

Noveleta mangrove area assessed for science-based conservation site

TRECE MARTIRES CITY, Cavite (PIA) --The Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) conducted an assessment of the mangrove forest in Barangay San Rafael IV in the municipality of Noveleta for the establishment of the science-based mangrove conservation and management site, a partnership project between the DENR Calabarzon, the Forest

Foundation Philippines, and the Zoological Society of London.

DENR CALABARZON's Conservation and Development Division (CCD) together with the DENR-Provincial Environment and Natural Resources Office (PENRO) Cavite led the assessment of the 30 hectare mangrove forest including an approximately 649.6 hectare adjoining area.

The assessment aims to identify areas of conservation and management including areas of expansion, evaluate the established nursery site and species diversity, and determine possible threats to mangroves and site-potential livelihood for the community.

DENR Calabarzon CDD Chief, Ramil J. Gutierrez said, "The man-

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Ibinahagi ni Imus City Mayor Emmanuel Maliksi, ang isinagawang pirman ng Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) para sa paglilinis Ylang-ylang at Julian river systems.

Ang naturang MOA signing ay naganap sa pagitan ng Pamahalaang Lungsod ng Imus at DENR Region IV-A CALABARZON kamakailan.

Inaasahang magtutulungan ang ahensya at ang lungsod upang maisakatuparan ang kanilang plano.

Duterte: Corruption must be stoppped!

President Rodrigo Duterte gave a stern warning to all government officials and personnel saying he intends to eradicate corruption in government offices in the last years of his administration.

"This country continues to be plagued with corruption. I have made a pledge to the people of the Philippines and part of it is to protect the government's interest. I will concentrate the remaining last years of my term fighting corruption dahil lalong lumalakas pa ito," Duterte said in a taped speech on Tuesday.

The President added that they will come up with a very strong stand against corruption, and its eradication will be a part of it.

He also said that a probe on corruption in Phil-Health will continue even though many of its officials and personnel have resigned and some were re-

moved from the office.

"Resignation will not erase their guilt. For all intent and purposes, you are still a part of the government and you are not allowed to resign. But resignation will not protect you, it will not help you!" the President stressed.

Department Secretaries will be allowed to

continue with their projects but suspensions will be aplenty in the coming days

"I hope that all government workers and officials are

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President Rodrigo Duterte



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these children were not given the polio vaccine was because they were not at home during the scheduled visit of the vaccination teams. Also, some parents cannot decide for themselves alone and need to seek the approval of their husband or spouses and some are too sick to receive the vaccine and health workers need to defer their vaccination."

"Others refused vaccination due to fear of the vaccine and its side effects. This was brought about by the Dengvaxia scare a few years ago and there is also the religious and cultural belief."

"There are also outright refusals without reasons by parents when visited by "Bakuna Doors".

"These are the details that we will resolve because these unvaccinated children need to be saved. We need to provide them the protection and care they need. It is an essential part of primary health care and also their guaranteed human right."

"That is why we still continue to seek these unvaccinated children and explain to their parents the importance of the polio vaccine because we need to give them protection from a very contagious virus that can lead to paralysis," he assured.

The "Sabayang Patak Kontra Polio (SPKP)" campaign was held on August 3 to 17, 2020 for the first round and September 14 – 27, 2020 for the second round in the provinces of Laguna, Rizal and Cavite where polio cases were identified.

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listening. This is my memorandum to Sec. DOJ Sec. Guevarra, the subject is to investigate the allegation of corruptions in the entire government. DOJ shall have the authority to decide which allegation to investigate taking into consideration the gravity thereof and their impact on the delivery of government service," Duterte said.

"He may create as many panels as it deems necessary and may invite or direct other bodies and agencies of the government

to assist or be a part of such a panel," Duterte said.

"The DOJ shall prosecute and file the appropriate charges against all those involved in the anomalies investigated, whether against the government or private person as may be warranted by the evidence gathered subject to applicable laws and rules," he added.

The directive will remain in effect until June 30, 2022, or until the President steps down from power. (PIA-NCR)



City Government of Bacoor



Magandang balita para sa Kabataang Bacooreño! Sa pamamagitan ni Senator Bong Revilla at Cavite Vice Governor Jolo Revilla, nakapaglaan ang Department of Labor and Employment ng pondo para sa TUPAD (Tulong Panghanapbuhay sa Ating Disadvantaged/Displaced Workers) na sinimulan nang



ipamahagi sa Kabataang Bacooreño ngayong araw. Makakatulong ito para makasimulang maghanap ng trabaho o maka-ambag sa pang-araw-araw na gastusin ng kanilang pamilya ang Kabataang Bacooreño. Kasama sa pamamahagi si Mayor Lani Mercado Revilla, katuwang ang kanyang panganyay na si Bryan Revilla na laging handang tumulong sa ngalan ng Bacooreño.

DepEd, the Annual Medical Examination has been prepared, WTDIB

Department of Education (DepEd) has released funds provided for the Annual Medical Examination (AME) and World Teacher's Day Incentive Benefit (WT-DIB) of public school teachers, according to Undersecretary for Finance Annalyn Sevilla.

Ready Mind, Ready Tomorrow's press conference Friday, Undersecretary Sevilla reported that AME worth Php500.00 for every teacher and WT-DIB costs Php1,000.00 for every teacher was released

by Central Office during September 16 & 18, 2020, respectively.

"But we have to understand that there are a lot of us who are fellow teachers who are asking why others received it, others are not yet. Because the process of releasing this will go through their payroll. So that means, from Central Office on September 16 and September 18, [the Regional Office, to their Division Office, then to their payroll]," ani Usec. Sevilla.

The Department

has also shared that the October 2020 payroll has accelerated the process according to Secretary Leonor Magtolis-Briones command.

Usec shared it too. Sevilla according to the latest report in October 22, nearly 90 % of the total number of wages were paid, issued, and released on payroll account and remaining 10 % are for the current process.

"Before last month, it's earlier but we had adjustments in the payroll system because the loan payments

have been implemented. We had a gap or moratorium or grace period depending on what the lending institution allowed so the net take home pay is bigger because we will rest in paying the loan for the next 60 days," ani Usec. Sevilla.

Meanwhile, Sevilla also mentions the latest news that the budget proposal for the 2021 National Expenditure Program was approved in the Second Reading of the Representative House on October 15, 2020. The suggested DepEd 2021 budget is at the level Now approval of the Senate, which will later pass through the Bicameral Session.

He also reports that the Department's budget acquired Php605.7 billion (55 %) from the initial proposed Php1.1 trillion.

"[Although] all of those things [are] beyond our term, we are constantly reminding our Congress, which passes the appropriations law, that the future [of education] is not only 2022, the future is beyond that," ani DepEd Secretary Leonor Magtolis-Briones.

forest is home to various coastal flora and fauna including 18 types of identified mangrove species.

Sightings of migratory birds namely Black-winged stilt, Little egret, Black-naped tern, Moorhen, Grey heron, Great egret, Black-crowned night heron, Philippine Duck, Green-shank, and Lesser Sand plover were also recorded in the area. (DENR-CALABARZON)



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More Farm Owners Complete FBS Training

TRECE MARTIRES CITY, Cavite - Face-to-face training is the primary method for instructional-based learning to make room for various workshops, exchange of ideas and experience-based activities. ATI CALABARZON in partnership with Villar SIPAG facilitated its 12th batch of Training of Trainers on Farm Business School (FBS) despite the challenges during this new normal.

This extension modality is designed to train leaders to conduct Farm Business School (farmer-level) in their re-

spective communities, and help farmers learn and improve their skills in entrepreneurship and farm business management. Topics discussed include starting the farm business school, understanding concepts on farm business profitability developing a business plan, basic taxation, and facilitation and presentation skills. It also introduces a market-oriented extension scheme at the farm level that enables engagement of farmers in developing their capacity for running profitable farm businesses.

One of the partic-

ipants, Rafael Natividad shared his experience during the training.

"The venue was beyond my expectations. All the staff are friendly and always smiling. Program was well organized amidst the current situation. The modules were well made and speakers were well versed in their given topic," he said. Natividad eager to go back to his farm in Antipolo City Rizal to apply what he learned in the past eight days of intense training.

Meanwhile, Chairman of Senate Committee on Agriculture and Food, Senator Cynthia Villar congratulated the graduates through a video message, "Congratulations dahil natuto kayo sa ilalim ng mga experts and seasoned practitioners. I am confident that you will greatly benefit from this training by way of improving your farms' productivity."

The Training of Trainers on FBS was held on October 21, 2020, participated by farm owners from Region IV-A, Province of Albay and NCR.



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rights.

PNPA cadets also paid their fitting tribute to PNPA director, Maj. Gen. Gilberto DC Cruz and deputy director, Brig. Gen. Prexy Tanggawohn as they showcased the traditional testimonial parade for noble public servants who demonstrated exemplary commitment in public service.

Meanwhile, Cruz said these new projects and facilities were sourced from PNP funds and generous donations of PNPA alumni and other affiliated associa-

tions.

Among these new facilities were Heroes Hall, Virtual Classrooms, Lakan Tower Clock, The Ashfall Cadet Monument, Maroon and Gold Fence, PNPA Museum, PNPA Officer's Quarters, Firearms Simulation Building, and Fitness Gym.

Cruz said the renovation of academic and training facilities, and the procurement of training or academic equipment are part of the PNPA's response to the PNP Chief's nine strategic thrusts.

"In a short span of time, the Academy has created various means and projects that make this institution a better place for our cadets. These things will not be done without the contribution and support of the PNP leadership and members of the Academy," Cruz said.

He added that these projects are "testament of what a community of people and the PNP organization sharing the same goal will be able to achieve even in the shortest span of time."

SILANG LGU DISTRIBUTED 18K RICE TO SENIOR CITIZENS



At the same time Mayor Corie Poblete's greetings to the elderly this upcoming Senior Citizens Month, he also informed the rice distribution plan for those from the Local Government of Silang.

18,000 rice will be distributed by Silang LGU to senior citizens of their town who are from 64 who are baranggay.

"We wish you good health and strong body. Even if we dream of reaching that age. God bless you all. Take care always," Poblete said.

"All our seniors in the whole 64 Barangays can be given. Wait for our visit to your Barangay," he added.

Fix RFID issues - Revilla

As the Department of Transportation (DOTr) deadline for cashless tollways on November 2 creeps in, Senator Ramon Bong Revilla, Jr., Senate Committee on Public Services Vice-Chairman, urged tollway operators Metro Pacific Tollways Corp. (MPTC) and San Miguel Corporation (SMC) to improve accessibility to their corresponding Radio Frequency Identification (RFID) tags, and ensure that their infrastructure for the shift are working and properly in place.

MPTC operates the North Luzon Expressway (NLEX), Subic-Clark-Tarlac Expressway (SCTEX), Manila-Cavite Expressway (CAVITE), C5 Link, and Cavite-Laguna Expressway

(CALAX), while SMC operates the South Luzon Expressway (SLEX), Skyway, NAIAX Expressway (NAIAX), Muntinlupa-Cavite Expressway (MCX), Tarlac-Pangasinan-La Union Expressway (TPLEX), and Star Tollways.

This came after the onslaught of issues and complaints from the public, mostly on the inaccessibility of installation centers and unavailability of RFID stickers. "Mukha'yatang nauna ang press release bago ang aktwal na kahandaan. Kintang kita na hindi sila handa sa volume ng mga kukuha ng mga RFID," the lawmaker observed. "Napaka-kaunti ng mga installation centers na kadalasan, nauubusan pa ng stickers," he added. We have actually reached out and partnered with MPTC in Cavite for pop-up installation booths, but these are still not enough. Tapos half day pa lang, wala nang stickers," the senator shared.

He stressed that this causes congestion in installation centers with people lining up 24/7, posing health risks during this pandemic. It can be remembered that the Inter-Agency Task Force on Emerging Diseases (IATF) once shut down major installation centers for social distancing violations.

Revilla also lashed out at the Easytrip system, for its failures. He said that instead of speeding up the process of getting through toll collection booths, the Easytrip RFID Col-



SEN. BONG REVILLA, JR.

lection System exacerbated the situation. "The barriers won't open. Their readers couldn't read their tags. Nagiging kilometro ang traffic. Mas mabilis pa sa cash lanes dumaan," the solon explained. "Meron din na magbubukas after a while, pero 'di pa nakakalampas yung sakayan, biglang babagsak yung barrier. Ayun, yupi ang kotse," he lamented.

While Revilla said that the operators are not entirely at fault because of extraordinary considerations brought about by COVID-19, and the public's penchant for doing things last minute, he emphasized that they are still responsible and accountable. "Alam naman nila na may COVID, at alam din nila na lalo pang magla-last minute ang ating mga kababayan dahil dito. Bakit hindi nila pinaghandaan?" "There's no excuse," he stressed.

"They have to get their acts together, fix the issues, and do what they have to," he ended.

3 HIGH VALUE DRUG PERSONALITIES FALL IN CAVITE DRUG OPS, 13 KILOS SHABU WORTH 88MILLION SIEZED

Camp BGen Pantaleon Garcia, Imus City, Cavite- Three high value drug personalities were arrested in separate buy bust operations in Brgy. Molino 2 and Brgy. Mambog 3, Bacoor City, Cavite conducted by a joint elements of Bacoor City Police Station, PIB CAVITE, SOU3, SOU4A, IFLD, PNP DEG, and Philippine Drug Enforcement Group (PDEG) siezing a total of 13 kilos shabu with DDB value of 88Million pesos.

PCOL Marlon Santos, Provincial Director identified the three big time drug peddlers as MIRA-ATO MACARAMPAT y DIDATOON @RHASH, JAVIER SULTAN MALA, and BINO CASAN SAMPACO.

The operations also culled 12 sealed green foil packs with label DAGUANYIN Chinese tea bag containing white crystalline substance suspected to be METHAMPHETAMINE HYDROCHLORIDE commonly known as “shabu”, 10 bundles of one thousand peso bill amounting to Php 1 Million Pesos (boodle money), one genuine one thousand peso bill, one gray sling bag with label trans gear Z, one blue and yellow green pack bags with Vans, one brown paper bag with label Bench, two identification cards and one gray Toyota Corolla.

MIRA-ATO @RHASH was collared during a buy bust operation conducted in Brgy Mambog 3 Bacoor City, Cavite at around 09:30 in the morning of October 25, 2020 and confiscated more or less 8 kilograms of shabu with standard drug value of Php 54, 400, 000.00 pesos.

While MALA and SAMPACO were nabbed along Molino Road, Brgy Molino 2, Bacoor City, Cavite at around 12:30 in the afternoon of October 25, 2020 by a joint elements of SOU-3, PNP DEG, PIB CAVITE and BACOR CCPS and confiscated more or less 5 kilograms of shabu with

New facilities in Silang to help PNPA produce competent cops



PNP chief, Gen. Camilo Cascolan

MANILA – Philippine National Police (PNP) chief, Gen. Camilo Cascolan on Wednesday hoped that the construction of new facilities in the PNP Academy would help in fulfilling its mandate to produce competent police officers.

"This is only one of our ongoing programs and plans for the development of the PNPA. We envision this academy as the country's premier police training institution for PNP commissioned officers, that's why we have to step up our actions for reforms and innovations in the police training programs," Cascolan said during the inauguration of 10 new facilities of the PNP Academy in Camp Gen. Mariano Castañeda in Silang, Cavite.

He added that the PNPA is introducing new forms of training for cadets to become more efficient and well-disciplined public servants clad with utmost competency, high moral fiber, and respect for human

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DOH REPORTS 198,686 UNVACCINATED CHILDREN FOR POLIO IN CALABARZON

A total of 198,686 children remains unvaccinated against polio in CALABARZON as the "Sabayang Patak Kontra Polio (SPKP)" campaign concluded last September 2020.

"The Department of Health (DOH) – CALABARZON (Cavite, Laguna, Batangas, Rizal, Quezon) in its October 12, 2020 report has achieved 83.23 % vaccination coverage or a total of 986,319 from a target of 1,185,005 children aged 0-59

months old," Regional Director Eduardo C. Janairo reported.

The province of Laguna has a polio vaccination coverage of 87.91% (363,597) with 43,964 unvaccinated children; Rizal province has 86.34% or 369,303 with 50,408 unvaccinated and Cavite province has the lowest with 76.94% or 452,105 with 104,264 unvaccinated children.

"Among the reasons why

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Regional Director Eduardo C. Janairo



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