

A Heartfelt Welcome to Sen. Bam Aquino: General Trias Unites for Public Service



Photo credit : Mayor Jon Jon ferrer FB Page

In a vibrant show of unity and civic pride, the people of General Trias warmly welcomed Senator Bam Aquino for a meaningful kamustahan and community engagement. The visit was more than a courtesy call—it was a reaffirmation of shared values: transparency, youth empowerment, and inclusive governance.

Senator Aquino, known for his advocacy in education, entrepreneurship, and good governance, spent quality time with local leaders, youth representatives, and civic volunteers. His presence sparked conversations on innovation in governance, grassroots leadership, and the power of bayanihan in shaping resilient communities.

City Mayor Jon Ferrer played a key role in hosting the event, ensuring that the spirit of hospitality and civic collaboration was felt throughout. Under his leadership, General Trias continues to be a model of participatory governance—where public servants and citizens work hand-in-hand to build a better future.

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NEW ERA BEGINS: CALTEX BREAKS GROUND FOR NEW SERVICE STATION AT CALAX

Biñan City, Laguna—Chevron Philippines Incorporated (CPI), marketer of the Caltex brand of fuels and lubricants, held its groundbreaking ceremony of its newest and first-ever service station located along the Cavite-Laguna Expressway (CALAX), last August 19, 2025. This new facility underscores its commitment to expanding access to top tier fueling services and modern amenities for motorists down south.



(From left to right) Andrew E. Dimaano, Vice President of Treasury, Risk, Insurance, and Commercial Management of MPT South; Arlette V. Capistrano, Vice President of Communication and Stakeholder Management of MPT South; Larry Tigla, CHEVRON Retail Fuels Manager; Pongtorn Tangmanuswong, CHEVRON General Manager; Roel Faustino, Lubricants Sales Manager; Raphael Melo, Asset Optimization Lead; LTC Richard Antonio M. Tamayo, President of Perpetual Help Medical Center Las Pinas; and Arnold Jose P. Tamayo, Property Development Officer of the University of Perpetual Help, led the CALTEX CALAX Groundbreaking Ceremony.

The groundbreaking ceremony was attended by Chevron Philippines executives, and partners from MPCALA Holdings Inc., concessionaire of CALAX, marking a significant milestone in Chevron's ongoing expansion strategy. The new station is designed to offer a convenient, efficient, and safe fueling experience, equipped with state-of-the-art facilities, clean amenities, and a wide range of products and is the first fuel service station at CALAX.

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President Ferdinand Marcos Jr. Leads Nation in Honoring Everyday Heroes on National Heroes Day 2025



(Photo Credit : President Bongbong Marcos FB Page)

TAGUIG CITY — President Ferdinand “Bongbong” Marcos Jr. led the country in commemorating National Heroes Day 2025 at the Libingan ng mga Bayani on Monday, August 25, calling on Filipinos to emulate the courage and integrity of the nation's forebears. In his keynote address, the President emphasized that heroism is not confined to history books, but lives on in the daily sacrifices of ordinary citizens.

During the ceremony, President Marcos paid tribute to both known and unsung heroes, including Teresa Magbanua, the “Visayan Joan of Arc,” who left her teaching profession in 1898 to fight for independence. He urged Filipinos to confront corruption and abuse of power, warning that such acts rob future generations of their health, dreams, and dignity. “We must be discerning, expose deception, and stand for what is right—even when it is difficult,” he said.

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Councilor Jelyn Maliksi Completes Transformative Leadership Training for Re-Elected Officials

Tagaytay City — Imus City Councilor Jelyn Maliksi joined fellow re-elected officials in a three-day Transformative Leadership for Elevated Governance refresher course organized by the Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG). Held in Tagaytay City, the training aimed to strengthen the leadership capacities of local officials as they begin a new term of public service.

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(Photo Credit: City Councilor Jelyn Maliksi FB Page)

Lungsod ng Bacoor, Nanawagan sa Pangulo para sa Agarang Pambansang Suporta sa Drainage at Flood Mitigation Plan

Lungsod ng Bacoor, Cavite — Pormal na nanawagan ang Pamahalaang Lungsod ng Bacoor, sa pangunguna ni Mayor Strike B. Revilla, sa Tanggapan ng Pangulo para sa agarang pambansang interbensyon at suporta sa pondo para sa komprehensibong Bacoor Drainage Plan, pati na rin sa kagyang na dredging ng mga kritikal na dam at ilog sa lungsod.

Sa opisyal na liham na isinumite sa Malacañang, binigyang-diin ng Lungsod ang lumalalang pangangailangan na tugunan ang patuloy na paglala ng pagbaha sa Bacoor, dulot ng matinding pagkapuno ng mga daluyan ng tubig at luma nang drainage infrastructure. Nanawagan ang lungsod ng agarang aksyon mula sa pambansang pamahalaan para pondohan ang pagpapatupad ng Bacoor Drainage Plan—sa pamamagitan man ng mga foreign-assisted programs gaya ng Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA) o ng National Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Fund (NDRRMF); o sa direktang interbensyon ng Department of Public Works and Highways (DPWH), National

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Photo credit : Mayor Strike Revilla FB Page

200 STARBOOKS Units Installed in La Union Schools, Opening New Doors for Learners through Science and Technology

A brighter future for learning has begun in La Union as 200 elementary and high schools across the province received STARBOOKS (Science and Technology Academic and Research-Based Openly Operated KioskS) installations. This milestone was made possible through the joint efforts of the Department of Science and Technology Region 1 (DOST Region 1), the DOST-Science and Technology Information Institute (DOST-STII), and the Department of Education - Schools Division Office of La Union (DepEd-LUSDO).

The three-day mass installation and deployment, held on August 18 to 20, 2025 at the DepEd Division Office Center in San Fernando City, marked a significant step towards making science, technology, and innovation-based knowledge more accessible to students and teachers even in schools where internet connectivity is a challenge.

Leading this landmark initiative was Mr. Justin N. Madrid, Project Leader of STARBOOKS in DOST Region 1, together with the dedicated DOST-STII STARBOOKS Team. The program opened with uplifting messages from education and science leaders, including:

* Dr. Teresita A. Tabaog, Regional Director, DOST Region 1

* Dr. Tolentino G. Aquino, Regional Director, DepEd Region 1, represented by Dr. Emiliana M. Boac, Chief of School Governance and

Operations Division * Dr. Napoleon K. Juanillo Jr., Assistant Secretary for Technology Transfer, Communications, and Commercialization and OIC Director of DOST-STII, represented by Ms. Louella L. Pestaño, STARBOOKS Unit Head.

One of the highlights of the event was the Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) Signing Ceremony between LUSDO, DOST-STII, and DOST La Union Provincial Director Mr. Jonathan M. Viernes. The MOA symbolizes not just a partnership, but a shared vision of continuously expanding access to quality learning resources across the province.

To ensure that schools can maximize the use of STARBOOKS, a hands-on training and orientation was conducted by Mr. Reynaldo Morales, Science Research Analyst of DOST-



STII. The training gathered 284 participants composed of ICT coordinators and librarians (232 female and 52 male) who are now equipped to guide their schools in using STARBOOKS as a powerful learning tool.

The program concluded with a heartfelt message

from Ms. Katrina Ronquillo, Provincial Focal Person of DOST La Union, delivered on behalf of Director Viernes. She emphasized the govt's commitment to bridging the digital divide, especially for learners in far-flung areas, and highlighted

how technology can serve as a great equalizer in education.

With STARBOOKS now installed in 200 schools, thousands of learners in La Union will soon have access to a wealth of digital resources ranging from science and technology journals,

research papers, and e-learning materials to livelihood guides and interactive content. This initiative paves the way for a more inclusive, innovative, and knowledge-driven generation of learners who are better prepared to face the future.

Indang Launches New PDAO and PWD Federation Office to Strengthen Inclusive Services

Indang, Cavite — August 27, 2025 The Municipality of Indang marked a major milestone in its commitment to inclusive governance with the inauguration of the new Persons with Disability Affairs Office (PDAO) and PWD Indang Federation Office. The ceremony was held on August 27 and led by Mayor Virgilio "Vergel" Fidel, alongside Vice Mayor Ferdinand "Ferdie" Papa, in coordination with the Municipal Social Welfare and Development Office (MSWDO), PDAO Indang, and the PWD Federation of Indang.



Atty. Danny Emelo of the Cavite Federation of PWD graced the event as guest of honor, commending the local government's proactive efforts in creating dedicated spaces for persons with disabilities. The newly established offices are expected to serve as a central hub for accessible services, community programs, and advocacy

initiatives tailored to the needs of the PWD sector. Mayor Fidel emphasized that the new facility represents more than just infrastructure—it symbolizes dignity, empowerment, and equal opportunity for all Indangueños. Vice Mayor Ferdie Papa echoed this sentiment, highlighting the importance of sustained collaboration between

local agencies and civil society in delivering responsive and inclusive public service.

The local government also expressed deep gratitude to the Provincial Government of Cavite for its financial and logistical support, which played a vital role in the realization of the project. The offices are designed to host consultations, training

sessions, and administrative functions that will enhance service delivery for PWDs. With the new PDAO and Federation Office now operational, Indang takes a significant step forward in institutionalizing inclusive development. The inauguration stands as a testament to the town's unwavering commitment to ensuring that no one is left behind.

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Members may avail up to Php 20,000 worth of outpatient medicines under PhilHealth GAMOT

PhilHealth announces the nationwide launch of the enhanced PhilHealth Guaranteed and Accessible Medications for Outpatient Treatment (PhilHealth GAMOT), a comprehensive outpatient drug benefit package that covers essential medicines. PhilHealth GAMOT is a key part of the PhilHealth YAKAP Program, which President Ferdinand R. Marcos, Jr. announced in his recent State of the Nation Address, underscoring this Administration's vision of a healthier Philippines.

PhilHealth GAMOT includes 75 types of free medicines with an annual benefit limit of Php 20,000 per beneficiary. These medications are common treatments for a wide range of conditions, such as infections (anti-microbial), asthma and COPD, diabetes, high cholesterol (dyslipidemia), high blood pressure and heart conditions (cardiology), and nervous system disorders, along with other supportive therapies.

To avail of the PhilHealth GAMOT, members should be registered in their PhilHealth YAKAP Clinic of choice. Following a thorough medical assessment, their primary care doctor will then issue a prescription containing a Unique Prescription Security Code (UPSC), as necessary. The beneficiary can then proceed to any GAMOT Facility and show the

prescription and present any government-issued ID Card.

Currently, the accredited GAMOT Facilities are:

- * Vidacure with branches in Muntinlupa City and Quezon City
- * Pharma Gen Ventures Corp (Generika Drugstore) with branches in Parañaque City, Navotas City, Quezon City and Taguig City
- * CGD Medical Depot Inc. at Vertis North
- * Chinese General Hospital

PhilHealth is actively expanding its network by engaging more partners to increase access for beneficiaries. In NCR, two other facilities have submitted their letter of intent to join the program.

PhilHealth Acting President and CEO Dr. Edwin M. Mercado reaffirmed the agency's commitment to provide access to a comprehensive



set of cost-effective and quality health services. "Noong 2023, nailunsad na natin ang PhilHealth GAMOT ngunit ito ay naisagawa lamang sa ilang probinsya. Kaya naman ngayon mas

pinalawak na natin ito. Karapatan ng bawat Filipino na magkaroon ng access sa mga kinakailangang gamot nang hindi pinapasan ang mabigat na gastusin mula sa sariling bulsa.", Dr.

Mercado stated. PhilHealth is also reminding all its members to keep their records updated to ensure seamless transactions when availing of benefits. For more details on

PhilHealth GAMOT, members may call PhilHealth's 24/7 touch points at (02) 866-225-88 or at mobile numbers (Smart) 0998-857-2957, 0968-865-4670, (Globe) 0917-1275987 or 0917-1109812.

Cavite Carrer Caravan draws over a thousand job seekers in Naic

The Provincial Government of Cavite through the Office of the Provincial Public Employment Service Manager (OPPESM), in collaboration with the Municipality of Naic, successfully held the Cavite Career Caravan on August 22, 2025, at the Stadium Shopping Strip, Naic, gathering a strong turnout of local job seekers and key employment partners.



A total of 1,131 job seekers flocked to the event, which featured 8,682 job vacancies offered by 52 participating companies. The career fair resulted in 83 individuals hired on the spot, marking a significant impact on local employment efforts.

The event opened with remarks and messages from local officials, including Municipal Vice Mayor Jacinta Maria Remulla and members of the Sangguniang Bayan of

Naic, alongside officials from the provincial government. The program also featured support from Hon. Chelsea Sarno, Cavite SKF President, and various provincial partners.

Representatives from national government agencies (NGAs) including SSS, PhilHealth, PAG-IBIG, PSA, DTI, NBI, TESDA, and DOLE were present to provide government services and information. Additionally, free legal assistance was made

available through the Office of the Provincial Legal Officer, ensuring comprehensive support for job seekers. The Office of the Provincial Cooperatives Development Officer also showcased Cavite products at their display booth.

The Cavite Career Caravan is part of the province's ongoing initiative to bring employment opportunities closer to residents, while also strengthening partnerships. (A. Sarte)



Silang Hosts MOA Signing for Koop Kapatid Program: A Testament to Bayanihan and Cooperative Growth

Silang, Cavite — Agosto 18, 2025. In a powerful display of solidarity and shared progress, the New Municipal Hall of Silang became the venue for the Signing Ceremony of the Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) for the Koop Kapatid Program. The event brought together the Silang Livelihood Agriculture Cooperative (SLAC) and the Office of the Municipal Cooperative Development Office (OMCDO), reaffirming Silang's commitment to inclusive development through cooperative empowerment.

Giving Back, Growing Forward

Under SLAC's Giving Back Program, the cooperative extended tangible support to fellow cooperatives from Batangas, Quezon, and Rizal by donating ten F1 pigs to each group. These high-quality livestock contributions are more than just agricultural assets—they symbolize trust, partnership, and the spirit of bayanihan that continues to thrive across provincial borders.

> "Ang pagpapalawak ng ugnayan, pagpapatibay ng kooperasyon, at pagbabahagi ng tulong ay

mas nagiging makabuluhan kapag naipadama sa kapwa," shared a representative from SLAC, echoing the heart of the initiative.

Local Leadership in Action

Mayor Ted Carranza and the Municipal Government of Silang stood in full support of the program, recognizing its potential to uplift livelihoods and strengthen inter-cooperative ties.

The MOA signing marks a strategic step toward sustainable agriculture, economic resilience, and regional unity.

A Model for



Replication

The Koop Kapatid Program is more than a one-time event—it's a replicable model for cooperative-led development. By fostering mentorship, resource-sharing, and mutual aid, it empowers communities to rise together, ensuring that no cooperative is left behind.

Wheels of Hope: Congressman Advincula Distributes Wheelchairs to Imuseños

In a heartfelt gesture of compassion and service, Congressman Adrian Jay "AJ" Advincula recently led a wheelchair distribution initiative for residents of Imus, Cavite. The program, part of his ongoing #AlagangAdvincula advocacy, aims to uplift individuals with mobility challenges by providing them with tools that restore independence and dignity. Each wheelchair delivered was more than just a piece of equipment—it was a symbol of renewed hope and inclusion.

The distribution event was marked by personal visits from Congressman Advincula himself, who took time to meet with beneficiaries and listen to their stories. Among them was Lola Nena, a senior citizen who expressed deep gratitude, saying, "This wheelchair means I can go outside again without needing help. Thank you, Cong. AJ." These moments of connection underscored the sincerity behind the initiative and the congressman's commitment to hands-on public service.

Beyond the wheelchairs, the program also included the distribution of grocery packs, rice, and financial assistance to help ease the daily burdens of the recipients. The holistic approach reflects Congressman Advincula's belief that genuine care goes beyond symbolic gestures—it must address real, everyday needs. His team worked closely with local officials to ensure that the aid reached those most in need.

This latest outreach effort is part of a broader mission to make government service more accessible and responsive. Through the #AlagangAdvincula program, Congressman AJ continues to champion projects that promote health, education, livelihood, and social welfare. His leadership emphasizes empathy, action, and community empowerment—values that resonate deeply with the people of Imus.

As the wheelchairs rolled into homes and hearts, they carried with them a message: that no one should be left behind. Congressman Advincula's initiative reminds us that public service, when rooted in compassion, can transform lives in the most tangible ways. And for every smile sparked by a new wheelchair, a new chapter of hope begins.



PNP Chief Nicolas Torre III Relieved After Brief Tenure

In a swift and unexpected move, Malacañang announced the immediate relief of Philippine National Police (PNP) Chief Police General Nicolas Torre III, marking the end of a notably brief tenure that lasted just over three months. The announcement was made through a memorandum dated August 25, 2025, signed by Executive Secretary Lucas Bersamin, acting on the authority of President Ferdinand Marcos Jr..

Torre, who made history as the first Philippine National Police Academy (PNPA) graduate to ascend to the top post of the PNP, assumed leadership in early June following the retirement of Gen. Rommel Francisco Marbil. His appointment was initially hailed as a milestone for PNPA alumni, symbolizing a shift in leadership dynamics within the national police force.

However, Torre's term was abruptly cut short amid controversy surrounding internal command decisions. According to reports, Torre allegedly acted beyond his authority by unilaterally reassigning Lt. Gen. Jose Nartatez Jr., the then-deputy chief for administration, to a regional command post in Western Mindanao. This move was later overturned by the National Police Commission, reinstating Nartatez to his original position.

Senator Panfilo Lacson, himself a former PNP chief, weighed in on the matter, noting that such



high-level designations within the PNP Command Group typically require clearance from the President or the Secretary of the Interior and Local Government. Lacson emphasized the importance of restraint and protocol in managing the police hierarchy, citing his own experience under President Joseph Estrada.

Following Torre's relief, Lt. Gen. Jose Nartatez Jr. was appointed as the new PNP Chief, effective immediately. Nartatez, previously the second-in-command, now assumes leadership of the 230,000-strong police force at a time when the PNP faces mounting challenges in combating cybercrime, organized syndicates, and maintaining public trust.

As of this writing, Malacañang has not

provided a detailed explanation for Torre's removal. The Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG) has taken over the scheduled press briefing originally set to feature Torre, further signaling the rapid transition in leadership.

Torre's brief stint as PNP Chief will be remembered for its high-profile backdrop, including his prior involvement in operations leading to the arrests of controversial figures such as Apollo Quiboloy and former President Rodrigo Duterte. His departure underscores the delicate balance of authority and accountability within the country's top law enforcement agency.

Alfonso...

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This initiative reflects Alfonso's commitment to inclusive and proactive governance.

By bringing healthcare directly to the barangays, the local government is making it easier for residents to participate in the registration process and benefit from the program. Upcoming announcements will detail the schedule for mass

registration in each barangay, ensuring that no one is left behind.

The PhilHealth KonSulTa Program is more than just a health initiative—it is a testament to the municipality's dedication to responsible service. Under the leadership of #RSikatlongTermino, Alfonso continues to uphold its promise of delivering programs that

uplift and protect its people. Health is not a privilege—it is a right, and Alfonso is making that right a reality.

In Alfonso, public service is rooted in compassion, action, and accountability. As the community moves forward together, programs like KonSulTa serve as powerful reminders that progress begins with people—and that every Alfonso deserves a healthy, dignified life.

Alfonso, Cavite Hosts Laoag City's Executive-Legislative Agenda

The Municipality of Alfonso, Cavite proudly served as the host for the Local Government Unit of Laoag City's Executive-Legislative Agenda, led by Mayor James Bryan Alcid and Vice Mayor Carlos Fariñas. The event brought together Laoag's key officials for strategic planning and governance alignment, set against the refreshing climate and scenic backdrop of Alfonso.

Mayor Randy Salamat of Alfonso warmly welcomed the Laoag City delegation, expressing gratitude for their choice of venue and reaffirming Alfonso's commitment to fostering inter-LGU collaboration. Under Mayor Salamat's leadership, Alfonso has steadily gained recognition as a preferred destination for national and regional assemblies, thanks to its

hospitality, accessibility, and growing reputation for responsible service.

The agenda-setting sessions provided Laoag's executive and legislative teams a space to align priorities, strengthen institutional synergy, and exchange best practices. The visit also highlighted the importance of cross-regional partnerships in advancing local governance and

community development.

Held at the renowned Abagatan Ti Manila, the event was marked by seamless coordination and exceptional service, further elevating Alfonso's profile as a venue of choice for high-level engagements. The facility's ambiance and professionalism contributed to the success of the multi-day planning sessions.

As Alfonso continues to

build its identity as a hub for civic leadership and strategic dialogue, Mayor Salamat and the local government remain steadfast in promoting transparency, excellence, and inclusive growth. The hosting of Laoag City's Executive-Legislative Agenda stands as a testament to Alfonso's readiness to support transformative initiatives across the country.



Camiguin Lanzones on the path to GI protection

The Department of Science and Technology – Camiguin Provincial Science and Technology Office (DOST Camiguin) convened an engagement meeting with the Intellectual Property Office of the Philippines (IPOPHL) to advance its initiative of applying for Geographical Indication (GI) certification for Camiguin Lanzones. The discussion centered on the capacity building requirements, the process of filing a GI application, and best practices, ensuring that stakeholders are well-prepared to comply with standards and documentation.

A Geographical Indication (GI) is a form of intellectual property protection that identifies a product as originating from a specific place, where its quality, reputation, or unique characteristics are linked

to its geographic origin. For Camiguin, having the Lanzones recognized under GI will safeguard its authenticity, protect farmers from imitation, and give the product a market advantage. It will also help increase the

value of the fruit, support farmer income, and open more opportunities in both local and international markets.

The session was attended by experts from IPOPHL, Engr. John Paul Yu, Atty. Irma Morcillo, and

Ms. Emmelina Masanque, and Ms. Jerace Tabalba of DTI Camiguin, who shared valuable insights and guidance for this undertaking.

This initiative reinforces DOST Camiguin's commitment to empower local farmers, enhance product value, and secure Camiguin Lanzones' place in the global market through intellectual property protection.



Mayor Brent Tolentino Named Focal Mayor for Tourism by League of Cities of the Philippines

TAGAYTAY CITY — Hon. Aizack Brent D. Tolentino has been officially elected as the Focal Mayor for Tourism under the 2025–2028 National Executive Board of the League of Cities of the Philippines (LCP), a role that places him at the forefront of national tourism advocacy among the country's city mayors. The announcement was made following the recent LCP elections, which gathered local chief executives from across the archipelago to chart the next phase of urban development and collaboration.

Mayor Tolentino's appointment reflects his longstanding commitment to sustainable tourism and inclusive growth. Under his leadership, Tagaytay City has consistently ranked among the top destinations in the country, known for its cool climate, scenic views, and community-driven hospitality. His new role will allow him to scale these successes to a national level, supporting other cities in developing tourism programs that highlight local culture, heritage, and economic potential.

As Focal Mayor, Tolentino will serve as the primary liaison between the LCP and national tourism agencies, helping shape policies and initiatives that benefit city-level tourism stakeholders. He is expected to lead dialogues on infrastructure, digital promotion, and capacity-building for local tourism offices. His leadership will also be instrumental in aligning city tourism efforts with broader goals such as climate resilience, youth engagement, and post-pandemic recovery.

The LCP's 2025–2028 Executive Board includes elected representatives from Luzon, Visayas, Mindanao, and the National Capital Region, each tasked with championing sectoral priorities such as health, education, and economic development. Mayor Tolentino's selection for the tourism portfolio signals a renewed emphasis on travel and cultural exchange as tools for national unity and progress.

Local officials and civic leaders have expressed confidence in Mayor Tolentino's ability to elevate Philippine tourism on the global stage. "His vision and energy are exactly what we need to inspire innovation and pride in our cities," one colleague noted. As the new board begins its term, stakeholders across the country look forward to a vibrant and inclusive tourism agenda under Mayor Tolentino's guidance.



Photo Credit : City Mayor Aizack Brent Tolentino FB Page

Leading with Vision: Strategic Governance for a Rising Philippines

The Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG) recently convened over 240 newly elected officials from Cavite, Laguna, and Rizal for the Strategic Leadership for Good Governance: Introductory Course, a flagship initiative under the NEO PLUS Program—Newly-Elected Official Performing Leadership for Uplifting Service. This gathering marked a pivotal moment for local governance, equipping mayors, vice mayors, and councilors with the tools to lead with integrity, innovation, and heart.



Among the invited speakers was City Mayor Dahlia A. Loyola of Carmona, whose leadership journey has become a beacon of transformative governance. Under her stewardship, the City of Carmona rose from a third-class municipality to become the Youngest City in the Philippines and a Smart City in the making. Her insights on visionary and entrepreneurial leadership offered a compelling blueprint for inclusive progress and community empowerment.

Throughout the course, participants explored the principles of strategic

governance, emphasizing the importance of data-driven decision-making, transparent leadership, and citizen engagement. Mayor Loyola's presentation highlighted how embracing technology, fostering collaboration, and prioritizing people-first policies can accelerate local development and resilience.

More than just a technical training, the NEO PLUS Program championed a leadership style rooted in empathy and purpose. It called on newly minted officials to lead not only with their minds but with their hearts—to embody the

values of Bayanihan, accountability, and service. This approach reflects Carmona's enduring commitment to the guiding principle: "Bayan Muna Lagi at Dapat Angat Lahat."

As these leaders return to their respective communities, they carry with them a renewed sense of mission. The seeds of transformation have been planted, and with courage and collaboration, they will grow into thriving, inclusive cities and municipalities. Together, we move forward—toward a Philippines where good governance is not just a promise, but a lived reality.

New Era...

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"We are proud to bring the very first Caltex station along the CALAX corridor, further supporting the needs of motorists traversing this strategic expressway," said Mr. Pongtorn Tangmanuswong, General Manager, Chevron Philippines Inc. "Our commitment is to provide quality, cleaner, and ever reliable fueling options that meet the evolving demands of our customers."

"As concessionaire and operator of the Cavite-Laguna Expressway, it is

an honor to witness this important milestone—the groundbreaking of our very first toll service facility in partnership with Caltex. This project represents more than just new infrastructure; it is a symbol of strong collaboration between our organizations, with one shared goal: to provide motorists with a safe, clean, and reliable place to rest and refuel along CALAX," said Arlette V. Capistrano, Vice President for Communication and Stakeholder Management of CALAX.

The new CALAX Caltex service station is expected to open by March 2026, promising to become a vital stop for travelers, logistics operators, and residents alike.

About CALAX

CALAX is a toll road concession of Metro Pacific Tollways Corporation. MPTC's domestic portfolio includes the concessions for the Manila-Cavite Expressway (CAVITEX), North Luzon Expressway (NLEX), the NLEX Connector Road, the Subic-Clark-Tarlac Expressway (SCTEX), and the Cebu-Cordova Link Expressway (CCLEX) in Cebu.



New Era begins for Caltex CALAX (from left to right) Andrew E. Dimaano, Vice President of Treasury, Risk, Insurance, and Commercial Management of MPT South; Arlette V. Capistrano, Vice President of Communication and Stakeholder Management of MPT South; Roel Faustino, Lubricants Sales Manager; Raphael Melo, Asset Optimization Lead; Pongtorn Tangmanuswong, CHEVRON General Manager; Larry Tiglao, CHEVRON Retail Fuels Manager; LTC Richard Antonio M. Tamayo, President of Perpetual Help Medical Center Las Pinas; and Arnold Jose P. Tamayo, Property Development Officer of the University of Perpetual Help, at the CALTEX CALAX Groundbreaking Ceremony.



Sidelines of the Caltex CALAX Groundbreaking ceremony (from left to right) Arlette V. Capistrano, Vice President of Communication and Stakeholder Management of MPT South; Pongtorn Tangmanuswong, CHEVRON General Manager; and Dr. Anthony Jose M. Tamayo, President of University of Perpetual Help System DALTA, engage in a meaningful discussion during the groundbreaking event.

Councilor...

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The program focused on enhancing ethical governance, strategic decision-making, and effective community engagement. Through interactive sessions and expert-led discussions, participants explored the evolving demands of local leadership and the importance of being responsive to constituents' needs. Councilor Maliksi actively participated in workshops that emphasized openness to reform and inclusive policymaking.

"This is a valuable opportunity to reflect, learn, and recommit ourselves to the responsibilities of public service," Maliksi said. "Leadership is not just about authority—it's about listening, adapting, and serving with compassion and integrity."

The training also highlighted the role of communication and collaboration in building trust between government and the public. Councilor Maliksi reaffirmed her

dedication to swift and meaningful service, aligning with her advocacy for transparent governance, youth empowerment, and community resilience.

As she returns to Imus, Councilor Maliksi brings with her renewed insights and a strengthened resolve to deliver maliksing serbisyo—a brand of leadership that is fast, sincere, and people-centered. Her participation in the DILG-led program marks a proactive step toward more responsive and transformative local governance.

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Key initiatives under the partnership include:

* **Rapid Response Mechanism:** Establishing a hotline, threat assessments, and temporary protective measures to swiftly address immediate dangers.

* **Investigation and Accountability:** Strengthening collaboration with legal and investigative agencies to ensure impartial, timely investigations into attacks.

* **Victim Support:** Providing legal and psychosocial assistance to

victims and their families.

* **Capacity Building and Prevention:** Conducting gender-sensitive safety training for journalists and first responders.

* **Data Monitoring:** Sharing databases on threats, attacks, and investigations to identify patterns and inform policy.

* **Legal and Policy Reforms:** Advocating for measures to expedite investigations, strengthen witness protections and address online harassment.

* **Resources and Sustainability:** Mobilizing human, technical, and

financial resources to sustain protection initiatives.

* **Engagement and Awareness:** Promoting ongoing dialogue with media organizations, civil society, and the public to foster a culture of respect and responsibility towards journalists.

The partnership underscores the importance of measurable targets, transparency, and continual review to ensure effective implementation. "Protecting journalists is not just an obligation but a reflection of our commitment to democracy, human rights, and the rule of law," said Torres.

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Beyond the financial relief, the event became a space for listening and connection. Beneficiaries were able to share their concerns directly with government representatives, reinforcing the message that in times of crisis, they are not alone. The presence of both Cong. AJ

and Mayor Alex sent a strong signal of solidarity and hands-on leadership.

This initiative is part of the broader advocacy of #AAngatAngImus—a commitment not only to infrastructure and development, but to the well-being of every Imuseño. Each payout strengthens public trust

and shows that government support can be both timely and heartfelt.

In moments of need, unity between leaders and citizens becomes the foundation of hope. Through the efforts of Cong. AJ Advincula and Mayor Alex Advincula, the spirit of #AlagangAdvincula continues to shine—a brand of service that uplifts, empowers.

Heaven's...

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From a humble P5,000 capital and a team of three in 2012, Heaven's Bakehaus has grown into a nationally recognized MSME. Owned and managed by Mr. Marc T. Claro and his wife Roly Ann, this favorite bakeshop in Iligan City is more than just a business—it has become a livelihood platform for out-of-school youth, working students, single mothers, persons with disabilities, and senior citizens. Their signature "Piaya de Iligan" has since become a symbol of both local pride and opportunity.

With the support of the Department of Science and Technology (DOST) through the Small Enterprise Technology Upgrading Program (SETUP) — Phase I in

September 2016 and Phase II in March 2022 — Heaven's Bakehaus achieved remarkable milestones: securing its FDA License to Operate, boosting sales, extending product shelf life, and diversifying its offerings with DOST-FNRI technologies.

In 2023, Heaven's Bakehaus earned national recognition by winning the SETUP PRAISE Award and the Most Agile Enterprise. Building on this momentum, the company reached an even greater milestone this year: winning the Presidential Awards for Outstanding MSMEs (Micro Enterprise Category), conferred at Malacañan Palace on August 18, 2025. Organized by the MSMED

Council pursuant to the Magna Carta for MSMEs, this prestigious award honors enterprises that exemplify business excellence, resilience, ingenuity, and meaningful contributions to community and industry growth.

Today, Heaven's Bakehaus continues to pay success forward by uplifting fellow MSMEs through its pasalubong center, proudly carrying other DOST-assisted brands such as Dackie's Food Products, Pepay's Food Products, and Margeurie's House of Goodies.

The DOST Northern Mindanao family celebrates this well-deserved victory with you, Heaven's Bakehaus — a true example of how science, technology, and innovation can transform lives and communities.

Courtesy...

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Congressman Barzaga, known for his youth-driven and responsive leadership, warmly welcomed Warden Diaz and expressed support for BJMP's mission. Their discussion centered on aligning jail programs with the city's broader goals for public safety, restorative justice, and reintegration of persons deprived of liberty (PDLs). Both leaders affirmed their shared commitment to upholding dignity and human rights within the jail system.

Among the key priorities discussed were health and wellness initiatives for PDLs, skills development and livelihood training, infrastructure support, and legal education.

Warden Diaz highlighted BJMP's ongoing efforts to transform jails into centers of rehabilitation, while Congressman Barzaga pledged legislative and logistical support to enhance these programs.

The courtesy call also served as a platform to explore future joint

initiatives, including community outreach and youth engagement. With Dasmariñas City's strong tradition of civic leadership, the meeting reflected a unified vision for inclusive governance and social progress.

As the visit concluded, both officials expressed optimism for deeper collaboration. The courtesy call of JCINSP Marvi Diaz to Congressman Kiko Barzaga stands as a testament to the power of inter-agency cooperation and the enduring spirit of bayanihan in Dasmariñas City.

Lungsod... (FROM PAGE 1)

Irrigation Administration (NIA), at Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) para sa malawakang dredging at legal na turnover ng Molino 3 at 4 Dams. Kabilang din sa panawagan ang agarang desilting ng mga ilog at kanal sa Bacoor, lalo na sa mga barangay na madalas bahain, ayon sa City Engineering Office.

Ang Bacoor Drainage Plan ay nakabatay sa dalawang pangunahing plano: ang JICA Master Plan (2022), na binuo sa tulong ng Japan International Cooperation Agency, at ang karagdagang plano mula sa DPWH na kinabibilangan ng Draft Final Master Plan Report ng Certeza Infosys Corporation at isang supplemental feasibility study para sa Bacoor River Improvement Project.

Pansamantalang inaprubahan ng Sangguniang Panlungsod ng Bacoor ang mga planong ito sa pamamagitan ng City Resolution No. 2025-643, na kaakibat ng Writ of Continuing Mandamus ng Korte Suprema sa MMDA v. Concerned Residents of Manila Bay (G.R. Nos. 171947-48), na kinikilala ang mahalagang papel ng Bacoor sa Manila Bay watershed.

"Ang mga dam at ilog na dating nagpoprotekta sa atin ay ngayon ay barado

na ng burak at basura. Kung walang agarang suporta mula sa pambansang pamahalaan, libu-libong buhay at tahanan ang patuloy na nanganganib," ayon sa pahayag ng Pamahalaang Lungsod.

"Sa kabila ng aming patuloy na kahilingan sa mga ahensya gaya ng NIA para sa turnover ng Molino dams, wala pa ring malinaw na tugon. Ang pagkaantala sa administratibong proseso ay lubos na humahadlang sa aming kakayahang kumilos."

Ipinahayag ng Lungsod ang kahandaang ipatupad at panagutan ang anumang tulong na maibibigay ng pambansang pamahalaan, sa mahigpit na koordinasyon sa mga kaukulang ahensya. Gayunpaman, binigyang-diin din nito ang pangangailangan ng agarang aksyon, sapagkat bawat araw ng pagkaantala ay dagdag na panganib sa mga residente at ari-arian.

"Sa Bacoor, tayo ay Strike As One—hindi lamang bilang mga Bacooreño, kundi bilang mga Pilipinong karapat-dapat sa kaligtasan, dignidad, at katatagan. Nanawagan kami sa pambansang pamahalaan na makiisa sa amin sa tungkuling protektahan ang ating mga komunidad laban sa sakuna."

President... (FROM PAGE 1)

The President's message echoed the day's theme, "Isang Diwa, Isang Lahi, Isang Bayanihan," which highlights the collective spirit of patriotism and service. Marcos underscored that nation-building is a "constant and unrelenting endeavor," and that modern-day heroes include farmers, teachers, health workers, and law enforcers who fulfill their duties in extraordinary ways.

Parallel activities across the country reinforced this message, with youth groups and civic organizations hosting forums, mural unveilings, and storytelling sessions to inspire a new generation of changemakers. These events connected historical narratives with present-day calls for transparency, equity, and national unity.

The ceremony concluded with the symbolic release of white flowers into a reflecting pool, representing remembrance and hope. President Marcos' call to action transformed the annual observance into a rallying cry for a stronger, more just Bagong Pilipinas—built not only by leaders, but by every Filipino who chooses service over silence.

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A Heartfelt... (FROM PAGE 1)

"Maraming salamat po sa oras at masayang kamustahan, Sen. Bam Aquino," read one heartfelt message from a local civic advocate. "Welcome po kayo lagi sa General Trias!" The sentiment echoed across social media, where residents expressed pride in their city's openness and commitment to public service.

This gathering was not just symbolic—it was strategic. It highlighted General Trias as a hub of active citizenship, where leaders like Mayor Ferrer and Senator Aquino inspire collective action and institutional trust.

As General Trias continues to champion participatory leadership, this visit stands as a beacon of what's possible when forces unite for the common good.

EXTRA-JUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE WITH WAIVER OF RIGHTS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THE PUBLIC THAT THIS DEED OF EXTRA JUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE ("Deed") is made by and among: MARICIEL HERMINO BENGAN, of legal age, Filipino, residing at Blk 6, Riverside Silver Towne 4, Brgy. Malagasang 2-B, City of Imus; EULA MARIE H. BENGAN, of legal age, Filipino, residing at Blk 6, Riverside Silver Towne 4, Brgy. Malagasang 2-B, City of Imus; EMIE ROSE H. BENGAN, of legal age, Filipino, residing at Blk 6, Riverside Silver Towne 4, Brgy. Malagasang 2-B, City of Imus; CIELO LUCILLE H. BENGAN, of legal age, Filipino, residing at Blk 6, Riverside Silver Towne 4, Malagasang 2-B, City of Imus; CIELAINE THERESE H. BENGAN, as legally represented by MARICIEL HERMINO BENGAN, Filipino, residing, at Blk 6, Riverside Silver Towne 4, Brgy. Malagasang 2-B, City of Imus; EDGAR JOSEPH H. BENGAN, as legally represented by MARICIEL HERMINO BENGAN, Filipino, residing at Blk 6, Riverside Silver Towne 4, Brgy. Malagasang 2-B, City of Imus; JHAY ANN H. BENGAN, as legally represented by MARICIEL HERMINO BENGAN, Filipino, residing at Blk 6, Riverside Silver Towne 4, Brgy. Malagasang 2-B, City of Imus; WITHNESSETH, that:

WHEREAS, the above-named heirs are the surviving wife and the surviving legitimate children of the deceased EDGAR BARCE BENGAN, who died on 17 December 2023 at Blk 6, Riverside, Silver Towne 4, Brgy. Malagasang 2-B, City of Imus, Cavite, A Certified Copy of his Death Certificate is attached herewith as "Annex A", WHEREAS, EDGAR BARCE BENGAN died intestate and there are no known debts or obligations due against the estate of the said decedent;

WHEREAS, EDGAR BARCE BENGAN is the absolute and registered owner of tricycle with Official Receipt No. 0438-000000055596 and plate no. QW5533. Attached herewith is a copy of the Official Receipt from LTO Imus District Office. WHEREAS, pursuant to Rule 74, Sec. 1 of the Revised Rules of Court of the Philippines, and being with full capacity to contract, the heirs do hereby adjudicate unto themselves the parcel of land described above, in equal shares. WAIVER OF RIGHTS WHEREAS, We, Eula Marie H. Bengan, Emie Rose H. Bengan, Cielo Lucille H. Bengan, as legally represented by Mariciel H. Bengan, Edgar H. Bengan, as legally represented by Mariciel H. Bengan, and Jhay Ann H. Bengan, as legally represented by Mariciel H. Bengan (whose personal circumstances are mentioned above) have agreed and covenanted to CEDE, TRANSFER and CONVEY unto our co-heir and mother MARICEL H. BENGAN (whose personal circumstances are mentioned above) all our no longer interested over our share in the aforesaid property. It has been the subject of Deed of Extrajudicial Settlement of Estate of the late EDGAR BARCE BENGAN, duly executed on March 19, 2024 at City of Imus Philippines, before NOTARY PUBLIC, ATTY. LEONARD MARTIN E. SYJUCO as per Doc No. 292; Page No. 60; Book No.35; Series of 2024.

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Tatakbo ba kayong Kapitan o Kagawad? Opo!

Alam niyo bang may mabigat na kaparusahan sa mapapatunayang sangkot sa katiwalian at droga? Ngayon handa pa ba kayong tumakbo?

Atrass!!!

Continuous Support: Over 600 Imuseños Receive Medical and Burial Assistance

Under the banner of #CONGkretongAJenda, a successful payout was recently conducted by the Department of Social Welfare and Development



(DSWD), reaching over 600 beneficiaries in Imus. The assistance focused on medical and burial support—critical services during times of hardship. More than just financial aid, the program delivered hope and compassion to families in need.

Led by Congressman Adrian Jay Advincula in partnership with Mayor Alex Advincula, the local government ensured that the distribution was smooth, organized, and deeply rooted in public service. This wasn't just a payout—it was a concrete response to the real struggles of the community. Together, these leaders exemplify what it means to serve with empathy and urgency.

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PTFOMS, CHR Sign Agreement to Enhance Journalists' Safety



The Presidential Task Force on Media Security and the Commission on Human Rights formalized on Tuesday, August 27, 2025, a partnership aimed at strengthening the safety and security of media workers across the country.

"The work of journalists is vital in illuminating truth, empowering citizens, and strengthening democracy. Yet, too often, this work is met with harassment, threats, and violence," said Undersecretary Jose Torres Jr., PTFOMS executive director.

"Today's agreement is our roadmap for reversing that trend," he said. "It establishes concrete actions that will provide real protections, prompt responses, and justice for media workers in distress."

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Alfonso Strengthens Public Health Services Through PhilHealth KonSulTa Program

The Municipal Government of Alfonso continues to prioritize the health and well-being of every Alfonseño. In alignment with the Universal Health Care Act, a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) was recently signed between the local government and FTCC Solutions Inc. This partnership marks the beginning of a mass registration initiative for the PhilHealth Konsultasyong Sulit at Tama (KonSulTa) Program, a nationwide effort to make essential health services more accessible to all Filipinos.



(Photo credit : Mayor Randy Salamat FB Page)

Through the KonSulTa Program, registered residents—regardless of economic status—will gain access to a wide range of free medical services. These include medical consultations, health risk screenings, selected laboratory and diagnostic tests, and essential medicines. By removing financial barriers, the program ensures that every citizen can seek timely and appropriate care without worrying about cost.

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Courtesy Call of JCINSP Marvi Diaz to Congressman Kiko Barzaga at Dasmariñas City Hall

Dasmariñas City, Cavite — August 18, 2025 Newly designated City Jail Warden JCINSP Marvi Diaz paid a courtesy call to Congressman Francisco "Kiko" Barzaga at Dasmariñas City Hall, marking the beginning of a strengthened partnership between the Bureau of Jail Management and Penology (BJMP) and the city's leadership. The visit emphasized the importance of collaboration in promoting humane jail management and community rehabilitation.

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(Photo Credit : Cong. Kiko Barzaga FB Page)

Heaven's Bakehaus of Iligan City Wins Presidential Award for Outstanding MSMEs with DOST Support



Like a mentor watching their student rise to success, DOST Northern Mindanao is proud of Heaven's Bakehaus for turning small beginnings into a big success story.

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