



TOP MANAGEMENT REVIEW

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NEW PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT CENTER, TRECE MARTIRES CITY

The Provincial Government of Cavite successfully conducted its Top Management Review (TMR) to assess the effectiveness and continual improvement of its Quality Management System (QMS), bringing together department heads, unit heads, and representatives from various offices on June 16 at the New Provincial Government Center in Trece Martires City.

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BIR opens one-time tax amnesty for micro taxpayers

MANILA – The Bureau of Internal Revenue (BIR) issued a revenue regulation on Monday, allowing micro taxpayers to avail of a one-time abatement program to help them settle outstanding tax liabilities.

Revenue Regulations No. 4-2026 prescribes the guidelines and procedures for the availment of a one-time abatement of taxes and/or penalties for qualified micro taxpayers with delinquent accounts, assessments, and open stop-filer cases.

The program covers micro taxpayers whose gross sales for the year do not exceed PHP3 million and whose covered total basic tax liabilities and/or penalties do not exceed PHP80,000 for a taxable year.

Eligible cases include delinquent accounts and assessments, whether preliminary or final and whether disputed or not, as well **BIR OPENS • 4**



Newly hired, promoted, and transferred PGC employees attend SPMS Orientation



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NEW PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT CENTER, TRECE MARTIRES CITY

To strengthen employees' understanding of performance management and accountability in public service, the Provincial Government of Cavite (PGC), through its Performance Management Team (PMT), conducted the Strategic Performance Management System (SPMS) Orientation for newly hired, promoted, and transferred employees on June 17, at the OPE Conference Room, New Provincial Government Center, Trece Martires City.

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Filipino-Chinese Groups Unite to Deliver P11 Million in Earthquake Assistance

MANILA, Philippines — June 19, 2026 — The Filipino-Chinese community, led by the Federation of Filipino-Chinese Chambers of Commerce and Industry, Inc. (FFCCCI) and the Filipino at Tsino Magkaibigan Foundation, has committed P11 million in emergency relief and rehabilitation assistance for communities devastated by the magnitude 7.8 earthquake that struck Mindanao on June 8, 2026.



Speaking during a press conference at the Federation Center in Binondo, Manila, FFCCCI President Victor Lim announced the community's immediate mobilization to support thousands of affected families, particularly in

General Santos City and nearby areas.

"The Federation and the entire Filipino-Chinese community are deeply saddened by the devastation caused by this tragedy," Lim said. "Our hearts go out to the families who have lost

loved ones, homes, livelihoods, and sources of income. Nakikiramay po kami."

Immediately after the earthquake, FFCCCI's Regional Executive Director for Southern Mindanao, together with

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DOST-Batangas, DigiPlus Foundation explore partnership to expand STARBOOKS access in Batangas

The Department of Science and Technology (DOST)-Batangas engaged in a virtual meeting with DigiPlus Foundation Inc. to explore a possible partnership aimed at expanding access to science, technology, and innovation learning resources through the deployment of Science and Technology Academic and Research-Based Openly Operated Kiosks (STARBOOKS) units in the province, on June 11, 2026.

The discussion focused on the potential sponsorship and rollout of STARBOOKS, Philippine's first digital library that provides offline access to thousands of science and technology resources, to selected schools and communities in Batangas. The initiative seeks to strengthen access to quality learning materials, particularly in areas with limited or inconsistent internet connectivity.

Mr. Neil Don Orillaneda, Senior Program Manager for Education and Livelihood of DigiPlus Foundation, represented the foundation during the meeting and discussed their interest in supporting education-focused initiatives that promote digital learning and community development.

Representing DOST-Batangas were Mr. John Maico M. Hernandez, Senior Science Research Specialist, together with Ms. Renalee L. Reyes and Mr. Cedric L. Rodriguez, both Science Research Specialist II.

During the discussion, DOST-Batangas presented the STARBOOKS program as a strategic tool for improving access to science and technology information, especially for students, teachers, and learners in underserved communities. The office also emphasized the importance of expanding deployment sites across the province to maximize the program's reach and impact.

The meeting also explored possible areas of collaboration, including identification of priority beneficiary schools, coordination with local stakeholders, and mechanisms for sustaining and monitoring the utilization of STARBOOKS units once deployed.

DigiPlus Foundation expressed openness to supporting initiatives that align with its education and livelihood advocacy, particularly programs that promote digital inclusion and improve learning opportunities for Filipino youth.

Through the potential partnership, both parties aim to strengthen science and technology education in Batangas by bringing accessible, technology-enabled learning resources closer to communities.

DOST-Batangas underscored that expanding STARBOOKS deployment supports its continuing mission to democratize access to science and technology knowledge, empower learners, and contribute to building a more innovation-ready and knowledge-driven province. **(By John Maico M. Hernandez)**

On the reported attempt on the life of broadcaster Jay Lavapie

The Presidential Task Force on Media Security expresses deep concern over the reported attempt on the life of radio broadcaster Jay Lavapie in Barangay Cagay, Roxas City, at about 5 a.m. on Monday, June 22.

This incident highlights the urgent need to protect journalists, who play an important role in informing the public and upholding democracy.

The PTFOMS and the Philippine National Police Media Vanguard are currently conducting an investigation to thoroughly examine this cowardly act and ensure that justice is served.

PBGen Randolph Tuano, Regional Police Office 6 Director, has directed PNP units to take immediate action and to give utmost importance to the case.

Lavapie survived the ambush while driving

along a national highway in Barangay Cagay on his way to his radio station. At least two motorcycle-riding suspects reportedly blocked his vehicle and shot at the broadcaster. Authorities later recovered four spent shells at the scene of the incident.

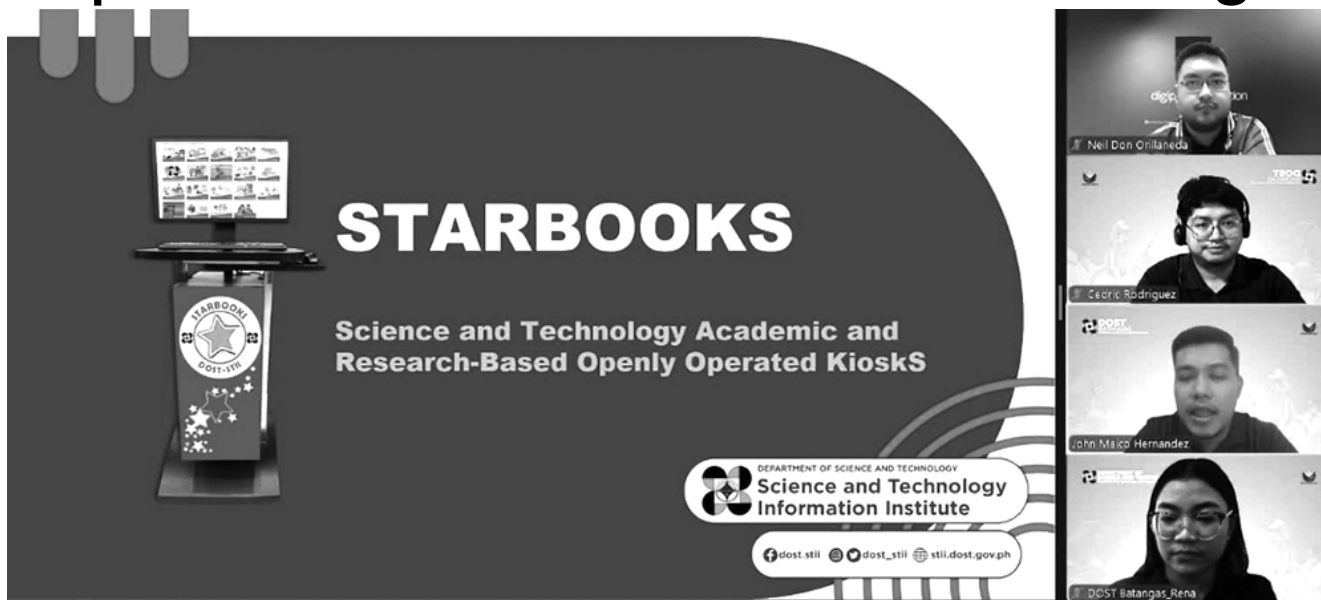
We condemn all acts of violence and intimidation against journalists and assert that such actions have no place in a democratic society.

We stand in solidarity with Mr. Lavapie and all media professionals, reaffirming our commitment to safeguarding their rights and security. The freedom of the press is

essential to our democracy, and we will continue to advocate for measures that protect those who strive to uphold this freedom every day.

We encourage media organizations, civil society, and the government to collaborate actively to enhance the security of journalists. Together, we can foster an environment where media professionals can operate without fear, ensuring the critical flow of information that is vital to our society.

Let us unite in supporting those who dedicate their lives to keeping the public informed.



DTI Laguna Promotes Financial Literacy Among Excelitas Technologies Employees

CABUYAO CITY, Laguna — The Department of Trade and Industry – Laguna Provincial Office (DTI Laguna) strengthened financial capability among employees of Excelitas Technologies through a Financial Literacy Seminar conducted on June 15, 2026 as part of the company's Learning Workweek Celebration 2026.



Held at the Collaboration Room, Amphere Street, LISP I, Cabuyao, Laguna, the seminar was delivered through a hybrid setup via Zoom to accommodate both on-site and work-from-home employees.

The activity provided participants with practical knowledge on budgeting, saving, expense tracking, debt management, and basic financial planning. It also highlighted the importance of responsible financial management in building long-term financial stability and

preparing individuals for future opportunities.

"Building financial capability among workers goes beyond managing income—it also helps them make sound financial decisions, prepare for future opportunities, and explore possible pathways toward entrepreneurship," said DTI Laguna Provincial Director Christian Ted O. Tungohan.

The activity also highlighted the participation of employees with diverse financial goals, including individuals planning to start their own businesses and those al-

ready managing small entrepreneurial ventures.

This created an engaging learning environment where participants connected financial concepts with real-life income management and business operations.

Through initiatives such as this, DTI Laguna continues to promote financial empowerment and workforce development as part of its commitment to inclusive and sustainable economic growth. **(CMEAlvarez, DTI Laguna)**

Editorial

Filipino students need a digital detox

TODAY, smartphones have become extensions of our hands and the internet serves as the primary source of information. It's also a time when our education system stands at a crossroads. Should we embrace this digital revolution wholeheartedly, or is it time to reconsider the fundamental ways our students learn, think and express themselves? The answer lies not in complete rejection of technology, but in finding the right balance. We need to give priority again to deep learning, critical thinking and genuine human connection over digital convenience.

Research consistently shows that handwriting engages different neural pathways than typing, leading to better retention and comprehension. When students write by hand, they process information more deeply. They also make connections that typing on a keyboard simply cannot replicate. The physical act of forming letters forces the brain to slow down. This makes the brain think more carefully about word choice and organize thoughts in a more coherent fashion.

Moreover, cursive writing develops fine motor skills and enhances cognitive development in ways that digital typing cannot match. Students who learn cursive demonstrate improved reading skills, better spelling and enhanced creative thinking abilities. In our rush to digitize everything, we risk losing these fundamental cognitive benefits that have served humanity well for centuries.

Finland, consistently ranked among the world's top education systems, provides compelling evidence for analog learning methods. Finnish schools limit screen time for young students, emphasizing handwriting, physical books, and face-to-face interaction. Students don't encounter digital devices in classrooms until age seven. This allows for crucial foundational skills to develop naturally. This approach has contributed to Finland's exceptional reading comprehension scores and creative problem-solving abilities.

France took a bold step in 2018 by banning smartphones in schools for students under 15. The results have been remarkable: improved attention spans, better social interaction among students, and enhanced academic performance. Teachers report that students are now more engaged in classroom discussions and demonstrate improved ability to focus on complex tasks without the constant distraction of notifications.

In Japan, the concept of "shinise" (traditional craftsmanship) extends to education. Many schools still require students to practice calligraphy and maintain handwritten journals. This prac-



tice develops patience, attention to detail, and aesthetic appreciation — qualities that digital natives lack. Japanese students outperform their peers in international assessments. Partly, this is attributed to their balanced approach to traditional and modern learning methods.

South Korea, despite being one of the world's most connected societies, has implemented "digital detox" periods in schools. Students surrender their devices during study hours, focusing on handwritten notes and printed materials. This practice has led to improved test scores and reduced anxiety levels.

For Filipino students, the benefits of returning to analog methods could be transformative. Our education system has struggled with reading comprehension and critical-thinking skills. The instant gratification culture fostered by smartphones and social media worsens these challenges. They breed students who expect immediate answers without developing the patience for analysis.

Handwriting and reading printed materials force students to slow down and engage more thoughtfully with content. This is particularly important for Filipino students learning English as a second language, where the physical act of writing helps reinforce proper spelling, grammar, and sentence structure. Furthermore, not all students have equal access to digital devices and reliable internet. We can level the playing field by emphasizing traditional learning methods.

Rather than implementing a complete digital ban, our schools should consider a phased approach. Elementary students could focus on handwriting, cursive practice and printed reading materials, with limited technology use. Middle and senior high-school students could incorporate digital tools while maintaining strong foundations in traditional learning methods.

Schools should designate "analog hours" where devices are put away, and students engage with physical books, handwritten assignments, and face-to-face discussions. Assessment methods should include handwritten exams that test not just knowledge but also the ability to organize thoughts without digital help.

The goal is not to reject progress but to ensure that technological advancement doesn't come at the expense of human capacities. By learning from international best practices and adapting them to Philippine contexts, we can create an education system that produces not just digitally literate students, but also thoughtful and educated human beings.

The pen may seem mightier than the keyboard, but wisdom lies in knowing when to use each tool effectively. Our students deserve an education that prepares them for the digital future. But they also need to be trained in deep thinking, clear communication, and meaningful human interaction.

Alamin Ang Mas Masustansya

Magbibigay po ako ng dalawang pagkain, at piliin ninyo kung ano ang mas masustansya? Mahuhulaan mo ba ang tamang sagot?

- Sabaw o ensalada. Ang ensalada ay may kasamang gulay at kamatis na mas masustansya kumpara sa pangkaraniwang sopas. Tandaan lamang na gumamit ng light dressing o suka para sa inyong salad. Huwag punuin ng Thousand Island sauce o Caesar's salad sauce ang inyong ensalada para hindi makataba. Mataas din sa healthy fiber ang salad. Winner: Salad.

- Dried fruits o fresh fruits. Ang dried fruits tulad ng raisins, dried mangoes at preserved fruits ay mga prutas na tinanggalan ng tubig ang laman. Kaya lang, mataas sa asukal at calories ang mga dried fruits. Ang mga sariwang prutas naman ay may taglay na 80% na tubig at kumpleto pa ito sa bitamina at nutrisyon. Kung tayo ay papipiliin, mas masustansya ang presko na prutas. Winner: Fresh fruits.

- Shrimp crackers (kropeck) o nilagang mani. Ang mani ay sadyang masustansya, dahil punong-puno ito ng protina, minerals at fats. Huwag mag-alala dahil ang taba na taglay ng mani ay mga good fats na kung tawagin ay monounsaturated at polyunsaturated. Bukod dito, pinapababa din ng mani ang iyong bad cholesterol at may vitamin E pa ang mani. Ang kropeck naman ay gawa lang sa harina at mantika. Winner: Nilagang mani.

- White wine o red wine. Ang red wine ay may resveratrol at iba pang phytochemicals, na matatagpuan sa ubas. Ang mga kemikal na ito ay nagpapataas ng ating good cholesterol at pinapababa

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naman ang ating bad cholesterol. May pag-aaral na nagsasabi na baka makatulong din ang resveratrol laban sa kanser at para humaba ang ating buhay. Isang paalala lang: Para sa mga kalalakihan, huwag sosobra sa 2 wine glass ang inumin bawat araw. Para sa kababaihan, huwag sosobra sa 1 wine glass bawat araw. Ito'y dahil mas madali malasing ang kababaihan kaysa sa kalalakihan. Ngunit kung hindi naman kayo umiinom ng alak ay puwedeng huwag na lang umpisahan. Kumain na lang ng pulang ubas na may katumbas na benepisyo tulad ng red wine. Winner: Red wine.

- Saging (latundan variety) o Saging (lakatan variety). Ang saging ay mayaman sa potassium, vitamin B, tryptophan at carbohydrates. Kailangan kumain ng 2 saging bawat araw para sa ating puso. Pero anong klaseng saging ang dapat kainin? Ang lakatan na saging (madilaw, makapal ang balat at mas mahal) ay mas mataas sa vitamin C kumpara sa saging na latundan (maputi, manipis ang balat at mas mura) na walang vitamin C. Kaya mas maasim ang lasa ng lakatan na saging at mas masustansya ito. Winner: saging na lakatan.

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BIR opens

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as open stop-filer cases, including those involving taxpayers who have already ceased business operations.

Covered liabilities must pertain to cases existing as of Dec. 31, 2025.

Qualified applicants may avail of the program until Dec. 31, 2026.

They should file an application for abatement with the Revenue District Office having jurisdiction over them and pay a one-time abatement fee of PHP5,000 for each approved application.

Upon compliance, the concerned Revenue District Office shall issue a Certificate of Availment evidencing that the taxpayer availed of the program and the covered case has been closed.

In a statement, BIR Commissioner Charlito

Martin Mendoza said the measure is in line with President Ferdinand R. Marcos Jr.'s directive to ease compliance and make government services more accessible to the public.

"This is an opportunity to start with a clean slate. If you are a micro taxpayer with old tax obligations, delinquent accounts, assessments, or stop-filer cases, I encourage you to avail of this program. It is meant to help you settle past obligations without a heavy financial burden, update your records, and move forward as a compliant taxpayer," Mendoza said.

"Many micro taxpayers have already stopped operating but continue to carry unresolved tax obligations or inactive registrations. We have already simplified the process of properly closing a business, and this one-time abatement program complements it by easing the financial burden of settling old tax liabilities for our micro taxpayers. Together, these reforms make it easier to close lingering cases, put their records in order, and move forward."

Finance Secretary Frederick Go, for his part, said the program is part of the government's move to further ease doing business in the country.

"We aim to create a more taxpayer-friendly and business-friendly environment while helping micro businesses resolve lingering tax issues and maintain good compliance practices. By helping micro taxpayers resolve old liabilities and update their records, we are removing barriers to compliance and encouraging greater participation in the formal economy," Go said. **(PNA)**

Filipino-Chinese

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the South Cotabato Filipino-Chinese Chamber of Commerce, coordinated with the Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD) and local government authorities to assess the extent of the damage and identify urgent community needs.

Initial reports indicate that approximately 2,000 families in General Santos City have been affected, with assessments continuing in other impacted areas.

Recognizing the urgency of the situation, Lim convened an emergency meeting of leaders of the Filipino at Tsino Magkaibigan Foundation, an umbrella coalition of the 30 largest Filipino-Chinese civic, cultural, and business federations spearheaded by FFCCCII.

The coalition immediately approved P6 million for emergency relief operations. Of this amount, P1 million was immediately released through the South Cotabato Filipino-Chinese Chamber of Commerce to prepare and distribute relief packs for approximately 2,000 affected families.

Each relief package, valued at approximately P500, contains essential items including five kilograms of rice, canned sardines, noodles, instant coffee, and ten liters of drinking water.

In addition to food assistance, the Filipino-Chinese community is donating 4,000 galvanized iron roofing sheets to help displaced families repair damaged homes and begin rebuilding their lives.

"Our local chamber will continue to closely monitor developments on the ground and coordinate with government agencies to identify communities that may require additional assistance in

the coming weeks," Lim said.

Beyond immediate relief efforts, FFCCCII has earmarked an additional P5 million from its Welfare Fund for the possible repair and rehabilitation of public school buildings damaged by the earthquake, particularly those constructed under its long-running Operation: Barrio Schools program.

The combined emergency and rehabilitation commitment brings the total assistance package to P11 million.

Lim emphasized that helping fellow Filipinos during times of crisis has long been a core tradition of the Filipino-Chinese community.

"For centuries, the Filipino-Chinese community has stood side by side with our fellow Filipinos during times of calamity, crisis, and hardship. We believe that helping others is not merely an obligation—it is a moral responsibility and a shared expression of our gratitude to the nation we proudly call home," he said.

He also expressed gratitude to the 30 member organizations of the Filipino at Tsino Magkaibigan Foundation whose generosity and cooperation made the relief effort possible.

The FFCCCII President called on Filipino-Chinese communities nationwide, member chambers, civic organizations, businesses, and private citizens to continue extending assistance to affected communities and support efforts to restore local economies in Mindanao.

"No act of kindness is too small when people are in need," Lim said. "The road to recovery may be long, but the resilience, courage, faith, and bayanihan spirit of the Filipino people remain stronger than any

earthquake."

The press conference coincided with the observance of the Dragon Boat Festival, one of the most important celebrations in Chinese culture. Lim noted that the festival honors Qu Yuan, a poet, patriot, and principled statesman whose devotion to public service continues to inspire generations.

"As we commemorate the Dragon Boat Festival—a celebration of patriotism, solidarity, and service to others—may we be reminded that our greatest strength lies in our unity and compassion for one another," Lim said.

"Sa panahon ng pagsubok, mas lalo tayong dapat magkaisa. Sa panahon ng pagdurusa, mas lalo tayong dapat magmalasakit. At sa panahon ng pagbangon, dapat tayong magtulungan upang walang maiwan."

About FFCCCII
The Federation of Filipino-Chinese Chambers of Commerce and Industry, Inc. (FFCCCII) is the national federation of 170 Filipino-Chinese chambers of commerce and trade organizations throughout the Philippines. It champions business development, economic growth, and civic initiatives that promote a globally competitive, sustainable, and inclusive Philippine economy.

About the Filipino at Tsino Magkaibigan Foundation

The Filipino at Tsino Magkaibigan Foundation is an umbrella coalition of the 30 largest Filipino-Chinese civic, cultural, and business federations led by FFCCCII. The foundation undertakes disaster response, humanitarian assistance, educational support, health initiatives, and various socio-civic programs that contribute to national development and social progress.

Newly hired

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The orientation aimed to equip employees with the necessary knowledge and skills in the implementation of the Strategic Performance Management System (SPMS), a performance evaluation mechanism that aligns individual employee targets with organizational goals and priorities. The activity served as an avenue for employees to better understand their roles in achieving the provincial government's commitment to quality service and organizational excellence.

Serving as resource speakers during the orientation were Mr. Mark Lester Carada, Ms. Claudette Trixia Flores, and Ms. Angelica Joy Balangit, who discussed the key components and processes of the SPMS. Their presentations covered performance planning and commitment, target setting, monitoring and coaching, performance review and evaluation, as well as the preparation and submission of performance commitment and review forms. The speakers also emphasized the importance of setting measurable targets and documenting accomplishments to ensure a fair and objective assessment of employee performance.

Participants were given the opportunity to clarify concerns and gain practical insights on the implementation of the system, enabling them to better understand their responsibilities and contributions to the achievement of the Provincial Government's strategic goals.

The activity builds upon the provincial government's continuing efforts to strengthen its performance management system. — **OPIO**



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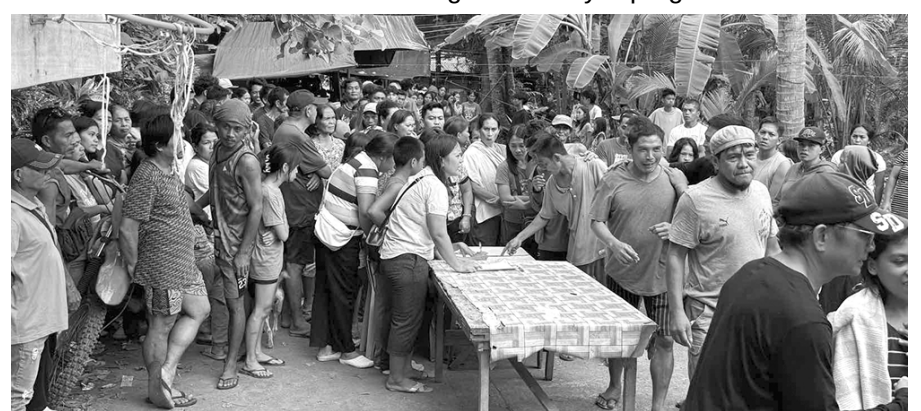
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Through interactive exhibits, competitions, and learning sessions, the event demonstrated how innovation is transforming passion into careers, businesses, and economic opportunities.

In his keynote message, DOST Secretary Renato U. Solidum Jr. emphasized the Department's commitment to strengthening the country's game development ecosystem through science, technology, and innovation. He underscored that gaming and esports have evolved beyond entertainment, becoming dynamic industries that generate employment, encourage entrepreneurship, and provide platforms for Filipinos to showcase their creativity, technical expertise, and culture to the global community. Through DOST's Esports and Game Development

Program and its continued investments in the creative sector, the Department aims to cultivate a highly skilled workforce, support technology-driven enterprises, and create more opportunities for Filipino innovators and creators.

Among the festival highlights was the Game Dev Challenge Regional Winners Showcase, where aspiring Filipino game developers presented original games that reflected both technical excellence and creative storytelling. Visitors also explored the 3D Printing and Prototyping Area, which featured digital fabrication technologies that support game development, product design, and innovation. Meanwhile, the Esports Game Dev Lounge provided participants with hands-on experiences and demon-

strations on how science and technology are enhancing esports, game development, and digital skills education in the country.

The festival also served as a venue for collaboration among government agencies, educational institutions, industry leaders, and aspiring developers, fostering discussions on innovation, talent development, and the future of the Philippine digital economy.

By connecting emerging creators with experts and technology enablers, ALT + TAB Festival 2026 reinforced the importance of investing in Filipino talent and home-grown innovations.

Concluding on 21 June 2026, the ALT + TAB Festival showcased the country's growing potential in game development, esports, and the broader creative technology sector. The event reaffirmed DOST's commitment to empowering



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Filipino innovators through science, technology, and innovation, advancing its vision of

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ng ating mga benepisyaryo (Buying needed medicines and other medical supplies will be made easier for our beneficiaries)," DSWD spokesperson Irene Dumlaog said on Sunday.

She said the DSWD continues to strengthen its partnerships with private institutions to make social protection services more accessible, efficient, and responsive to the needs of vulnerable sectors.

For the list of Mercury

Drug participating branches, the public may visit <https://shorturl.at/VdHun>.

The department earlier also forged a similar arrangement with Generika Drugstore.

To date, guarantee letters are accepted in 38 Generika Drugstore branches nationwide.

Besides Generika and Mercury Drug, the DSWD is working with other pharmaceutical firms for a similar arrangement.

To determine if a pharmacy accepts

DSWD-issued GLs, clients should look for the "DSWD Guarantee Letter is accepted here" sign on the premises.

Clients may visit <https://drive.google.com/file/d/1f0f4FYpdGPPwIT0tpnChCFhv7aYUzUGo/view> for the complete list of participating Generika Drugstore outlets accepting GLs.

Dumlaog said the resumption is in line with the directives of President Ferdinand R. Marcos Jr. to make government assistance more accessible and responsive to the immediate needs of Filipinos. **(PNA)**

Top Management

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Provincial Administrator, Engr. Gilbert V. Gandia welcomed the participants and emphasized the significance of the Top Management Review as a strategic platform for evaluating the organization's QMS performance and identifying opportunities for enhancement. He encouraged active participation from all attendees in strengthening the delivery of government services.

Governor Francisco Gabriel "Abeng" Remulla likewise conveyed his message, highlighting the provincial government's commitment to quality governance, innovation, and excellence in public service. He acknowledged the collective ef-

forts of all offices, particularly the Cavite Quality Management Office, in sustaining and improving the Quality Management System.

The review proper was facilitated by Ms. Michelle Alcid, Quality Management Representative, and attended by thirty-five (35) department heads, unit heads, and office representatives.

Key agenda items included the approval of the minutes of the previous Top Management Review, matters arising and follow-up actions, results of the Recertification Audit, committee reports, performance evaluation of external providers, employee welfare updates, and other

organizational concerns.

Committee representatives presented their accomplishments, observations, and recommendations, with discussions focusing on the performance of the Quality Management System, customer feedback mechanisms, workplace organization initiatives, records management improvements, training and education programs, and employee welfare concerns.

The participants also identified operational challenges and opportunities for improvement. Updates on awards, recognitions, and formal citations received by various offices were likewise presented, reflecting the Provincial Government of Cavite's continuing pursuit of organizational excellence and quality public service. — **OPIO**



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JESSICA DASMARIÑAS,
Mortgagor.

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NOTICE OF EXTRA JUDICIAL FORECLOSURE

Upon Extra-judicial Petition for Sale under Act 3135 as Amended by Act 4118 filed by the mortgagee, **HOME DEVELOPMENT MUTUAL FUND (otherwise known as Pag-IBIG Fund)**, at BDO Life Mega Plaza Bldg., No. 358 Sen Gil Puyat Avenue, Makati City and against the mortgagor **JESSICA DASMARIÑAS** at 8 Villa Zapata Nat. Bayanan, Muntinlupa M.M. and Blk. 3, Lot 14, Pcs-04-010486, Bo. Molino, Bacoor, Cavite, to satisfy the mortgagee indebtedness which as of February 7, 2002, amounts to **NINE HUNDRED NINETY THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED THIRTY ONE PESOS & 23/100 (P990,331.23)**, Philippine Currency, inclusive of interest, and penalty charges but exclusive of other fees incident to this foreclosure, the undersigned or her duly authorized representative will sell at the public auction on **July 30, 2026 at 10:00 o'clock in the morning** or soon thereafter, at the main entrance of the Hall of Justice of Bacoor City, Cavite, to the highest bidder for CASH and In Philippine Currency, the following described property with all the improvements thereon, to wit;

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"A Parcel of Land (Lot 14, Blk. 3 of the cons./subd. plan, Pcs-04-010486, being a portion of the cons. of Lot 6953-B, Psd-20199, Lot 5829-New, Fls-2292, Lot 7467, Imus Estate & Blk. 16, Pcs-042102-008978, LRC Rec. No. 8843), situated in the Brgy. of Molino, Mun. of Bacoor, Prov. of Cavite, Is. of Luzon. X x x Containing an area of **NINETY ONE (91) SQ. METERS.**"

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City of Bacoor, June 22, 2026.

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New school buildings end classroom shifting in Silang, Cavite

SILANG, Cavite (PIA) — Students in the Municipality of Silang, Cavite will no longer have to adopt class shifting schemes following the inauguration of new buildings in key local schools.



Last June 23, the Municipal Government led the simultaneous inauguration of school buildings across the municipality as part of its ongoing efforts to address classroom shortage.

Milano Garzon, school head of BLISS Elementary School noted that the newly opened classroom building will help end class shifting, a practice that has been adopted by several public schools in an effort to address the lack of teaching facilities.

"Sa bagong school building, natuldukan na ang shifting classes."

With its additional

classrooms, Garzon noted that classes can now end by one o'clock in the afternoon for Grades 1 and 2, while Grade 3 pupils will end their classes two o'clock in the afternoon. Older students, including Grades 4 through 6 will end their classes by three o'clock in the afternoon.

BLISS Elementary School currently serves 525 pupils from Kindergarten through Grade 6.

Teachers at Gen. Vito Belarmino Integrated National High School, Pulong Bunga Elementary School, Brgy. Munting Ilog Elementary School, and Brgy. Balite

II Elementary School, who also inaugurated their own six-classroom buildings also welcomed the additional infrastructure.

Mayor Ted Carranza, in a statement, emphasized the school infrastructure program in the local government's continuous efforts to address classroom shortage. With a more conducive learning environment, Carranza assured their commitment to invest in school infrastructure.

"Through these initiatives, the Municipal Government of Silang moves closer to its goal of completely eliminating class

shifting and providing every student with access to quality education in a safe and conducive learning environment."

In partnership with local government units all over the country, the Department of Education (DepEd) launched its localized school building program in a bid to decentralize infrastructure development especially in public schools. Under this program, LGUs became a partner of the education sector in fast-tracking classroom construction and rehabilitation. **(PB-PIA CALABARZON, Municipal Government of Silang)**

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into innovative concepts when supported by creativity, critical thinking, and research. She stressed that while trends may capture public attention, research generates knowledge that leads to lasting change.

Director Malabanan also discussed Ambisyon Natin 2040 and Pagtanaw 2050, two national frameworks that provide long-term directions for the country's development. She explained that while Ambisyon Natin 2040 articulates the collective aspirations of Filipinos for a matatag,

maginghawa, at panatag na buhay, Pagtanaw 2050 serves as the country's science, technology, and innovation foresight framework that guides how these aspirations can be achieved through research, innovation, and evidence-based decision-making.

She encouraged students to recognize that the research they conduct today can contribute to shaping the future envisioned under these frameworks. By generating new knowledge, developing innovative solutions, and addressing

real-world challenges, young researchers can help build a more sustainable, resilient, and prosperous Philippines.

Director Malabanan likewise highlighted the role of DOST in supporting researchers through various science, technology, and innovation programs that help transform research outputs into practical technologies and innovations. She emphasized that DOST provides opportunities for researchers to move from "paper to product," enabling research findings to generate tangible benefits for communities and industries.

She challenged participants to look beyond aca-

demic requirements and view research as an opportunity to create meaningful impact. She emphasized that while trends and viral content may entertain people, research empowers individuals to lead, innovate, and create positive change for future generations.

Through her message, Malabanan underscored the importance of cultivating a new generation of researchers, innovators, and problem-solvers who can contribute to sustainable development and nation-building through science, technology, and innovation. **(By John Maico M. Hernandez)**

MAGLIBANG TAYO

KAPALARAN

ARIES (Mar. 21-Apr. 19) – Tatanglawan ka ng hindi nakikitang sinag mula sa langit na ang pangalan ay “Sinag ng Suwerte at Sinag ng Bagong Pag-asa.” Kaya magiging kakaiba ang lakas ng loob mo sa mga araw na ito. Masuwerteng kulay-yellow. Tips sa lotto-2-18-24-28-34-41.

TAURUS (Apr. 20-May 20) – Kung ano ang maganda sa iyong paningin, ‘yun ang piliin mong inspirasyon. Masuwerteng kulay-purple. Tips sa lotto-6-13-20-25-33-36.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) – Malakas ang karisma mo at lalakas pa ito sa mga susunod na araw. Maraming hahanga sa iyo at mangangarap na maging bahagi ka ng kanilang buhay. Gayunman, mag-ingat ka. Masuwerteng kulay-pink. Tips sa lotto-5-11-21-27-30-32.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) – Kambal na suwerte ang dadapo sa iyo. Magkasabay na guguhit sa iyong kapalaran ang mga biyayang ito. Kaya huwag mong sayangin ang pagkakataon at matutong pahalagahan ang mga biyayang nagsisimula nang dumating sa iyong buhay. Masuwerteng kulay-beige. Tips sa lotto-7-16-19-31-38-42.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) – Lahat ng mata ay nakatingin sa iyo. Kaya hindi ka dapat magkamali. Gawin mo ang lahat ng iyong makakaya dahil ang mga taong nakatingin sa iyo ay may tiwala sa iyong kakayahan. Masuwerteng kulay-blue. Tips sa lotto-4-14-23-26-37-43.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) – Nagkakamali ang taong hindi nag-iisip, kaya pag-isipan mong mabuti ang bawat hakbang na iyong gagawin. Ang taong bukas ang isip sa pag-aaral ng mga posibilidad ay may malaking tsansang magtagumpay. Masuwerteng kulay-black. Tips sa lotto-3-12-17-22-35-44.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) – Iyo ang araw na ito. Gawin mo na ang gusto mong gawin. Kahit tila imposible o mahirap mangyari, papayagan ng langit na maganap ang mga bagay na ito. Masuwerteng kulay-violet. Tips sa lotto-1-9-15-24-38-45.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) – Papaganda nang papaganda ang takbo ng iyong buhay. Ito ang mensahe ng iyong kapalaran. Masuwerteng kulay-peach. Tips sa lotto-8-16-27-35-39-44.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) – Aayon sa iyo ang mga pangyayari kapag nakita ng kapalaran na ikaw ay lubos na determinado. Ito ang mensahe ng kapalaran para sa iyo sa ngayon. Masuwerteng kulay-red. Tips sa lotto-4-11-18-23-34-40.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) – Mawawala na parang bula ang iyong mga problema. Sa katunayan, pansamantala lamang ang mga ito. Masuwerteng kulay-orange. Tips sa lotto-6-13-19-26-39-41.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) – Bantayan mo ang iyong sarili. Kung babalikan mo ang iyong mga nakaraang kabiguan, mapapansin mong madalas ay hindi mo nakokontrol ang iyong sarili. Masuwerteng kulay-white. Tips sa lotto-3-17-20-22-25-33.

PISCES (Feb. 19-Mar. 20) – Dadaloy sa iyong buhay ang mga suwerteng kailangan mo. Hindi pinababayaan ng langit ang mga taong may matatag na personalidad at marunong umiwas sa mga tukso. Masuwerteng kulay-green. Tips sa lotto-5-15-21-28-32-36.

SUDOKU

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

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.

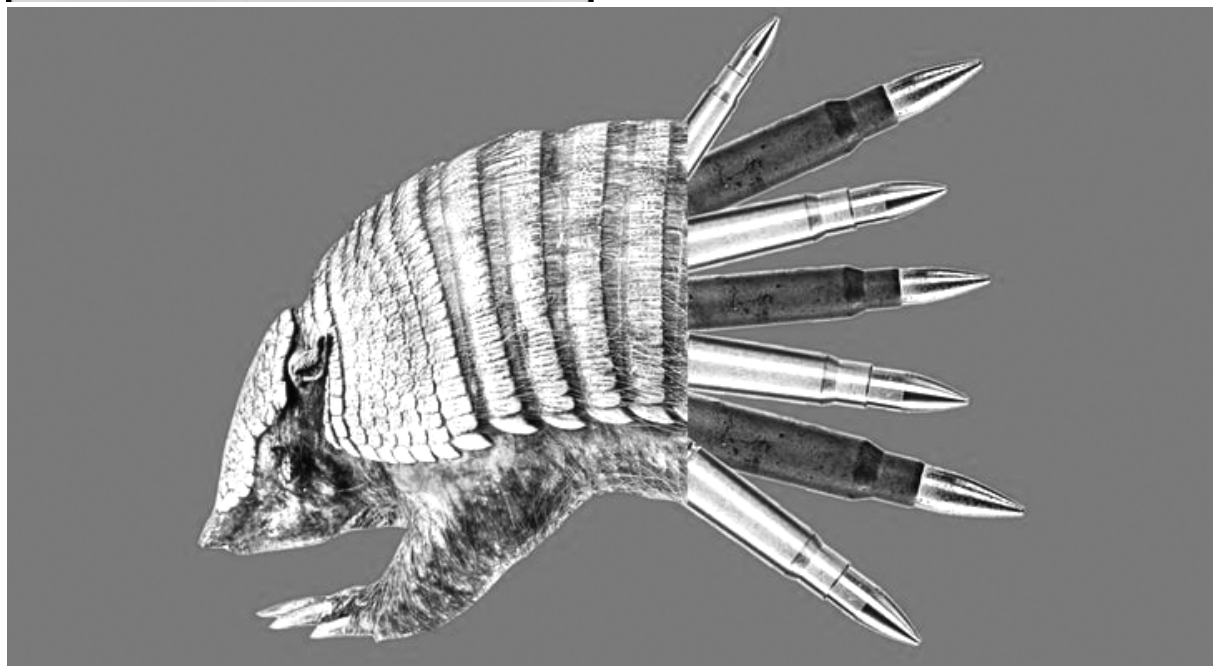
• Each number can only appear once in every row, column or box.

• Every puzzle has only one correct solution!

Did You Know?

ARMADILLO SHELLS ARE BULLETPROOF

Talk about a hard shell to crack! In fact, one Texas man was hospitalized when a bullet he shot at an armadillo ricocheted off the animal and hit him in the jaw. That has to be one of the wackiest animal facts we've ever heard.



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Conflict Resolution

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Gaming, Creativity, and Innovation Take Center Stage at ALT + TAB Festival 2026

PASAY CITY, Philippines — The Department of Science and Technology (DOST) highlighted the growing role of science, technology, and innovation (STI) in advancing the Philippine gaming and creative industries during the successful staging of the ALT + TAB Festival 2026 held on 20–21 June at the SMX Convention Center Manila.



The two-day festival gathered gamers, content creators, students, innovators, technology enthusiasts, and industry partners to celebrate Filipino talent while showcasing the expanding opportunities in game development, esports, digital creativity, and emerging technologies.

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DOST-Batangas encourages NU Lipa students to use research as a tool for innovation

LIPA CITY, Batangas — Provincial Science and Technology Director Ms. Felina C. Malabanán of the Department of Science and Technology (DOST)-Batangas challenged student researchers to view research as a “superpower” that transforms ideas into solutions during the first Research Congress of National University Lipa held on June 10, 2026.



Representing DOST-CALABARZON Regional Director Ms. Emelita P. Bagsit, Director Malabanán delivered the keynote address before students and faculty members gathered for the university's pioneering research congress themed “Advancing Student Research

Towards an SDG and Innovation-Driven Future.” In her message, Director Malabanán emphasized that research goes beyond academic requirements and serves as a powerful instrument for addressing societal challenges, driving innovation, and contributing to national development.

She encouraged students to pursue research that creates meaningful impact and responds to the evolving needs of communities. Using examples drawn from popular social media trends, she demonstrated how simple ideas can evolve

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BLESSING AND TURNOVER OF 31 AMBULANCES FROM THE PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT OF CAVITE

Held today, June 16, 2026, at the City of Dasmariñas Arena Parking Grounds, the blessing and turnover of 31 ambulances from the Provincial Government of Cavite to the barangays of the City of Dasmariñas was successfully conducted. Spearheaded by Governor Francisco Gabriel “Abeng” D. Remulla and Vice Governor Ramon Vicente “Ram” H. Bautista, the initiative aims to further strengthen emergency medical and health services for communities across Cavite.



Present during the ceremony to formally receive the ambulances were Mayor Jenny Austria-Barzaga, Vice Mayor Third Barzaga, Board Member Nickol Austria, members of the Sangguniang Panlungsod, and the Barangay Captains. #OnwardForwardDasmariñas #SulongNaSulongPaDasmariñas

Mercury Drug outlets accepting DSWD guarantee letters starting June 22

MANILA – Beneficiaries of the Department of Social Welfare and Development's (DSWD) Assistance to Individuals in Crisis Situation (AICS) program may use anew their guarantee letters (GLs) at 262 participating Mercury Drug branches across the country starting Monday.



The resumption of the partnership between the DSWD and Mercury Drug aims to expand benefi-

ciaries' access to medicines and medical assistance. "Kaya mas mapapadali

na po ang pagbili ng mga kinakailangang gamot at iba pang medical supplies

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