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## Expanded voucher system to help decongest public schools

MANILA – The measure that includes kindergarten and elementary school students in the coverage of government assistance and subsidies to private schools would help decongest public schools, a House leader said on Tuesday.

During the Bagong Pilipinas Ngayon briefing over PTV4,

House Committee on Basic Education and Culture chair Rep. Roman Romulo of Pasig City's Lone District, said the proposal that would expand the application of the Government Assistance to Students and Teachers in Private Education (GASTPE) will also complement the Department of Educa-

tion's (DepEd) Public and Private Education Complementarity Framework in its goal of decongesting public schools.

“Sa kasalukuyan po kasi, ang ating mga DepEd schools ay punong-puno na po ng estudyante, pero ang voucher system natin ay para sa Grades 7 to  
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# PBBM to issue EO on immediate El Niño interventions

MANILA – President Ferdinand R. Marcos Jr. will soon issue an executive order to ensure the government's immediate interventions to mitigate the effects of the El Niño phenomenon, Defense Secretary Gilberto Te-

odoro Jr. said Tuesday.

The plan to issue an EO was raised during the 15th Cabinet convened by Marcos at Malacañang Palace in Manila on Tuesday, Teodoro said in a Palace briefing.

“Maglalabas po ang

ating Pangulo ng executive order para mapaghandaan ng maaga at masolusyonan ng mabilisan, [magkaroon] ng maaring interventions na mabilisan at patuloy po na monitoring at pag-aagap sa maaaring maging

epekto ng El Niño (Our President will issue an executive order to prepare early and resolve quickly, have possible interventions that are quick and continue to monitor and anticipate the possible effects of El Niño),” Te-



President Ferdinand R. Marcos Jr. (File photo)

odoro said.

“Nagpi-prepare po kami ng (We are preparing an) extended El Niño scenario just for service continuity and due care. This EO will

come out as soon as possible,” he added.

Teodoro said the reactivation of El Niño Task Force was among  
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## DOLE: Employers can adopt WFH amid rise in Covid-19 cases

MANILA – The Department of Labor and Employment (DOLE) on Tuesday encouraged private companies to implement work-from-home (WFH) arrangements amid a rise in coronavirus disease 2019 (Covid-19) cases.

Labor Secretary Bienvenido Laguesma said working from home not only reduces the risk of spreading the virus in workplaces but also spares the workers' families from

contracting the disease as well.

He said this is possible under the Telecommuting Act.

“May gawaing work from home, merong hindi. Hindi pwede work from home halimbawa ay (There are jobs where work from home is applicable, there are others where this is not applicable. An example of which is) embalmers. Pero iba pa din face to face, sana magtuloy tuloy (Of course,



Labor Secretary Bienvenido Laguesma (File photo)

it would be better if face to face work continues) we just have to balance,” he said in a press briefing.

Laguesma, however, said they are not keen

on restoring antigen testing in worksites.

“Hindi tayo pwede magdikta. Pero sa ating sariling pakiramdam, kung may sintomas, magpatest ng

voluntary (We cannot impose. But if one feels symptoms, it would be better to undergo voluntary testing),” he added.

Meanwhile, Labor Undersecretary Benjo Benavidez noted that they have earlier issued a labor advisory regarding work-from-home arrangements.

“Inissue namin yun para magbigay ng guidance sa mga employers at workers in case mag implement ng flexi work arrange-

ment. Para alam ng empleyado at employers ang rights and obligations. Matagal na yan, management prerogative yun. (We have issued an advisory to provide guidance to employers and workers in case of the implementation of a flexible working arrangement. This is for employees and employers to be aware of their rights and obligations. It has long been issued and it is based on management. (Turn to p. 2)

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10 at dahil sa K to 12 program nagkaroon din po voucher system sa 11 and 12 (Currently, our DepEd schools are completely packed with students. However, our voucher system is only for Grades 7 to 10 and since we have the K to 12 program, we also have a voucher system for [Grades] 11 to 12," he said.

Romulo, however, pointed out that the bulk of the entire student population in the Philippines is in elementary schools.

The complementarity approach between public and private schools would help address overcrowding in public schools and classroom backlog, he added.

"So, hopefully po, with the passage po of this E-GASTPE law, expanded E-GASTPE law ay magkakaroon talaga ng complimentary partnership po talaga ang public and private schools natin (there would be a complimentary partnership between our public and private schools)," he said.

Under the proposed measure, the government will provide vouchers to recognized private basic education schools for kindergarten, elementary, and secondary students.

"At pag napasa po itong bill na ito ay puwede po nating mahingan ng tulong, magkaroon ng tunay na partnership. Para iyong mga hindi na talaga kakasya po sa DepEd schools natin ay makapag-enroll rin dito sa ating mga private schools (If this bill is enacted into law, we could ask [private schools] for help and establish a real partnership. So that those who can't be

accommodated by our DepEd schools can be enrolled in private schools)," he said.

The voucher assistance for students would be based on tuition and other fees charged by the schools, and the socio-economic needs of each student, according to the proposal approved by the House Committee on Basic Education and Culture.

Most vulnerable and underprivileged students, or those belonging to the bottom first to fifth income deciles, as determined by the Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA), shall be prioritized for the program. The priority students would receive a higher voucher amount.

The participating private basic education schools, meanwhile, shall receive assistance based on the percentage of priority students in the school, the overall performance of the schools based on the rankings of its students in national and international assessments, and the geographic spread and size of student enrollment.

Meanwhile, the Public and Private Education Complementarity Framework shall serve as the foundation to guide and support DepEd towards addressing the gaps in the public and private sectors of education.

Last week, Vice President and Education Secretary Sara Z. Duterte, in her message read by DepEd Assistant Secretary Revsee Escobedo, cited the launch of the framework as "another step forward" in transforming basic education in the Philippines.

"By working together, we can decongest

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the mitigation measures to address the impact of the weather phenomenon on the country.

He said the task force would also be reorganized.

Science and Technology Secretary Renato Solidum Jr., who will co-chair the task force, said the effects of a "strong" El Niño will be felt until the first or second quarter of 2024.

"The peak of El Niño in terms of drought will be April of 2024, which is slightly different from the forecast last week or two weeks ago that it will be May," Solidum, who joined the press briefing, said, adding that there will be a possible "normal to slightly below normal" rainfall by May or June 2024.

Solidum said drought may persist in 63 provinces, while dry spell may be felt in 12 provinces by April next year.

Marcos earlier emphasized the need to ensure steady water and power supply during the El Niño phenomenon.

Environment Secretary Maria Antonia Yulo-Loyzaga said Marcos has issued a directive to make sure that water-related infrastructure projects would be "multipurpose."

public schools and expand access to quality education for students from low income families," Duterte said.

"Clearly, our public schools cannot address the education crisis alone. Private schools have a pivotal role in

Yulo-Loyzaga said the government is working with the private sector for the implementation of water-related projects.

"These three — availability, access, affordability — 'yun po ang pinakamahalaga (are most important) in terms of water security," she said.

"Ang instruction ni Pangulo (The President's instruction) is to have our infrastructure investments be multipurpose so that one investment in a kind of infrastructure can generate several values, whether they are for flood control in the end, whether for irrigation or eventually for water supply and distribution as well. So, 'yung pagka-multipurpose ng mga investment na ito (making these investments multipurpose) is also one way to extract the optimal value from a single investment dito sa infra (here in infrastructure)," Yulo-Loyzaga added.

Teodoro said around 23 new committed power projects and three battery energy storage systems are "scheduled to come in the first quarter of 2024," noting that there is also ongoing development of inventory and coordination of critical facilities. (PNA)

addressing the challenges we face today. Our private schools' expertise, innovation, and commitment to provide quality education for our students have helped shape Filipino society," she added. (PNA)

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ment prerogative) But we need to limit the management prerogative so that workers won't be prejudiced sa benefits nila (on their benefits)," Benavidez added.

Benavidez, however, said they have yet to receive reports of Covid-19 cases in workplaces.

"Under Occupational Safety and Health law, required sila (they are required) to report injuries, illnesses na nangyari (which happened) in a given period. We expect na may pagtaas na talaga (that

there is an uptick) given the mobility at holidays. Pero in case may pagtaas (But in case of a surge in cases), ready naman employers at workers. Alam na nila ano ang gagawin (our employers and workers are ready. They know what to do)," he said.

On Monday, the Department of Health reported that the country recorded 2,725 new Covid-19 cases from Dec. 12 to Dec. 18 -- 50 percent higher than the 1,821 new cases logged in the previous week. (PNA)

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**Provincial World AIDS Day Celebration 2023: “Let Communities Lead”**

The Provincial World AIDS Day Celebration for 2023 concluded with an inspiring two-day event held at the GMA Complex in General Mariano Alvarez, Cavite. With the overarching theme of “Let Communities Lead,” the celebration brought together diverse voices, highlighted the importance of education and advocacy, and fostered camaraderie among participants.



The event commenced with a spirited kick-off parade, setting the tone for a series of impactful activities. Dr. Armand Dotollo of the Office of the Provincial Health Officer (OPHO), in his welcome remarks, emphasized the pivotal message of educating, eradicating, and advocating the fight against HIV/AIDS.

Ms. Jacinta Remulla, Founder of Reyna ng Turismo in Cavite, delivered an inspiring message, urging the LGBTQ community to support her campaign in promoting HIV awareness. G.M.A. Sangguniang Bayan member Estelita Manalang, Chairperson of the Committee on Health, shared a powerful message aimed at spreading awareness about HIV. Vice Mayor Percival Cabuhat delivered a rallying call, stating, “No one will care about us except ourselves.”

Seventeen local government units (LGUs) from Cavite took part in the event, and all attendees received certificates of participation. The eagerly awaited Muse competition featured 17 contestants, with Ms. Tanza claiming victory, demonstrating talent and grace.

An orientation and briefing of players set the stage for the volleyball games tournament, featuring intense competition among participating LGUs. The City of Dasmariñas claimed the championship, with the City of Bacoor securing first place, GMA, Cavite, earning the second place, and Silang in third place, receiving cash prizes of Php 15,000.00, Php10,000.00, Php7,000.00 and Php4,000.00, respectively. In addition to the cash awards, the winners were presented with trophies and medals, encouraging continued dedication and excellence.

The 2023 Provincial World AIDS Day Celebration not only highlighted athletic prowess but also underscored the crucial role of communities in advocating for HIV awareness and support. Cavite OPHO with the assistance of the GMA Municipal Health Office also provided free HIV testing to all the participants.

Ending on a positive tone, the celebration showcased the community’s dedication to combating HIV/AIDS collectively. Beyond raising awareness, the event honored the unity and teamwork crucial for building a healthier and better-informed society.---OPIO



Ugnayan sa Barangay continues in Cavite province. Around of Cavite provincial government’s Ugnayan sa Barangay was held in Barangay Acacia 1 in Silang, Brgy. Julugan I in Tanza, and in the mu-



On December 07, 2023, the Provincial Government of Cavite (PGC) held the Recognition of PGC Praise Awardees 2023 at the Bayleaf Hotel in the City of General Trias, Cavite. The ceremony celebrated the dedicated service and outstanding contributions of government employees, highlighting their commitment to public service.

The event, hosted by Atty. Khervy B. Reyes and the Ms. Denesse S. Cajulis, featured an array of distinguished guests, including Mr. Rodel Vincent T. Bae, the OIC-Provincial Administrator for Internal Affairs. Mr. Bae set the tone for the evening by extending a warm welcome to the attendees, recognizing the significance of their collective efforts.

Dir. Maria Theresa R. Poblador, Director II of the Civil Service Commission (CSC) Cavite Field Office, delivered an inspirational message, emphasizing the importance of public service and the impact it has on the community. Her words resonated with the audience, setting the stage for the subsequent recognition of exemplary employees.

The PRAISE Committee took center stage to award plaques and cash incentives to 36 service awardees aged between 60 and 64 years old, as well as 35 service awardees aged 65 and above. The ceremony not only acknowledged the length of their service but also celebrated the quality and dedication these individuals brought to their roles within the Provincial Government of Cavite.

A poignant moment occurred with the presentation of a Posthumous Awardees Video, honoring the memory of 18 employees who had passed away. This solemn tribute showcased their contributions and the lasting impact they made during their tenure. Following this, plaques were awarded to the families of the posthumous awardees, ensuring their legacy lives on.

Board Member Maurito C. Sison graced the event, acknowledging the guests and participants, further elevating the significance of the ceremony. Mr. Alvin S. Mojica, Provincial Administrator for Community Affairs, delivered the closing remarks. He underlined the significance of the recognition, stating that it goes beyond compliance with the Civil Service Commission’s standards. PA Mojica stressed that the event is a heartfelt acknowledgment of the hard work and unwavering dedication of the employees of the Provincial Government of Cavite.

In essence, the Recognition of PGC Praise Awardees 2023 was a testament to the commitment and excellence displayed by the employees of the Provincial Government of Cavite. The ceremony not only celebrated their years of service but also paid homage to those who had left an indelible mark on the organization. The event concluded with a sense of pride and unity, as the awardees and their colleagues reaffirmed their dedication to serving the people of Cavite with passion and distinction.--- OPIO

nicipality of General Mariano Alvarez, led by Governor Jonvic Remulla. The event, held on November 28, 30 and December 1, 2023, featured the distribution of rice and financial assistance to fortunate residents.

The cooperative effort between the provincial government and local officials aimed to strengthen community bonds, providing a platform for residents to engage and voice their opinions on local matters. Esteemed officials expressed gratitude to Governor Jonvic Remulla for his commitment to community development.

The event went beyond a mere gathering, fostering accessibility between residents and officials and emphasizing the significance of community engagement in local development. As the event concluded, the echoes of laughter and meaningful conversations left a lasting impression, highlighting the value of community-building efforts and paving the way for future initiatives that promote unity and collaboration. ---OPIO



## Marcos: P771.6-B investment pledges from Japan to create over 40K jobs

MANILA – More than 40,000 jobs are expected to be generated from the PHP771.6 billion worth of total investment commitments from Japan's business community, President Ferdinand R. Marcos Jr. said Monday.

Marcos issued the statement, as he welcomed the signing of nine new business agreements between the Philippines and Japan during his recent Tokyo trip.

"We received an additional PHP14.5 billion worth of pledges, bringing our total investments from Japan this year to PHP771.6 billion, which is expected to generate approximately 40,200 jobs," he said in a Facebook post.

During Marcos' visit to Japan in February this year, the Philippines has secured about PHP708.2 billion in investment pledges that are seen to open some 24,000 job opportunities for Filipinos.

Marcos said as of December this year, around PHP169.7 billion of the investment commitments "has already been spent," creating around 9,700 jobs in the Philippines.

He noted that the new investment commitments would create around 15,750 additional jobs for Filipino workers in the technology, manufacturing and services sectors.

The new business deals secured during Marcos' recent visit to Japan include the collaboration between the Bases Conversion and Development Authority (BCDA) and Japan Overseas Infrastructure Investment Corp. for Transport and Urban Development on studies relevant to the New Clark City's development.



The BCDA is also partnering with Manila Japanese School for the school's renewal of its lease in four-hectare site at the Bonifacio Global City for another 25 years.

Ibiden Co. Ltd and Japan Aviation Electronics Ltd. also pledged to invest in electronics manufacturing to improve efficiency and increase production by modernizing their facilities in the Philippines.

Medley Inc., Minebea Mitsumi Mitsumi Inc., Nitori Holdings Co. Ltd., and Tsunehi Shipbuilding Co. Ltd. also made a commitment to invest in business process outsourcing operation, expansion of furniture and home furnishing chain and production improvement and replacement of aging Philippine facilities.

DMCI Project Developers and Japan's Marubeni Corp. also formed a joined venture for property development projects. **'Champion for job creation'**

House Speaker Ferdinand Martin Romualdez said the PHP771 billion in total investment pledges generated by President Marcos from Japan since last February show the foreign investors' confidence in the Philippines.

"President Marcos has proven himself a champion for economic growth and job creation. These

investment pledges secured in Japan are a testament to the international community's confidence in the Philippines' future under his leadership," Romualdez said in a statement on Tuesday.

He said over 40,000 jobs expected to be created would also boost the government's campaign to reduce poverty.

"The promised over 40,000 jobs are not just numbers, they represent families lifted out of poverty, brighter futures for our youth, and a stronger middle class. President Marcos' dedication to attracting foreign investments translates directly into improved livelihood for our countrymen," he added.

Romualdez renewed the full support of the House of Representatives in the Marcos administration's effort to create a more investor-friendly ecosystem in the Philippines not only for Japanese but also for other foreign businesses, through necessary legislation to address their concerns.

In his address during the signing of new agreements and updates on investment pledges in Tokyo, President Marcos said his administration continues to listen to issues, concerns and suggestions of investors on "what needs to be done to continue supporting and ensuring their success in the

## DOH attributes spike in respiratory illnesses to better monitoring

MANILA – The sudden uptick in cases of respiratory illnesses or respiratory influenza-like illness (ILI) was due to the stronger monitoring of the government in the health sector after the coronavirus disease 2019 (Covid-19) pandemic, according to the Department of Health (DOH).

DOH Assistant Secretary for Public Health Services Mylene Beltran, during a public inquiry by the Senate Committee on Health and Demography, said on Monday this surge of cases is similar to the trends that the Department has recorded in similar previous periods, globally.

"Any ILI case is now being monitored compared to then na Covid-19 lang po ang ating minomonitor (that only Covid-19 cases were being monitored)," Beltran told the panel noting that so far no local government unit has declared an outbreak.

Further, Beltran cited the lifting of health restrictions and the population crowding and being more mobile as reasons.

"We have already set in place mechanisms and systems to be able to be more prepared and we've learned lessons from the Covid-19 experience," she assured.

Although it is currently voluntary, Beltran said DOH encourages everyone to wear face masks.

ILI, she said, covers those suffering from fe-

Philippines."

"That is why the Speaker of the House of the Representatives of the Philippines is here, accompanying us, on what is essentially a business delegation but because of the laws in the Philippines dictate that all revenue measures that are undertaken or new laws that are revenue measures must origi-

ver or experiencing respiratory signs or symptoms like sore throat or cough.

DOH Epidemiology Bureau Chief Dr. Alethea de Guzman said influenza, Covid-19, or even the walking pneumonia almost have the same symptoms.

"Ang pamamaraan para malaman kung alin po dun sa mga yun ay kapag nakuhanan po tayo ng sample. Yun pong throat swab or [oropharyngeal swabs] OPS and [nasopharyngeal swabs] NPS na tinatawag natin (The way to determine is to give a sample. Throat swab or we call the [oropharyngeal swabs] OPS and [nasopharyngeal swabs] NPS)," de Guzman said.

She urged young ones, elders, and those who have comorbidities experiencing ILI symptoms to be tested in hospitals or at the Research Institute for Tropical Medicine.

Dr. Razel Nikka Hao, chief of DOH's Disease Prevention and Control Bureau, emphasized the importance of observing minimum public health standards like cough and other respiratory etiquette.

Hao also noted that aside from flu and pneumonia, the DOH has been providing influenza and pneumococcal vaccines, especially for indigent elderlies.

"This year, we were able to distribute these across

to fruition and create jobs for thousands of Filipinos.

Earlier, he said the House would push for amendments to the restrictive economic provisions of the 1987 Constitution to further open the country's doors to foreign investments. (with a report from Zaldy De Layola/PNA)

the regions by August and every year yan na binibili at ipinamimigay ng (it is being procured and being distributed by the) Department of Health. So, rest assured next year, we are actually expanding that it's not just anymore the indigent but other adults with comorbidities will be able to use the pneumococcal and influenza vaccines," she said.

The panel being chaired by Senator Christopher Lawrence "Bong" Go conducted an inquiry into the matter in response to the resolution filed by Senate Majority Leader Joel Villanueva to look into the preparedness of the government on the reported global rise of respiratory illnesses.

"Covid-19 pandemic highlighted the need for us to always prioritize the resilience of our communities and our health systems on which they depend. We learned a lot from the pandemic and we pushed to strengthen our healthcare systems so that we could always be prepared for whatever health emergency may come," Go said.

According to Go, the Chinese National Health Commission reported an increase in the incidence of respiratory diseases last month.

He said Europe and North America likewise reported an increase in respiratory incidence. (PNA)



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EXTRA JUDICIAL FORECLOSURE  
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UNDER ACT 3135, AS AMENDED  
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**HOME DEVELOPMENT MUTUAL FUND  
(Otherwise known as Pag-IBIG Fund),  
Petitioner/Mortgagee,**

**-versus-**

**ARTEMIO A. GACITA, married to  
CARMENCITA D. GACITA,  
Respondent/Mortgagor,**

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**NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE**

Upon extra-judicial petition for sale under Act 3135, as amended by Act 4118 filed by the petitioner/mortgagee, HOME DEVELOPMENT MUTUAL FUND (Otherwise known as Pag-IBIG Fund), a government financial institution duly organized and existing under and by virtue of Republic Act No. 9679, with postal address at The Petron Mega Plaza Building, No. 358 Sen. Gil Puyat Avenue, Makati City, against respondent/mortgagor, ARTEMIO A. GACITA, married to CARMENCITA D. GACITA with postal address at 56 Commonwealth Ave., Holy Spirit, Quezon City and Lot 55 Blk. 5, City Homes-Resortville, Lancaan Dasmariñas City, Cavite and for the satisfaction of the mortgaged debt which as of October 9, 2023 amounts to TWO HUNDRED TWO THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED NINETY TWO PESOS & 07/100 (Php 202,192.07), exclusive of all legal fees and expenses incidental to this foreclosure and sale, the undersigned Sheriff will sell at public auction on January 18, 2024, at 10:00 o'clock in the morning or soon thereafter in the Court Room of Branch 90, Regional Trial Court, Ground Floor, Dasmariñas Community Affairs (DASCA) Building, Congressional Road, Buro I, Dasmariñas City, Province of Cavite to the highest bidder and for CASH or CERTIFIED CHECK, in Philippine Currency, the following described real property together with all the buildings and other improvements existing thereon, to wit:

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**PBBM guarantees lineup of prospective projects for OFWs**

MANILA – President Ferdinand R. Marcos Jr. on Wednesday assured overseas Filipino workers (OFWs) that more projects are in the pipeline to help them and their families.

During the OFW Family Day celebration at the SMX Convention Center in Pasay City, Marcos said his administration is committed to improving the lives of OFWs and providing support to their loved ones.

“Marami pang proyekto ang nakapila at kahit ang mga kasalukuyang programa ay papagandahin pa natin. Umaasa po akong susulitin ninyo at gagamitin ng wasto ang mga benepisyong ito (Many more projects are lined up and even the existing programs will be improved by us. I hope you will make the most of these benefits and use them properly),” Marcos said.

“Nandiyan po ang lahat ng assistance para mabigyan naman natin ang ating mga OFW ng isang magandang pagkakataon upang sila ay makapagsimula muli pagkatapos ng pandemya. Marami rin kaming binibigyang suporta sa inyong mga kaanak (All the

assistance is there so that we can give our OFWs a good chance so that they can start over after the pandemic. We also provide a lot of support to your relatives),” he added.

Marcos is grateful to the OFWs for their significant contributions in improving the Philippine economy through their remittances.

Acknowledging the OFWs’ sacrifice and hard work, Marcos vowed that the government would continue promoting their welfare and rights.

He hoped that in the future, Filipinos would no longer need to work overseas because of poverty.

He noted that the government offers services and programs for the reintegration of OFWs who wish to return home and stay in the country.

He mentioned several programs for their reintegration, which include the Livelihood Development Assistance Program, the Balik Pinay Balik Hanapbuhay, the Financial Awareness Seminar-Small Business Management Training, the Enterprise Development Loan Program, and the Financial Assistance



OFW FAMILY DAY. President Ferdinand R. Marcos Jr. on Wednesday (Dec. 20, 2023) shakes hands with overseas Filipino workers at the OFW Family Day 2023 at the SMX Convention Center in Pasay City. In his speech, Marcos acknowledged the sacrifices and contributions of OFWs. (PNA photo by Alfred Frias)

for the Development of the OFWs Association.

“Layunin natin na ang pangangailangan ay hindi lamang dala ng pangangailangan upang maiahon ang pamilya sa kahirapan (It is our goal that moving overseas is not only driven by the need to lift the family out of poverty),” Marcos said.

Marcos expressed confidence that with the continued cooperation of the OFWs, his administration would be able to promote a “New Philippines.”

“Sa ‘Bagong Pilipinas,’ nais natin itong maging isang alternatibo na lamang dahil mas marami ang pagkakataon sa loob ng bansa (In a ‘New Philippines,’ we want it to be just an alternative

because there are more opportunities within the country),” Marcos said.

“Kaya hiling ko na magka-isa tayo [sa] pangangarap at pagpapanday ng isang bansang matatag, maunlad, at puno ng oportunidad para sa bawat Pilipino (So, I ask that we stand united in dreaming and forging a country that is strong, prosperous, and full of opportunities for every Filipino),” he added.

Carrying a theme, “Nagkakaisang Pamilyang OFWs Patungo sa Bagong Pilipinas,” the OFW Family Day aims to celebrate the families and loved ones of OFWs who serve as their pillar of strength as they pursue their dreams of a better life. (PNA)

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**Sa nakikita ko, kapag ang isa  
ay nagtanim ng nakasakit  
At naghasik ng problema,  
iyon din ang aanihin niya.**

**Job 4:8**



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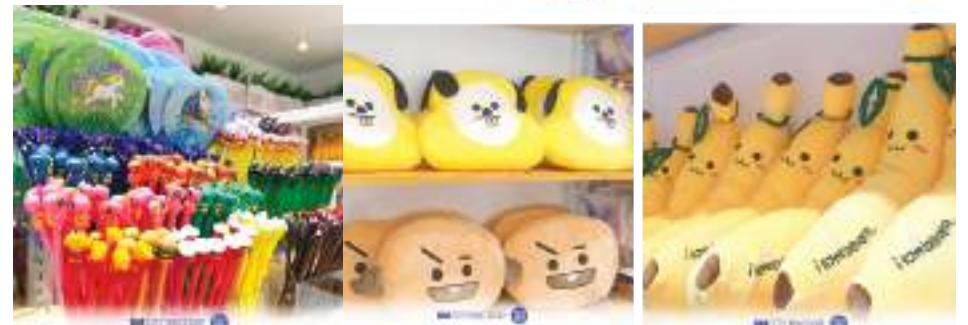
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