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# First Lady Marcos leads aid distribution in Batangas

TALISAY, Batangas (PIA) - First Lady Louise "Liza" Araneta-Marcos condoled with the families of Talisay residents who died from the onslaught of Severe Tropical Storm Kristine as she distributed aid to them on Sunday.

Mrs. Marcos, along with the Department Social Welfare



Development and (DSWD), Bingo Plus private Foundation,

partners and her Lab-ForAll project, ex-(Turn to p. 2)

# PBM rice assistance to MUPs to benefit

# local farmers

MANILA – President Ferdinand R. Marcos Jr.'s rice assistance to military and uniformed personnel (MUP) will not only help officers and their families, but also the local farmers, the Department of Budget and Management (DBM) said Tuesday.

In a statement, the

DBM hailed the President's Administrative Order (AO) No. 26. which authorizes the one-time grant of 25 kilograms of rice to all active MUPs.

The rice assistance grant, recommended to Marcos by the DBM and the Department of Agriculture (DA), aims to recognize the

uniformed personnel's contribution to the country, assist them in coping with the effects socio-economic challenges, and provide economic opportunities for those in the agriculture sector.

Rice assistance will be distributed to authorized representatives of MUPs from December 2024 to March 2025 in designated National Food Authority (NFA) warehouses.

The rice supply needed for the program will be sourced from local and participating farmers of the Kadiwa program of the DA.

"Maganda rin po itong programa na ito dahil hindi lang military and uniformed personnel ang matutulungan kundi pati na rin ang

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partments of Public Works and Highways, National Defense, and Social Welfare and Development with the DILG.

The agencies were tasked to execute a rapid response plan for Nika and two more approaching tropical cyclones, Ofel and Pepito.

"We took proac-(Turn to p. 2) Karapatan ng mamimili, tampok sa Bagong Calabarzon Barangay Forum sa Sto. Tomas City, Batangas



STO. TOMAS CITY, Batangas (PIA) Nasa 30 kababaihang Tomasino ang nakibahagi sa isinagawang Bagong Calabarzon Barangay Forum na ginanap sa Sto. Tomas City Conference Room sa Lungsod ng Sto. Tomas noong ika-6 ng Nobyembre, 2024.

Ang mga lumahok dito ay mga Pangulo ng Tanglaw Tomasino, isang organisadong samahan ng mga kababaihan mula sa 30 barangay ng lungsod.

Nagsilbing resource speakers mula sa Department of Trade and Industry-Batangas sina Marvin Garcia – Trade and Industry Development Specialist at Veronna Marie Caponpon- Negosyo Center Sto. Tomas Business Counsellor kung saan tinalakay nila ang iba't ibang mga karapatan ng mamimili at

# Remulla hails OCD for quick preemptive evacuation for 'Nika'

MANILA - Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG) Secretary Jonvic Remulla on Tuesday lauded the Office of Civil Defense (OCD) for its effective preemptive evacuation of residents in areas along the path of Typhoon Nika.

In a press conference at Malacañang in Manila, Remulla



Flooded areas in low-lying parts of Tuguegarao City, Cagayan on Tuesday (Nov. 12, 2024) (Photo courtesy of Cagayan-PIO)

highlighted the collab- OCD and other agenorative efforts of the cies, including the De-

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mga local farmers natin (This program is good because we're not only helping military and uniformed personnel but also our local farmers)," Budget Secretary Amenah Pangandaman said.

AO No. 26 covers the Armed Forces of the Philippines under the Department of National Defense, Philippine National Police, Bureau of Fire Protection, Bureau of Jail Management and Penology, and Philippine Public Safety College under the Department of the In-

terior and Local Government, as well as Bureau of Corrections under the Department of Justice, Philippine Coast Guard under the Department of Transportation, National Mapping and Resource Information Authority under the Department of Environment and Natural Resources.

The funding requirement for the grant of the rice assistance will be charged against the contingent fund of the 2024 budget. (PNA)

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tended relief packs, rice, medicine kits and cash assistance to the bereaved families.

In her social media post, the First Ladv thanked the DSWD and other donors "for standing by our kababayans during this difficult time."

"Typhoon Kristine left countless families grieving the loss of their loved ones. Today, we gathered to honor those lives and to extend a helping hand to those who now face the journey of rebuilding," Mrs. Marcos said.

"To the DSWD, Digiplus, LabForAll and all our private partners — thank you for standing by our kababayans during this difficult time. Your compassion and dedication bring light and hope," she added.

Joining the First Lady in the distribution of assistance were DSWD Undersecretary Pinky Romualdez, Batangas Governor Hermilando Mandanas, Mayor Nestor Natauan, and private donors.

DSWD Secretary Rex Gatchalian, in a message read by USec Romualdez, assured residents that their office will continue to provide additional resources and technical assistance.

"Our government is ready to help until you have fully recovered and returned to your normal lives. We will continue to coordinate with the local governments, Governor Mandanas, and all the mayors in Batangas to identify any additional assistance needed." Gatchalian said in his message.

Meanwhile, Eusebio Tanco, Chairman of Digiplus Interactive whose social development arm is Bingo plus, emphasized the importance of cooperation between the government and private sector, especially during challenging times.

"This tragedy has profound brought pain, and through our assistance, we hope to provide some comfort in these challenging times. With

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mga programa at serbisyong ibinibigay ng DTI Batangas.

Ayon kay Garcia, mayroong walong karapatan ang mga mamimili na kailangang malaman ng mga ito. Kabilang dito ang right to basic needs. right to safety, right to information, right to choose, right to representation, right to redress, right to consumer education at right to healthy environment.

Bukod sa karapatan mayroon ding kaakibat na responsibilidad ang mga mamimili at kabilang dito ang pagtatanong sa sarili,

pagiging alerto, pagsiguro sa maayos na transaksyon, pagiging organisado at pagkakaroon ng konsiderasyon sa kapaligiran kaugnay ng mga bagay o gamit na binibili.

Dagdag pa ni Garcia na bagama't nakatutok ang kanilang ahensya sa mga consumer goods, ipinapatupad nila ang "no wrong door policy" kung saan ang mga reklamo o concerns ng mga mamimili ay kanilang tinatanggap at kung wala sa kanilang nasasakupan ay direkta itong dinadala sa ahensyang sumasakop dito.

Tinalakay naman ni

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tive steps because the storm was set to arrive Monday morning. Thank you to the DENR (Department of Environment and Natural Resources) which identified the geohazard areas. We instructed all the governors and mayors to preemptively move people, and over 8,000 households were evacuated," Remulla, who is also National Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Council vice chair for disaster preparedness, said.

He noted that 50 to 60 percent of the houses of the 8,000 affected families were completely destroyed by heavy rains and felled trees.

Remulla also emphasized that without the local officials' insistence on proactive evacuation, there

the encouragement of the First Lady, we are contributing about Php40-million, with plans to give a substantial amount to the families who suffered most-approximately P250,000 per family," Tanco said.

would have been more casualties.

'The team worked really well. My hats off to the OCD for a great job," he added.

In response to reports regarding flooding in Tuguegarao City, Remulla Cagayan, clarified that the flooding was not caused by the release of water from dams but due to water runoff from the mountains triggered by Nika.

Nika weakened into a tropical storm before it exited the Philippine Area of Responsibility at 2 p.m. Monday.

Meanwhile, Ofel (international name Usagi) has intensified into a severe tropical storm and is forecast to make landfall over the east coast of Cagayan or Isabela on Thursday. (PNA)

Gov. Mandanas expressed gratitude to the First Lady for her continued support to Batangas residents as they recover from the effects of Typhoon Kristine. (CO/PIA-

Caponpon ang mga programa ng DTI na makakatulong o magbibigay ng mas ibayong kaalaman sa mga maliliit na negosyo particular sa mga micro-small and medium enterprises (MSMEs) kabilang ang tinatawag na 7M's.

Kabilang dito ang mindset change, mastery, mentoring, money, machine, market access at models of negosyo.

Ilan sa mga ito ang Kapatid Mentor Me Program (KMME), pagpapaunlad Negosyo Center na inilalagay sa bawat bayan at lungsod, microfinance programs, shared service facilities, one town-one product (OTOP), Go Lokal at marami pang

Sa mensahe naman ni Atty. Arth Jhun alkalde Marasgan, ng lungsod, pinasalamatan nito ang ini-

syatibo ng Philippine Information Agency Calabarzon katuwang ang DTI Batangas sa pagtataguyod ng programang tulad ng Barangay Forum na siyang bumababa sa mga barangay upang ipabatid ang mahahalagang impormasyon sa publiko.
"Sana mas nadagda-

gan ang kaalaman ng ating mga kababayan particular ang mg aina ng tahanan ukol sa matalinong pamimili at mga kaakibat na karapatan at responsibilidad. Buong lugod naming sinusuportahan ang mga ganitong gawain sapagkat malaki ang tulong nito sa ating mg akababayan," ani Marasigan.

Sa huli ay isinagawa ang open forum kung saan binigyang-linaw ang mg akatanungan at iba pang concerns ng mga dumalo sa naturang forum. (BMP-DC-PIA BATANGAS)

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**Empowering OFWs: Maximizing Health Benefits and Contributions** 

The Office of the Provincial Public Employment Service Manager of Cavite, in partnership with PhilHealth, successfully held an event titled "Empowering OFWs: Maximizing Health Benefits and Contributions" on November 6, 2024 at Sangguniang Panlalawigan Session Hall, Trece Martires City. This program aimed at enhancing the knowledge and security of Overseas Filipino Workers (OFWs) regarding their health benefits and contributions under PhilHealth.

The event opened with a warm welcome from Mr. Benjamin A. Rodil Jr., CSIO of PhilHealth LHIO - TMC, who highlighted the importance of strengthening OFWs' understanding of their rights to health coverage.

OPPESM Head Ms. Rizalie Pinpin-Enero emphasized the OPPESM's commitment to supporting OFWs in accessing the health and welfare benefits they deserve.

Attendees were then given an overview of Universal Health Care (UHC) by Edelyn V. Rodil, SIO II, LHIO - TMC, who discussed PhilHealth's role in ensuring comprehensive health protection for all Filipinos, including those working abroad.

Ms. Rhona O. Remolona, Senior SIO and OIC-Member Section at Phil-Health Region IV-A, extended her gratitude to the attendees and reiterated PhilHealth's dedication to addressing OFWs' unique health needs.

The program concluded with an open forum, where OFWs voiced their concerns on various topics, including benefits, contributions, and pensions. PhilHealth representatives engaged with the audience to provide clear answers and guidance, ensuring that each participant left with a stronger understanding of their PhilHealth benefits.

This collaborative event serves as a testament to PESO Cavite and Phil-Health's commitment to empowering OFWs with the knowledge and resources they need to secure their health and future.--- OPIO



PGC's Medical and Dental Mission brings health care to Brgy. Santiago, Gentri

Recently, Brgy. Santiago in the City of General Trias benefitted from the Provincial Government of Cavite's successful medical and dental mission, delivering healthcare services to 432 residents. The initiative, supported by 6th District Board Member Kerby Salazar provided medical assistance to 388 individuals, dental care to 44 residents, and x-ray and ECG diag-



Provincial Stakeholders' Forum for a Progressive and Sustainable Employment Landscape in Cavite

The Provincial Stakeholders' Forum for Enhanced Employment Opportunities, titled "Towards a Progressive and Sustainable Tomorrow," was successfully facilitated by the Office of the Provincial Public Employment Service Manager (OPPESM) on November 8, 2024, at the SP Session Hall, Legislative Building, Trece Martires City. The event brought together key stakeholders across Cavite's employment sector to forge strategies focused on expanding job opportunities and supporting a vibrant, sustainable workforce.

The forum was graced by Ms. Marivic B. Martinez, Provincial Director-DOLE Cavite, and Board Member Kerby Salazar, who both delivered inspiring messages emphasizing the province's commitment to fostering sustainable employment for its people.

Insightful discussions unfolded throughout the event as distinguished speakers tackled vital employment issues and shared strategies for meaningful change:

Ms. Carolina L. Ortiz, Senior Labor and Employment Officer from DMW Region IV-A, offered an in-depth look at effective recruitment practices and the essential role of labor law knowledge, particularly regarding overseas employment. Her presentation highlighted ways to improve recruitment standards and labor protections for Cavite's overseas workers.

Mr. Jorge Manuel Laude, Senior Labor Employment Officer from DOLE Region IV-A, presented "Beyond the Numbers," focusing on recent labor market trends and employment gaps in Cavite. His session emphasized aligning local workforce capabilities with industry needs to foster sustainable growth and economic resilience.

Ms. Ruth A. Terrible, Senior Labor Employment Officer from DOLE Cavite Provincial Office, addressed the critical issue of job mismatch, suggesting targeted solutions to help job seekers develop skills that meet the demands of available jobs. Her approach offered practical steps toward reducing unemployment and enhancing job satisfaction.

Provincial Public Employment Service Manager Ms. Rizalie Pinpin-Enero, and OPPESM staff, Ms. Princess Mary S. Angcaya, reflected on the successes and lessons learned from the 2024 Cavite Career Caravan. They also presented plans to increase the reach and impact of these caravans, aiming to connect more job seekers with meaningful opportunities.

Lastly, Ms. Angelita Baral, Operations Manager of HERU Human Resource Specialist Co., Inc., and Ms. Ninette Umandal, Senior Supervisor at House Research Development (Singapore) Pte. Ltd., shared inspiring success stories and best practices that have contributed to their organizations' achievements. Their stories emphasized the importance of employee development and retention as integral components of organizational growth.

Each speaker highlighted unique facets of Cavite's employment landscape, culminating in a shared vision of a progressive, sustainable future for the province's workforce. The forum fostered a collective commitment to long-term job creation strategies, with stakeholders united in their dedication to building a more prosperous Cavite.--- OPIO

nostics to 19 people with the mobile LAB for ALL van.

Medical and dental professionals from GEAMH spearheaded the mission, highlighting the impact of collaborative efforts to improve health accessibility in the community. The event also recognized the dedication of Barangay Health Workers and the OPG staff, under the leadership of Governor Athena Bryana D. Tolentino, whose unwavering support continues to drive advancements in community health and well-being.--- OPIO

# DSWD always ready with relief goods as 4th cyclone hits PH in 3 weeks

MANILA - Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD) Rex Gatchalian on Tuesday assured that the department is always ready provide family food packs (FFPs) and non-food relief items (NFIs) to local government units (LGUs) severely affected by four cyclones that hit the country in less than three weeks.

Gatchalian said the DSWD Disaster Response Management Group (DRMG) had been ready even before the onslaught of Severe Tropical Storm (STS) Kristine (Trami), the first of the four tropical cyclones that hit Bicol Region, Calabarzon, Cagayan Valley, Cordillera Administrative Region, and the Ilocos Region.

"We thank the DBM (Department of Budget and Management) for the funding support which the Department uses to buy goods and also spend for the transport and mobilization of FFPs and NFIs from the major production hubs to the spokes or regional warehouses and down to the last mile warehouses," Gatchalian said.

The DBM is also set to release additional Quick Response Fund (QRF) and the Assistance to Individuals in Crisis Situation (AICS) as part of the DSWD's recovery efforts to provide cash aid to the affected families.

He likewise thanked the Department of Labor and Employment



FOOD PACK DISTRIBUTION. Personnel of the Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD) distribute family food packs to residents of Dilasag town, Aurora province on Tuesday (Nov. 12, 2024). DSWD Secretary Rex Gatchalian assured they are always ready to provide FFPs and non-food relief items to families hit by Severe Tropical Storm Nika. (DSWD photo)

(DOLE) through the Tulong Panghanapbuhay sa Ating Disadvantaged/Displaced Workers (TUPAD) Program for providing volunteers for the production of FFPs in the National Resource Operations Center (NROC) in Pasay City.

Gatchalian also recognized the Philippine Air Force (PAF), the Philippine Coast Guard (PCG), and the Philippine Navy for transporting FFPs and other needed relief goods through their air and naval assets.

The Air Forces of Singapore, Malaysia and Indonesia also did their share in helping airlift the relief goods to remote areas, including barangays that became isolated due to landslides.

"So we are now ready for recovery efforts for the provinces affected by Kristine and Marce while we are conducting relief operations all at the same time because President Ferdinand R. Marcos Jr. is using an all-of-government approach to support us," Gatchalian said.

President Ferdinand R. Marcos Jr., along with the DSWD chief, earlier led the distribution of cash aid under the Presidential Assistance for Farmers, Fisherfolk and their Families (PAFFF) in the Bicol and Calabarzon regions.

After Kristine dumped heavy rainfall that submerged Camarines Sur and several towns in Batangas province on Oct. 24, three more tropical cyclones – Leon (Kongrey), Marce (Yinxing), and Nika (Toraji) pummeled northeastern Luzon.

Another Severe Tropical Storm Ofel (international name Usagi) is forecast to make landfall over the eastern part of Cagayan or Isabela province on Thursday. (PNA)

# HONESTY IS THE BEST POLICY

# Marcos to public: Stay safe amid threat of Nika, 2 tropical cyclones

MANILA – President Ferdinand R. Marcos Jr. on Monday called on the public to stay safe and vigilant, as Severe Tropical Storm Nika (international name Toraji) and two more tropical cyclones are expected to hit the country this week.

Marcos made the call, as he said the government continues to closely monitor the developments of the operations for Nika

"So, this is what we are monitoring now. We are trying to see what the damages are that we have to go in already. This storm (Nika) will leave the Philippine area of responsibility around 2 p.m. tomorrow. But then we have to watch the new one coming in. So, that's where we're at right now," Marcos told reporters in a chance interview on the sidelines of an event at the Okada Manila in Parañaque

"[We're] trying to keep watch, making sure that everybody is safe. We have done some initial evacuations already. So, we just try to stay safe. So, everyone please listen to your local government and authorities who tell you what to do. As soon as the national government can come in, we will come in. Your local government is there, ready to be the first responders as they always are," he added.

Nika will continue moving west northwestward over the West Philippine Sea and exit the Philippine



President Ferdinand R. Marcos Jr. (File photo)

Area of Responsibility (PAR) by Tuesday morning, according to the Philippine Atmospheric, Geophysical, and Astronomical Services Administration's (PAGASA) 8 p.m. weather bulletin.

However, two more tropical cyclones are expected to enter the Philippine Area of Responsibility and will be named Ofel and Pepito.

Marcos admitted that the situation becomes a "little complicated," given the strength and possible impact of the tropical cyclones on hareas that are expected to be hit.

He, nevertheless, assured the public that the national government is not letting its guard down, stressing that it will "come in as soon as [it] can."

"Generally speaking, kapag nagkaroon tayo ng bagyo, ibig sabihin, ito 'yung nasira, ito yung kailangang gawin, ayusin muna natin lahat iyan. Ngayon, sinasabi natin, mag-isip isip tayo kasi kung aayusin na-

tin tapos sisirain na naman ng susunod na bagyo, sayang lang 'yung ating ginawa so kailangan nating magplano. Pero 'yung mga tao, kailangan ng kuryente, kailangan ng food supply, kailangan ng may tubig, kailangang ayusin ang kanilang bahay (when we have a typhoon, it means that this is what is damaged, this is what needs to be done, let's fix all of that first. Now, we say, let's think about it because if we fix it and then the next typhoon destroys it again, what we did will go to waste so we have to plan. But those people need electricity, need food supply, need water, need to repair their house," Marcos said.

"So, this is the balance, the tight rope that we are trying to navigate. It's a little bit... We don't have a textbook to follow. We don't have a template to follow. It is climate change and it is the new reality that we are having to face," he added. (PNA)

Proverbs of Solomon.
A wise son makes his fatherrejoice,But a foolish son is
the grief of the mother.

Provers 10:1



Art Takes Center Stage in Cavite as the Provincial Tourism Office Collaborates with the Alitaptap Artists Community to Support Pista ng **Sining 2024** 

On November 8, 2024, the Alitaptap Artists Community in Amadeo, Cavite, was transformed into a vibrant hub of creativity and cultural expression as the Office of the Provincial Tourism Officer (OPTO) joined forces with local artists to celebrate the annual Pista ng Sining event. This collaboration highlighted the rich artistic talent of students from various colleges and universities in CALABARZON.

The welcome message was delivered by Ms. Elinia Imelda Rozelle S. Sangalang, who expressed gratitude to all the participants and the nine (9) Filipino artists who made the event possible.

The event began with a visit to the art exhibits, followed by an art camp that provided a venue for students to gather and exchange ideas.

Among the highlights of the event were gallery walk tour, ARTalks, painting workshop, chess art tournament, brass sculpture demo, sound art demo, outdoor painting sessions, band performance, and a painting con-

A total of 20 students with outstanding artistic talent from various colleges and universities in CALABARZON were selected as the winners and honored for their meaningful contributions to the art community. A night concert was also held to close the Pista ng Sining 2024: Pilipinas Art Camp 2024.

By supporting this important event, OPTO helped promote the growth of the local art scene and showed Cavite's strong commitment to emphasizing the importance of art in our everyday lives. Through its involvement, the Office highlighted how art shapes our culture, enriches our communities, and inspires creativity in all areas of society.--- OPIO



Pasig City Provides Relief Assistance to Cavite Residents Affected by **Tropical Storm Kristine** 

Cavite Governor Athena Bryana D. Tolentino together with Board Members Morit Sison, Rainier Ambion, and Rommel Enriquez, Provincial Treasurer Adelina Martal and PDRRMO Eloisa Rozul gratefully received the relief assistance from the local government of Pasig City on November

### **CREATE MORE law** game-changer for PH economy

MANILA - The Department of Trade and Industry (DTI) on Tuesday lauded the newly-signed Corporate Recovery and Tax Incentives for Enterprises Max-**Opportunities** imize Reinvigorating the Economy (CRE-ATE MORE) Act as "game-changing" legislation poised to transform the Philippine economic landscape.

In a statement, the DTI said the law would strengthen the country's position as an attractive investment destination through significant tax incentives and regula-

tory reforms.
"This law marks a critical turning point in the Philippines' economic development, underscoring our dedication to building a thriving and globally competitive business landscape," DTI said.

Signed by President Ferdinand R. Marcos Jr. on Monday, Republic Act (RA) 12066 or the CREATE MORE Act makes the Philippines' tax incentives regime more globally competitive, investment-friendly, predictable and accountable.

"Indeed, the CRE-ATE MORE law is a game-changing legislation aimed at transforming the Philippine economy. It will boost

investor and drive long-term growth by making the business environment more transparent, efficient, and predictable," DTI said.

These incentives include reduced corporate income tax rates and enhanced deductions to boost investor profitability.

The DTI also highlighted that the streamvalue-added lined tax (VAT) procedures would facilitate easier compliance and lessen administrative burdens for foreign businesses.

"Together, these incentives are designed to stimulate foreign direct investment, leading to job creation, infrastructure development and technological advancement within the country. The CREATE MORE law sends a clear signal to the international business community that the Philippines is open for business and committed to providing a supportive and rewarding environment for investors," DTI said.

The DTI said key provisions, such as VAT zero-rating and duty exemptions for export-oriented companies, are expected to enhance the country's competitiveexport

The DTI vowed to

confidence work with all stakeholders to ensure the success of the law and establish the Philippines as a "leading economic powerhouse in the region."

In a separate statement, the Management Association of the Philippines (MAP) said CREATE MORE will help improve the global competitiveness of the Philippines by improving the ease of doing business (EODB), sustaining an enabling business environment for local and foreign investors, and attracting greater and more diverse job-creating investments for more Filipinos to be gainfully employed.

"EODB has always been a top concern of MAP members. We are glad that CRE-ATE MORE will be addressing EODB issues pertaining to VAT refund, local taxation, investment approval process and flexible working arrangements, among others," it said.

"We thank President Marcos Jr. for signing a law that signifies administration's unwavering commitment to empowering the business sector and fostering a climate where businesses will flourish and continue to contribute meaningfully to the Philippine economy." (PNA)

11, 2024 at the new Provincial Capitol Building in Trece Martires City. The assistance is intended for residents of Cavite heavily affected by the recent Tropical Storm Kristine (#KristinePH).

Leading the relief efforts were key personnel from Pasig City, including Mr. Bryant Wong of the Pasig City Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Office (CDRRMO), Mr. Patrick Plandiano of the Pasig City Tourism Office, Mr. Aaron Omana of the CDRRMO-Research and Planning Division, and Mr. Ralph Leo Plete of the Pasig Emergency Unit. Their combined efforts ensured the timely delivery of essential supplies and support to Cavite communities in need.

The relief initiative reflects the importance of inter-LGU cooperation, emphasizing that together, Filipino communities can weather the toughest storms. The aid provided by Pasig City serves as a reminder of the collective strength that arises when cities unite to support one another in times of crisis.--- OPIO

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## **COMELEC** to 2025 poll bets: register online campaign platforms

CALAMBA CITY (PIA) - The Commission on Elections (COMELEC) advised political aspirants to register all digital platforms they will use for campaigning in the run up to the 2025 National and Local Elections (NLE).

In an interview during the Kapihan sa Bagong Pilipinas, lawyer Margaret Joyce Reyes-Cortez, Region-Assistant al Election Director, said that while online campaign is permitted, candidates must disclose the platforms they plan to use.

Signed by COMELEC Chairperson George Garcia on September 17, Resolution 11064 requires that all digital and internet-based platforms-including social media accounts, websites, podcasts, vlogs, blogs, and other online campaign tools—used by candidates must be registered with the COMELEC Education and Information Department (EID) until December 13.

"With respect to the social media platforms and any online platforms that will be used by our candidates, the COMELEC has signed a resolution requiring candidates



to register at the EID," Reyes-Cortez said.

She added: "Registration forms are posted on our COMELEC website, and we need to register them [those platforms] to COMELEC, all the social media platforms that will be used by the candidates for their online campaigning."

Poll bets may face election offense or disqualification cases for their failure to register their social media accounts under the digital elections campaign guidelines.

The COMELEC will also request for the removal, takedown, or blocking of the content, social or digital media platforms or accounts through the Task Force KKK sa Halalan.

The poll body reported that in CAL-**ABARZON** alone. about 3,987 aspirants are vying for position such as district representatives, governors, vice governors, mayors, vice mayors and seats on the provincial board and local coun-

Meanwhile, 17 candidates have since withdrawn their Certificate of Candidacy (COC).

CALABARZON remains the country's most vote-rich region, with 9,764,170 registered voters for the upcoming elections. Cavite, the most populous province in the region leads with 2,460,981 registered voters-the highest in the country. (PB/ PIA4A)

Better is a handful of rest than two handfuls of hard work and chasing after the wind.

Ecclesiastes 4:6

# Adamson, FEU complete semis cast in UAAP girls' volleyball

MANILA - Defending champion Adamson University and Far Eastern University-Diliman completed Sunday the semifinal cast in the University Athletic Association of the Philippines (UAAP) Season 87 girls' volleyball Paco Arena in Manila. La Salle-Zobel, 25-19,

Adamson defeated De 25-13, 28-26, to take the last spot at 6-3.

Ellaine Gonzalvo scored 12 points on eight attacks and four aces while Samantha Cantada and Abegail Segui chipped in 11 and 10 points, respectively, for the Lady Baby Falcons.

"We're just preparing for this. For the kids, to gain experience with this situation," Adamson coach JP Yude said in an interview. "We're back to training, viewing how to study our opponent, especially our last two games."

Aislinn Alemaña had 11 attacks for DLSZ,



Adamson University skipper Abegail Segui (UAAP photo)

Meanwhile, FEU-D pulled off a 25-17, 25-22, 25-15 victory over University of the Philippines Integrated School to tie University of Santo Tomas in second place at 7-2.

Sheila Pascual had 19 points on 15 attacks and two blocks for the Lady Baby Tamaraws.

Aleah Devosora added 11 points on six attacks and five aces, while Cathlyn Umal and Franz Premaylon scored eight points each.

"We're happy to be in the top four," FEU-D

which slid to fifth at coach Joanne Bunag said. "I told the kids. the goal is to make it to top two because the top two have the advantage."

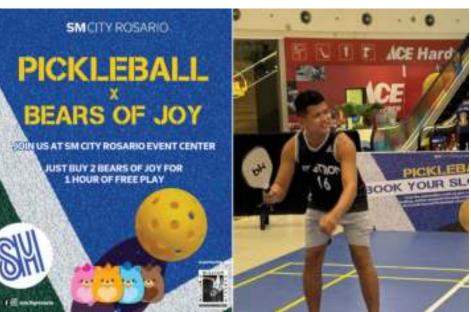
> UPIS is in sixth place at 2-8.

In the other game, National University beat Ateneo de Manila University, 25-2, 25-9, 25-11, to stay on top at 8-1.

Ateneo is winless in 10 outings.

Harlyn Serneche led the Lady Bullpups with 16 points, including 13 attacks, while Denesse Daylisan and Diza Berayo added 10 points apiece. (PNA)

### Pickleball at SM City Rosario: Play and Try!



SM City Rosario invites everyone to experience the excitement of pickleball, led by the partner organization, WWGBA Sports Event and Management Services. Whether participants are experienced players or new to the sport, this engaging event offers something for all skill levels. It's a great opportunity to stay active, enjoy a friendly game, and explore everything SM City Rosario has to offer.

Simply buy two Bears of Joy for a chance to enjoy 1 hour of free pickleball play, while supporting a great cause. Don't miss out—see you on the court!