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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.

The Asia-Pacific Stevie Awards stand as the premier business awards program honoring innovation across all 29 markets within the Asia-Pacific region. Globally recognized, the Stevie Awards celebrate achievements through distinguished programs like The International Business Awards®, now in its 23rd year.

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Naiproklama nang panalo ang mag-iina na sina Congresswoman Lani Mercado-Revilla para sa Pangalawang Distrito ng Lungsod ng Bacoor, Congressman Jolo Revilla para sa Unang Distrito ng Cavite at Ram Revilla ang bagong nahalal bilang Bise Gobernor ng probinsya ng Cavite.

PAPI Survey Gains Credibility After Accurate 2025 Senatorial Predictions

The Publishers Association of the Philippines, Inc. (PAPI) has emerged as a credible name in election-related surveys following the results of the May 12, 2025, national elections. PAPI's senatorial preference survey, which drew data from 42,000 barangays nationwide ► PAPI SURVEY • 6



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



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SSS opens newly relocated service office in Taytay, Rizal

SSS President and Chief Executive Officer Robert Joseph Montes De Claro, Social Security Commissioner Eva B. Arcos, and Taytay, Rizal Mayor Allan Martine S. De Leon inaugurated the new SSS Taytay Service Office in Taytay, Rizal, on 28 April 2025, bringing better services to the municipality dubbed as the Garments Capital of the Philippines.

Office is located within the municipal government complex on the 3rd floor of Manila East Arcade II Building, Don Hilario Cruz, Barangay San Juan, Taytay, Rizal. It is ready to serve SSS members and employers in Taytay and

a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

SSS President and Chief Executive Officer Robert Joseph Montes De Claro announced that the opening of the SSS Taytay Service Office is a key part of the organization's shift

The SSS Taytay Service nearby areas from 8:00 towards becoming more service-oriented. He emphasized that the SSS exists primarily to provide valuáble services to its members and employers.

The Taytay office is the latest addition to a SSS OPENS • 6



Social Security System (SSS) President and Chief Executive Officer Robert Joseph Montes De Claro (4th from left), Social Security Commissioner Eva B. Arcos (3rd from left), and Mayor Allan Martine S. De Leon of Taytay, Rizal (5th from left) officially open the new SSS Taytay Service Office on 28 April 2025, bringing better SSS services to the people of Taytay. Also in the photo are (from left) SSS Antipolo Branch Acting Head Richiel R. Madlangbayan, SSS Vice President for National Capital Region (NCR) East Division Benjamin M. Dolindo, Jr., SSS Executive Vice President for Branch Operations Sector Voltaire P. Agas, SSS Senior Vice President for NCR Operations Group Maria Rita S. Aguja, and Barangay Captain Rasel Z. Valera of Barangay San Juan, Taytay, Rizal, and (at the back, left) SSS Pasig Mabini Branch Acting Head Marivic M. Gorembalem and SSS Vice President for Public Affairs and Special Events Division Carlo C. Villacorta.

Ang Mahalaga

ni Marites L. Leonillo



ow! It's nice to be back. Totoo nga ang kasabihan pag nasa sistema na ng iyong katawan ang pagiging manunulat talagang hinahanap ng iyong katawan. Ika nga it's part of your system. Ang mahalaga ay nakikita ko na naman ang aking sarili na nagsusulat, at siyempre maraming salamat sa aking publisher, Franz Orlain.

Ang mahalaga... Yan ang napili kong title sa aking kolum. Ang word na "Ang mahalaga", naging expression ko nitong pagsimula ng 2025. Pag ako ay nadismaya, sinasabi ko sa aking sarili na, "Ang mahalaga" OK ako. Subukan niyo, nakakagaan sa pakiramdam.

. Katulad ngayon, nakakaramdam ako ng pagod, sinasabi ko sa aking sarili, Ok lang yan, ang Mahalaga ay Biyernes na ngayon at wala ng pasok bukas. Nakakapag

Ang mahalaga

bigay ng good vibes sa sarili.

Tapos na ang election, marami ang nagulat sa naging resulta ng botohan. Lalong-lalo na sa hanay ng mga Senador kahit nga ang mga nanalo nagulat nga din sila sa kanilang ranking. Ibig sabihin dumating na din sa ponto ng halalan na kesyo sikat ka, mananalo ka, hindi na naging batayan yon, kasi nga naman 12 na senador lang ang kailangan at mahigit sa 12 na mga sikat na mga pangalan ang tumakbo sa pagka-senador.

Ibig sabihin, kong marami na ang sikat na tatakbo, lalong-lalo na mga dating pangalan, yong mga nagawa na lang nila ang titingnan ng mga botante. Sikat ka nga, "palamuti" ka lang naman. Minsan, nakakalungkot din, kong ang mga sikat na pangalan ay hindi na nanalo paano na lang talaga ang hindi sikat at totoong may puso sa paglilingkod. May kakayanan at talino sa pag gawa ng batas para sa ikaka-buti ng mamamayang Filipino.

Ang mahalaga, nakaraos na tayo sa election at patuloy pa rin ang ating buhay. May maganda ring balita na may halaga na ang 20pesos makakabili na ng isang kilong bigas. Hindi pa man para sa lahat, pili pa lang ang makakabili, katulad ng mga senior, pwd, solo parent at mga 4p's. Malaking kaginhawaan ito sa atin lalong-lalo na sa ating mga kababayan na hikahos sa buhay.

At the end of the day, Makikita natin sa ating buhay kong ano ang mahalaga. God bless us, God bless our country the Philippines.

Driving Digital Transformation: DOST 2, ISU-BIRDC Strengthen SETUP MSMEs Through Digital Skills

The Department of Science and Technology (DOST) Region 02, in collaboration with Isabela State University (ISU) and the Business Intelligence and Research and Development Center (BIRDC), officially launched Phase 2 of the training program "SETUP Adoptor's Digital Literacy Skills and Consultancy Towards the Development of SMARTER MSMEs for a Smarter Cagayan Valley."

The three-day training brought together 20 MSMEs from various industries across the region. This initiative is part of DOST 2's flagship Small Enterprise Technology Upgrading (SETUP), Program designed to accelerate the digital transformation of local enterprises and enhance their long-term

competitiveness and entrepreneurs resilience.

In her opening remarks, Dr. Betchie Aguinaldo of BIRDC ISU and emphasized the broader mission of the program, "This initiative is more than just a training program it is a step forward in realizing our shared vision of a Smarter Cagayan Valley, where empowered

growth, inclusive sustainability, and innovation. Let us make the most of this opportunity to learn, collaborate, and innovate together."

Building upon the foundational skills introduced in Phase 1, this second phase focused on advanced topics such as digital tools, innovation strategies, data management, cybersecurity, and ecommerce platforms. Participants also benefited one-on-one consultancy sessions tailored to their enterprisespecific digitalization needs.

Representing DOST Region 02 Regional Director, Dr. Virginia G. Bilgera, Ms. Aileen C. Gonzales, Training Focal Person, reiterated the agency's strong support for MSME development, "Empowering MSMEs with digital knowledge and tools is not just about keeping uр with technology—it's about ensuring long-term competitiveness and resilience in increasingly digital world."

Through its innovation hubs and expert faculty, ISU and BIRDC provided technical assistance and served as resource partners, strengthening the region's commitment to inclusive, sustainable growth.

The training was anchored on the SMARTER MSMEs framework— Sustainable, Marketoriented, Agile, Resilient, Technology-empowered, Entrepreneurial, and





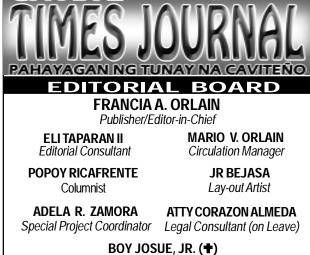


Resource-efficient. As digital strategies into their Phase 2 concludes, daily operations. participants are now This reinforces DOST Region expected to apply their learnings and integrate 02's vision of building a

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digitally enabled, innovation-driven Cagayan Valley—empowering MSMEs as catalysts of regional development.



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SSS ENHANCES LOAN PROGRAMS FOR MEMBERS, SURVIVING SPOUSE PENSIONERS

On 1 May 2025, Araw ng mga Manggagawa, and as announced by His Excellency President Ferdinand R. Marcos, Jr. in his Labor Day message at the SMX Convention Center in Pasay City, the Social Security System (SSS) is recognizing hardworking Filipinos, local or overseas, with enhancements to its loan programs: reducing interest rates for salary and calamity loans; expanding the pension loan program to include surviving spouse pensioners; and implementing a micro-credit loan facility through third-party providers.

Lower interest rates for salary and calamity loans

"As announced early this year, we proposed and obtained approval of the Social Security Commission, headed by our Chairperson Finance Secretary Ralph G. Recto, to reduce interest rates for salary loans and calamity loans. From the current interest rate of 10%, salary loan interest rate shall be reduced to 8% while calamity loan interest rate shall be reduced to 7%," SSS President and Chief **Executive Officer Robert** Joseph M. De Claro said.

The reduced interest rate shall be for members who have no availment of penalty condonation in the past five (5) years - in other words, for members who have good credit quality – and will increase cash proceeds from loan applications.

Target implementation of the reduced interest rates for these loan programs is July 2025.

Expansion of pension loan program to surviving spouse pensioners

successful With implementation of the Pension Loan Program (PLP) for retiree pensioners since 2018, SSS is looking to expand the Program now for surviving spouse pensioners. As of December 2024, there are 1.2-M surviving spouse pensioners.

"We acknowledge the need of other pensioners for access to a dependable loan facility, so we are expanding the PLP to surviving spouse pensioners," De Claro said. The maximum loanable amount shall be P150,000.00.

The PLP for surviving spouse pensioners shall also be covered by Credit Life Insurance with insurance premium to be deducted from the proceeds of the Pension Loan (PL) so that in the event of death of the PL borrower before full payment and end of the loan term, the PL balance shall be fully paid.

Target implementation of the expanded pension loan program, to include surviving spouse pensioners, is September

Micro-credit loan facility through thirdparty providers

The SSS has also begun discussions with partner

financial institutions on the feasibility of implementing a micro-credit loan facility for SSS members with tenor between 15 to 90 days.

"Currently, we are bringing the idea of a micro credit loan facility among our partner financial institutions through meetings and brainstorming sessions and see if we can address such short-term cash needs of our members. When we see a framework for this micro-credit program, we will implement as soon as possible," De Claro also said.

Commitment to service excellence

"We offer these enhancements to all Filipino workers, here and overseas, for Labor Day -

FOR MEMBERS

Araw ng mga Manggagawa. We remain committed to our push for service excellence with program enhancements and innovations," De Claro further said.

"Next, we are looking at how we can help members through livelihood loans as allowed under Republic Act 11199 or the Social Security Act of 2018 to support whole-ofgovernment approach of President Ferdinand R. Marcos, Jr. in poverty alleviation efforts. For instance, livelihood loans for SSS members working Claro added.

SSS is also initiating efforts on other fronts to enhance service delivery and social security protection for all. Talks are ongoing with the Department of Information and Communications Technology (DICT) on digitalization programs, with PhilHealth for better collaboration through data synchronization, and with specific industries for targeted stakeholder engagements (e.g., mining industry, construction sector, Business Process Outsourcing, and gig economy).



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SM Cinema Bacoor's Directors Club is more than just a destination—it is an extraordinary fusion of technology, luxury, and

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design. As the first Directors Club cinema in Cavite, it marks a new chapter in premium entertainment, inviting

(FROM PAGE 8)

audiences to embrace the future of cinema, where every detail is crafted to elevate storytelling to new h e i g h t s . #DirectorsClubCinema #SMCinemaBacoor #SMCinema



The Local Health Insurance Office (LHIO) Dasmariñas conducted an Alaga Ka Program and PhilHealth Konsulta Órientation and Registration for the Senior Citizens of Dulong Bayan, Bacoor City, Cavite on May 6, 2025.

This initiative aimed the program. to raise awareness about the benefits and services under the PhilHealth Konsultasyong Sulit at (Konsulta) Package, while also guiding Senior Citizens through the registration process. The event served as an opportunity to reach out to elderly residents and ensure they are properly informed and enrolled in

Participants received community leaders of essential information on Dulong Bayan for their primary care benefits, services covered under PhilHealth Konsulta, and the importance of preventive health measures. The orientation also emphasized the value of being a PhilHealth member and how to access health services effectively.

LHIO Dasmariñas extends its gratitude to the local officials and support and cooperation facilitating the activity. This outreach forms part of PhilHealth's continuing commitment to make healthcare accessible, more especially for vulnerable sectors like Senior Citizens #MyPhilHealth #SagotKaNgPhilHealth



LandBank, DOST-10 meet to strengthen partnership for SETUP implementation

Cagayan de Oro City, PHILIPPINES—The Department of Science and Technology Region 10 (DOST- and guidance from the 10) met with three Assistant Vice Presidents and 14 Branch Managers of the Land Bank of the Philippines (LBP) across Northern Mindanao on May 06, 2025, to strengthen their partnership and streamline the implementation of the Small Enterprise Technology Upgrading Program (SETUP).





This annual meeting addressed the challenges of DOST and SETUP beneficiaries in the

their accounts.

Seventeen (17) LBP branch managers across Northern Mindanao participated in the

meeting, including Asst. Vice President Ligaya L. Padilla (LBP Capistrano), Asst. Vice President Alma L. Evangelista (LBP

tagging and untagging of Free medical and dental care for Park Lane 1, General Trias residents

On May 6, 2025, the Provincial Government of Cavite held a successful medical and dental mission in Park Lane 1, in the City of General Trias. This event was organized to bring free healthcare services closer to the community.



A total of 300 residents came to receive free medical services, which medical included consultations, basic health check-ups, and free prescribed medicines. In addition, 71 individuals also received free dental care, including tooth extractions and oral health advice. Free mosquito repellents were also given out to help protect families from mosquito-borne diseases such as dengue.

Local officials of General Trias and health workers worked hand in hand to ensure that the event ran smoothly and was wellorganized. Patients were guided through every step of the process, from registration to consultation and the distribution of medicines.

This activity is part of the Cavite Provincial Government's ongoing efforts to improve the health and well-being of its people. The medical and dental mission in Park Lane I is a strong example of what can be achieved when the government and the community collaborate to promote health and wellness.

Malaybalay), and Asst. Vice President Lilly Nine S. Torres (LBP Iligan).

Also present were the DOST provincial directors and SETUP coordinators, who took the opportunity to raise on-the-ground concerns directly with LBP managers. Clarifications bank helped address these issues, reinforcing the cooperative spirit between both institutions.

AVP Ligaya Padilla, speaking for the LBP team, reaffirmed its commitment to support the SETUP program as LBP aims to better the lives of Filipinos.

DOST-10 Regional Director, Engr. Romela N. Ratilla also expressed her appreciation to the LBP AVPs and managers for responding positively to the agency's call for a meeting.

Representatives from DOST-10 and LBP reaffirmed their commitment to improving coordination streamlining procedures enhancing and communication channels between

agencies. The Land Bank of the Philippines is government financial institution that strikes a balance in fulfilling its social mandate of promoting countryside development while remaining financially viable.

SETUP, one of DOST's flagship programs, aims to empower micro, small, and medium enterprises (MSMEs) by enhancing their productivity and competitiveness through access to technology, innovation support, consultancy, training, and laboratory services.

Entrepreneurs Northern Mindanao are encouraged to take advantage of DOST's SETUP program to level up their operations, gain access to modern technologies, enhance product competitiveness.

For more information, reach out via the DOST-10 Facebook page or email setup@region10.dost.gov.ph. (Joshua Robin/ DOST10)



Work the Way You Play: Unlock Intelligent Versatility with the Galaxy Tab S10 FE Series, now in PH Boost multitasking and creative expression like a pro with

Intelligent Features on the new Tab S10 FE additions

MANILA, Philippines – May 15, 2025 – Samsung today launched the Galaxy Tab S10 FE and Galaxy Tab S10 FE+ in the Philippines, offering new entry points to the Galaxy ecosystem on a premium tablet design. Equipped with the largest screen yet on the Galaxy Tab S FE series and slimmer bezels that expand its display, the Galaxy Tab S10 FE+ provides a fun, immersive viewing experience for everything from entertainment to studying and day-to-day tasks. Samsung's Intelligent Features empower users to get more done with ease, while a slimmer design helps users to achieve their creativity and productivity on the go.

"The new Galaxy Tab \$10 FE series brings advanced mobile Al experience and Samsung's connected ecosystem to even more tablet users, while still offering leading performance and design," said Changtae Kim, EVP & Head of New Computing R&D Team, Mobile eXperience Business at Samsung Electronics. "We're confident that the slim bezels and expansive displays, in addition to a whole host of functional improvements, will inspire people to do more, create more, and discover more."

Stunning Clarity on a Bigger, Vibrant Display

Combining the Galaxy Tab S series' heritage design with slim bezels, the Galaxy Tab S10 FE+ 13.1-inch display offers immersive entertainment on a screen that's almost 12% larger than the previous FE+. Smooth visuals enabled by a 90Hz refresh rate and new levels of visibility up to 800

adjustments enhance brightness and visibility even in ever-changing outdoor environments while blue-light emissions are safely reduced to minimize eye strain, meeting every unique viewing need.

Robust Performance in a Portable Design

The Galaxy Tab S10 FE series boosts productivity when working or studying, and delivers fast, smooth gameplay without interruption. Performance upgrades enable the Galaxy Tab S10 FE series to help users switch effortlessly between multiple apps when they are being creative, allowing for improved multitasking. And when everyday capturing moments in the classroom or in workspaces, a newly upgraded 13MP high resolution rear camera produces clear and vivid photos.

versatile These experiences,

carry around, while the Galaxy S10 Tab FE series offers hassle-free storage and mobility at home, on campus, in the workplace and elsewhere with its slim design. Engineered for resilience and durability to withstand the elements, the FE series also comes with the same IP68 rating as the newest Galaxy Tab S10 series.

Advanced Features Unleash Potential

legacy of delivering premium experiences across the Galaxy ecosystem, the Galaxy Tab S10 FE+ and Galaxy Tab S10 FE are the first models in the FE series to come equipped with cutting-edge Al capabilities right out of the box, fueling user productivity.

* Fan-favorite Circle to Search with Google allows you to search what you see on your tablet without switching apps. Quickly get the info you need, translate text on

Building on Samsung's

for quick calculations of handwriting and text, and Handwriting Help to tidy up notes easily, make notetaking easier than ever so users can stay focused in the moment.

* Al assistants are instantly launched with a single tap of the Galaxy AI Key on the Book Cover Keyboard. Plus, Al assistants can be customized based on users' preferences for a more personalized experience.

* An upgraded Object lets users Eraser effortlessly remove unwanted objects from photos, with automatic suggestions for quick and easy edits.

Newly introduced Best Face ensures perfect group photos by selecting and combining the best expressions and features.

* Auto Trim brings cherished moments to life by sifting through multiple videos to seamlessly compile highlight reels.

The Galaxy Tab S10 FE series also serves as the perfect canvas for creativity with pre-loaded apps and tools including Lumakusion , Goodnotes Clip Studio Paint and more, alongside other spotlight apps like Noteshelf 3 , Sketchbook and Picsart.

For an even more intuitive AI experience, the FE series seamlessly integrates with other Samsung Galaxy devices. Similar to the Galaxy Tab S10 series, users can access a comprehensive overview of their home status with the Home Insight widget dashboard and 3D Map View feature. Summarized status updates of SmartThingsenabled devices give users peace of mind when out and about.

Security Your Way

As with any Galaxy device, the Galaxy Tab S10 FE series is fortified by strong security, Samsung Knox, Samsung Galaxy's defense-grade, multi-layer security platform built to safeguard critical information and protect against vulnerabilities with end-to-end hardware, real-time threat detection collaborative protection.

Availability

The new Galaxy Tab S10 FE Wi-Fi is priced at P26,990, the 5G version at P31,990, and the Galaxy Tab S10 FE+ 5G at P39,990—available in Gray and Blue. Get P4,000 off when you buy via the Samsung Online Store or Shop App until December 31, 2025, plus 50% off select accessories (Antireflective screen protector, Smart Book Cover, Book Cover Keyboard) until June 15, 2025.

Enjoy 35% off Galaxv Watch Ultra, Watch7/6 Classic Series, Watch FE, Fit3, Buds3 Series, and Buds FE when bundled with any Galaxy Tab S10 FE/+. Also, get 10% off select devices—including the Galaxy S25/S24 series, Z Flip6/Z Fold6, S24 FE, A56 5G, and A36 5G—with a Galaxy Tab S10 FE/FE+

purchase, valid until June 30, 2025.

Not only that! Buying select phones (Galaxy S24 FE, S23 FE, A56/A55 5G, A36/A35 5G) also gets you a 10% post-purchase discount voucher for the Galaxy Tab S10 FE/FE+, sent via email when you log in and opt in at Samsung.com/ph or the Shop App. Offer runs until July 31, 2025.

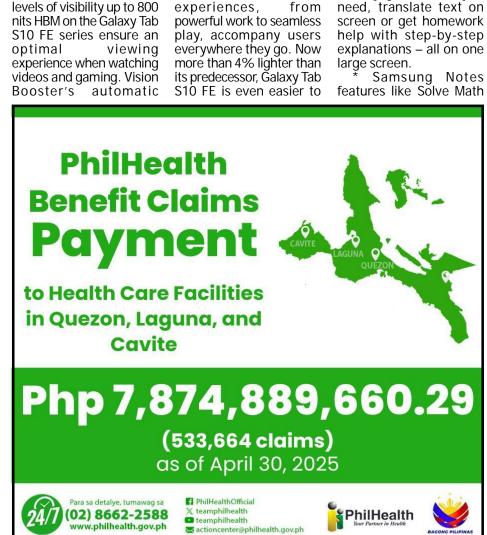
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For more information about the Galaxy Tab S10 FE series, please visit: h t t p s : / / www.samsung.com/ph/ tablets/all-tablets/

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MPT South... (FROM PAGE 1)

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,

(STARBOOKS)—aims to

spark curiosity, develop

21st-century skills, and

open new opportunities for

students in underserved

was the formal turnover of

STARBOOKS equipment—

including computer sets,

kiosks, and Wi-Fi routers-

to five beneficiary schools

across the region:

The ceremony's highlight

communities.

providing a continuous reinforcement of traffic discipline and awareness, effectively bridging the crucial gap between theoretical regulations and their practical application in realworld 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

Agaga Elementary School

Rosario Elementary

- Burgos, Ilocos Norte

Drayberks Road Safety Campaign is a deeply cherished honor for the entire MPT South team. vision Our 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 Investments Pacific 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.

through acceptance messages, acknowledging the support from DOŠT-ŠTII, DOST

School - Cervantes, Ilocos Sur Duplas Elementary School Sudipen, La Union

• Kabayabasan Elementary School – San Nicolas, Pangasinan

Binmaley School of Fisheries - Binmaley, Pangasinan

Each recipient school gratitude expressed heartfelt Region 1, and BPI Foundation Inc. for their shared vision of promoting

educational resources. Assistant Regional Director Racquel M. Espiritu delivered a rousing closing message, urging the schools to maximize

equitable access to

these tools to spark curiosity, foster innovation, and instill a passion for lifelong learning among students.

initiative This underscores DOST's commitment to bridging the digital divide and ensuring inclusive, quality through education accessible, offline digital science and technology content in underserved communities. (Mary Ann B. Ofiana)

PAPI Survey... (FROM PAGE 1)

DOST Region 1... (FROM PAGE 8)

incorporated inputs from social media platforms-Facebook, YouTube, Instagram—as well as bloggers, successfully predicted 10 out of the 12 winning senators.

The PAPI-preferred candidates included Rodante D. Marcoleta, Christopher Laurence "Bong" Go, Ronald "Bato" Dela Rosa, Erwin Tulfo, Pia Cayetano, Imee Marcos, Tito Sotto, Ping Lacson, Camille Villar, Vic Rodriguez, Bong Revilla,

and Bam Aquino. Among only these, two candidates failed to secure a Senate seat, marking a strong correlation between the survey's projections and the final election results.

This high accuracy rate reinforces PAPI's growing role in gauging public sentiment, especially as it employed a unique combination of traditional grassroots engagement and digital reach. By integrating responses from both on-the-ground

communities and online users, the survey achieved broad demographic coverage across sectors and regions.

According to PAPI President Mr. Nelson Santos, the results reflect not just data but the voices of Filipinos across all walks of life. He said, "This validates our commitment to amplify the true sentiment of the people inclusive, through transparent, and datadriven methodologies."

The results have solidified PAPI's standing alongside more established polling institutions, with many observers noting the effectiveness of its inclusive, multi-channel approach. With this, PAPI has shown its potential to contribute meaningfully to future elections and political discourse by reflecting the pulse of the public with notable precision.

PAPI's performance in this year's elections not only validates its methodology but also sets a precedent for credible survey initiatives that bridge community-level insight with the influence of digital media.

SSS opens... (FROM PAGE 1)

series of new local SSS offices being established across the country. These offices aim to facilitate transactions for members and employers while enhancing access to SSS

"We are very excited to open our new SSS service office in Taytay, Rizal," De Claro stated. "This new office will bring SSS services closer to our members and employers in the municipality and surrounding areas, especially considering the presence of many micro and small businesses in the town. We are confident that this new SSS office will make a significant difference in their lives."

He reaffirmed that the new service office in Taytay reflects SSS's commitment to reaching and serving its members and employers, regardless of their location across the country.

SSS Meanwhile, thanked the local government of Taytay for providing lease-free office space to SSS and even shouldering the renovation works and internet connection for the new SSS service office.

The SSS Taytay Service Office covers an area of 75 square meters and can handle more than 300

transactions each day. Members and employers can perform a variety of transactions at this office, including member registration, issuance of employer certificates of compliance, submission of requests for membership amendments, updates to member records (for example, simple corrections and the addition of beneficiaries), and compliance with the Annual Confirmation of

(ACOP) Pensioners Program.

Members employers can also use the services offered by the service office's e-center, such as My. SSS registration, accessing My.SSS services, requesting the resetting of password and recovery of user ID My.SSS member and employer account, and updating of employer profile. (John Oblanca-RCOOVP)

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EXTRA-JUDICIAL FORECLOSURE OF REAL ESTATE MORTGAGE UNDER ACT 3135 AS AMENDED BY ACT 4118

EDGARDO V. BUCAO and/or his successor in-interest, GLORIA G. ESTRADA,

Mortgagors,

F.C CASE NO. 19249-24

NOTICE OF EXTRA-JUDICIAL SALE

Upon extra-judicial petition for sale under Act 3135 as amended by Act 4118 filed by BANGKO SENTRAL NG PILIPINAS, mortgagee, with principal address at Rm. 416, 5-storey Building, BSP Complex, Mabini cor. Vito Cruz, Malate, Manila, against EDGARDO V. BUCAO and/or his successor-in-interest, GLORIA G. ESTRADA, mortgagors, with residential and postal address at Phase 6, Block 13, Lot 44, Dama De Noche St., ACM Woodstock Homes, Calsadang Bago, Imus City, Cavite and/or Phase III, Lot 6 Marycris Homes, Bucandala, Imus, Cavite and Phase 3, Block 13, Lot 15, Marycris Homes, Bucandala, Imus, Cavite, to satisfy the mortgage indebtedness which as of September 30, 2024 amounts to FIVE HUNDRED EIGHTY ONE THOUSAND SIX HUNDRED SIXTY SIX PESOS & 28/100 (P581,666.28), Philippine Currency, including interest, Mortgage Redemption Insurance, Surcharge and Fire Insurance, but excluding attorney's fees, sheriff's fees and all other charges incidental to this foreclosure and sale the undersigned will sell at public auction on JUNE 3, 2025 at 10:00 A.M. or soon thereafter at the main entrance of the Office of the Clerk of Court, RTC-Imus Hall of Justice, Aguinaldo Highway, Imus, Cavite, to the highest bidder, for CASH and in Philippine Currency, the following property with all improvements therein, to wit:

Transfer Certificate of Title No. T-979736

IT IS HEREBY CERTIFIED that certain land situated in the Municipality of Imus Prov. of Cavite bounded and described as follows: A parcel of land (lot 44 Blk. 13 of the cons-subd. plan, Pcs-04-012219, being a portion of the cons of Lots 1287-A, 1287-B, 1287-C & 1287-D (LRC) Psd-123938, LRC Rec. No. 8843) situated in the Bo. of Carsadang Bago, Mun. of Imus, Prov. of Cavite, Island of Luzon. Bounded on the NW., along line 4-1 by Lot 42, Blk.13 on the NE., along line 1-2 by Lot 43, Blk.13; on the SE., along line 2-3 by Lot Blk.13 and on the SW., along line 3-4 by Rd. Lot 14, all of the cons-subd. plan. Beginning at a point marked "1" on plan being. S., 1 deg., 28 E., 669.76 m. from Mon. 105, Imus Estate; thence S. 1 deg., 10'E., 4.50 m. to pt. 2; thence S., 88 deg., 50'W., 8.00 m. to pt. 3; thence N.,1 deg., 10'W., 4.50 m. to pt. 4; thence N., 88 deg., 50'E., 8.00 m. to pt. of; beginning, containing an area of THIRTY SIX (36) SQUARE METERS. All points referred to are indicated on the plan and are marked on the ground by P.S. cyllcon. mon. 15 x 60 cm; bearing true date of original survey July 25, 1905-June 11, 1908 and that of the conssubd. survey Nov. 1-23, 1996 and was approved on March 14, 1997. is registered in accordance with the provisions of the Property Registration Decree in the name of

In the event the public auction should not take place on the said date, it shall be held on JUNE 10, 2025 at 10:00 A.M. without further notice.

Prospective bidders/buyers are hereby enjoined to investigate for themselves the title to the said property and encumbrances therein if any there be.

Imus, Cavite, April 28, 2025.

(Sgd.) WILMAR M. DE VILLA Sheriff IV BRANCH 21

APPROVED:

(Sgd.) ARMIE A. FRANCISCO Clerk of Court VI

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BANGKO SENTRAL NG PILIPINAS

Rm. 416, 5-storey Building, BSP Complex, Mabini Cor. Vito Cruz, Malate, Manila

GLORIA G. ESTRADA

Phase 3 Block 3 Lot 15 Marycris Homes, Bucandala, Imus,

SPS. EDGARDO V. BUCAO AND CHARITO R. BUCAO

Phase 6, Block 13, Lot 44, Dama De Noche St., ACM Woodstock Homes, Carsadang Bago, Imus City, Cavite and/or Phase III, Lot 6 Marycris Homes, Bucandala, Imus, Cavite

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REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES REGIONAL TRIAL COURT FOURTH JUDICIAL REGION OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF COURT TRECE MARTIRES CITY

BDO UNIBANK, INC.,

Mortgagee/Assignee,

FORECLOSURE CASE NO. F-238-25 -versus-

SPS. ELMER M. PERPINAN and MARY GRACE S. PERPINAN,

Debtors/Mortgagors.

NOTICE OF EXTRA-JUDICIAL SALE

Upon Extra-Judicial Petition for Sale under Act 3135, as amended by Act 4118, filed by Mortgagee, BDO UNIBANK, INC., with business address at 33/F BDO Corporate Center Ortigas, #12 ADB Avenue, Mandaluyong City against the Debtors/Mortgagors, SPS. ELMER M. PERPINAN and MARY GRACE S. PERPINAN, with residence and postal address at (1) Block 3 Lot 46 Westwood Phase 6, Barangay Pasong Camachile, General Trias, Cavite (occupied by the mortgagor); and (2) #57 Cecelia Curve, Don Jose Green Court, San Dionisio, Santo Nino, Paranague City 1704 (occupied by Attorney-in-Fact), to satisfy the mortgage indebtedness as of 17 February 2025 amounts to ONE MILLION SIX HUNDRED FORTY-TWO THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED EIGHTY-FIVE PESOS and 74/ 100 (Php1,642,585.74) inclusive, of interest and other charges, attorney's fees and expenses of foreclosure, the undersigned Sheriff will set at public auction on MAY 21 2025 at 10:00 o'clock in the morning until 12:00 noon at the main entrance of the Government Center Building located at the Provincial Capitol Compound, Trece Martires City, to the highest bidder for CASH and in Philippine Currency the following described property with all the improvements thereon, to wit:

TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE No. 057-2022034900

LOT NO: 46, BLOCK NO: 3, PLAN NO: PCS-04-032534 PORTION OF: LOT 1837-B (LRC) PSD-105017. BLOCK 15 PCS-04-030060, BLOCK 17; 19; 20, PCS-04-032025, LOT 2-BLOCK 17 PCS-04-030836, LOT 2090 & 2191 ALL OF SFDM ESTATE, LRC RECORD NO. 5964, DECREE NO. 4270 LOCATION: BARANGAY OF PASONG CAMACHILE,

MUNICIPALITY OF GENERALTRIAS CAVITE, PROVINCE OF CAVITE ISLAND OF LUZON

BOUNDARIES:

LINE	DIRECTION	ADJOINING LOT(S)	
1-2	SE	LOT 45, BLOCK 3, PCS-04-032534	
2-3	SW	LOT 44, BLOCK 3, PCS-04-032534	
3-4	NW	ROAD LOT 6, PCS-04-032534	
4-1	NE	LOT 48, BLOCK 3, PCS-04-032534	
AREA: FIFTY (50) SQUARE METERS, MORE OR LESS			

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

In the event the public auction should not take place on the said date and time, it shall be held on 04 JUNE 2025 without further notice.

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

Trece Martires City, APRIL 24 2025.

(Sgd.) JOSELITO L. ARANDA

Sheriff IV

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BDO UNIBANK, INC.,

CONSUMER BANKING GROUP-CONSUMER REMEDIAL MANAGEMENT

33/F BDO Corporate Center Ortigas, #12 ADB Avenue,

SPS. ELMER M. PERPINAN and MARY GRACE S. PERPINAN

(1) Block 3 Lot 46 Westwood Phase 6, Barangay Pasong Camachile, General Trias, Cavite; and

(2) #57 Cecelia Curve, Don Jose Green Court, San Dionisio, Santo Nino, Paranague City 1704

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REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES **REGIONAL TRIAL COURT FOURTH JUDICIAL REGION** OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF COURT TRECE MARTIRES CITY

BDO UNIBANK, INC.,

Mortgagee/Assignee,

-versus-**FORECLOSURE CASE NO. F-251-25**

KENNETH SEBASTIEN VILLARUZ FERNANDEZ.

Debtor/Mortgagor.

NOTICE OF EXTRA-JUDICIAL SALE

Upon Extra-Judicial Petition for Sale under Act 3135, as amended by Act 4118, filed by Mortgagee/Assignee, BDO UNIBANK, INC., with business address at 33/F BDO Corporate Center Ortigas, #12 ADB Avenue, Mandaluyong City, against the Debtor/Mortgagor, KENNETH SEBASTIEN VILLARUZ FERNANDEZ, with residence and postal address at (1) Unit 6B, Thercon Condominium, #1749 Nicanor Garcia Street, Poblacion, Makati City, Occupied property and (2) Lot 16 Blk 4, Brightor, Phase 6, Brgy Sta Clara, Gen. Trias, Cavite, 4107, Abandoned property in favor of the MORTGAGEE, to satisfy the mortgage indebtedness as of January 24, 2025 amounts to TWO MILLION EIGHT HUNDRED FIFTY-FIVE THOUSAND FOUR HUNDRED TWO PESOS and 50/100 (Php2,855,402.50) inclusive of interest and other charges, attorney's fees and expenses of foreclosure, the undersigned Sheriff will set at public auction on 21 MAY 2025 at 10:00 o'clock in the morning until 12:00 noon at the main entrance of the Government Center Building located at the Provincial Capitol Compound, Trece Martires City, to the highest bidder for CASH and in Philippine Currency the following described property with all the improvements thereon, to wit:

TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE No. 057-2021065384

LOT NO: 16. BLOCK NO: 4. PLAN NO: PCS-04-032275

PORTION OF: LOT 1806-A & 1806-B, PSD-36553, LOT 1808, SAN FRANCISCO DE MALABON ESTATE, LRC RECORD NO. 5964, DECREE NO. 4270

LOCATION: BARANGAY OF STA. CLARA, MUNICIPALITY OF GEN. TRIAS, PROVINCE OF CAVITE, ISLAND OF LUZON **BOUNDARIES:** AD IOINING LOT(C)

LINE	DIRECTION	ADJOINING LOT(S)
1-2	SW	LOT 18, BLOCK 4, PCS-04-032275
2-3	NW	ROAD LOT 6, PCS-04-032275
3-4	NE	LOT 14, BLOCK 4, PCS-04-032275
4-1	SE	LOT 15, BLOCK 4, PCS-04-032275

AREA: SIXTY (60) SQUARE METERS, MORE OR LESS

All sealed bids must be submitted to the undersigned on

the above-stated time and date. In the event the public auction should not take place on the

said date and time, it shall be held on 04 JUNE 2025 without further notice.

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

Trece Martires City, APRIL 24 2025.

(Sgd.) ANDRES B. ESPINA

Sheriff IV

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BDO UNIBANK, INC.,

CONSUMER BANKING GROUP-CONSUMER REMEDIAL **MANAGEMENT**

33/F BDO Corporate Center Ortigas, #12 ADB Avenue, Mandaluyong City

KENNETH SEBASTIEN VILLARUZ FERNANDEZ

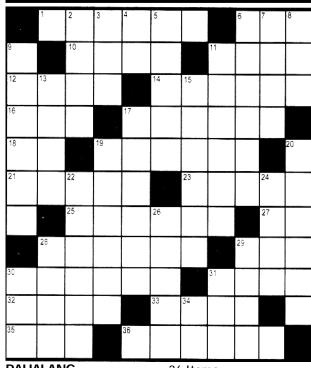
(1) Unit 6B, Thercon Condominium, #1749 Nicanor Garcia Street, Poblacion, Makati City, and

(2) Lot 16 Blk 4, Brighton Phase 6, Brgy Sta Clara, Gen. Trias, Cavite, 4107

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SAGOT SA NAKARAAN





Redefining the Cinematic Experience: SM Cinema Bacoor's Directors Club Grand Opening

A new era of moviegoing begins with the highly anticipated grand opening of SM Cinema Bacoor's Directors Club on May 14, 2025—the first of its kind in Cavite. Featuring two state-of-the-art Directors Club cinemas with 38 plus 2 PWD seats each, this premier destination introduces cutting-edge technology designed to redefine the way audiences experience films. With revolutionary advancements enhancing every aspect of cinematic enjoyment, SM Cinema Bacoor's Directors Club promises an immersive journey into a world of storytelling and adventure.



A Thrilling New Chapter at SM Cinema Bacoor's Directors Club

Elegant, innovative, and exclusive—Directors Club cinemas set a new benchmark for excellence with their

groundbreaking Digital Laser Projector and Dolby ATMOS Sound System. Complemented by luxurious Verona recliner seating, this sophisticated space delivers a premium experience tailored for discerning moviegoers.

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DOST Region 1 Turns Over STARBOOKS to 5 Underserved Schools in Ceremonial Event

Sudipen, La Union – The Department of Science and Technology Region 1 (DOST Region 1), in partnership with the DOST-Science and Technology Information Institute (DOST-STII) and the BPI Foundation Inc., successfully concluded the STARBOOKS Turnover Ceremony held on April 23, 2025, at Duplas Elementary School in Sudipen, La Union.



Gracing the event were Assistant Regional Director Racquel M. Espiritu, La Union Provincial Director Jonathan Viernes, OIC of DOST Ilocos Sur, Engr. Edison Acosta, along with STARBOOKS Regional and Focal Persons.

DOST Region 1 Director Dr. Teresita A. Tabaog opened the program with an inspiring message highlighting the role of digital transformation in advancing education, especially in geographically isolated disadvantaged areas. Dr. Tabaog highlighted the importance of inclusivity in educational development and reaffirmed DOST's commitment to ensuring that no learner is left behind, regardless of their location. She was joined

by Ms. Patricia Joy Ongkiko, Program Manager BPI of Foundation Inc., who expressed the Foundation's unwavering support for the STARBOOKS project. Ms. Ongkiko emphasized that their partnership with DOST is grounded in a shared vision of promoting equitable access to quality

education. She reiterated BPI Foundation's advocacy for nation-building through education, and how their donation of computer sets—each pre-installed with the Science and Technology Academic and Research-Based Openly-Operated KioskS

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Bacooreños benefitted in another medical and dental mission

On May 8, 2025, a total of 209 Bacooreños benefitted in the medical and dental mission program held at Brgy. Dulong Bayan, Bacoor City.



The dedicated medical team of Office of the Provincial Health Officer provided basic medical consultation, dental check-up and tooth extraction. Likewise, medicines and vitamins were handed out to complement the services.

The PGC's health outreach program continues to bring the healthcare services closer to the doorstep of the Caviteños in need.