



PGC Recognizes Top Performing offices and frontliners for outstanding public service in celebration of Ease of Doing Business Month

In line with Presidential Proclamation No. 818, declaring May as Ease of Doing Business (EODB) Month, the Provincial Government of Cavite (PGC) proudly honored its top-performing offices and frontliners for their exceptional commitment to fast, transparent, and people-first public service on May 19, 2025 at the Function Hall of the New Provincial Capitol Building in Trece Martires City.

Carrying the theme "From Red Tape to Red Carpet: Better Business Movement in a Bagong Pilipinas," this year's celebration is a testament to the dedication of individuals and departments who continuously transform challenges into innovative solutions and bureaucratic processes into efficient services. **PGC • 6**

Spike and Conquer: OPHO and OPHRMO reign supreme in PGC volleyball finals



The Provincial Government of Cavite's Sportsfest 2025 ignited the Provincial Gymnasium in Trece Martires City with electrifying volleyball matches, showcasing the athletic prowess and camaraderie of PGC employees. Commencing on February 25, 2025, the tournament culminated in thrilling victories and commendable performances across both men's and women's divisions. **SPIKE • 5**

DOST Region 1, PNRI Strengthen Local Capacities on Radiation Safety and Emergency Preparedness

The Department of Science and Technology Region 1 (DOST Region 1), in partnership with the DOST-Philippine Nuclear Research Institute (DOST-PNRI) and in coordination with the Provincial Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Offices (PDRRMO) in Region 1 hosted the Specialized Seminar on Radiation Safety and Nuclear Emergency Preparedness and Response on May 20, 2025, at the DOST-La Union Provincial Science and Technology Center in Sevilla, City of San Fernando, La Union.



The seminar gathered key stakeholders, including PDRRMOs, Local

Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Officers (LDRRMOs), Pro-

vincial and Municipal Health Office-La Union **DOST REGION 1 • 5**

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DTI, IPO PHL Champion MSME Empowerment and Agricultural Excellence at the 2025 Calauan Business Growth Summit

Calauan, Laguna— The 2025 Calauan Business Growth Summit, held 15 May 2025 at the Municipal Conference Hall in Brgy. Silangan, brought together local leaders, entrepreneurs, and government agencies in a powerful show of unity and support for the micro, small, and medium enterprise (MSME) sector. With the theme “Empowering Local Businesses for a Stronger Economy,” the summit underscored the vital role of MSMEs in driving inclusive growth and sustainable development in the region.



A key highlight of the event was the message delivered by DTI Regional Director Marissa C. Argente reaffirming the agency's commitment to uplifting local enterprises. The DTI emphasized its ongoing collaboration

with the local government of Calauan and other national agencies to create a thriving business environment for MSMEs.

The summit also spotlighted the success of local businesses, which

have benefited from access to broader markets and mentorship programs such as Kapatid Mentor Me and One Town, One Product (OTOP). These initiatives aim to build capacity, foster innovation, and ensure



long-term sustainability for MSMEs.

The summit featured messages from key government officials and representatives from development partners such as Mr. Joel Caalaman of IPO PHL who shared discussions on intellectual property and Geographical Indication (GI) opportunities, and the BPLO on the recognition of top business taxpayers further enriched the program.

At the heart of the Calauan Business Growth Summit 2025 was a renewed focus on leveraging local agricultural

strengths particularly the town's renowned pineapple industry. Experts and stakeholders agree on the potential of securing a Geographical Indication (GI) status for Calauan pineapples—a move that could elevate the fruit's market value, protect its unique identity and open new export opportunities. With its distinct sweetness, aroma and cultivation methods rooted in Calauan's rich soil and microclimate, the pineapple stands as a symbol of the town's agricultural heritage and economic promise.

In closing, the DTI en-

couraged MSMEs to continue their journey with courage and purpose: “You are not alone. The local government is with you—investing in your growth, opening doors to opportunity, and celebrating every milestone you achieve.”

The 2025 Calauan Business Growth Summit through the renewed leadership of Municipal Mayor Roseller G. Caratitan, stands as a testament to the power of collaboration in building a resilient and prosperous local economy. *(Tawingan TF, DTI Laguna PO)*

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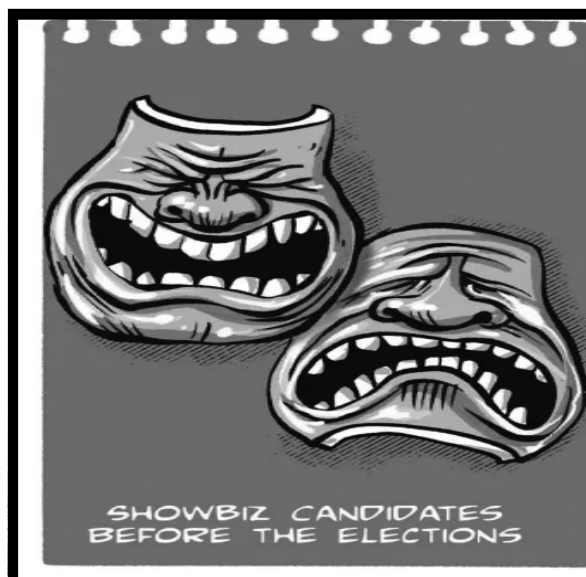
A refinement, not a silver bullet

WITH the midterm elections now behind us and a new legislature set to soon start its work, the lobbying for new measures that various interest groups believe are vital for the nation has begun in earnest. One such measure is the proposed 99-year Land Lease bill, which would raise the current limitation from the 25 years plus 25-year renewal imposed on foreign investors. While it is a proposal worth discussing and implementing in some form, it is not the key to unlocking Philippine competitiveness and, in fact, will be of little value unless other, more substantial reforms are passed.

The Federation of Filipino Chinese Chambers of Commerce and Industry Inc. (FFCCCII), which has recently installed a new president, Victor Lim, has taken the lead in pushing for that bill and made its case in a press release earlier this week. In its statement, the FFCCCII asserted: "This is not a mere policy change — it is a major strategic leap to position the Philippines as an exemplar of stability and innovation in [the] Asean and Asia, an ideal investment haven. We urge Congress to act swiftly; our economic future hinges on this decision. It will be good for foreign investments."

The FFCCCII went on to emphasize that other regional economies that have been more successful than the Philippines in attracting foreign investment all offer much longer land leases. "Singapore offers 99-year leases, attracting multinationals and fueling its rise as an international financial hub," the FFCCCII said. "Malaysia and Indonesia provide 99- and 95-year terms, respectively, drawing major advanced manufacturing and green energy projects. Hong Kong thrives on renewable 50-year leases, while China's Shenzhen City and other urban centers used similar policies to become tech and industrial titans."

Offering 99-year leases, putting the Philippines on par in this respect with our regional neighbors, will "signal long-term security" and boost the confidence of foreign investors, attracting more big-ticket industrial, energy and agricultural projects, creating jobs and accelerating economic growth. "Global capital waits for no one," the FFCCCII statement said. "As Asean rivals like Malaysia, Vietnam and



SHOWBIZ CANDIDATES BEFORE THE ELECTIONS



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Indonesia slash barriers, hesitation or any delay risks relegating the Philippines to irrelevance."

The "25+25" formula used here in the Philippines has occasionally created obstacles to development, and it is likely that it does discourage some prospective investors, particularly those in areas such as energy, where returns on investment take years to materialize. However, in terms of potential "deal-breakers" for foreign investors, there are several more substantial issues that must be addressed.

The inadequacy of basic utilities, particularly electricity supply and reliability, is perhaps the most critical and the main reason the Philippines has so far failed to attract large-scale manufacturing and investment in things such as data centers. We are still waiting for Congress to pass the long-promised Land Use Act; there is no point in leasing land for any length of time without the "long-term security" that would signal to investors. Along those lines, it is also clear that reforming laws and regulations governing property rights-of-way for projects is desperately needed.

Just as there are examples of successful economies where century-long property leases are possible, there are examples where the policy

has been problematic for the host country. For instance, Sri Lanka, Cambodia and Pakistan have been unable to reap significant economic benefits from various port, airport and industrial estate projects, and face the prospect of being weighed down with these white elephants for the next eight or nine decades before they can be developed into something more useful.

Tough sell

The FFCCCII has proposed a number of strong safeguards to protect our national interests and ensure that our limited land resources are used only for quality projects, but the 99-year lease proposal will be a tough sell; foreign ownership or control of Philippine land is a sensitive subject, and the idea is likely to meet with a great deal of resistance. A compromise may be the best way forward.

Even so, there are more fundamental reforms that are needed before the length of land leases for investors will be relevant. The FFCCCII proposal is a good starting point for discussion on one aspect of Philippine competitiveness, but that discussion needs to include other reforms as well.

BAKIT NGA BA TUMATABA ANG ISANG TAO?

Sa aking pag-uusap sa mga kaibigan, nalaman ko na marami ang may maling paniniwala tungkol sa dahilan ng pagtaba o pagiging overweight.

Tumataba tayo dahil SOBRA ang ating kinakain, at kulang ang ating ehersisyo. Dahil dito, nag-iipon ang taba sa ating katawan.

Alamin po natin kung ano pa ang tunay at ano ang maling akala:

1. Bakit lumalaki ang aking bilbil?

Sagot: Pag tayo ay nagkakaedad (lampas 30-40 years old), mas lumalaki ang bilbil dahil bumabagal ang ating metabolism (pag galaw ng organs ng katawan). Sa mga mas bata, kahit kumain sila ng marami ay hindi gaano tumataba dahil aktibo sila at mabilis pa ang kanilang metabolism.

2. Nakatataba ba ang pag-inom ng malamig na tubig?

Hindi po. Hindi nakatataba ang tubig, malamig man o mainit. Walang calories ang tubig. Hindi tunay na nakalalaki iyan ng bilbil. Sa katunayan ay nakapapayat ang tubig.

3. May inumin ba na nakakapayat?

Isa lang po ang nakakapayat. Ito ay ang tubig. Kaya umiwas sa lahat ng mga juices, iced tea at soft drinks. Nakatataba masyado ang mga juices tulad ng pineapple juice, energy drinks, at bottled teas.

4. Nakatataba ba ang pagtulog sa hapon?

Hindi nakatataba ang tulog. Puwede matulog sa hapon o sa gabi. Ang nakatataba ay ang pagkain ng sobra.

5. Tanong: Lumaki ang aking bilbil pagkapanganak. Puwede ba ako mag-ehersisyo?

Sa mga bagong panganak o bagong CS, magtanong muna sa inyong OB-gyne kung puwede

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na mag-ehersisyo. Kadalasan ay kailangang maghintay ng 6 linggo bago mag-umpisa ng magaan na ehersisyo (light exercise).

6. Puwede ba ang slimming tea o pills.

Hindi po maganda ang pag-inom ng slimming tea o pills. Karamihan dito ay may halong pampadumi (laxatives) at ika'y magtatae. Puwede kang maubusan ng sustansya sa katawan at bumagsak ang potassium sa dugo. May namamatay sa sobrang baba ng potassium. Puwedeng atakihin ng high blood at nerbiyos kapag uminom nito.

7. Puwede ba ako kumain ng prutas kahit gaano kadami?

Hindi po. Limitahan din ang pagkain ng prutas. Hindi ninyo alam pero nakatataba ang mangga, ubas, abocado at pineapple. Limitahan din ang pineapple juice (140 calories ang isang baso.) May fructose ang prutas na nakatataas din ng blood sugar at nakatataba kapag nasobrahan.

Sa bawat pagkain, isang pisngi lang ng mangga, o 10 na piraso ng ubas lang ang dapat. Ang mansanas at peras lang ang magandang pampapayat.

Tandaan, tubig lang ang dapat inumin. Bawasan ang dami ng pagkain. At ituloy lang ang ehersisyo. Good luck po.



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For: Extra-Judicial Foreclosure of
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3135 as amended by Act No. 4118

**SPS. ROMMEL E. JANASA and
ANNIELYN M. JANASA,**
Mortgagors.

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NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE

Upon extra-judicial petition for sale under Act No. 3135, as amended by Act No. 4118 filed by the petitioner/mortgagee, **PHILIPPINE NATIONAL BANK**, with postal address at PNB Financial Center, Pres. Diosdado P. Macapagal Boulevard, Pasay City against the debtor / mortgagor, **SPS. ROMMEL E. JANASA and ANNIELYN M. JANASA**, with postal address at NIA road, Brgy. Paliparan I, Dasmariñas City, Cavite; Blk. 6 Lot 27, Tierra Bonita, Brgy. Paliparan I, Dasmariñas City, Cavite; and for the satisfaction of the mortgaged debt which as of 28 February 2025 amounts to **FIVE MILLION EIGHTY THREE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED SEVENTY NINE PESOS & 88/100 (Php 5,083,879.88)**, exclusive of legal fees and expenses incidental to this foreclosure and sale, the undersigned Sheriff will sell at public auction on **July 18, 2025 at 10:00 o'clock in the morning** or soon thereafter at the Ground Floor, Dasmariñas Community Affairs (DASCA) Building, Congressional Road, Buro 2, Dasmariñas City, Province of Cavite to the highest bidder and for CASH or CERTIFIED CHECK, in Philippine Currency, the following described real property together with all the buildings and other improvements existing thereon, to wit:

**TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. 057-
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IT IS HEREBY CERTIFIED that certain land situated in Barangay of Paliparan, Municipality of Dasmariñas, Province of Cavite, Island of Luzon, bounded and described as follows: A parcel of land (Lot 27 Blk 6 of the cons./subd. plan PCS-04-017171, being a portion of Lots 6164-A to 6164-D, PSD-04-134552, (LRC) Rec. No. 8843), situated in the Brgy. of Paliparan, Mun. of Dasmariñas, Province of Cavite, Island of Luzon. Bounded on the SE., along line 1-2 by Road Lot 5; on the SW., along line 2-3 by Lot 26; on the NW., along line 3-4 by Lot 9; along line 4-5 by Lot 8; on the NE., along line 5-1 by Lot 28, all Blk. 6, all of the cons./subd. plan. Beginning at point marked "1" on plan being S. 09 Deg. 11'E., 2871.89 m. from MON. No. 163, Imus Estate; Thence N. 85 Deg. 39'W., 7.50 m. to point 2; thence N. 04 Deg. 21'E., 13.90 m. to point 3; thence S. 88 Deg. 46'E., 4.04 m. to point 4; thence S. 88 Deg. 46'E., 3.47 m. to point 5; thence S. 04 Deg. 21'W., 14.31 m. to the point of beginning, containing an area of **ONE HUNDRED SIX (106) SQ. METERS**. All points referred to are indicated on the plan and are marked on the ground by P.S. CYL. CONC. MONS 15x40 cm; Bearings true; Date of original survey July 27, 1905 – June 11, 1908 and that of the cons./subd. survey, July 10-12, 2001 and was approved Sept. 10, 2001.

Prospective buyers and/or bidders are hereby enjoined to investigate for themselves the title of the said real property and the encumbrance thereon, if there be any.

All sealed bids must be submitted to the undersigned on the above-stated time and date.

In the event the publication auction should not take place on the said date and time, it shall be held on **August 1, 2025** at the same time and place without further notice.

Dasmariñas City, Province of Cavite, May 8, 2025.

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representative, and members of the Regional Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Council 1 (RDRRMC 1), aiming to strengthen their capacities through essential knowledge on radiation hazards and emergency response strategies aligned with Republic Act 10121's decentralized DRRM framework.

In her opening message, DOST Region 1 Director Teresita A. Tabag, represented by Assistant Regional Director for Technical Operations Services Racquel M. Espiritu, underscored the significance of the initiative. "As we continue to strengthen our disaster preparedness programs, this initiative plays a vital role in supporting our national goals for a safe and secure nuclear energy program, while ensuring the safety and well-being of our communities."

DOST-La Union Provin-

cial Director Jonathan M. Viernes, represented by Engr. Bernadine P. Suniega, Supervising Science Research Specialist, welcomed the participants by highlighting the importance of their role: "Your presence shows your commitment to a safer and more prepared La Union. Sana ay maging makabuluhan, kapaki-pakinabang, at higit sa lahat, makapagbigay ng bagong kaalaman ang seminar na ito para sa ating lahat."

Experts from the Radiological Impact Assessment Section (RIAS) of DOST-PNRI's Nuclear Regulatory Division led the technical sessions. Ms. Jeana Lee P. Sablay, Section Head of RIAS, provided an overview of nuclear energy, safety and security arrangements, and the various applications of radiation technology in the Philippines, including its use in

medicine, agriculture, industry, and research. She also highlighted that a single uranium pellet can power an average household for about six months and noted how radiation has increased agricultural yields by up to 30% through DOST-PNRI's Carrageenan Plant Growth Promoter. Additionally, she discussed the network of radiation monitoring stations nationwide, which helps ensure public safety through real-time detection and assessment of radiological conditions.

Meanwhile, Mr. Christopher O. Mendoza, Senior Science Research Specialist, discussed the National Radiological Emergency Preparedness and Response Plan (RADPLAN), the official framework for managing radiation-related emergencies in the country. He detailed the types of radiological emergencies, the preparedness and response objectives, and the national coordination mechanisms under RADPLAN, which was

tested during major international incidents such as the 2011 Fukushima Dai-ichi nuclear power plant accident.

In his closing remarks, Mr. Michael John C. Maquiling, Supervising Science Research Specialist and DRRM Focal of DOST Region 1, expressed gratitude to all participants who joined the seminar on-site, via Zoom, and through Facebook Live, emphasizing the importance of sustained collaboration, particularly in the potential adoption of disaster risk reduction and management (DRRM) technologies by local government units across the region. The seminar concluded as a meaningful step toward building a safer and more prepared Region 1, reinforcing DOST Region 1's commitment to science-based governance and disaster resilience as the country progresses in its peaceful pursuit of nuclear energy. (**Christian Dominic I. Casimiro**)



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Demonstrating exceptional teamwork and strategic play, the Office of the Provincial Health Officer (OPHO) emerged as the champions in the men's division. Their journey to the top was marked by resilience and

skill, setting a high standard for future competitions. The Office of the Provincial Governor (OPG) secured the first runner-up position, followed closely by the Office of the Sangguniang Panlalawigan (OSP) as

second runner-up, and the Treasurer's Office clinching the third runner-up spot.

In the women's division, the Office of the Provincial Human Resource Management Officer (OPHRMO) showcased unparalleled determination and coordination, earning them the championship title. The OSP team displayed commendable effort, finishing as first runner-up, while OPHO and OPG secured the second and third runner-up positions, respectively.

Individual brilliance shone through as well, with Mr. Gabriel

Hernandez of OPHO being named the Most Valuable Player (MVP) in the men's division for his pivotal role in leading his team to victory. In the women's division, Ms. Ditas Matira of OPHRMO earned the MVP accolade, a testament to her exceptional performance and leadership on the court.

The PGC Sportsfest 2025 not only highlighted the athletic talents of its employees but also fostered a spirit of unity and sportsmanship, reinforcing the values that drive the Provincial Government of Cavite forward. (R. Dones)

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Governor Athena Bryana D. Tolentino personally led the recognition ceremony right after the PGC flag-raising ceremony. In her message, the Governor extended her heartfelt congratulations to all the awardees, expressing her delight that many employees have been recognized for their outstanding performance and dedication. She also emphasized that the core of public service lies in a unified mission – that is to serve for the betterment of fellow Caviteños and the province.

Leading the roster of recognized offices is the Office of the Provincial Veterinarian (OPV) with an impressive 2,584 commendations, a reflection of their unwavering dedication to animal welfare and public health. The Provincial Information and Communications Technology Office (PICTO) followed with 257 commendations, highlighting their crucial role in advancing digital governance and transparency.

The Office of the Provincial Governor (OPG) ranked third with 230 commendations, a nod to their continued efforts in steering impactful gover-

nance. Completing the Top 5 are Kawit Kalayaan Hospital, which garnered 70 commendations, and two offices tied in fifth place—Office of the Provincial Planning and Development Coordinator (OPPDC) and Doña Olivia Salamanca Memorial Hospital, each earned 15 commendations.

On the other hand, this year's most commended frontliners have demonstrated exemplary service and compassion, inspiring their peers across the provincial government. At the top of the list is Dr. Kristine Roraldo from the OPV with a remarkable 1,145 commendations, followed by Dr. Gladys Credo with 973 commendations, and Dr. Gerry Romen with 357 commendations, all of whom play critical roles in animal and public health services.

From PICTO, Mr. Frederick Sayoc and Ms. Maria Isidra Bergunder received 88 and 87 commendations, respectively, for their outstanding service in ensuring seamless digital solutions, while Ms. Diwani Durano (30 commendations) and Ms. Maria Arianna Camille Dela Cruz (29 commendations) were likewise recognized for

their dedicated support.

From OPG, Ms. Tricia May Lorio, Ms. Rachel Mae Morancil and Ms. Mary Joy Alano earned 48, 47 and 27 commendations, respectively, for their consistent delivery of responsive public service.

Awardees were identified based on the Client Satisfaction Survey Report for the year 2024 derived through the Client Feedback Mechanism of the PGC which covers 38 offices. Under the mechanism, the Customer Satisfaction Survey Form serves as a survey tool to appraise the services received by clients while Customer Commendation Form evaluates the personnel who rendered the service by providing specific commendation.

The feedback mechanism not only caters to commendation but also facilitates complaints, should there be any dissatisfaction emanating from the clients during their transaction in any office of the provincial government.

The recognition ceremony highlights the provincial government's ongoing mission to institutionalize ease of doing business, improve front-line services, and build a Bagong Pilipinas that prioritizes the welfare of every Caviteño. **(OPIO)**

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Awards, the Mobile Command and Control Vehicle (MOCCOV) Operations Olympics, E-Sports tournament, and the Hackathon.

There were also exhibits of AI, robotics and startup innovations, and cutting-edge advancements in water management, textiles, smart agriculture, and circular economy. These exhibits will serve as a platform to discuss details and commitment for possible transfer of technologies and commercialization.

Moreover, with the aim

to transform communities through active citizen-engagement, and to further promote the Smarter Philippines mission, the DOST Regional Office 2 is also set to secure its partnership with various government agencies, and academic institutions such as the Department of Human Settlement and Urban Development (DHSUD) Region 2, Commission on Higher Education (CHED), Philippine Chamber of Commerce and Industry (PCCI), Isabela State University (ISU), King

Mongkut's Institute of Technology Ladkrabang (KMITL) in Thailand and the Cauayan City LGU.

For the past two years, the iSCENE has become an opportunity to bring together government agencies, academe, industry players, and international partners for collaboration and knowledge-sharing to achieve smart, resilient, and sustainable communities.

To know more about the event, visit the official Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/iSCENE.PH> **(By Claire Bernadette A. Mondares, DOST-STII)**

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Since its inception in 2018, MPT South's Drayberks Road Safety Advocacy Program has pioneered efforts to cultivate responsible driving behaviors and elevate road safety awareness among Filipino drivers of all classifications. Targeting a broad spectrum, including public utility drivers, transport groups, logistics companies, and various mobility stakeholders, the program embodies a proactive approach. Recognizing drivers as central to road mobility and safety, Drayberks was thoughtfully designed as an ongoing, adaptive educational initiative. It transcends the limitations of a singular seminar, providing a continuous reinforcement of traffic discipline and awareness, effectively bridging the crucial gap between theoretical traffic regulations and their practical application in real-world scenarios.

The Drayberks Road Safety Advocacy program was lauded by the Stevie® Award committee for its innovative approach to public engagement and its demonstrable positive impact on commuter safety throughout Metro Manila and Southern Luzon.

Ms. Elnora D. Rumawak, Officer-in-charge of MPT South, expressed her profound gratitude, stating, "The Bronze Stevie® Award for our Drayberks Road Safety Campaign is a deeply cherished honor for the entire MPT South team. Our vision was

straightforward: to empower drivers to become safer and more informed road users. Through collaborative spirit, creative ingenuity, and unwavering dedication to our purpose, the Drayberks Campaign has evolved into a true advocacy. This recognition fuels our motivation to continue pushing the boundaries of innovation and to consistently deliver excellence for our nation and its people. Together, we aspire to even greater achievements in the future."

"The 12th Asia-Pacific Stevie Awards received an impressive array of outstanding entries,"

said Maggie Miller, President of the Stevie Awards. "This year's winners have clearly shown their dedication to innovation, and we commend their resilience and imaginative efforts."

About MPT South

MPT South is a subsidiary of Metro Pacific Tollways Corporation (MPTC), the infrastructure arm of Metro Pacific Investments Corporation (MPIC). Beyond its management of the CALAX and CAVITEX networks, MPTC's domestic portfolio encompasses concessions for the North Luzon Expressway (NLEX), the NLEX Connector Road, the Subic-Clark-Tarlac Expressway (SCTEX), and the Cebu-Cordova Link Expressway (CCLEX) in Cebu.

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MAGLIBANG TAYO

KAPALARAN

ARIES (Mar. 21-Apr. 19) - Huwag mong intindihi ang mga nangyayari ngayon, bagkus tutukan mo ang hinaharap. Masuwerteng kulay-black. Tips sa lotto-4-12-19-23-39-41.

TAURUS (Apr. 20-May 20) - Binibigyan tayo ng tuhod upang makatayo. Kaya naman ang mga kabiguan ay pansamantala lamang. Ito ang mensahe para sa iyo. Masuwerteng kulay-violet. Tips sa lotto-3-11-18-25-34-46.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) - Nakakatuwa ang mangyayari sa iyo, dahil kulang pa ngayon ang kakayahan mo para humawak ng mga tao, pero ito mismo ang magiging papel mo. Masuwerteng kulay-peach. Tips sa lotto-2-15-17-26-39-43.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) - Mananatiling malakas ang karisma mo. Kung gagamitin mo ito, mabilis kang aasenso. Kaya ano pa ang hinihintay mo? Gamitin mo na ito ngayon! Masuwerteng kulay-red. Tips sa lotto-7-14-16-20-24-35.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) - Kahit malakas ang isang tao, manghihina pa rin ito kung pakikikingan niya ang kanyang damdamin. Masuwerteng kulay-mocha brown. Tips sa lotto-19-22-24-28-30-36.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) - Muling ibabalik sa iyo ng langit ang pagkakataong humawak ng mga tao. Ito ang mensahe ng iyong kapalaran ngayon. Masuwerteng kulay-white. Tips sa lotto-5-18-26-31-37-41.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) - Gamitin mo ang ganda mo para mabilis kang umasenso. Hindi para sa iyo ang payo na ang kagandahan ay para lang sa larangan ng pakikipagrelasyon. Masuwerteng kulay-green. Tips sa lotto-6-17-20-25-39-44.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) - Huwag kang magugulat kung ang mga taong tinutulungan mo ang makakahawak ng mataas na ranggo. Kumbaga, ngayon lang sila mahina, at darating ang panahon na hindi na sila muli pang aasa sa iba. Masuwerteng kulay-yellow. Tips sa lotto-9-15-24-30-35-41.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) - Napansin mo ba na muli kang lumigaya? Ito'y dahil sa muli mo nang nakausap ang taong dati pa nagbibigay sa iyo ng kasiyahan. Masuwerteng kulay-purple. Tips sa lotto-7-10-13-18-22-31.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) - Huwag kang magduda sa sarili mong kakayahan, sobra na ito upang umasenso ka. Ang kailangan mo na lang gawin ngayon ay talunin ang iyong pagiging mahiyain. Masuwerteng kulay-pink. Tips sa lotto-3-14-27-29-32-45.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) - Nakakapagtaka ang kapalaran mo dahil lagi kang mapapalapit sa mga taong may kaya at may mataas na posisyon o ranggo sa buhay. Masuwerteng kulay-beige. Tips sa lotto-9-15-16-21-25-33.

PISCES (Feb. 19-Mar. 20) - Suwerte ka ngayon! Alam mo kung sino naman ang mamalasin? Sino pa nga ba, eh 'di'yung mga kontra nang kontra sa mga kagustuhan mo! Masuwerteng kulay-blue. Tips sa lotto-5-18-22-28-38-42.

SUDOKU

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	2		5					8
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1	9	7				4	5	
8				1			6	
	4							
	7			5	2	9	8	
4		9			6			
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5	9	8	1	6	7	2	3	4
3	2	6	5	4	8	7	1	9
4	7	1	2	3	9	6	5	8
8	5	4	6	2	1	9	7	3
7	6	3	9	8	4	5	2	1
9	1	2	3	7	5	8	4	6
6	3	5	4	9	2	1	8	7
1	4	7	8	5	6	3	9	2
2	8	9	7	1	3	4	6	5

HOW TO PLAY: Sudoku puzzle is made up of a 9-by-9 grid with nine 3-by-3 sub-grids called boxes. There are 9 rows, 9 columns and 9 boxes in every puzzle. The object of the game is to fill all squares in the grid with the correct number.

The rules are: • Every row, column and box must contain all the digits 1 to 9.

• Each number can only appear once in every row, column or box.

• Every puzzle has only one correct solution!

Did You Know?



DID YOU KNOW THE MISSISSIPPI RIVER INSPIRED A PAINTING?

Speaking of long, the Mississippi River inspired one of the longest paintings in the world. Panorama of the Mississippi, by 19th-century American artist John Banvard, was 1,200 feet long. Unfortunately, after his death, Banvard's famous panorama may have been cut up for theatre backdrops. Check out these secret messages hidden in famous paintings.

WORD HUNT

Maths Terms 1

F	T	D	C	R	E	B	M	U	N	N	E	V	E
E	R	M	U	A	A	R	D	O	A	E	R	D	R
D	I	E	B	A	M	E	I	N	T	D	N	E	U
E	P	D	E	F	C	T	A	L	U	M	R	O	F
N	L	I	A	C	C	U	R	A	C	Y	F	R	N
O	E	A	M	A	D	A	T	H	A	L	F	E	A
M	S	N	R	D	O	U	B	L	E	R	G	B	L
I	B	F	R	T	E	M	I	R	P	A	O	M	C
N	U	M	E	R	A	T	O	R	T	P	N	U	F
A	A	E	A	N	A	E	M	I	I	P	C	N	A
T	E	R	A	U	Q	S	V	M	U	E	A	D	C
O	Y	D	I	F	F	E	R	E	N	C	E	D	T
R	E	L	P	U	R	D	A	U	Q	I	A	O	O
T	N	E	M	E	R	U	S	A	E	M	F	B	R

FRACTION
NEGATIVE
NUMERATOR
FORMULA
MEAN
FACTOR
DOUBLE
QUADRUPLE
MEDIAN
DENOMINATOR
MEASUREMENT
ODD NUMBER
TRIPLE
DIFFERENCE
ACCURACY
CUBE
SQUARE
EVEN NUMBER
PRIME
HALFE

DOST to hold 3rd international smart city expo in Isabela

The Department of Science and Technology (DOST), in partnership with the local government unit of Cauayan City Isabela (ISU) is set to hold the 3rd International Smart City Exposition and Networking Engagement (iSCENE) on May 22-24, 2025, at the Isabela Convention Center, Cauayan City.



One of the most anticipated parts of the 3rd International Smart City Exposition and Networking Engagement (iSCENE) is the awarding of the Philippines Smart and Sustainable Communities. The Philippine SSC Award is a prestigious recognition given to outstanding local government units that champion smart and sustainable initiatives in their localities. (Photo credits to <https://iscene.ph/>).

Cauayan City, Isabela is the first smart city in the Philippines, designated by the DOST in 2025. The city has implemented various digital solutions to improve network and services such as the installment of free WiFi in its 65 barangays.

With the theme, “Empowering Smart and Sustainable Communities through Government-Academe-Industry Collaboration,” the three-day event will showcase a wide range of activities including talks on the application of artificial intel-

ligence (AI) in disaster management, smart cities and communities, and in mobility and smart transportation.

Also, some of the highlights of the event will be the Philippine Smart and Sustainable Cities

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MPT SOUTH GARNERS PRESTIGIOUS STEVIE® AWARD FOR DRAYBERKS ROAD SAFETY ADVOCACY

Seoul, South Korea – May 13, 2025 – MPT South gained recognition as a Bronze Stevie® Award winner in the Innovation in Communications/ Public Relations category, for its impactful Drayberks Road Safety Advocacy Campaign at the prestigious 12th annual Asia-Pacific Stevie Awards held in Seoul, South Korea. This esteemed accolade marks a significant milestone for MPT South, representing its inaugural Stevie® Award and underscoring the company's growing influence and commitment to exemplary advocacy initiatives such as the Drayberks Road Safety Program.



MPT South receives the prestigious Bronze Stevie® Award in Seoul, South Korea

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