

50th Philippine Business Conference and Expo:

Cavite named as Most Business-Friendly LGU

The Province of Cavite shined on the national stage, winning the Most Business-Friendly Local Government Unit (LGU) award in the provincial category which was presented during the prestigious 50th Philippine Business Conference and Expo on October 23, 2024 at the Marriott Grand Ballroom, Pasay City. The event brought together key players from the business sector, government leaders, and community advocates across the Philippines, marking a momentous milestone for Cavite and its people.

Governor Athena Bryana Tolentino, joined by Vice Governor Sherman Jaro and Sixth District Board Member Kerby Salazar, accepted the award with pride and gratitude, recognizing Cavite's proactive efforts to make the province an ideal place for businesses of all sizes. The award not only celebrates Cavite's ongoing support for local and international enterprises but also underscores its dedication to building a resilient economy.

Under Cavite's



CAVITE GOVERNOR ATHENA BRYANATOLENTINO

forward-thinking leadership, the province has embarked on ambitious infrastructure projects to support its rapidly growing economy. New road networks and advancements in digital infrastructure are helping Cavite stay connected and accessible.

The conference, celebrating its 50th anniversary this year, was organized by the Philippine Chamber of Commerce and Industry (PCCI). With discussions, exhibits, and showcases of best practices from around the country, the event emphasized the importance of strong partnerships between businesses and local governments.

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Governor Tolentino visits STS Kristine victims in GenTri

On October 25, 2024, Governor Athena Bryana D. Tolentino visited Barangays Tejero and Bacao in Gen. Trias City to personally extend support to families impacted by severe tropical storm Kristine. The governor, along with local officials

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Transportation sector ready for 'Undas' 2024

MANILA – The Department of Transportation (DOTr) and its attached agencies are prepared for the expected influx of travelers for the observance of All Saints' Day and All Souls' Day on Nov. 1 and 2.

In a Palace press briefing Monday, DOTr Secretary Jaime Bautista said transport agencies have made all necessary preparations in anticipation of the increased volume of passengers at air

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## ATI Calabarzon

### Agricultural Training Institute/DA

# CALABARZON Prepares for Regional Livestock and Poultry Congress in Lipa City, Batangas

**LIPA CITY, BATANGAS** – In line with the Philippine government's commitment to strengthen the livestock, poultry, and dairy industries, the Department of Agriculture- Agricultural Training Institute (ATI) Regional Training Center CALABARZON, together with the Department of Agriculture – Regional Field Office IV-A and Local Government Unit (LGU) partners, is set to hold the "Regional Live-

stock and Poultry Congress" on November 4, 2024. The event, which will take place at the DA-ATI ITCPH compound in Lipa City, is designed to encourage local farmers by highlighting livestock farming as a profitable and sustainable venture. With the theme "Masaganang Paghahayupan para sa Bagong Pilipinas," the congress will focus on the updates of the interventions by the different livestock im-

plementing agencies in the region, livestock insurance and government loan programs available for livestock farmers.

The congress is expected to gather around 150 participants, including agricultural extension workers, farmers, and agri-enthusiasts from across the CALABARZON region. Experts and key stakeholders will lead discussions on pressing topics, such as African Swine Fever updates, ad-

**MANILA** – The Philippines is set to host the 41st ASEAN Social Security Association (ASSA) Meetings from Nov. 25 to 27, aimed at strengthening social protection systems, expanding coverage to workers, and building more sustainable institutions, the Government Service Insurance System (GSIS) said Tuesday.

Industry leaders and representatives from social security institutions across ASEAN member states are expected to gather to advance the region's commitment to a more comprehensive and inclusive social protection framework.

The meeting agenda focuses on the mega trends faced by the industry, the empowering role of technology, and the implementation of comprehensive approaches to social security within the ASEAN region.

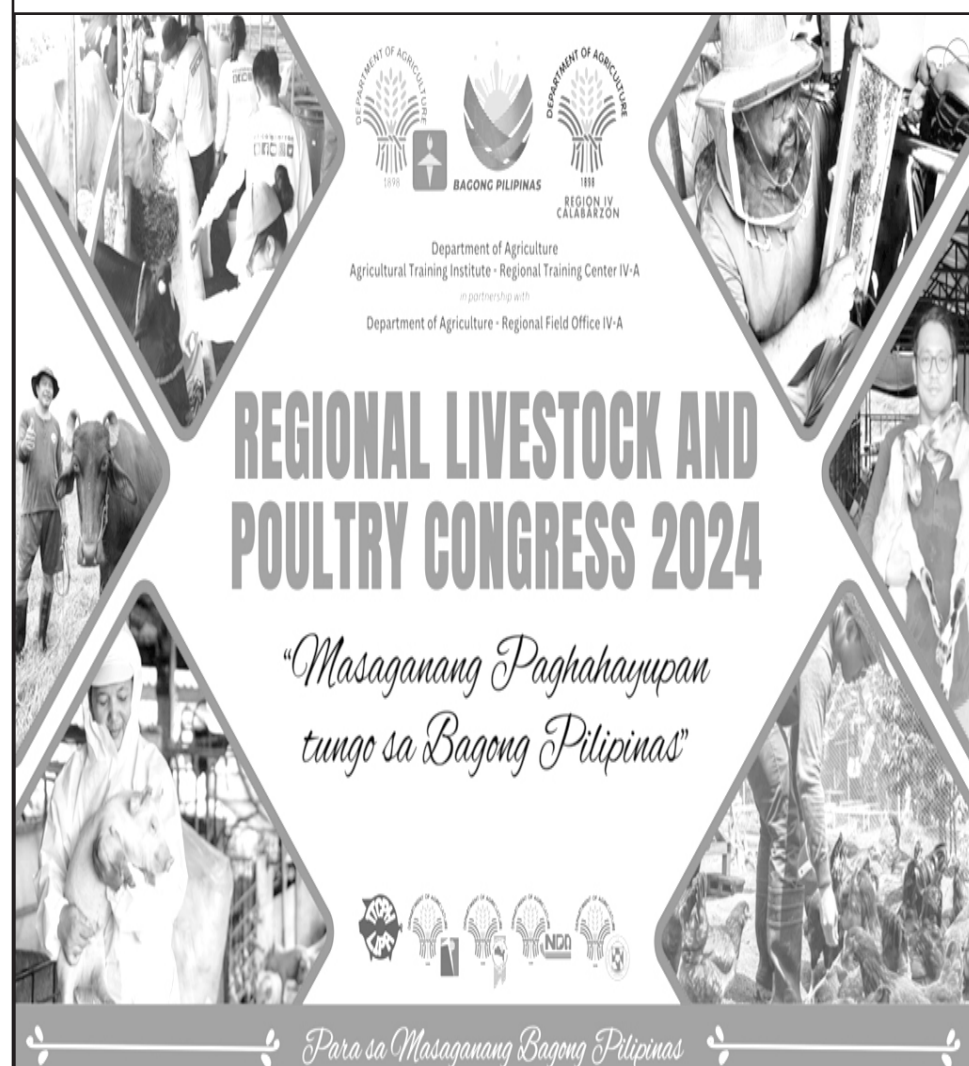
GSIS President and General Manager and Vice Chairperson of ASSA Jose Arnulfo Veloso said it is a privilege to host the conference along with the Social Security System and Philippine Social Security Association (PhilSSA) members.

"This event represents a unique opportunity to showcase our leadership in shaping regional social security policies and provides a platform for meaningful exchanges among ASEAN nations --an essential step towards building a future wherein the social security system across the region is inclusive and equipped to protect every worker," Veloso said.

Preparations are underway to accommodate the expected influx of international delegates, with local authorities and event organizers working in close partnership to ensure the success of the event.

The meeting is expected to bolster the Philippines' role as a key player in regional collaboration, en-

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vances in artificial insemination for large animals, meat safety protocols, and specifics of livestock insurance and loan premiums available to farm-

ers. Through this initiative, the DA and its partners aim to fortify the livestock and poultry industries by empowering

farmers with essential knowledge and resources, contributing to a stronger and more sustainable agricultural sector in the Philippines.

# MOU offering 50% graduate studies scholarship to OFWs, families forged

**MANILA** – OFW Party-List Rep. Marissa "Del Mar" Magsino and the University of Perpetual Help System DALTA - Las Piñas (UPHSD) on Tuesday forged a partnership that offers partial graduate studies scholarships to overseas Filipino workers (OFWs) and their families, furthering educational opportunities in business, education, nursing, and public administration.

The partnership, contained in a memorandum of understanding (MOU), was signed by Magsino and Dr. Eduardo C. Zialcita, UPHSD Dean of Graduate School, at the OFW Tulong at Serbisyo Center in Parañaque City.

Under the partnership, the OFW Party-list will endorse qualified students who want to take up graduate pro-

grams in business, education, nursing, and public administration at the Las Piñas campus.

All endorsed applicants holding a bachelor's degree from the Commission on Higher Education-recognized institutions will be given a 50 percent scholarship by the UPHSD once they pass the entrance exams and other requirements.

"We are grateful to UPHSD for opening the opportunity to our OFWs and their families to take up further studies," Magsino said.

"Mayroon tayong mga OFWs at kanilang kapamilya na nais ita-as pa ang kaalaman at makakuha ng master's degree subalit mabigat ito sa balsa. Kaya malaking tulong ang 50 percent scholarship na kanilang ibibigay (We have OFWs



**OFW Party-List Rep. Marissa "Del Mar" Magsino**

and their families wanting to upgrade their knowledge and get a master's degree, but it is a big financial burden for them. A 50 percent scholarship is thus a great help."

She said this collaboration embodies the OFW Party-list's advocacy for expanded education and empowerment for OFWs and their families, as well as her commitment to providing affordable education and brighter futures for Filipino communities at home and abroad. (PNA)

# BUNTIS CONGRESS 2024 CELEBRATES EXPECTANT MOTHERS IN BACOR

**Bacoor City, October 29, 2024** – The City Government of Bacoor, led by Mayor Strike B. Revilla, held a special "Buntis Congress" at the Strike Gymnasium, celebrating and supporting the city's expectant mothers on Oct. 29, 2024.

The event, organized by the Office of the City Health Services (OCHS), led by Dra. Ivy Marie Yrastorza, and the City Social Welfare and Development (CSWD), brought together over 300 pregnant women, beneficiaries of the F1k program in Bacoor City.

The event was graced by Vice Mayor Rowena Bautista Mendiola, Coun. Reynaldo Palabrica, Coun. Simplicio Dominguez, and



members of Team Revilla, including Kuya Noly Galvez, Pastor Mike Bautista, and former Kapitan Udoy Brilantes.

The Buntis Congress aimed to provide joy and recognition to expectant mothers. The event featured gift-giving and free medi-

cal services from the OCHS.

The event showcased the City Government's commitment to providing comprehensive support and care to pregnant women in Bacoor, ensuring their well-being and the health of their future children.

# PGC financial assistance to oil spill-affected fisher folk and families in Rosario

Cavite provincial government facilitated the last leg of distribution of the financial assistance to oil spill-affected fisher folk and families in the municipality of Rosario in the program held at SM City Rosario on October 26, 2024.

Vice Mayor Bamm Gonzales welcomed the team from the PGC and the other officials to their municipality on behalf of Mayor Voltaire Ricafrente. She expressed her appreciation

for the support provided to their constituents who were affected by the oil spill. Board Members Romel Enriquez and Ram Revilla graced the event and reiterated their commitment to the welfare of the people especially from the first district. BM Revilla also extended the gratitude to President Bongbong Marcos for the assistance being distributed to the beneficiaries. He remarked that it exemplifies the unity



**Vice Mayor Bamm Gonzales**

of the national and local government to respond to the needs of the people in times of crisis.-- E. Reyes



**Mabilis na ikinakarga ang karagdagang 10,000 kahon ng family food packs (FFPs) sa regional warehouse ng Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD) Field Office 4A - CALABARZON ngayong Sabado (Oktubre 26), na nakahandang ipamahagi sa ating mga kababayan sa mga lalawigan ng Cavite, Laguna, Batangas, Rizal at Quezon na lubhang naapektuhan ng matinding pag-ulan at pagbaha dulot ng bagyong #KristinePH.**

**Sa kabuuang bilang, 8,500 FFPs ang ipapadala sa Cavite, habang 1,500 FFPs naman ang para sa San Mateo, Rizal. Tinitiyak naman ng DSWD FO CALABARZON ang mas maagap at epektibong pagdadala ng tulong sa mga apektadong pamilya sa pakikipagtagulungan sa mga lokal na pamahalaan sa rehiyon.**



# MSMEs in 7 provinces, 26 municipalities may apply for recovery loan

MANILA — The Department of Trade and Industry (DTI) on Monday said micro, small, and medium enterprises (MSMEs) in seven provinces and 26 municipalities and cities affected by Severe Tropical Storm Kristine (international name Trami) may apply for recovery loans.

In an ANC interview, DTI Acting Secretary Ma. Cristina Roque

said that as of Oct. 27, almost 400 MSMEs were already affected by Kristine.

"So, for now, we have the enterprise for rehabilitation fund, which is PHP2 billion, which we are now dispatching to all the MSMEs that were affected by the calamity. This fund, they can get it from the SB Corp. (Small Business Corporation), which is actually the bank

that is under DTI," Roque said.

"There's actually seven provinces and 26 municipalities and cities that can avail of this loan. Those are the ones that were affected by Kristine," said Roque.

Among these areas are Albay, Camarines Norte, Catanduanes, Cavite, Camarines Sur, Cotabato, Quezon, East-

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## FARMERS' MARKET DAY AND THE FOURTH LEG OF THE "DUNONG AT DIWA SA SENTRONG PANSANAYAN SEMINAR



The DA-ATI CALABARZON, in partnership with the City Agriculture Office of Trece Martires City, conducted the Farmers' Market Day and the fourth leg of the "Dunong at Diwa sa Sentrong Pansanayan Seminar Series."

The activity aims

to promote urban and peri-urban agriculture and other emerging agriculture practices, as well as to establish a robust and mutually beneficial market linkage that bridges the gap between local producers and consumers through the KADIWA program.

Trece Martires City Mayor Gemma Lubigan graced and delivered a message, encouraging farmers to participate in the capacity building activities provided by the government. Meanwhile, Ms. Vira Ellyssa L. Jamolin, CDMS

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