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## Don't take advantage of Lenten demand surge, fish vendors told

MANILA – The Department of Agriculture (DA) on Tuesday called on fish retailers to avoid taking advantage of consumers amid the observance of Holy Week.

This comes with the expected increase in demand for fish and

other seafood as most Catholics abstain from eating meat, especially during Good Friday.

In an interview, DA deputy spokesperson Assistant Secretary Joycel Panlilio said the highest recorded prices of fish products in local markets should

not exceed further.

Huwag po sana nating gawing dahilan ang Holy Week at pagtaas ng demand sa ating mga isda ngayong Semana Santa para po ang ating mga kababayan para po ang ating mga kababayan  
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# DSWD on standby to provide aid to public on 'Semana Santa'

MANILA – The Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD) on Tuesday assured the public that all its disaster management and response teams from the Central Office and 16 field offices will be on standby for any incident that may require the agency's immediate assistance during the observance of this year's Holy Week or "Semana Santa."

"As directed by DSWD Secretary Rex Gatchalian, quick response teams of the

Department will remain on standby the entire Holy Week, ready for deployment should any event necessitate their intervention," Assistant Secretary Irene Dumlao of the DSWD's Disaster Response Management Group (DRMG) said in a statement.

"We want nothing but a peaceful observance of the Holy Week. But of course, disasters, whether natural or human-induced, may happen anytime. With this, we assure

the public that our resources can be tapped and delivered immediately when the need arises."

She said they are closely coordinating with the Philippine Atmospheric, Geophysical and Astronomical Services Administration and other concerned agencies to monitor weather systems that may affect the country in the coming days.

Meanwhile, Dumlao reminded the public to prioritize their safe-  
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**HOLY WEEK SURGE.** The Ninoy Aquino International Airport Terminal 3 departure area in this undated photo. The Department of Social Welfare and Development on Tuesday (April 15, 2025) assured the public that all its disaster management and response teams from the Central Office and 16 field offices will be on standby for any incident that may require the agency's immediate assistance during the observance of this year's Holy Week. (PNA file photo)

## DepEd intensifies efforts vs. 'alarming rise' in bullying

MANILA – The Department of Education (DepEd) on Tuesday said intensified efforts and collaboration with other government agencies are underway to combat bullying.

DepEd Secretary Sonny Angara led the largest executive committee (execom) meeting to discuss the issue of the "alarming" increase in bullying incidents in public schools in the country.



PNA file photo by Yancy Lim

Angara said the government and other stakeholders must prioritize addressing the matter.

"To effectively combat bullying, we need to work not just inside the schools, but also in the households and

communities where our learners come from. This is not just a school matter, it is a national priority that demands a whole-of-government, whole-of-society response," Angara said in a statement.

To date, reported bullying cases surged to 2,500 in Academic Year 2024-2025 from 2,268 cases in 2023-2024, according to the DepEd-National Capital Region.

Some of DepEd's

partner agencies are the Philippine National Police (PNP), Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD), Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG), and Department of Justice (DOJ).

Among the measures include PNP's intervention in bullying cases with legal violations, increased police visibility, and installation of security cameras in high-risk schools;

establishment of the Parent Effectiveness Office under DSWD for investigation of cases; and educating families in addressing root causes.

The DILG and DOJ, meanwhile, raised the possible activation of the Barangay Juvenile Intervention Program, which will help prevent bullying through diversion and rehabilitation at the community level.

Besides collaboration  
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ty, particularly those who join the rush to go home to their respective hometowns and provinces to spend this yearly tradition with their families.

"We are urging the public to stay safe, remain vigilant, and heighten awareness to avoid untoward incidents or emergencies," she said. (PNA)

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with law enforcement agencies, academe experts from select universities including the University of the Philippines and Ateneo de Manila University will help DepEd improve its Values Education and Good Manners and Right Conduct curriculum; while the United Nations Children's Fund and Save the Philippines Children offered to provide data and information

in global programs.

To date, the DepEd is drafting a Default Policy on School Safety and Security.

This will include guidelines on "physical safety measures, clear procedures for incident reporting, sanctions for offenders, provision of psychological first aid, and financial assistance for victims of school-related incidents." (PNA)

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na mag-e-enjoy sa fish ay hindi po mahirapan o iyong kanila pong pagbili ay sa tamang presyo lang (Let's not use the Holy Week and the increase in demand as excuse amid the Lenten so our fellow countrymen who enjoy fish will not have a hard time or their buying will be at a reasonable price only)," she said.

The DA earlier said price adjustments on retail fish do not go beyond a 15 percent increase.

Panlilio also said consumers who observe Lenten traditions will have an adequate source of fish.

"Sisiguruhin po namin na may enough na supply sa merkado (We will make sure that there's enough supply in the market) this coming Holy Week," she said.

She also assured continuous close monitoring of fish prices in the local markets.

As of Monday, prices of milkfish in Metro Manila range from PHP140 per kilogram to PHP250 per kg.; PHP120 per kg. to PHP180 per kg. for tilapia; PHP180 per kg. to PHP320 per kg. of galunggong, according to the DA Bantay Presyo. (PNA)

## DA monitors veggies, other agri goods production as heat indexes soar

MANILA – The Department of Agriculture (DA) on Tuesday assured close monitoring of the production and prices of vegetables and other agricultural commodities as the country deals with the scorching summer.

The Philippine Atmospheric, Geophysical and Astronomical Services Administration (PAGASA) earlier predicted 43 to 44 degrees Celsius heat indexes in several areas in Cavite, Metro Manila, Batangas, Pangasinan, Bulacan, Isabela, Mindoro, and Zamboanga del Norte.

"Lahat naman po ay tinututukan natin kasi dahil po sa init ng panahon, lahat po ng ating agricultural commodity maaari po siyang maapektuhan but lalong-lalong na po iyong ating mga (We are focusing on all commodities because of the dry season, all of our agricultural commodities may be affected but most especially the) high value crops (HVC), iyong mga gulay (the vegetables)," DA deputy spokesperson Assistant Secretary Joycel Panlilio said in an interview.

She said most HVCs are sourced from the Cordillera Administrative Region (CAR), Ilocos and Cagayan Valley.

Panlilio assured preventive actions against potential agricultural damage due to extreme heat.

"We make sure po na meron tayong mga interventions na binibigay para maiwasan po itong effect ng pag-init ng ating panahon (that we have interventions being

implemented to prevent the effects of the hot weather)," Panlilio said.

She said the preventive measures include the utilization of plastic mulch as vegetable beds, a small pump irrigation system, drip water fertigation technology, and adequate rainwater reserve in rainwater shelters.

For poultry and livestock, Panlilio said animals must be protected from extreme heat exposure.

"Iyong mga animals ay sisiguruduhin po natin nasa tamang mga shelter sila para hindi naman po sila masyadong ma-expose sa heat na maaaring mag-cause din po sa kanila ng sakit (We will ensure that our animals are in proper shelters so they will not be exposed to heat which can cause them disease)," she said.

### Aid to Kanlaon-affected farmers

Panlilio, meanwhile, assured aid for farmers affected by the eruption of Mt. Kanlaon in Negros Occidental.

"We give our usual interventions kapag kaya na po nila ulit na magtanim ay iyong mga agricultural inputs natin like 'yung mga seed po and meron naman kasi kaming (if they can already replant, including agricultural inputs like seeds and we also have a) quick response fund for this," she said.

Besides the distribution of seedlings, drugs, and biologics, the DA also prepared a PHP25,000 loanable amount under the Survival and Recovery loan program, payable in three years at zero interest; as well as the



**CLOSE MONITORING.** Variety of vegetables displayed at Novaliches Market in Quezon City on Feb. 11, 2025. The Department of Agriculture on Tuesday (April 15) assured close monitoring of production and prices of vegetables and other agricultural commodities, considering the potential effects of the dry season heat. (PNA file photo by Joan Bondoc)

indemnification fund from the Philippine Crop Insurance Corporation.

To date, 61 farmers were initially reported to be affected in Western Visayas, with damage incurred in HVC and cassava worth PHP952,200, according to the DA-Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Operations Center. (PNA)

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**The one walking with the wise will become wise, But the one who has dealings with the stupid will fare badly.**  
*Proverbs 13:20*





### Brgy. SunnyBrooke II Residents Receive Free Health Services from PGC

Over 230 residents of Brgy. SunnyBrooke II, City of General Trias, received free medical and dental services during the Provincial Government of Cavite's (PGC) health mission.

Led by the Office of the Provincial Governor and Office of the Provincial Health Officer through the General Emilio Aguinaldo Memorial Hospital (GEAMH) medical and dental team and supported by hardworking Barangay Health Workers (BHWs), the outreach program included consultations, dental extractions, free medicines and mosquito repellent lotion. Likewise, free massage was also provided.

The mission was warmly welcomed by the community, providing much-needed care closer to home. PGC remains committed to making quality healthcare more accessible for every Caviteño.--- OPIO

## NFA: PH on track to food security goal with sufficient rice reserves

MANILA – The Philippines is on track to achieving food security, particularly in rice supply, with the country's buffer stock now sufficient for over nine days, the National Food Authority (NFA) said Tuesday.

In a press briefing in Malacañang, NFA Administrator Larry Lacson said the Marcos administration's food security targets are being met, citing significant improvements in the country's rice reserves.

"Kung ang bigas ang ating pag-uusapan, ako masasabi ko na we are on track, in fact, in less than a year from one day to last buffer stock, ngayon po ay 9.36 na (If we're talking about rice, I can say we are on track. In fact, in less than a year, we've



(PNA file photo)

increased our buffer stock from one day to now 9.36 days," Lacson said.

"So, we are on track and we are continuously increasing our buffer stock for rice, as we all know, rice is the main gauge of food security," he added.

Lacson also disclosed plans to expand the rice buffer stock to 15 days this year, in line with amendments to the Rice Tariffication Law.

Currently, the coun-

try holds 358,000 metric tons of rice, equivalent to 7.16 million bags -- enough to feed the entire population for 9.36 days in case of emergency or supply disruption, according to the NFA chief.

As of March 31, the NFA has bought 2.2 million bags of palay from farmers nationwide, amounting to PHP2.6 billion.

To better support



### OPCDO Conducts Livelihood Training on Pastries

The Office of the Provincial Cooperatives Development Officer, led by Officer-in-Charge Ms. Rizalie Pinpin-Enero, conducted another session of "Livelihood on the Go" on March 27, 2025. The activity provided useful skills in pastry-making, offering a potential source of additional income for individuals of all ages.

Ms. Sheryll Loyola, head of the Livelihood Division, delivered the opening remarks, emphasizing the importance of skill development for economic empowerment. The training session was led by Ms. Cora Tepora, a TESDA-accredited trainer and assessor, who provided a step-by-step demonstration and tutorial on preparing assorted donuts and graham bars – currently popular items in the market.

The event was conducted via Zoom, ensuring accessibility for a broader audience eager to acquire new livelihood skills.

This initiative highlights the provincial government's commitment to fostering sustainable livelihood opportunities for Caviteños.



### Medical and Dental Mission goes to Tejero, GTC

On April 11, 2025, the Provincial Government of Cavite successfully conducted a free medical and dental mission in Brgy. Tejero, City of General Trias, Cavite.

With the support of health professionals from General Emilio Aguinaldo Memorial Hospital, the mission offered free medical consultations, dental check-ups, and tooth extractions. A total of 150 individuals received medical care, while 51 residents benefited from dental services.

To aid in recovery and promote overall wellness, the medical mission team from the Office of the Provincial Governor distributed free prescribed medicines and multivitamins to all beneficiaries.

The meaningful outreach is part of the provincial government's continued commitment to ensure that every community has access to basic and essential healthcare services.

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File No. FC-DC-1590-24  
EXTRA JUDICIAL FORECLOSURE  
OF REAL ESTATE MORTGAGE  
UNDER ACT 3135, AS AMENDED  
BY ACT 4118

NATIONAL HOME MORTGAGE FINANCE  
CORPORATION (NHMFC),

Petitioner/Mortgagee,

-versus-

JOSE DELIO C. TALAÑA, married to  
ELIZABETH L. TALAÑA,  
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, **NATIONAL HOME MORTGAGE FINANCE CORPORATION (NHMFC)**, a government owned and controlled corporation created under P.D. No. 1267, with postal address at 104 Amorsolo St., Legaspi Village, Makati City against respondent/mortgagor **JOSE DELIO C. TALAÑA, married to ELIZABETH L. TALAÑA** with postal addresses at Lot 10 Blk. 26, CityHomes Dasmariñas, Ph II, Brgy. BuroI, Dasmariñas City, Cavite and 61 Tolentino St., Pasay City and for the satisfaction of the mortgaged debt which as of October 31, 2024 amounts to **SIX HUNDRED SIXTEEN THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED FORTY TWO PESOS & 39/100 (Php616,542.39)**, exclusive of all legal fees and expenses incidental to this foreclosure and sale, the undersigned Sheriff will sell at public auction on **May 15, 2025** at 10:00 o'clock in the morning or soon thereafter in the Ground Floor Lobby of Dasmariñas Community Affairs (DASCA) Building, Congressional Road, BuroI II, 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:

Transfer Certificate of Title No.T-376870

IT IS HEREBY CERTIFIED that certain land situated in the Municipality of Dasmariñas Province of Cavite bounded and described as follows:

A parcel of land (Lot 10, Blk 26 of the subd. plan Psd-04-053094, being a portion Lot 6191, Imus Estate, L.R.C. Rec. No. ) situated in the Bo. of BuroI, Mun. of Dasmariñas, Prov. of Cavite, Is. of Luzon. Bounded on the SE., along line 1-2 by Lot 12, Blk.26; on the SW., along line 2-3 by Rd. Lot 16; on the NW., along line 3-4 by Lot 8 & on the NE., along line 4-1 by Lot 9, both Blk. 86, all of the subd. plan. Beginning of a pt. marked "1" on plan, being W 41 deg. 20'E., 2602.55 m. from Mon. 153, Imus Estate; thence S. 15 deg. 17'W., 9.50 E. to pt. 2; thence N. 74 deg. 43'W., 4.00 m. to pt. 3 thence N. 15. deg. is registered in accordance with the provisions of the Property Registration, Decree in the name of JOSE DELIO C. TALAÑA, married to ELIZABETH L. TALAÑA, both of legal ages, Filipino. 17'E., 9.50 m. to pt. 4; thence S. 74 deg. 43'E., 4.00 m. to the pt. of; beginning, containing an area of THIRTY EIGHT (38) SQUARE METERS. All pts. referred to are indicated on the plan and are marked on the ground by P.S. cyl. conc. mons. 15x60 cm; bearings true date of original survey, July 27, 1905-June 11, 1908 and that of the subd. survey, Sept. 10, 1991-Jan. 10, 1992 and was approved on Feb. 10, 1992.

Prospective buyers and/or bidders are hereby enjoined to investigate for themselves the title of the said real property and the encumbrance thereon, if there be any.

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 and time, it shall be held on **May 29, 2025** at the same time and place without further notice.

04 April 2025, Dasmariñas City, Province of Cavite.

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# DOH: Elderly, kids, sick people more prone to heat-linked illnesses

MANILA – The Department of Health (DOH) on Tuesday warned Filipinos anew against health conditions brought about by hot weather and high heat index.

In a Palace briefing, Health Secretary Teodoro Herbosa said heat-related illnesses such as dehydration, heat cramps, heat exhaustion and heat stroke can affect anyone, but certain populations are more susceptible.

Symptoms include dizziness, fever, numbness, fainting, and warm and reddish skin.

“Prone ang matatanda, ‘yung mga bata at may mga illnesses (The senior citizens, children and people who are already sick are prone to heat-related illnesses). So, make sure that these people



*SCORCHING. Pedestrians in Quezon City wilt under a 38-degree Celsius heat index on April 10, 2025. The Department of Health on Tuesday (April 15, 2025) warned Filipinos anew against health conditions brought about by hot weather and high heat index, especially the elderly, children and those with co-morbidities. (PNA file photo by Joan Bondoc)*

do not stay in [a] hot environment,” he said.

According to the United States Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, bodies of old people are less efficient at regulating temperature, which include sweating and blood flow to the skin.

Moreover, their bodies take more time to adjust to sudden changes in temperature.

Meanwhile, children have a higher metabolism, producing more heat and losing heat quickly. This makes them more prone to dehydration.

Diabetes, heart disease, and obesity can affect a person’s ability to regulate body temperature or respond to heat. Moreover, certain medications could interfere with body temperature regulation and sweat production.

“It [heat-related illness] starts with either thirst, severe thirst, you can have a lot of cold sweats. Eventually, if you’re unable to correct that, you will collapse,” Herbosa

said.

“If you’re thirsty, drink water. If you feel weak, fatigue is the next step after thirst, heat fatigue or heat weakness, mag-shade ka na or mag-aircon ka na (go to a shaded area or in an air-conditioned room),” he added.

While heat-related illnesses could lead to an emergency, Herbosa noted that the majority of patients easily recover with prompt and proper treatment.

The public is advised to stay indoors from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., drink plenty of water, wear light clothing, and to use sunscreen, hats, umbrellas, and fans to avoid heat-related illnesses. (PNA)

## EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE OF “MELANIE SAMPER SY” with WAIVER OF RIGHTS

Notice is hereby given **TO THE PUBLIC** of the deceased **MELANIE SAMPER SY** who died on June 11, 2009 in Greenhills, San Juan, Metro Manila and the deceased left one parcel of land described as **TCT No. T-506297** with an area of **Thirty-five (35)** square meters located at Brgy. San Agustin, Dasmariñas, Cavite, and has been extrajudicially settled by among her heirs through Extrajudicial Settlement of Estate of “Melanie Samper Sy” with Waiver of Rights executed on March 31, 2025 by Atty. Nathalie T. Almazan as per Doc. No. 353, Page No. 72, Book No. I, Series of 2025 in General Trias City, Cavite.

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Pride is before a crash,  
and a haughty spirit  
before stumbling

Prov. 16:18



## Rizaleños find hope in PBBM's Trabaho at Serbisyon Pangkalusugan

Beneficiaries of the Trabaho at Serbisyon Pangkalusugan sa Bagong Pilipinas (Jobs and Health Services for a New Philippines) have expressed gratitude to the national government for bringing employment opportunities, medical services and other forms of assistance within reach of ordinary citizens.

These stories illustrate how accessible government initiatives can transform lives, especially for those who have long been marginalized or overlooked.

For Perla Magbato, a 43-year-old resident of Barangay San Luis, her journey from part-time housekeeper to landing a job through the government initiative serves as an inspiration and a testament to her resilience.

Magbato, a member of the Pantawid Pamilyang Pilipino Program (4Ps), was hired on the spot at the Trabaho, Serbisyo, at Pangkalusugan sa Bagong Pilipinas event in Antipolo City, Rizal.

The program serves as a one-stop shop for various government agencies and services, aimed at providing assistance such as job matching, medical consultations and free medicine, as well as financial aid for beneficiaries.

Magbato emphasized the importance of participating in government programs, believing that they truly help people. She also expressed her gratitude to President Ferdinand Marcos Jr. for the opportunity and is hopeful for success in her new job.

"I am thankful for the opportunity and for the continuous support of the government in meeting our needs. People should not be shy to go to government programs and



agencies; they are here to help people like me," she said.

As a first-time job seeker, her dream gave her strength not to give up. She trusted the process and was hired as a massage therapist at a clinic in Antipolo City. In addition to the job opportunity, she also received 5,000 pesos in financial aid as pre-employment assistance for her job requirements.

Melinda Sosoryo Bloece, 56, from Upang, Antipolo, Rizal, also thanked the government for bringing financial, medical and other services directly to residents.

Like many Filipino mothers, she has faced financial struggles in supporting her family's daily needs and her children's education. That is why she is very thankful for being part of the 4Ps program, which has helped her make ends meet.

"I'm very thankful to President Marcos because he's able to help us. As a 4Ps member, the aid we receive is a big relief. I usually use my payout as capital for selling vegetables in our area," she said.

As a recipient of government programs, she feels a sense of relief when her husband is out of work. With three children still in school, Bloece is also grateful that she can support their education without constantly worrying about tuition fees and daily expenses.

"When my husband doesn't have a job, we

can still buy rice and food because of the payout. Because of the financial assistance I get from 4Ps, I can pay for my children's tuition and give them money or food to bring to school."

Bloece expressed immense gratitude to the government for making a difference in her family's life and for the continued support she receives. She also encourages her fellow beneficiaries to spend their aid wisely.

"As a 4Ps member, we receive financial assistance. I hope others will not use it for other purposes. They should use it for their children's future and for food."

She hopes government assistance continues, as it greatly helps fellow citizens meet their needs and improve their quality of life.

The stories of Magbato and Bloece demonstrate the impact of government support and serve as an inspiration, showing that there is always hope to rise from poverty.

During an engagement in Cavite, President Marcos reaffirmed the government's commitment to extending services and assistance to the people, especially those who need them most.

"Rest assured that your government is always here, always supporting all of you. Rest assured, we will not leave as long as you need help from the government," the President said. (KA/PIA-4A)



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## MPTC Gears up for Holy Week with the "Biyaheng Arangkada" Motorist Assistance Program



Metro Pacific Tollways Corporation (MPTC), concessionaire of NLEX, SCTEX, NLEX Connector, Manila- Cavite Expressway (CAVITEX), Cavite-Laguna Expressway (CALAX), and Cebu-Cordova Expressway (CCLEX) is rolling out its robust "Biyaheng Arangkada Semana Santa" motorist assistance program from April 16-21, 2025. For CAVITEX, MPTC is implementing the program in partnership with its joint venture partner Philippine Reclamation Authority through PEA Tollway Corporation. This road safety initiative aims to provide a comfortable and stress-free journey for all motorists during



peak seasons such as Holy Week in MPTC's extensive network of expressways.

With an expected 10% increase in traffic volume during this period, MPTC has developed a multifaceted strategy centered on providing a range of enhanced assistance services, increas-

ing toll plaza efficiency through RFID awareness campaigns and promoting responsible road safety practices.

MPTC President and CEO Jose K. Ma. Lim affirms: "MPTC's role during Holy Week goes beyond traffic management by taking measures towards ensuring a

travel experience that's safe, seamless, and reassuring. 'Biyaheng Arangkada Semana Santa' reflects our commitment to service that anticipates the needs of our motorists and helps families reconnect and travel with peace of mind."

### Enhanced Roadside Assistance and Support Services:

MPTC is significantly bolstering its on-ground presence with an array of readily available assistance for motorists who may encounter emergencies on the road:

- On-call assistance services for roadside emergencies; a dedicated hotline (1-35000) and the MPT - DriveHub app is available 24/7.

- Roadside assistance stations are strategically positioned along the tollways.

- Enhanced Traffic Operations: More than 2,000 personnel along all MPTC expressways will be deployed as early as April 8 to manage traffic flow effectively and respond swiftly to incidents.

- Free on-call Emergency Medical Services: Well-equipped medical teams will be on standby to provide immedi-

- Always carry your RFID card as a backup to ensure uninterrupted travel.

### Drive Safely, Arrive Safely: Essential Road Safety Guidelines

Travelers can observe critical road safety reminders to promote responsible driving practices:

- Ensure vehicle roadworthiness. Conduct a thorough pre-trip vehicle inspection before embarking on your travel. Pay close attention to tires, fluids, lights, and brakes to prevent unexpected breakdowns.

- Stay alert and well-rested. Take regular breaks at designated rest and refuel areas to combat fatigue during long drives. Prioritize getting sufficient sleep before your trip.

- Adhere to designated speed limits and maintain strict lane disci-

ate assistance in case of medical emergencies along the expressways.

- Free Basic Mechanical Service at select Rest and Refuel Stations: Motorists may avail complimentary basic mechanical checks and minor repairs at designated rest and refuel stations along the MPTC network.

- Free Towing Service at the nearest exit for Class 1 vehicles and Class 1M (for CCLEX) to provide immediate relief in case of vehicle breakdowns:

- > NLEX, SCTEX, CALAX, CCLEX, and NLEX Connector:

- April 9, 6am to April 14, 6am

- April 16, 6am to April 21, 6am

- > CAVITEX

- April 16, 6am to April 20, 6pm

- Easytrip RFID Services On-Ground: Easytrip teams will be at strategic locations to assist motorists with RFID installation, reloading, and account inquiries.

- CCLEX RFID services for installation, reloading and inquiries are available at the Toll Plaza Tent (Cordova-bound).

- Free Wi-Fi Stations (Powered by SMART)



pline.

MPTC's Biyaheng Arangkada commits to ensuring a seamless and safe Holy Week journey for all motorists. These, coupled with ongoing efforts to promote road safety and RFID readiness, demonstrate dedication to providing comprehensive support and a positive travel experience.

Motorists are strongly

and complimentary Drinking Water (Provided by Maynilad) at participating Rest and Refuel stations and motorist camps.

- Free health and wellness consultation (Provided by MWell) in select NLEX Rest and Refuel stations.

- Availability of Electric Vehicle (EV) Charging stations (Provided by AC Mobility) in select areas of NLEX.

### Faster, Cashless Toll Transactions: Embrace RFID Readiness

To minimize congestion at toll plazas and facilitate seamless passage, MPTC strongly encourages RFID adoption and responsible usage:

- Have an RFID sticker installed for fast and cashless toll transactions

- Reload your RFID on time and maintain sufficient balance to avoid delays at toll plazas. Numerous reloading channels are available online and at authorized locations.

- Utilize the MPT DriveHub app for quick and convenient balance checks and toll fee calculations.

- If your RFID is unreadable, have it checked and replaced at designated service centers.

encouraged to stay updated on traffic conditions and the locations of all available services through MPTC expressways' official social media channels and the MPT DriveHub app.

Travel safely and conveniently this Holy Week with the enhanced MPTC "Biyaheng Arangkada Semana Santa" program.

**"Happy are those conscious of their spiritual need," since the Kingdom of the heavens belongs to them.**

*Matthew 5:3*