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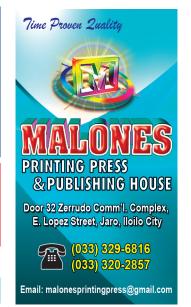


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lloilo reaps eight EXCELL Awards from DILG

THE province of Iloilo bagged eight awards under the 2025 Excellence in Local Governance Awards by the Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG) - Western Visayas.

Iloilo reaped awards in the following governance -

- * Excellence in Disaster Preparedness Purok Resilience Program
- * Excellence in Health Compliance and Responsiveness Road to Zero: Movement for a Rabies-Free Province of

- * Excellence in Sustainable Education Bulig Eskwela sang Probinsya - Development of Learning Hub
- * Excellence in Business-Friendliness and Competitiveness Institutionalizing Local Economic Development and Investment Promotion: The Iloilo LEDIPO Association Model
- * Excellence in Safety, Peace and Order Search for the Best Performing Municipal Anti-Drug Abuse Council A MODEL PROVINCE / page 2

Facebook user Tata B. Atat captured this vibrant scene of crowds filling the Pototan town plaza for the grand opening of the much awaited Iwag Festival. Known as the Christmas Capital of Iloilo. Pototan never fails to enchant visitors each year with its dazzling display of colorful lights, bringing joy and festive cheer to the holiday season.

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Congress Begins Hearing on Garin's Bill to Include Iloilo 1st District in **MORE Power Expansion**

THE House Committee on Legislative Franchises has opened deliberations on House Bill No. 6292 filed by Iloilo First District Representative Janette L. Garin, seeking to include her district's seven municipalities in the franchise expansion of MORE Electric and Power Corporation (MORE Power).

Presided over by Negros Occidental Representative Jeffrey Ferrer, the committee heard testimonies from Garin, local officials, and consumer groups from the First District, all of whom expressed strong support for the measure aimed at improving electricity services and reducing power costs.

In her statement, Garin urged the panel to approve the bill, arguing that allowing MORE Power to operate in her district would introduce healthy competition, lower electricity rates, and relieve residents from what she described as the high operational expenses of the incumbent Iloilo Electric Cooperative I (ILECO I).

She cited a recent Supreme Court ruling affirming

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Dinagyang 'pamukaw' wakes Ilonggo spirit in honor of Señor Sto. Niño

By Mary Joy Cavañas

JUST in time for the Dinagyang Festival Season, the Iloilo City Government kicked off its Pamukaw, a ceremonial welcoming to honor Señor Sto. Niño, on December 16, 2025.

The event was spearheaded by Mayor Raisa

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Seven tribes for Dinagyang Festival 2026 performed in front of the San Jose de Placer Parish, showcasing a glimpse of their energetic and graceful performances, during the Pamukaw, a ceremonial welcoming to honor Señor Sto. Niño, on December 16, 2025. (Photo: Mayor Raisa Treñas Facebook)

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(MADAC)/City Anti-Drug Abuse Council (CADAC)

- * Excellence in Environmental Management Tanum Iloilo Towards a Forest Province: Ridge to Reef (R2R) Commitment
- * Excellence in Tourism, Heritage Development, Culture and Arts Namit! Celebrating Culinary Specialties in Iloilo Province
- * Excellence in Youth Development A PARTNER IN PURPOSE, A FORCE FOR YOUTH RESILIENCY: The Iloilo Province's KaTUWAng Program

Beyond these recognitions, Iloilo has also been making waves nationally and regionally with its broader achievements:

Iloilo City posted a 10.5% GDP growth in 2023, reaching P160.28 billion compared to P145.07 billion in 2022. This positioned Iloilo as the fastest-growing economy in Western Visayas and gave it the highest per capita GDP in the Visayas at P337,805.

With a strong investment climate and increasing economic activities, Iloilo is envisioned to become a premier business hub in Western Visayas, attracting property developments, retail expansions, and infrastructure projects.

Governor Arthur Defensor Jr. emphasized Iloilo's social justice agenda for, focusing on equitable distribution of opportunities, efficient program implementation, and poverty alleviation. This roadmap aligns with the province's commitment to inclusive growth and sustainable governance under its Governor Defensor's development mantra MoRProGReS Iloilo (Movement for a Robust, Progressive, Globally-competitive and Resilient Province of Iloilo).

Despite inflationary pressures and agricultural struggles, Iloilo continues to demonstrate economic resilience, balancing rapid urban growth with rural development initiatives.

The EXCELL Awards, together with these economic and governance milestones, underscore Iloilo's reputation as a model province in Western Visayas, combining strong local programs with national-level competitiveness.

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the legality of competition in the utility sector, stating that this strengthens efforts to open options for consumers. "This proposal is not meant to displace ILECO I," Garin stressed. "It is to give consumers a choice and to ensure fairness as the energy landscape in Iloilo continues to evolve."

Garin also warned that residents of the First District could face steeper electricity rates if they remain solely dependent on ILECO I, especially once consumers in Iloilo's Second and Fourth Districts—which are currently under ILECO I—begin transferring to MORE Power due to its lower rates and more efficient services.

"ILECO I covers the First, Second, and part of the Third District of Iloilo. If the southern towns remain closed to MORE Power, my constituents may end up subsidizing the approximately P40 million in monthly operational expenses of ILECO I," Garin said during the hearing.

MORE Power, which has already secured a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity (CPCN) from the Energy Regulatory Commission, affirmed its readiness to expand once authorized by Congress.

Many areas in the Second District currently served by ILECO I are expected to migrate to MORE Power due to its competitive rates and service reliability.

MORE Power President and CEO Roel Castro told lawmakers that the company is technically and financially prepared to enter the First District.

He added that based on their simulations, establishing the necessary infrastructure will require at least P2 billion in capital investment. The committee is expected to continue its deliberations in January 2026 as Congress evaluates the proposed franchise expansion.

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Treñas, along with Iloilo Festivals Foundation Incorporated (IFFI) President Angel de Leon Jr., IFFI Chairman Rito Carlos "Judgee" Peña, and San Jose de Placer Parish Priest Rev. Fr. Nelson G. Zerda, OSA.

With the theme, "Bugay sang Ginoo, Bugal sang Ilonggo", seven tribes for Dinagyang Festival 2026 performed in front of the San Jose de Placer Parish, showcasing a glimpse of their energetic and graceful performances.

The participating tribes for the upcoming Dinagyang in January 2026 composed of the following:

Tribu Bulawanon sang Molo of Molo District

Tribu Taga-Baryo of Bo. Obrero, Lapuz

Tribu Pan-ay of Fort San Pedro National High School



Iloilo City Mayor Raisa Treñas together with members of the Iloilo City Council and La Paz Public Market Vendors Association President Charlie Chan, among others, led the soft opening of the newly-rehabilitated La Paz Public Market last December 16, 2025. (*Photo: Mayor Raisa Treñas*)

City government opens newly rehabilitated La Paz public market

By Mary Joy Cavañas

THE Iloilo City Government inaugurated the newly rehabilitated La Paz Public Market on December 16, 2025.

Mayor Raisa Treñas led the soft opening, in the presence of councilors from Sangguniang Panlungsod, Local Economic Enterprise Office (LEEO) Head Maricel Mabaquiao, La Paz Public Market Vendors Association President Charlie Chan, among others.

The La Paz Public Market has a capacity for 359 existing vendors and 423 available new kiosks. The rehabilitated market consists of meat, fish, poultry eggs, fruits and vegetables, eateries, dried fish, rice and grains, pawnshop, pharmacy, and general merchandise located at the ground level, while the market's second level is composed of dry goods, variety, coffee shops, parking area, and office of market in charge.

It also has various facilities, including:

- * Parking area for 62 cars and 20 motorcycles
- * Access stairs and elevator
- * Loading and unloading bay for public utility jeepneys (PUJs) at Rizal Street
- * Accessible delivery bays from Arroyo Extension (Huervana Street exit)
 - * Rainwater harvesting facility
- * Septic vault, cistern tanks, grease trap, and Sewage Treatment Plant (STP)

The market's rental rates didn't change, which cost around P1,044 to P4,251, depending in stall type and category. Also, each section within the market has a respective electricity meter for the vendors. All market policies are based from the Regulation Ordinance No. 2019-316, including guidelines for goodwill money, stall awards, and lease conditions.

Prior to the market's soft opening, the vendors also underwent various training through the Uswag Negosyo Academy (UNA), Accelerated Capacity Training for Market Vendors, and digicities Masterclasses, to ensure their readiness in vending.

Trainings provided for vendors include:

- * Food Handling and Management
- * Financial Literacy
- * Digitalization
- * Customer Service
- * Business Registration
- * Service Quality and Business Operations

In her speech, Mayor Raisa Treñas expressed excitement for the opening of the market, including the recent soft opening of Arevalo and Jaro Big Public Markets, considering it as the city's milestone. She noted that the renovation was implemented not only for the market's appearance but to bring comfort through a cleaner and safer market for vendors and to everyone.

Additionally, Treñas expressed thanks to the past administration of her father, former Mayor Jerry Treñas for the said initiative in redeveloping the markets for the welfare of Ilonggos.

She also expressed gratitude to the City Hall departments, including LEEO, City Engineer's Office, City Architect's Office for the market renovation, and also to Local Economic Development and Investment Promotion Office (LEDIPO) for providing trainings to market vendors.

Meanwhile, La Paz Public Market's architectural design was inspired by the Art Deco heritage gateway in Huervana Street that was built in the 1930s. The market's new facade was based on the gateway's style to ensure the visual harmony between the market's original and modern structure.

Tribu Paghidaet of La Paz National High School Tribu Ilayahon of Graciano Lopez Jaena Elementary School

Tribu Ilonganon of Jalandoni Memorial National High School

Tribu Salognon of Jaro National High School

In her message, Mayor Raisa Treñas emphasized Dinagyang Festival's core spiritual purpose.

"Before the drum beats echo and the streets come alive, we pause to remember that Dinagyang is first and always an offering of faith," Treñas said.

She noted God's various gifts that Ilonggos do and offer with pride.

"Everything we offer: our culture, talent, history, and unity, are gifts from God that we Ilonggos are proud of," she added.

Treñas also noted this year's Pamukaw marked her first time participating as city mayor, describing it as a great honor she humbly receives.

She also emphasized that Pamukaw serves as a reminder that pride comes from gratitude and joy stems

"As we carry in prayer this dawn, may we carry this spirit throughout the staging of our festival and beyond our home, community, and each day in the service," said Treñas.

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Coca-Cola bottler lights up sites into beacons of hope for communities

CHRISTMAS is a cherished tradition in the Philippines that embodies joy, hope, and togetherness. It's a time when families reunite, communities come alive with parol and carols, and even the simplest gatherings become moments of magic.

Staying true to the spirit of spreading happiness all year round, Coca-Cola Europacific Aboitiz Philippines (CCEAP)—the bottling partner and official distributor of Coca-Cola products in the countrybrings to life its highly anticipated annual Christmas light-up across its sites.

This year, over 30 CCEAP sites in Luzon. Visayas, and Mindanao shines bright with the theme "Bituin ng Pag-asa: Guiding Light for a Brighter Future." Each lighted site serves as a beacon of festive cheer and Filipino spirit, celebrating the enduring hope that binds communities and uplifts spirits.

This long-standing tradition honors the total beverage company's nearly 9,000-strong workforce, whose dedication ensures that Coca-Cola products reach homes and its customers—keeping communities refreshed every single day.

The annual Christmas



The Bacolod Plant of Coca-Cola radiates with Christmas magic with the return of the bottling giant's tradition of honoring its people for their role in uplifting communities across the country.

light-up has turned Coca- meaningful by finding joy Cola's sites into local attractions nationwide, drawing visitors and hosting shared moments among friends and families. Among the sites are Naga, Santa Rosa, Calasiao, Iloilo, Misamis Oriental, and Davao. In Santa Rosa, the light-up complements its iconic landmark of giant Coca-Cola cans, making it a must-see destination during the holidays.

Each light-up installation was conceptualized by CCEAP associates, and uses ornaments handcrafted in the simple act of coming together. Adding to the festive spirit, the iconic Coca-Cola Christmas Truck continues its journey across the country, spreading the magic of Christmas wherever it goes.

In celebrating Christmas, CCEAP also honors the passion and perseverance that carried communities through challenging times, including the numerous natural disasters that the country has faced this year. CCEAP stands alongside the communities it serves in

Having been woven into the fabric of Filipino culture for over 113 years, CCEAP has been an integral part of Filipino festivities—from beloved beverages enjoyed during everyday occasions to delivering refreshment, sparking shared moments, and bringing an extra light to life during the holidays.

to those affected.

"In every challenge

Filipinos faced this year,

there was always a reason

to hold on to hope, and

we are deeply grateful for

the dedication and support

of our people and the

communities we serve," said

Gareth McGeown, President

and CEO of CCEAP. "As

we continue the Coca-Cola

tradition of lighting up our

sites, we aim to spark joy

and serve as a beacon of

hope not just for the holidays,

but as we look ahead to a

brighter, more promising

tomorrow. Because even

CCEAP is locally rooted and deeply connected to the communities it serves, with products proudly made by Filipinos, for Filipinos. With a vast footprint spanning 18 manufacturing sites, and nearly 70 distribution and sales offices, CCEAP remains committed to uplifting communities nationwide all year round.



using recycled and upcycled times of need by mobilizing in the most difficult times, materials. These displays relief efforts, ensuring the hope shines brightest when reflect what makes a safety of its people, and people come together," Filipino Christmas truly delivering safe drinking added McGeown. special: making celebrations water and essential supplies

Coca-Cola's Iloilo Plant comes alive with handcrafted, upcycled decorations that symbolize a brighter tomorrow and celebrate the Filipino Christmas spirit.

Preps for Iloilo's 'Kasadyahan sa Kabanwahanan' in full swing

Kabanwahanan," one of the major highlights for the 2026 Dinagyang Festival, just keeps getting better.

"I think it will be more different. It will be more competitive because they know that Maasin, the Tultugan, has elevated the standards, especially since they are the national champions. I think that is the challenge right now," Iloilo Governor Arthur

ILOILO CITY - Iloilo's "Kasadyahan sa Defensor Jr. said in a media interview on Wednesday afternoon.

> Defensor was referring to the Tultugan Festival of the Municipality of Maasin, which emerged as champion in the Parada ng Kalayaan 2025 Festival Performance Competition, and first runner-up in the Aliwan Fiesta 2024.

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Republic of the Philippines **REGIONAL TRIAL COURT** Sixth Judicial Region Branch 29

Rm 407 & 408, New Castle Hotel Bonifacio Drive, Iloilo City (033) 3279719 rtc1ilo029@judiciary.gov.ph

SPL. PROC. NO. 25-16163

Re: PETITION FOR THE CORRECTION OF ENTRY ON THE RECORD OF BIRTH OF GENARO B. DEL ROSARIO III (CIVIL **REGISTRAR-GENERAL NO. 25)**

GENARO BUENAFLOR DEL ROSARIO III, Petitioner,

-versus-

LOCAL CIVIL REGISTRAR OF ILOILO CITY, Respondent.

ORDER

In a verified petition, Genaro Buenaflor del Rosario prays that, after due notice, publication and hearing, an Order be issued directing the Local Civil Registrar of Iloilo City to correct his date of birth from January 10, 1966 to December 30, 1965 in his Certificate of Live Birth under Civil Registrar General No. 25.

Petitioner alleged that he is the youngest child of Daniel Golez del Rosario and Dolores Belonio Buenafior and his record of birth was registered in the Local Civil Registrar of Iloilo City under Local Civil Registrar General No. 25. The said Certificate of Live Birth shows that he was born on January 10, 1966 when his correct birth date is December 30, 1965. He now seeks correction of his date of birth in his Certificate of Live Birth under Civil Registrar General No. 25 from January 10, 1966 to December 30, 1965 in order to show his correct birth date and to conform with his records, hence, this petition.

Finding the petition to be sufficient in form and substance, the same is hereby set for hearing on February 27, 2026 at 8:30 in the morning before this branch, at which date, time and place, any person who has an interest therein and/ or objection thereto, may appear and show cause why this petition should not be granted.

Let a copy of this Order be published in a newspaper of general circulation in the City and Province of Iloilo for three (3) consecutive weeks at the expense of the petitioner.

He is hereby directed to furnish the Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA), the Office of the Civil Registrar General, the Office of the Solicitor General and the Civil Registrar of Iloilo City with a copy of his petition. Compliance is required.

Let copies of this Order be furnished to the aforesaid government agencies at petitioner's expense.

SO ORDERED.

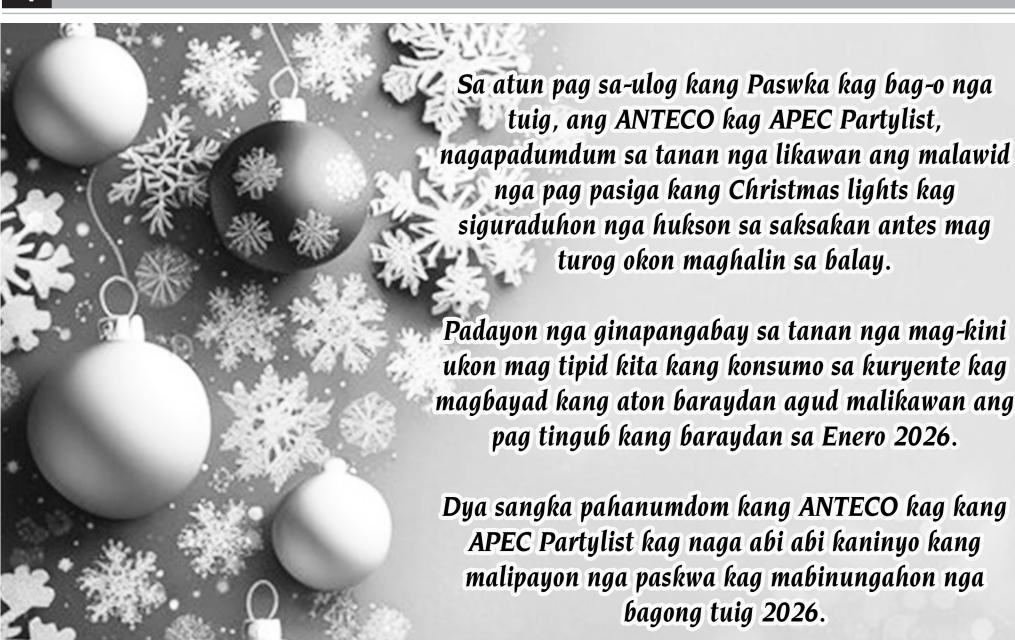
Iloilo City, Philippines, November 28, 2025.

(SGD.) MELIZA JOAN P. BERANO-ROBITE Judge

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The Men and Women in uniform of **Antique Police Provincial Office**.



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"Glory to God in the highest heaven and on earth peace

to those on whom his favor rests." - Luke 2:14 NIV

The Tultugan is set to defend its crown from eight other festivals from Iloilo that are joining the 2026 Kasadyahan sa Kabanwahanan, which Defensor considers the cultural stage of the province.

As part of the preparations, in September this year, the provincial government convened a two-day Kasadyahan sa Kabanwahanan Festival Research and Production Summit aimed at developing local festivals.

"We have declared the Kasadyahan to be the cultural stage of the province. Our commitment is that we will develop the festivals and the tribes, starting at the barangay level. It was a dance and song workshop, so that it will develop, it will become a true cultural stage or display window of the cultural heritage and the arts for the province," he said.

The governor said they continue to work with the Iloilo Festivals Foundation Inc. and the Iloilo City government in developing the Dinagyang Festival.

The provincial government has already agreed to let the organizers use the Iloilo Sports Complex as a venue for the final performances during the Tribes Competition and the Kasadyahan.

The Kasadyahan participants will give a glimpse of their performances during the opening salvo in the afternoon of Jan. 10, 2026.

The provincial government allotted a PHP2-million subsidy for each participating municipal festival. (PNA)



KASADYAHAN. A colorful performance of the participating festival during the Kasadyahan sa Kabanwahanan in the 2023 Dinagyang Festival in this file photo. Governor Arthur Defensor Jr. on Wednesday (Dec. 17, 2025) said the Kasadyahan keeps getting better every year. (File photo from Kasadyahan sa Kabanwahanan Facebook)

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

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

In compliance with Section 5 of Republic Act No.

9048/10172, a notice is hereby served to the public that JOHN PAUL B. BLANCADA has filed with this (complete name of the petitioner)

Office a petition for change of first name from PAUL (first name to be changed)

To JOHN PAUL in the birth certificate of JOHN (new first name to be adopted)

PAUL BOLENA BLANCADA who was born on (complete name of document owner)

22 MAY 2004 at (place of birth) (place of birth)

parents are FEDERICO BLANCADA and MARY JANE (name of mother)

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

(SGD.) ENGR. CYNTHIA D. CANTO Municipal Civil Registrar

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Republic of the Philippines Province of Iloilo Municipality of Janiuay

OFFICE OF THE MUNICIPAL CIVIL REGISTRAR
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NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

In compliance with R.A. 9048 and R.A. 10172, a notice is hereby served to the public that SHIRLEY B. JASPE has filed with this office a Petition for Change of First Name from "MA. SHERLY" to "SHIRLEY" and Correction of Clerical Error (R.A. 10172) in the Date of Birth from "August 5, 1958" to "August 6, 1958" in the Birth Certificate of MA. SHERLY ANDOQUE BAILIO who was born on August 5, 1958 and whose parents are Selverio Bailio and Cinderella Andoque.

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

(SGD.) ANA LISA M. CORNELIO

Municipal Civil Registrar

NE/Dec. 15, 2025 & Dec. 22, 2025

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

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

In compliance with R.A. Act No. 9048, a notice is hereby served to the public that VIVIAN DAVID LAGAÑA has filed with this office, a PETITION FOR CHANGE OF FIRST NAME from "VIVIANA" to "VIVIAN" in the Certificate of Live Birth of VIVIAN BOLIVAR DAVID who was born on OCTOBER 31, 1969 at POTOTAN, ILOILO and whose parents are BENEDICTO Q. DAVID and JACINTA F. BOLIVAR.

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

(SGD.) MARY ANN S. JARDELEZA Acting Municipal Civil Registrar

NE/Dec. 15, 2025 & Dec.22, 2025

Republic of the Philippines Province of Iloilo Municipality of Janiuay

OFFICE OF THE MUNICIPAL CIVIL REGISTRAR
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NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

In compliance with R.A. 9048, a notice is hereby served to the public that <u>JOB O. SUMBILLO</u> has filed with this office a Petition for Change of First Name from <u>"JOSE"</u> to <u>"JOB"</u> in the Birth Certificate of <u>JOSE ORO SUMBILLO</u> who was born on May 28, 1963 and whose parents are <u>Vicente Dalida Sumbillo</u> and <u>Leonor Lamzon Oro.</u>

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

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

NE/Dec. 15, 2025 & Dec. 22, 2025

Republic of the Philippines Local Civil Registry Office Province: <u>Iloilo</u> Municipality: <u>Maasin</u>

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

In compliance with Section 5 R.A. Act No. 9048 & 10172, a notice is hereby served to the public that <u>JESSIE M. LAMZON</u> has filed with this Office a Petition for correction of clerical error (child's sex), from <u>MALE</u> to <u>FEMALE</u> in the Certificate of Live Birth of <u>JESSIE REYES MACALDE</u> who was born on <u>AUGUST 8, 1966</u> at <u>MAASIN, ILOILO</u> and whose parents are <u>JESUS MOLINA MACALDE</u> and <u>ANTONIA ESCOBILLAS REYES.</u>

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

(SGD.) REENA MARIEL M. LIMOSO Municipal Civil Registrar

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

NOTICE OF 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). Notice is hereby served to the public that HERMIE QUINQUERO DEGUIA has filed with this office a petition for correction of entry in CHILD'S SEX from FEMALE to "MALE" in the Certificate of Live Birth of HERMIE QUINQUERO DEGUIA who was born on NOVEMBER 29, 1975 at Pototan, Iloilo and whose parents are HERMINIGILDO DEGUIA and DOMINICA QUINQUERO.

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

(SGD.) MARY ANN S. JARDELEZA Acting Municipal Civil Registrar

NE/Dec. 15, 2025 & Dec.22, 2025

DEED OF ADJUDICATION AND ABSOLUTE SALE

Notice is hereby given that the estate of the late NORBERTO M. DEVERA known as a parcel of land Lot No. 448 of the Cadastral Survey of Dingle situated in Brgy. Sinibaan, Dingle, Iloilo with the improvements thereon covered by ORIGINAL CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. 090-68827 with an area of FIFTEEN THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED FIFTY EIGHT (15,758) SQUARE METERS, MORE OR LESS, registered under the name of the late Spouses JUAN MAGBANUA DEVERA and SIMPLICIA MACAHILO-DEVERA, is adjudicated to heirs EUFEMIA D. DEVERA, JOSE D. DEVERA, ANA DEVERA-DILLA, and EMELITA DEVERA-BAUTISTA. That, the heirs/adjudicatees SOLD, CEDED, TRANSFERRED and CONVEYED by way of absolute sale the above-said property in favor of ROBELYN G. MAGTANONG as entered in the notarial registry of ATTY. ALFONSO D. DEBOQUE per Doc. No. 381, Page No. 80, Book No. VI, Series of 2021.

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Republic of the Philippines
National Authority for Child Care
Regional Alternative Child Care Office
Region VI- Western Visayas

TIN: 200-137-390-000

DOMESTIC ADMINISTRATIVE ADOPTION CASE NO: RACCO VI-DAA-2025-0148

DATE: December 4, 2025

IN RE: PETITION FOR ADOPTION OF TERESA GIANNA DELIONIO TO BE KNOWN THEREAFTER AS TERESA GIANNA JARANILLA ALLETA

ANTHONY DOSEJO ALLETA and CATHERINE JARANILLA ALLETA,

Petitioners

ORDER

A verified petition for the adoption of **Teresa Gianna Delionio** filed by the petitioners through the Regional Alternative Child Care Office (RACCO), praying that after due notice, publication, and appearances, a judgment be rendered to the effect that the adoptee, Teresa Gianna Delionio be declared for all legal intents and purposes the legitimate child of the petitioners and that the name of the child be changed, particularly to appear as **TERESA GIANNA JARANILLA ALLETA**.

Finding the said Petition to be sufficient in form and substance, let the same be set for Mandatory Appearance on January 29, 2026, to be held at 3rd Floor, Ana Ros Building, Simon-Ledesma Street, Jaro, Iloilo City, Iloilo. Any interested party may appear and may file an opposition/complaint supported by evidence to the National Authority for Child Care (NACC), through the RACCO where the Petition was filed. The complaint will be subjected to verification and further investigation.

Let a copy of this Order be published at the expense of the Petitioner once a week for three (3) successive weeks in a newspaper of general circulation pursuant to Section 31 of R.A. No. 11642 or the Domestic Administrative Adoption and Alternative Child Care Act.

(SGD.) AIRLN JENM C. BARRO Alternate Officer-in-Charge

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ILOILO PIONEER PAWNSHOP, INC.

Arrovo Street, Lapaz, Iloilo City

NOTICE

The public is informed that on **DECEMBER 28, 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 **DISYEMBRE 28, 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.

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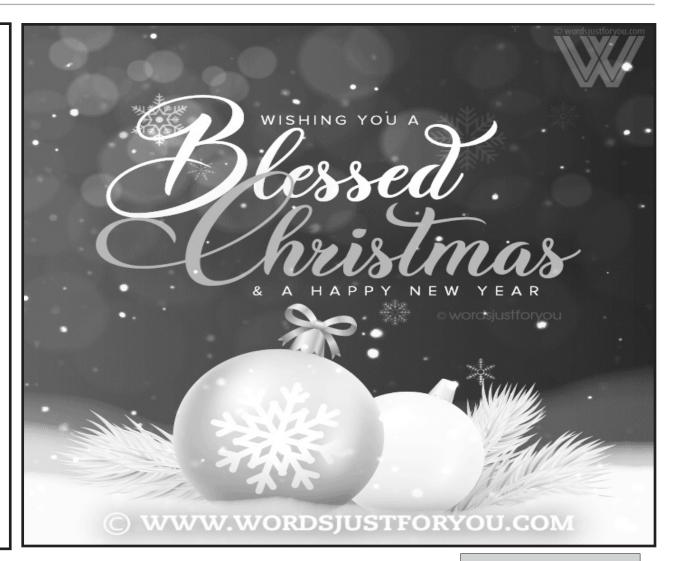
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NOAH and the floods

Project Noah Executive Director Mahar Lagmay is consistently diplomatic at the mention of the organization's defunding eight years ago by the previous administration.

"Let's move on," he has said at multiple interviews, adding he prefers not to dwell on the past.

This weekend, Project NOAH — Nationwide Operational Assessment of Hazards – seems to have been given the wherewithal, or at least the acknowledgment of the need, to move forward. The bicameral conference committee approved the allocation of P1 billion to the project in the 2026 budget. That is, if we do not have to make do with a reenacted appropriations bill.

In recent years, despite the lack of official funding, NOAH — now housed under the University of the Philippines Resilience Institute — has been instrumental in providing crucial information in the event of typhoons. Over social media and other means, it has sought to offer information to researchers and policy makers to aid them in their work.

Project NOAH's website says it "seeks to

address the country in disaster risk reduction and management, climate change adaptation and mitigation efforts and related activities through research, development, and extension services."

Should deliberations go as intended and the 2026 budget hurdles the bicam, Project NOAH is expected to work closely with the Department of Public Works and Highways in "refining the way flood-control projects are designed and monitored."

Of course, we know the tragic depths to which these flood-control projects have brought the country. There is actual damage suffered by residents in flooded communities, losses in lives and livelihood. These have also eroded the public's trust in their officials and institutions. While we had been aware of corruption as a bane in our society, it was because of the flood-control scandal that we came to terms with the magnitude of corruption, not only in Bulacan or Mindoro, and not only by public works engineers or district representatives.

In hindsight and using plain common sense, net)

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how have we not relied on scientific data in deciding where to build flood control projects, and what kind they must be? Why have our supposedly smart public officials approved billions of pesos in projects without ensuring if they would truly address the problem of flooding?

Then again, the answer is obvious – and infuriating.

As we scramble to introduce reforms that we hope would arrest the damage from the corruption surrounding flood-control projects, may we never forget that only science-based information will yield good results. It is unthinkable how NOAH was sidelined before, and unacceptable how its good intention was frustrated. We should never let this happen again.

Now that lawmakers themselves have institutionally acknowledged Project NOAH's contribution to a vulnerable country like ours, it is time to move forward indeed – scientifically, ethically, and transparently. (manilastandard. net)

Reforms across all sectors

This year, ghost projects once again haunted the Filipino people, with corrupt officials and professionals reportedly benefitting from the suffering of the vulnerable. From non-existent flood control projects to substandard classrooms, the pattern of corruption has become so deeply engrained in our government that they rob the people of basic services, weaken institutions, and exploit the most vulnerable. No less than President Ferdinand R. Marcos Jr. said, "Mahiya naman kayo".

Recently, the Department of Health revealed that this corruption extends even to health facilities. Health centers that have long been built yet remain unused or underutilized even as missions struggle for access to basic healthcare of millions of Filipinos. This corruption together with deep-seated issues in the medical profession are perhaps the greatest threats to the very promise of universal healthcare today.

It is in this context that the recent decision of the Professional Regulation Commission (PRC) Board of Medicine takes on greater weight. By ordering a formal investigation into two doctors who were allegedly involved in a multi-level marketing (MLM) scheme, the PRC signaled that fighting corruption is not confined to government projects —it extends even in the professional space.

The Senate previously looked into the issue with investigations revealing that the doctors reported in media as affiliated with Bell- Kenz were prescribing medicine

produced by the specific pharmaceutical company in exchange for financial incentives and material rewards. The more they prescribed, the more points they earned, which could be converted into luxury cars, foreign trips, and other incentives.

Lawyer and human rights advocate Erin Tañada III who filed the administrative case against the two doctors in July, in a statement welcomed the PRC Board of Medicine's decision to proceed with the formal investigation for alleged dishonorable and unprofessional conduct.

Tañada's position is simple, prescribe medicine because it is the best choice for your medical condition and not because it earns a commission. He said that such goes against the very essence of the medical profession.

As Tañada emphasized: "The PRC made it clear: ethical violations stand on their own. You cannot hide behind technicalities when the core issue is whether doctors used their profession—and public trust—for commercial gain. That is precisely why this case must move forward."

Whether in ghost health center projects or the ethical concerns over the involvement of some doctors in MLM schemes, the victims are all the same: the Filipino people. Sadly, the issue has been overshadowed by other corruption scandals hounding the government.

We deserve a healthcare system that values patient welfare over profit. Ethics over earnings. The PRC's move is

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By Joe Zaldarriaga

a reminder that ethical violations must be confronted head-on. Accountability is a must in the medical profession especially since people's lives are at risk.

I have deep respect and admiration for professionals in the healthcare industry who continue to serve the Filipino people despite the many challenges facing our system. It is disheartening to see the reputation of such a respected profession tarnished by the actions of a few.

When lawyers, advocates, and ordinary citizens raise concerns about medical professionals allegedly joining multi-level marketing schemes, the issue goes beyond business. It touches the very heart of the medical profession.

Doctors are not just ordinary professionals. Their advice and actions can mean life or death, comfort or suffering. This is why the Code of Ethics for the medical profession should be strictly enforced to preserve the integrity of medical judgment.

This case is not just about two doctors. It is about the credibility of the medical profession and the trust patients place in their physicians.

Hopefully, the medical community does not see Tañada's move as an attack on their profession but a way to protect their credibility and improve the healthcare system.

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Jurassic systems

Yesterday, I had to go to Palawan Pawnshop to collect a cash gift from a relative abroad. I presented a valid ID and the requisite alpha numeric code. The first Palawan Express store said that their store was not equipped or authorized to disburse international cash transactions. Apparently, not all Palawan stores are created equal. As such, I had to look for specific stores that were authorized. When I arrived at such a store, I was told to have the sender edit my name as they needed the full name. Grudgingly I accepted their reasoning so I asked the sender to edit the name but was only able to do so the next day due to the time difference between the sender's country of residence and the Philippines.

As I returned the next day to the same store, the store clerk said that the name was OK BUT she asked me what was the exchange rate being followed by the specific store at the sender's location. If I could not give the foreign exchange rate then she could not process the transaction. At this point, I became exasperated as I asked why they did not ask me that the day before and

why don't their system have that information. I was told that was their rule and the clerks gave me an annoyed look. Again, it took me a few hours to contact the sender and return. When I returned the clerk was again looking at the paper, which I had to fill out again and was about to ask another question when I cautioned her that I was a bit exasperated and that her question should have legal basis already. It was then that they grudgingly processed my transaction.

In that one incident, I realized again that many companies lack the needed orientation for dealing with customers. In all probability, most of the customers they deal with probably do not complain a lot and so their so-called customer representatives lack the proper decorum for a frontline service provider. Also, most of the so-called frontline personnel and probably their supervisors have a dogmatic approach to systems that they cannot seem to adapt to certain situations even when the rules seem ridiculous. Lastly, clearly some of our private service provider companies seem to stick to outdated Jurassic systems when there is a wealth of available information technology that would make life easier.

OBLIQUE OBSERVATIONS

By Atty. Gilberto Lauengco, J.D.

When I told the clerks that they would lose business if they stick to their outdated system, the clerk smugly shrugged her shoulder and said their company is big and needed by the people. Upon reflection, I realized that the stringent regulatory environment for putting up remittance centers have prevented more technologically superior companies from entering the market.

It is ironic that for a country that heavily relies on overseas remittance for its economy, we still have remittance centers relying on Jurassic systems to the disadvantage of both the relatives abroad and our residents here.

Clearly, there is a need to open up the market for more competition. Competition will force companies to evolve for the better and provide better services. It took an asteroid hit to remove dinosaurs. Let us hope it will take something less drastic for the Jurassic remittance centers to be extinct.

A path to employment, poverty alleviation

Unemployment and poverty remain two of the most pressing socio-economic challenges in the country, deeply intertwined and mutually reinforcing. While the country's unemployment rate stood at 3.1 percent as of December 2024, a significant portion of the workforce remains underemployed or engaged in low-paying jobs that fail to provide a decent standard of living. This contributes to high poverty levels, with 63 percent of Filipinos self-rating themselves as poor - the highest since 2003. Many workers, especially those in the informal sector, struggle with job insecurity, lack of benefits, and stagnant wages, making it difficult to break the cycle of poverty.

The role of the government and the business sector in generating employment is crucial in addressing joblessness and poverty. The government plays a key role in crafting policies that promote job creation, providing training programs, and ensuring labor rights are upheld. It also facilitates infrastructure development, which attracts investments and generates employment. Meanwhile, the business sector drives economic activity by creating job opportunities, fostering innovation, and expanding industries. By working together, the government and businesses can develop a more resilient labor market, ensuring that employment opportunities are sustainable and inclusive, ultimately contributing to national economic growth and social stability.

I laud President Ferdinand R. Marcos Jr. for launching the Trabaho sa Bagong Pilipinas program, where he urges Filipinos to seize the opportunities it offers. This nationwide initiative aims to provide sustainable employment and livelihood assistance, particularly targeting beneficiaries of the Pantawid Pamilyang Pilipino Program (4Ps).

initiatives encourage the labor force to actively seek and secure job opportunities. and build networks. By implementing job fairs, skills training, and livelihood programs, the government offers more than just financial rewards; it empowers individuals to take the initiative in finding sustainable employment, ultimately improving their quality of life and strengthening the nation's workforce.

During the program's launch in January this year, President Marcos highlighted its initial success, noting that more than 9,000 individuals applied for various positions, with more than 1,000 applicants hired on the spot. He emphasized the importance of such initiatives in empowering Filipinos to lead productive lives and called for the expansion of similar programs across the nation.

"Kailangan lang ng pagkakataon katulad ng job fair na ito. Kaya naman gagawin ko po lahat para itong programa na ito ay magkalat sa buong bansa (We need opportunities like this job fair. I will do everything to make sure that this program is implemented across the country)," the President stated.

The Trabaho sa Bagong Pilipinas program focuses on providing employment opportunities, livelihood assistance, and essential support services to uplift the socio-economic status of Filipinos.

These efforts are part of a broader strategy to address unemployment, which is intrinsically linked to poverty alleviation. By facilitating job creation and providing skills training, the government aims to reduce the number of Filipinos living below the poverty line.

Employment plays a crucial role in both individual and societal well-being. Economically, a robust labor market contributes to increased productivity, higher consumer spending, and overall economic growth. Socially, employment fosters stability, reduces crime rates, and promotes cohesive communities.

On a personal level, meaningful work provides individuals with a sense of purpose and structure. It allows for personal development, the acquisition of new skills, and the opportunity to contribute to society. Moreover, workplaces The government's proactive employment often serve as communities where social interactions enhance interpersonal skills

> Engaging in meaningful employment imbues individuals with a sense of identity and purpose. Regular work routines provide structure, helping individuals organize their lives and set goals. The challenges

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By Brian James Lu

encountered in the workplace encourage problem-solving and resilience, fostering personal growth.

Furthermore, the social aspect of work cannot be understated. Collaborating with colleagues, participating in team projects, and contributing to communal goals help develop communication skills and a sense of belonging. These interactions are vital for mental health and overall life satisfaction.

As part of the business sector, I have witnessed firsthand how employed individuals harness their capacities not only as skilled professionals but also as integral members of a cohesive and collaborative workforce. Their ability to work collectively fosters a dynamic environment where teamwork and synergy drive efficiency and innovation. Beyond their functional roles, employees bring intrinsic skills and knowledge that significantly contribute to the overall growth and development of the business. This seamless integration of individual expertise with organizational objectives forges an indubitable partnership between their capabilities and the company's goals, ensuring that both the employees and the business thrive in a mutually beneficial relationship.

The "Trabaho sa Bagong Pilipinas" program represents a significant step toward addressing unemployment and poverty in the Philippines. The business sector is confident that the current administration can generate more employment opportunities, which is beneficial for the economy. By providing accessible employment opportunities and support services, the government can uplift the socio-economic status of its citizens. For such initiatives to be truly effective, it is imperative that the jobs created are sustainable and offer fair compensation. As President Marcos emphasized, the success of this program hinges on the active participation of Filipinos nationwide, seizing the opportunities presented to build a more prosperous and equitable society.

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MUNICIPALITY OF BINGAWAN



Sangguniang Bayan

EXCERPT FROM THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SESSION OF THE 16TH SANGGUNIANG BAYAN OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF BINGAWAN, PROVINCE OF ILOILO, HELD AT THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN SESSION HALL ON JULY 30, 2025.

Hon, Elizabeth C. Occeña Present:

> Hon. Ramil C. Castroverde Hon. Rowel C. Plaga Hon. Lucia S. Pendioday Hon. Leovy C. Simora Hon. Lonylon F. Faldas Hon. Jofe C. Celeste Hon. Nemesio A. Cachite Hon. John Arnel T. Ceballos

Hon. Nicole Pauline P. Plagata

Hon. Wennie P. Javellana On Leave:

Absent: None Vice Mayor/Presiding Officer

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Ex-officio SB Member/Liga President Ex-officio SB Member/PPSK President

SB Member

MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE NO. 324

(Series of 2025)

AN ORDINANCE PROHIBITING THE OPEN BURNING OF PLASTICS, AGRICULTURAL RESIDUE, YARD WASTES, AND OTHER WASTE MATERIALS IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF BINGAWAN, PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS THEREOF, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Authored by: Hon. Nicole Pauline P. Plagata

WHEREAS, the Local Government Code of 1991 (Republic Act No. 7160) grants local government units the power to enact ordinances that protect and promote the health and safety of their constituents;

WHEREAS, as per Book III of RA 7160, the Sangguniang Bayan is vested to approve and enact measures that promote effective and efficient solid waste management, maintenance of ecological balance, and protection of environment and public health within their territorial jurisdiction;

WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 8749, known as the "Philippine Clean Air Act of 1999," prohibits open burning of waste and enjoins local government units to actively enforce environmental laws to mitigate air pollution;

WHEREAS, Section 48 par. (3), Chapter 6 of Republic Act No. 9003, otherwise known as the "Ecological Solid Waste Management Act of 2000," provides the framework for managing solid waste and includes the prohibition of open burning of waste materials to protect public health and the environment;

WHEREAS, RA 10068 encourages organic agriculture in the Philippines that will cumulatively condition and enrich the fertility of the soil, increase farm productivity, reduce pollution and destruction of the environment and promote community-based organic agricultural system;

WHEREAS, DENR-NSWMC Resolution No. 1468, Series of 2021, strengthen the enforcement of the provisions of RA 9003 on open burning of municipal solid wastes including agricultural wastes;

WHEREAS, improper waste disposal, including open burning of plastics, agricultural residue, yard wastes, and other waste materials releases harmful pollutants, such as carbon monoxide, volatile organic compounds (VOCs), particulate matter, and toxic chemicals, which pose significant risks to public health and the environment;

WHEREAS, the Municipality of Bingawan finds that further regulation of open burning is necessary to protect public health, prevent environmental degradation, and promote responsible waste management by prohibiting the practice of open burning;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it ordained by the Sangguniang Bayan of the Municipality of Bingawan in a session duly assembled:

SECTION 1. TITLE. This Ordinance shall be known as the "An Ordinance

Prohibiting the Open Burning of Plastics, Agricultural Residue, and Yard Wastes."

SECTION 2. DECLARATION OF POLICY. It is hereby declared the policy of the Municipality of Bingawan to safeguard public health, ensure environmental protection, and uphold the quality of air by prohibiting the open burning of plastics, agricultural residue, yard wastes and other waste materials within its territorial jurisdiction.

SECTION 3. SCOPE OF APPLICATION. This ordinance shall apply to all residents, business and commercial establishments, and institutions within the municipality, and will cover the burning of household waste, agricultural waste, and other refuse.

SECTION 4. DEFINITION OF TERMS. For the purpose of this Ordinance, the following terms shall mean:

Agricultural Residue – any material, such as straw, stalks, or leaves, left after harvesting crops, trimming and pruning of plants, and wastes or run-off materials from farms.

Campfire - a small, controlled fire typically made outdoors, often used for warmth, light, or cooking during camping trips or outdoor activities.

Composting - the natural process of decomposing organic waste (like food scraps, leaves, and plant material) into nutrient-rich soil or humus. It involves the controlled breakdown of biodegradable materials by microorganisms under conditions that promote decay, and it's commonly used in gardening and agriculture to enrich soil.

Open Burning - the act of burning any material in an open space or container without a cover, which allows emissions to escape directly into the atmosphere.

Plastics – any synthetic material made from a wide range of organic polymers such as polyethylene, PVC, nylon, etc., which can be molded into shape and burned to produce toxic fumes.

Refuse – any discarded material or waste that is no longer wanted or needed except trees, logs, brush, stumps, leaves, grass clippings, and other vegetative matter.

Substrate - is the underlying surface or material on which an organism lives,

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grows, or derives nutrients.

Yard Wastes – refuse generated from garden and lawn maintenance, including grass clippings, leaves, tree limbs, and other organic debris.

SECTION 5. PROHIBITION. The following acts are strictly prohibited within the jurisdiction of the Municipality of Bingawan:

5.1. Outdoor and open burning

- a. The open burning of plastics and any synthetic materials.
- b. The open burning of agricultural residue such as rice straw, corn stalks, and other post-harvest byproducts.
- c. The open burning of yard wastes, including leaves, twigs, branches, and other garden refuse.
- d. The open burning of plastics, agricultural residue, and yard wastes in any yard, lot (vacant or occupied), street or alley, or in an right-of-way.
 - e. Charcoal-making in residential areas.

SECTION 6. EXEMPTIONS AND CONDITIONS. The following activities shall be exempted from this ordinance with the following conditions:

6.1. Ceremonial or Cultural Burning:

- Exemption: Open burning may be allowed for traditional, religious, or cultural ceremonies (e.g., rituals involving burning offerings), provided they are supervised, controlled, and conducted in a safe manner.
- **Condition**: Prior notification, in the form of a permit, may be required from the requester of the concerned barangay.

6.2. Fire Hazard Reduction:

- **Exemption**: Controlled burns may be permitted to reduce fire hazards, such as clearing dead vegetation to prevent wildfires.
- **Condition**: These are only conducted by firefighters or any trained personnel and require prior authorization (i.e., BFP or MDRRMO).

6.3. Disposal of Diseased Plants or Animals:

- Exemption: Burning may be allowed to dispose of diseased or pestinfested plants, trees, or animals when other disposal methods are not feasible.
- Condition: Supervision from MAO or MENRO in the form of permit.

6.4. Campfires and Cooking Fires:

- **Exemption**: Yard waste such as branches, twigs, agricultural residue (e.g. tobacco stalk/stem, coconut shells, corn cobs, may be used for small and controlled fires for cooking or warmth (e.g., campfires, bonfires, or barbecue pits) may be exempt.
- Condition: These must be contained, attended at all times, and extinguished properly afterward. They should not be used for burning waste.

6.5. Firefighting or Training Exercises:

- **Exemption**: BFP or MDRRMO may conduct controlled burns for training exercises or to test firefighting equipment. Burning activities necessary for fire prevention, as required by law or authorized by relevant agencies.
- **Condition**: Must only be conducted by professional agencies with proper safety measures (i.e., BFP or MDRRMO).

6.6. Emergency Situations:

- **Exemption**: In cases of natural disasters, calamities, or emergencies where burning is necessary for public safety (e.g., after typhoons or earthquakes), exceptions may be made.
- **Condition**: Must only be conducted by professional agencies with proper safety measures (i.e., BFP or MDRRMO).

6.7. Industrial and Commercial Purposes

 Exemption: Yard waste and agricultural residue as defined under Section 4 that are used as fuel for industrial and commercial purposes may be allowed provided they are burned in a confined structure.

Condition: Such activity may only be allowed upon securing a permit from MENRO.

SECTION 7. ALTERNATIVES WAYS OF DISPOSING OF AGRICULTURE RESIDUE AND YARD WASTE MATERIALS. The Municipal Government shall encourage other modes be which agricultural residue and yard wastes may be disposed of instead of burning or incinerating. Within thirty (30) days upon approval of this Ordinance, the Office of the Municipal Mayor, thru the MAO/MENRO, shall come up with the rules and regulations on the alternative modes of disposing agricultural residue and yard waste materials that are environmentally acceptable like composting, substrate for vermiculture and mushroom production, source of animal feeds, and the like. The MENRO and BLGU shall campaign and disseminate alternative disposal of household wastes in designated eco parks of the barangay concerned.

SECTION 8. PENALTIES. Any person or entity found to have violated this Ordinance shall be penalized as follows:

First Offense: A fine of PHP 1,000.00 and a written warning. **Second Offense**: A fine of PHP 2,000.00.

Third and Subsequent Offenses: A fine of PHP 2,500.00, imprisonment for not more than 6 months at the discretion of the court, or both, as provided by law.

SECTION 9. IMPLEMENTING AGENCIES. The following agencies shall be tasked with the enforcement of this Ordinance:

- The Municipal Environment and Natural Resources Office (MENRO) shall oversee the overall implementation of this Ordinance and coordinate with other agencies as necessary.
- The Barangay Officials, in coordination with the Municipal Health Office and MENRO, shall ensure compliance and report any violations to the proper authorities.

-Agencies such as MENRO, MAO, MHO, and BLGUs shall:

- Conduct massive education, information, and communication campaigns (IEC) on the hazards of open burning and the proper disposal of waste through different media.
- The Punong Barangay shall implement measures to monitor and enforce this ordinance within their areas of jurisdiction.
- -The Municipal Mayor shall enforce this measure by creating a Task force on Open Burning Prohibition "Anti-Tutod" Task force.

SECTION 10. SEPARABILITY CLAUSE. If any provision or part of this Ordinance is declared unconstitutional or invalid, the remaining parts or provisions shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 11. REPEALING CLAUSE. All ordinances, resolutions, rules, and regulations, or parts thereof, that are inconsistent with this Ordinance are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

SECTION 12. EFFECTIVITY CLAUSE. This Ordinance shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its posting in at least three (3) conspicuous places in the Municipality of Bingawan and publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.

ENACTED, this 30th day of July 2025.

CERTIFIED CORRECT:

(SGD.) REZEL L. MONTILLA
Secretary to the Sangguniang Bayan

ATTESTED:

(SGD.) ELIZABETH C. OCCEÑA

Municipal Vice Mayor/Presiding Officer

APPROVED:

(SGD.) MATT P. PALABRICA, PhD.

Municipal Mayor

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Spl. Civil Action No. 25-0773

FOR: **EXPROPRIATION WITH URGENT PRAYER FOR ISSUANCE OF WRIT OF POSSESSION**

NATIONAL GRID CORPORATION OF THE PHILIPPINES,

Plaintiff,

-versus-

HEIRS OF SPOUSES JUAN E. BALLESTEROS AND MELECIA PELLASOL, ET AL.,

Defendants.

AMENDED ORDER

The Motion for Leave of Court to Serve Summons by Publication filed by plaintiff through counsel is **GRANTED**. Let the summons be served upon defendants Lodiosina Ballesteros Gaboy, all other heirs of Spouses Juan E. Ballesteros and Melecia Pellasol, and all other persons who may have any rightful claim or interest over Lot No. 2598-C located at Brgy. Zaldivar, Buenavista, Guimaras, through publication.

The plaintiff is ordered to cause the summons to be PUBLISHED once a week for two (2) consecutive weeks in a newspaper of general circulation in the Philippines and to **SUBMIT** its compliance to the court within five (5) days therefrom.

The defendants are ordered to file their answer sixty (60) days from the date of publication.

SO ORDERED.

San Miguel, Jordan, Guimaras

October 22, 2025.

(SGD.) ROSARIO ABIGAIL M. DRIS-VILLANUEVA

Presiding Judge

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SPOUSES STEVE G. REYES AND MELLIEVE B. REYES; AND

ALL OTHER PERSONS WHO MAY HAVE ANY CLAIM OR INTEREST OVER LOT NO. 2598-C, LOCATED IN BRGY. ZALDIVAR, **BUENAVISTA, GUIMARAS,**

Defendants.

SUMMONS

GREETINGS!

Pursuant to the Amended Order dated October 22, 2025, you are hereby required to file with this Court and serve on the plaintiff your answer to the complaint, copy of which is attached, together with the annexes within sixty (60) days from the date of publication of this summons. You are reminded of the provision in the IBP-OCA Memorandum on Policy Guidelines dated March 12, 2002 to observe restraint in filing a motion to dismiss and instead allege the grounds as defenses in the answer. If you fail to answer within the time fixed, the plaintiff will take judgment by default and may be granted the relief applied for in the petition.

WITNESS my hand under the seal of the Court, this 24th day of October 2025.

(SGD.) ATTY. MILANIE M. FUYONAN-HERMOSO Clerk of Court VI

Republic of the Philippines **Regional Trial Court** 6th Judicial Region Branch 65 Jordan, Guimaras

NATIONAL GRID CORPORATION OF THE PHILIPPINES,

-versus-

Plaintiff,

Special Civil

No. 25-0773

Expropriation

With Urgent

Prayer for

Issuance of Writ

of Possession

Action

For:

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Defendants. X------/

COMPLAINT

Plaintiff, National Grid Corporation of the Philippines (NGCP), by counsel respectfully states:

- NGCP is a private corporation created and existing under Philippine laws, with principal office address at NGCP Building, Quezon Avenue corner BIR Road, Diliman, Quezon City. It may be served with notices and other court processes through its Right of Way Department - Visayas Division, Banilad Power Complex, Nasipit, Talamban, Cebu City, copy furnished the afore-mentioned principal office.
- Pursuant to Republic Act (R.A.) No. 9511, NGCP was granted a franchise to operate, manage and maintain, and in connection therewith, to engage in the business of conveying or transmitting electricity through a high-voltage back-bone system of interconnected transmission lines, substations and related facilities, systems operations, and other activities that are necessary to support the safe and reliable operation of a transmission system and to construct, install, finance, manage, improve, expand, operate, maintain, rehabilitate, repair and refurbish the present nationwide transmission system of the Republic of the Philippines.
- Under Section 4 of the same law, NGCP was granted the power of eminent domain, subject to the requirements of the Constitution and existing laws, viz:

"SEC. 4. Right of Eminent Domain. — Subject to the limitations and procedures prescribed by law, the Grantee is authorized to exercise the right of eminent domain insofar as it may be reasonably necessary for the construction, expansion, and efficient maintenance and operation of the transmission system and grid and the efficient operation and maintenance of the subtransmission systems which have not yet been disposed by TRANSCO. The Grantee may acquire such private property as is actually necessary for the realization of the purposes for which this franchise is granted: Provided, That the applicable law on eminent domain shall be observed, particularly, the prerequisites of taking of possession and the determination and payment of just compensation."

- Part of NGCP's critical mandate is to transmit high voltage electricity generated by the generating plants of power producers to the various distribution companies and electric cooperatives across the country. This crucial mandate plays a vital role in ensuring the steady and reliable delivery of electricity to the public. Given the indispensable nature of its operations, NGCP's operation is imbued with public interest.
- Spouses Juan E. Ballesteros and Melecia Pellasol, who are both reportedly deceased, reportedly left nine (9) known children, namely: Henry P. Ballesteros, married to Otay Ballesteros, Abelardo P. Ballesteros (reportedly deceased), married to Bellie Ballesteros, Ronnie P. Ballesteros, Cynthia P. Ballesteros-Solis, married to Melchor Solis, Lodiosina Ballesteros Gaboy, Jerry P. Ballesteros, Jimmy Ballesteros, married to Cecilia Ballesteros, Analie P. Ballesteros-Evangelista, married to Boyet Evangelista, and Joepeth P. Ballesteros, married to Robelen Ballesteros.
 - 5.1. Defendants Spouses Henry P. Ballesteros and Otay Ballesteros, Ronnie P. Ballesteros, Spouses Cynthia P. Ballesteros-Solis and Melchor Solis, Jerry P. Ballesteros, Spouses Jimmy Ballesteros and Cecilia Ballesteros, Spouses Analie P. Ballesteros-Evangelista and Boyet Evangelista, and Spouses Joepeth P. Ballesteros and Robelen Ballesteros, are of legal age, Filipinos, and residents of Brgy. Zaldivar, Buenavista, Guimaras, where they can be served with summons, notices, and court processes.
 - 5.2. Defendant Bellie Ballesteros, surviving spouse of Abelardo P. Ballesteros, is of legal age, Filipino, and a resident of Brgy. Zaldivar, Buenavista, Guimaras, where she can be served with summons, notices, and court processes.
 - 5.3. NGCP cannot ascertain the exact whereabouts of defendant Lodiosina Ballesteros Gaboy, despite diligent and exhaustive efforts
 - 5.4. NGCP cannot ascertain the existence, identities, and whereabouts of the other heirs of Spouses Juan E. Ballesteros and Melecia Pellasol, despite diligent and exhaustive efforts.
 - 5.5. The heirs of Spouses Juan E. Ballesteros and Melecia Pellasol are impleaded herein because the late Spouses Juan E. Ballesteros and Melecia Pellasol are the registered and declared owners of the property subject of this Complaint.
- Defendants Spouses Steve G. Reves and Mellieve B. Reves are both of legal age, Filipinos, and residents of Brgy. Zaldivar, Buenavista, Guimaras, where they can be served with summons, notices and other court processes. They are impleaded herein pursuant to Section 1, Rule 67 of the Rules of Court because they reportedly acquired the property subject of this Complaint, including the improvements standing therein.
- NGCP cannot ascertain the existence, identities, and whereabouts of all other persons who may have any rightful claim or interest over the property subject of this Complaint, despite diligent and exhaustive efforts.
- The above-mentioned unknown heirs, claimants, and interestholders are impleaded herein pursuant to Section 1,1 Rule 67 of the Rules of Court and Section 14,2 Rule 3 of the Revised Rules of Civil Procedure, because NGCP cannot determine with certainty the identities of all persons who have the exclusive ownership of the property herein sought to be expropriated, despite diligent and exhaustive efforts. NGCP undertakes to cause, by way of motion for leave of court, the service of summons to them, as well as to the named defendants above whose whereabouts are unknown and those who may be residing abroad, by publication pursuant to Sections 16, 17, and 18, Rule 14 of the Revised Rules of Civil Procedure.
- In order to meet the increasing demand for electricity in the cities, municipalities and provinces in the Islands of Panay and Guimaras and to support the continuing growth and development in the area, there is a need for NGCP to construct a new transmission system that will suit the present and future power requirements therein. Without this new transmission system, the power requirements in the aforementioned region will not be supplied, leading to power outages.
- 10. Owing to this necessity, NGCP must immediately construct the transmission line, substations and other facilities that will transmit uninterrupted power to the distributors of electricity in the aforesaid area. These undertakings are for the use and benefit of the public and among those is known as the Panay-Guimaras 138kV Interconnection Project (the Project), major components of which include the Zaldivar Substation Project and the Access Road for the Zaldivar Substation Project.
- 11. The Energy Regulatory Commission (ERC) approved the Application filed by NGCP for the approval of the Panay-Guimaras 138kV Interconnection Project, docketed as ERC Case No. 2017-110RC in a Notice of Resolution,³ promulgated on 17 April 2024, a pertinent portion of which

¹Section 1. The complaint. — The right of eminent domain shall be exercised by the filing of a verified complaint which shall state with certainty the right and purpose of expropriation, describe the real or personal property sought to be expropriated, and join as defendants all persons owning or claiming to own, or occupying, any part thereof or interest therein, showing, so far as practicable, the separate interest of each defendant. If the title to any property sought to be expropriated appears to be in the Republic of the Philippines, although occupied by private individuals, or if the title is otherwise obscure or doubtful so that the plaintiff cannot with accuracy or certainty specify who are the real owners, averment to that effect shall be made in the complaint.

2 Section 14. Unknown identity or name of defendant. — Whenever the identity or name of

a defendant is unknown, he may be sued as the unknown owner heir devisee, or by such other designation as the case may require; when his identity or true name is discovered, the pleading must be amended accordingly.

> "Notice is hereby given that the Commission, after due deliberation and evaluation, in a Regular Commission Meeting held on 17 April 2024, RESOLVED the following matters:

> "1. NGCP's proposed Panay-Guimaras 138kV Interconnection Project in the instant Application amounting to Two Billion Three Hundred Twenty Million Six Hundred Forty-Five Thousand Seven Hundred Twenty-Five Pesos and Seventy-Six Centavos (Php2,320,645,725.76) is hereby APPROVED, subject to optimization based on its actual use and verified expenses incurred during the reset process for the subsequent regulatory period, following the procedures stated in the Rules in Setting the Transmission Wheeling Rates (RTWR), as amended, and other relevant issuances of the Commission. The project cost indicated herein is solely for the purpose of determining the permit fee;

- 12. Given the foregoing, there is genuine necessity and urgency to immediately construct and implement the Project which is intended to accommodate the entry of the 40 MW Sibunag Wind Power Plant which will result in increased power supply and transmission towards Panay and in improved reliability and flexibility of the grid in the area. Hence, the immediate completion and energization of the said project are critically important.
- 13. In particular, the Zaldivar Substation Project, as a major component of the Project, will serve as the major hub to receive high-voltage power from the said 40 MW Sibunag Wind Power Plant, as well as other present and future power plants in Guimaras, and transmit it to the grid towards Panay Island. In addition, it shall be accessible to distribution utilities serving the consumers in the municipalities in the Province of Guimaras to tap into for transmission of high-voltage power. On the other hand, the Access Road for the Zaldivar Substation, as a major component of the Project, is aimed to provide access to the Zaldivar Substation during its construction, implementation, operation and maintenance, thereby making it an indispensable part of the substation itself. Hence, the immediate completion of the said components is critically important for the completion and energization of the whole Project.
- 14. The route of the Project commences at NGCP's existing Iloilo Substation in Brgy. Ingore, La Paz, Iloilo City, and stretches via overhead transmission line towards the Ingore Cable Terminal Station in the same barangay. It then proceeds via submarine cables towards the Sawang Cable Terminal Station in Brgy. Sawang, Buenavista, Guimaras, and continues via overhead transmission line towards the projected Zaldivar Substation in Brgy. Zaldivar, Buenavista, Guimaras, where it terminates.

³ ANNEX "A" – ERC Notice of Resolution.

- 15. On the other hand, the Zaldivar Substation Project is projected to occupy a land area consisting of a total of 42,584 square meters, located in Brgy. Zaldivar, Buenavista, Guimaras. Whereas, the Access Road for the Zaldivar Substation Project is projected to occupy a land area consisting of portions of nine (9) parcels of land with a total area of 9,934 square meters, likewise all located in Brgy. Zaldivar, Buenavista, Guimaras. The indicative Site Development Plan, as superimposed on the Site Map⁴ of the substation area and the area for its access road, shows the necessity for the taking of the affected lots as site for the Access Road for the Zaldivar Substation Project.
- 16. The determination of the areas to be affected by the construction of the Project, which includes the property subject of this Complaint, was the result of an in-depth study by the engineering group of the NGCP. It included the survey and re-survey of the areas to be affected and spot mapping thereof to determine the terrain, suitability of the soil, and other technical and social factors. The choice of the areas to be affected as well as of the path of the transmission lines is neither arbitrary nor whimsical. Varying factors are always considered, such as, but not limited to the integrity of the line and the grid, the cost, and the ease of maintenance of the transmission lines.
- 17. The route and site of the Project were established by NGCP in good faith, taking into account all the mentioned paramount technical considerations, to cause the least possible damage to the affected localities, avoiding as far as practicable urbanized, commercial and public areas, thereby making it the least burdensome to the general public and all the landowners in the area, taken as a whole. The selection of the route and the taking of the properties affected by it, including the property subject of this Complaint, are in accordance with the ruling of the Supreme Court in the case of Sumulong vs. Guerrero, G.R. No. 48685, September 30, 1987, wherein it was held:
 - "x x x Absent a clear showing of fraud, bad faith, or gross abuse of discretion, which petitioners herein failed to demonstrate, the Court will give due weight to and leave undisturbed the [expropriator]'s choice and the size of the site for the project. The property owner may not interpose objections merely because in their judgment some other property would have been more suitable, or just as suitable, for the purpose. The right to the use, enjoyment and disposal of private property is tempered by and has to yield to the demands of the common good. x x x." (Bracketing and replacement supplied.).

⁴ ANNEX "B" - Site Map of the Zaldivar Substation and its Access Road with indicative

- 18. NGCP selected the site of the Zaldivar Substation Project and its Access Road through the purposeful placement or positioning of the substation site. In doing so, it was guided by the accepted standards in the construction of substations, consisting of the following criteria: proximity of the substation site to the area to be catered by the high-voltage electrical transmission, particularly the accessibility by power generation plants and the local electrical distributors, shortest feasible distance of the transmission line, accessibility, ideal topographic location, ideal geological and geotechnical characteristic of soil, least environmental concerns or impact to humans, least damage as far as practicable to all affected properties, conformance with plans of the affected local government units and other Government agencies, conformance with CAAP requirements, avoidance of identified protected areas, avoidance of sources of pollution, and total investment cost, among others. On the other hand, the site of the Access Road for the Zaldivar Substation Project was established with consideration to the ideal topographic location and terrain, ideal geological and geotechnical characteristic of soil. shortest feasible distance between the substation site to the main road, least environmental concerns or impact to humans, least damage as far as practicable to all affected properties, while its width was determined with consideration to the type of vehicles, equipment and machinery that would cater to the operation of the substation, and to the necessity of constructing ripraps or similar support to prevent soil erosion or landslides and to provide other means to ensure its structural integrity.
- 19. In selecting the site and route of the Access Road for the Zaldivar Substation, community establishments such as schools, churches, cemeteries, public buildings, residential houses and commercial structures are avoided, if practicable. In cases where it is not practicable to avoid all these establishments, the least number of establishments and people to be displaced by the transmission line is taken into consideration. However, the physical nature of the access road, taking into consideration all other criteria its site selection and its structural integrity, makes it inevitable that the least damage to all and every affected property cannot be satisfied.
- 20. After the site and route of the Project were established, the survey team conducted a parcellary survey to identify the specific properties traversed by the project. It was after the conduct of parcellary survey that the specific affected properties, and the extent of their affected areas, were
- 21. To fully implement and complete the project, NGCP needs to immediately take, by voluntary acquisition or expropriation, properties, or portions thereof, that are affected or traversed by the Project. It is genuinely necessary to take the properties that are within the site of the Zaldivar Substation Project because these would be entirely occupied by substation

facilities. Likewise, it is genuinely necessary to take the properties traversed by the Access Road for the Zaldivar Substation to provide access thereto during its construction, implementation, operation and maintenance, as it is an indispensable part of the substation itself. This public use of the affected properties necessitates their taking.

- 22. The genuine necessity and public use for which the taking of properties for the transmission line project of NGCP are in accordance with the rulings of the Supreme Court, particularly in the cases of The Manila Railroad Company vs. Mitchell, G.R. No. 19280, March 16, 1923 (En Banc),⁵ and MORE Electric and Power Corporation vs. Panay Electric Company, Inc., G.R. No. 248061, September 15, 2020 (En Banc),6 and National Power Corporation vs. Benjamin Ong Co, G.R. No. 166973, February 10, 2009.7
- 23. In the exercise of its right of eminent domain, NGCP intends to expropriate portions of a parcel of land denominated as Lot No. 2598-C, a private property located in Brgy. Zaldivar, Buenavista, Guimaras. As indicated in the pertinent portion of the Index Map,8 the said portions of Lot No. 2598-C is within the site of the Access Road for the Zaldivar Substation Project.
- Lot No. 2598-C is registered under Transfer Certificate of Title (TCT) No. EP-29839 in the name of Juan E. Ballesteros, married to Melecia Pellasol, and declared for taxation purposes under Tax Declaration (TD) No. 99-0103 (036)10 in the name of Juan E. Ballesteros. The affected areas of the property sought to be expropriated consist of 320 square meters and 758 square meters, respectively, or a total of 1,078 square meters, more or less, as shown in the Sketch Plan¹¹ and Narrative Technical Descriptions, ¹² and are more particularly described below together with the Reports on the Count of Improvements¹³ and Valuation of House/Structure,¹⁴ to wit:
 - is necessary for such use, it means a reasonable, not an absolute necessity, x x x"
 - ⁶ "x x x Without a doubt, the provision of uninterrupted supply of electricity is a public purpose which is distinct from the general purpose of electricity distribution. Such distinct purpose is both public and genuine."
 - "x x x there is no doubt that the installation of transmission lines is important to the continued growth of the country. Electricity moves our economy; it is a national
 - ANNEX "C" Portions of Index Map of the project as traversing Lot No. 2598-C.
 ANNEX "D" Transfer Certificate of Title No. EP-2983.

 - ¹⁰ **ANNEX "E" –** Tax Declaration No. 99-0103 (036).

Lot No.	2598-C		
TCT No.	EP-2983		
Registered Owner	Juan E. Ballesteros, married to Melecia Pellasol		
TD No.	99-0103 (036)		
Declared Owner	Juan E. Ballesteros		
Total Area	5,727 sq.m.		
Affected Area	320 sq.m. and 758 sq.m. (total = 1,078 sq.m.)		
Classification	Agricultural		
Market Value of Affected Area (Php6.49/sq.m.)	Php6,997.01		
Assessed Value of Affected Area (Php2.32/sq.m.)	Php2,499.36		
BIR Zonal Value of Affected Area (Php14.00/sq.m.) ¹⁵	Php15,092.00		
Costs of Affected Improvements Crops, Plants and Trees)	Php20,466.00 Php17,990.10		
Cost of Affected Improvements (House/ Structure)	Php38,290.70		
Total Amount of Compensation	Php91,838.80		

- 25. To enable NGCP to construct and maintain the Access Road for the Zaldivar Substation Project of the Panay-Guimaras 138kV Interconnection Project, it is both genuinely necessary and urgent to acquire, upon payment of just compensation, the above-described portions of Lot No. 2598-C, to ensure stability and reliability of power supply in the cities, municipalities and provinces in the Islands of Panay and Guimaras, as well as other parts of the country.
- 26. NGCP's personnel endeavored to negotiate with the known portions of Lot No. 2598-C for the implementation of the project. On September $\,$ 4, 2024 and onwards, NGCP's personnel negotiated with defendants Spouses Cynthia P. Ballesteros-Solis and Melchor Solis, as representatives of the heirs of Spouses Juan E. Ballesteros and Melecia Pellasol. However, no agreement could be reached between the parties, because the defendants heirs refused NGCP's offer.
 - ANNEX "F" Sketch Plan for Lot No. 2598-C.
 - ¹² ANNEXES "G" and "G-1" Narrative Technical Descriptions for Lot No. 2598-C.

 ¹³ ANNEXES "H" and "H-1" Reports on the Count of Improvements.

 - 15 ANNEX "J" BIR Certification
- Subsequently, on November 6, 2024 and onwards, NGCP's personnel then negotiated with defendant Steve G. Reyes. However, no settlement could be reached because the said defendant refused NGCP's offer, and because of unresolved issues on the terms and documentation of settlement. Considering the urgency involved in the construction of the project, NGCP has no other recourse but to file the instant case.
- 28. Expropriation aims to condemn a property to public domain to the exclusion of all persons, who all lose their respective interests over the same and, therefore, who must share in the payment of just compensation in accordance with their respective interests. The Supreme Court in the case of Republic vs. Court of Appeals, G.R. No. 146587, July 2, 2002, held:
 - "x x x An in rem proceeding, condemnation acts upon the property. After condemnation, the paramount title is in the public under a new and independent title; thus, by giving notice to all claimants to a disputed title, condemnation proceedings provide a judicial process for securing better title against all the world than may be obtained by voluntary conveyance." (Citing Cadorette vs. US CCA (Mass) 988 F2d 215; emphasis supplied.)
- 29. NGCP is willing and able to pay the just compensation for the above-described portions of Lot No. 2598-C to the defendants who may be

determined by this Honorable Court as rightful recipients thereof pursuant to Section 9, Rule 67 of the Rules of Court, as may be necessary, subject to deductions for capital gains and documentary stamp taxes for the transfer of the property in the name of NGCP, which NGCP shall directly pay to the Government, and subject to the settlement by defendants of all applicable estate taxes and all outstanding taxes pertaining to prior transfers of the subject property, if any, and all other outstanding taxes under the National Internal Revenue Code (NIRC), and other outstanding realty taxes and dues under the Local Government Code.

- 30. Considering that the registration of the transfer in fee simple of the above-described portions of Lot No. 2598-C in the name of NGCP by virtue of this expropriation proceeding may require the settlement of the estate involving the property, if applicable, the payment of the applicable estate taxes, the settlement of all outstanding realty taxes and dues under the Local Government Code, if any, and the settlement of all outstanding taxes pertaining to prior transfers of the subject property, if applicable, defendants must be required to submit the necessary documents and proof of the settlement of the estate and payment of the said taxes and dues before just compensation is released to them
- 31. Recognizing further the urgency of the resolution of expropriation cases involving transmission lines, in OCA Circular No. 127-2021 dated 13 October 2021, the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court enjoined judges to give primacy to cases that involve, among others, government expropriation, and infrastructure projects (including energy transmission projects), commercial - and economic-impact cases.
- 32. Moreover, an expropriation proceeding being an action quasi in rem, 16 jurisdiction over the defendants is not required. It is only required that there is jurisdiction over the *res*. Concomitantly, prior service of summons upon the defendants is not required for the issuance of the Writ of Possession.
- 33. In NM Rothschild & Sons (Australia) Ltd. vs. Lepanto Consolidated Mining Company, 17 the Supreme Court held that:

"[W]hen the case instituted is an action in rem or quasi in rem, Philippine courts already have jurisdiction to hear and decide the case because, in actions in rem and quasi in rem, jurisdiction over the person of the defendant is not a prerequisite to confer jurisdiction on the court, provided that the court acquires jurisdiction over the res."

Again, in Macasaet vs. Co, Jr., 18 the Supreme Court held:

"Jurisdiction over the person, or jurisdiction in personam—the power of the court to render a personal judgment or to subject the parties in a particular action to the judgment and other rulings rendered in the action—is an element of due process that is essential in all actions, civil as well as criminal, except in actions in rem or quasi in rem. Jurisdiction over the defendant in an action in rem or quasi in rem is not required, and the court acquires jurisdiction over an action as long as it acquires jurisdiction over the res that is the subject matter of the action. The purpose of summons in such action is not the acquisition of jurisdiction over the defendant but mainly to satisfy the constitutional requirement of due process."

- ¹⁶ Ramos vs. Philippine Tourism Authority, G.R. Nos. 52449-50, 09 June 1980, cited in paragraph 1, page 4 of OCA Circular No. 113-2019.
 ¹⁷ G.R. No. 175799, November 28, 2011

ALLEGATIONS IN SUPPORT OF THE ISSUANCE OF A WRIT OF POSSESSION

- 35. Section 13 of R.A. 1136119 provides that Rule 67 of the Rules of Court governs NGCP's expropriation cases. Under Section 2 of Rule 67 of the Rules of Court, NGCP may already enter and possess the subject property during the pendency of the expropriation case, 20 thus:
 - "SEC. 2. Entry of plaintiff upon depositing value with authorized government depositary. — Upon the filing of the complaint or at any time thereafter and after due notice to the defendant, the plaintiff shall have the right to take or enter upon the possession of the real property involved if he deposits with the authorized government depositary an amount equivalent to the assessed value of the property for purposes of taxation to be held by such bank subject to the orders of the court. Such deposit shall be in money, unless in lieu thereof the court authorizes the deposit of a certificate of deposit of a government bank of the Republic of the Philippines payable on demand to the authorized government depositary."
- Pursuant to the above Rule, NGCP shall cause to be served, among other means, together with the summons and the instant Complaint, a Notice to Take Possession²¹ upon the defendants.
- In the interest of immediate project implementation within established timelines, NGCP shall deposit with the Clerk of Court of this Honorable Court, in favor of the defendants, 100% of the BIR zonal value of the portions of the subject property sought to be expropriated, including the value of the affected improvements standing therein, in the total amount of Ninety-One Thousand Eight Hundred Thirty-Eight and 80/100 Pesos (Php91,838.80), thereby placing it in custodia legis, pursuant to OCA Circular No. 113-2019.
- 38. Upon deposit of the provisional amount, which is higher than the assessed value of the affected areas of the subject property, NGCP would have fully complied with the requirements for the issuance of a writ of possession as mandated by law.
- 39. In a long line of cases²² and in accordance with OCA Circular No. 113-2019, once the above requirements are complied with, it becomes the ministerial duty of the trial court to issue the writ of possession in favor of the plaintiff, without need of any further hearing. Therefore, this Honorable Court can already immediately issue to NGCP an order to take possession of the subject property and start the implementation of the project.
 - ¹⁹ Section 13, R.A. 11361 provides that "Subject to the limitations and procedures prescribed by the law, the power to exercise the right of eminent domain granted to any person with a franchise to operate, manage, or maintain the electric power lines shall be governed by the pertinent provisions of the Rules of Court." National Power Corporation vs. Posada, et. al., G.R. No. 191945, March 11, 2015.
 - ANNEX "K" Notice to Take Possession. Robern Development Corporation vs. Quitain, G.R. No. 135042, September 23, 1999; SMI Development Corporation vs. Republic of the Philippines, G.R.

- No. 137537, January 28, 2000; **Biglang-awa vs. Bacalla,** G.R. Nos. 139927 and 139936, November 22, 2000; **City of Manila vs. Serrano,** G.R. No. 142304, June 20, 2001; **Bardillon vs. Brgy. Masili,** G.R. No. 146886, April 30, 2003; **City of Iloilo vs. Legaspi,** G. R. No. 154614, November 25, 2004.
- ²² G,R. No. 205544, June 29, 2016 ²⁴ "28.2 Requirements for Police Assistance. Request for police assistance in the implementation of final decisions/orders/writs shall be acted only, upon compliance of the following conditions:
- a. The request for police assistance is based on an order of the court, quasi-judicial or administrative bodies;
- b. The written request for police assistance shall be signed by the Sheriff or equivalent officer in quasi-judicial or administrative bodies:
- c. The request is filed at least five (5) working days prior to the actual implementation;
- d. The original document of the final decision/order/resolution must be presented. In the absence of the same, a copy duly authenticated by the Clerk of Court or other authorized representative of the court, quasi-judicial or administrative body will suffice.'
- 40. In the case of Municipality of Cordova vs. Pathfinder Development Corporation, 23 the Supreme Court emphasizes the mandatory issuance of the writ of possession upon the receipt of the required deposit. "No hearing is actually required for the issuance of a writ of possession, which demands only two (2) requirements: (a) the sufficiency in form and substance of the complaint; and, (b) the required provisional deposit x x x x. Upon compliance with these requirements, the petitioner in an expropriation case is entitled to a writ of possession as a matter of right and the issuance of the writ becomes ministerial."
- 41. Corollary to the successful and complete implementation of the Writ of Possession, and for the orderly and peaceful entry of NGCP into the subject property for project implementation, the assistance of the Philippine National Police (PNP) and temporary access through the subject property to the areas being expropriated are necessary. In view of the requirement under Section 28.2, Rule 28²⁴ of the Revised Philippine National Police Operational Procedures, the Order for issuance of a writ of possession needs to specifically direct the PNP to render assistance in order for the PNP to have basis to act. As such, NGCP prays that this Honorable Court also direct the PNP Officers to assist in the implementation of the Writ of Possession that will be issued.

TESTIMONIAL AND DOCUMENTARY EVIDENCE

- NGCP intends to present at least three (3) witnesses, namely:
 - a) Jesse L. Asuga, Construction Project Manager, whose testimony is being presented to establish the propriety of expropriation for NGCP's project, the necessity and public use for which the instant expropriation case is instituted, and other facts of the case. A copy of his Judicial Affidavit is attached herein as Annex "L:'
 - b) Asterio B. Tubera, Regional Survey and Geotechnical Supervisor, whose testimony is being presented to establish the areas and transmission line route necessary for the construction of NGCP's project pertinent to the subject property, the consequent necessity of the taking of the subject property, and other facts of the case. A copy of his Judicial Affidavit is attached herein as Annex "M;" and
 - c) Jun A. Celoso, Regional Right-of-Way Senior Associate, whose testimony is being presented to establish the bases for the determination of the just compensation and the activities relating to negotiations, among others. A copy of his Judicial Affidavit is attached herein as Annex "N."
- NGCP intends to introduce the following as documentary evidence:

Exhibit No.	Description	
"A"	ERC Notice of Resolution	
"B"	Site Map of the Zaldivar Substation and its Access Road with indicative Site Development Plan	
"C"	Sketch Plan	
"D" and "D-1"	Narrative Technical Descriptions	
"E"	Portions of Index Map	
"F"	Transfer Certificate of Title No. EP-2983	
"G"	Tax Declaration No. 99-0103 (036)	
"H"	BIR Certification	
"I" and "I-1"	Reports on the Count of Improvements	
"J"	Valuation of House/Structure	

44. NGCP reserves its right to present additional testimonial and documentary as circumstances may require during trial.

PRAYER

WHEREFORE, premises considered, NGCP most respectfully prays for this Honorable Court to:

- ISSUE a Writ of Possession in NGCP's favor:
 - Authorizing it to enter and take possession of the portions of Lot No. 2598-C, subject of this Complaint, that will be affected by the construction and implementation of the Access Road for the Zaldivar Substation Project, a major component of Panay-Guimaras 138kV Interconnection Project, as described in paragraphs 23 and 24 hereof:
- Ordering the demolition of affected houses/structures standing thereon, if any;
- Ordering all defendants to vacate the same; c)
- Directing the PNP to assist NGCP in the implementation of the said d) writ of possession so that project construction can immediately commence even during the pendency of the case; and
- If necessary, allowing NGCP to have temporary access in going to the areas subject of the Complaint while the construction of the Project is on-going;
- ISSUE an **Order of Expropriation** declaring that NGCP has a lawful right to take and condemn to public use the subject portions of Lot No. 2598-C sought to be expropriated, consisting of 320 square meters and 758 square meters, respectively, or a total of 1,078 square meters, more or less, as specified in paragraphs 23 and 24 of this Complaint:
 - After the determination of just compensation, ISSUE a Judgment:

- Authorizing NGCP to pay to the rightful defendants, as determined by this Honorable Court, the amount of just compensation fixed after deducting the provisional deposit, capital gains and documentary stamp taxes for the transfer of the property in the name of NGCP, and after submission by defendants of proofs of the settlement of the applicable estate taxes, all other outstanding taxes under the National Internal Revenue Code for previous transfers, if any, and all outstanding realty taxes and dues under the Local Government Code, whichever is applicable;
- Declaring NGCP as the lawful and exclusive owner of the portions of Lot No. 2598-C, sought to be expropriated, consisting of 320 square meters and 758 square meters, respectively, or a total of 1,078 square meters, more or less, specified in paragraphs 23 and 24 hereof:
- Directing the Registry of Deeds for the Province of Iloilo to immediately register and annotate the Writ of Possession, Order of Expropriation and Judgment on TCT No. EP-2983, regardless of the status of the settlement of estates involving the subject property, the payment of the estate taxes and all taxes involving prior transfers thereof, and of the payment of outstanding local and national taxes not attributable to NGCP, if applicable, and without the need for the presentation of the owner's duplicate copy of the said certificate of title;
- Directing the Registry of Deeds for the Province of Iloilo, upon application by NGCP, to issue new and separate certificates of title in its name over the portions of Lot No. 2598-C, sought to be expropriated herein, free from all liens and encumbrances, and without the need for the presentation of the owner's duplicate copy of the said certificate of title;
- Directing the Provincial Assessor of Guimaras and the Municipal Assessor of Buenavista, Guimaras, to immediately annotate the Writ of Possession, Order of Expropriation and Judgment on Tax Declaration No. 99-0103 (036), regardless of the status of the settlement of estates involving the subject property, the payment of the estate taxes and all taxes involving prior transfers thereof, and of the payment of outstanding local and national taxes not attributable to NGCP, if applicable; and
- Directing the Provincial Assessor of Guimaras and the Municipal Assessor of Buenavista, Guimaras, to cancel the said tax declaration, and all other tax declarations that may have been issued over the subject property, and to issue new and separate tax declarations in the name of NGCP over the portions of Lot No. 2598-C sought to be expropriated herein.

NGCP prays for other reliefs just and equitable under the premises.

Quezon City for Jordan, Guimaras, 27 MAY 2025.

NATIONAL GRID CORPORATION OF THE PHILIPPINES NGCP Bldg., Quezon Avenue cor. BIR Road

Diliman, Quezon City

By:

LUIS MANUEL U. BUGAYONG

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RIGHT OF WAY DEPARTMENT - VISAYAS DIVISION NATIONAL GRID CORPORATION OF THE PHILIPPINES Visayas Operations and Maintenance, Banilad Power Complex, Nasipit, Talamban, Cebu City

By:

(SGD.) ELENA MARIE MADARANG-CAPANAS

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VERIFICATION AND CERTIFICATION

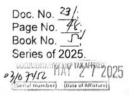
- I, ELENA MARIE MADARANG-CAPANAS, after having been duly sworn to in accordance with law, hereby state:
- 1. I am the Regional ROW Manager, Visayas Right-of-Way Division (VROWD), of the National Grid Corporation of the Philippines (NGCP);

- 2. I am authorized to sign the Verification and Certification of Non-Forum Shopping in the expropriation cases for and in behalf of NGCP with respect to the projects and areas under my supervision pursuant to the authority granted by the NGCP Board of Directors as evidenced by a Secretary's Certificate, dated 22 July 2021, hereto attached as Annex
- 3. I caused the preparation of the foregoing Complaint. I have read the foregoing Complaint and I attest that the allegations therein are true and correct of my personal knowledge or based on authentic records on file. It is not filed to harass, cause unnecessary delay, or needlessly increase the cost of litigation. The factual allegations therein have evidentiary support or, if specifically, so identified, will likewise have evidentiary support after a reasonable opportunity for discovery;
- 4. I further attest that the National Grid Corporation of the Philippines has not commenced any action or filed any claim involving the same issues in any court, tribunal or quasi-judicial agency and, to the best of my knowledge, no such other action or claim is pending therein. If I should thereafter learn that the same or similar action or claim has been filed or is pending, I shall report that fact to this Court within five (5) calendar days therefrom.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto affixed my signature this 27th day of MAY 2025, in Cebu City, Philippines.

(SGD.) ELENA MARIE MADARANG-CAPANAS

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me this 27th day of MAY 2025, affiant exhibited to me her Driver's License bearing No. G01-90-123324 issued by the Land Transportation Office of Cebu, as her competent proof of identity.



AMANDO VAN D. LIGUTAN
Notary Public for and in the City of Cebu
Until 31 Docember 2025
Notarial Commission No. 06-18
Roll of Attorney No. 52963
PTR No. CEB-272257 / for 2025
ISP Lifetime No. 011466/Cebu City
Vational Grid Corporation of the Philippines
Building 02, Visayas Power Complex
Nasipit, Talamban, Cebu City

Republic of the Philippines **Regional Trial Court** 6th Judicial Region Branch 65 Jordan, Guimaras

NATIONAL GRID CORPORATION OF THE PHILIPPINES,

Plaintiff.

-versus-

HEIRS OF SPOUSES JUAN E. **BALLESTEROS AND MELECIA** PELLASOL, ET AL.,

Defendants.

No. 25-0773 For: Expropriation With Urgent Prayer for Issuance of Writ of Possession

Special Civil Action

NOTICE TO TAKE POSSESSION

Spouses Henry P. Ballesteros and Otay Ballesteros Ronnie P. Ballesteros Spouses Cynthia P. Ballesteros-Solis and Melchor Solis Jerry P. Ballesteros **Spouses Jimmy Ballesteros** and Cecilia Ballesteros Spouses Analie P. Ballesteros-**Evangelista and Boyet** Evangelista Spouses Joepeth P. Ballesteros and Robelen Ballesteros **Bellie Ballesteros** Lodiosina Ballesteros Gabov Spouses Steve G. Reyes and Mellieve B. Reyes Brgy. Zaldivar, Buenavista. Guimaras

All other heirs of Spouses Juan E. Ballesteros and Melecia Pellasol of unknown whereabouts, and all other persons who may have any claim or interest over Lot No. 2598-C, located in Brgy. Zaldivar, Buenavista, Guimaras

Please be informed that the National Grid Corporation of the Philippines (NGCP), by virtue of Section 2 of Rule 67 of the Rules of Court and of other related laws, will take possession and control over specific areas of the property subject of the above-captioned expropriation case, denominated as Lot No. 2598-C, situated in Brgy. Zaldivar, Buenavista, Guimaras. The property is registered under Transfer Certificate of Title No. EP-2983 in the name of Juan E. Ballesteros, married to Melecia Pellasol, and declared for taxation purposes under Tax Declaration No. 99-0103 (036) in the name of Juan E. Ballesteros.

The affected areas of the subject property which NGCP will take possession and control over, are more specifically described and identified in the Complaint, and they will be for the use and benefit of the public through NGCP's Access Road for the Zaldivar Substation Project, a major component of the Panay-Guimaras 138kV Interconnection Project.

NGCP shall deposit with the Office of the Clerk of Court, RTC, Jordan, Guimaras, the provisional amount of Ninety-One Thousand Eight Hundred Thirty-Eight and 80/100 Pesos (Php91,838.80), equivalent to the current BIR zonal value of the affected areas of the subject property, including the cost of the affected improvements standing therein.

Further, please be informed that the plaintiff and/or its representatives shall enter and take possession of the subject property immediately after the Honorable Court issues the Writ of Possession in compliance with the law and Rules. Likewise, NGCP will no longer pay any improvements that will be introduced in the subject property after receipt of this Notice.

27 MAY 2025, Cebu City for Jordan, Guimaras.

(SGD.) JAMES A. HUPP III

PTR No. 1384014 - 12/04/2024 - Cebu Province IBP Lifetime No. 08194 /1-08-09/ Cebu City MCLE Compliance No. VII-0014197 - 03/31/2022 Roll of Attorneys No. 48764



Republic of the Philippines ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION Pasig City

NOTICE OF RESOLUTION

ERC Case No. 2017-110 RC In Re:

In the Matter of the Application for the Approval of the Implementation of Additional Capital Expenditure Program for Calendar Year 2017-Beyond 2020, with Prayer for the Issuance of a Provisional Authority

National Grid Corporation of the Philippines (NGCP), Applicant.

Notice is hereby given that the Commission, after due deliberation and evaluation, in a Regular Commission Meeting held on 17 April 2024, RESOLVED the following matters:

- NGCP's proposed Panay-Guimaras 138 kV Interconnection Project in the instant Application amounting to Two Billion Three Hundred Twenty Million Six Hundred Forty-Five Thousand Seven Hundred Twenty-Five Pesos and Seventy-Six Centavos (PhP2,320,645,725.76) is hereby APPROVED, subject to optimization based on its actual use and verified expenses incurred during the reset process for the subsequent regulatory period, following the procedures stated in the Rules in Setting the Transmission Wheeling Rates (RTWR), as amended, and other relevant issuances of the Commission. The project cost indicated herein is solely for the purpose of determining the permit fee;
- NGCP is hereby **DIRECTED** to complete the said project within twenty-four (24) months from the date hereof. Noncompliance therewith will result in administrative penalty provided under relevant laws, and pertinent rules and regulations of the Commission;
- NGCP is hereby DIRECTED to implement the subject project based on the agreement of NGCP and Iloilo Grains Complex Corporation (IGCC), as stated in the Compliance dated o8 March 2024;
- NGCP is hereby **DIRECTED** to file a separate *Application* to address the concern of power interruptions during N-1 event in Sta. Barbara-Ingore 69 kV Transmission Line;
- NGCP is hereby **DIRECTED** to submit the actual loading of the existing assets for the year 2023, **within five (5)** days from receipt hereof; and
- NGCP is hereby DIRECTED to pay the Commission, within fifteen (15) days from receipt hereof, the full amount of Seventeen Million Four Hundred Four Thousand Eight Hundred Forty-Two Pesos and Ninety-Four (PhP17,404,842.94), as payment for the permit fee, pursuant to Section 40 of the Public Service Act, as amended, and the Commission's Revised Schedule of Fees and Charges Fees and Charges.

This Notice is being issued due to lack of material time in promulgating the official Order in the above-captioned case. The formal Order will be issued shortly.

SO ORDERED.

Pasig City, 17 April 2024.



FOR AND BY AUTHORITY OF THE COMMISSION

MONALISA C. DIMALANTA Chairperson and CEO

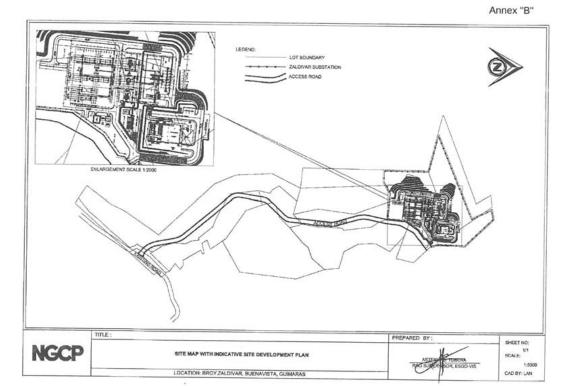


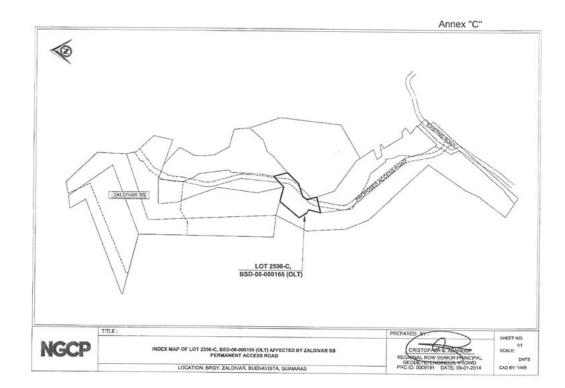
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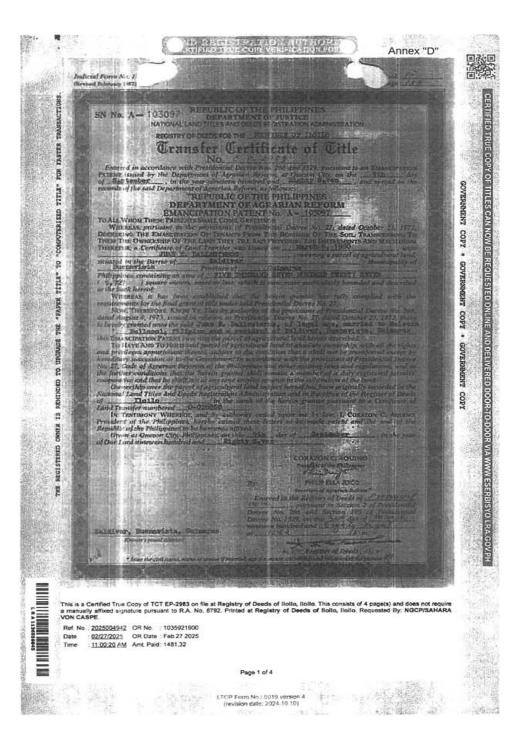
- National Grid Corporation of the Philippines (NGCP)
 - Applicant NGCP Building, Quezon Avenue corner BIR Road, Diliman, Quezon City
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- Manila Electric Company (MERALCO)
 - Intervenor

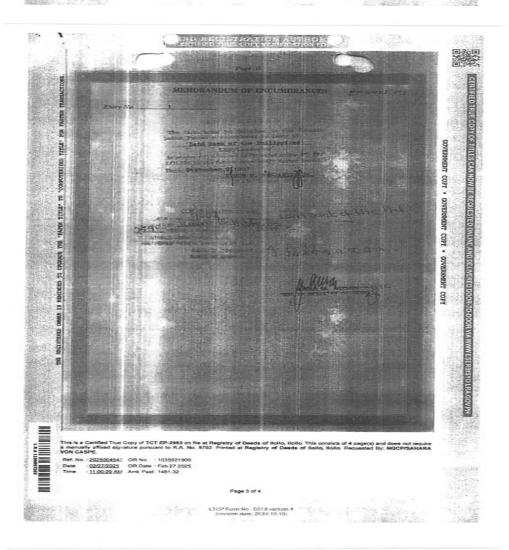
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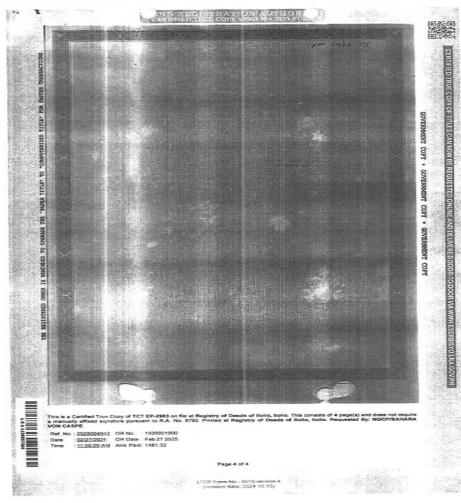
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- emcrobles@meralco.com.ph National Transmission Corporation (TRANSCO)
 - Intervenor
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- Cotabato Light and Power Company (CLPC)
 - Attention: Attys. Paul B. Sorino, Celeni Krsitine G. Guinto and Leo Fornesa Sinsuat Avenue, Cotabato City
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 leo.fornesa@aboitiz.com
- - Davao Light and Power Company, Inc. (DLPC)
 Intervenor
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 leo.fornesa@aboitiz.com; davaolight@aboitiz.com
- Engr. Robert F. Mallillin
 - 38 General Delgado St., Brgy. San Antonio Village, Pasig City
- St. Raphael Power Generation Corporation (SRPGC)
 - Intervenor 10F 8 Rockwell Hidalgo corner Plaza Drives Rockwell City, Makati City
- Atimonan One Energy, Inc. (AIE)
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- Therma Luzon, Inc. (TLI)
 - Intervenor
 Attention: Attys. Paul B. Sorino, Celeni Krsitine G. Guinto and Leo Fornesa
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 paul.sorino@abotitz.com; celeni.guinto@abotitz.com;
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- Iloilo Grain Complex Corporation (IGCC) Oppositor 29F High Street South Corporate Plaza Tower 1, Fort Bonifacio, Taguig City

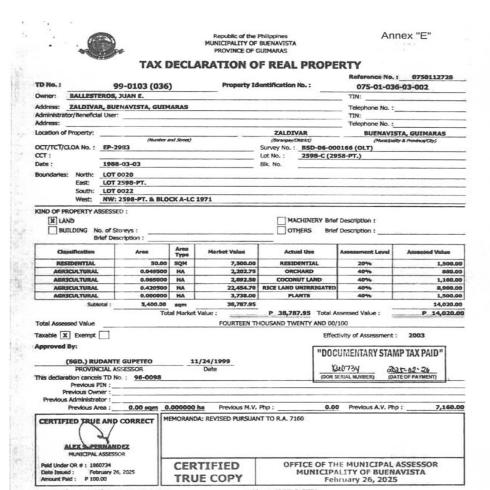




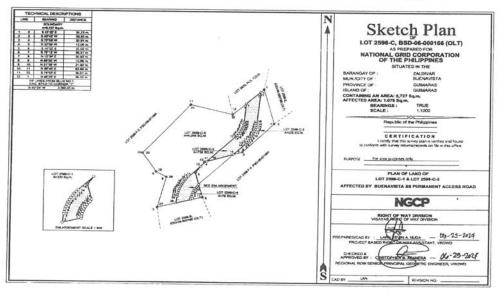








Annex "F"



Annex "G"

TECHNICAL DESCRIPTION LOT 2598-C-1

A parcel of land (LOT 2598-C-1 of the subdivision plan, being a portion of LOT 2598-C, BSD-06-000166 OLT) situated in the Barangay of ZALDIVAR, Municipality of BEUNAVISTA, Province of GUIMARAS, Island of GUIMARAS.

Bounded on the SE., along line 1-2 by LOT 2598-B, BSD-06-000166 OLT; and on the NE., along lines 2-3-4-5-6-7-8-9-10-11-12-13-14-15 by LOT 2598-C-5 of the subdivision plan; on the SE., along lines 15-16-17 by LOT 2598-F, BSD-06-000166 OLT; and on the SE., along lines 17-18-19-20-21-22-23-24-25-1 by LOT 2598-C-4 of the subdivision plan.

Beginning at a point marked "1" on the plan, being N. 85 deg. 21 W., 3,409.42 m. from BLLM NO. 1, PLS. 723-D.

from BLLM NO. 1, PLS. 723-D.

1. 75 deg. 12' W., 13.08 m. to point 2;

N. 08 deg. 41' E., 6.71 m. to point 3;

N. 10 deg. 03' E., 1.70 m. to point 4;

N. 13 deg. 02' E., 2.06 m. to point 5;

N. 16 deg. 16' E., 2.04 m. to point 6;

N. 19 deg. 32' E., 2.02 m. to point 7;

N. 22 deg. 43' E., 2.01 m. to point 8;

N. 25 deg. 55' E., 2.00 m. to point 10;

N. 32 deg. 17' E., 2.01 m. to point 11;

N. 35 deg. 29' E., 2.02 m. to point 11;

N. 36 deg. 29' E., 2.02 m. to point 13;

N. 42 deg. 00' E., 2.07 m. to point 13;

N. 42 deg. 00' E., 2.07 m. to point 14;

N. 43 deg. 38' E., 14.54 m. to point 16;

S. 33 deg. 59' W., 7.62 m. to point 16;

S. 34 deg. 02' E., 12.24 m. to point 16;

S. 35 deg. 49' W., 1.86 m. to point 18;

S. 35 deg. 49' W., 1.86 m. to point 19;

S. 35 deg. 48' W., 2.02 m. to point 20;

S. 30 deg. 30' W., 2.00 m. to point 20;

S. 30 deg. 30' W., 2.00 m. to point 22;

S. 20 deg. 00' W., 2.00 m. to point 23;

S. 14 deg. 42' W., 2.05 m. to point 24;

S. 09 deg. 33' W., 1.87 m. to point 25;

S. 08 deg. 41' E., 1.50 m. to the point of

beginning, containing an area of THREE HUNDRED TWENTY (320) SQUARE METERS, more or less.

PREPARED BY:

LARN FVIN A. NUDA

PROJEKT-BASED RIGHT OF WAY ASSISTANT
Visayas Right-of-Way Division

VERIFIED BY:

CAISTOPHER B ABANERA
Regional ROW Senior
Principal Geodetic Engineer
Visayas Right-of-Way Division

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POW Fig m 14-b

TECHNICAL DESCRIPTION LOT 2598-C-2

A parcel of land (LOT 2598-C-2 of the subdivision plan, being a portion of LOT 2598-C, BSD-06-000166 OLT) situated in the Barangay of ZALDIVAR, Municipality of BEUNAVISTA, Province of GUIMARAS, Island of

Bounded on the NW., along line 1-2 by LOT 5970, PLS. 723-D; and on the SE., along lines 2-3-4-5-6-7-8-9-10-11-12-13-14-15 by LOT 2598-C-3 of the subdivision plan; on the SE., along line 15-16 by LOT 2598-F, BSD-06-000166 OLT; and on the NW., along lines 16-17-18-19-20-21-22-23-24-25-1 by LOT 2598-C-5 of the subdivision plan.

Beginning at a point marked "1" on the plan, being N. 83 deg. 40' W., 3,373.69 m. from BLIM NO. 1, PLS. 723-D.

16.81 m. to point 2;
31.00 m. to point 3;
2.00 m. to point 4;
2.01 m. to point 5;
2.02 m. to point 6;
2.04 m. to point 7;
2.07 m. to point 8;
2.11 m. to point 10;
2.15 m. to point 10;
2.21 m. to point 11;
2.29 m. to point 12;
2.38 m. to point 13;
1.99 m. to point 14;
14.52 m. to point 15;
23.09 m. to point 16;
33.09 m. to point 16;
34.82 m. to point 16;
3.88 m. to point 18;
2.25 m. to point 18;
2.25 m. to point 20;
2.16 m. to point 20;
2.16 m. to point 20;
2.16 m. to point 21;
2.09 m. to point 22;
2.04 m. to point 23;
2.02 m. to point 24;
2.00 m. to point 25;
18.30 m. to the point of N. 46 deg. S. 05 deg. S. 07 deg. S. 10 deg. S. 13 deg. S. 17 deg. S. 20 deg. S. 23 deg. S. 27 deg. S. 36 deg. S. 36 deg. S. 37 deg. N. 43 deg. N. 43 deg. N. 42 deg. N. 38 deg. N. 42 deg. N. 42 deg. N. 36 deg. N. 47 deg. N. 37 deg. N. 48 deg. N. 38 deg. N. 49 deg. N. 39 deg. N. 49 deg. N. 39 deg. N. 49 deg. N. 49 deg. N. 49 deg. N. 27 deg. N. 17 deg. N. 17 deg. N. 17 deg. N. 17 deg. N. 19 deg. 25' E.,
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beginning, containing an area of SEVEN HUNDRED FIFTY-EIGHT (758) SQUARE METERS, more or less.

CRESTOPHER D. ABANERA Reg_mal #GW Senior Principal Geodetic Engineer Visayas Right-of-Way Division

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ANNEX "H"

NATIONAL GRID CORPORATION OF THE PHILIPPINES Zaldivar Substation Permanent Access Road

REPORT ON THE COUNT OF IMPROVEMENTS

Nov. 7,2024

This is to certify that we have actually counted, on November 6, 2024, all the improvements existing on the portion affected by Zaldivar Substation Permanent Access Road under Panay- Guimaras 138kV Interconnection Project of the NATIONAL GRID CORPORATION OF THE PHILIPPINES (NGCP) along Lot No. 2598-C covered by TCT No. E.P. 2983 with Tax Declaration No. 99-0103 (036) located at Brgy. Zaldivar, Buenavista Guimaras registered in the name of Juan E. Ballesteros ceased), claimed by Steve G. Reyes as follows:

Quantity	Quantity Name of Improvements		Unit Price	Amount	
2 trees	batwan/sampaloc	full bearing	2,375.00	4,750.00	
1 tree	suha	full bearing	3,250.00	3.250.00	
1 tree	camunggay	early bearing	275.00	275.00	
5 trees	banana	early bearing	190.00	950.00	
15 trees	bangkal(NGT)	6 cm	12.40	186.00	
osa 2 trees	mahogany(planted)	15 cm	2,880.00	ar F p.5,760.00	
sec. 46 trees ain	isfire tree(NGT)	5 cm *	15.60	717.60	
5 trees	madre cacao(planted)	10 cm	172.50	862.50	
1 tree	papaya	early bearing	214.00	214.00	
1 tree	atis	full bearing	1,025.00	1,025.00	
	x-x-x- nothing fo	llows x-x-x-x		- Unit	

Note: 320 sq.m inclusive from 1078 sq. m total affected area of lot 2598-C

PREPARED BY: NOEMARK A. BURGOS CERTIFIED CORRECT: JUNA CELOSO
Regional ROW Senior Associate

Total Amount Due P

17,990.10

1,925.0

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JORDAN B ANTONIO ROW Assistant

VERIFIED AND FOUND CORRECT: ANES D FONTAMILLAS MROWD, MVIP & CNP3

APPROVED:

ATTY. ELENA MARIE M. CAPANAS Regional ROW Manager, VROWD

ANNEX "H-1"

NATIONAL GRID CORPORATION OF THE PHILIPPINES Zaldivar Substation Permanent Access Road under Panay-Guimaras 138kV Interconn

REPORT ON THE COUNT OF IMPROVEMENTS

July 17, 2024 Date

This is to certify that we have actually counted, on July 16, 2024, all the improvements existing on the area affected by Zaldivar Substation Permanent Access Road under Panay- Guimaras 138kV Interconnection Project of the NATIONAL GRID CORPORATION OF THE PHILIPPINES (NGCP) along Lot No. 2598-C covered by TCT No. E.P. 2983 with Tax Declaration No. 99-0103 (036) located at Brgy. Zaldivar, Buenavista, Guimaras registered in the name of Juan E. Ballesteros, as follows;

Quantity	Name	of Improvements	Unit Price		Amount
758 sq.m	Palay	(189.5 m x 4 m)	27.00		20,466.00
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Eligy Zaldivar, Bur					os, as follow.
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			Total Amount Due	P	20,466.00

Note: 758 sq.m inclusive from 1078 sq. m total affected area of lot 2598-C

PREPARED BY: NOEMARK A. BURGOS CERTIFIED CORRECT:

VERIFIED AND FOUND CORRECT:

AND ONTAMILLAS OIC, MROWD, MVIP & CNP3

JORDAN D ANTONIO

ROW Assistant

APPROVED:

ATTY. ELENA MARIE M. CAPANAS Regional ROW Manager, VROWD

0,405.00

NATIONAL GRID CORPORATION OF THE PHILIPPINES PANAY - GUIMARAS 138KV INTERCONNECTION TRANSMISSION LINE PROJECT

VALUATION OF HOUSE/STRUCTURE

I. Particulars

OWNER : STEVE G. REYES

LOCATION : Zaldivar, Buenavista, Guimaras DATE OF INSPECTION: November 7, 2024

II. Materials of Construction "STRUCTURE" a. Footing None b. Post None c. Framing None

d. Flooring Concrete e. Siding CHB f. Roofing None

g. others (specify)

III. foral ricor Area : 7.09

IV. Estimated cost : P 38,290.70

PREPARED BY:

KERRIEL JANN DIO P. MOISES ROW Assistant, VROWD

CLARIBEL T. BUENA VENTURA

THECKED BY:

arrests for

RAFFY ANTHONY C. PERANDOS

KEY DEFONTAMILLAS

APPROVED:

CERTIFIED CORRECT:

RECOMMENDED:

ELENA MARIE MO CAPANAS Regional ROW Manager, VROWD



Republic of the Philippines Department of Finance **BUREAU OF INTERNAL REVENUE**

Revenue Region No. 11 Revenue District Office 074

Iloilo City



Bringing In Revenues for Nation-Building

CERTIFICATION

This is to certify that property/properties located at Zaldivar, Buenavista, Guimaras has the following zonal certification shown hereunder per verification of CAS, Godwin C'zar W. Uy, to wit:

LOCATION	CLASSIFICATION	CODE	ZONAL VALUE PER SQ.M.
Zaldivar, Buenavista, Guimaras	Residential	RR	P 1,015.00/ sq.m
	Orchard	A12	P 12.00/ sq.m
	Coconut Land	A4	P 12.00/ sq.m
	Rice Unirrigated	A2	P 14.00/ sq.m
	Bamboo Land	A26	P 10.00/ sq.m
	Corn Land	A16	P 8.00/ sq.m
	Forest Land	A36	P 8.00/ sq.m
XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX

This is in accordance with the Department of Finance Order No. 017-2021 also known as the Revised Zonal Valuation of Real Properties effective September 09, 2021 to date.

Should the actual use do not conform with the classification(s) per Tax Declaration issued by the City Assessors, the BIR is not precluded in updating the zonal valuation according to the appropriate classification per <u>predominant use principle</u> for taxation purposes.

Issued this 18th of July 2025 upon the request of Jun A. Celoso (NGCP) for whatever legal purpose/s it may serve him/her best.

> NICO BENEDICT L. LIM OIC, Revenue District Officer

> > by:

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Certification Fee: Php 100.00 OR No: PNB Date: 07/17/2025 GCWU

Commule MARICHU GLORIA S. ISINIOSA
Asst. Revenue District Officer ANNEX "L"

Republic of the Philippines Regional Trial Court 6th Judicial Region Branch 65 Jordan, Guimaras

NATIONAL GRID CORPORATION OF THE PHILIPPINES, Plaintiff,

HEIRS OF SPOUSES BALLESTEROS PELLASOL, ET AL., AND

JUAN MELECIA

Special Civ.

No. 25-0773

For: Expropriation

With Urgent Prayer for

ance of Writ of

JUDICIAL AFFIDAVIT OF JESSE L. ASUGA

Defendants

I, ENGR. JESSE L. ASUGA, of legal age, Filipino, and with field office address at the National Grid Corporation of the Philippines (NGCP), Visayas Engineering Construction Department, Sta. Barbara Substation, Brgy. Café, Sta. Barbara, Iloilo, and with main office address at National Grid Corporation of the Philippines (NGCP), Visayas Power Complex, Nasipit, Talamban, Cebu City, and assisted by counsel, to this Honorable Court, hereby respectfully submit this Judicial Affidavit, pursuant to Supreme Court A.M. No. 12-8-8-SC, to serve as my direct testimony and is thus offered as part of the testimonial evidence of plaintiff NGCP in the above-captioned case in support of its principal cause/s of action against the defendants, specifically:

- To prove that I am currently employed by NGCP as Construction Project Manager, with field office address at NGCP, Sta. Barbara Substation, Brgy. Café, Sta. Barbara,
- To prove that NGCP has an on-going transmission line project for the use and benefit of the public known as the Panay-Guimaras 138kV Interconnection Project, major components of which are Zaldivar Substation Project and the Access Road for the Zaldivar Substation Project;
- To prove that the Project aims to accommodate the entry of the 40 MW Sibunag Wind Power Plant which will result in increased power transmission towards Panay and in improved reliability and flexibility of the grid in the area;
- To prove that, in particular, the Zaldivar Substation Project is designed to serve as the major hub to receive high-voltage power from the said 40 MW Sibunag Wind Power Plant, as well as future power plants in Guimaras, and transmit it to the grid towards Panay Island, and shall be accessible to distribution towards. towards Pariay island, and shall be accessible to distribution tutilities serving the consumers in the municipalities in the Province of Guimaras to tap into for transmission of high-voltage power, and that the Access Road for the Zaldivar Substation is aimed to provide access to the Zaldivar Substation during its construction, implementation, operation and maintenance, thereby making it an indispensable part of the substation itself;
- To prove that the immediate completion and energization of the project is for the use and benefit of the public;
- To prove that the CAPEX Application for the Panay-Guimaras 138kV Interconnection Project is duly approved by the Energy Regulatory Commission;
- To prove the necessity of the taking of affected properties for g the implementation and completion of the mentioned project;
- To identify pertinent documents in the course of my testimony, and to testify on other related matters.

My examination is conducted by Atty. Yasmin Therese P. Araneta with office address at 2nd floor, 7J Corporate Center, Corner Jalandoni-Ledesma St., 5000, Iloilo City. Likewise, the examination was conducted in English, a language known to me and I answered the questions asked of me, fully conscious that I did so under oath and that I may face criminal liability for giving false testimony or for perjury. Thus:

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

- Q: Please state your name and other personal circumstances
 - Please state your name and other personal circumstances and your current employment.

 My name is Engr. Jesse L. Asuga, of legal age, Filipino, and presently employed by NGCP as Construction Project Manager. I am assigned at the Visayas Engineering Construction Department, with field office address at NGCP, Sta. Barbara Substation, Brgy. Café, Sta. Barbara, Iloilo, and with main office address at NGCP, Visayas Power Complex, Nasipit, Talamban, Cebu City.
- Q: A: Will you be answering my questions voluntarily? 2.
- How long have you been an employee of NGCP? I have been an employee of NGCP since 2009. Q: A:
- What are your duties and responsibilities?
- I supervise and facilitate the implementation and completion of NGCP's Projects assigned to me. I also perform other functions as may be assigned by NGCP's Management from time to time on to the proje ts assigned to me
- In brief, how would you describe NGCP's business? 5. Q: NGCP is a private corporation engaged in the business of transmitting electricity from power plants to distribution utilities and directly connected customers.
- What is the basis of NGCP in exercising such function? Q: Republic Act (R.A.) No. 9511 granted NGCP a franchise to operate, maintain, and in connection therewith, to engage in the business of conveying or transmitting electricity through high voltage back-bone system of interconnected transmission lines. substations and related facilities, system operations, and other activities that are necessary to support the safe and reliable operation of a transmission system and to construct, install, finance, manage, improve, expand, operate, maintain, rehabilitate, repair and refurbish the present nationwide transmission system of the Republic of the Philippines.
- What other functions and powers did R.A. 9511 grant to 7. Q:
 - plaintiff NGCP?
 Section 4 of R.A. No. 9511 also granted NGCP the right to A: exercise the power of eminent domain insofar as it may be reasonably necessary for the construction, expansion, and efficient maintenance and operation of the transmission system and grid and the efficient operation and maintenance of the undisposed subtransmission system.
- What NGCP project is presently assigned to you?

 I am presently tasked, among others, to supervise the implementation and completion of the Panay-Guimaras 138kV Interconnection Project, which includes as major components the Zaldivar Substation Project and the Access Road for the Zaldivar Substation Project.
- How would you describe the Project and its purpose, as 9. Q:
 - well as its major components that you mentioned?
 The project is a 230kV transmission line system stretching from the existing lloilo Substation of NGCP to the projected to the projected in Projected i to be located in Brgy. Zaldivar, Buenavista, Guimaras.

In order to meet the increasing demand for electricity in the cities, municipalities and provinces in the Islands of Panay and Guimaras and to support the continuing growth and development in the area, there is a need for NGCP to construct a new transmission system that will suit the present and future power requirements therein. Owing to this necessity, NGCP

must immediately construct the transmission line, substations and other facilities that will transmit uninterrupted power to the distributors of electricity in the aforesaid area. These undertakings are for the use and benefit of the public and among those is known as the Panay-Guimaras 138kV Interconnection Project, major components of which include the Zaldivar Substation Project and the Access Road for the Zaldivar Substation Project.

- Why is it necessary to immediately construct and implement the Panay-Guimaras 138kV Interconnection 10. Project?
 - It is genuinely necessary and urgent to immediately construct and implement the Project in order to accommodate the development of new power plants in Guimaras Island, particularly the incoming 40 MW Sibunag Wind Power Plant, which will result in the increase of power transmission towards Panay. Currently, the existing submarine cable interconnection between Panay and Guimaras is only energized at 69kV and has limited capacity to accommodate the transmission of extra power from Guimaras. It also aims to establish reliability of power supply in the islands of Panay and Guimaras, in accordance with N-1 requirements of the Philippine Grid Code, considering that the present facilities are prone to power curtailment due to maintenance or unexpected power outage. This undertaking is for the use and benefit of the public. Hence, the immediate completion and energization of the said project is critically important.
- On the other hand, how would you describe the Zaldivar Substation Project and its Access Road and the necessity of their construction?
 - The Zaldivar Substation Project, as a major component of the Panay-Guimaras 138kV Interconnection Project, will serve as the major hub to receive high-voltage power from the said 40 MW Sibunag Wind Power Plant, as well as other present and future power plants in Guimaras, and transmit it to the grid towards Panay Island. In addition, it shall be accessible to distribution utilities serving the consumers in the municipalities in the Province of Guimaras to tap into for transmission of high-

On the other hand, the Access Road for the Zaldivar Substation, as a major component of the Project, is aimed to provide access to the Zaldivar Substation during its construction, implementation, operation and maintenance, thereby making it an indispensable part of the substation itself.

- When was the project approved by the Energy Regulatory 12. Q: Commission (ERC)?
 - Based on our records, the Energy Regulatory Commission (ERC) approved NGCP's CAPEX Application for the Panay-Guimaras 138kV Interconnection Project in a Notice of Resolution, promulgated on 17 April 2024, and can be easily viewed in the ERC website. The Application was docketed as ERC Case No. 2017-110RC.

(MANIFESTATION: Witness handed to this representation a copy of the ERC Notice of Resolution, a machine copy of which is attached to the Complaint as Annex "A," and is prayed to be marked as Exhibit

- 13. Q: What does NGCP need in order to timely implement and
 - complete the project?
 To fully implement and complete the project, NGCP needs to A: immediately take, by voluntary acquisition or expropriation, properties, or portions thereof, that are affected or traversed by
- Why is it necessary to take properties that are affected by the Zaldivar Substation Project and the Access Road for Q: 14. the Zaldivar Substation?
 - It is genuinely necessary to take the properties that are within the site of the Zaldivar Substation Project because these would be entirely occupied by substation facilities. Likewise, it is genuinely necessary to take the properties traversed by the Access Road for the Zaldivar Substation to provide access thereto during its construction, implementation, operation and maintenance, as it is an indispensable part of the substation itself. This public use and purpose of the Project requires the taking of the affected properties.
- Do you confirm the truthfulness and veracity of your 15. Q: statements; and warrant that copies of all documents you identified are faithful reproductions of the originals?
 - A: Yes, I do.
- Do you have anything else to add? 16. Q:
 - None at this time, but I reserve the right to give additional A: testimony if necessary.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hands this _ 2025 at Iloilo City, Philippines.

> ENGR. JESSE L. ASUGA Affiant

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me this MAY 1 9 2025 in Iloilo City, Philippines. Affiant is personally known to me but has nonetheless exhibited to me his Driver's License bearing No. F03-00-138069 as competent proof of his identity.

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SWORN ATTESTATION

I hereby attest to the fact that I have faithfully recorded or cause to be recorded the questions I asked, and the corresponding answers given by the above witness. I attest further that I have not coached the said witness on the answers he gave to me or that he was coached by another person who was present during his examination.

ATTY. YASMIN THERESE P. ARANETA

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me this day of 2025, in Iloilo City, affiant being personally known to me but has nonetheless exhibited to me her IBP ID bearing No. 63671 as competent proof of her identity.

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HEIRS

ANNEX "M"

Republic of the Philippines Regional Trial Court 6th Judicial Region Branch 65 Jordan, Guimaras

NATIONAL GRID CORPORATION OF THE PHILIPPINES,

-versus-

Special Civil Action No. 25-0773 No. 25-07/3
For: Expropriation
With Urgent Prayer for
Issuance of Writ of
Possession

OF SPOUSES BALLESTEROS MELECIA PELLASOL, ET AL., Defendants.

> JUDICIAL AFFIDAVIT OF ENGR. ASTERIO B. TUBERA

JUAN

I, ENGR. ASTERIO B. TUBERA, of legal age, Filipino, with office address at the National Grid Corporation of the Philippines (NGCP), Visayas Power Complex, Nasipit, Talamban, Cebu City, and assisted by counsel, to this Honorable Court, hereby respectfully submit this Judicial Affidavit, pursuant to Supreme Court A.M. No. 12-8-8-SC, to serve as my direct testimony and is thus offered as part of the testimonial evidence of plaintiff NGCP in the above-captioned case in support of its principal cause/s of action against the defendants, specifically:

E.

To prove that I am currently employed by NGCP as Regional Survey and Geotechnical Supervisor of the Engineering Survey and Geotechnical Division (ESGD) – Visayas, with office address at NGCP, Visayas Power Complex, Nasipit, Talamban, Cebu City;

- To prove that NGCP has an on-going transmission line project for the use and benefit of the public known as the Panay-Guimaras 138kV Interconnection Project, major components of which include the Zaldivar Substation Project and the Access Road for the Zaldivar Substation Project; b.
- To prove and give description of the route of the Panay-Guimaras 138kV Interconnection Project and the site of the Zaldivar Substation Project and the Access Road for the Zaldivar Substation Project;
- To prove that the selection of the site and route of the Zaldivar Substation Project and the Access Road for the Zaldivar Substation Project was guided by the accepted standards for selection of substation sites and access roads;
- To prove that the route and site of the Access Road for the Zaldivar Substation Project is projected to occupy and affect portions of Lot No. 2598-C, located in Brgy, Zaldivar, Buenavista, Guimaras;
- To prove that it is necessary for NGCP to expropriate portions of Lot No. 2598-C, consisting of 320 and 758 square meters, or a total of 1,078 square meters, for the implementation and completion of the mentioned project; and
- To identify pertinent documents in the course of my testimony, and to testify on other related matters

My examination is being conducted by Atty. Mary Shane E. Capuno with office address at National Grid Corporation of the Philippines (NGCP), Right-of-Way Department, Nasipit, Talamban, Cebu City. The examination is being conducted in English, a language known to me and I am answering the questions asked of me, fully conscious that I do so under oath and that I may face criminal liability for giving false testimony or for perjury. Thus:

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

- Q: Please state your name and other personal circumstances and your current employment.
 - My name is Engr. Asterio B. Tubera, of legal age, Filipino, and presently employed by NGCP as Regional Survey and Geotechnical Supervisor of the Engineering Survey and Geotechnical Division (ESGD) Visayas, with office address at NGCP, Visayas Power Complex, Nasipit, Talamban, Cebu City. A:
- How long have you been an employee of NGCP? A:
- I have been an employee of NGCP since 2009
- What are your duties and responsibilities? 3. Q:
 - As Regional Survey and Geotechnical Supervisor of the ESGD Visayas, I supervise and facilitate the selection of the route and site of NGCP's Projects assigned to me. I also perform other functions as may be assigned by NGCP Management from time to time in relation to the projects assigned to me.
- Q: What project that NGCP is currently implementing are you
 - involved in, if any?

 I was involved in the selection of the route and site of the Panay-Guimaras 138kV Interconnection Project, major components of which include the Zaldivar Substation Project and the Access Road for the Zaldivar Substation Project.
- 5 Q:
- Briefly, how would you describe the route of the project? The route of the Panay-Guimaras 138kV Interconnection Project commences at NGCP's existing Iloilo Substation in Brgy. Ingore, La Paz, Iloilo City, and stretches via overhead transmission line towards the Ingore Cable Terminal Station in the same barangay. It then proceeds via submarine cables towards the Sawang Cable Terminal Station in Brgy. Sawang, Buenavista, Guimaras, and continues via overhead transmission line towards the projected Zaldivar Substation in Brgy. Zaldivar, Buenavista, Guimaras, where it terminates.
- 6. Q:
- How would you describe the site and purpose of the Zaldivar Substation Project and its Access Road?

 The Zaldivar Substation Project is projected to occupy a land area consisting of a total of 42,584 square meters, located in A: Brgy. Zaldivar, Buenavista, Guimaras. While the Access Road for the Zaldivar Substation Project is projected to occupy a land area consisting of portions of nine (9) parcels of land with a total area of 9,934 square meters, likewise all located in Brgy. Zaldivar, Buenavista, Guimaras. The indicative Site Map of the Zaldivar Substation and its Access Road with indicative Site Development Plan shows the necessity for the taking of the affected lots as site for the Access Road for the Zaldivar Substation Project.

(MANIFESTATION: Witness handed to this representation a copy of the Site Map of the Zaldivar Substation and its Access Road with indicative Site Development Plan, a machine copy of which is attached to the Complaint as Annex "B," and is prayed to be marked as Exhibit "B.")

How did NGCP select the route and site of the said Project? NGCP selected the site and route of the project through the placement or positioning of tower sites connecting the mentioned substations, which serve as the designated end points of the project. In doing so, it was guided by the accepted standards for overhead transmission line route and site

> The determination of the areas to be affected by une construction of the project was the result of an in-depth study by the engineering group of NGCP. It included the survey, resurvey, and spot mapping of the areas to be affected. The choice of the areas to be affected by the transmission line, the substation site, as well as its access road, is neither arbitrary nor whimsical, and was, in fact, the result of meticulous analysis by NGCP done in good faith.

- How did NGCP select the route and site of the said Zaldivar 8. Q:
 - Substation Project and its Access Road?

 NGCP selected the site of the Zaldivar Substation Project through the purposeful placement or positioning of the substation site on the area where the concerned power plants and distribution utilities would have easy connection access. This would maximize its purposes, as mentioned, with the least burden to the public. In doing so, it was guided by the accepted standards in the construction of substations.

The route and site of the Access Road for the Zaldivar Substation Project was established with consideration to the ideal topographic location and terrain, ideal geological and geotechnical characteristic of soil, shortest feasible distance between the substation site to the main road, least between the substation site to the main road, least environmental concerns or impact to humans, least damage as far as practicable to all affected properties. Its width was determined with consideration to the type of vehicles, equipment and machinery that would cater to the operation of the substation, and to the necessity of constructing ripraps or similar support to prevent soil erosion or landslides and to provide other means to ensure its structural integrity.

- Q: What are these standards for selection of the substation
 - The said standards consist of the following criteria in the selection of site of the substation: proximity of the substation site to the transmission and distribution lines to be connected to it, operational accessibility, ideal topographic location, ideal geological and geotechnical characteristic of the soil, least environmental concerns or impact to humans, least damage as far as practicable to all affected properties, conformance with plans of the affected local government units and other Government agencies, conformance with CAAP requirements, avoidance of identified protected areas, avoidance of sources of pollution, and total investment cost, among others. In selecting the site and route of the project, community establishments such as schools, churches, cemeteries, public buildings, residential houses and commercial structures are avoided, if practicable.
- How does NGCP ensure the least amount of damage to Q: 10. affected properties during the selection of the route and site of the Access Road for the Zaldivar Substation Project?
 - In selecting the route and site of the Access Road for the Zaldivar Substation Project, community establishments such as schools, churches, cemeteries, public buildings, residential houses and commercial structures are avoided, if practicable. In cases where it is not practicable to avoid all these establishments, the least number of establishments and people to be displaced by the transmission line is taken into consideration. However, the physical nature of the access road, taking into consideration all other criteria its site selection and its structural integrity, makes it inevitable that the least damage to all and every affected property cannot be satisfied.
- How were properties identified and determined as affected 11. Q: by the site and route of the Access Road for the Zaldivar Substation Project?
 - A: After the site where the Access Road for the Zaldivar Substation Project shall pass through and is to be established, substation Project strain pass tillough and is to be established, the survey team conducted a parcellary survey to identify the specific properties within the route and site. It was after the conduct of parcellary survey that the specific affected properties, and the extent of their affected areas, were identified and determined.
- 12. Q:
- What does NGCP need in order to timely implement and complete the project?

 To fully implement and complete the Access Road for the Zaldivar Substation Project, which is a major component of the Panay-Guimaras 138kV Interconnection Project, NGCP needs to immediately take, by voluntary acquisition or expropriation, properties, or portions thereof, that are affected or traversed by it. A:
- Are you aware of this expropriation case to be filed against the defendants?

 Yes, I am aware. 13. Q: A:
- 14. Q:
- In this case, what property does NGCP seek to expropriate so it can fully implement and complete the project? To fully implement and complete the project on time, NGCP urgently needs to expropriate portions of Lot No. 2598-C, located in Brgy. Zaldivar, Buenavista, Guimaras. A:
- 15. Q:
- What portions of the subject property does NGCP seek to expropriate?

 NGCP seeks to expropriate portions of Lot No. 2598-C, consisting of 320 square meters and 758 square meters, or a total of 1,078 square meters, which are particularly described in the Sketch Plan and Narrative Technical Descriptions. A:

(MANIFESTATION: Witness identified and handed to this representation copies of the Sketch Plan and Narrative Technical Descriptions, machine copies of which are attached to the Complaint as Annexes "F." "G," and "G-1." and are prayed to be marked as Exhibits "C," "D," and "D-1.")

- Why is there a need to expropriate the portions of the said 16. Q:
 - Why is there a need to expropriate property?

 It is because the said portions of Lot No. 2598-C are within the projected site of the Access Road for the Zaldivar Substation Project, a major component of the Panay-Guimaras 138kV Interconnection Project. It is along the said portions, among others, that the NGCP project will be constructed and erected. A:
- 17. Q: How was the said lot identified as a property affected by
 - the route of the project?
 The result of the parcellary survey, which was done after route and site selection, shows that Lot No. 2598-C is affected by the Access Road for the Zaldivar Substation Project of the Panay-A: Guimaras 138kV Interconnection Project. This is reflected in the pertinent portions of the Index Map.

representation a copy of the pertinent portions of the Index Map, a machine copy of which is attached to the Complaint as Annex "C," and is prayed to be marked as Exhibit "E.")

- 18.
- What were the findings of NGCP in determining the site and route of the Project as guided by the accepted standards in site selection?

 NGCP determined that the portions of Lot No. 2598-C, among others, are within the best geographical location, the most strategic and cost-efficient site where the Access Road for the Zaldivar Substation Project of the Panay-Guimaras 138kV Interconnection Project shall be established, and, as far as practicable, with the least damage to affected properties and burden to landowners.
- Do you confirm the truthfulness and veracity of your statements; and warrant that copies of all documents you identified are faithful reproductions of the originals? 19. Q:
- Do you wish to add anything else?

 None at this time, but I reserve the right to present additional testimony if necessary.

ENGR. ASTERIO B. TUBERA

SUBSCRIBED and SWORN to before me this 2 1 2025 in Cebu City. Affiant is personally known nonetheless exhibited to me his Driver's License bearin 275248, as competent proof of his identity. G01-01bearing No.

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I hereby attest to the fact that I have faithfully recorded or cause to be recorded the questions I asked, and the corresponding answers given by the above witness. I attest further that I have not coached the said witness on the answers he gave to me or that he was coached by another person who was present during his examination.

> mund ATTY. MARY SHANE E. CAPUNO **Examining Counsel**

SUBSCRIBED and SWORN to before me this 2025, Cebu City, Philippines. Affiant is personally known to me but has nonetheless exhibited to me her IBP ID bearing No. 82610, as competent proof of her identity.

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ANNEX "N"

Republic of the Philippines Regional Trial Court
6th Judicial Region
Branch 65
Jordan, Guimaras

NATIONAL GRID CORPORATION OF THE PHILIPPINES.

Plaintiff.

HEIRS OF SPOUSES BALLESTEROS AND JUAN E. MELECIA PELLASOL, ET AL.,

Special Civil Action No. 25-0773 For: Expropriation With Urgent Praye Issuance of Wr Possession Praye. Writ

Defendants.

JUDICIAL AFFIDAVIT OF JUN A. CELOSO

I, JUN A. CELOSO, of legal age, Filipino, with current field office address at the National Grid Corporation of the Philippines (NGCP), Panitan Substation, Brgy. Timpas, Panit-an, Capiz and with main office address at National Grid Corporation of the Philippines (NGCP), Visayas* Power Complex, Nasipit, Talamban, Cebu City, and assisted by counsel, to this Honorable Court, hereby respectfully submit this Judicial Affidavit, pursuant to Supreme Court A.M. No. 12-8-8-SC, to serve as my direct testimony and is thus offered as part of the testimonial evidence of plaintiff NGCP in the above-captioned case in support of its principal cause/s of action against the defendants. defendants, specifically:

- To prove that I am currently employed by NGCP with the designation of Regional Right-of-Way Senior Associate;
- To prove that I am currently assigned, among others, as Right-of-Way Team Leader for NGCP's Panay-Guimaras 138kV Interconnection Project, major components of which include the Zaldivar Substation Project and the Access Road for the Zaldivar Substation Project;
- To prove that among the properties affected and projected to be occupied by the Access Road for the Zaldivar Substation Project is Lot No. 2598-C, located in Brgy. Zaldivar, Buenavista, Guimaras, registered in the name of Juan E. Ballesteros, married to Melecia Pellasol, under Transfer Certificate of Title No. EP-2983, and declared in the name of Juan E. Ballesteros, under Tax Declaration No. 99-0103 (036);
- To prove that NGCP negotiated with the known defendants who could be located for the taking of the said property for the implementation of the project, and that, however, no agreement d. as reached between the parties;
- To prove that my team secured documents that may serve as basis in fixing the just compensation of the property subject of expropriation; and
- To identify pertinent documents in the course of my testimony, and to testify on other related matters.

My examination is conducted by Atty. Yasmin Therese P. Araneta with office address at 2nd floor, 7J Corporate Center, Corner Jalandoni-Ledesma St., 5000, Iloilo City. Likewise, the examination was conducted in English, a language known to me and I answered the questions asked of me, fully conscious that I did so under oath and that I may face criminal liability for giving false testimony or for perjury. Thus:

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

- Please state your name and other personal circumstances 1. Q:
 - Please state your name and other personal circumstances and your current employment.

 My name is Jun A. Celoso, of legal age, Filipino and presently employed by National Grid Corporation of the Philippines (NGCP) as Regional Right-of-Way Senior Associate of the Visayas Right-of-Way Division, with field office address at NGCP, Panit-an Substation, Brgy. Timpas, Panit-an, Capiz and with main office address at NGCP, Visayas Power Complex, Nasipit, Talamban, Cebu City.
- Will you be answering my questions voluntarily? 2. Q: A:
- Q: 3.
- What are your duties and responsibilities as Regional ROW Senior Associate?

 As Regional ROW Senior Associate, my duties and responsibilities include, among others, leading and supervising the research and negotiating teams in the conduct of research and documentation with regard to the properties traversed by NGCP's new transmission lines and/or substation projects and other related facilities, verifying the owners, location, classification of the properties affected by the projects, and researching data relating to the values thereof, negotiating with the landowners, possessors and/or interest-holders thereof, and performing other functions as may be assigned by NGCP Management from time to time in relation to the projects assigned to me. assigned to me.
- To what NGCP project are you currently assigned?

 I am presently assigned, among others, as the ROW Team
 Leader for Panay-Guimaras 138kV Interconnection Project,
 which includes as major components the Zaldivar Substation
 Project and the Access Road for the Zaldivar Substation
- Are you aware of this expropriation case to be filed against the defendants? Q:
 - Yes. I am aware A:
- Q: Why is NGCP filing this expropriation case against the 6.
 - Why is NGCP filing this expropriation case against the defendants? NGCP shall file this expropriation case because portions of Lot No. 2598-C, located in Brgy. Zaldivar, Buenavista, Guimaras, are within the projected route and site of the Access Road for the Zaldivar Substation Project, a major component of the Panay-Guimaras 138kV Interconnection Project, and shall be affected by its construction, implementation and eventual
- Q: What steps have you taken, if any, regarding the subject property?
 - property My team conducted research as to the ownership and proprietary interests over the subject property. We also conducted research on public documents and records to be used in the assessment of the fair market value of the subject property.
- Q: 8.
- What was the result of your research regarding the ownership of the property?

 Per our research and inquiries at the Registry of Deeds for the Province of Guimaras, Lot No. 2598-C is registered in the name of Juan E. Ballesteros, married to Melecia Pellasol, under Transfer Certificate of Title No. EP-2983. It is declared in the name of Juan E. Ballesteros under Tax Declaration No. 99-0103 (208) 0103 (036).

(MANIFESTATION: Witness handed to this representation copies of said Transfer Certificate of Title No. EP-2983 and Tax Declaration No. 99-0103 (036). Machine copies of the said documents are attached as Annexes "D" and "E" of the Complaint, and are hereby prayed to be marked as Exhibits "F" and "G.")

- Based on your research, what is the classification of the 9. subject property?
 - Based on Tax Declaration No. 99-0103 (036), the subject A: property is classified as agricultural.
- 10. Q:
 - In your research, what relevant valuations were you able to gather that may be applicable to the subject property?
 Per Tax Declaration No. 99-0103 (036), Lot No. 2598-C has a market valuation of Php6.49 per square meter and an assessed valuation of Php2.32 per square meter. Per BIR Certification, the BIR zonal valuation applicable to the

(MANIFFSTATION: Witness handed to this representation a machine copy of the BIR Certification, which is attached to the Complaint as Annex "J," and it is prayed that the same be marked as Exhibit "H.")

Are there improvements standing on the subject property

subject property is Php14.00 per square meter

that are affected by the project?
Yes. There are improvements standing within the affected area of the subject property in the form of crops, plants, and/or trees, as well as a house/structure.

We made a counting of the said crops, plants, and/or trees and estimated their cost based on valuations gathered from Government institutions and other data. The Reports on the Count of Improvements show the costs of the affected improvements amounting to Php20,466.00 and Php17,990.10.

Likewise, we conducted material measurements of the affected house/structure and estimated its cost based on prevailing prices of materials and labor in the area. The Valuation of House/Structure shows the total cost of the affected house/structure amounting to Php38,290.70.

(MANIFESTATION: Witness handed to this representation copies of the Reports on the Count of Improvements and Valuation of House/Structure, machine copies of which are attached to the Complaint as Annexes "H," "H-1" and "I" and are prayed that the same be marked as Exhibits "I," "I-1" and "J.")

- What actions, if any, did NGCP take to communicate with 12. the defendants regarding the affected property prior to the filing of the Complaint?
 - NGCP negotiated with the known defendants who could be located for the acquisition of the affected portions of the property for the implementation of the project. However, no agreement was reached between the parties.
- How did your team conduct the negotiations with the 13. known defendants for the taking of the subject property?
 - On September 4, 2024 and onwards, my team negotiated with defendants Spouses Cynthia P. Ballesteros-Solis and Melchor Solis, as representatives of the heirs of Spouses Juan E. Ballesteros and Melecia Pellasol. However, no agreement could be reached between the parties, because the defendants heirs refused NGCP's offer.

Subsequently, on November 6, 2024 and onwards, my team then negotiated with defendant Steve G. Reyes. However, no settlement could be reached because the said defendant refused NGCP's offer, and because of unresolved issues on the terms and documentation of settlement.

- Do you confirm the truthfulness and veracity of your statements; and warrant that copies of all documents you identified are faithful reproductions of the originals? Q: 14.
 - A:
- Do you have anything else to add? None at this time, but I reserve the right to give additional testimony if necessary. 15. Q:

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hands this _ f _____ 2025 at Iloilo City, Philippines.



SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me this day of the subscription of

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I hereby attest to the fact that I have faithfully recorded or cause to be recorded the questions I asked, and the corresponding answers given by the above witness. I attest further that I have not coached the said witness on the answers he gave to me or that he was coached by another person who was present during his examination.

SWORN ATTESTATION

ATTY. YASMIN THERESE P. ARANETA

competent proof of her identity.

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Annex "O"



REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES)
CITY OF QUEZON) S.S.

SECRETARY'S CERTIFICATE

KAREN S. ONG, Filipino, of legal age, and with office address at NGCP Building, Avenue comer BIR Road, Diliman, Quezon City, after being duly sworn in accordance depose and state:

I am the Corporate Secretary of NATIONAL GRID CORPORATION OF THE HILIPPINES, a corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of the Republic the Philippines, with office address at NGCP Building, Quezon Avenue corner BIR and, Diliman, Quezon City:

The Board of Directors of the Corporation up resolutions:

"RESOLVED, that the Department Head or Officer-in-Charge of the Right-of-Way (ROW) Department, and the Division Heads or Officers-in-Charge of the Regional ROW Divisions are hereby authorized to file on behalf of the National Grid Corporation of the Philippines, the following:

- Actions for Expropriation and other cases for the acquisition, protectimplementation, assertion, prosecution or defense of NGCP's acquired and land rights, as well as the Documented Property Rights belonging to National Transmission Corporation (TransCo), pursuant to the provis of Concession Agreement: And interest the second of the second of the second of Concession Agreement;
 Petitions for titling of all lands acquired by NGCP;
 Petitions for titling of all lands acquired by NGCP;
 Appeals, petitions for certiorari under Rule 65 and petitions for recertiorari under Rule 45, in connection with the actions mentioned certiorari under Rule 45, in connection with the actions mentioned
- ute, sign, and obtain any document, including affidavits, verification extification of non-forum shopping or any other document which may be a second of the second of t

"RESOLVED, further, that the verification and certification of non-forum g shall allege the following attestations, pursuant to A.M. No. 19-10-20 SC:

- (a) The allegations in the pleading are true and correct based on his or her personal knowledge, or based on authentic documents;

 (b) The pleading is not filed to harass, cause unnecessary delay, or needlessly increase the cost of litigation, and

 (c) The factual allegations therein have evidentiary support or, if specifically so identified, will likewise have evidentiary support after a reasonable opportunity for discovery.

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PRESULVED, that the Department Head or Officer-in-Charge of the ROW Department, and the Division Heads or Officers-in-Charge of the Regional ROW Divisions or their authorized representatives are hereby authorized and given full power to represent and appear for an in behalf of NGCP in Pre-Trial Conferences, Judicial Dispute Resolution, Mediation Proceedings and in all other stages of the

- The possibility of amicable sequences of dispute resolution;
 Submission to alternative modes of dispute resolution;
 Submission to alternative modes of dispute resolution; sibility of amicable settlement within the parameters allo
- Simplification of the issues;
 Simplification of the issues;
 The necessity or desirability of amendments to the pleading;
 The possibility of obtaining stipulations or admission of facts and of documents, totally or partially, to avoid unnecessary proof;
 The limitation and identification of the number of witnesses and settling of trial dates.
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 6. The limitation and identification of the number of witnesses and settion of trial dates;
 7. The advisability of preliminary conference of issues to a commission and
 8. Such other matters as may aid in the prompt disposition of the case.

"RESOLVED, finally, that in case NGCP, as plaintiff, is authorized by the court to serve summons, pursuant to A.M. No. 19-10-20-SC, the Division Heads or Officers-in-Charge of the Regional ROW Divisions, or their authorized representatives are hereby authorized to serve the summons to the defendants on behalf of NGCP."

The foregoing resolutions are in accordance with the records of the Corporation in my possession and has not been amended, superseded or repealed.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto affixed my sign

CORPORATE SECRET SUBSCRIBED and SWORN to before me, this JUL 2 2 2021 affiant exhibiting to me her Passport No. P4970001B issued

LUISITO A TRINIDAD 38451 - 13 May 1993 No. 013977 - 08 July 2015

NE/Dec. 22 & 29, 2025

REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES 6th JUDICIAL REGION REGIONAL TRIAL COURT

OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF COURT & EX-OFFICO SHERIFF

CJ Ramon Q. Avanceña Hall of Justice Bonifacio Drive, Iloilo City (033)3353190/rtc1iloocc@judiciary.gov.ph

FORECLOSURE NO. F-11282-25

For: Extra-Judicial Foreclosure of Real Estate Mortgage under Act No. 3135, as amended

BDO UNBANK, INC.,

Mortgagee,

-versus-

JAYREN B. RAYMUNDO married to RICHARD L. RAYMUNDO

Debtors/Mortgagors.

RE-NOTICE OF EXTRA-JUDICIAL SALE

Upon Extra-Judicial Petition for Foreclosure and Sale of Real Estate Mortgage under Act 3135, as amended, filed by BDO UNIBANK, INC., ("Mortgagee"), a universal banking corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of the Republic of the Philippines, with principal office at 33rd Floor, BDO Corporate Center Ortigas, No. 12 ADB Avenue, Mandaluyong City, against SPS. JAYREN B. RAYMUNDO AND RICHARD L. RAYMUNDO ("Debtors/Mortgagors"), of legal age, Filipinos and with postal addresses at (1) MJ Herelo Water Refilling Station. F. Gorriceta Ave., Balabag Pavia, 5000 Iloilo; and (2) Lot 33, Blk. 11, Phase 11, Montecillo Villas Brgy. Balabag, Pavia, Iloilo, to satisfy the mortgaged indebtedness which as of March 21, 2025, amounted to ONE MILLION SIX HUNDRED SIXTY-TWO THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED EIGHTY-FIVE PESOS & 04/100 (Php1,662,285.04) Philippine Currency, including interest, penalties, other charges besides the attorney's fees and incidental expenses incurred for the foreclosure, the Ex-Officio Provincial Sheriff of Iloilo or his duly authorized deputy will sell at Public Auction on March 05 2026 at TEN (10:00) o'clock in the morning at the Ground Floor. Office of the Clerk of Court, Regional Trial Court, New Castle Hotel, Bonifacio Drive, Iloilo City, for CASH or MANAGER'S CHECK to the highest bidder and in Philippine Currency the mortgaged real property/ies with all the improvements found thereon, to wit;

TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. 090-2021003511

IT IS HEREBY CERTIFIED that certain land situated in BARANGAY OF BALABAG, MUNICIPALITY OF PAVIA, PROVINCE OF ILOILO, ISLAND OF PANAY, bounded and described as follows:

LOT NO: 33, **BLOCK NO:** 11, PLAN NO: PCS-06-006280 PORTION OF: LOTS 1914-A; 1914-B, PSD-29731, LOT 2054-C,; (LRC) PSD-7937 & LOT 1730; 1919; 1920, AGONOA CADASTRE 8 LOCATION: BARANGAY OF BALABAG. MUNICIPALITY OF PAVIA, PROVINCE OF ILOILO, ISLAND OF PANAY

BOUNDARIES:

SW

NW

2-3

3-4

DIRECTION

LINE

1-2

2-3

3-4	NE	,	BLOCK 11, PCS-06-00628
4-1	SE		BLOCK 11 PCS-06-006280
TIE POII	VT:	MON 26,	JARO CADASTRE
LINE		BEARING	DISTANCE
TO COR	NER 1	N. 88° 33' E	1030.89 M.
	1-2	N. 54° 02' W	5.00 M.

ADJOINING LOT(S)

ROAD LOT 23, PCS-06-006280

LOT 32, BLOCK 11, PCS-06-006280

9.00 M.

5.00 M.

9.00 M.

AREA: FORTY FIVE SQUARE METERS (45), **MORE OR LESS**

N. 35° 58' E

S. 54° 02' E

S. 35° 58' W

All sealed bids must be submitted to the undersigned on the aforementioned date and time

In event the Public Auction should not take place on the said date, it shall be held on APRIL 14, 2026 at the same time and place without further notice.

Iloilo City, Philippines, December 02, 2025.

(SGD.) LENY GEMMA P. CASTILLO

Sheriff-in-Charge 09283358725

(SGD.) ATTY. GERRY D. SUMACULUB

Clerk of Court VII & Ex-Officio Sheriff

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REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES REGIONAL TRIAL COURT 6TH JUDICIAL REGION OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF COURT OFFICE OF THE EX-OFFICIO PROVINCIAL SHERIFF **GUIMBAL, ILOILO** rtc1gblocc@judiciary.gov.ph 0935-9712092

FORECLOSURE NO. 529

FOR: EXTRA-JUDICIAL FORECLOSURE OF REAL **ESTATE MORTGAGE (UNDER ACT NO. 3135, AS AMENDED BY ACT NO. 4188)**

> BANK OF THE PHILIPPINE ISLANDS, Petitioner-Mortgagee,

> > -versus-

SPS. LEO T. LEDESMA & ROCHEL F. **LEDESMA**, LEO T. LEDESMA herein represented by ROCHEL F. LEDESMA as his true and lawful Attorney-in-fact,

Respondent-Mortgagor.

SHERIFF'S NOTICE OF SALE AT PUBLIC AUCTION

Upon Extra-Judicial Petition for Sale under Art. 3135 filed by the Mortgagee, BANK OF THE PHILIPPINE ISLANDS with principal address at Avala Triangle Gardens Tower 2. Paseo de Roxas Corner Makati Avenue, Makati City, Philippines against the mortgagors SPS. LEO T. LEDESMA & ROCHEL F. LEDESMA, of legal age, Filipino and with resident address at LOT 17. BLOCK 09. STO. DOMINGO SUBD., BRGY. 8 (POB.) TIGBAUAN, ILOILO, Philippines to satisfy the mortgage indebtedness which as of November 11, 2025 amounts to NINE MILLION THREE HUNDRED THIRTY-TWO THOUSAND FOUR **HUNDRED TWENTY-EIGHT & 99/100 PESOS ONLY** (Php9,332,428.99) Philippine Currency, inclusive of interest, penalties and other charges as of the date of the public auction, the undersigned sheriff will sell to public auction on February 12, 2026 at 10 o'clock in the morning or soon thereafter at the REGIONAL TRIAL COURT, OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF COURT, 3rd FLOOR, GELVEZON BLDG., GUIMBAL, ILOILO to the HIGHEST BIDDER for CASH or MANAGER'S CHECK, and in Philippine Currency the property/properties with all its improvements, to wit:

TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. 090-2023000476

"A parcel of land (Lot 17, Block 9, PCS-06-003586, Being a Consolidation- Subdivision of Lots 467, 475, 476, 479. 480, 481, 482, 491, 1204 & 1232, Cad. Iloilo Cadastre), Situated in the Municipality of Tigbauan, Province of Iloilo, Island of Panay. Bounded on the SE. along line 1-2 by Lot 492. Cad. 26. Iloilo: on the SW. along line 2-3 by Lot 18: on the NW. along line 3-4 by Road Lot 7; on the NE. along line 4-1 by Lot 16. Beginning at a point marked "1" on plan, Being S. 4-27 E., 373.76 meters from BLLM no. 1, Cad 26, Iloilo Cadastre: Thence S. 67-23 W., 10.00 M. to point 2; N. 22-37 W., 19.00 M. to point 3; N. 67-23 E., 10.00 M. to point 4; S. 22-37 E., 19.00 M. to point 1, point of beginning. Containing an area of One Hundred Ninety (190) square meters, more or less."

All sealed bids must be submitted to the undersigned on the above-stated time and date.

In the event the public auction should not take place on the said date, it shall be held on February 26, 2026 at the time and date without further notice.

Guimbal, Iloilo, Philippines, this 10th day of December 2025.

SHERIFF OF GUIMBAL:

(SGD.) JOSE EM S. SELIBIO Sheriff IV RTC Branch 67

Noted By:

(SGD.) ATTY. JAHZIEL P. FANTILANAN-SILVESTRE CLERK OF COURT VI

NE/ December 22, 29, 2025 & January 5, 2026



REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES 6th JUDICIAL REGION **REGIONAL TRIAL COURT**

OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF COURT & EX-OFFICIO **SHERIFF**

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FORECLOSURE NO. F-11365-25

For: Extra-Judicial Foreclosure of Real Estate Mortgage under Act No. 3135, As Amended

> **BDO UNIBANK, INC.,** Mortgagee,

> > -versus-

NOEL T. DECLINES, AS REPRESENTED BY HIS ATTORNEY-IN-FACT, WILLMER L. PILLA Debtors/Mortgagor/s.

RE-NOTICE OF EXTRA-JUDICIAL SALE

Upon Extra-Judicial Petition for Foreclosure and Sale of Real Estate Mortgage under Act 3135, as amended, filed by BDO UNIBANK, INC., ("Mortgagee"), a universal banking corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of the Republic of the Philippines, with principal office at 33rd Floor, BDO Corporate Center Ortigas, No. 12 ADB Avenue, Mandaluyong City, against NOEL T. DECLINES AS REPRESENTED BY HIS ATTORNEY-IN-FACT, WILLMER L. PILLA, ("Debtors/Mortgagors"), of legal age, Filipino and with postal address/es at: (1) Lot 1 Blk. 1, Gemland Subdivision, Bretana St., Barotac Nuevo, Iloilo and (2) Unit 314, Tower 1, 3rd Floor Avida Towers Atria, Donato Pison Avenue, Brgy. San Rafael, Mandurriao, Iloilo City 5000, to satisfy the mortgaged indebtedness which as of May 30, 2025, amounted to TWELVE MILLION EIGHT **HUNDRED SIXTEEN THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED** THIRTY-EIGHT PESOS & 07/100 (Php12,816,238.07) Philippine Currency, including interest, penalties, other charges besides the attorney's fees and incidental expenses incurred for the foreclosure, the Ex-Officio Provincial Sheriff of Iloilo or his duly authorized deputy will sell at Public Auction on MARCH 19, 2026 at TEN (10:00) o'clock in the morning at the Ground Floor, Office of the Clerk of Court, Regional Trial Court, New Castle Hotel, Bonifacio Drive, Iloilo City, for CASH or MANAGER'S CHECK to the highest bidder and in Philippine Currency the mortgaged real property with all the improvements found thereon, to wit:

TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. 095-2023003492

IT IS HEREBY CERTIFIED that the unit identified and described as:

PROJECT NAME: ATRIA **USAGE TYPE:** RESIDENTIAL CONDO **ALLOCATION:** STOREY 1 LEVEL / FLOOR: 3RD FLOOR UNIT CALL OUT: ASI-314 **UNIT AREA:** 69.02 BALCONY: 4.16 **TOTAL AREA:** 73.18 UNIT MODEL / TYPE: 2 BEDROOM W/ BALCONY

LOCATION: BARANGAY SAN RAFAEL. MANDURRIAO, CITY OF ILOILO AREA: TWENTY-TWO THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED ONE (22,301), SQUARE METER. Owner: NOEL TUAZON DECLINES, OF LEGAL AGE, FILIPINO, SINGLE Address: UNIT 7 PHASE 2 DLAYA EXECUTIVE TOWNHOMES, 15[™] AVENUE, MURPHY, QUEZON CITY

All sealed bids must be submitted to the undersigned on the aforementioned date and time.

In the event the Public Auction should not take place on the said date, it shall be held on April 16, 2026 at the same time and place without further notice.

lloilo City, Philippines, December 02, 2025.

(SGD.) LENY GEMMA P. CASTILLO Sheriff-in-Charge 09283358725

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

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OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF COURT & EX-OFFICO SHERIFF

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FORECLOSURE NO. F-11367-25

For: Extra-Judicial Foreclosure of Real Estate Mortgage under Act No. 3135, as amended

> **BDO UNBANK, INC.,** Mortgagee,

> > -versus-

SPS. BOBBY J. BARRETO **AND LORNA A. TERRESTRE** BARRETO,

Debtors/Mortgagors.

RE-NOTICE OF EXTRA-JUDICIAL SALE

Upon Extra-Judicial Petition for Foreclosure and Sale of Real Estate Mortgage under Act 3135, as amended, filed by BDO UNIBANK, INC., ("Mortgagee"), a universal banking corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of the Republic of the Philippines, with office at 33rd Floor, BDO Corporate Center Ortigas, No. 12 ADB Avenue, Mandaluyong City, against SPS. BOBBY J. BARRETTO AND LORNA A. TERRESTRE BARRETTO ("Debtors/ Mortgagers"), of legal age, Filipinos and with postal address/es at: (1) Casanayan Pilar, Pilar, Capiz and (2) Lot 4, Block. 1, Road Lot 5 (Colorado St.,) Savannah Crest A Subdivision, Brgy. Abilay Norte, Oton, Iloilo Province, to satisfy the mortgaged indebtedness which as of March 21, 2025, amounted to FIVE MILLION TWO **HUNDRED FIFTY-FIVE THOUSAND FORTY PESOS &** 60/100 (Php5,255,040.60) Philippine Currency, including interest, penalties, other charges besides the attorney's fees and incidental expenses incurred for the foreclosure, the Ex-Officio Provincial Sheriff of Iloilo or his duly authorized deputy will sell at Public Auction on March 26, 2026 at TEN (10:00) o'clock in the morning at the Ground Floor, Office of the Clerk of Court, Regional Trial Court, New Castle Hotel, Bonifacio Drive, Iloilo City, for CASH or MANAGER'S CHECK to the highest bidder and in Philippine Currency the mortgaged real property with all the improvements found thereon, to wit:

TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. 090-2011005268

IT IS HEREBY CERTIFIED that certain land situated in BARANGAY OF ABILAY NORTE. MUNICIPALITY OF OTON. PROVINCE OF ILOILO ISLAND OF PANAY, bounded and described as follows:

A PARCEL OF LAND (LOT 4, BLK. 1, PCS-06-004731, BEING A CONS. SUBD. OF LOT 3784, AGONOA CAD. 8 & BLOCK 33, PCS-06-004278), SITUATED IN BRGY. OF ABILAY NORTE, MUNICIPALITY OF OTON, PROVINCE OF ILOILO, ISLAND OF PANAY. BOUNDED ON x-x-x-x-x-X CONTAINING AN AREA OF TWO HUNDRED FIFTY THREE (253) SQUARE METERS MORE OR LESS.

All sealed bids must be submitted to the undersigned on the aforementioned date and time.

In the event the Public Auction should not take place on the said date, it shall be held on April 16, 2026 at the same time and place without further notice.

Iloilo City, Philippines, December 02 2025.

(SGD.) LENY GEMMA P. CASTILLO

Sheriff-in-Charge 09283358725

(SGD.) ATTY. GERRY D. SUMACULUB

Clerk of Court VII & Ex-Officio Sheriff

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FORECLOSURE NO. F-11316-25

Extra-Judicial Foreclosure of Real Estate Mortgage Under Act 3135, as Amended by Act 4118,

SOCIAL SECURITY SYSTEM Mortgagee,

-versus -

JOSE MARIA M. BUENAFLOR,

Debtor/Mortgagor.

SHERIFF'S RE-NOTICE OF SALE **AT PUBLIC AUCTION**

Upon extra-judicial petition/Application for sale under Act 3135 filed by the mortgagee, SOCIAL SECURITY SYSTEM Lending and Asset Management Group - Housing & **Acquired Asset Management Department (HAAMD)** c/o HAAMS Bacolod, 2nd Lacson Street, Bacolod City, against JOSE MARIA M. BUENAFLOR with postal address at Lot 24, Block 3, Mirasol Street, Vic Imperial Homes Subd., Brgy. Oñate de Leon, Mandurriao, Iloilo City, to satisfy the mortgage indebtedness which as of March 31, 2025, without counting yet the additional interest and other charges such as attorney's fees, publication cost, sheriff's fee, registration fee and other expenses, is TWO MILLION TWO HUNDRED FIVE THOUSAND SIX HUNDRED THIRTY-SIX PESOS & 49/100 (Php2,205,636.49), the Ex-Officio Provincial Sheriff of Iloilo will sell at public auction on FEBRUARY 13, 2026 at 10:00 o'clock in the morning at Ground Floor, Office of the Clerk of Court, Iloilo New Castle Hotel, Bonifacio Drive, Iloilo City, to the HIGHEST BIDDER, for CASH or MANAGER'S CHECK and in Philippine Currency, the following properties described hereunder, together with the improvements now and existing or which may hereafter be made thereon, to wit:

TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE No. T-75216

Registry of Deeds for Iloilo City

A PARCEL OF LAND (LOT 24, BLOCK 3, PCS-06-000852, BEING A CONS.-SUBD. OF LOTS 2-5, BLOCK, LOTS 1-12, BLOCK 2, LOTS 1-16, BLOCK 3, LOTS 1-5, BLOCK 4, PHASE 1, LOTS 1-4, BLOCK 1, LOTS 1-12, BLOCK 2, LOTS 1-16, BLOCK 3, LOTS 6-14, BLOCK 4, PHASE II, PCS-06-0000781), SITUATED IN THE DISTRICT OF MANDURRIAO, CITY OF ILOILO, ISLAND OF PANAY. BOUNDED ON THE SE AND SW., ALONG LINES 1-2-3-4 BY ROAD LOT 3; ON THE NW., ALONG LINE 4-5 BY LOT 2, PCS-06-000364; ON THE NE., ALONG LINE 5-1 BY LOT 23. BEGINNING AT A POINT MARKED "1" ON PLAN, BEING S. 27-48 W., 692.39 M. FROM BILM NO 1 AGONOA CADASTRE THENCE S. 38-26 W., 4.94 M TO POINT 2; 75-00 W., 2.90 M. TO POINT 3 N. 68-28 W., 14.62 M. TO POINT 4; N. 38-26 E., 12.48 M. TO POINT 5; S. 48-11 E., 15.81 M. TO POINT 1; POINT OF BEGINNING. CONTAINING AN AREA OF ONE HUNDRED FIFTY (150) SQUARE METERS, MORE OR LESS. ALL POINTS REFERRED TO ARE INDICATED ON THE PLAN AND ARE MARKED ON THE GROUND AS/BY FOLLOWS: P.S. CYL. CONC. MONS., BEARINGS TRUE, SURVEYED BY ENGINEER GORGONIO O. PALMA, JR. ON SEPTEMBER 8-10, 1986 AND APPROVED ON OCTOBER 29, 1986.

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 FEB. 20, 2026, at the same time and place aforementioned without further renotice and republication.

Iloilo City, Philippines, December 1, 2025.

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

> (SGD.) SARAH C. DORONILA Sheriff IV/Sheriff-in-Charge

NE/Dec. 22, 29, 2025 & January 5, 2026

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FORECLOSURE FILE NO. F-11436-25

BDO UNIBANK, INC., Mortgagee,

-versus-

NICK CARLSON SOLIJON TAI, GOLDENTOP MARKETING INTERNATIONAL CORPORATION,

Mortgagors.

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NOTICE OF EXTRA-JUDICIAL SALE

Upon verified petition for extra-judicial foreclosure of real estate mortgage under Act 3135 as amended, filed by Mortgagee BDO UNIBANK, INC., a domestic banking corporation with principal business address at BDO Towers Valero, 8741 Paseo de Roxas, Salcedo Village, Makati City, Philippines, against Mortgagors NICK CARLSON SOLIJON TAI, with residence/principal address at No. 35 Atok Street, Barangay Sto. Domingo, Gintong Silahis, Quezon City, and GOLDENTOP MARKETING **INTERNATIONAL CORPORATION**, to satisfy the mortgage indebtedness which as of July 31, 2025, has amounted to Three Million Three Hundred Six Thousand Twenty and 14/100 (Php3,306,020.14), the undersigned Ex Officio Sheriff of Iloilo and/or ANY of his duly authorized deputy will sell at public auction on February 05, 2026, at 10:00 o'clock in the morning at the Office of the Clerk of Court and Ex Officio Sheriff, Regional Trial Court, Newcastle Iloilo Hotel, Bonifacio Drive, Iloilo City, to the highest bidder, for cash or manager's check and in Philippine Currency, the mortgaged property covered by Transfer Certificate of Title No. 090-2023013908, including all the improvements thereon, bounded and described as follows:

"LOT NO: 6 BLOCK NO: 16 PLAN NO: PCS-06-006593 **PORTION OF:** THE CONSOLIDATION SUBDIVISION OF BLK. 17, PSD-06-083158; LOT-5248-R-2-D-3, PSD-06-066757; LOTS-5248-L, 5248-P, 5248-Q, BSD-06-000202 (OLT); LOTS-876 & 604, STA. BARBARA CAD. 7; LOCATION: BARANGAY OF INANGAYAN, MUNICIPALITY OF STA. BARBARA, PROVINCE OF ILOILO, ISLAND OF PANAY

BOUNDARIES:

DIRECTION ADJOINING LOT(S) LINE 1-2 NW LOT 225, (ALLEY), BLOCK 16, PCS-06-006593 2-3 NE LOT 5, BLOCK 16, PCS-06-006593 SE ROAD LOT 16, PCS-06-006593 SW LOT 7, BLOCK 16, PCS-06-006593

XXXX AREA: TWO HUNDRED FORTY SQUARE METERS (240), MORE OR LESS

Owner: NICK CARLSON SOLIJON TAI, OF LEGAL AGE. FILIPINO Address: 35 ATOK STREET, QUEZON CITY"

All SEALED bids must be submitted to the undersigned on the abovementioned date and time.

In the event the public auction should not take place on the said date, it will be held instead on March 05, 2026, at the same time and venue without further notice and re-publication.

Iloilo City, Philippines, November 17, 2025.

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

Prepared by:

(SGD.) RAMIL G. FACURIB Authorized Deputy/Sheriff-in-charge

NE/Dec. 22, 29, 2025 & Jan. 5, 2026



Republic of the Philippines REGIONAL TRIAL COURT 6th Judicial Region Branch 24 – Bugasong, Antique (036) 540 7204

rtc2bgs064@judiciary.gov.ph Station: Justice Calixto O. Zaldivar Hall of Justice San Jose, Antique

File No. F2025-158

IN RE: PETITION FOR EXTRA JUDICIAL FORECLOSURE OF REAL ESTATE MORTGAGE UNDER ACT 3135, AS AMENDED,

BARBAZA MULTIPURPOSE COOP., REPRESENTED BY IT'S REMEDIAL MANAGEMENT MANAGER, BUENA JEAN V. VECINA,

Petitioner.

SHERIFF'S NOTICE OF EXTRAJUDICIAL AUCTION SALE

Upon petition for extra-judicial foreclosure sale under Act 3135, as amended, filed by BARBAZA MULTIPURPOSE COOP., represented by its Remedial Management Manager, Buena Jean V. Vecina, with principal office at Cubay, Barbaza, Antique, against mortgagor Silver Von Baghari Suyom, a resident of Jinalinan, Barbaza, Antique, to satisfy the mortgage indebtedness, which is as of 28 November 2025 amounts to Phil: Pesos: Two Hundred Seventy Eight Thousand Two Hundred Seventy & 95/100 (Pha278,270.95), exclusive of attorney's fees, sheriff fee and other fees relative to foreclosure proceedings, the undersigned sheriff will sell at public auction on 09 January 2026, at 10:00 o'clock in the morning, or soon thereafter, at the Office of the Sheriff, RTC, Branch 64, Zaldivar Hall of Justice, Binirayan Hills, San Jose, Antique, to the highest bidder for cash or manager's check and in Philippine currency, the following property with all its improvements thereon, to wit:

Original Certificate of Title No. 2021000385 Residential Free Patent No. 060602-2021-883

"A parcel of land (Lot 989-B, Csd.06-018788, Barbaza Cadastre) situated at Barangay Jinalinan, Barbaza, Antique. Bounded on the N., along lines 1-2-3 by Lot 989-A; on the E., along lines 3-4 by Nalupa River; on the S., along line 45 by Lot 991; on the W, along line 5-1 by Lot 989-C (Road), all of Csd. 06-018788, Cad. 818-D Barbaza Cadastre. Containing an area of Three Hundred Sixty One (361 sq.m.) square meters, more or less. Declared in the name of Silverio B. Suyom married to Ma. Luz B. Suyom."

All sealed bids must be submitted to the undersigned on the above stated time and date.

In the event the public auction should not take place on the said date, it shall be held on <u>16 January 2026</u> at the same time and place abovementioned without further notice.

San Jose for Bugasong, Antique, 05 December 2025,

EMILIO FELIPE Y. LEGASPI II

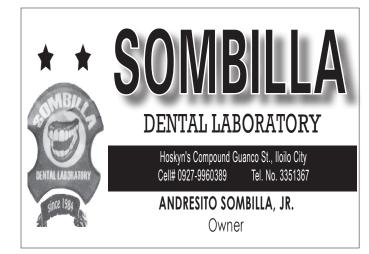
OIC, Clerk of Court VI & Ex-Officio Sheriff

(SGD.) RAMIL P. MARTINEZ
Sheriff IV

WARNING:

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NE/December 15, 22 & 29, 2025



Republic of the Philippines
National Authority for Child Care
Regional Alternative Child Care Office
Region VI – Western Visayas
TIN: 200-137-390-000

DOMESTIC ADMINISTRATIVE ADOPTION CASE NO:

RACCO VI-DAA-2025-0151

DATE: **DEC 12.2025**

IN RE: PETITION FOR ADOPTION
OF ARVEJOY BALDORADO NABUAB
TO BE KNOWN THEREAFTER AS
RICHIE GIA NEJAR GELVOLEO

SPOUSES, RICHARD TACLOBOS GELVOLEO AND LALAINE NEJAR GELVOLEO

Petitioners

ORDER

A verified petition for the adoption of Arvejoy Baldorado Nabuab filed by the petitioners through the Regional Alternative Child Care Office (RACCO) praying that the after due notice, publication and appearances, a judgement be rendered to the effect that the minor **Arvejoy Baldorado Nabuab** be declared for all legal intents and purposes the legitimate child of the petitioners and that the name of the child be changed particularly to appear as **Richie Gia Nejar Gelvoleo**.

Finding the said Petition to be sufficient in form and substance, let the same be set for Mandatory Appearance on March 12, 2026 to be held at RACCOVI at 3F Ana Ros Bldg., Simon Ledesma Street, Jaro, Iloilo City. Any interested party may appear and may file an opposition/complaint supported by evidence to the National Authority for Child Care (NACC), through the RACCO where the Petition was filed. The complaint will be subjected for verification and further investigation.

Let a copy of this Order be published at the expense of the Petitioners once a week for three (3) successive weeks in a newspaper of general circulation pursuant to Section 31 of R.A. No. 11642 or the Domestic Administrative Adoption and Alternative Child Care Act.

(SGD.) AIRLN JENM C. BARRO, RSW Alternate Officer-in-Charge

NE/Dec. 22, 29, 2025 & Jan. 5, 2026

Republic of the Philippines Province of Iloilo Municipality of Dueñas

OFFICE OF THE MUNICIPAL CIVIL REGISTRAR

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

In Compliance with Section 5 of R.A. 9048, a notice is hereby served to the public that <u>DAVID JR.</u>

<u>LALANTACON SUAREZ</u> has filed with this Office a (complete name of the petitioner) petition for change of first name from <u>"BERNARD"</u> (first name to be changed) to <u>"DAVID JR."</u> in the birth certificate of <u>BERNARD</u> (new first name to be adopted)

<u>LALATACUN SUAREZ</u> who was born on <u>OCTOBER</u>

REYES SUAREZ and EDITHA LALANTACON.

27, 1965 at MANILA and whose parents are DAVID

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

(SGD.) ALDA JANE L. DATOR Municipal Civil Registrar

NE/Dec. 22, 2025 & Dec. 29, 2025



Republic of the Philippines
REGIONAL TRIAL COURT
OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF COURT
& EX-OFFICIO SHERIFF

6th Judicial Region Barotac Viejo, Iloilo Email: rtcibrvocc@judiciary.gov.ph Mobile: 0910-9799-017

FORECLOSURE NO. EJF-2025-548

FOR:

EXTRA-JUDICIAL FORECLOSURE OF REAL ESTATE MORTGAGE UNDER ACT NO. 3135, AS AMENDED

RURAL BANK OF DUMANGAS, INC., rep. by RAC JOHN VILLA,

Mortgagee,

versus

MELANIE C. LABOR,
Mortgagor,

NOTICE OF SALE AT PUBLIC AUCTION

Upon Extra-Judicial Petition for Foreclosure of Real Estate Mortgage under Act. 3135 as amended filed by RURAL BANK OF DUMANGAS, INC., a banking institution duly organized and existing by virtue of the laws of the Philippines, with principal office address at Corner Burgos-J.M. Basa Sts., Dumangas, Iloilo, Philippines, hereinafter referred to as the "MORTGAGEE", against MELANIE C. LABOR, of legal age, Filipino and with residential address at Sitio Cambalatong, Brgy. Bancal, Carles, Iloilo, Philippines, hereinafter referred to as the "MORTGAGOR", for the satisfaction of the mortgaged indebtedness which as of August 27, 2025, amounted to ONE MILLION FOUR **HUNDRED SIXTY FOUR THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED** TWENTY TWO PESOS & 05/100 ONLY (P1,464,722,05) Philippine Currency exclusive of accruing interests, penalties and lawful charges and other charges incurred during the foreclosure proceedings, the Ex-Officio Provincial Sheriff of Barotac Viejo, thru her authorized Deputy Sheriff Will SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION on March 11, 2026 at 2:00 o'clock in the afternoon or soon thereafter at the Office of the Clerk of Court, Regional Trial Court, Barotac Viejo, lloilo, to the HIGHEST BIDDER, for CASH or MANAGER'S **CHECK** and in Philippine Currency, the real property with all the improvements that may be found thereon, to wit:

TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. (T-15459) 090-2020000102

"A parcel of Land (Lot 555-C, Psd-063014-029572, being a portion of Lot 555, Cad. 478-D, Carles Cad.), situtated in the Brgy. of Bancal, Mun. of Carles, Province of Iloilo, Island of Panay. Bounded on the NW., along Lines 1-2-3 by Road; on the NE., along Line 3-4 by Lot 555-B, of this subd. survey; along Line 4-5 by Lot 560, Cad. 478-D, Carles Cad.; on the SE., along Line 5-6 by Visayan Sea; on the SW., along Line 6-1 by Lot 555-D, of this subd, survey. xxxxxx Containing an area of TWO THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED FIFTY (2,250) SQUARE METERS, more or Less." xxxxx

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 <u>March 18, 2026</u> at the same time and place above-described without further notice.

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

Barotac Viejo, Iloilo, Philippines, 10 December 2025.

(SGD.) ATTY. RETZEL AMOUR P. CADENA-VILLARUZ Clerk of Count VI, RTC-OCC

and Ex-Officio Provincial Sheriff of Barotac Viejo, Iloilo

(SGD.) GLEMARIE PEE B. BACERRA

Sheriff IV

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NE/December 15, 22 & 29, 2025



REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES **REGIONAL TRIAL COURT** 6[™] JUDICIAL REGION

OFFICE OF THE PROVINCIAL SHERIFF OF ILOILO CJ Ramon Q. Avanceña Hall of Justice Bonifacio Drive, Iloilo City -000-

FORECLOSURE NO. F-11397-25

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

MARAYO BANK, INC. (A RURAL BANK) **BANATE BRANCH,**

Mortgagee,

versus

ERNESTO B. CANITAN and ANELYN CANITAN,

Borrowers/Mortgagors,

SHERIFF'S RE-NOTICE OF SALE AT PUBLIC **AUCTION**

Upon extra-Judicial petition for foreclosure and sale under Act No. 3135, as amended filed by the Mortgagee, MARAYO BANK, INC. (A RURAL BANK) - BANATE BRANCH, a banking institution duly organized under Philippine laws and with office address at Rizal Street, Poblacion, Banate, Iloilo, Philippines, represented by its Legal Assistant, Jonathan Deocampo, against Borrowers/ Mortgagors, ERNESTO B. CANITAN and ANELYN CANITAN, both of legal age/s, Filipino/s and a residents of Block 6, Lot 35, Eon Centennial, Barangay Jibao-an, Pavia, Iloilo, Philippines, to satisfy the mortgage indebtedness which as of JUNE 4, 2025, amounts to TWO MILLION FIVE **HUNDRED THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED SEVENTY** and 81/100 Pesos (P2,500,370.81), Philippine Currency, inclusive of interest and other charges, plus attorney's fees, publication cost, sheriff's legal expenses and other incidental expenses of foreclosure and auction sale, the Ex-Officio Sheriff of Iloilo or any of his lawful deputies will sell at public auction on **JANUARY 20, 2026 at 10:00** o'clock in the morning or soon thereafter at the Office of the Clerk of Court, Regional Trial Court, New Castle Hotel, 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 the improvements found thereon, to wit;

TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. (T-232941) 090-2018010205

IT IS HEREBY CERTIFIED that a certain land, bounded and described as follows:

A PARCEL OF LAND (LOT 35, BLOCK 6, PCS-06-003782, BEING A CONS-SUBD. OF LOTS 7, 30 & 27, portion, BCS-06-000045 (OLT), SITUATED IN THE BRGY. OF JIBAO-AN, MUN. OF PAVIA, PROV. OF ILOILO, ISLAND OF PANAY, BOUNDED ON THE SW., ALONG LINES 1-2-3 BY ROAD LOT 6 (6.50 M. WIDE): ON THE NW., ALONG LINE 3-4 BY LOT 34; ON THE NE., ALONG LINE 4-5 BY LOT 19. BCS-06-000045 (OLT); ON THE SE., ALONG LINE 5-1 BY LOT 36 (PARKS & PLAYGROUND)......CONTAINING AN AREA OF **ONE** HUNDRED FOUR (104) SQUARE METERS MORE OR

All sealed bids must be submitted to the undersigned on the above-mentioned date and time.

In the event the public auction could not take place on said date and time, it shall be held on February 10, 2026 at the same time and place aforementioned without further

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 provision of law.

Iloilo City, Philippines, November 24, 2025,

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

> (SGD.) ROBERTO D. GARILVA Sheriff-in-Charge

WARNING:

It is absolutely prohibited to remove, deface or destroy this Notice of Sale on or before the date of Sale, under penalty of Law: (Rule 39, Sec. 15)

DEED OF ADJUDICATION AND SALE

Notice is hereby given that the estate of the late PRUDENCE A. ALTAR known as Lot 11, Block 8, Psd-063043-028632, being a portion of Lot 3663-B, Psd-063043-026885, located at Poblacion, Santa Barbara, Iloilo covered by TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. T-160225 with an area of ONE HUNDRED FIFTY-EIGHT (158) SQUARE METERS, more or less is adjudicated to heirs ROLLY L. ALTAR and JUSTINE MARIE A. ALTAR. That, the heirs/adjudicates convey by way of sale unto RYAN U. AMOYOT, married to YVONNE P. AMOYOT all their rights and interests over their designated share from the above-said property as entered in the notarial registry of ATTY. AGNES S. SURMIEDA per Doc. No. 401, Page No. 82, Book No. I, Series of 2025.

NE/December 8, 15 & 22, 2025

AFFIDAVIT OF CLAIM WITH WAIVER OF RIGHTS

Notice is hereby given that the estate of the late **TERESITA** H. ANZURES known as a Savings Deposit Account with the Philippine Veterans Bank - Iloilo Branch under Savings Account No. 262004443 are adjudicated to surviving heirs MELMA BAÑES, ROSIE A. GELLE, TERRY MAE ONLAGADA, MARTE A. ANZURES, RUSSEL A. ANZURES, GARY A. ANZURES, GRETCHEN A. DAO-ANG, HAJIE ROTES A. ANZURES, EYERISK A. ANZURES and AIRAH MAE A. ANAS. That, the heirs/adjudicatees waived, assign, and transfer all their respective rights, interests and participation over the said claim in favor of TERRY MAE A. ONLAGADA, as entered in the notarial registry of ATTY. IGMEDIO S. PRADO, JR. per Doc. No. 163, Page No. 34, Book No. XXVI, Series of 2025.

NE/December 8, 15 & 22, 2025

DEED OF EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE

Notice is hereby given that the estate of the late **SARAH** JOAN B. OCZON known as a BDO Dollar Time Deposit at BDO SM Delgado Branch, Iloilo City under TD No. 307108299905 is adjudicated to heirs ARLANDO DE JESUS OCZON, JOANNAH ARLA B. OCZON, ARE JAY B. OCZON, QUEEN SARAH B. OCZON, and ALLEN JOSEPH B. OCZON, as entered in the notarial registry of ATTY. FREEZA JEE M. FABRIGAS per Doc. No. 234, Page 48, Book II, Series of 2025.

NE/December 8, 15 & 22, 2025

DEED OF ADJUDICATION

Notice is hereby given that the estate of the late **FELIX** LANARIO known as parcel of land Lot 705-G-3, PSD-06-**075913**, being a portion of Lot 705-G, PSD-06-074656, situated in Brgy. Talaban, Himamaylan City, Negros Occidental covered by TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. 091-2013002615 with an area of THREE **HUNDRED THIRTY EIGHT (338) SQUARE METERS,** MORE OR LESS and a parcel of land Lot 705-G-4, PSD-**06-075913**, being a portion of Lot 705-G, PSD-06-07456. situated in Brgy. Talaban, Himamaylan City, Negros Occidental covered by TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. 091-2013003161 with an area of THREE **HUNDRED THIRTY EIGHT (338) SQUARE METERS,** MORE OR LESS are adjudicated to surviving heirs MATILDE A. LANARIO, RHOMMEL AGSAY LANARIO, NOEL AGSAY LANARIO, RHANEL AGSAY LANARIO and VHERNEL AGSAY LANARIO as entered in the notarial registry of ATTY. FELIZARDO D. AMIGABLE, JR. per Doc. No. 202, Page No. 42, Book No. 198, Series of 2025.

NE/December 15, 22 & 29, 2025

DEED OF ADJUDICATION

Notice is hereby given that the estate of the late JASMIN JALLORINA TICAO known as a parcel of land Lot No. 2020 of the Cadastral Survey of Pototan, with all buildings and improvements, except herein expressly noted as belonging to other persons, situated in Pototan, Iloilo covered by TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. T-117571 with an area of NINE THOUSAND ONE **HUNDRED FIFTY ONE (9,151) SQUARE METERS,** MORE OR LESS is adjudicated to heirs SALVADOR C. TICAO, ATHENA MAY T. ALOLOSAN, JOHN ERWIN J. TICAO, JASSAL T. DATO-ON, MAE JOY T. PADULLA and SALVADOR J. TICAO, JR. as entered in the notarial registry of ATTY. JEORGE H. GREGORI per Doc. No. 466, Page No. 95, Book No. XXXVIII, Series of 2025.

DEED OF ADJUDICATION

Notice is hereby given that the estate of the late **GERONCIO JALLORINA and JUSTA PALOMERO** known as a parcel of land Lot No. 2021 of the Cadastral Survey of Pototan, with all buildings and improvements, except those herein expressly noted as belonging to other persons, covered by TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. T-24836 situated in Pototan, Iloilo with an area of FIVE THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED AND SEVEN (5,107) SQUARE METERS, MORE OR LESS is adjudicated to heirs TERESITA J. PENDON; heirs of JESSIE P. JALLORINA, SR., namely, EVANGELINE P. JALLORINA, JECELYN J. CELESTE, JOSE FIDELYN P. JALLORINA, MA. JOJIE J. PONTE, JEFFREY P. JALLORINA, MARY JANE J. NATAL, JESSIE JALLORINA, JR., and JOVEN P. JALLORINA; heirs of ESTELITA JALLORINA and ALFREDO PENDILLA, JR., namely, EDMER J. PENDILLA, BEVERLY P. SARANILLO, IMMACULADA P. GOLEZ, AGNES P. PEÑAFIEL, AMELIA J. PENDILLA, and MANUEL J. PENDILLA; heirs of FRANCISCO P. JALLORINA and THELMA P. JALLORINA, namely, JOHN MARK P. JALLORINA, and LEMUEL P. JALLORINA, FELIZARDO P. JALLORINA, heirs of JASMIN JALLORINA, namely, SALVADOR C. TICAO, ATHENA MAY T. ALOLOSAN, JOHN ERWIN J. TICAO, JASSAL T. DATO-ON, MAE JOY T. PADULLA, and SALVADOR J. TICAO, JR.; and JONATHAN JALLORINA as entered in the notarial registry of ATTY. JEORGE H. GREGORI per Doc. No. 235, Page No. 48, Book No. XL, Series of 2025.

NE/December 15, 22 & 29, 2025

DEED OF ADJUDICATION

Notice is hereby given that the estate of the late GERONCIO JALLORINA and JUSTA PALOMERO known as a parcel of land Lot 2019 of the Cadastral Survey of Pototan, with all buildings and improvements covered by TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. T-24835 situated in Pototan, Iloilo with an area of FOUR THOUSAND TWO **HUNDRED SIXTY FOUR (4,264) SQUARE METERS,** MORE OR LESS is adjudicated to *heirs of TERESITA J.* PENDON; heirs of JESSIE P. JALLORINA, SR., namely, EVANGELINE P. JALLORINA, JECELYN J. CELESTE, JOSE FIDELYN P. JALLORINA, MA. JOJIE J. PONTE, JEFFREY P. JALLORINA, MARY JANE J. NATAL, JESSIE JALLORINA, JR., and JOVEN P. JALLORINA; heirs of ESTELITA JALLORINA and ALFREDO PENDILLA, JR., namely, EDMER J. PENDILLA, BEVERLY P. SARANILLO, IMMACULADA P. GOLEZ, AGNES P. PEÑAFIEL, AMELIA J. PENDILLA, and MANUEL J. PENDILLA; heirs of FRANCISCO P. JALLORINA and THELMA P. JALLORINA, namely, JOHN MARK P. JALLORINA, and LEMUEL P. JALLORINA, FELIZARDO P. JALLORINA, heirs of JASMIN JALLORINA, namely, SALVADOR C. TICAO, ATHENA MAY T. ALOLOSAN, JOHN ERWIN J. TICAO, JASSAL T. DATO-ON, MAE JOY T. PADULLA, and SALVADOR J. TICAO, JR.; and JONATHAN **JALLORINA** as entered in the notarial registry of **ATTY**. JEORGE H. GREGORI per Doc. No. 228, Page No. 47, Book No. XL, Series of 2025.

NE/December 15, 22 & 29, 2025

DEED OF ADJUDICATION

Notice is hereby given that the estate of the late JUSTA PALOMERO JALLORINA known as a parcel of land Lot No. 1788 of the Cadastral Survey of Pototan, with all the buildings and improvements, covered by TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. T-49405 situated in Pototan, Iloilo with an area of FORTY THOUSAND ONE **HUNDRED SIXTY THREE (40,163) SQUARE METERS,** MORE OR LESS is adjudicated to heirs TERESITA J. PENDON; HEIRS OF JESSIE P. JALLORINA, SR., namely, EVANGELINE P. JALLORINA, JECELYN J. CELESTE, JOSE FIDELYN P. JALLORINA, MA. JOJIE J. PONTE. JEFFREY P. JALLORINA, MARY JANE J. NATAL, JESSIE JALLORINA, JR., and JOVEN P. JALLORINA; heirs of ESTELITA JALLORINA and ALFREDO PENDILLA, JR., namely, EDMER J. PENDILLA, BEVERLY P. SARANILLO, IMMACULADA P. GOLEZ, AGNES P. PEÑAFIEL, AMELIA J. PENDILLA, and MANUEL J. PENDILLA; heirs of FRANCISCO P. JALLORINA and THELMA P. JALLORINA, namely, JOHN MARK P. JALLORINA, and LEMUEL P. JALLORINA, FELIZARDO P. JALLORINA, heirs of JASMIN JALLORINA, namely, SALVADOR C. TICAO, ATHENA MAY T. ALOLOSAN, JOHN ERWIN J. TICAO, JASSAL T. DATO-ON, MAE JOY T. PADULLA, and SALVADOR J. TICAO, JR.; and JONATHAN JALLORINA, as entered in the notarial registry of ATTY. JEORGE H. GREGORI per Doc. No. 227, Page No. 47, Book No. XL, Series of 2025.

NE/December 15, 22 & 29, 2025

6th Judicial Region
REGIONAL TRIAL COURT
FFICE OF THE CLERK OF COURT & FX-

OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF COURT & EX-OFFICIO SHERIFF

Republic of the Philippines

CJ Ramon Q. Avanceña Hall of Justice Bonifacio Drive, Iloilo City

FORECLOSURE NO. F-11437-25

For:

Foreclosure of Real Estate Mortgage Under Act No. 3135 as amended

BDO Unibank, Inc.,

Mortgagee,

-versus-

Nick Carlson Solijon Tai, Goldentop Marketing International Corporation,

Debtor/

Mortgagor,

SHERIFF'S NOTICE OF EXTRA-JUDICIAL SALE

Upon Petition for Extra Judicial Foreclosure of Mortgage Act 3135 as amended filed by **BDO Unibank Inc.**, a banking corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of the Philippines with principal business address at BDO Towers Valero, 8741 Paseo de Roxas, Salcedo Village, 1226 Makati City, Philippines, hereinafter referred to as Mortgagee, against Nick Carlson Solijon Tai ("MORTGAGOR/ DEBTOR TAI"), referred to as the Mortgagor, with residence and principal office address at No. 35 Atok Street, Barangay Sto. Domingo, Gintong Silahis, Quezon City 1114, over a parcel of land, including all the improvements erected thereon covered by Transfer Certificate of Title (TCT) No. 090-2023013886 (the "Mortgaged Property") located at Lot 9, Block 20, Brgy. Inangayan, Municipality of Sta. Barbara, Province of Iloilo, to satisfy the mortgage indebtedness in the amount of FOUR MILLION ONE HUNDRED THIRTY SIX THOUSAND, NINE HUNDRED SEVENTY ONE PESOS AND 36/100 (P4,136,971.36) computed as of July 31, 2025 and all other charges including the fees that may be due to you for services rendered, the Ex-Officio Sheriff of Iloilo and/or his duly authorized deputy Sheriff will SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION on February 5, 2026 at 10:00 o'clock in the morning at the Office of the Clerk of Court, Regional Trial Court, The Castle Hotel, Bonifacio Drive, Iloilo City, to the HIGHEST BIDDER for CASH or MANAGER'S CHECK and in the Philippine Currency, the real property herein described as follows, to wit:

TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. 090-2023013886

OT NO: 9 BLOCK NO: 20 PLAN NO: PCS-06-006593
PORTION OF: THE CONSOLIDATION
SUBDIVISION OF BLK 17, PSD-06-083158;
LOT-5248-R-2-D-3, PSD-06-066757;
LOTS-5348-L, 5248-P, 5248-Q, BSD-06-000202 (OLT); LOTS-876
& 604, STA. BARBARA CAD. 7
LOCATION: BARANGAY OF INANGAYAN,
MUNICIPALITY OF STA. BARBARA,
PROVINCE OF ILOILO, ISLAND OF PANAY.
AREA: TWO HUNDRED FORTY (240)
SQUARE METERS, MORE OR LESS.

All sealed bids must be submitted to the undersigned on the aforementioned date a time.

In the event the public auction should not take place on the said date, it shall be held on <u>March 5, 2026</u> at the same time and place without further notice and publication.

Iloilo City, Philippines, November 17, 2025.

(SGD.) SIDNEY D. SOLAS Sheriff-in-Charge

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

WARNING:

It is absolutely prohibited to remove or destroy this Notice of Sale on or before the Date of sale, under penalty of law



Department of Transportation

MARITIME INDUSTRY AUTHORITY

Regional Office VI

MROVI Building, De La Rama Street

Iloilo City, Philippines 5000



RE: Application for RENEWAL of Certificate of Public Convenience (CPC) pursuant to Republic Act No. 9295 and its Revised - Implementing Rules and Regulations

NEPTUNE TRANSPORT CORPORATION Applicant

Case No. MRO VI 15-106 CPC Renewal

ORDER

This refers to the application for Renewal of Certificate of Public Convenience (CPC) to wit:

ROUTE(S) TO BE SERVED

Muelle Loney, Iloilo City to Jordan Wharf, Guimaras and vice versa and/or Nueva Valencia, Guimaras to Iloilo Fishing Port, Iloilo City and vice versa (Daytime Navigation Only)			
Name of Ship(s)	GT	HULL	Type of Service
MBca "San Enrique"	12.34	Fiberglass	Carriage of Cargoes
Freight Rate			

The Applicant shall cause the publication of this ORDER in a newspaper of local circulation.

The Applicant shall likewise simultaneously caused the posting of this Orders in a conspicuous place at the affected ports, ships, Applicant's premises, port terminal and offices.

The Applicant shall present the jurisdictional, qualification and documentary requirements in a summary proceeding to be conducted on **10 January 2025 at 2:00 PM** at the Maritime Regional Office VI Building, De La Rama St., Iloilo City, which is within seven (7) days from the date of publication/posting.

The Applicant shall be required to make a written Formal Offer of Evidence (FOE), afterwhich, the application is deemed submitted for resolution /decision, upon acceptance of such FOE and declaration that the case is submitted for decision.

WITNESS, the Administrator, Hon. Sonia B. Malaluan this 15th day of December 2025.

BY AUTHORITY OF THE ADMINISTRATOR:

(SGD.) ENGR. BERNARDO A. POLLO Regional Director

Copy furnished: Applicant 109-B Lopez Jaena St. Jaro, Iloilo City Office of the Solicitor General, 134 Amorsolo St. Legaspi Vill., Makati Metro Manila Phil.6th Coast Guard District, Bo. Obrero, Iloilo City

R. FLORETE PAWNSHOP & JEWELRY

NOTICE OF AUCTION SALE

All unredeemed jewelries and articles from **May 20**, **2025 - Aug. 30, 2025** will be auctioned on **December 31**, **2025** at R. Florete, Guanco Street, Iloilo City at 8:30 A.M.

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FORECLOSURE NO. F-11480-25

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

BANK OF THE PHILIPPINE ISLANDS (SUCCESSOR-IN-INTEREST OF BPI FAMILY SAVINGS BANK, INC.), Petitioner-Mortgagee,

-versus-

SPOUSES, LILYBETH D. VILLARAN and FEDERICO D. VILLARAN, JR.,

Respondent/s-Mortgagor/sBorrower/s.

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 petitionermortgagee BANK OF THE PHILIPPINE ISLANDS (SUCCESSOR-IN-INTEREST OF BPI FAMILY SAVINGS BANK, INC.), a banking institution duly organized and existing under the laws of the Philippines, with principal office and place of business at 109 Dela Rosa St., corner Paseo de Roxas, Makati City, Philippines against respondent/smortgagor/s-borrower/s SPOUSES LILYBETH DECRITO VILLARAN and FEDERICO DACONES VILLARAN, JR. with residence and postal address at Lot 70, Block 19, Prime Estates Iloilo, Brgy. Nabitasan, Lapaz, Iloilo City and/or Zone 3, Rizal Estanzuela, Iloilo City, to satisfy the mortgage indebtedness which as of October 20, 2025 amounted to SEVEN MILLION EIGHT HUNDRED NINETEEN THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED THIRTY ONE PESOS & 89/100 (P7,819,831.89), Philippine Currency, exclusive of Interest, penalties and other charges, plus attorney's fees, publication cost, Sheriff's legal expenses and other incidental expenses of foreclosure and auction sale, the Ex-Officio Sheriff of Iloilo or any of his lawful deputies will sell at public auction on FEBRUARY 5, 2026 at 10:00 o'clock in the morning at the Office of the Clerk of Court, Regional Trial Court, New Castle Hotel, Bonifacio Drive, Iloilo City, to the HIGHEST BIDDER, for CASH or MANAGER'S CHECK and in Philippine Currency, the following real properties, including buildings and all improvements found thereon, to wit:

Registry of Deeds for Iloilo City Transfer Certificate of Title No. 095-2016000669

"A PARCEL OF LAND (LOT 70, BLOCK 19, PCS-06-004742, BEING A CONS-SUBD. OF LOT 3775-C (BSD-06-002144, OLT), LOT 3745-L, (PSD-06-031999), SITUATED IN THE BARANGAY OF NABITASAN & MAGSAYSAY, DISTRICT OF LAPAZ, CITY OF ILOILO, ISLAND OF PANAY. BOUNDED ON THE NE; ALONG LINE 1-2 BY LOT 71, BLOCK 19; ON THE SE., ALONG LINE 2-3 BY ROAD LOT 8 (10.00 M. WIDE); ON THE SW., ALONG LINE 3-4 BY LOT 69, BLOCK 19; ON THE NW., ALONG LINE 4-1 BY LOT 75, BLOCK 19 ALL OF THIS CONSSUBD. SURVEY. X X CONTAINING AN AREA OF TWO HUNDRED SIXTEEN (216) SQUARE METERS, MORE OR LESS."

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 **MARCH 5, 2026** 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 properties 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, November 21, 2025.

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

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

WARNING:

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