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## BACCOOR LGU SIGNS PARTNERSHIP FOR 2,000-UNIT AFFORDABLE HOUSING PROJECT



City Mayor Strike Revilla

The City Government of Bacoor, led by Mayor Strike Revilla through the Housing and Urban Development and Resettlement Department (HUDRD) headed by Atty. Aimee Neri, officially signed a Deed of Absolute Sale (DOAS) with Ph1 World Landscapes, Inc. for the 4PH Salinas Project during a ceremony held at the Strike Multi-purpose Hall on January 26, 2026.

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## DTI reports no price increase for 91% of basic goods

Prices of canned sardines in tomato sauce, instant mami noodles, laundry soap, candles, bread, toilet soap, and batteries remain stable, according to the Department of Trade and Industry (DTI).

These widely consumed goods account for 91% or 186 out of 205 stock-keeping units under the basic necessities and prime commodities list, as manufacturers did not request any increase in their suggested retail prices.

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### BENEFIT CLAIMS PAYMENT

Nakapagbayad ang PhilHealth sa taong 2025 ng higit

# ₱300.45 BILYON

na halaga ng benefit payment sa buong bansa.



Based on the Reports of Checks issued and Advice

Mas mataas nang **81.72%** kumpara noong nakaraang taon sa kaparehong panahon (mula Enero hanggang Disyembre).



## PhilHealth pays P300-B in benefit claims in 2025

MANILA – The Philippine Health Insurance Corp. (PhilHealth) said it has paid more than PHP300 billion in benefit claims nationwide in 2025, reflecting a significant increase in payments to both private and government health facilities.

Based on reports of checks issued and advice of payment, PhilHealth disbursed PHP300.45 billion in benefit payments from January to December 2025.

Of the total amount, PHP177.70 billion was paid to private health facilities, while PHP122.75 billion went to government hospitals.

The figure represents an 81.72 percent increase compared to the same period in 2024, when

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## NCR 'kasambahays' get wage increase

The National Wages and Productivity Commission (NWPC) on Thursday announced an increase in the minimum wage for domestic workers or kasambahays in Metro Manila.

The NWPC issued Wage Order No. NCR-DW-06, dated January 15 and effective February 7, which states the increase of minimum wage of domestic workers in Metro Manila by

₱800, or from ₱7,000 to ₱7,800.

According to the Department of Labor and Employment-National Capital Region (DOLE-NCR), the wage adjustment covers general house helpers, whether stay-in or live-out, *yaya*, cook, gardener, laundry person, and any person who regularly performs domestic work in one household.

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# CITY OF CARMONA BAGONG TWO STOREY FOUR CLASSROOM BUILDING SA BARANGAY SANTOL ELEM SCHOOL, BINUKSAN NA!



Pormal nang binuksan ang bagong two-storey, four-classroom building ng Barangay Santol Elementary School sa Silang noong

Ang proyekto ay isinakatuparan sa pamamagitan ng maayos na pondo ng taumbayan, sa pangunguna ni Cong. Roy Loyola at sa pakikipagtulangan ng Pamahalaang Bayan ng Silang, sa pangunguna ni Mayor Ted Carranza.

Ayon kay Cong. Roy, isinusulong din ang pagdaragdag ng panibagong palapag sa gusali upang higit pang mapalawak ang kapasidad ng paaralan sa mga susunod na taon. Habang nangako naman ang lokal na pamahalaan na magkakaalob ng mga kagamitan tulad ng mga silya, lamesa, 55 inch TV atbp.

## PhilHealth...pagel

total benefit payments amounted to PHP165.34 billion. In 2024, PhilHealth paid PHP74.02 billion to private facilities and PHP91.32 billion to government hospitals. PhilHealth said the substantial increase underscores its continued commitment to ensuring the timely payment of benefit claims and strengthening financial risk protection for its members. The state health insurer reiterated that it remains focused on improving access to quality healthcare services while supporting both public and private healthcare providers nationwide. source: (PNA)

## BACoor LGU SIGNS PARTNERSHIP FOR 2,000-UNIT...p1

The signing was witnessed by city officials including Vice Mayor Rowena B. Mendiola, members of the Sangguniang Panlungsod, SK Federation President Palm Angel Buncio, SP Secretary Atty. Khalid Atega Jr., City Legal Head Atty. Kim Nyca Lofranco, department and unit heads, and Mr. Dan Mark Magos of COA. Representing Ph1 World Landscapes, Inc. were President Ma. Gilda "Gigi" Alcantara, Mr. Charles "Lester" Perri Hari, Ms. Rowelyn Merencillo, Ms. Danielle Feliciano, and Mr. Kalvin Carreon. This milestone project highlights the City Government of Bacoor's commitment to inclusive development, ensuring that more families have access to safe, decent, and affordable homes.

# CALAX, Malapit Nang Buksan: Mas Mabilis na Biyahe Mula Cavite Patungong Laguna

Malapit nang matapos ang konstruksyon ng Cavite-Laguna Expressway (CALAX), isang mahalagang proyekto na mag-uugnay sa Kawit, Cavite hanggang Biñan, Laguna. Sa mga kuhang drone, makikita na halos tapos na ang flyover sa Zeus Intersection na direktang konektado sa CAVITEX, na inaasahang magbibigay ng mas maayos at tuluy-tuloy na daloy ng trapiko. Sa oras na ganap nang mabuksan ang CALAX, tinatayang aabutin na lamang ng 30 hanggang 40 minuto ang biyahe mula CAVITEX-CALAX Link Expressway patungong Biñan, Laguna. Bukod sa mas mabilis na paglalakbay, inaasahan ding magdudulot ito ng positibong epekto sa lokal na ekonomiya at mas maginhawang biyahe para sa mga motorista sa buong rehiyon.

## DTI reports no price increase...p1

The DTI noted that price stability has been sustained despite higher costs for raw materials, packaging, logistics, and toll-packing, after manufacturers deferred price increases in response to the Department's call last year for industry cooperation. Manufacturers that kept prices unchanged include Universal Canning Inc., Maunlad Canning Inc., Uprade Resource Corp., Chattra Enterprise, Permax Producer & Exporter Corp., Aquatic Food and Manufacturing, Slord Development Corp., Tosen Foods Inc., Zest-O Corp., Uni-President Corp., Monde Nissin Corp., Philbaking, Wellmade Manufacturing Corp., Unilever Philippines Inc., Peerless Product Manufacturing Co., P&G Philippines Inc., Vayao Wax Manufacturing, Manila Wax, Singkee Enterprises, Sevilla Candles, Green Cross Inc., Colgate Palmolive Philippines Inc., Procter and Gamble Philippines Inc., Energizer, LTH Food Industries Inc., Snow Mountain Dairy Corp., Commonwealth Foods, Ecosessential Foods Corp., Billie's Marketing, Asia Brewery, Inc., JG Summit Holdings, Inc., Philippine Spring Water Resources, Inc., Robinsons, CDO Foodsphere, Inc., Nutri Asia, and First PGMC. Building on this cooperation, DTI Secretary Cristina A. Roque reaffirmed that the Department will sustain strict price monitoring to ensure that this balance between consumer protection and business fairness continues. "The DTI stays committed to protecting consumers while recognizing the economic realities faced by manufacturers. Through regular price monitoring and open dialogue with manufacturers, the agency helps ensure that any price adjustments are fair and properly justified. At the same time, it provides consumers with timely guidance to support informed choices, while encouraging businesses to uphold ethical and competitive pricing practices," Roque said. ♦

# Newly Elected Officers of the Lady Local Legislators League of the Philippines – Cavite Chapter

The Lady Local Legislators League of the Philippines – Cavite Chapter successfully held its General Assembly and Election today, January 24, 2026, at The Bayleaf Hotel, City of General Trias, Cavite. The election was facilitated by DILG Cavite OIC-Provincial Director Marcial A. Juangco, together with Hon. Karla Adajar, Provincial Board Member of Laguna and 4L-Region IV-A, and was attended by members of the league, as well as other dignitaries and guests.

Following the successful conduct of the election, the 4L COMELEC proclaimed the following winners:

- President: Hon. Ivey Jayne A. Reyes
- Vice President: Hon. Jasmin Angelli M. Bautista
- Secretary: Hon. Aina Mari Sisante-Maligalig
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  - 4th District: Hon. Daisy Lyn Alvarez



- 5th District: Hon. Angelica A. Villaflor & Hon. Atty. Liza Lorelie Levarado Cruz
- 6th District: Hon. Atty. Kristine Jane P. Barison & Hon. Ainsley Gwyneth G. Luces
- 7th District: Hon. Anne Jomille D. Humarang & Hon. Michelle Anne Ricalde
- 8th District: Hon. Madonna Mojica-Pel & Hon. Bianca Camille U. Pello

This activity highlighted the strong leadership, unity, and active participation of women local legislators in Cavite, reaffirming their vital role in advancing inclusive governance, effective legislation, and responsive local development across the province./source:DILG Cavite



# Silang Livestock Agriculture Cooperative, Inilunsad Bilang Bagong Learning Site for Agriculture ng ATI CALABARZON



Opisyal na inilunsad ang Silang Livestock Agriculture Cooperative (SLAC) bilang pinakabagong Learning Site for Agriculture I (LSA I) ng DA-ATI CALABARZON na matatagpuan sa Brgy. Lilit, Silang, Cavite. Ang SLAC, na nag-umpisa bilang isang tricycle operators and drivers association (TODA) noong pandemya, ay benepisyaryo ng 30-sow level multiplier and technology demon-

stration farm sa DA-ATI CALABARZON na bahagi ng Integrated National Swine Production Initiatives for Recovery and Expansion (INSPIRE) Program. Bukod dito, benepisyaryo rin ang samahan ng iba't ibang pagsasanay mula sa DA-ATI CALABARZON, International Training Center on Pig Husbandry (ITCPH), at DA-Regional Field Office CALABARZON. Mahalagang hakbang ang paglulunsad sa pagpapalakas ng kaalaman, teknolohiya, at praktikal na kasanayan sa industriya ng pagbababuyan sa bayan ng Silang at buong rehiyon. Pinangunahan ang aktibidad ng DA-ATI CALABARZON sa pangunguna ni Center Director Dr. Rolando V. Maningas, RAGR. Ayon kay Dr. Maningas, "Masaya sa aming pakiramdam na isa na namang achievement ang napagtagumpayan ng Silang Livestock Cont. on PAGE 5

# DepEd...mula pahina 6

papataas ng kapasidad ng Santiago Elementary School na kasalukuyang may mahigit 2,400 na mag-aaral. Nilagyan din ang gusali ng mga makabagong pasilidad tulad ng Smart TV, armchairs, at iba't ibang safety features gaya ng fire alarm at emergency lights upang masiguro ang kaligtasan at kalidad ng pagkatuto ng mga mag-aaral. Via STT, SHP – PIA CALABARZON

**REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES  
REGIONAL TRIAL COURT  
FOURTH JUDICIAL REGION  
NAIC CAVITE  
OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF COURT  
AND EX-OFFICIO SHERIFF**

**HOME DEVELOPMENT MUTUAL FUND (HDMF)**  
Petitioner-Mortgagee,

-versus- **FNC-2023-470**

**MARISAN NISORTADO JARILLA**  
Respondents-Mortgagors,

x-----x

### NOTICE OF EXTRA-JUDICIAL SALE

WHEREAS, upon Extra-Judicial Petition for Sale under Act No. 3135 as amended by Act No. 4118, filed by **HOME DEVELOPMENT MUTUAL FUND (HDMF)** Mortgagee, with postal address at Petron Mega Plaza Building, No. 358 Sen Gil Puyat Avenue, Makati City, against **MARISAN NISORTADO JARILLA** with postal address at AMAYA 7, TANZA, CAVITE, to satisfy the mortgage indebtedness which as of June 13, 2023, amounted to **FOUR HUNDRED FORTY THREE THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED THIRTY SIX PESOS & 06/100 PESOS (P443,136.06)** Philippine Currency, excluding penalties, attorney's fees and expenses of the foreclosure, the undersigned authorized Sheriff IV, will sell at public auction on **FEBRUARY 17, 2026** at 9:00 in the morning or soon thereafter at the Regional Trial Court, Naic, Cavite, to the highest bidder in CASH or MANAGER'S CHECK and in Philippine Currency the properly with all the improvements thereon, to wit:

### TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. 057-2019008060

IT IS HEREBY CERTIFIED that certain land situated in BARANGAY TIMALAN, MUNICIPALITY OF NAIC, PROVINCE OF CAVITE, ISLAND OF LUZON, bounded and described as follows:

LOT NO: 34, BLOCK NO: 14, PLAN NO: PCS-04-031172  
PORTION OF: CONS-SUBD, OF LOTS 2977 & 2978, FLS-986-D, NAIC ESTATE (VS-04-000597)

LOCATION: BARANGAY OF TIMALAN, MUNICIPALITY OF NAIC, PROVINCE OF CAVITE, ISLAND OF LUZON  
BOUNDARIES:

LINE	DIRECTION	ADJOINING LOT(S)
1-2	NW	LOT 33, BLOCK 14, PCS-04-031172
2-3	NE	ROAD LOT 5, PCS-04-031172
3-4	SE	LOT 35, BLOCK 14, PCS-04-031172
4-1	SW	LOT 59, BLOCK 14, PCS-04-031172

TIE POINT: MON. NO. 17, NAIC ESTATE, PROVINCE OF CAVITE

LINE	BEARING	DISTANCE
TO CORNER 1	S. 50° 03' E	1848.25 M.
1-2	N. 48° 95' E	8.00 M.
2-3	S. 41° 25' E	3.50 M.
3-4	S. 48° 35' W	8.00 M.
4-1	N. 41° 25' W	3.50 M.

AREA: TWENTY EIGHT SQUARE METERS (28), 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, it shall be held on **FEBRUARY 24, 2026** at the same time and at the same place mentioned above without further notice.

Prospective bidders/buyers are hereby enjoined to investigate for themselves the title to the said property and en-

**IN RE: PETITION FOR THE ISSUANCE OF A NEW OWNER'S DUPLICATE COPY OF TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. T-1083473 OF THE REGISTRY OF DEEDS FOR THE PROVINCE OF CAVITE (BACOR BRANCH)**

LRC CASE NO. 8843-2025-339

**MASAITO DEVELOPMENT CORP. REP. BY ITS LAND ACQUISITION JR. SUPERVISOR, LORAINNE ANN L. CASTRO,**  
Petitioner.

x-----x

### ORDER

On December 23, 2025, petitioner, through counsel, filed this instant petition alleging among others that: (a) petitioner is the registered owner of a parcel of land covered by TCT No. T-1083473; (b) the property has been declared for taxation purposes; (c) petitioner lost the title in the course of arranging their records on file; (d) the title cannot be recovered despite diligent efforts to recover the same; and (e) an Affidavit of Loss was executed and annotated in the title. Petitioners are praying that the court, after due notice and hearing, render judgment directing the Register of Deeds for the Province of Cavite, Bacoor City Branch to issue another Owner's Duplicate Copy of Transfer Certificate of Title No. T-1083473 with the same force and effect in lieu of the loss one.

Finding the petition to be sufficient in form and substance, the same is set for initial hearing on **MAY 12, 2026 (TUESDAY)** at 10:00 in the morning at 2nd floor, Main Square Mall, Bacoor Boulevard (formerly Molino Boulevard), Barangay Bayanan, City of Bacoor, Cavite, at which date, place, and hour, any interested person may appear and show cause why the said petition should not be granted.

Petitioner is directed to cause the publication of the copy of this Order at their expense once a week for three (3) consecutive weeks in a newspaper of general circulation in the Cities and Province of Cavite at least thirty (30) days prior to the scheduled date of hearing.

The Sheriff of this court is ordered to post this Order in six (6) conspicuous places in the Province of Cavite, where the subject property is situated at least one (1) month prior to the aforesaid date of hearing, particularly at the bulletin boards of the following: (1) the main entrance of the Provincial Build-

cumbrances thereon if any there be.

Municipality of Naic, Province of Cavite, January 9, 2026

**JANELLE V. LAGADON, MBA**  
Sheriff IV

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HOME DEVELOPMENT MUTUAL FUND (HDMF) - Petron Mega Plaza Building, No. 358 Sen Gil Puyat Avenue, Makati City  
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ing of Cavite; (2) the main entrance of the City Hall Building of Bacoor City, Cavite; (3) the Hall of Justice of Bacoor City; (4) 2nd floor, Main Square Mall, Bacoor Boulevard (formerly Molino Boulevard), Barangay Bayanan, City of Bacoor, Cavite; (5) the Registry of Deeds, Bacoor City, Cavite; and (6) the Barangay Hall where the property is situated.

SO ORDERED.

IN CHAMBERS, this 13th day of January, 2026 in the City of Bacoor, Cavite.

**NIKKI ROSE DELA PEÑA ESPERANZA**  
Presiding Judge

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Remarks:

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# Mayop SM Matro...p 6

Binigyang-diin ng alkalde na bawat sentimong kinokolekta ay para sa kapakinabangan ng bayan at hindi na napupunta sa balsa ng sinuman. Ito umano ay bahagi ng kanyang adbokasiya laban sa korapsyon at ng hangarin na magbigay ng tapat at transparent na serbisyo sa mga Tanzeño.



# Cardinal Tagle says bishop's office is mission, not promotion

The episcopal office is not a promotion or reward for service, but a mission that continues the work of Jesus and his apostles, Rome-based Filipino Cardinal Luis Antonio Tagle said Saturday.

Tagle, the pro-prefect of the Vatican's Dicastery for Evangelization, delivered the message in his homily during the episcopal ordination of Bishop Samuel Agcaracar at the Divine Word Seminary chapel.

"It is a mission," he said. "And it is a mission that must endure until the end of time."

Agcaracar, 56, will be installed as the new shepherd of the Diocese of San Jose in Nueva Ecija on Feb. 6. The diocese covers parishes in the northern part of the province, a predominantly agricultural area that has seen growing urban migration in recent years.

Tagle said the role of a bishop should not be viewed as a rise in rank or a symbol of prestige, but as a continuation of the apostolic mission entrusted by Christ to his disciples.

He cited the Gospel of Matthew, where Je-



Cardinal Luis Antonio Tagle

sus meets his disciples in Galilee and sends them out to "make disciples of all nations."

The apostles were chosen not because they were exceptional, Tagle said, but because Jesus chose them "to be sent."

The cardinal described the tension between staying close to Christ and being sent to serve.

"Every disciple must be an apostle," Tagle said. "You remain by going, and you go while still remaining with Jesus."

He pointed out that Galilee was not a place of honor but was associated with Gentiles and considered impure by some. Yet Jesus chose it as the place to meet and

send his followers.

This underscores, according to him, that the mission of the Church is not limited to the elite or the comfortable.

Tagle also stressed that authority in the Church is not meant to replace Christ's authority but to amplify it

"We are servants... not called to supplant the authority of Jesus, but to make the authority of Jesus shine," he said, warning that a bishop who cannot empathize with the weak risks usurping Christ's authority.

Tagle urged the new bishop to embrace weakness as a source of strength, echoing St. Paul's message that where he is weak, Christ's power rests on him.

He also emphasized the universal nature of the Church's mission, noting that the Gospel is meant for all nations, not for a preferred tribe or social class.

"So, the bishop works with all the clergy, the laity, the religious, the poor, the neglected, the despised, sinners, people of all ranks and all nations," he said.

She also explained the symbolism behind the ASEAN 2026 chairship logo, citing elements that represent abundance, interconnection, maritime cooperation, and the traditional Filipino *balangay*, an ancient seafaring vessel symbolizing a shared journey and collective purpose in Southeast Asia.

# NCR 'kasambahays'...p1

Meanwhile, individuals who are not subject to the increase include service providers, family drivers, and any other individuals who engage in work on an occasional or those on periodic basis rather than as a regular

Ulaf ni: Jannah I. Sarvida (Development Management Officer I / PAS)

# Over 600 Imus Residents Benefit from Cavite Medical and Dental Mission

More than 600 residents of Barangay Malagasang II-C, City of Imus, Cavite benefited from free medical and dental services during a one-day Medical and Dental Mission on January 23. The activity was organized by the Provincial Government of Cavite's Medical Mission Team in partnership with the Office of the Provincial Health Officer, the City Health Office, and the office of Board Member Chelsea Sarno.

A total of 659 individuals availed of general medical services, including X-rays, fasting blood sugar (FBS) tests,

and electrocardiograms (ECGs). In addition, 47 patients received dental extractions during the mission.

The event was also graced by Mayor Alex "AA" Advincula along with city councilors, who expressed their support for the program.

Board Member Sarno emphasized the importance of bringing essential health services directly to communities, particularly to those with limited access to healthcare. As added assistance, each patient also received five kilos of rice.

The Provincial



Government of Cavite continues to roll out similar health outreach programs across the province as part of its efforts to address gaps in healthcare access, especially in rural and underserved areas. — A. Sarte

# ASEAN tourism leaders...page 6

the future of regional tourism under the Philippines' ASEAN chairship theme, "Navigating Our Future Together."

"This gathering is timely and purposeful, because the future of tourism in the region couldn't be shaped by any country in the association, but by how well we align our strategies, our standards, our innovations, and most importantly, our resolve to ensure that tourism remains a force for good," Buensuceso said.

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The 63rd ASEAN NTOs Meeting is part of a week-long series of ASEAN Tourism Forum (ATF) engagements hosted in Cebu, highlighting ASEAN's shared commitment to strengthening tourism cooperation, supporting local communities, and positioning Southeast Asia as a sustain-

able and premier global tourism destination. The ATF forms part of the Philippines' hosting of ASEAN meetings in 2026, when the country serves as ASEAN chair under President Ferdinand R. Marcos Jr.

This will mark the country's fourth time to host an ASEAN Summit, after Manila in 1987, Cebu in 2007, and Manila and Clark in 2017.

Established in 1967, ASEAN is a regional bloc that promotes political cooperation, economic integration, and regional stability in Southeast Asia. Its highest decision-making body is the ASEAN Summit, attended annually by heads of state and government.

As part of the national hosting, Central Visayas—particularly Cebu and Bohol—will serve as venues for several high-level meetings, including ATF 2026. (MYP/PIA7 Cebu)

al tourism organizations, what we decide and coordinate in meetings like this translates into visitor journeys, the competitiveness of our destinations, the resilience of our enterprises, and the livelihoods of our communities," she said.

She expressed hope that the discussions would lead to concrete and forward-looking outcomes that promote sustainability, accelerate digital transformation, while ensuring trust and safety, and keep communities at the center of the tourism economy.

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## DepEd, Nag-turnover ng Bagong 4-Storey School Building sa General Trias



Pinangunahan ni Department of Education (DepEd) Secretary Sonny Angara, kasama ang ilang opisyal ng DepEd at ng pamahalaang lungsod ng General Trias, ang turnover ng bagong apat na palapag na gusali na may 16 na silid-aralan sa Santiago Elementary School sa General Trias City, Cavite nitong Lunes, Enero 20.

Ang nasabing proyekto ay bahagi ng patuloy na programa ng DepEd upang matugunan ang kakulangan sa mga silid-aralan sa buong bansa. Ayon kay Secretary Angara, layunin ng programa na matiyak ang sapat at maayos na learning facilities sa mga pampublikong paaralan upang maiwasan ang shifting ng klase. Dagdag pa ng kalihim, malaking tulong ang bagong gusali sa pag-

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## ASEAN tourism leaders meet in Cebu to advance regional cooperation

**CEBU CITY, Cebu (PIA) —** The Department of Tourism (DOT) on January 26 led the 63rd ASEAN National Tourism Organizations (NTOs) Meeting, underscoring Cebu's long-standing role in advancing regional tourism cooperation in Southeast Asia.

In her welcome remarks, DOT Undersecretary Verna C. Buensuceso formally opened the meeting and extended the Philippine government's welcome to ASEAN tourism leaders, dialogue partners, and representatives of international organizations.

"I extend our warmest welcome to all of you here in Cebu, where history is not only remembered, but continuously lived, and where

Filipino hospitality is expressed not in ceremony, but in the everyday way we receive our guests," Buensuceso said.

She highlighted Cebu's significance in ASEAN tourism history, noting that the Ministerial Understanding on ASEAN Cooperation in Tourism was signed in the province in 1998.

Buensuceso also welcomed Timor-Leste as ASEAN's newest member-state, calling the expansion a

milestone toward a more inclusive regional tourism community.

"We welcome Timor-Leste as the 11th

Member State of ASEAN. Your presence enriches our regional community and reminds us that ASEAN's strength

has always come from widening the circle, grounded in trust, friendship, and a shared commitment to progress,"

Buensuceso said.

She said the meeting comes at a critical time as ASEAN shapes

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## Mayor SM Matro Personal na Nag-abot ng 456K sa Treasurer's Office; Korapsyon sa Tanza Public Market Tapos na

Personal na inihatid ni Mayor Archan-gelo "SM" Matro sa Municipal Treasurer's Office ang halagang ₱456,000 na nakolekta mula sa Tanza Public Market, bilang patunay na ang lahat ng kita ng palengke ay direktang napupunta

na sa kaban ng bayan. Ayon kay Mayor Matro, maayos at malinaw na ang kasalukuyang sistema sa palengke at tuluyan nang nawakasan ang katiwalian matapos alisin sa puwesto ang mga dating sangkot na

sina "Edi" at "Pati." Ibinahagi rin niya na mula sa dating koleksyon na umaabot lamang sa ₱20,000 hanggang ₱30,000 kada buwan, tumaas na ito ngayon sa humigit-kumulang ₱120,000 buwan-buwan.

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