill while also hoping to instill NSPH heads of departments doctors losent Es-

CATARMAN, Northern Samar- Doctors at the Northern Samar Provincial Hospital(NSPH) met last Jan.28 with the Medical Scholarship Team of the provincial government to help come up with a policy on the immersion program for the PGNS medical scholars, a step towards contributing to improved healthcare service delivery in Northern Samar.

As part of the PGNS Medical Scholarship Program terms, its beneficiaries will have to undergo hospital immersion during school breaks where they

ceived at least one dose of COVID-19 vaccines.

Also, only 35,509 learners from age 12 to 17 out of 397,000 had been administered with the vaccine. **(ROEL T. AMAZONA)**

Stricter...

...from Page 5

tance are magnified. Such conscience tends to be very judgmental and leads one to assume a "holier-than-thou" attitude. Even in the area of psychology, this tendency is shown in what is called as Obsessive Compulsive Disorder (OCD) where rigidity reigns supreme.

Pharisaism drips with sanctimoniousness and self-righteousness, a funny caricature of authentic holiness. It is an ugly bag of all violations of charity, often disguised as defense of justice and human rights.

It is a collection of false reasons and rationalizations not based on faith, hope and charity. It's more interested in pursuing one's self-interest than in a genuine concern for the common good, and much less, in giving glory to God. It thrives in an environment of gossips, rumor-mongering and mob rule.

We have to be most wary of the dangers of pharisaism that can come to us anytime will be introduced to the healthcare system of the province and encouraged to adapt to the hospital setting early on.

Currently, there are 11 Nortehanons under the scholarship program who are in different year levels of their doctor of medicine study.

After completing their medical degree and become full-pledged doctors, the medical scholars will form part of the PGNS team of doctors and will be assigned to serve NSPH or any of the 8 district hospitals of the province.

The doctors agreed to support the immersion program with its noble objective of giving would-be doctors exposure to actual hospital work, and opening their eyes to the realities of community healthcare,

and in very subtle ways. When in our pursuit for truth, justice and beauty, we become judgmental and rigid, less patient, understanding and merciful towards others, we can be sure we are falling into the hands of a new pharisaism.

When in our legitimate pursuit for greater knowledge, power and fame, we do not make the corresponding conversions of heart and are unwilling to suffer for others, this new pharisaism is setting in.

Now that we are in an election campaign season, these manifestations of pharisaism come aplenty. Candidates and their followers are often pictured in black-andwhite. They are portrayed either as saints and angels who cannot do any evil, or the devil personified who cannot do any good at all. There is so much mudslinging and bashing, creating a very toxic environment among us.

We need to have God always in our mind and heart to avoid this common danger of pharisaism.

while also hoping to instill in them the passion for public service, particularly in healthcare service delivery. In attendance were

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the members of the government forces who are allowed to carry firearms and while they are on duty.

"We will not allow any political candidate to organize an armed group. If they feel threatened, they can request for a security detail which is subject for evaluation...," de Leon said on Monday (Feb.7)

"You can engage even in a shouting match so long as there will be no violence, no killing," he added.

Previous elections in some parts of the region, particularly in Samar province, have been marked with killing and shooting incidents reportedly carried out by private or partisan armed groups and supported by local politicians.

The Army official also said that the arrival of troops last weekend was meant to secure the forthcoming elections across the region and fight against members of the New People's Army.

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book post and a you tube video are capable of reaching a potential customer faster and more effective than any other media. Political propaganda are capable of reaching people by leaps and bounds swiftly and effectively.

But there are about 30 Million people who still are off- grid and even if allowed and with limited access to the information of the social media they had remained fearsome, unable to buy smartphone. In fact Some of them are not willing to buy nor use Smart Phones. In fact some I know are saying that it's the start of some evil or capable of some evil.

These chunk of the population almost 25 % of the total are untapped and uninfluenced by the spin doctors and bloggers. It's laidback and primitive environs ments doctors Joseph Estanislao, Ma. Necita Monfort, Deo Singzon, Vincent *see PGNS /page 10 ...*

Soldiers from the 3rd Infantry battalion of the 7th Infantry Division arrived in Samar last Saturday.

de Leon also assured the public that the 8th ID will remain to be a non-political organization whose loyalty is towards the people and to the nation.

He also dissuades any of his men not to 'solicit' any support from those running in this year's elections to ensure that they will remain neutral.

"Don't ask for any solicitation from anyone. You can ask from me to avoid any being branded for any political color. Perhaps, after the elections," he said.

De Leon also said that he will not make any 'unlawful order' to any of his men whom he described to be committed, educated, and who follow the rule of engagement.

"I assure you that I will not give any unlawful order to the soldiers. I am guided by law," he said.

does not allow hashtags nor does it allow trending videos to dominate its life, lastly I would say these sector can be the swing votes that would deliver the win for our political intramural now unfolding. To me they are the Unreachable Stars because they may be the needed sector to deliver a victory for the candidates whose over reliance to the online and social media campaign had left these sectors to chance.

Thus, they the candidates may be in for a surprise, these group of Unreachable Stars can deliver the numbers or the sympathy to create an edge among the many choices that had presented their intentions to the people. They must be the secret weapon that can be unleashed, they may be the factor towards the victory the politicians seek. It would be wise to court and convince them.



Relatives and friends await their loved ones as they completed the two-day bar examinations that ended on Sunday (Feb.6) held at the Dr. Vicente Orestes Romualdez Educational Foundation (DVOREF) in Tacloban City. As part of the protocols, social distancing was strictly imposed, among others: (ROEL T. AMAZONA)



Cheers, hugs, and bouquets welcome bar takers at DVOREF

TACLOBAN CITY -Cheers and applause and warm hugs.

These were the scenes after the more than 300 bar takers finished the grueling examinations on Sunday (Feb.6) held at the Dr. Vicente Orestes Romualdez Ed-Foundation ucational (DVOREF), this city.

Hundreds of family members, relatives, friends, and classmates of the bar examinee waited for them for hours just to give their loving support, some even giving bouquets of flowers.

As part of the protocols set by the Supreme Court, the waiting crowd was not allowed to get near the examination venue.

A fire truck was also sent near a barricade that was put up.

More than 300 examinees took the first re-

gionalized bar examination in the country, where DVOREF is one of the 28 venues identified by the Supreme Court.

It is also the first to use digitalized examination program.

The 2020/2021 bar examinations that were held last February 4 and 6 were postponed for three times due to the surge of coronavirus disease (COVID-19) cases in the country.

Angela Cabidog, whose son was one of the bar takers, said that she is thankful that finally, the bar examination took place.

"After he passed the CPA board, he told me that he wanted to become a lawyer so I let him, and supported him," the proud mother said.

"What we did was to pray and update him every time and make sure that he won't be disturbed

EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT WITH SALE

NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of the late MOISES FERRER JR. extrajudicially settled, partitioned and adjudicatet over a parcel of land situated at Brgy. Washington, Catarman, Northern Samar, covered by OCT No. 10730, containing an area of 35,865 square meters. A Deed of Sale was executed in favor of JANNO V. OSIDO as vendee for the above-described property; per Doc. No. 297, Page No. 61, Book No. I, Series of 2022 of Notary Public Atty. Franco Archie N. Tonog. LSDE: February 8, 15 & 22, 2022



so that he can focus for named, said that she find the bar exam," Cabidog added.

A bar examinee who graduated from San Beda, who asked not to be

the questions difficult. "But it is fulfilling be-

cause it is over now," she quipped.



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Belicena, Flor Linda Bug-

na, Mary Yolanda Gimena,

Jewel Kristine Baya, Magea

Robis, and Friday Villegas.

Representing the MSP team

were Dr. Catherine Miral of

PHO, Ms. Amelita Noroña

of the Provincial Adminis-

trator's Office and Ms. Ma.

Teresita Gacusan of the

win Ongchuan approved

the Medical Scholarship

Program in 2020, and on

the same year, PGNS started

to admit Nortehanon medi-

cal students to the program.

A priority agenda under

his administration, Gover-

To recall, Governor Ed-

PHRMDO.

3 of 10 families in Eastern Visayas poor in 2021: report

TACLOBAN CITY - At while Southern Leyte regleast three out of every 10 families in Eastern Visayas are poor based on the result of the first semester 2021 survey, the Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA) said.

In a report released by PSA on Feb.3, the poverty incidence among families in the region in the first half of 2021 was estimated at 28.9 percent, slightly lower than the 30.4 percent level recorded in the same period in 2018.

"These families have income that were below (of) amount needed to buy their basic food and non-food needs," Wilma Perante, PSA Eastern Visayas regional director, said in a phone interview.

A family of five in Eastern Visayas needs at least P11,292 monthly to sustain their basic needs last year. The amount is higher than the P10,163 monthly income requirement in 2018.

"The first semester 2021 data is a reflection of income and spending experiences of families in the region in the past three years. This is also affected by what people have gone through during the pandemic early last year," Perante added.

The National Economic and Development Authority has yet to come up with an analysis of the latest poverty statistics.

Meanwhile, poverty incidence among families in Eastern Samar was estimated at 36 percent, the highest in the region.

However, the province has shown improvements after it recorded a 43 percent poverty incidence in 2018.

Leyte province maintained its poverty incidence in three years at 31.3 percent. Samar's figure dropped to 30 percent from 32.2 percent

nor Ongchuan ensured that the program has adequate funding to help the province produce more doctors who will augment the delivery of healthcare services to the communities. (NORTH-ERN SAMAR PROVINCIAL **INFORMATION OFFICE)**

istered a higher incidence from 22.9 percent to 25.5 percent.

Northern Samar province is one of the most improved provinces as poverty incidence dropped to 23.1 percent from 30 percent three years earlier.

On the other hand, poverty incidence among families in Biliran increased to 22.4 percent from 18 percent.

incidence Poverty among families for Tacloban City, the lone highly urbanized city in the region, was recorded at 14.7 percent in the first semester of 2021, higher than the 13.1 percent recorded three years ago.

PSA came up with these figures from the Family Income and Expenditure Survey held every three years.

The study examines the family's income and capacity to buy basic food requirements based on the 100 percent adequacy for the Recommended Energy and Nutrient Intake, and 80 percent adequacy for other nutrients.

It also looks into the ability of families' income to provide basic non-food requirements such as clothing and footwear, housing, fuel, light, water, maintenance and minor repairs, healthcare, education, transportation and communication, furniture, household operations, and personal care. (SARWELL Q.MENIANO/PNA)

