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SAVE MANILA BAY

DOST AIDS SUCCESSFUL CABINET MAKER IN CAVITE TOWN



CARMONA, Cavite -- This 37-year-old furniture shop began as an ordinary furniture and sash factory at the People's Technology Complex in this eastern town, until science and technology (S&T) transformed it to become a promising furniture and metal fabrication firm here.

Jessamine Bariuan of the Department of Science and Technology (DOST)-Calabarzon shared to Philippine News Agency on Thursday the great leap of San Jose Kitchen Cabinet Manufacturing Factory after the company sought assistance from DOST, through its Small Enterprise Technology Upgrade Program (SETUP).

Bariuan recalled that from being a small furniture and
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DOST SETUP. An artisan of the San Jose Kitchen Cabinet manufacturing factory in Carmona, Cavite enjoys science and technology (S&T)-based wood cutting machine operation and assembly for the furniture venture through the support of the Department of Science and Technology (DOST) Calabarzon's Small Enterprise Technology Upgrade Program (SETUP). The DOST SETUP assistance enabled the furniture business to acquire automatic edge bander worth PHP1.998 million, along with various trainings provided for staff capability development. (Photo courtesy of DOST4A-PARCU)

MARCOS: AFP, PNP IN SCHOOLS WILL PROVE NPAs RIGHT

Senator Imee R. Marcos has called on the government to hold back from deploying the military and police in schools marked as hotspots of student recruitment into anti-government groups.

"Please, let's not invade the schools and prove those NPA recruiters right," Marcos said.

Turning schools into "virtual garrisons" would only attract students to anti-government

groups like the New People's Army, she explained.

Marcos proposed that students be encouraged instead to participate in government programs by organizing Sangguniang Kabataan youth chapters with the support of the National Youth Commission.

"Allow students to organize freely. It's the only way they can develop their convictions and sense of right and



Senator Imee R. Marcos wrong," Marcos said.

The senator earlier opposed the call among military and police supporters to revive the Anti-Subversion Act of 1957 that makes mere membership in the Communist Party of the Philippines - New People's Army (CPP-NPA) a crime.

Instead, Marcos has proposed to strengthen the Human Security Act of 2007 via Senate Bill 630, saying that the bill will punish rebellion and insurrection as terrorist acts "without discriminating against ideology, religion, or politics."

TRECEÑOS AVAILED PGC'S FREE MEDICAL SERVICE

More than 390 indigent residents of Trece Martires City received free medical check-up and tooth extraction rendered by medical professionals from General Emilio Aguinaldo Memorial Hospital (GEAMH) with the assistance of the City Health Office during the conduct of medical and dental mission at La



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270 Calabarzon hospitals to support Universal Health Care

CALAMBA City, Laguna -- Some 270 health facility chiefs and hospital administrators from both public and private sectors in the Calabarzon Region on Thursday committed to support the government's Universal Health Care (UHC) through the Department of Health (DOH) as lead implementor.

The hospital officials signed their respective "Pledge of Commitment" to institutionalize and sustain the best practices and promotion of quality health service delivery to their clients, attuned to the UHC goals.

Under the commitment, the smaller hospitals will also be in close contact with bigger medical institutions with complete facilities and with specialized doctors.

The commitments were given during the first regional hospital summit themed "Call to Action for Hospital Development in the Attainment of Universal Health Care" led by Calabarzon Regional Director Eduardo Janairo at Filinvest Alabang, Muntinlupa City.

Janairo said the first regional summit aims to strengthen health service delivery systems in hospital facilities and to streamline service operations and efficiently and effectively meet the particular health needs and demands unique to the patients, clients, and stakeholders.

"Service delivery is the most important facet of Universal Health Care as hospitals more often than not become the first point of access for care. It is equally important to link hospitals to other service providers in the health system to ensure equitable delivery of integrated, people-centered services through a whole-of-government approach," he said.

Under the UHC law, all hospital operations are guided by policies, administrative guidelines and issuances emanating from the DOH Health Facility Development Bureau (HFDB) through specific health programs relative to hospital systems development.

In Calabarzon, Janairo established the Health Facility Operations and Development Unit (HFODU) to lead in providing vital technical assistance to hospitals in the region through the collaborative efforts of all Regional Health Programs/Units in a "One-Stop-Shop Strategy."

He said the HFODU has recorded a total of 65 government health facilities and 149 private hospitals in the region.

Janairo urged both public and private hospitals to perform their essential roles in the universal health care system, especially to strengthen primary care.

"This will be the whole network system composed of public and private health facilities that will comprise the primary care level where hospitals should be prepared for the UHC implementation and in case of lack of resources, they would be assisted with the necessary equipment, services,



SUPPORT FOR UHC. Dr. Wyda D. Berina, Medical Officer IV and Head of the Regional Health Facility Operations and Development Unit – Hospital Facilities, assists the hospital chiefs of public and private hospitals in Calabarzon Region, as they sign the 'Pledge of Commitment' wall. The signatories affirmed their full support to the Universal Health Care during the first regional hospital summit themed "Call to Action for Hospital Development in the Attainment of Universal Health Care (UHC)" at Filinvest Alabang, Muntinlupa City on Thursday (August 15, 2019). (Photo courtesy of DOH4A-MRCU)

and personnel," he said.

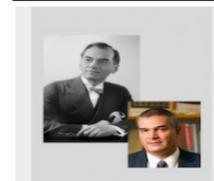
He added by fixing the health care delivery system network of the region's hospitals, this would avoid any hospital from refusing to admit patients who are cash-strapped or are required for advanced hospital deposit for immediate treatment or hospitalization.

"Patient satisfaction must be the indicator in providing health care for all Filipinos," he said.

Meanwhile, Dr. Wyda D. Berina, Medical Officer IV and HFODU head, underscored to the participants their roles in their respective leadership at the local level to ensure the success of the hospital's health service deliveries.

"This summit aims to strengthen collaboration and partnership with regional and local counterparts to improve their performance through better regulation, financing, and feedback system, as part of overall efforts to increase equitable access to people-centered health services of adequate quality without undue financial hardship," Berina said.

She pointed out the five UHC guides on accountability, efficiency, quality, equity, and sustainability and resilience. (PNA)



HERO. As featured in books and a recent movie called "Quezon's Game", Israel expresses its gratitude to former President Manuel Quezon for providing shelter to fleeing Jews during the bloody Nazi Regime in the 1930s. In collage: (LEFT) President Manuel Quezon, (RIGHT) Israel Ambassador to the Philippines Rafael Harpaz.

Use Quezon's legacy as compass, Israeli envoy tells leaders

MANILA -- As a gesture of gratitude, Israel Ambassador to the Philippines Rafael Harpaz on Monday shared his deep appreciation of former President Manuel Quezon's order to open the country's borders for victims of the holocaust during the ceremonial celebration of his 141st birthday in Quezon City.

heard of this before, but Harpaz, along with his fellow Israelis, would always be interested in retelling this story to whoever needs reminding on how momentous this event was in the 1930s -- the Nazi regime -- for the 10,000 Jews escaping for their lives.

to tell the story of President Manuel Quezon. In fact, every Israeli delegation visiting the Philippines is stopping by the Philippine-Israel friendship monument which is right here in Quezon Memorial Circle to honor and pay respect to this leader," he said in his speech at the Quezon City Memorial Cir-

cle. Under the Nazi regime, Jews were forced to leave their own country and those left were persecuted. This time, most of the world, including the majority of the democratic countries, closed their doors to Jews in fear of crossing the Nazis.

However, there was one leader who stood out. President Manuel Quezon decided to open the doors of the Philippines and was willing to provide 10,000 visas for the Jewish refugees fleeing the Nazi regime. Unfortunately, only 1,300 Jews made it to the Philippines since the doors

of Europe were already shutting down," Harpaz shared.

Quezon's decision to save the Jews was not well-known to Filipinos and abroad until the last decade.

The awareness of many Filipinos for his legacy is much higher with the efforts done by

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Bacoor City closes 21 market stalls in clearing ops

BACOR CITY, Cavite-- The city government on Thursday ordered the closure of 21 stalls at the Zapote Public Market.

During the clearing operation, a team from the city's Business and Licensing Office inspected the stalls and discovered many of them have no business permits.

Mayor Lani Mercado-

Revilla immediately ordered the stores' closure as part of her directive for the Task Force Clearing Operations to intensify clean-up of roads from obstructions, illegal structures and sidewalk vendors.

In Noveleta town, Mayor Dino Reyes Chua led the clearing of public roads and obstructions including "eyesores"

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many organizations and individuals including the Embassy of Israel in Manila and with the help of academic materials and historical films that brought the story to the people, especially to the young generation.

In 1949, then-president Manuel Roxas made another significant decision for the Israelis.

The United Nations needed to vote on the creation of the State of Israel and the Philippines was the only Asian country to vote in favor of Israel.

These two historic decisions tightened the long and lasting friendship between Israel and the Philippines.

"I was honored to be the official escort of President Rodrigo Roa Duterte during his historic visit to Israel last September 2018. He is the first Filipino president in office to officially visit the State of Israel," Harpaz said.

In Duterte's visit to Israel, a 90-year old Jew stood up and shared his warm greetings in Tagalog, a testament of the special bond between the two nations.

Israel, as one of the strongest and developed countries in the world, has lent a hand to the country several times.

When Super Typhoon Yolanda (Haiyan) hit the Philippines in 2013, Israel did not hesitate to give assistance and was one of the first countries on the ground to conduct relief operations.

"History provides today's leaders with role models. President Manuel Quezon represents true leadership with integrity and moral conviction, which should be followed by leaders and by the young generation," Harpaz concluded. SOURCE: (PNA)

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sash factory in 1982, it ventured five years later to develop and introduce kitchen cabinets that are sold locally.

She said the company then produced bathroom closets and wooden panel cabinets, among their product lines that are offered by local distribution outlets in malls.

"But, the shift to kitchen cabinets fabrication was only able to produce a limited number of products due to lack of better wood processing technology besides the stiff competition due to cheap imported raw materials in the market," she noted.

Bariuan said the market competition has prompted San Jose Kitchen Cabinet Manufacturing Plant to seek DOST Calabarzon's S&T interventions through the SETUP.

She noted the DOST SETUP assistance enabled the furniture business to acquire a single-sided automatic edge bander worth PHP1.998 million, along with various trainings provided for staff capability development.

"The company's continuing development and strategies in the field of kitchen cabinets fabrication through SETUP was boosted, as it upgraded production capability through provisions of automated machines and lessened the laborious tasks in cabinet furniture-making," Bariuan said.

"The DOST's assistance allowed the firm to produce products with good uniform quality, reduce fabrication time and implement better Quality Control System in the operations," she added.



from illegal structures breaching the Barangay San Jose Dos.

He also reiterated instructions to remove the electric posts along the San Rafael National Road.

"I am requesting the help of the Cavite DPWH (Department of Public Works and Highways) and Meralco to help us remove all the electric posts that are obstructing along public roads after the road-widening project," Chua appealed.

In nearby General Trias City, Liga ng mga Barangays (LnB-village league) Federation president Alfred Ching of Barangay Dulongbayan, steered the league of 33 villages to clear their sidewalks from obstructions.

Ching, in his meeting with Mayor Antonio Ferrer and concerned city officials, said they have embarked on city-wide cleanup operations, including talks with owners to remove their illegally-parked vehicles on public roads.

The village chiefs also requested scores of property and business owners to remove illegal

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tent of the PRC which sits on a 25m x10m dimension is installed at the parking area in front of the hospital Out-Patient-Department (OPD). This Dengue Emergency Medical Unit (DEMU) houses twenty-five (25) double-deck beds. The City Government provided its lighting system with the installation of fourteen (14) pieces of T5 fluorescent lights and one (1) 50-watt fog light. It also equipped the tent with thirteen (13) 3-gang convenient outlets, two (2) industrial air cooler, and two (2) units of 3-Toner Air Conditioning Unit. All these equipment are powered by the electric supply provided and paid by the City Government. Moreover, it put up two (2) portalets to quickly provide sanitation services to patients. One (1) Dasmariñas tent was installed to shelter these portalets.

Aside from the technical support, the City Government also assigned nurses to render duty with the Red Cross volunteers.

The PRC has indeed become instrumental in this major counter dengue response. The City Government deeply expresses its gratitude to the Red Cross team deployed in the City.

As support to the volunteers, the City Government gives them allowance and provides them meals throughout the day. As of August 15, 2019, there were twenty-three (23) dengue patients

Bariuan further said the DOST's support also aided the furniture maker to increase the workforce from 12 to 15 artisans that resulted in 10-percent improvement in quality of output, and 15-percent increase in production capacity.

By January 2017, owner Oscar Chan revealed his business adopted twin program for spirituality in the workplace and 50/50 employee-employer profit sharing scheme geared towards uplifting the spiritual and living standards of the employees.h

Chan said the business has helped alleviate poverty among the laborers through job generation, as he encouraged overseas Filipino workers (OFWs) who wish to engage in this line of work and business and be reunited with their families back home. (PNA)

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their barangay possible.

Meanwhile, prior to the viewing of exhibit, a Memorandum of Agreement was signed by DOST-CALABARZON Regional Director Alexander Madrigal, PB Apolonio Advincula, Philippine Foundation for Science and Technology Division Executive Director May Pagsinohin witnessed by Congressman Strike Revilla, DOST-Cavite Provincial Director Raul Castañeda and the Head of Traveling Exhibitions Mr. Nelson Natividad. The MOA clearly stated the objectives of the program and highlighted the responsibilities of each agency, as well as the monetary terms, exhibit operations and guidelines.

In a message, Congressman Strike Revilla expressed much appreciation to DOST and Dep-Ed Bacoor for always extending assistance in helping him deliver quality education for all, hoping that someday the city would house a permanent Science Centrum to be available for thousands of Bacoreños and other Caviteño youth. The 2nd district representative also thought of building up a Science and Technology Center, plus a Science High School for scientific research and innovations in order to contribute to nation building.

On the other hand, Education Program Supervisor Ms. Helen Gutierrez of Dep-Ed-Bacoor talked about how DOST projects and the commitment of the local government further help students engage more in science research and other academic activities. Given this, teachers become more productive while students excel in various fields.

Along with Congressman Revilla and other guests, Director Pagsinohin who gave an overview on the traveling Science Centrum project, likewise led the balloon-popping and ribbon-cutting ceremony that formally opened the exhibit. Among the fun and exciting features of the Science Adventures are the hands-on interactive exhibits and challenging activities including Symmetroscope, Bicycle Wheel Gyro, Anti-Gravity Mirror, Finger Tingler, Rainbow Curtain, Pedal Generator, Plasma and Magnetic Sphere, Tiny Bubbles, and the Talk and Listen Dish.

Congressman Revilla joined students of Molino Elementary School and Divine Light Academy, while trying and enjoying different science concepts and activities. Also in attendance on behalf of Mayor Lani Mercado-Revilla was City Councilor Alde Pagulayan.

structures and debris or materials that obstruct along roads and highways and public pathways especially in public convergence zones.

Ferrer led city officials, with Philippine National Police (PNP), Bureau of Fire Protection (BFP) and barangay leaders in removing road obstructions along Tejero crossing road, in the city proper, Governor Ferrer from Prinza-Sta. Clara crossing to Manggahan, Manggahan-Governor's Drive crossing to

however, warned that violators of the order will be meted out the corresponding penalty or revocation of business permits. He said the city

Crisanto delos Reyes Avenue, up to Panunganyan upland areas.

"What is pleasing to note is that the business owners themselves have the initiative to clean their respective areas and are clearing obstructions on sidewalks and streets," Ferrer said in Filipino.

The city mayor, however, warned that violators of the order will be meted out the corresponding penalty or revocation of business permits. He said the city

government is complying with President Duterte's directive and Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG) Memorandum Circular 2019-121 issued on July 29 ordering all local government units (LGUs) to clear public roads being used by individuals or entities.

The DILG memorandum ordered local officials to exercise their powers to revoke permits that give private entities authority to use parts of any public roads. source:(PNA)

at the emergency tent. Just this Thursday, August 15, 2019, Cong. Pidi and Mayor Jenny visited the patients and distributed financial assistance to them.

The dengue treatment tent typically runs only for a month, hence its operation is bound to conclude on September 10, 2019. However, Cong. Pidi and Mayor Jenny are making an arrangement for it to be extended to three (3) months. Nevertheless, by next year, it will allocate funds to purchase and set up its own rub hall type tent to be used as extension of the hospital to cater medical emergency such as this.

Prior to this partnership with PRC, the City Government has already started maximizing the hospital resources. As a matter of fact, the Pagamutan ng Dasmariñas converted its Family Medicine Ward into a dengue quarter and has outsourced medical staff to accommodate the patients.

As of August 12, 2019, three-hundred forty-five (345) patients were attended at the Pagamutan ng Dasmariñas. One hundred sixty-six (166) of which were admitted. Despite the installation of the medical tent, twelve (12) dengue patients were still catered at the Pediatric Ward; two (2) at the Family Medicine Ward; and one (1) at the Intensive Care Unit (ICU).

The City Government urges all its constituents to immediately seek medical assistance once dengue symptoms persist. Most importantly, it implores every Dasmariñeño to stand united in fighting against the dengue epidemic. Everyone is encouraged to observe proper solid waste management and band together in a massive clean-up. Apart from the continued, 'search and destroy' operation and the city-wide fogging, the City Government believes that the one real solution remains the same and it is a clean surrounding. All Dasmariñeños are then reminded of their responsibility to maintain the cleanliness not just of their home but also of their immediate surroundings.

San Dasmariñas, kalusugan ng mga mamamayan ang bida!



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Halt the Dengue Outbreak, Manage the Crisis: The City Government of Dasmariñas Intensifies Its Counter-Dengue Response



Congressman Pidi Barzaga

As cases of dengue went up by 98% in comparison to the cases observed in the same period last year, the Department of Health (DOH) elevated the previously National Dengue Alert and declared a National Dengue Epidemic last August 06, 2019. In response, the City Government of Dasmariñas steps up its counter-operation against this mosquito-borne disease.



Basic Tourism Statistics

The Provincial Tourism and Cultural Affairs Office, in partnership with Department of Tourism IV-A, recently conducted a 3-day training on Basic Tourism Statistics for the tourism officers and coordinators of Cavite, and other tourism stakeholders at Tanza Oasis Hotel and Resort. The main objective of the said training was to develop and strengthen the institutional mechanisms to support the generation of statistics that will help our province become part of the Philippine top destinations.

TRAVELING SCIENCE CENTRUM, NOW IN CAVITE

The Department of Science and Technology-Provincial Science and Technology Center in Cavite in collaboration with the Philippine Foundation for Science and Technology, Office of 2nd District Representative Strike Revilla and the LGU of Bacoor City brought the

Travelling Science Centrum – a hands-on interactive science exhibit, closer to Caviteños.

Valuing the principle “Science for the people,” DOST-Cavite headed by Provincial Director Raul Castañeda together with the local government and the

Department of Education-Division of Bacoor worked hand in hand for the successful launch of the traveling exhibit of Science Adventures on August 8, 2019 at the Conference Center of Barangay Molino III in Bacoor City which will run until September 30, 2019.

The Punong



Congressman Pidi Barzaga and Mayor Jennifer Austria-Barzaga

Since an ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure, the City geared up its various dengue preventive mea-

asures. Firstly, it launched a regular misting and fogging in all its seventy-five (75) barangays. In fact, it purchased thirteen (13) fogging machines to ensure that the misting and fogging can be done simultaneously in different places, especially in those identified as mosquito-prone areas. It also continues its campaign for a mass clean-up drive. In addition, in view of the increasing dengue cases and in order to expedite the release of funds for the purchase of blood supply, intravenous fluids, diagnostic kits and other medical supplies for patients, the City Gov-

ernment placed the entire City under a state of calamity by virtue of Resolution No. 170-S-2019 last July 16, 2019.

Not only does the City Government focus on prevention but also on addressing the actual dengue cases it recorded within its jurisdiction. As a matter of fact, it extended the No-Balance-Billing (NBB) Program to dengue patients admitted at the Pag-amutan ng Dasmariñas.

Recently, the City Government leveled up its effort against this mosquito epidemic. Through the initiative of Congressman Pidi Barzaga and Mayor Jennifer Austria-Barzaga, the Pag-amutan ng Dasmariñas made representations with the Philippine Red Cross (PRC) to set up an emergency medical tent. This shall serve as an extension of dengue ward and a fast lane to cater patients of the outbreak. Their efforts materialized and said tent was installed on August 8 to 9 and became operational on August 10, 2019.

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