

# TANGIBLE LEGACY

Treñas admin builds over P7-billion worth of infra projects since 2019

**ILOILO CITY --** Mayor Jerry P. Treñas of this southern city has exemplified transformative leadership, turning his vision of inclusive development into tangible and impactful results since his return as local chief executive in 2019.

In nearly six years, his administration has accomplished the construction of over P7-billion worth of infrastructure projects, with the majority already successfully completed, while the rest remain in progress.

These initiatives span various categories, including vertical structures, electrical systems, roads, drainage, public markets, plazas, the Iloilo City Action and



**THE LEGISLATIVE BUILDING.** The Iloilo City Legislative Building is just one of landmark infrastructure projects realized under the leadership of Mayor Jerry Treñas. A symbol of progress and effective governance, this modern facility, valued at P246.89 million and financed through the city's general fund, was envisioned to streamline legislative processes and provide a more conducive environment for public service.

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## NGCP facility upgrade boosts capacity for MORE Power, fueling Iloilo City's growth

A significant step towards a more reliable and robust power grid for Iloilo City

has been achieved with the successful load transfer to a newly commissioned 100

Megavolt Amperes (MVA) transformer at the National Grid Corporation of the

Philippines (NGCP) Iloilo City substation.

This upgrade, a direct result of collaboration between NGCP and MORE Power, the city's power distributor, will significantly enhance the grid's capacity to meet the city's growing energy demands in the next 3 to 4 years.

MORE Power, which has been advocating for increased grid capacity to support Iloilo City's development, sees this upgrade as a crucial step towards a brighter future.

"This is a significant step forward in ensuring a reliable and robust power grid for Iloilo City," said Roel Castro, President of

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## City gov't lists fully compliant diagnostic labs

By MARY JOY CAVANAS

The Iloilo City Government through the Clinical Laboratory Inspection Task Force of the City Health Office (CHO) listed the accredited and fully compliant diagnostic clinical laboratories across the metropolis on April 14

which aims to ensure the health and safety of the public.

Earlier, Mayor Jerry Treñas implemented an Executive Order No. 28 for the implementation of the said task force with the role of inspecting all diagnostic clinical laboratories in Iloilo

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Linemen and engineers of NGCP and MORE Power during the swinging of Baldoza feeder using bypass line to facilitate load transfer to the newly commissioned 100MVA transformer at NGCP's Iloilo City substation.

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Resilience (ICARE) Centers, special projects, and programs funded by the Special Education Fund (SEF).

Treñas underscored that these initiatives reflect the city government's gratitude and as a way of giving back to its citizens and all stakeholders who have contributed to the city's successes.

"We are fully committed to delivering accessible and high-quality services to our people through these impactful projects. These initiatives represent our way of giving back to our residents and our partners in the business community. The success we see today is a direct result of the unwavering support they have extended to the city government—through their commitment and diligence in fulfilling their responsibilities, including paying their taxes," the city mayor expressed.

Broken down annually, the Treñas administration allocated a total of P530 million in 2019, P996 million in 2020, P2.5 billion in 2021, P1.2 billion in 2022, P915 million in 2023, and P885 million in 2024.

Education-related infrastructure—such as school buildings and educational facilities funded by the SEF—received the largest allocation, amounting to P2 billion. This was followed by vertical structures at P1.8 billion, roads at P992 million, markets at P947 million, drainages at P378 million, plazas at P348 million, the ICARE Centers at P228 million, special projects at P219 million, and electrical infrastructure at P28 million.

### SEF

SEF funds various infrastructure projects across public schools within the metropolis, from Early Childhood Care and Development (ECCD) day care centers to elementary and high schools.

These include the construction, rehabilitation, and improvement of multi-storey school buildings, classrooms, and other educational facilities.

Likewise, projects cover the development of school flood control systems, vehicle and pedestrian facilities, handwashing stations, Nutrition and Early Childhood Care and Development Training Centers, and the upgrading of electrical systems in schools, often incorporating solar lighting for sustainability.

The yearly allocation for school infrastructure projects has shown consistent growth, with the budget increasing

# Iloilo biz leaders back redevelopment of city public markets with SMPHI

The Iloilo Local Economic Development (ILED) Foundation, representing the city's business leaders and private sector stakeholders, has expressed full support for the Public-Private Partnership (PPP) initiative between the Iloilo City Government and SM Prime Holdings, Inc. (SMPHI) for the redevelopment of the Iloilo Central and Terminal Public Markets.

The project, which commenced on September 18, 2023, is expected to be completed by 2025. While construction may cause temporary disruptions, the business community is confident that SMPHI will deliver the project on time and to a high standard.

The redevelopment is anticipated to bring long-term benefits to the city's



economy, local vendors, and consumers.

Roel Z. Castro, President of the ILED Foundation, highlighted the project's economic impact: "This PPP initiative will enhance Iloilo's commercial infrastructure by improving vendor conditions, sanitation, and creating a more organized

environment for market-goers. Iloilo's remarkable progress, from ranking 27 in 2015 to ranking 5 in 2023 in the national competitiveness index, underscores the city's growing economic strength.

We believe this redevelopment will help sustain and accelerate that

momentum. "The Iloilo City Economic Development Council (ICEDC) 1st Quarter 2024 report showcased a 13% increase in tourism receipts, rising from P8.29 billion in 2023 to P9.4 billion in 2024, alongside high employment levels. The modernized markets

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## NGCP ... (from page 1)

MORE Power.

"This upgrade will provide the necessary capacity to support the city's growth and attract new investments."

The upgrade directly benefits MORE Power's operations, particularly its mobile substation, Megaworld, and Jaro substations. The new 100MVA transformer boosts the NGCP's substation capacity from 50MVA to 100MVA, marking a significant milestone in achieving MORE Power's requirement of a 3x100MVA capacity.

"This is a major milestone in our efforts to improve the power infrastructure of Iloilo City," Castro added.

"We are grateful to NGCP for their commitment to this

project, which will benefit MORE Power and the entire city." NGCP is committed to further enhancing the grid's capacity. In the coming months, it plans to upgrade another power transformer serving MORE Power's substations. This will bring the total capacity to 2x100MVA by the end of the year and a full 3x100MVA by next year.

This collaborative effort between MORE Power and NGCP demonstrates a shared commitment to ensuring a reliable and sustainable power supply for Iloilo City. The increased capacity will benefit consumers and contribute to the city's economic growth and development.

"This is a win-win situation for everyone," said Castro. "It shows that we are all working together to build a brighter future for Iloilo City."

from P247 million in 2019 to P344 million in 2020, P319 million in 2021, P383 million in 2022, P326 million in 2023, and P348 million in 2024.

### VERTICAL AND SPECIAL PROJECTS

Under vertical infrastructure, the allocations funded several key projects, including the completion of the city's first dialysis center in Barangay East Baluarte, Molo, and a second, larger dialysis center in Barangay San Isidro, Jaro.

Other key vertical projects include the construction of a three-storey government center at Arsenal-Aduana; the Multi-Level Parking Building at Legaspi-Dela Rama; the Legislative Building across City Hall; the Iloilo City Hospital including its site development; the Mental Wellness Building; the Community Center in La Paz; the City Veterinarian's Office; the Iloilo City Slaughterhouse; the Jaro Police Station; and the Iloilo Fire Station.

Other notable projects include the extension offices on the 8th floor of the City Hall building, youth centers, multi-purpose halls, and health centers across various barangays, among others.

Meanwhile, under special projects, initiatives included the construction of the COVID-19 Laboratory and Dormitory, the redevelopment of Plaza Libertad, the Resilient Multi-Purpose Evacuation Center, rainwater harvesting facilities in 17 barangays, and various structures under the Peace and Order Program.

### ROADS AND DRAINAGES

For road projects, the Treñas administration allocated P53 million in 2019, P138 million in 2020, P128 million in 2021, P217 million in 2022, P203 million in 2023, and P250 million in 2025.

These allocations supported the construction, rehabilitation, and widening of roads, as well as public alleys, seawalls, footbridges, sidewalks, and farm-to-market roads, benefiting different barangays across the city. Notably, the road projects also included the development of citywide bike lanes, particularly the university loop.

Meanwhile, for drainage projects, different barangays benefitted from the P31 million allocation in 2019, P34 million allocation in 2020, P56 million allocation in 2021, P136 million allocation in 2022, P98 million allocation in 2023, and P20 million allocation in 2024.

### ICARE, PLAZAS AND MARKETS

With the allocated budget, both Ilonggos and visitors can now enjoy the improved and beautified district plazas of Jaro, La Paz, Arevalo, Molo, Plaza Libertad, and Mandurriao.

Meanwhile, vendors and market-goers will soon benefit from a cleaner and more comfortable marketplace experience as the rehabilitation of the public markets in Arevalo, La Paz, and Jaro is currently underway.

Since 2019, the city government has also established nine ICARE Centers in strategically selected locations.

These include Gaisano City Center, which serves as the main command center, along with Calumpang, Ungka, Tanza Esperanza, Nabitasan, Megaworld, Taal, and So-oc.

While most centers have already been completed, the ICARE-Megaworld is still under construction and has reached 67 percent completion.

To note, the over P7 billion worth of infrastructure projects within six years already includes a P1.75 billion loan from the Development Bank of the Philippines (DBP) to support other development initiatives.

Of the total loan, P940 million—exclusively allocated for public market rehabilitation—particularly covering P395 million for Jaro Big Public Market, P150 million for Arevalo Public Market, and P395 million for La Paz Public Market.

Other projects are the ongoing construction of a six-storey parking facility and the establishment of the Iloilo City Hospital.

"We uphold our commitment to transparency and prudent financial management to guarantee that these projects truly serve the people of Iloilo City while safeguarding the city's fiscal stability," Treñas emphasized.



# Passi City hailed as Iloilo's Best PESO



Passi City was hailed as champion during the 2024 Governor's Award for Best PESO, an annual recognition for outstanding Public Employment Service Offices (PESOs) across Iloilo Province.

By MARY JOY CAVANAÑAS

Passi City was hailed as champion during the 2024 Governor's Award for Best PESO, an annual recognition for outstanding Public Employment Service Offices (PESOs) across Iloilo Province.

The said competition which highlighted innovative employment facilitation services and strong community impact was joined by 18 local government unit PESOs.

The awarding ceremony was graced by Department of Migrant Workers (DMW) Assistant Secretary Levinson Alcantara along with Provincial Administrator Dr. Raul Baniyas, representing Governor Arthur Defensor, Jr.; Amalia Debuque, Ex-Officio Member of the Sangguniang Panlalawigan and Chair of the Committee on Labor and Employment; and Department of Labor and Employment (DOLE) Iloilo Field Office Head Joselito Dela Banda who represented Director Atty. Sixto Rodriguez Jr. of DOLE Western Visayas.

In addition, the municipality of Tigbauan got the first place, Oton at second place, Barotac Viejo at third place, and Balasan with fourth place.

- Special awards were also presented including:
- \* Best Narrative – Municipality of Tigbauan
  - \* Most Number of Applicants Encoded in EFPS - Municipality of Oton
  - \* Best in Video Presentation – Passi City

The event was also attended by Board Member Rolando Distura (4th District), Board Member June Mondejar (2nd District), officials from national agencies, barangay PESO coordinators, partner academic institutions, and private companies.

In his message, PA Baniyas emphasized the significance of the said competition which is also a tribute to PESOs in terms of providing opportunities to people.

Dela Banda also praised the dedication of PESOs to the labor market, highlighting their efforts to ensure that every job seeker regardless of background has access to decent and sustainable employment.

The 2024 Governor's Award highlights the unwavering commitment of PESOs in equipping and empowering the local workforce to seize better opportunities, reflecting Iloilo's commitment to inclusive and sustainable development.

# PSA records 2.7 inflation rate in WV for March 2025

By MARY JOY CAVANAÑAS

THE Philippine Statistics Authority Regional Statistical Services Office Region 6 (PSA RSSO VI) recorded a 2.7%

inflation rate in Western Visayas for March 2025 which is constant from February inflation.

The major commodity groups which contributed for the inflation in the region include Food and Non-alcoholic Beverages with 40.0 percent share; Housing, Water,Electricity, Gas, and other fuels with 25.6 percent share; and Restaurants and Accommodation Services with 7.7 percent share.

Some of the commodity groups were also reported to have higher inflation rates in the region including:

- \* Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages with 2.5 percent
- \* Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco with 5.2 percent
- \* Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas, and Other Fuels with

4.1 percent

- \* Health with 2.6 percent
- Lower inflation rates were also been reported in some commodities including:
- \* Clothing and Footwear with 3.7 percent
  - \* Furnishings, Household equipment, and Routine Household maintenance with 4.3 percent
  - \* Transport with -1.1 percent
  - \* Information and Communication with 0.3 percent

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## CITY . . . (from page 1)

City that was conducted from March 28 to April 4, 2025.

After the week-long inspection, the said task force has recorded several accredited and fully compliant clinical labs in the city's various districts:

- Arevalo
- \* Healthness Medical Clinic & Laboratory Co.
  - \* ML Laboratory and dental services OPC
  - \* Biofera Health and Beauty
- City Proper
- \* Clinica De Iloilo, Inc.
  - \* Medicus Diagnostic Center
  - \* Plaza Libertad Medical Specialist Center, Inc.
  - \* RN Medical Laboratory
  - \* Villareal Medical Clinic
  - \* Iloilo Doctors Clinic & Laboratory Seives
  - \* St. Paul's Hospital of Iloilo Inc.
  - \* Singapore Diagnostics
  - \* GCJ LABORATORY DIAGNOSTIC CENTER
  - \* Healthlink Iloilo Inc.(Main)
  - \* USA Clinical Laboratory
  - \* Health Metrics, Inc.
- Jaro I
- \* Medicus Diagnostic Center & Medical Clinic
  - \* Iloilo Mission Hospital, Inc.
  - \* Asia Pacific Medical Center
  - \* Ultracare Diagnostic Center, Inc.
  - \* ZSO Diagnostics & Lab.
  - \* Midwest Iloilo Health Services, Inc.
  - \* Aqueheart Medical Diagnostic Center
- Jaro II
- \* Dr. Borja's Diagnostic Laboratory (Medicus)

- \* St. Peregrine Center for Health Co., Inc.
  - \* Healthlink Iloilo, Inc.
  - \* Metro Iloilo Hospital & Medical Center, Inc.
- Lapaz
- \* Medicus Diagnostic Center & Medical Clinic
  - \* MD PALMES (Perpetual Help Ultrasound and Diagnostic Center
  - \* Healthscreen Clinical Laboratory Company
- Lapuz
- \* DEO Diagnostics Laboratory Inc.
- Molo
- \* Medisense Laboratory
  - \* Medicus Diagnostic Center Medical Clinic
  - \* Iloilo Doctors Hospital, Inc.
  - \* JBL Laboratory Foundation, Inc.
  - \* The Medical City Iloilo
- Mandurriao
- \* DEMIC Lab Corp.
  - \* Singapore Medical Laboratories, Inc.
  - \* Iloilo Doctors Hospital, Inc.
  - \* Medicus Medical Center
  - \* Primeview
  - \* Aspire Health Solutions Inc.
  - \* AMOSUP HOSPITAL (Seaman's Hospital)
  - \* Healthway Qualimed Hospital Iloilo
  - \* Dr. Borja Diagnostic Laboratory (Medicus)
- In addition, the EO stated that clinical laboratories which are not included in the accredited fully compliant list have incomplete or lacking documents, licenses, and/or permits. They are also strongly encouraged to report to the CHO and present their pertinent documents for verification.



# Mission improbable

Observers on both sides of the Duterte surrender to the ICC would have us believe that the ongoing Senate inquiry headed by Senator Imee Marcos is “too little too late.” The pro-FPRRD folks feel it’s pointless since ex-president Duterte is already “behind bars” in The Hague, Netherlands.

The partner of the former president even gave Senator Imee a “No Confidence” vote all the way from The Hague. On the other hand, the anti-PRRD is confident that there is no more turning back until FPRRD is tried and sentenced.

But “In My Opinion,” as certain Congressmen would have us differentiate between opinion and propaganda, Senator Imee Marcos made the right choice in holding the hearings, while certain individuals and government officials miscalculated or underestimated the outcome.

The case against FPRRD at the ICC might not even get to first base because President Bongbong Marcos relied on second rate actors to pull off a Philippine version of “Mission: Impossible.” They did not have a polished script, did not stick to the lines and soon will be blaming it all on the “producers,” given they all claim there was no director.

For starters, the government officials representing the DILG, DOJ, PNP, Interpol, etc. have stumbled over each other’s statements and claims, even to the point of contradicting each other concerning who gave authority or appointed people, or being corrected by teammates.

Several of them have had to retract; they initially opted to no longer participate by virtue of executive privilege. Then they changed their minds, walked into another episode of “putting their foot in mouth,” trapped by their own words and “bailed out” by the Senate President as a courtesy to Malacañang.

The secretary of Justice claimed that their hesitation to participate in the inquiry is for fear of “bullying.” In actuality, Secretary Remulla was

probably worried that details of “the operation to surrender FPRRD” would surface and shed light on irregularities, a number of which came out in the hearings.

More than just another “political who done it” live on all media, the hearings confirmed suspicions about premeditation to surrender FPRRD, a conspiracy of sorts and reckless overeagerness of those involved bordering on bragging, and abuse of authority.

It must have been an operation based on “a need-to-know basis” that left a lot of key officials not in the know. As a result, a couple of officials could not support the storyline of the administration and were not willing to be dragged into or made part of a controversy they did not sign up for. As the saying goes, “Every lie opens the door to a lesson you didn’t sign up for.”

Everybody who took part in the “operation” clearly got burned, including Senate President Chiz Escudero, who lost pogi points for bailing out an official who was cited in contempt, and for not signing subpoenas.

But what made the hearings a potential “game changer?”

Among themselves, Senator Imee Marcos, Senator Ronald “Bato” dela Rosa and Senator Alan Peter Cayetano got vital information, acknowledgement or confirmation regarding the process and lapses in the arrest, transport and surrender of FPRRD to the ICC, and they have all of it not just “on tape” but in the records of the Philippine Senate.

According to the lawyers of FPRRD, one of the items on their agenda would be the legality of the ex-president’s “arrest and transport.” Going all the way back to the statements of PRRD, DOJ, the coverage of the events at the NAIA and Villamor Air Base, the hearings in the Senate have served to validate allegations and made it all official and on public record...for future reference!

## CTALK

Cito Beltran



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There is no denying that the peace and order situation has gone from bad to “worse than worse.” What I found strange was that a newly promoted and appointed PNP general in charge of anti-kidnapping was removed, but the Chief PNP who should be retired already remains in position.

I don’t know General Rommel Francisco Marbil, and no one has given me any derogatory material in order to single him out. In fact, I liked his initial actions as the new Chief PNP when he started. But if the PNP saw fit to remove a general because of the Anson Que case, isn’t it right and fair for the Chief PNP to step aside?

While I appreciate his efforts to appear positive and confident about peace and order, Gen. Marbil sounds like he is in a state of denial. Almost every day there is news of drugs, shabu in particular, being back on the streets or intercepted by the police. Road rage has now become one of the top three public concerns.

School-based gang wars and homicide among teens worry parents; police personnel being implicated in robbery or assassination attempts of a controversial candidate have people wondering. There is also no denying these because all are culled from police reports, just like the kidnapping of businessman Anson Que and others before him. The number of kidnapping incidents since January shocked people.

Why stay on and risk the possibility of more controversies burning your reputation or tarnishing your record or achievements? Even popes and prime ministers make their exit gracefully.

# The attack dog

You won’t hear Ferdinand Marcos Jr. cussing in public or making misogynistic or un-PC jokes.

But with his rift with the Duterte camp growing deeper, some people think they’re seeing a case of No More Mr. Nice Guy. Or is it just our intrigue-loving imagination?

BBM went negative in campaigning for his Alyansa Senate slate, minus one as he pointedly skipped mentioning his Ate Imee, who has since officially bolted the coalition, and whose latest moniker is Senator Ekek.

The hiss from the snake pit is that another member of the Alyansa slate could also be junked, and it would be the least of the candidate’s woes inflicted by the administration.

BBM is no longer beyond making snide remarks, especially when it comes to his erstwhile UniTeam running mate, Vice President Sara Duterte.

Meanwhile, the VP seems to have learned the virtue of tempering her barbs aimed at those in power. But she still makes some remarks that elicit sharp retorts from Malacañang – either from BBM or from the person seen to be speaking for him, Claire Castro.

A lawyer and former broadcaster, Castro’s job designation is Palace press officer and undersecretary of the Presidential Communications Office.

She told me that the office of the presidential spokesperson has been abolished by BBM, with no plans for its revival, so no, she’s not his spokesperson.

Still, she’s currently seen as the Palace mouthpiece, and her style is being likened to that of Duterte’s pugnacious spokesperson, Harry Roque.

The feisty Castro laughed off descriptions of her as a pit bull and attack dog of Malacañang, saying she has always been like this even when working as a trial lawyer.

Facing me on The STAR’s online show “Truth on the Line” last Thursday, Castro said she gets many haters on social media, but also people who approve of her work.

Maybe because of her media background, she genuinely seems unfazed by the haters. She says the bashers should also love her because when they use her for their content, they get a lot of views and consequently may earn more.

She also gets a lot of insults from people who she suspects want her booted out of government.

Those who have expressed approval for her work, she said, note her quicker moves to correct fake news and malicious information about the government, unlike in the past when there seemed to be a “gap” in such reactions from the administration.

Does she also receive serious threats to her safety, whether online or in person? Castro says she’s unaware of any such threats.

“With God’s help, I hope not,” she said.

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Castro maintains that this is the main instruction of BBM to the new comms team – to battle fake news and disinformation about the work of government. She stresses that there is no specific instruction for her to match the increasing belligerence of administration bashers. And there is no deliberate shift in the communication approach of Malacañang, she says, from BBM’s laid-back and conflict-averse style to “bring it on.”

She says what BBM also wants from the comms team is to step up efforts to deliver the good news – what the government is doing for the people, the benefits and aid available and how to access assistance.

An app has been developed for detecting fake news about the government. Castro said the app would be given to certain agencies including the Commission on Elections. A task force against fake news is also being organized, to be headed by fact-checkers.

Those spreading fake news, Castro lamented, would really “pull down the government with their false narratives,” derailing state programs and the economy.

As part of efforts to combat fake news and malicious content, the government is also considering requiring social media influencers and content creators to register, Castro said. Not to regulate content, which could infringe on constitutional rights, but to peel away anonymity and promote accountability in disseminating information.

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I asked Castro how her life has changed in her shift from media and private law practice to one of the hot seats in government.

She says sleeping in during Sundays has become rare. Not because she is losing sleep over the bashing

and insults, but because of the sheer workload and demands of the job.

What about her principal?

## Sketches

Ana Marie Pamintuan



BBM has said he is “slightly affected” by the surge in fake news. But Castro says Marcos always has a packed schedule and too many matters requiring his attention, and cannot afford to dwell on bashers.

Marcos is not pursuing a cyberlibel case, which is a personal complaint, against those behind the so-called “polvoron” video featuring what the DDS say is BBM snorting cocaine.

Harry Roque has denied being one of the brains behind the dissemination of the video. But Castro cited video footage of Roque telling DDS in Vancouver, Canada to download the polvoron video and spread it.

She says the accompanying calls to topple the government led by an alleged cokehead could warrant a case for sedition – something that the Department of Justice is now pursuing.

As for another arch critic of the President, his own sister Imee, Castro prefers to stay out of family matters, although she suggests that the siblings talk it out.


BBM, probably realizing that hell hath no fury than an Ate scorned, has refrained from commenting about his elder sister. At this point, if the rift is genuine, he probably thinks that with a sister like this, who needs enemies?

The Dutertes, on the other hand, seem to think the rift and the ongoing Senate probe of the arrest and turnover of Rodrigo Duterte to The Hague is nothing but an elaborate zarzuela.

Castro, who provided pro bono services when she was practicing law, is a prayerful person. She says one of the things that soured her initial admiration for Rodrigo Duterte was his swearing against God, apart from his constant cussing and, later, the killings in his war on drugs and other laws that he violated. Such behavior, especially in a predominantly Catholic country, cannot be normalized, she says.

“I’m not anti-Duterte. I voted for him in 2016,” Castro told me. “But I’m not a fanatical person. As much as possible, we should be pro-government. We should be patriotic, not fanatic.”





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Notice is hereby given that **Sta. Lucia Land, Inc.** (Developer) has filed with the Department a sworn registration statement for the sale of subdivision lots at **ALDEA/BLUERIDGE RESIDENCES** located at Brgy. Pakiad, Oton, Iloilo specifically described as portions of the following:

LOT NO.	AREA (SQ. M.)	TITLE NO.	OWNER
2576	4,338.00	090-2014001103	AMIGO RESORTS AND RESIDENCES, INC.
2885	15,250.00	090-2014003766	
2902	23,740.00	090-2014002382	
3056	10,976.00	090-2014002381	
3856	20,882.00	090-2014001102	
3858-A	39,525.00	090-2014001531	
3860-A-1	1,207.00	090-2014000337	
3860-B	22,004.00	090-2014003765	
3906-A	548.00	090-2014000660	
3907-B	7,200.00	090-2014002383	
3908-A	422.00	090-2014000659	

All papers relative thereto shall upon request and payment of processing fee, be available for inspection during business hours by any person having legal interest thereon.

Absent any legal impediment, the above-cited project is deemed registered and a certificate, in evidence thereof, shall forthwith be issued after five (5) days from the last day of publication.

Iloilo City, Philippines, April 11, 2025.

(SGD.) EnP. EVA MARIA P. MARFIL  
Regional Director

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are expected to further boost this growth by enhancing customer experience, sanitation, and accessibility for both locals and tourists.

Engr. Terence Uygongco, Chairman of the Board of ILED Foundation, emphasized the cultural significance of the project: "A thriving public market is essential to any food culture. This redevelopment enhances Iloilo's brand as a gastronomic destination.

For example, Sandakan, Malaysia saw a major boost in tourism and job creation after a similar redevelopment. Iloilo is poised for comparable success." While acknowledging potential challenges such as traffic disruptions during construction, the business community remains confident in the project's timely completion.

The ILED Foundation reaffirms its support for this strategic investment, which aims to strengthen local commerce, support small businesses, and reflect Iloilo's commitment to sustainable urban growth.

PSA RECORDS . . . (from page 3)

- \* Recreation, Sport, and Culture with 3.0 percent
- \* Restaurant and Accommodation Services with 3.4 percent
- \* Personal Care and Miscellaneous Services with 2.5 percent

In terms of cities and provinces across the region, Iloilo has still the highest monthly inflation for March 2025 with 4.2 percent while Antique has the lowest inflation with -0.1 percent.

Also for March 2025, Iloilo City has 3.9 percent inflation rate, Bacolod City with 3.5 percent, Negros Occidental with 2.8 percent, Capiz with 1.9 percent, Aklan with 0.4 percent, and Guimaras with 0.2 percent inflation rate.

Meanwhile, the inflation rate for the Bottom 30% income households have reached 2.8 percent for March 2025 which is a bit higher from February's 2.4 percent and lower than the 3.8 percent inflation rate in March 2024.



# Capiz town gets coastal resource facilities upgrade

ROXAS CITY, Capiz (PIA) — The municipal government of Panay in Capiz has partnered with the Department of Tourism (DOT) and the Tourism Infrastructure and Enterprise Zone Authority (TIEZA) for the Panay: A Coastal Resource Experience Project.

The project intends to upgrade the existing passenger terminal of Barangay Pawa, construct an eco-friendly mangrove cottage in Barangay Jamulawon and establish a Community-Based Rural Tourism (CBRT) initiative in the coastal barangays.

The local government unit of Panay is among the 15 LGUs that President Ferdinand Marcos Jr. announced in 2024 as part of the DOT's flagship program, the Tourism Champions Challenge (TCC).

The TCC is a joint program of the DOT and TIEZA, championing local government-led tourism initiatives.

Tourism Secretary Christina Garcia Frasco led the signing of the memorandum of agreement, which marked the formal rollout of the DOT's TCC project in the province.

Capiz Gov. Fredenil Castro underscored the province's long-standing support for the DOT's programs and said that with Frasco's presence, more tourism potential in the province will be developed.

"With the secretary around, the Department of Tourism will now see the map of Panay Island on the map of the Philippines, because before, we had never been given any attention the way the good secretary has given us her attention, and I am sure that

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# 1.6K cops to secure pilgrims, visitors in W. Visayas

ILOILO CITY – Around 1,680 police officers will be deployed across Western Visayas to ensure the safety of pilgrims and tourists during the Holy Week, according to the Police Regional Office-6 (PRO-6).

"Our full deployment will start early morning of Holy Thursday. We will prioritize our churches, religious sites, and also religious activities like the procession on Thursday and Friday," PRO-6 spokesperson Lt. Col. Arnel Solis said in an interview on Monday.

By Black Saturday, security efforts will shift toward tourist destinations and recreational areas due to the

expected increase in public movement, he said.

Officers will be stationed along highways for patrols and will put up assistance desks at ports and terminals.

Solis said more than 1,600 officers will be solely for Panay and Guimaras for the Holy Week. There are others for checkpoints, police visibility, foot patrol, and other police operations.

He also reminded the public to always keep on their list the hotline numbers of local police units and government agencies in areas they intend to visit so they can easily

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## Hostage diplomacy

*Editorial*

### What is Beijing up to?

Should we believe the claim of the Chinese government that three Filipinos who had been arrested by authorities were suspected spies?

The suspected spies were identified as David Servañez, Albert Endencia and Nathalie Plizardo. Servañez was the first to be arrested in October 2024, followed by Endencia in January this year and Plizardo in February. The arrests were first publicly disclosed by Chinese state media outlets on April 3.

The three alleged spies are actually former scholars under a “sisterhood” agreement between Palawan and Hainan, China’s southernmost province, in 2017.

Plizardo and Servañez belonged to the first batch of scholars at Hainan Normal University in 2018 and Endencia followed in the second batch in 2019.

The National Security Council has vehemently denied Beijing’s allegations the three Filipinos arrested in China were spies, saying they were ordinary citizens who had no military training, and doubted their alleged “confessions” had been made freely.

Jonathan Malaya, NSC Assistant Director General and spokesperson, is on the right track in expressing alarm over Chinese allegations the three

were arrested for allegedly spying for a Philippine intelligence agency.

“They are ordinary Filipino citizens with no military training who merely went to China at the invitation of the Chinese government to study,” Malaya said, adding they were vetted and screened by the Chinese government itself prior to granting them scholarships.

The NSC should continue to coordinate closely with the DFA and the Philippine Embassy in Beijing to ensure the three detained Filipinos receive legal support and are accorded due process considering the gravity of the accusations against them.

Chinese media reports still have not disclosed where the three Filipinos were arrested and where they are being detained.

The NSC believes that given the scarce information available from China, the arrests could be “retaliation for the series of legitimate arrests of Chinese agents and accomplices by Philippine law enforcement and counterintelligence agencies in recent months.”

In February, Philippine authorities arrested

five suspected Chinese spies who were allegedly monitoring Philippine Coast Guard and Philippine Navy activities in Palawan province, including the resupply of troops in the West Philippine Sea.

Earlier, authorities also arrested a Chinese national and his two Filipino cohorts in Makati City.

The National Bureau of Investigation said they were allegedly engaged in intelligence, surveillance and reconnaissance operations “to the prejudice of our national defense” and had been charged with espionage and with violation of Republic Act 10175, or the Cybercrime Prevention Act of 2012.

Beijing should stop pulling the wool over our eyes and tell us the truth.

The allegation the three Filipinos are spies seems to be part of its cognitive warfare operations.

The difference is that the Filipinos are hapless victims of an underhanded plot by the Chinese government while those nabbed by our authorities have been caught in flagrante delicto and deserve long prison terms once convicted by our judicial system. (*manilastandard.net*)

## Bridging information gaps

Last week, information and communication officers from different national government agencies and local government units (LGUs) gathered at Meralco to discuss ideas and ways how to share new and vital information effectively and efficiently with the public. The discussion was productive – one that underscored the power and responsibility of both public and private sectors in ensuring that people receive clear, accurate, and timely information.

The meeting became a platform for meaningful dialogue on exploring better ways to empower the public to make informed decisions and actions. During the gathering, Meralco representatives led by yours truly discussed ways on how households can better monitor and manage their electricity consumption considering the upcoming dry season. On the other hand, officials of the Philippine Health Insurance Corp. (PhilHealth) and the Commission on Elections (Comelec) discussed developments in public healthcare coverage and voter education, respectively.

These are gut issues that directly impact people’s daily lives. Yet, too often, conflicting messages from various sources create confusion and even lead to misinformation that only erodes public trust.

In today’s era of information overload – where one can easily find data with one click, distinguishing truth from lies has become a major challenge. The sheer volume of information available coupled with the rapid spread of disinformation, makes it increasingly difficult for people to discern credible sources from unreliable ones.

A February joint survey by Social Weather Stations and

think-tank Stratbase Research and Intelligence showed that majority of Filipinos at 59 percent think that “fake news” is a serious problem on the Internet. Meanwhile, 62 percent see it as a serious problem on the media – an alarming figure in relation to cultivating public awareness and trust.

In today’s fast-paced communication landscape, many communicators are hyper-focused on getting their respective messages across to their target audiences, often overlooking opportunities for collaboration to make messaging and understanding easier – for both the messengers and the audience.

The abundance of information readily available for anyone poses a major challenge in building public awareness and trust. This is where collaboration between the public and private sectors becomes crucial. By working together, the government and the private sector can develop a communication landscape that fosters public trust and cuts through the noise of misinformation.

Both government and the private sector have a critical role in today’s mass communication landscape to enhance the dissemination of crucial information and ensure that citizens receive consistent and reliable information. By embracing a unified approach to communications, the public and private sector can go beyond mere information campaigns to empower citizens and drive national development.

Citizens develop and strengthen public trust when they receive consistent and reliable information which makes it necessary for institutions to align their messaging to reduce the risks of misinformation and confusion. Trust, after all,

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thrives on consistency, reliability, and transparency.

The importance of partnerships between government and private communicators cannot be overstated. Aligning key messages strengthens institutional credibility and ensures that the public is guided by facts rather than confusion.

While aligning communication efforts at the local level is essential, the need for consistency in messaging goes beyond the local scene. This was acknowledged during the recent International Association of Business Communicators (IABC) Asia Pacific Fusion Conference, where professionals from various industries recognized the shifting dynamics of the communication landscape.

In an era where misinformation thrives, communicators bear the responsibility to provide factual, well-contextualized information that influences positive social change. I was privileged to share a message with fellow practitioners that remains at the core of our profession: We have the power and responsibility to fight for truth, integrity, and trust – fundamental pillars of our profession.

By working together – the public and private sector can bridge information gaps and ensure that people are equipped with the knowledge they need to make informed choices.

Because when information is timely, accurate, and clear, everyone benefits.



# Teaching

This year, I was able to complete 50 semesters or 25 years of teaching part-time at a university. As I sat and waited for my name to be called during the plaque-giving ceremony, I had a rare opportunity to reflect on the issues facing college teachers all over the country and even the world.

AI finding its way into college systems is sparking debate worldwide. In some countries, AI tools, including language models, image generators, chatbots and chatGPT and its ilk, have slowly wormed their way into the said system. Some professors have warned that these AI tools would promote cheating, produce student overreliance on said tools, and generally diminish critical thinking. Several groups of college teachers have advocated for a slowdown in adapting AI tools into the school system. Some college professors have embraced AI and found ways to integrate the same into curricula and research. These professors view AI encroachment as inevitable and feel that what

is imperative is teaching the new generation to fit in the AI-first generation.

Another issue facing college professors is the debate on whether or not teachers should be overtly vocal about their political inclinations, especially in classrooms. A month ago, a University of the Philippines professor got into hot water for allegedly red-tagging some students and shouting insults at the same. Recently, some students in a top university complained about their teachers expressing their strong position on the recent political events in our country, which they deemed offensive and irrelevant to the subject he was teaching. Like comedians, teachers are currently having problems with over-sensitive audiences who get offended easily.

The issue of compensation has been a persistent problem, especially for full-time teachers. Teaching has never been a profession where one can get rich. The problem is when the compensation is not enough to meet one's needs. As such, we have an ongoing exodus of teachers seeking higher paychecks abroad. This has given rise to the influx

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By Atty. Gilberto Lauengco, J.D.

of more part-time teachers who do not rely solely on their compensation as teachers.

These and other issues are changing the landscape for college teachers. Can college teachers adapt? We must adapt. Otherwise, this profession will be diminished in ways we cannot yet fathom or contemplate.

As my name was called and I began to approach the stage, I ended my musings with the thought that we really need more teachers who can adapt and afford to make sacrifices. And so, I call upon many of my friends or batchmates who are contemplating retiring early from their day jobs to consider joining the academe. You really are needed.

These are my oblique musings.

# Focusing on early education, nutrition for children's development

Following the findings of the Education Commission II, the Department of Education (DepEd) and the Department of Budget and Management (DBM) have signed a joint circular to establish more child development centers (CDC) in the country's underserved areas. There are 3,800 barangays in the country that have no CDCs, as reported by the Early Childhood Care and Development (ECCD) Council.

The signing of the joint circular is also in line with the directive of PBBM to ensure quality education for Filipino children.

Establishing child development centers in underserved areas is crucial in ensuring that all children, regardless of their socio-economic background, have access to quality early childhood education. These centers provide a safe and nurturing environment where young children can develop foundational skills in language, cognition, social interaction, and emotional regulation. Research has proven that early education significantly influences a child's lifelong learning trajectory, academic success, and overall well-being. These centers, situated in underserved communities with limited resources and learning opportunities, significantly contribute to breaking the cycle of poverty by providing children with a robust start and leveling the playing field. Investing in early childhood development is not only a matter of equity but also a powerful strategy for building a more inclusive and prosperous society.

I think the establishment of CDCs should prioritize geographically isolated and disadvantaged areas (GIDAs). These are communities that face major challenges in accessing basic services due to their remote location and socio-economic conditions. Often situated in mountainous regions, islands, or conflict-affected zones, GIDAs suffer from poor infrastructure, including limited roads, inadequate healthcare, and a lack of schools. Transportation and communication are difficult, and children in these areas often have to walk for hours, cross rivers, and navigate rough terrain just to attend school.

High poverty rates, limited access to education, and poor health outcomes distinguish GIDAs beyond geographic barriers.

These compounded disadvantages make them priority areas for government and development efforts to ensure that no community is left behind in the push for inclusive growth and social equity.

As of 2022, the Department of Health (DOH) identified 3,427 GIDA barangays across the country, with Mindanao accounting for 1,878 of them – more than half of the total. The recently signed joint circular between the Department of Education (DepEd) and the Department of Budget and Management (DBM) underscores the need to address this gap. The circular specifically prioritizes low-income local government units (LGUs) and provides clear guidelines on how they can access funding from the Local Government Support Fund (LGSF). This funding can be used for the construction, rehabilitation, or upgrading of multipurpose buildings (MPBs) that will serve as CDCs, helping bring early childhood education closer to the country's most underserved children.

In this context, the role of local government unit (LGU) officials is crucial in transforming national policies into meaningful, on-the-ground results. The President has clearly expressed his commitment to expanding access to early education, and it is essential that LGU officials respond with urgency, initiative, and accountability. To fully realize the directive to establish CDCs in GIDA areas, they must actively and purposefully engage. Furthermore, they must strategically use the LGSF funding, prioritize the construction and enhancement of CDCs over less critical projects. By aligning local actions with national priorities, LGUs can play a pivotal role in breaking the cycle of inequality and giving every Filipino child, regardless of location, a strong and fair start in life.

The establishment of CDCs should also embrace a holistic approach that integrates both education and nutrition. Children in GIDA areas are among the most vulnerable, often facing severe poverty and food insecurity that compromise their health and learning potential.

Early childhood education fundamentally relies on nutrition, as the quality of nourishment

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a child receives during their formative years significantly influences their cognitive and physical development. Proper nutrition fuels brain development, improves concentration, and strengthens the immune system – allowing children to engage more effectively in learning. Conversely, malnutrition can cause stunted growth, learning delays, and diminished school readiness, placing children at a disadvantage before they even begin formal education. In CDCs, embedding nutrition programs – such as daily feeding, regular health checks, and nutrition education – ensures that children are not only learning but also growing and thriving.

A well-nourished child is far more likely to succeed in school and in life, making nutrition an indispensable pillar of any robust early learning initiative.

We should be deeply concerned about the extent of stunting in the Philippines. The United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF) reports that one in three children in the country suffer from stunting. The Philippines ranks fifth in the East Asia and Pacific region for the highest stunting prevalence and is also among the top 10 countries worldwide with the highest number of stunted children.

It is therefore essential that CDCs extend their role beyond the traditional scope of early education by addressing the needs of children even before they enter the classroom. This involves actively engaging families and communities to promote prenatal care, proper nutrition, responsive parenting, and early stimulation at home. By laying a strong foundation during the critical first 1,000 days of a child's life, CDCs can help ensure that children arrive healthy, developmentally ready, and prepared to learn. This holistic and forward-looking approach recognizes that early childhood development begins well before formal instruction and requires the collective involvement of families, caregivers, and the wider community.





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MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE NO. 137, S. 2024

AN ORDINANCE MANDATING WASTE SEGREGATION, INSTITUTIONALIZING WASTE MANAGEMENT PRACTICES, AND PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF SAN REMIGIO, ANTIQUE.

WHEREAS, the improper disposal and management of waste pose significant environmental and health risks to the residents of San Remigio;

WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 9003, also known as the Ecological Solid Waste Management Act of 2000, mandates the adoption of a systematic, comprehensive, and ecological solid waste management program to protect public health and the environment;

WHEREAS, the law emphasizes the importance of waste segregation at source as a critical component of an effective solid waste management strategy, which involves separating biodegradable, recyclable, and residual wastes to reduce the volume of waste that requires disposal and to promote resource recovery and recycling (Section 21);

WHEREAS, the segregation of waste is essential to minimize the strain on landfill sites, prevent the contamination of soil and water sources, and reduce greenhouse gas emissions, which contribute to climate change (Section 2);

WHEREAS, proper waste segregation helps to ensure the safe and efficient operation of Materials Recovery Facilities (MRFs), which are crucial for sorting and processing recyclable materials, thereby reducing the overall waste burden on the environment (Section 32);

WHEREAS, RA 9003 encourages local government units (LGUs) to implement community-based solid waste management programs, highlighting the role of every barangay in enforcing waste segregation and promoting environmental awareness among residents (Section 12);

WHEREAS, the effective implementation of waste segregation practices contributes to the health, safety, and well-being of the community by preventing the spread of diseases, reducing the risk of floods caused by clogged drainage systems, and fostering a cleaner and more sustainable environment (Section 2);

WHEREFORE, on motion of Hon. Sme J. Panesand seconded en masse, be it

RESOLVED, as it is hereby resolved to adopt this Ordinance,

SECTION 1: MANDATORY WASTE SEGREGATION

- 1.1 Every household, business establishment, and public facility within LGU San Remigio is required to segregate waste into three categories:
- a. **Recyclables** - materials such as paper, plastic, glass, and metals that can be reprocessed and reused.
  - b. **Biodegradables** - organic waste such as food scraps, yard waste, and other materials that can decompose naturally.
  - c. **Residual Waste** - non-recyclable and non-biodegradable materials that must be disposed of in a sanitary landfill.
  - d. **Special Waste** - refers to wastes that are considered hazardous and require specific handling and disposal methods. Special waste includes items such as:
    - Household hazardous wastes like paints, thinners, household batteries, lead-acid batteries, spray canisters, and others.
    - Health care waste such as waste from hospitals, clinics, and other medical institutions that could pose risks of infections and contamination.
    - Electronic waste (e-waste), including broken or obsolete electronic devices and appliances.
- 1.2 Separate containers or bins must be provided by each household, establishment, and facility for the purpose of segregating these types of waste. It will be mandatory for business establishment and public facilities to have separate receptacles for waste segregation.

SECTION 2: PUBLIC EDUCATION AND AWARENESS

- 2.1 The Municipal Environment and Natural Resources Office (MENRO), in coordination with the Barangay Councils, the Department of Education (DepEd), and local schools, shall conduct regular information campaigns, workshops, and community meetings to educate residents, including elementary and high school students, as well as other stakeholders about the importance of waste segregation and the proper methods for doing so.
- These educational initiatives will be integrated into the schools extracurricular activities, ensuring that young learners from both elementary and high school levels are actively engaged in promoting and practicing waste segregation within their communities.
- By collaborating with DepEd, teachers, and school administrators, these programs will foster environmental stewardship among students and equip them with the knowledge and skills necessary to contribute to sustainable waste management efforts.
- 2.2 Educational materials such as leaflets, posters, and online resources shall be distributed to households, schools, and businesses to enhance public understanding and compliance.

SECTION 3: COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL

- 2.1 A comprehensive and efficient waste collection system shall be established to ensure the proper handling, transport, and disposal of segregated waste throughout the municipality. By implementing these measures, the municipality will create a robust waste management system that not only ensures the proper segregation and collection of waste but also maximizes the recovery of valuable resources and minimizes the environmental footprint of residual waste.
- To achieve this, the municipality will take the following steps:
- Procurement of Dedicated Garbage Trucks:** The municipality will procure specialized garbage trucks designed specifically for the collection of segregated waste. These trucks will have designated compartments to separately collect recyclables, biodegradable waste, and residual waste, ensuring that different types of waste are handled appropriately from the point of collection to disposal.
  - Enhanced Maintenance and Operation of the Materials Recovery Facility (MRF):** The municipality will prioritize the maintenance and continuous operation of the Materials Recovery Facility (MRF), which will serve as the central hub for sorting and processing recyclable and compostable waste. The MRF will be equipped with the necessary tools and technology to efficiently sort recyclables, prepare them for market, and convert organic waste into valuable compost. Regular training and capacity-building programs will be provided to MRF staff to ensure the facility operates at maximum efficiency.
  - Development and Upkeep of the Residual Containment Facility:** The municipality will maintain and expand the Residual Containment Facility (RCF) specifically for the safe and sanitary disposal of residual waste. This facility will be designed to minimize environmental impact, with proper containment measures in place to prevent contamination of the surrounding area. The RCF will be regularly monitored and managed to ensure compliance with environmental standards and to reduce the volume of residual waste sent to landfills.
  - Hiring of Solid Waste Management Staff.** The municipal government shall allocate funding for the hiring and compensation of waste segregation employees, who will be responsible for ensuring proper waste sorting, monitoring compliance at the municipal level, and if needed in barangays needing special assistance in the collection and disposal of solid waste.
    - a. **Barangay-Level Workforce:** Each barangay shall employ at least one waste segregation officer to oversee and assist households and establishments in implementing proper waste segregation practices. Barangays may hire additional personnel as necessary, subject to the availability of funds.
    - b. **Municipal-Level Workforce:** The MENRO shall employ additional personnel dedicated to managing and supporting waste segregation efforts in priority tourist destination barangays, including data collection, compliance monitoring, and reporting to the Municipal Solid Waste Management Council.
    - c. **Training and Capacity Building:** The municipal government shall allocate funds for regular training and capacity-building programs for solid waste segregation to enhance their knowledge and skills in waste management practices and compliance monitoring.

- 2.1 The municipality through the MENRO shall schedule separate collection days for each category of waste to ensure that recyclables, biodegradables, and residual waste are collected and processed appropriately. The MENRO will prepare guidelines for collection of solid waste.

SECTION 4: RECYCLING AND COMPOSTING FACILITIES

- 4.1 Each Barangay is mandated to establish a materials recovery facility and recycling centers to maximize the recovery and reprocessing of recyclable materials.
- 4.2 Composting facilities shall be promoted, either on a household level or through community composting centers, to convert organic waste into valuable compost for agricultural and gardening use.

SECTION 5: MONITORING AND REPORTING

The roles of both the Barangay Solid Waste Management Committees and the Municipal Environment and Natural Resources Officer in the monitoring and reporting process, will be taken advantage of to ensure a consistent flow of information that supports effective decision-making at the municipal level.

5.1 Barangay-Level Monitoring and Reporting:

- Every Barangay Solid Waste Management Council shall establish a robust monitoring and reporting mechanism to assess the effectiveness of waste segregation initiatives within their jurisdiction. This mechanism will help identify areas for improvement, track progress, and ensure strict compliance with the provisions of this ordinance.
- Each barangay shall be required to submit a quarterly report to the Municipal Environment and Natural Resources Office (MENRO) detailing their Solid Waste Management (SWM) activities, challenges encountered, and overall compliance with the ordinance. The MENRO will provide a format for the report which shall be prepared and submitted through their Barangay Solid Waste Management Committee.

5.2 Municipal-Level Monitoring and Reporting:

- The MENRO shall compile and analyze the quarterly reports submitted by the barangays and prepare a comprehensive report on the solid waste management situation of the municipality.
- MENRO shall present quarterly updates to the Municipal Solid Waste Management Council, providing insights into the progress of the waste management program, identifying trends, challenges, and areas requiring intervention, and recommending necessary adjustments to improve the effectiveness of the SWM initiatives.
- The Municipal Solid Waste Management Council shall use these reports to make informed decisions, strategize on enhancements to the existing waste management system, and ensure the continuous improvement and sustainability of the municipality's waste management efforts. The reports will also be used to monitor the implementation of the 10-year Solid Waste Management Plan.

SECTION 6: ENFORCEMENT AND PENALTIES

- 6.1 **Enforcement:** The Municipal Mayor shall deputize Solid Waste Management Enforcers from the Municipal Environment and Natural Resources Office (MENRO) and if needed, augmentation from the Municipal Economic Enterprise Development Office (MEEDO). These enforcers will be responsible for monitoring compliance with this ordinance and identifying violations.
- 6.2 **Citation System:** A citation ticket system shall be established, whereby authorized enforcers will issue tickets to individuals, businesses, and public facilities that violate the provisions of this ordinance, particularly regarding the failure to properly segregate waste.
- 6.3 **Payment of Fines and Compliance Process:**
- a. **Payment of Fines:** Violators who receive a citation ticket are required to pay the corresponding fines at the Municipal Treasurer's Office.
  - b. **Proof of Payment:** After paying the fine, violators must present their official receipt to the MENRO.
  - c. **Compliance Certification:** The MENRO will issue a Solid Waste Management Compliance Certification upon confirmation of the payment and adherence to the ordinance. This certification will be mandatory for all business owners when applying for or renewing their business permits yearly.
- 6.4 **Penalties for Violations:**
- a. **First Offense:**
    - Formal warning
    - Mandatory attendance at a waste management orientation conducted by the MENRO.
  - b. **Second Offense:**
    - Fine of ₱ **500.00** for individuals.
    - Fine of ₱ **1,000.00** for business establishments and public facilities.
    - Additional **8 hours of community service** related to waste management.
  - c. **Third and Subsequent Offenses:**
    - Fine of ₱ **1,000.00** for individuals.
    - Fine of ₱ **1,500.00** for business establishments and public facilities.
    - Mandatory **16 hours of community service**community service related to waste management.
  - d. **For Business Establishments:** On the third offense, immediate suspension of business permits until full compliance is achieved, which includes payment of the fine and obtaining the MENRO Solid Waste Management Compliance Certification.
  - e. **Consequences of Repeated Offenses After Compliance:** If a business establishment commits further violations after paying the fines and being reinstated, the following penalties will be enforced:
    - **Cancellation and Non-Renewal of Business Permits:** The business permit of the establishment will be permanently canceled, and renewal will not be allowed.

**Termination of Stall Rental Contracts/Licensee:** For businesses operating within the public market, their stall rental contracts will be terminated.

**SECTION 7: BUDGET ALLOCATION:** The Municipal Government shall allocate the necessary funds for the successful implementation of this ordinance. This includes, but is not limited to, the procurement of garbage trucks dedicated to segregated waste collection, the maintenance and operation of the Materials Recovery Facilities for recyclables and biodegradables (compostable) (MRF), and the expansion and upkeep of the Residual Containment Area (RCA).

- 7.1 **Sourcing of Funds:** The funds required for the procurement of equipment, maintenance of facilities, and implementation of educational programs may be sourced from the following:
- a. **Municipal Annual Budget:** A portion of the municipal annual budget shall be earmarked for solid waste management initiatives and not be limited to the Clean and Green Program, ensuring that sufficient resources are available to support ongoing and new waste management projects.
  - b. **Grants and Donations:** The municipality may seek grants, donations, and other forms of financial assistance from government agencies, non-governmental organizations, international bodies, and private entities committed to environmental conservation.
  - c. **Environmental Fees and Fines:** Revenue generated from environmental fees, fines for non-compliance with the waste segregation ordinance, and other related charges shall be directed towards a Solid Waste Management fund which will be created to sustain and enhance the waste management system of LGU San Remigio.
- 7.2 **Financial Management and Accountability:** The funds allocated and raised for solid waste management shall be managed with transparency and accountability. Regular financial reports shall be prepared by the MENRO, detailing the expenditures and financial status of the waste management programs to ensure proper use of public funds.
- 7.3 **Periodic Review of Funding Needs:** The Municipal Solid Waste Management Council shall conduct periodic reviews of the funding requirements for solid waste management. Based on these reviews, budget adjustments shall be made as necessary to ensure that all aspects of the waste management system, including equipment, facilities, and educational initiatives, are adequately supported.

SECTION 8. SEPARABILITY CLAUSE

If any provision of this ordinance is declared unconstitutional or invalid, the other provisions not affected thereby shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 8: EFFECTIVITY CLAUSE

This Ordinance shall take effect fifteen (15) days after the approval of the Sangguniang Panlalawigan and posting in three (3) conspicuous places and publication in the newspaper of general circulation.

APPROVED this 19th day of November, 2024.

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Secretary to the Sanggunian

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(SGD.) MARGARITO C. MISSION, JR.  
Municipal Mayor





EXCERPT FROM THE MINUTES OF THE 44<sup>TH</sup> REGULAR SESSION OF THE  
SANGGUNIANG BAYAN OF SAN REMIGIO, ANTIQUE HELD AT THE MUNICIPAL SESSION  
HALL ON NOVEMBER 19, 2024.

PRESENT:

Hon. Rito G. Petinglay, Sr.,	SB Member, Presiding
Hon. Felipe A. Victoriano,	SB Member
Hon. Sme J. Panes,	SB Member
Hon. Rodolfo V. Medina, Jr.,	SB Member
Hon. Pedro O. Francisco, Jr.,	SB Member
Hon. Goldwyn J. Cabigunda,	SB Member
Hon. Nanette E. Cabigunda,	SB Member
Hon. Jepty Harold G. Petinglay,	SB Member
Hon. Bernie T. Fortin,	ABC President
Hon. John Michael H. Mission,	SKF President

ON LEAVE: Hon. Jessie Jemar V. Fama, Municipal Vice-Mayor

MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE NO. 138, S. 2024

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING GUIDELINES FOR THE MANAGEMENT AND OPERATION  
OF THE SHARED SERVICE FACILITY FOR HIGH-VALUE VEGETABLE AND FRUITS  
PROCESSING IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF SAN REMIGIO AND PRESCRIBING TOLL FEES  
FOR ITS USE.

**WHEREAS**, the Municipality of San Remigio recognizes the importance of enhancing the value of agricultural products by providing local farmers and producers access to processing facilities;

**WHEREAS**, the establishment of a Shared Service Facility (SSF) for high-value vegetable and fruit processing will promote agro-industrial development, create livelihood opportunities, and improve economic returns for local farmers;

**WHEREAS**, there is a need to ensure the proper management and operation of the SSF to maximize its benefits and ensure sustainability;

SECTION 1. TITLE

This ordinance shall be known as the “Shared Service Facility Management and Toll Fee Ordinance of San Remigio.”

SECTION 2. OBJECTIVES

- a. This ordinance aims to:
- a. Provide guidelines for the proper management and operation of the SSF;

b. Promote equitable access to the SSF for local farmers, cooperatives, and other stakeholders;

c. Prescribe and regulate the collection of toll fees to ensure sustainability.

SECTION 3. SCOPE AND COVERAGE

This ordinance shall apply to the operation and management of the SSF located in San Remigio and its use by individual farmers, farmers’ organizations, cooperatives, and other stakeholders.

SECTION 4. MANAGEMENT OF THE SSF

- a. The SSF shall be managed by the Municipal Economic Enterprise Development Office (MEEDO). The MEEDO will be responsible for hiring employees that will manage the administrative and technical requirements to manage the facility efficiently and effectively.
- b. A Management Committee (MC) shall be formed, composed of representatives from the Municipal Treasurer’s Office, MEEDO, Sangguniang Bayan Committee of Agriculture, Farmers Association and Cooperatives, Municipal Agriculture Office and Municipal Tourism Office. Additional members can be added as the need arises
- c. The Management Committee shall:

i. Oversee the operations of the SSF;

ii. Ensure regular maintenance and repair of the facility and equipment;

iii. Develop schedules and procedures for SSF usage; and

iv. Formulate and recommend policies for efficient operation.

SECTION 5. TOLL FEE RATES

- a. Toll fees shall be charged for the use of the SSF, based on the type and quantity of products processed.
- b. The following toll fee schedule is hereby established:

Equipment	Total Fees (Per Hour)	Minimum Usage (No. of Hours)	Toll Fee
48 Tray Dehydrator Dryer	92.73	2.00	185.00
Food Steamer	30.97	2.00	65.00
Tomato Pulper Machine	40.56	2.00	80.00
Vacuum Fryer	31.64	4.00	130.00
Table-top Band Sealer with Nitro- gen Flushing	35.35	1.00	35.00

Fruit and Vegetable Cutter	25.72	1.00	25.00
Grinding Machine for Root Crops	34.77	1.00	35.00
3 Burner Gas Range oven 49L with 1 Electric Hotplate and Range hood	26.63	2.00	55.00
Sterilizer	53.67	1.00	55.00
Can Sealer	18.88	1.00	20.00
Vacuum Sealer	25.47	1.00	25.00
Generator, 3 Phase	40.60	8.00	325.00
Freezer	14.76	24.00	355.00
Reach-in Chiller	6.39	24.00	155.00
2- Door Walk-in Cold Storage	61.95	24.00	1,500.00

- c. Toll fees collected shall be deposited into a Special Account designated for the SSF’s operation, maintenance, and upgrading.

SECTION 6. PRIORITY USERS

Priority access to the SSF shall be given to:

- a. Beneficiaries of Sustainable Livelihood Programs (SLP)

b. Farmers and producers registered with the Municipal Agriculture Office.

c. Farmers’ organizations and cooperatives operating within San Remigio.

d. Other stakeholders within the municipality, subject to availability.

SECTION 7. GUIDELINES FOR USE

- a. Users shall submit a written request to the MAO or the MC, specifying the type and volume of produce for processing.

b. A processing schedule shall be issued based on a first-come, first-served basis, subject to the facility’s capacity.

c. Users shall comply with operational guidelines, including hygiene, proper handling of equipment, and waste management.

d. Non-compliance with the guidelines shall result in penalties, including suspension of facility access.

SECTION 8. FUND UTILIZATION

The toll fees collected shall be utilized for the following purposes:

- a. Maintenance and repair of equipment.

b. Purchase of additional equipment or upgrades.

c. Capacity-building and training programs for users.

d. Other operational expenses as determined by the MC.

SECTION 9. PENALTIES

- a. Any individual or group caught damaging the SSF or its equipment shall be liable for the full cost of repair or replacement.

b. Unauthorized use of the SSF shall result in a penalty of PHP 2,000.00 per incident and suspension of facility access.

SECTION 10. MONITORING AND EVALUATION

The Management Committee shall conduct regular monitoring and evaluation of the SSF’s operations and submit quarterly reports to the Sangguniang Bayan.

SECTION 11. SEPARABILITY CLAUSE

If any part or provision of this ordinance is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the remaining parts or provisions not affected shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 12. EFFECTIVITY CLAUSE

This Ordinance shall take effect fifteen (15) days after the approval of the Sangguniang Panlalawigan and posting in three (3) conspicuous places and publication in the newspaper of general circulation.

APPROVED this 19th day of November, 2024.

CERTIFIED CORRECT:

(SGD.) ROSEMARIE O. FADRIGO  
Secretary to the Sanggunian

ATTESTED:

(SGD.) RITO G. PETINGLAY, SR.  
SB Member -Presiding

APPROVED:

(SGD.) MARGARITO C. MISSION, JR.  
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FILE NO. 2025-02

PETITION EXTRAJUDICIAL FORECLOSURE  
OF REAL ESTATE MORTGAGE  
UNDER ACT 3135, AS AMENDED,

SAN JOSE MULTI-PURPOSE COOPERATIVE.,  
Mortgagee/Creditor,

-versus-

EDWARD G. GONZAGA,  
Mortgagor/Debtor

NOTICE OF EXTRAJUDICIAL FORECLOSURE SALE

Upon filing of **PETITION for EXTRAJUDICIAL FORECLOSURE** of Real Estate Mortgage under Act No. 3135, as amended, filed by Mortgagee/Creditor, **SAN JOSE MULTI-PURPOSE COOPERATIVE**, a domestic corporation duly organized and existing under and by virtue of the laws of the Philippines with the business address at Trade Town Dalipe, San Jose, Antique, Philippines, AGAINST, **EDWARD G. GONZAGA**, of San Fernando, San Jose, Antique, Philippines, to secure payment of loan. which as of December 19, 2024 amounts to **SEVEN HUNDRED EIGHTY TWO THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED FIFTY EIGHT PESOS & 85/100 (Php 782,558.85)**, Philippine Currency, in connection with **FORECLOSURE** proceedings, the **CLERK OF COURT VI, OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF COURT & EX-OFFICIO SHERIFF** through her undersigned Deputy Sheriff will **SELL at PUBLIC AUCTION on May 5, 2025** at 10 o'clock in the morning or soon thereafter at the Regional Trial Court, Office of the Clerk of Court & Ex-Officio Sheriff of Justice Calixto O. Zaldivar, Hall of Justice, Binirayan Hills, San Jose, Antique, to the highest bidder for cash or manager's check and in Philippine currency, the mortgaged property with all its improvements thereon, to wit;

Transfer Certificate of Title No. T-26326

*"A parcel of Land (Lot 2, Blk. 2, Psd-06-040074, being a portion of Lot 1528, San Jose Cad. 216) situated in the Barangay of Bagumbayan, Mun. of San Jose, Prov. of Antique, Island of Panay. Bounded on the SE., along line 1-2 by Lot 1; of the SW., along line 2-3 by Lot 1526-B; Psd-06-007710; on the NW., along line 3-4 by Lot 3; on the NE., along lines 4-5-6-1 by Road Lot (8.00 m. wide). Beginning at a point mark "1" on the plan being N. 08-14 E., 265.44 meters from BBM No. 8, San Jose Cad. 216, thence; S. 82-42 W., 11.64 m to point 3; N. 84-43 E., 7.72 m. to point 4; S. 05-09 E., 1.00 m. to point 1: point of beginning. Containing an area of Ninety-Three (93) sq.m. 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 will not take place on the said date, it shall be held on **May 9, 2025** at the same time and place above-mentioned without further notice.

San Jose, Antique, Philippines, April 3, 2025

**ATTY. MA.B.G. CANDIDA D. RIVERO**  
Clerk of Court VI  
OCC, RTC, San Jose, Antique

By:

**(SGD.) LYNDON M. PERLAS**  
Sheriff IV  
Deputy Sheriff

(Per AO No. 001-2025-EJ, Office of the Executive Judge, Regional Trial Court, SJA).

**WARNING:**

It is absolutely prohibited to remove, deface or destroy this Notice of Extrajudicial Foreclosure Sale on or before the date of Sale under the penalty of Law.



**HOLY WEEK REFLECTION.** Comelec Election Director for Western Visayas, lawyer Dennis Ausan, convenes the Regional Joint Security Control Center at Camp Gen. Martin Teofilo Delgado in Iloilo City on Friday (April 11, 2025). In a media interview, he reminded candidates to refrain from campaigning on Maundy Thursday and Good Friday. (PNA photo by PGLena)

## Candidates, public told to pause, reflect during Holy Week

ILOILO CITY – The Commission on Elections (Comelec) 6 (Western Visayas) reminded candidates to respect the solemnity of the Holy Week and refrain from engaging in any form of campaigning.

Comelec Regional Election Director, lawyer Dennis Ausan, in a media interview on Friday, expressed hope that the spirit of Lent could also help voters discern and come up with an informed decision on Election Day.

“Reminders: it is prohibited to campaign on Holy Thursday and Good Friday in whatever form. It will be an election offense for prohibited campaigning. That will be on April 17 and 18,” he said.

The ban covers campaigning in print, broadcast, social media, house-to-house, verbal, or anything that will promote their candidacy or defeat their rivals.

Even actions intended to discredit opponents are included in the prohibition.

Any citizen may file a complaint if violations occur.

He clarified, however, that the Comelec cannot file complaints.

“They can file it before the police and it will be facilitated to be filed before the Regional Trial Court, or they can file it with any offices of the Commission – both the electoral and the criminal aspect of the act. If criminal, it will go directly to the Regional Trial Court, or if electoral, it can be made the basis for a disqualification case,” he added. (PNA)



**GOV'T AID.** More family food packs (FFPs) arrive for residents displaced by the eruption of Mt. Kanlaon in La Castellana, Negros Occidental on Wednesday (April 9, 2025). Secretary Rex Gatchalian said the Department of Social Welfare and Development is ready to dispatch additional FFPs and other needed aid to the affected families following another explosive eruption of Mt. Kanlaon. (Photo courtesy of La Castellana LGU)

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Spl. Proc. No. 24-0194

IN RE: PETITION FOR CHANGE OF NAME  
OF MINOR MA. GABRIEL CORPUZ  
LIBRODO TO MARIA GABRIELLE  
CORPUZ LIBRODO

SPOUSES LEO BON V. LIBRODO and  
REBILYN C. LIBRODO *for and in behalf of*  
minor MA. GABRIEL CORPUZ LIBRODO,  
*Petitioners,*

-versus-

THE MUNICIPAL CIVIL REGISTRAR  
OF LAMBUNAO, ILOILO, and  
THE CIVIL REGISTRAR GENERAL,  
*Respondents.*  
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2nd AMENDED ORDER

A verified petition was filed before this Court by petitioners, thru counsel, praying that after due hearing, an order be issued changing the name of Ma. Gabriel Corpuz Librodo to Maria Gabrielle Corpuz Librodo, alleging among others, that:

- Petitioners and minor Ma. Gabriel Corpuz Librodo have been bona fide residents of Lambunao, Iloilo for at least three (3) years prior to the date of the filing of this Petition;
- Ma. Gabriel Corpuz Librodo is the daughter of the petitioners and that she was born on September 9, 2006 in Lambunao, Iloilo;
- Ma. Gabriel Corpuz Librodo has no alias name; and
- They seek to change the name of their daughter on the following grounds:
  - The way Ma. Gabriel's first name is spelled causes confusion as to her identity because although "Ma." is an accepted abbreviation of the Spanish feminine name "Maria", many of Ma. Gabriel's classmates and friends and even teachers pronounce it simply as "Ma"; and
  - Ma. Gabriel's second name "Gabriel" which is in masculine form tends to create a confusion as to her gender because she is sometimes mistaken as a male where in fact she is a female;

Petitioners aver that they seek to change the name of their daughter from Ma. Gabriel Corpuz Librodo to Maria Gabrielle Corpuz Librodo to avoid confusion as to her identity and gender.

Finding the said petition to be sufficient in form and substance, the same is hereby set for hearing on **September 8, 2025, at 8:30 in the morning** before this Court. Notice is hereby given that any person who has objection to this petition may file his/her opposition thereto within 15 days from service or last day of publication of this Order, stating the grounds or reasons therefor.

The petitioner shall cause this Order to be published in a newspaper of general circulation, once a week for three (3) consecutive weeks, such that the last publication should be more than four (4) months before the date of hearing.

Furnish copy of this Order the Petitioners, Atty. Wilfredo S. Serilo, the Office of the Solicitor General, the Municipal Civil Registrar of Lambunao, Iloilo, the Civil Registrar General, and the Office of the Provincial Prosecutor of Iloilo.

**SO ORDERED.**

Janiuay, Iloilo, Philippines, March 17, 2025.

**(SGD.) GEMALYN FAUNILLO-TAROL**  
Presiding Judge

NE/April 14, 21 & 28, 2025



Republic of the Philippines  
Local Civil Registry Office  
Province of Iloilo  
Municipality Pototan

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

In compliance with the publication requirement and pursuant to OCRG Memorandum Circular No. 2013-1 Guidelines in the Implementation of the Administrative Order No. 1 Series of 2012 (**IRR on R.A. No. 10172 and R.A. 9048**). Notice is hereby served to the public that **NELIA ABLANZAR PARCON** has filed with this office a petition for correction of entry in CHILD’S DATE OF BIRTH from “JULY 10, 1957” to “**JULY 11, 1957**” and CHILD’S FIRST NAME from “MARIA” to “**NELIA**” in the Certificate of Live Birth of **NELIA BEDANIO ABLANZAR** who was born on **JULY 11, 1957** at **Pototan, Iloilo** and whose parents are **REGINA BEDANIO** and **FORTUNATO ABLANZAR**.

Any person adversely affected by said petition may file his/her opposition with this Office.

(SGD.) MARY ANN S. JARDELEZA  
OIC-Municipal Civil Registrar

NE/April 14, 2025 & April 21, 2025

Republic of the Philippines  
Local Civil Registry Office  
Province of Iloilo  
Municipality of Janiuay

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

In compliance with Section 5 of Republic Act Number 9048, a notice is hereby served to the public that **LUNA C. GUTIERREZ** has filed with this Office a petition for (complete name of the petitioner) Change of First Name from “**ALONA**” to “**LUNA**” in (first name to be changed) the birth certificate of **LUNA CONSUMO GUTIERREZ** (complete name of document owner) who was born on **May 11, 1963** at **Janiuay, Iloilo** and (complete date of birth) (place of birth) whose parents are **Nicanor M. Consumo** and **Milagros** (name of father) (name of mother)

**A. Salvacion.**

Any person adversely affected by said petition may file his written opposition with this office.

(SGD.) ANA LISA M. CORNELIO  
Municipal Civil Registrar

NE/April 14, 2025 & April 21, 2025



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communicate when they need assistance.

Homes must also be secured before leaving to prevent theft or break-ins.

Checkpoint operations will continue throughout the Holy Week as part of preparations for the May 12 midterm elections.

“This is part of our efforts to prevent unauthorized possession of firearms,” he said. *(PNA)*

### CAPIZ TOWN . . . (from page 5)

this attention will result in the discovery of more potentials in the province,” he said.

Meanwhile, Panay Mayor Vicente B. Bermejo expressed his appreciation for being recognized in the TCC, which supports the LGU’s vision, and for opening opportunities to uplift the municipality’s coastal communities.

“I would like to express my heartfelt gratitude to Secretary Frasco and the Department of Tourism, as well as His Excellency, President Ferdinand Marcos Jr., for this generous additional reward. Your positive response not only supports the growth of tourism as a pillar of Panay’s economy but contributes to our mission of uplifting the lives of our local communities,” Bermejo added. *(PLF/PIA Capiz)*

## DOLE provides ‘Nego-Karts’ to ambulant vendors

ILOILO CITY (PIA) — The ambulant vendors, who once patrolled the streets on foot to sell their goods, are now comfortably riding Negosyo sa Kariton, or “Nego-Karts,” to earn a living after receiving assistance from the Department of Labor and Employment (DOLE) Western Visayas.

DOLE Western Visayas partnered with the Iloilo City government in providing 133 Nego-Karts under the Negosyo sa Kariton project. The initiative is intended to protect the ambulant vendors from the elements and provide greater mobility.

Apart from the Nego-Karts, 100 women beneficiaries also received supplies for sari-sari stores.

The livelihood assistance, amounting to 6.8 million pesos, aimed to uplift the economic condition of the beneficiaries, who were women, people with disabilities, senior citizens and ambulant vendors.

During the turnover ceremony, Joselito G. Dela Banda, head of the DOLE Iloilo Field Office, delivered the message of DOLE Director Sixto T. Rodriguez Jr., which centered on fighting poverty through livelihood.

Rodriguez stressed the importance of women’s empowerment and equality.

The livelihood assistance, he said, was part of the labor department’s advocacy of empowering women as it joined in the National Women’s Month celebration last March. *(AAL/AGP with reports from DOLE Western Visayas)*

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FORECLOSURE NO. F-11241-25

FOR: EXTRA-JUDICIAL FORECLOSURE  
OF REAL ESTATE MORTGAGE UNDER  
ACT NO. 3135 AS AMENDED  
BY ACT NO. 4118

ELIZABETH ELNAR,  
Mortgagee,

-versus-

SPOUSES JINGKIE CAMBALO  
GHERNA and GHEORGHE  
GHERNA,  
Mortgagor/s.

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SHERIFF’S NOTICE OF SALE AT PUBLIC AUCTION

Upon extra-judicial petition for sale under Act No. 3135 as amended by Act No. 4118 filed by the **mortgagee ELIZABETH ELNAR**, of legal age, single, Filipino and a resident of 106 Avanceña Street, South Fundidor, Molo, Iloilo City, Philippines, against **mortgagor/s JINGKIE CAMBALO GHERNA** of legal age, Filipino, married and a resident of R. Canillas Street Ext. Poblacion, Leon, Iloilo, for herself and as the duly authorized representative of her husband **GHEORGHE GHERNA**, a Canadian Citizen pursuant to the Special Power of Attorney acknowledge before Ericka Ana T. Abad, Consul of the Republic of the Philippines, to satisfy the mortgage indebtedness which as of March 10, 2025, amounted to **ONE MILLION EIGHT HUNDRED SIXTY THOUSAND PESOS (P1,860,000.00)**, Philippine Currency, the principal obligation plus interests, penalty charges, publication cost, attorney’s fees, Sheriff’s legal expenses and expenses incurred in connection with the said foreclosure and auction sale, the **Ex-Officio Sheriff of Iloilo or any of his lawful deputies** will sell at public auction on **JUNE 3, 2025** at 10:00 o’clock in the morning at Ground Floor, Office of the Clerk of Court, Regional Trial Court, Chief Justice Ramon Q. Avanceña Hall of Justice, Bonifacio Drive, Iloilo City, to the **HIGHEST BIDDER**, for **CASH** or **MANAGER’S CHECK** and in Philippine Currency, the following real property including buildings and all improvements found thereon, to wit:

Registry of Deeds for Iloilo, Iloilo  
Transfer Certificate of Title  
No. 090-2018003462

“A PARCEL OF LAND, LOT NO. 466-F, PSD-06-090124, PORTION OF LOT NO. 466, LEON CADASTRE, PSC-25, LOCATED IN BARANGAY POBLACION, MUNICIPALITY OF LEON, PROVINCE OF ILOILO, ISLAND OF PANAY, CONTAINING AN AREA OF TWO HUNDRED EIGHTY SIX (286) SQUARE METERS, MORE OR LESS.

BOUNDARIES:

LINE	DIRECTION	ADJOINING LOT (S)
1-2	SW	LOT 466-D, PSD-06-090124
2-3	NW	LOT 466-E, PSD-06-090124
3-4	NE	LOT 466-H, PSD-06-090124
4-1	SE	RIGHT OF WAY (6.00 M. WIDE) PORTION OF LOT 466-B, PSD-06-090124

All sealed bids must be submitted to the undersigned on the aforementioned time and date. In the event the public auction should not take place on the said date, it shall be held on **JUNE 17, 2025** at the same time and place aforementioned without further notice.

Prospective buyers and/or bidders are hereby enjoined to investigate for themselves the title of the above-described property and encumbrances existing thereon, if any there be. Let this Notice of Sale be published and posted in accordance with the provisions of law.

Iloilo City, Philippines, **March 19, 2025.**

(SGD.) ATTY. GERRY D. SUMACULUB  
Clerk of Court VII and  
Ex-Officio Sheriff of Iloilo

(SGD.) RITO RUEL A. CASTEN  
Sheriff IV/Sheriff-In-Charge

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# W. Visayas police HQ in Iloilo City hosts Kadiwa ng Pangulo

**ILOILO CITY – A Kadiwa ng Pangulo (KNP) store has officially opened at the regional headquarters of the Police Regional Office-6 (PRO-6) in Iloilo City, through a partnership with the Department of Agriculture in Western Visayas (DA-6).**

The store was launched on Monday to provide affordable agricultural products while supporting local farmers and fisherfolk.

It featured nine local groups from Iloilo and Guimaras, including the Leon Bagsakan Center, Dumangas-Barotac Mushroom Growers and Guimaras Herbal Growers Association.

Participating groups generated PHP135,605 in total sales.

DA-6 Kadiwa focal person Lea Veloso said the collaboration between the Philippine National Police and DA-6 is part of a nationwide initiative to implement the KNP program in both national and regional police offices.

He said discussions are ongoing regarding the frequency of the KNP store operations and the possibility of expanding the initiative to provincial police headquarters after the Holy Week. (PNA)



**KADIWA NG PANGULO.** Police officers from the regional office in Western Visayas purchase affordable goods offered at Kadiwa ng Pangulo at Camp Martin Delgado in Iloilo City on Monday (April 14, 2025). The initiative was a partnership between the Department of Agriculture and Police Regional Office. (Photo courtesy of DA-RAFIS-6)

## 1.4K farmers in Antique receive DA-certified seeds

**SAN JOSE DE BUENAVISTA, Antique –** A total of 1,420 farmers from the seven municipalities of Antique received certified seeds from the Department of Agriculture (DA) in preparation for the wet season starting next month.

Office of the Provincial Agriculturist rice program coordinator Hanna Lindo said in an interview Monday that 12,800 bags of certified seeds were released to recipient-farmers listed in the Registry System for Basic Sectors in Agriculture, covering an area of 1,240 hectares.

They came from the municipalities of Belison with 1,000 bags, Bugasong with 3,250, Hamtic with 1,150, Laua-an with 3,000, San Remigio with 1,400, Sebaste with 500, and Sibalom with 2,500 bags.

Each bag contains 20 kilos of seeds.

She said the province was allocated 68,800 bags of certified seeds by the Philippine Rice Research Institute under the Rice Competitiveness Enhancement Fund Seed

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## Capiz remains top aquaculture supplier in Western Visayas

**ROXAS CITY, Capiz (PIA) —** The province of Capiz continues to lead in aquaculture production in Western Visayas for 2024, according to the Philippine Statistic Authority (PSA).

PSA-Capiz registration officer Mary Caroline Denonong, during the 2024 PSA Capiz Agriculture and Fisheries Data Dissemination forum, reported that Capiz ranked first in the volume of aquaculture production in the region, contributing 43.2 percent.

Denonong also said that aside from aquaculture, the province is the first contributor to the island municipality with a 46.2 percent contribution, second in commercial with 22.2 percent, and fifth in marine municipality with

8.2 percent.

“In 2024, the province of Capiz recorded 111,260.44 metric tons (MT) of share to fisheries production volume by subsector in Western Visayas. Of this, 79.1 percent is aquaculture, 15 percent is from commercial fisheries, 5.3 percent from marine municipal fisheries, and 0.6 percent from inland municipal fisheries,” she added.

In terms of species produced, milkfish topped the list with 71,986.79 mt, followed by oyster (10,532.99 mt), bali sardinella (4,263.67 MT), mussel (3,028.97 MT), and mudcrab (2,194.03 MT).

Fimbriated sardines ranked sixth with 1,944.90 mt, followed by indian mackerel (1,230 mt), blue crab (1,157.88 MT), threadfin bream (1,142.28 mt), and slipmouth (1,038.61 MT).

Denonong further noted that only the aquaculture sector showed an increase in production, growing by 39.1 percent from 63,212.05 mt in 2023 to 87,955.55 MT in 2024.

However, commercial fisheries production declined by 17.8 percent, marine municipal fisheries dropped by 37.9 percent, and inland municipal fisheries experienced a significant decrease of 49 percent.

“Ang aquaculture, sya gid lang ang nakasurvive sa aton sector sang fisheries, buot silingon damo gid man ya ang nagaculture sang fisheries product,” she added.

(Aquaculture is the only one that has survived in our fisheries sector, which means that many engaged in cultivating aquaculture products.) (AGP/PLF/PIA Capiz)



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# Iloilo City urges unaccredited labs to report for verification

ILOILO CITY – The local government is calling on all diagnostic clinical laboratories operating within the city without proper accreditation to report to the City Health Office for verification.

Mayor Jerry Treñas released on Monday a list of 44 diagnostic laboratories that have complied with city regulations following an inspection conducted by the Clinical Laboratory Inspection Task Force from March 28 to April 4, 2025.

The task force was created through Executive Order No. 028 in response to alarming reports of laboratories issuing diagnostic results without actual patient specimen collection

## DEED OF ADJUDICATION

Notice is hereby given that the estate of the late **DOLORES VELARDE** known as a parcel of land **Lot 1771-D-2**, Psd-06-061054, being a portion of Lot 1771-D, Psd-063012-025490, covered by **TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. T-209211** situated in Brgy. Salacay, Cabatuan, Iloilo with an area of **FIVE HUNDRED FORTY FOUR (544) SQUARE METERS, more or less** is adjudicated to heirs **GREGORIA VELARDE ESTARES, ROSELA B. VELARDE, and SALVACION VELARDE RACION** as entered in the notarial registry of **ATTY. PLEBISCITO T. ALFARO** per Doc. No. 32, Page No. 8, Book No. IV, Series of 2025.

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## DEED OF ADJUDICATION WITH WAIVER OF RIGHTS

Notice is hereby given that the estate of the late **ERWIN ARMADA ESTANTE** known as a savings deposit at **Development Bank of the Philippines (DBP) Iloilo Branch** under **Account No. 7555357305** is adjudicated to heirs **GLENDA ROSE VALERA ESTANTE, EROS PAUL VALERA ESTANTE, ELIJAH VALERA ESTANTE, and ELZIRA VALERA ESTANTE**. That, the heirs/adjudicatees agreed to **WAIVE, TRANSFER and CEDE** their rights over the said savings deposit in favor of their co-heir **GLENDA ROSE VALERA ESTANTE**. Entered in the notarial registry of **ATTY. CECILLE THERESE G. PEDREGOSA** per Doc. No. 211, Page No. 44, Book No. I, Series of 2025.

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## EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE WITH DEED OF DONATION

Notice is hereby given that the estate of the late **THELMA A. LOREA** known as **Lot No. 6079** of the Cadastral Survey of Pototan, Iloilo with the improvements thereon, covered by **TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. T-179347** with an area of **SEVENTEEN THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED AND SEVENTY-THREE (17,773) SQUARE METERS, more or less** is adjudicated to heirs **BASILIO S. LOREA, LEVI MENELEO LOREA, LEMUEL BASILIO LOREA JR. and MARY LORALIE L. DEMAFILES**. That, **BASILIO S. LOREA, LEVI MENELEO LOREA, AND LEMUEL BASILIO LOREA JR.** transferred and conveyed by way of **DONATION** their share unto their co-heir **MARY LORALIE L. DEMAFILES**, as entered in the notarial registry of **ATTY. MA. THERESA MALONES-SANCHEZ** per Doc. No. 169, Page No. 35, Book No. I, Series of 2025.

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## EXTRA-JUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE WITH DEED OF DONATION

Notice is hereby given that the estate of the late **Spouses RODOLFO M. TOMAMBO and EVELYN D. TOMAMBO** known as parcels of land, to wit: **TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. T-113050**, Lot 15, Blk. 1, Psd-06-012147, being a portion of Lot 4011, Iloilo Cadastre, situated in Iloilo City with an area of **TWO HUNDRED THIRTY FIVE (235) SQUARE METERS, more or less** and **TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. T-97530**, Lot 17, Blk. 1, Psd-06-012147, being a portion of Lot 4011, Iloilo Cadastre, situated in Iloilo City with an area of **TWO HUNDRED NINETY EIGHT (298) SQUARE METERS, more or less** are adjudicated to heirs **ROD D. TOMAMBO and ROVELYN T. LEE**. That, **ROVELYN T. LEE** transferred and conveyed by way of **DONATION** her share in the above-said parcels of land in favor of **ROD D. TOMAMBO**, as entered in the notarial registry of **ATTY. MA. THERESA MALONES-SANCHEZ** per Doc. No. 185, Page No. 38, Book No. I, Series of 2025.

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or with mismatched samples and results.

“The fabricated or inaccurate medical diagnostic results are detrimental to the health and safety of the public,” the mayor stated.

He emphasized that accurate lab results are essential, particularly since they are required for the issuance of City Health Card.

City Health Officer Dr. Mary Ann Diaz led the inspection, which confirmed accredited laboratories across various districts, including Arevalo, Lapuz, Molo, La Paz, Jaro I and II, and City Proper.

Labs not on the accredited list are urged to coordinate with the City Health Office and present necessary permits and documentation.

The city aims to ensure only legitimate and properly licensed laboratories operate to safeguard public health. (PNA)

## DEED OF EXTRA-JUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE WITH WAIVER OF RIGHTS

Notice is hereby given that the estate of the late **Spouses LOURDES CANTO SUIZA and CONSTANCIO ATOL SUIZA** known as **two parcels of land** known as **Lot 1**, situated in Brgy. Alibayog, Sara, Iloilo covered by **ARP/TD No. 39-0006-00037, PIN 041-39-0006-001-18, PSU-92350** with an area of **ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED FORTY-TWO (1,842) square meters, more or less** and **Lot 2** situated in Brgy. Alibayog, Sara, Iloilo covered by **ARP/TD No. 39-0006-00020, PIN 041-39-0006-001-06, PSU-92350** with an area of **TWO THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED SIXTY-FIVE (2,165) square meters, more or less** are adjudicated to heirs **JOSE ELIGIO S. SUIZA, PETER S. SUIZA, MADELYN S. SUIZA-OLIVAR** represented by **JUSTLYN ANDREA S. OLIVAR, CONSTANCIO S. SUIZA JR., and ANNE S. SUIZA**. That, the heirs **WAIVED, RELINQUISHED, ABANDONED and RELEASED** all their rights and interests over **Lot 2** situated in Brgy. Alibayog, Sara, Iloilo covered by **ARP/TD No. 39-0006-00020, PIN 041-39-0006-001-06, PSU-92350** in favor of **LORY JARDER JUNIO**, as entered in the notarial registry of **ATTY. CARL RUPERT CRISME MUELA** per Doc. No. 243, Page No. 50, Book No. 3, Series of 2025.

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## DEED OF EXTRA-JUDICIAL SETTLEMENT WITH WAIVER AND DONATION

Notice is hereby given that the estate of the late **NOE L. LAPIDEZ** known as the following properties: **1) TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. 095-2012005915**, Lot No. 2, Block 5 situated in Brgy. Tagbac, Jaro, Iloilo City containing an area of **TWO HUNDRED AND FORTY SEVEN (247) SQUARE METERS, MORE OR LESS** with **Residential Building** under **Tax Declaration No. 24-03-040-02172**; **2) TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. (T-160217) 095-2019002252**, Lot 14, Block 3 situated in Brgy. Tagbac, Jaro, Iloilo City with an area of **TWO HUNDRED AND FIFTY (250) SQUARE METERS, MORE OR LESS**; **3) TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. 089-2012001010**, Lot No. 2477-A situated in Brgy. Pinamalatican, Sigma, Capiz with an area of **TWENTY-THREE THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED NINETY-FIVE (23,995) SQUARE METERS, MORE OR LESS**; **4) TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. 089-2014000058**, Lot 2477-B situated in Brgy. Pinamalatican, Sigma, Capiz with an area of **TWENTY-THREE THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED NINETY-FIVE (23,995) SQUARE METERS, MORE OR LESS** are adjudicated to heirs **TESSIE D. LAPIDEZ, IVY CLAIRE D. LAPIDEZ, IVAN CLOYD D. LAPIDEZ, IAN CHESTER D. LAPIDEZ, and IO CLYTIE D. LAPIDEZ-SOLIVA**. That, **TESSIE D. LAPIDEZ** hereby transfer and convey by way of **DONATION** her **one-half (1/2) share** of the above-described properties in the following manner: **TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. 095-2012005915** shall belong to **IVY CLAIRE D. LAPIDEZ**; **TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. (T-160217) 095-2019002252** shall belong to **IVAN CLOYD D. LAPIDEZ and IO CLYTIE D. LAPIDEZ-SOLIVA**; **TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. 089-2012001010**, Lot No. 2477-A shall belong to **IO CLYTIE D. LAPIDEZ-SOLIVA and IVAN CLOYD D. LAPIDEZ**; **TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. 089-2014000058**, Lot 2477-B shall belong **IVY CLAIRE D. LAPIDEZ and IAN CHESTER D. LAPIDEZ**, as entered in the notarial registry of **ATTY. IGMEDIO S. PRADO, JR.** per Doc. No. 430, Page No. 87, Book No. XXII, Series of 2025.

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## DEED OF EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT/ ADJUDICATION AMONG HEIRS

Notice is hereby given that the estate of the late **RAFAEL JARDELEZA SR.** known as six parcels of land: **(1.) TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. T-56811**, Lot 17, Block 10, of the Subdivision plan Psd-7739, being a portion of Lot 2399-F of plan Psd-5077, LRC Rec. No., situated in Brgy. Bito-on and Brgy. Buhang, Jaro, Iloilo City with an area of **THREE HUNDRED TWELVE (312) SQUARE METERS, more or less**; **(2.) ORIGINAL CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. F-20030**, Lot No. 1282, Pls-775 situated in Brgy. Sto. Domingo, Nueva Valencia, Guimaras with an area of **EIGHT AND TWENTY HUNDREDTHS (820) HECTARES, more or less**; **(3.) TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. T-54200**, Lot No. 655-E of the subdivision plan Psd-9369, being a portion of Lot No. 655 of Jaro Cadastre as described in the Transfer Certificate of Title No. 1444, G.L.R.O. Record No. 9950, with the improvements thereon, situated in Jaro, Iloilo City with an area of **THREE HUNDRED ONE (301) SQUARE METERS, more or less**; **(4.) TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. T-55640**, Lot No. 1236 of the Cadastral Survey of Iloilo, with the improvements thereon, situated in Iloilo City with an area of **ONE THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED AND NINETY THREE (1,593) SQUARE METERS, more or less**; **(5.) TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. T-84431**, Lot 15, Block 10, of the subdivision plan, Psd-77399, being a portion of Lot 2399-F, of plan Psd-5077, LRC Rec. No., situated in Brgy. Bito-on and Brgy. Buhang, Jaro, Iloilo City with an area of **THREE HUNDRED TWELVE (312) SQUARE METERS, more or less**, and **(6.) ORIGINAL CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. F-20213**, Lot No. 4727, Psc-40 with an area of **ONE HUNDRED NINETEEN THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED AND FORTY EIGHT (119,548) SQUARE METERS, more or less** are adjudicated to heirs **MARIE ANTOINETTE JARDELEZA-ALIPIO, LOUISE JARDELEZA-CORDOVA, SONIA JARDELEZA-NUNGA and RAFAEL J. JARDELEZA, JR.** That, **Louise Jardeleza-Cordova** voluntarily waived her share in **Lot 1282** covered by **Original Certificate of Title No. F-20030** in favor of **Marie Antoinette Jardeleza-Alipio** and also her share in **Lot 4727**, covered by **Original Certificate of Title No. F-20213** in favor of **Marie Antoinette Jardeleza-Alipio and Sonia Jardeleza-Nunga**. Entered in the notarial registry of **ATTY. SULPICIO G. GAMOSA, JR.** per Doc. No. 481, Page No. 98, Book No. LX, Series of 2017.

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## DEED OF ADJUDICATION OF SOLE HEIR

Notice is hereby given that the estate of the late **JODEL Q. GULFO** known as a two-storey house and a parcel of land as **Lot 14, Block 7** covered by **TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. 090-2014004167** located at **Parc Regency Residences 1, Brgy. Ungka 1, Pavia, Iloilo** is adjudicated to sole heir **ADELFA QUIDATO COROZ** as entered in the notarial registry of **ATTY. REX C. MUZONES** per Doc. No. 173, Page No. 35, Book No. XII, Series of 2024.

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## NOTICE

The public is informed that on **APRIL 27, 2025** an Auction Sale will be held at 9:00 A.M. for all unredeemed Jewelries & Articles the conditions of which have expired.

## THE MANAGEMENT

## PAHIBALO

Ginapahibalo ang tanan nga sa **ABRIL 27, 2025** may pagahiwaton nga baligyaanay alas 9:00 sa aga sang mga alahas kag pagkabutang nga wala magawad nga sa diin ang mga plasos nga ginkasugtan natapos na.

## ANG TAGDUMALAHAN



DEED OF ADJUDICATION

Notice is hereby given that the estate of the late spouses **LOURDES LABRADOR-BELANDRES** and **RUDY DE ASIS-BELANDRES** known as a parcel of land **Lot 9492-D-7**, Plan No. Psd-06-011905 portion of 9492-D, Psd-35375, situated in Brgy. Tularocan, Mina, Iloilo covered by **TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. 090-202412717** with an area of **Seven Thousand Nine Hundred Twenty Nine (7,929) square meters, more or less** is adjudicated to heirs **HELEN BELANDRES-SARMIENTO, DOLORES BELANDRES-BORDA, CORAZON L. BELANDRES, ROSEMARIE BELANDRES-ALFUENTE** and **RHODORA BELANDRES-JUDIT**, as entered in the notarial registry of **ATTY. DENNIS T. VENTILACION** per Doc. No. 146, Page No. 31, Book No. III, Series of 2025.

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DEED OF EXTRAJUDICIAL PARTITION, WAIVER OF RIGHTS AND SALE

Notice is hereby given that the estate of the late **ADORACION SALE** known as a parcel of land **Lot No. 11173** of the Cadastral Survey of Oton, situated at Brgy. Santa Clara, Oton, Iloilo covered by **TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. 66392** with an area of **SEVENTY SEVEN THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED AND EIGHTY TWO (77,882) square meters, more or less** is adjudicated to heirs **RAYMUNDO GABARRA** and **MA. CLEOFAS G. TALAMERA**. That, **RAYMUNDO GABARRA** waived and renounced all his rights, participations, and interests in the said property in favor of **MA. CLEOFAS G. TALAMERA**. Further, a portion of the said property known as **Lot No. 11173-A** with an area of **Twelve Thousand Four Hundred Ninety Five (12,495) square meters, more or less** was sold by the heirs to **Spouses JOSE DALIVA** and **ALMELA DALIVA**. Entered in the notarial registry of **ATTY. VICENTE B. DE ASIS** per Doc. No. 156, Page No. 33, Book No. XXIV, Series of 1998.

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EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT

Notice is hereby given that the estate of the late spouses **ROSIE T. CAMAGO** and **LUCIO S. CAMAGO** known as a parcel of land (**Lot No. 2626-D, Psd-06-044034**) being a portion of Lot 2626, Barotac Viejo Cadastre, situated at Brgy. Sto. Tomas, Barotac Viejo, Iloilo covered by **TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. CLOA T-10,512** with an area of **THIRTY THOUSAND (30,000) SQUARE METERS, more or less** is adjudicated to heirs **SHARON C. MATIONG** and **STEVEN T. CAMAGO** as entered in the notarial registry of **ATTY. MARY MILAGROS A. HECHANOVA** per Doc. No. 481, Page No. 98, Book No. CLXXI, Series of 2022.

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# PNP activates Negros Island Region force

BACOLOD CITY (PIA) — The Philippine National Police (PNP) has activated its provincial office (PRO) in the Negros Island Region (NIR). PRO-NIR is now a separate and distinct police regional office, marking a historic milestone in realizing a more efficient and responsive local police force that will strengthen law enforcement in the newly established region.

Western Visayas police director Brigadier General Jack Wanky was designated officer-in-charge of the newest police regional office in the country.

Wanky exercises administrative supervision and operational control over the police provincial offices of Negros Occidental, Negros Oriental, and Siquijor, and the city police office of Bacolod.

In his message, during the PRO-NIR activation at Acacia Hotel in this city, Wanky welcomed his assignment as the temporary steward of PRO-NIR until its permanent regional director is designated.

He then expressed his appreciation to Secretary of Interior and Local Government Juanito Victor Remulla and PNP Chief Police General Rommel Francisco Marbil for the trust and confidence in him in leading PRO-NIR.

“I will muster all means towards steering the NIR police force and carry out the mission to make this region a safe, peaceful, and orderly place to live,

work, invest, and do business in,” said Wanky.

DILG Undersecretary for Peace and Order Nestor Sanares graced the event and led the unfurling of the unit color alongside PRO-NIR officials.

Sanares, for his part, said the operationalization of the PRO-NIR will enhance police efficiency and community relations, addressing vulnerabilities in communities, especially in geographically isolated and disadvantaged areas.

“Let us remain committed to our mission of safety and security in this significant chapter of NIR,” the official urged the local police.

Despite the activation of the PRO-NIR, police assignments in the region will continue as is until operational and administrative matters are finalized. (AGP/BPS/PIA Negros Occidental)

## 1.4K FARMERS . . . (from page 13)

Component for the wet season.

“The 68,800 bags are enough to be planted in 34,000 hectares of rice area in the province,” she said.

Planting to harvesting usually take 110 days, with an expected yield of 4.5 to 5.9 metric tons of rice per hectare. (PNA)

DEED OF ADJUDICATION AND SALE

Notice is hereby given that the estate of the late **FLORENCIA L. MAGBANUA** known as a parcel of land **Lot No. 9492-D-3**, Plan No. Psd-06-011905 portion of Lot 9492-D, Psd-35375 covered by **TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. 090-202412713** situated in Brgy. Tolarucan, Mina, Iloilo with an area of **Seven Thousand Nine Hundred Thirty (7,930) square meters, more or less** is adjudicated to surviving heirs **EVELYN L. MAGBANUA, EDEN L. MAGBANUA, and MONENA PADERNAL-MAGBANUA**. That, the share of **Evelyn L. Magbanua** known as **Lot No. 9492-D-3-E, Psd-06-101769** with an area of **One Thousand Five Hundred (1,500) square meters, more or less** was SOLD, CEDED, CONVEYED and TRANSFERRED by way of Absolute Sale in favor of **Brgy. Tolarucan, Mina Iloilo** as entered in the notarial registry of **ATTY. MARK ALAIN SUÑE** per Doc. No. 518, Page No. 105, Book No. II, Series of 2025.

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GENERAL NOTICE

Notice is hereby served to the Public that **THELMA DIAZ** owner of a fishing vessel named **FBCA “THELMA - 2”** with a business address at Taloto-an, Concepcion, Iloilo has filed with **MARINA Regional Office VI** for a re-issuance of Certificate of Ownership and Certificate of Philippine Registry due to the loss of the original certificates per Affidavit of Loss dated 14 April 2025 submitted by Wilson Sr. B. Avisado. Notarized by Atty. Igmedio S. Prado Jr, a Notary Public in the City and Province of Iloilo, docketed as Doc. no. 405, Page No. 82, Book No. XLVIII, series of 2025. Any person or entity adversely affected by said claim may file their written opposition with Maritime Industry Authority Regional Office VI, MARINA Bldg., De La Rama St., Iloilo City within ten (10) days from the publication date.

GENERAL NOTICE

Notice is hereby served to the Public that **WILSON SR. B. AVISADO** with business address at Lo-ong Proper, Concepcion, Iloilo has filed with **MARINA Regional Office VI** for re-issuance of Certificate of Ownership and Certificate of Philippine Registry due to a Change of Ownership from **THELMA DIAZ** to **WILSON SR. B. AVISADO** and Change of Vessel Name from **FBCA “THELMA-2”** to **FBCA “2B”**. Notarized by Atty. Ariel C. Manipula, a Notary Public in the Province of Iloilo, docketed as Doc. No. 7613, Page No. 73, Book No. 4 Series of 2025. Any person or entity adversely affected by said claim may file their written opposition with Maritime Industry Authority Regional Office VI, MARINA Bldg., De La Rama St., Iloilo City within ten (10) days from the date of posting.



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