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DA PROMOTES RESPONSIBLE RICE CONSUMPTION THROUGH SCHOOL CAMPAIGN

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Quezon City, Philippines — As part of the National Rice Awareness Month (NRAM) celebration, the Department of Agriculture-National Rice Program (DA-NRP) conducted a brown rice feeding program and launched the “Be Riceponsible” campaign at Project 6 Elementary School on November 13 and 19, 2024. *(turn to page 5)*

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EDITORIAL

COMPASSION OVER CELEBRATION THIS CHRISTMAS

The statement from Executive Secretary Lucas P. Bersamin resonates deeply as the nation braces for a subdued yet meaningful Christmas season. With millions of Filipinos grieving the devastating losses brought by six consecutive typhoons, the call for simplicity in government celebrations is not only appropriate but also morally imperative.

Christmas is a time of joy, but it is also a time for compassion and solidarity. By urging government agencies to eschew lavish festi-

ties and redirect savings to aid disaster-stricken communities, the administration sets an example of empathy and practical action. This directive, though unofficial, highlights a trust in public servants to rise above protocol and act with kindness and responsibility.

The spirit of Christmas is about sharing and uplifting others. For families who have lost homes, livelihoods, and loved ones, the greatest gift this season is not in decorations or grand feasts but in the assurance that their country stands with them. Relief efforts, infrastruc-

ture rebuilding, and livelihood restoration must become the true symbols of this year's celebration.

Let us, as a nation, take this opportunity to embody the real essence of Christmas—coming together to bring light to the lives of those in darkness. While simplicity becomes the hallmark of this year's festivities, the outpouring of love and aid will make this season truly memorable.

This Christmas, let us celebrate not in excess but in service, proving that in the face of calamity, the Filipino spirit shines brightest.



BRIDGING THE GAP IN MEDICAL EDUCATION

The “Doktor Para sa Bayan Act” (Republic Act No. 11509) is an ambitious and much-needed piece of legislation aimed at addressing the persistent shortage of doctors in the Philippines, particularly in underserved regions. Its mandate to establish a medical school in every region by 2025 underscores the importance of

equal access to medical education and, ultimately, equitable healthcare services. However, as the recent Senate deliberations reveal, the Commission on Higher Education (CHED) faces significant challenges in meeting this target.

While the vision behind this law is laudable, its implementation has exposed a stark real-

ity: the Philippines' uneven infrastructure and resource allocation. Two regions remain without medical schools, primarily due to the absence of Level 3 hospitals—a non-negotiable prerequisite for establishing such institutions.

The Advantages of Regional Medical Schools. The idea of having at least one medical school in every region is revolutionary. It democratizes access to medical education, which has long been concentrated in urban centers. By providing local opportunities, the initiative lessens the financial burden on aspiring doctors who might otherwise relocate to pursue their studies. (turn to page 5)



FLOODS OF CORRUPTION, NOT JUST WATER

The recent typhoons that submerged communities and displaced thousands of families exposed not only the vulnerability of the Philippines to natural disasters but also the glaring failures of governance. While relief goods and aid packages provide temporary comfort, they are nothing but band-aid solutions

to a systemic problem rooted in corruption and poor project management.

Flooding has long been a perennial issue in the country, with billions allocated annually for flood control, drainage, and disaster preparedness. Yet, these funds often fail to deliver tangible results. Why? Because

the process that governs public projects is marred by corruption and inefficiency. The bidding procedures, which should ensure transparency and accountability, are often reduced to a race for the lowest bid, prioritizing cost savings over quality and reliability.

This misplaced priority leads to substandard infrastructure that collapses under pressure, rendering billions of pesos useless. Communities pay the price, not just in terms of damaged property but also in lives lost. It is infuriating to think that lives could have been saved if funds were used properly and projects were implemented with integrity and foresight. (turn to page 5)



WHAT ISRAEL'S STORY TELLS US ABOUT GOD'S PLAN

Did you know Israel's story helps us understand who God is and His plans for humanity? Through studying Israel, prophecy, and the end times, we see His grace, faithfulness, and sovereignty. Swipe to explore how God's plan for Israel shows us His power and love for the world.

Why study prophecies?

God calls Himself the First and the Last, the One in control of all things. By studying prophecy, we: affirm who God is and the reliability of His Word and, strengthen our faith and prepare for eternity.

Why focus on Israel?

Israel is at the center of God's plan. Jerusalem

remains a focal point in world events, just as God foretold (**Zechariah 12:2-3**). God's promises always come to pass.

God's Grace: Israel Becomes a Nation

God chose Abraham's descendants, Israel, out of His grace (**Genesis 12:1-3**). Through this nation, He brought the Messiah, Jesus, to bless the world and bring redemption for all.

Israel's contributions—like life-saving inventions, and even Nobel Prize winners—are a testament to this blessing. Though small in size, Israel's impact is enormous. Just as God chose Israel out of grace, He also extends His love and forgiveness to us through Jesus (**Ephesians 1:4-7**). (turn to page 5)



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CFO AND GMA INTERNATIONAL EXPLORE COLLABORATIVE PARTNERSHIP TO STRENGTHEN TIES WITH OVERSEAS FILIPINOS

Manila, Philippines – On November 19, 2024, Secretary Dante Klink Ang II of the Commission on Filipinos Overseas (CFO) met with Mr. Joseph Jerome Francia, First Vice President and Head of International Relations of GMA International, to resume discussions on a potential formal collaboration between their two institutions. The meeting aimed to further explore the opportunities that both the CFO and media giant GMA can provide in serving the overseas Filipino communities (OFCs) and promoting Filipino culture globally.

Also present during the meeting were key officials from both organizations, including Atty. Ma. Arlene Borja, Director Marita Del Rosario-Apattad, and Ms. Jennylyn Ybanez from CFO, as well as Ms. Maria Eleanor “Mae” Trono, Marketing Activations Manager of GMA.

During the meeting, both parties shared their vision for a collaborative effort to enhance their outreach and better serve Filipinos abroad. Mr. Francia expressed GMA’s interest in providing valuable information about GMA’s programs and products to the attendees of the Pre-Departure Orientation Seminars (PDOS) conducted by the CFO before they leave for overseas work. This initiative aims to prepare and inform overseas-bound Filipinos about the resources available to them, both from the



government and the private sector.

In return, Secretary Ang shared the CFO’s goal of tapping into GMA’s vast media platform to strengthen its communication with Filipino communities in different parts of the world. The CFO is keen on utilizing GMA’s extensive reach to promote its programs and initiatives that support overseas Filipinos, particularly in fostering a deeper connection to their heritage and culture.

A major area of interest for both institutions was the propagation of the Filipino language and other major Philippine languages across borders. Both parties agreed on the importance of reinforcing language preservation, especially for younger generations of overseas Filipinos, and discussed ways in which they could work together to achieve this goal.

As a first step in their collaboration, CFO and GMA International will focus on a project showcasing the 2024 recipients of the prestigious Presidential Awards for Filipino Individuals and Organizations Overseas. The project

will highlight the outstanding contributions of Filipinos abroad in various fields and will be featured on GMA’s platforms, ensuring that the recognition of these exemplary individuals and organizations reaches a wider audience.

The draft Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) for this partnership, which outlines various areas of cooperation, is currently under review by both organizations. The MOU will serve as a framework for future projects and initiatives that aim to support and uplift the Filipino community overseas.

This meeting between the CFO and GMA International marks the beginning of a promising partnership that will not only enhance the flow of information to overseas Filipinos but also celebrate and preserve the Filipino identity across the globe. With both parties committed to supporting and serving the Filipino diaspora, this collaboration promises to make significant strides in fostering stronger connections between Filipinos at home and abroad. (PRT)

DOJ LAUNCHES NEW WRITING STYLE MANUAL FOR REGION VI PROSECUTORS TO ENHANCE LEGAL PRACTICES

Bacolod City, Philippines – The Department of Justice (DOJ), in partnership with the European Union-Governance in Justice (EU-GOJUST) Programme and the Office of the Regional Prosecutor for Region VI, officially launched the DOJ Manual of Writing Style at L’Fisher Hotel on November 18, 2024. The event marks a pivotal step toward unifying and enhancing the writing practices of prosecutors within the National Prosecution Service (NPS).

During his keynote address, DOJ Executive Director (ED) Jesse Hermogenes T. Andres emphasized the significance of the Manual as an essential tool in the pursuit of justice. “This manual marks a significant milestone in our steadfast commitment to ensuring that justice permeates every aspect of our work, from safeguarding individual rights to upholding justice throughout society,” ED Andres said.

He further stressed the importance of adopting a standardized approach in drafting legal documents such as resolutions, court pleadings, and legal correspon-

dence. The Manual is intended to serve as a unified reference to promote consistency, precision, and adherence to legal principles across the National Prosecution Service.

“Clear and accurate writing is crucial for conveying complex legal ideas,” Andres explained. “This manual serves not merely as a reference but as an essential guide to maintaining the high standards expected from the Department.”

The launch of the DOJ Manual of Writing Style is a direct response to the increasing need for consistency in legal writing across the country’s prosecution offices. By streamlining practices and providing clear guidelines, the Manual will help ensure that prosecutors can craft well-written, legally sound documents that reflect the highest professional standards.

In particular, the Manual will guide prosecutors in writing more effectively, ensuring that legal documents are not only clear and precise but also aligned with best practices and legal requirements.

ED Andres acknowledged the critical role of OIC Regional Prosecutor Louie Doligo-

sa of Region VI in supporting the launch of the initiative, as well as the hard work of the Technical Working Group behind the Manual’s development. He also expressed his gratitude to the EU-GOJUST for their continuous partnership, which has been instrumental in realizing this project.

The launch event was a testament to the collective efforts that have gone into improving the DOJ’s legal practices and ensuring that prosecutors across the country maintain the highest level of professionalism and expertise.

With the implementation of the DOJ Manual of Writing Style, prosecutors in Region VI will be better equipped to handle their case loads with improved legal communication, benefiting not only the legal community but also the broader public by ensuring more transparent, efficient, and just proceedings.

As this initiative expands to other regions, it is expected to become a cornerstone for the DOJ’s ongoing efforts to strengthen the Philippine justice system through effective legal writing and communication. (PRT)

BJMP FORMS NEW PARTNERSHIP WITH UNED TO ENHANCE EDUCATION AND DEVELOPMENT FOR PDL



Quezon City, Philippines – The Bureau of Jail Management and Penology (BJMP) has entered into a new partnership with the Universidad Nacional de Educación a Distancia (UNED), aimed at strengthening the Bureau’s research and development capabilities.

A ceremonial signing of the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) took place at the BJMP National Headquarters, attended by His Excellency Miguel Utray, Ambassador of Spain to the Philippines, alongside UNED representatives Mr. Angel Jimenez and Ms. Laura Gomez.

The collaboration seeks

to advance education, innovation, and institutional excellence within the BJMP, with a special focus on improving programs for Persons Deprived of Liberty (PDL). The partnership will enhance the development of responsive and sustainable initiatives to ensure safer and more secure communities. (PBRT)

DOF HIGHLIGHTS DIGITALIZATION, SUSTAINABILITY, AND DIVERSIFICATION AS KEY TO ECONOMIC RESILIENCE

Cebu City, Philippines — The Department of Finance (DOF) has reinforced its commitment to making businesses prosper and securing the future of the Philippine economy through digitalization, sustainability, and diversification.

During the 6th Financial Executives Institute of the Philippines (FINEX) Cebu Summit on November 15, 2024, DOF Revenue Operations Group (ROG) Undersecretary Charlito Martin R. Mendoza emphasized the importance of implementing forward-thinking and adaptable economic policies.

“We are laying the groundwork for businesses to realize both short-term wins and long-term viability,” Mendoza said, pointing to digital transformation, sustainable practices, and economic diversification as the DOF’s guiding principles.

The DOF has prioritized digitalization to enhance efficiency, transparency, and competitiveness across government agencies. Mendoza detailed the department’s BRAVE (Border Security Enhancement, Revenue Collection and Revenue Base Protection, Adaptive Regulations and Compliance Monitoring, Vigilant Enforcement, and Effective Engagement with Stakeholders and Inter-Agency Coordination) initiatives, which are focused on reducing friction in revenue collection and combating illicit trade.

The Bureau of Customs (BOC) has been at the forefront of these efforts, integrating advanced digital systems to streamline operations and create a level playing field for

legitimate businesses. On sustainability, the DOF is actively mobilizing resources for climate resilience and recovery through the Inter-Agency Task Force on Sustainable Finance (IATSF), also known as the Green Force. This initiative seeks to align public and private sector efforts in advancing climate finance, positioning the Philippines as a regional leader in sustainable economic practices.

The country’s participation in global climate recovery initiatives reflects its commitment to integrating sustainability into its economic policies, Mendoza noted.

The DOF is also pursuing diversification to expand the country’s economic base. Mendoza highlighted the Bureau of Customs’ plan to integrate the ATA Carnet system—dubbed the “International Passport for Goods”—into its digital operations. This move will simplify the temporary import and export process for goods, bolstering trade opportunities and fostering global business partnerships.

The FINEX Cebu Summit, which gathered senior finance professionals from across the country, served as a platform to discuss innovative strategies for economic growth. Mendoza expressed optimism that the DOF’s efforts will help secure a more sustainable, resilient, and inclusive economy for the Philippines.

“With these three pillars—digitalization, sustainability, and diversification—we aim to future-proof our economy and create an environment where businesses can thrive,” Mendoza said. **(PRT)**

ESTRADA SUPPORTS NAC'S PLAN TO EXPAND LOCAL AMNESTY BOARDS FOR 2025 BUDGET



November 19, 2024

Senate President Pro Tempore Jinggoy Ejercito Estrada has pledged his support for the plan of the National Amnesty Commission to establish additional Local Amnesty Boards across the country to accommodate more amnesty applicants.



Manila, Philippines — Senate President Pro Tempore Jinggoy Ejercito Estrada has expressed his full support for the National Amnesty Commission’s (NAC) proposal to expand its operations by establishing additional Local Amnesty Boards (LABs) across the country. This move is part of the NAC’s efforts to accommodate more amnesty applicants, particularly from former insurgents seeking reintegration into society.

During deliberations on the proposed P144.3 million budget for the NAC in 2025, Estrada was briefed on the Commission’s plan to create 10 new LABs in key cities across Regions I, II, III, V, VIII, and the Cordillera Administrative Region. The expansion aims to facilitate easier access for applicants from various regions, allowing the NAC to better serve individuals who wish to apply for amnesty under the Comprehensive Agreement on Respect for Human Rights and International Humanitarian Law (CARHRIHL) and other peace agreements.

“I will support the NAC in my capacity as the Pro Tempore and the chairperson of the Committee on National Defense and Security, Peace, Unification, and Reconciliation,” Estrada stated on Tuesday, November 19, 2024, reaffirming his commitment to peace-building and the reintegration of for-

mer combatants into the mainstream society.

Currently, the NAC has nine operational Local Amnesty Boards, which have processed a significant number of applications. As of now, the Commission has received a total of 1,559 applications for amnesty from members of various rebel groups, including the Rebolusyonaryong Partido ng Manggagawa ng Pilipinas/Revolutionary Proletarian Army/Alex Boncayao Brigade (RPMP-RPA-ABB), the Communist Party of the Philippines-New People’s Army-National Democratic Front (CPP-NPA-NDF), the Moro Islamic Liberation Front (MILF), and the Moro National Liberation Front (MNLF).

The expansion of the LABs is seen as a critical step in reaching out to more individuals who have expressed their desire for peace and reconciliation. With the support of key leaders such as Senator Estrada, the NAC is optimistic that the new initiative will significantly contribute to the government’s ongoing peace efforts.

As the Commission prepares to roll out the additional LABs next year, the support from lawmakers like Estrada will be instrumental in ensuring that the necessary resources and infrastructure are in place to help former insurgents transition into civilian life and contribute positively to the nation’s development. **(PRT)**

DOT SECRETARY FRASCO STRENGTHENS TIES WITH UN TOURISM CHIEF, ADVANCES CEBU INTERNATIONAL TOURISM ACADEMY

Manama, Bahrain — Department of Tourism (DOT) Secretary Christina Garcia Frasco met with United Nations (UN) Tourism Secretary-General Zurab Pololikashvili on November 18, 2024, to discuss plans for the establishment of an International Tourism Academy in Cebu.

The meeting took place during Frasco’s official visit to the United Nations World Forum on Gastronomy Tourism, where she emphasized the Philippines’ commitment to advancing global tourism education and innovation.

The proposed academy, initially announced during the Philippines’ hosting of the UN Tourism Regional Forum on Gastronomy Tourism for Asia and the Pacific earlier this year, is envisioned as a global hub for advanced tourism education.

Secretary Frasco reaffirmed the DOT’s dedication to making the academy a reality, citing ongoing collaboration between Philippine and UN Tourism teams to finalize the project.

Key features of the proposed academy include:

- Advanced Tourism Courses: Elevating the competencies of the global tourism workforce.
- Scholarships for Underprivileged Students: Extending educational opportunities to underserved communities, empowering future tourism leaders.
- Sustainability and

Inclusivity: Ensuring the academy adopts digitalization and promotes inclusivity in its curriculum and programs.

“The academy represents not only a leap for Philippine tourism but also a commitment to fostering education and inclusivity in the global tourism sector,” Secretary Frasco said.

As a gesture of appreciation, Secretary Frasco presented Secretary-General Pololikashvili with a *Pusô* plaque, a symbolic token celebrating the success of the Cebu-hosted forum, which gathered over 600 delegates from 40 countries.

Pololikashvili expressed continued support for the Philippines’ tourism initiatives and lauded the country’s efforts to position itself as a leader in gastronomic tourism and education.

The Cebu International Tourism Academy is poised to position the Philippines at the forefront of global tourism education. By merging advanced learning with inclusive opportunities, the academy is expected to enhance the quality of the tourism workforce and address disparities in access to education and professional development.

Secretary Frasco’s engagement with UN Tourism leaders underscores the Philippines’ proactive stance in shaping the future of tourism, not just locally but on a global scale. **(PRT)**

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The initiative benefited over 2,000 students and staff, promoting awareness of the importance of rice in Filipino culture while advocating for healthier and more responsible consumption practices.

The campaign centered on the benefits of consuming brown rice, an unpolished rice variety known for its higher nutritional value compared to white rice. The feeding program aimed to familiarize students with the taste and health benefits of brown rice, fostering a healthier diet among the youth.

Students also participated in a symbolic recitation of the "Be RICEponsible Pledge", which emphasized the importance of mindful rice consumption and support for locally sourced rice. The pledge highlights the principles of the campaign, encapsulated in the acronym A-Ba-Ka-Da:

- A: Adlay, mais, saba, atbp. ay ihalo sa kanin (Incorporate other crops like adlai, corn, and banana into rice dishes).

- B: Brown rice ay kainin (Eat brown rice).

- K: Kanin ay huwag sayangin (Avoid wasting rice).

- D: Dapat bigas ng Pilipinas ang bilhin (Buy rice grown in the

Philippines).

During the program, DA representatives engaged students in discussions about food security and sustainability. By introducing practical actions like reducing rice waste and choosing local products, the campaign aims to empower students to contribute to a more sustainable food system.

"Our goal is to instill in our youth not just an appreciation for rice but also a sense of responsibility towards how we consume it," said a DA-NRP official.

The campaign also highlighted the broader impact of buying locally produced rice. By supporting Filipino farmers, consumers contribute to the country's agricultural sustainability and economic growth.

The "Be RICEponsible" campaign is part of a series of activities under the DA's NRAM celebration, promoting the value of rice as a staple food while addressing issues such as food security, malnutrition, and agricultural development.

NRAM, celebrated every November, serves as a platform to remind Filipinos of the need to value rice as a precious commodity and ensure its sustainable use for future generations.

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Moreover, the "Doktor Para sa Bayan Act" introduces a return service agreement that ensures graduates serve in underserved areas, directly addressing the maldistribution of healthcare professionals in the country. This strategy not only strengthens the healthcare system in rural areas but also fosters a sense of civic duty among medical graduates.

Furthermore, local medical schools have the potential to stimulate regional development. They create jobs, attract investments, and generate ancillary industries such as housing and health-care-related businesses.

The Disadvantages and Challenges. However, the implementation of this mandate is not without its flaws. Establishing medical schools is a resource-intensive endeavor. The lack of Level 3 hospitals highlights deeper systemic issues, including inadequate infrastructure and funding in certain regions. While CHED and the Department of Health (DOH) are working on partnerships to address these gaps, progress has been slow, and the 2025 deadline appears increasingly unattainable.

Another concern is the quality of education. Rushing to meet the target could result in the establishment of poorly equipped institutions with inadequate faculty and facilities. Producing subpar medical graduates would not only undermine the law's intent but could also pose risks to public health.

There is also the risk of sustainability. Operating medical schools requires continuous funding, particularly for scholarships under the law. Without a steady stream of resources, the program could falter, leaving students and regions underserved.

A Balanced Path Forward. The "Doktor Para sa Bayan Act" is a step in the right direction, but it must be accompanied by pragmatic planning and adequate funding. Policymakers must recognize that addressing healthcare inequities involves more than setting ambitious goals—it requires a coordinated effort to strengthen infrastructure, allocate resources equitably, and ensure quality education.

While CHED and DOH should be commended for their efforts, the gaps identified by Senator Joel Villanueva demand urgent attention. Delays in meeting the law's mandate must not be viewed as failures but as opportunities to refine strategies and ensure long-term success.

The goal of having a medical school in every region is noble, but its success hinges on meticulous planning, effective governance, and sustained public support. If executed correctly, it has the potential to transform not just the country's healthcare system, but the lives of countless Filipinos. Let us hope that the challenges today will not deter the realization of this vision, but serve as a catalyst for a more equitable future.

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God also promised Israel a homeland (**Genesis 15:18**). Even when displaced for centuries, His promise stood firm. This land, given by His grace, highlights His sovereign control over history.

God's Faithfulness: Israel Scattered and Regathered

God is faithful to His Word, even when it means disciplining His people. When Israel strayed, God allowed them to be scattered (**Deuteronomy 4:25-27**). Yet, His discipline always had a redemptive purpose drawing them back to Him (**Ezekiel 12:15-16**).

Despite centuries of exile and attempts to erase them, God preserved Israel. On May 14, 1948, His promise was fulfilled as Israel became a nation again. Today, the once desolate land flourishes, exporting food to the world, just as prophesied (**Ezekiel 36:34-35**).

God's faithfulness to Israel proves He keeps His promises. If He's faithful to them, He'll be faithful to us too.

God's Sovereignty: Israel Attacked and Saved

Even in times of threat, God's sovereignty prevails. Prophecy warns of nations attacking Israel to seize its wealth (**Ezekiel 38:12**). Yet God promises to intervene, defending His people and revealing His power to the world (**Ezekiel 38:18, 22-23**).

In the last days, all of Israel will recognize Jesus as their Messiah (**Zechariah 12:10**). God's ultimate plan is not destruction but redemption. As we wait, let's live holy lives, knowing He desires all to come to repentance (**2 Peter 3:9-13**).

God's control over history assures us that His love and plans for humanity will never fail.

BOC STRENGTHENS PARTNERSHIP WITH PRIVATE SECTOR TO BOOST CROSS-BORDER TRADE MODERNIZATION

Makati City, Philippines — The Bureau of Customs (BOC) has reaffirmed its commitment to modernizing trade processes and enhancing cross-border trade efficiency by strengthening its partnership with the private sector. This was highlighted during the recently held seminar on "Enabling Cross-Border Paperless Trade," organized by the Pan Asian E-commerce Alliance (PAA) and hosted by InterCommerce Network Services Inc. in Makati City.

The seminar brought together key stakeholders from both the public and private sectors to discuss the future of trade in the digital age, particularly focusing on the shift towards paperless transactions. With the growing demand for faster, more efficient, and secure trade processes, the BOC emphasized the importance of collaborating with e-commerce platforms and other private entities to streamline operations and reduce trade barriers.

In his remarks, a representative from the BOC highlighted the agency's ongoing efforts to adopt digital technologies that will simplify trade procedures, enhance transparency, and promote faster customs clearance. "The shift to a paperless system is not just a technological advancement; it's an essen-

tial step towards ensuring that the Philippines stays competitive in the global trade arena," said the BOC official.

The event featured discussions on the benefits of paperless trade, including reduced paperwork, lower transaction costs, and enhanced security for cross-border transactions. Moreover, the seminar underscored the importance of collaboration between government agencies, logistics providers, and other private sector players to build an integrated, efficient trade ecosystem.

The BOC's partnership with the private sector is seen as a critical component in advancing the country's trade modernization goals. By working together, stakeholders can create a seamless digital infrastructure that supports the growing volume of global e-commerce and facilitates smoother trade flows between countries.

As the Philippines continues to explore ways to modernize its trade processes, the success of this partnership may serve as a model for other regions looking to enhance their own cross-border trade systems. The BOC remains focused on ensuring that trade practices in the country are aligned with global standards, paving the way for a more connected and competitive Philippine economy. (PRT)

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The government must address the root of the problem—corruption in infrastructure projects. It is not enough to provide post-disaster relief when preventive measures fail time and again due to mismanagement. Implementing strict oversight of bidding processes, penalizing non-compliant contractors, and prioritizing quality over cost must become standard practices.

Additionally, agencies responsible for infrastructure must be held accountable for delays and failures. The excuse of "force majeure" no longer holds water when the problem is clearly human-made—products of greed and neglect rather than just

nature's fury.

The aftermath of the typhoons is a wake-up call for the government to overhaul its approach to disaster mitigation and infrastructure development. We cannot afford to keep pouring funds into projects that crumble with the first hint of heavy rain. The Filipino people deserve durable solutions, not temporary fixes or token relief.

Flooding may be inevitable, but its impact does not have to be catastrophic. Corruption, however, is preventable—if only there is the political will to confront it. Until then, no amount of relief goods can wash away the stain of a system that prioritizes profit over people.

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"The success of our agrarian reform initiatives is tied directly to the well-being of our farmers. By providing them with better resources, training, and access to land, we are not just addressing poverty, we are ensuring the continued growth of the agricultural sector and securing our food supply," Villar stated during her sponsorship speech.

The increase in DAR's budget will allow the agency to accelerate land distribution processes, provide additional training for farmers, and strengthen agrarian reform efforts across the country. With the additional funds, DAR aims to further implement the Comprehensive Agrarian Reform Program (CARP), a landmark initiative that has been a key driver of sustainable development in rural areas.

DAR Secretary Conrado M. Estrella III expressed his deep appreciation for the Senate's support, acknowledging the crucial role that these additional funds will play in transforming the lives of farmer-beneficiaries. Estrella noted that the increased budget would not only fast-track land distribution but also enhance access to vital resources such as technical assistance and financial support, ultimately improving the productivity and

quality of life for farmers.

"The approval of the 2025 budget is a significant step toward fulfilling our mandate to provide farmers with the tools they need to succeed. With this funding, we can continue to advance land reform and help farmers improve their incomes, ensuring that they can actively contribute to the nation's food security," Estrella said.

The DAR's proactive efforts in CARP implementation were recognized by lawmakers as key drivers of rural development, particularly in fostering long-term agricultural sustainability. As the country grapples with rising challenges in food production and climate change, the success of agrarian reform remains critical in building a more resilient and self-sufficient agricultural sector.

With the 2025 budget now approved, all eyes are on DAR's implementation of its expanded programs, which will not only benefit agrarian reform beneficiaries but also contribute to the long-term goal of achieving food security for all Filipinos. The continued support from Congress signals a strong commitment to the country's agricultural future, ensuring that farmers are not left behind in the pursuit of national development. (PRT)

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While expanding access is crucial, the plan also needs to tackle the underlying issues that contribute to high fertility rates and insufficient family planning practices. Educational campaigns, particularly those focused on reproductive health literacy, will need to be ramped up in tandem with service provision. Programs need to go beyond distributing contraceptives—they should create lasting behavioral change, empowering individuals to make informed decisions about their reproductive health and parenthood.

For the PPDP to succeed, efficiency is paramount. The government will need to ensure the smooth delivery of services, avoiding the bureaucratic inefficiencies that often plague large-scale health initiatives. Inter-agency collaboration, especially between the Department of Health (DOH), local government units (LGUs), and non-governmental organizations, will be key to delivering services in a coordinated manner.

In a country as diverse as the Philippines, where local health systems are sometimes overwhelmed, and resources are scarce, ensuring that services reach the right people at the right time will be a monumental challenge. The current administration's commitment to improving efficiency will need to go beyond setting frameworks; it should include funding, training for healthcare workers, and local adaptations of national policies to meet the unique needs of each region.

While the vision behind the PPDP is commendable, its feasibility remains uncertain without addressing the challenges that could hinder its implementation. The Philippine government's track record with similar initiatives has been a mix of successes and setbacks. The key question is: How will the administration ensure that these

services reach the marginalized sectors who most need them, without losing momentum or running into barriers?

For instance, the push for accessible family planning services must also account for the realities of cultural resistance, especially in rural communities where traditional views about family size and gender roles persist. The program must adopt a highly localized approach to overcome these challenges, respecting the cultural context while educating and encouraging change.

Furthermore, funding remains a crucial issue. The government will need to allocate sufficient resources to cover the widespread distribution of contraceptive methods, training for health professionals, and robust monitoring and evaluation systems. Without clear and continuous funding, the program risks becoming just another well-intentioned but underfunded initiative.

Ultimately, the Philippine Population and Development Plan offers a strong framework for addressing family planning and reproductive health issues in the country. However, its success will depend on the government's ability to address the practical challenges of implementation, such as accessibility, efficiency, funding, and cultural resistance. While the administration's commitment to enhancing the quality of life for every Filipino is laudable, the real test will be in turning this vision into tangible results that empower all Filipinos—especially those at the margins—to make informed decisions about their futures.

The road ahead is long, but with the right focus and resources, the PPDP could become a transformative force in the lives of millions of Filipinos, ensuring that responsible parenthood is no longer a privilege for the few, but a right for all.

AFFIDAVIT OF UNKNOWN WHEREABOUTS OF BEATRIZ SARMIENTO COCSON

I, **ANDRES T. COCSON JR.**, Filipino, Legal age, presently residing at Lot 04 Block 8 Street Terrazza De Sto. Tomas San Roque Sto. Tomas Batangas, Philippines, after being sworn to in accordance with law, hereby depose and state:

- That in August 8, 1968, I married Beatriz Sarmiento Cocson, a copy of the marriage contract is hereto attached herein.
- Out of the said marriage, the children were born, to wit:
 - Jonathan S. Cocson
 - Marie Joann S. Cocson
 - Andres S. Cocson III
 - Andre Nigel S. Cocson
- That when I returned from overseas in 1998, I went straight to our conjugal home and discovered that the house had been left open, that all of the appliances such as the refrigerator, television, and so on were missing, and that my wife Beatriz Sarmiento Cocson was also absent. I haven't heard anything about her either.
- Beatriz Sarmiento Cocson came to our house on 11 Kalaw Street, BF Resort Village Talon Dos, in 2010 and asked for help because she was suffering from breast cancer, and I even paid for her medical bills of P300,000.00.
- Beatriz Sarmiento Cocson, along with our other children, left the same year after her treatment.
- That I inquired from my wife's family and relatives about her whereabouts after she went missing in 2010, but to no effect.
- That I have no communication and have not seen my wife since 2010 until now.
- That the purpose of this publication is to report the disappearance of Beatriz Sarmiento Cocson.
- That I am executing this affidavit to attest the truthfulness of the foregoing statements and for whatever legal purpose it may serve.

(SGD.) **ANDRES T. COCSON JR.**
Affiant

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me this 19th day of November, 2024 at Manila City, Philippines. Affiant who is personally known to me and who appeared and signed the foregoing AFFIDAVIT OF UNKNOWN WHEREABOUTS OF BEATRIZ S. COCSON in my presence within my jurisdiction, and who avowed to the truth of its contents under the penalty of law.

(SGD.) **ATTY. ERNESTO BAYOG**
NOTARY PUBLIC

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EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE

NOTICE is hereby given that the estate of the **SPS. CIPRIANO OLAN and CONCORDIA OLAN**, was extrajudicially settled among heirs as per Doc. No. 206; Page No. 44; Book No. XIII; Series of 2021 before Atty. Rachel R. Mamangun, Notary Public.

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EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF THE INTESTATE ESTATE WITH DEED OF ABSOLUTE SALE

NOTICE is hereby given that the estate of the late **EVANGELINE C. LACSAMANA and RICARDO T. LACSAMANA**, was extrajudicially settled among heirs as per Doc. No. 661; Page No. 68; Book No. 40; Series of 2024 before Atty. Antonio G. Malonzo, Notary Public.

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EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE With WAIVER OF RIGHTS

NOTICE is hereby given that the estate of the late **SUSANA ORANGA VILLANUEVA**, was extrajudicially settled among heirs as per Doc. No. 194; Page No. 39; Book No. 3; Series of 2024 before Atty. John Frey B. Lalata, Notary Public.

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DEED OF EXTRA-JUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE OF THE LATE IGNACIO BLANCO CABATIC WITH WAIVER OF RIGHTS

NOTICE is hereby given that the estate of the late **IGNACIO BLANCO CABATIC**, was extrajudicially settled among heirs as per Doc. No. 485; Page No. 98; Book No. V; Series of 2024 before Atty. Richard Villanueva Zarate, Notary Public.

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EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE OF THE LATE ESTELLITA MACABANTE

NOTICE is hereby given that the estate of the late **ESTELLITA MACABANTE LIAO and WILLIAM KE CHING DIAO LIAO**, was extrajudicially settled among heirs as per Doc. No. 75; Page No. 16; Book No. 8; Series of 2024 before Atty. Mohammad Faye D. Paudac, Notary Public.

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EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT AMONG HEIRS WITH DEED OF ABSOLUTE SALE

NOTICE is hereby given that the estate of the late **NOVELITA DE GUZMAN AGUIRRE**, was extrajudicially settled among heirs as per Doc. No. 417; Page No. 84; Book No. 57; Series of 2024 before Atty. Felizardo M. Ibarra, Notary Public.

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EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF THE ESTATE OF THE DECEASED ZENAIDA AÑO BORJA

NOTICE is hereby given that the estate of the late **ZENAIDA AÑO BORJA**, was extrajudicially settled between heirs as per Doc. No. 98; Page No. 20; Book No. 3; Series of 2024 before Atty. John Frey S. Lalata, Notary Public.

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EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE OF DECEASED PERSON WITH WAIVER OF RIGHTS

NOTICE is hereby given that the estate of the late **CORAZON BISALDA MANINGAN**, was extrajudicially settled between heirs as per Doc. No. 279; Page No. 56; Book No. VIII; Series of 2024 before Atty. Socorro Maribel N. Nepomuceno, Notary Public.

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DEED OF EXTRA-JUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE OF THE LATE RENATO CASTILLON LEBANTO WITH WAIVER OF RIGHTS

NOTICE is hereby given that the estate of the late **RENATO CASTILLON LEBANTO**, was extrajudicially settled among heirs as per Doc. No. 26; Page No. 7; Book No. VI; Series of 2024 before Atty. Richard Villanueva Zarate, Notary Public.

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EXTRA JUDICIAL SETTLEMENT WITH GENERAL RENUNCIATION OF SPS. KA KING SY YAO AND VIRGINA L. YAO

NOTICE is hereby given that the estate of the late **SPOUSES KA KING SY YAO and VIRGINA LIM YAO**, was extrajudicially settled between heirs as per Doc. No. 155; Page No. 32; Book No. XVIII; Series of 2024 before Atty. Miguel L. Ponce, Jr., Notary Public.

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EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE OF RAMON SALANGUIT GARCIA JR.

NOTICE is hereby given that the estate of the late **RAMON SALANGUIT GARCIA JR.**, was extrajudicially settled among heirs as per Doc. No. 283; Page No. 58; Book No. II; Series of 2024 before Atty. Philip Joseph C. Padlan, Notary Public.

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EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE

NOTICE is hereby given that the estate of the late **RAMON V. MENDOZA**, was extrajudicially settled among heirs as per Doc. No. 522; Page No. 78; Book No. XXXVI; Series of 2024 before Atty. Felizardo M. Ibarra, Notary Public.

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EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE OF THE LATE ROSALIE D. BAUTISTA WITH WAIVER OF RIGHTS AND SALE

NOTICE is hereby given that the estate of the late **ROSALIE D. BAUTISTA**, was extrajudicially settled between heirs as per Doc. No. 276; Page No. 56; Book No. 48; Series of 2024 before Atty. Marivic B. Morgia-Feruelo, Notary Public.

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EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE WITH DEED OF ABSOLUTE SALE

NOTICE is hereby given that the estate of the late **KENJIE KOSHIKAWA**, was extrajudicially settled as per Extrajudicial Settlement of Estate With Deed of Absolute Sale, executed by his heirs in Tokyo, Japan, with Certificate of Acknowledgement executed before Thomas Philip C. Aquino, Consul on 24th day of July 2024 as per Doc. No. 2424002560; Service No. 24072400100106; Series of 2024; Fee Paid ₱3500; O. R. No. 9641683.

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NOTICE

Notice is hereby given for the Extra-Judicial Settlement With Deed of Donation of Property of the late, **VIRGILIO L. FERNANDO, JR.** to his Heirs, as per Doc. No. 364, Page No. 74, Book No. XII, Series of 2024 of NOTARY PUBLIC CASIANO G. ATUEL, JR.

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NOTICE

Notice is hereby given for the Extra-Judicial Settlement of Property of the late **SPS. IRINEO Q. KALINGO and EVELINA M. KALINGO**, to their Heirs as per Doc. No. 374, Page No. 76, Book No. XII, Series of 2024 of NOTARY PUBLIC CASIANO G. ATUEL, JR.

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NOTICE

Notice is hereby given for the Extra-Judicial Settlement of Estate of **NECOMEDES G. GERALDE, JR.**, to his Heir as per Doc. No. 123. Page No. 26, Book No. IX, Series of 2022 of NOTARY PUBLIC CASIANO G. ATUEL, JR.

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DEED OF EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE

NOTICE is hereby given that the estate of the late **ROSARIO LORENZO GARCIA and JOSE GARCIA DULA**, was extrajudicially settled among heirs as per Doc. No. 49; Page No. 11; Book No. 59; Series of 2024 before Atty. Concepcion P. Villareña, Notary Public.

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AFFIDAVIT OF SELF ADJUDICATION

NOTICE is hereby given that the estate of the late **ANDREA DE LEON**, was extrajudicially self-adjudicated by a sole heir as per Doc. No. 202; Page No. 41; Book No. 3; Series of 2024 before Atty. John Frey B. Lalata, Notary Public.

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EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT WITH WAIVER OF RIGHTS

NOTICE is hereby given that the estate of the late **SPOUSES JOSE CRUZ PASCO and ANITA MANALO PASCO**, was extrajudicially settled among heirs as per Doc. No. 386; Page No. 79; Book No. 189; Series of 2024 before Atty. Severina S. Aguilar-Acuña, Notary Public.

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EXTRA-JUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE OF THE LATE EDUARDO MADERA WITH WAIVER OF RIGHTS

Notice is hereby given that the estate of the late **EDUARDO MADERA** who died on 12 October 2020 Caloocan City have been settled extra-judicially among the heirs; he left no known debts without any Last Will of Testament; said Eduardo Madera left a real property. Entered into the Notarial Registry of Notary Public, Atty. Conrado Pineda Sajor on 06 November 2024 at Marilao, Bulacan, as per Doc. No. 524; Page No. 106; Book No. 49; Series of 2024.

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EXTRA JUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE WITH WAIVER OF RIGHTS

NOTICE is hereby given that the estate of the late **JANET AMAY MANDAGAN**, was extrajudicially settled among heirs as per Doc. No. 72; Page No. 15; Book No. IX; Series of 2024 before Atty. Ma. Cecilia T. Abayon, Notary Public.

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EXTRA-JUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE OF THE LATE VENUS S. MARASIGAN

NOTICE is hereby given that the estate of the late **VENUS S. MARASIGAN**, was extrajudicially settled among heirs as per Doc. No. 332; Page No. 68; Book No. 58; Series of 2024 before Atty. Rolando A. Bernales, Notary Public.

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EXTRA-JUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF THE LATE SPS. LOEVIGILDO U. ANCHETA AND PRECIOSA L. ANCHETA WITH DEED OF ABSOLUTE SALE

Notice is hereby given that the estate of the late **SPS. LOEVIGILDO U. ANCHETA AND PRECIOSA L. ANCHETA** who died on 18 June 2002 and 09 August 2010 in Manila and Quezon City, respectively, have been settled extra-judicially among the heirs; they left no known debts without any Last Will of Testament; said Sps. Leovigildo U. Anchet6a and Preciosa L. Ancheta left a real property and further sold, conveyed and transferred a portion thereof to Villa Marie C. Madera. Entered into the Notarial Register of Notary bPublic, Atty. Conrado Pineda Sajor on 06 November 2024 at Marilao, Bulacan, as per Doc. No. 525; Page No. 106; Book No. 49; Series of 2024.

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EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE OF ROMEO SANTIAGO SANTOS

NOTICE is hereby given that the estate of the late **ROMEO SANTIAGO SANTOS**, was extrajudicially settled among heirs as per Doc. No. 289; Page No. 59; Book No. II; Series of 2024 before Atty. Philip Joseph C. Padlan, Notary Public.

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**AFFIDAVIT OF SELF-ADJUDICATION
(BY 1 AND ONLY SURVIVING HEIR)**

NOTICE is hereby given that the estate of the late **LUIS N. PALMOS** and **ROSALINA T. TOLENTINO**, was extrajudicially self-adjudicated by a sole heir as per Doc. No. 318; Page No. 65; Book No. 8; Series of 2024 before Atty. Mohammad Faye D. Paudac, Notary Public.

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EXTRA JUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF BANK DEPOSIT OF DECEASED PERSON
NOTICE is hereby given that the estate of the late **NELSON MAHILUM BILLIONES JR.**, was extrajudicially settled among heirs as per Doc. No. 161; Page No. 33; Book No. XV; Series of 2024 before Atty. Felizardo M. Ibarra, Notary Public.

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**REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES
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LAVIÑA C. PADUA-MENA,
Petitioner,

**Civil Case No.
24-13124**

-versus-

For:

ARIEL M. MENA, JR.,
Respondent.

Declaration of Absolute
Nullity of Marriage

x-----x

SUMMONS

ARIEL M. MENA, JR.
Lot 31 Bk. 18 Bria La Hacienda
Bagumbayan, Teresa, Rizal

GREETINGS;

A Petition for declaration of nullity of marriage dated April 18, 2024, was filed against you on the ground of psychological incapacity under Article 36 of the Family Code of the Philippines.

You are hereby required within sixty (60) days after the last issue of publication, to file with this court and serve on the petitioner your answer to the Petition.

If you fail to answer within the time fixed, the Petition may be granted and the reliefs applied for may be enforced against you.

WITNESS, my hand under the seal of the court, this, 30th day of September 2024.

(SGD.) REGGIE B. LLANTO
Branch Clerk of Court V

For inquiries, contact us at:

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Republic of the Philippines
REGIONAL ALTERNATIVE CHILD CARE OFFICE IV-A
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**IN RE: PETITION FOR ADOPTION OF
JANNAH CRISSA MAE BERNARDINO
REMUDARO TO BE KNOWN
THEREAFTER AS JANNAH MARTHINA
BERNARDINO DELA CRUZ**

DOMESTIC ADMIN. ADOPTION CASE
NO. **DAA-RACCO IV-A DAA-2023-0104-REL-062**

DATE: 14 November 2024

SPOUSES: **MR. MARK ANTHONY C. DELA CRUZ** and
MS. JANINE B. DELA CRUZ
Petitioners,

x-----x

ORDER

A verified petition for the adoption of **JANNAH CRISSA MAE BERNARDINO REMUDARO** filed by the petitioners through the Regional Alternative Child Care Office (RACCO) praying that after due notice, publication, and appearances, a judgment be rendered to the effect that the child **JANNAH CRISSA MAE BERNARDINO REMUDARO** be declared for all legal intents and purposes the legitimate child of the petitioners and that the name of the adoptee be changed particularly to appear as **JANNAH MARTHINA BERNARDINO DELA CRUZ**.

Finding the said Petition to be sufficient in form and substance, let the same be set for Mandatory Appearance on **7 January 2025** to be held at **RACCO IV-A (CALA-BARZON)** located at 4 Floor Textron Building, 168 Luna Mencias St., Brgy. Addition Hills, San Juan City, Metro Manila. Any interested party may appear and may file an opposite/complaint supported by evidence to the National Authority for Child Care (NACC), through the RACCO where the Petition was filed. The complaint will be subjected for verification and further investigation.

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

(SGD.) JOHN S. CALIDGUID, RSW, MPA
Officer In-Charge

By:

(SGD.) KRISTEL ANNE P. MISTAL, RSW
Social Welfare Officer III
Per SO No. 4922024

Copy furnished:

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Regional Alternative Child Care Office IV-A
168 Luna Mencias St, Begy. Addition Hills,
San Juan City, Metro Manila

Office of the City Civil Registrar of Delfin Albano, Isabels

Adoption Social Worker: Mr. Miquel Paolo D. Ocampo, RSW
City Social Welfare and Development Office of San Pedro, Laguna

Petitioners: Mr. Mark Anthony C. Dela Cruz and
Ms. Janine B. Dela Cruz

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EXTRA JUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE WITH WAIVER

NOTICE is hereby given that the estate of the late **LIBERTO LIM SABITH JR.**, was extrajudicially settled among heirs as per Doc. No. 2356; Page No. 411; Book No. 02; Series of 2024 before Atty. Emerson T. Ceria, Notary Public.

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EXTRA JUDICIAL SETTLEMENT AMONG HEIRS

NOTICE is hereby given that the estate of the late **ROSALINA S. LATA**, was extrajudicially settled between heirs as per Doc. No. 079; Page No. 016; Book No. I; Series of 2003 before Atty. Edilberto F. Facinabao, Notary Public.

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**EXTRA-JUDICIAL SETTLEMENT with
ABSOLUTE SALE**

NOTICE is hereby given that the estate of the late **BAYANI R. ESTACIO**, was extrajudicially settled among heirs as per Doc. No. 194; Page No. 40; Book No. 11; Series of 2024 before Atty. Casiano G. Atuel, Jr., Notary Public.

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EXTRA-JUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF THE LATE CESAR DIONISIO SABBALLEGUE WITH WAIVER AND TRANSFER OF RIGHTS

NOTICE is hereby given that the estate of the late **CESAR DIONISIO SABBALLEGUE**, was extrajudicially settled among heirs as per Doc. No. 16; Page No. 04; Book No. CXLXI; Series of 2024 before Atty. Gary Camitan Aure, Notary Public.

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DEED OF EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE

NOTICE is hereby given that the estate of the late **AGUSTIN M. MANGONA**, was extrajudicially settled among heirs as per Doc. No. 292; Page No. 59; Book No. IV; Series of 2024 before Atty. Titus C. Borlas, Notary Public.

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EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE WITH WAIVER OF RIGHTS and DONATION

NOTICE is hereby given that the estate of the late **TEODULO M. MISLANG**, was extrajudicially settled among heirs as per Doc. No. 405; Page No. 81; Book No. CXVII; Series of 2024 before Atty. Gary Camitan Aure, Notary Public.

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EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE

NOTICE is hereby given that the estate of the late **ANUNCIACION S. FERNANDEZ**, was extrajudicially settled as per Extrajudicial Settlement of Estate, executed by her heirs in Austin, Texas, USA before Notary Public Tami Sue Atkins on 20 January 2024 with Apostille No. 12374360 dated 14th day of February 2024, and Atty. Anthea Niña B. Medina as per Doc. No. 458; Page No. 93; Book No. 07; Series of 2024.

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DEED OF EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE OF THE LATE MARLON S. BORJA WITH WAIVER OF RIGHTS

NOTICE is hereby given that the estate of the late **MARLON S. BORJA**, was extrajudicially settled among heirs as per Doc. No. 2; Page No. 2; Book No. CXVIII; Series of 2023 before Atty. Israel Conia Soguilon, Notary Public.

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EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF THE ESTATE OF LATE DONATO C. ENDENCIA

NOTICE is hereby given that the estate of the late **DONATO C. ENDENCIA**, was extrajudicially settled among heirs as per Doc. No. 489; Page No. 99; Book No. III; Series of 2024 before Atty. Ricardo A. Castillo, Notary Public.

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AFFIDAVIT OF SELF-ADJUDICATION

NOTICE is hereby given that the estate of the late **NANCY N. BRETAÑA**, was extrajudicially self-adjudicated by a sole heir as per Doc. No. 140; Page No. 29; Book No. 05; Series of 2024 before Atty. Meldrick John M. Mendoza, Notary Public.

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EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE WITH DONATION AND PARTITION

NOTICE is hereby given that the estate of the late **REBECCA RAYMUNDO POSADAS**, was extrajudicially settled among heirs as per Doc. No. 454; Page No. 92; Book No. 01; Series of 2024 before Atty. Anthea Niña B. Medina, Notary Public.

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ADDENDUM TO THE EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE WITH ABSOLUTE SALE

NOTICE is hereby given that this **ADDENDUM TO THE EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE WITH ABSOLUTE SALE**, was extrajudicially settled among heirs as per Doc. No. 396; Page No. 80; Book No. CXIII; Series of 2024 before Atty. Gary Camitan Aure, Notary Public.

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EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE WITH WAIVER OF RIGHTS

NOTICE is hereby given that the estate of the late **ROBERTO ZACARIAS**, was extrajudicially settled among heirs as per Doc. No. 322; Page No. 65; Book No. CXVII; Series of 2024 before Atty. Gary Camitan Aure, Notary Public.

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EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE WITH WAIVER

NOTICE is hereby given that the estate of the late **BERNADETH MORADA PANGANURON**, was extrajudicially settled among heirs as per Doc. No. 2145; Page No. 342; Book No. 02; Series of 2024 before Atty. Emerson T. Ceria, Notary Public.

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EXTRA JUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF THE ESTATE OF THE DECEASED SPOUSES LOLITA MAYOR VERA CRUZ AND NICANOR LLENA VERA CRUZ WITH WAIVER OF RIGHTS

NOTICE is hereby given that the estate of the late **SPOUSES LOLITA MAYOR VERA CRUZ and NICANOR LLENA VERA CRUZ**, was extrajudicially settled among heirs as per Doc. No. 437; Page No. 89; Book No. LVIII; Series of 2024 before Atty. Generoso S. Fulgencio, Jr., Notary Public.

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05 November 2024

RE: NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING

Notice is hereby given that a special meeting of all members with voting rights of **ONLINE FOOD VENDORS MARKETING COOPERATIVE (OFVMC)** will be held on **December 6, 2024 at 10:00 A.M. through videoconference.**

This special meeting has been called by the Chairman of the Board of Directors to deliberate and approve/disapprove the intended dissolution of the Cooperative, and to discuss all other matters in relation thereto.

The Agenda of the Special Meeting shall be as follows:

1. Call to order;
2. Certification of quorum;
3. Discussion and deliberation on the plan of dissolution;
4. Approval by the Board of Directors of the plan for dissolution;
5. Appointment/Election of the Board of Liquidators; and
6. Adjournment.

Thank you.

Cordially yours,

(SGD.) Alexis Aquino
Cooperative Secretary

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EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE WITH DEED OF ABSOLUTE SALE OF PORTION OF LAND

NOTICE is hereby given that the estate of the late **CAROLINA J. GONZALES** and **ALODIO O. TIZON**, was extrajudicially settled between heirs as per Doc. No. 133; Page No. 28; Book No. 36; Series of 2024 before Atty. Samuel B. Alentaje, Notary Public.

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EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF THE ESTATE OF POLICARPIO S. TRINIDAD AND CAROLINA A. TRINIDAD

NOTICE is hereby given that the estate of the late **SPOUSES POLICARPIO S. TRINIDAD and CAROLINA A. TRINIDAD**, was extrajudicially settled among heirs as per Doc. No. 61; Page No. 13; Book No. 8; Series of 2024 before Atty. Felizardo M. Ibarra, Notary Public.

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EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF THE ESTATE OF THE LATE CRISTINA P. AÑES

NOTICE is hereby given that the estate of the late **CRISTINA P. AÑES**, was extrajudicially settled among heirs as per Doc. No. 414; Page No. 84; Book No. XXXVIII; Series of 2024 before Atty. Gervacio B. Ortiz Jr., Notary Public.

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EXTRA-JUDICIAL PARTITION AND SETTLEMENT OF THE ESTATE OF THE LATE EMILIO B. RILLERA WITH WAIVER OF RIGHTS

NOTICE is hereby given that the estate of the late **EMILIO B. RILLERA**, was extrajudicially settled among heirs as per Doc. No. 479; Page No. 97; Book No. 81; Series of 2024 before Atty. Ricardo A. Castillo, Notary Public.

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NOTICE is hereby given that the estate of the late **SPOUSES LEONARDO FRANCISCO and ESTELITA CARANGLAN FRANCISCO**, was extrajudicially settled among heirs as per Doc. No. 212; Page No. 44; Book No. LVII; Series of 2024 before Atty. Generoso S. Fulgencio, Jr., Notary Public.

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EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE WITH WAIVER AND RENUNCIATION OF RIGHTS

NOTICE is hereby given that the estate of the late **AQUILINO TONGCO**, was extrajudicially settled among heirs as per Doc. No. 131; Page No. 28; Book No. XI; Series of 2024 before Atty. Jessamine Jared S. Nas, Notary Public.

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AFFIDAVIT OF SELF-ADJUDICATION

NOTICE is hereby given that the estate of the late **MARINA PATON-OG ARAS**, was extrajudicially self-adjudicated by a sole heir as per Doc. No. 467; Page No. 95; Book No. XV; Series of 2024 before Atty. Al Whilan A. Baljon, Notary Public.

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EXTRA-JUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE OF ADORACION SANTIAGO-GUTIERREZ

NOTICE is hereby given that the estate of the late **ADORACION SANTIAGO-GUTIERREZ** who died on 12 January 2024 at Quezon City, Metro Manila, have been settled extra-judicially among the heirs; She left no known debts without any Last Will of Testament. Entered into the Notarial Register of Notary Public, Atty. Conrado Pineda Sajor on 16 October 2024 at Marilao, Bulacan, as Doc. No. 458; Page No. 93; Book No. 48; Series of 2024.

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EXTRA-JUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE OF THE LATE CARLOS O. RAMOS WITH DEED OF ABSOLUTE SALE OF A PORTION OF PARCEL OF LAND

Notice is hereby given that the estate of the late **CARLOS O. RAMOS** who died on 09 June 2009 in Quezon City, have been settled extra-judicially among the heirs; He left no known debts without any Last Will of Testament; Said Carlos O. Ramos left a real property and further sold, conveyed and transferred a portion thereof to Sps. Menandro Flores Ramos and Fe Ombao Ramos. Entered into the Notarial Register of Notary Public, Atty. Fernando C. Cunanan on 28 October 2024 at Meycauayan City, Bulacan, as Doc. No. 215; Page No. 44; Book No. 23; Series of 2024.

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SENATE APPROVES P10.09 BILLION BUDGET FOR AGRARIAN REFORM

The Senate has swiftly approved the Department of Agrarian Reform's (DAR) proposed P10.090 billion budget for 2025, marking a 24.86% increase or an additional P2.009 billion from the current year's funding. This increased allocation reflects

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THE PHILIPPINE POPULATION AND DEVELOPMENT PLAN: A VISION FOR EMPOWERING FILIPINOS THROUGH FAMILY PLANNING

The recent expression of support from President Ferdinand Marcos Jr. (PBBM) for the Philippine Population and Development Plan of Action 2023-2028 (PPDP) during the 2024 National Conference on Family Planning demonstrates a commendable commitment to addressing the complex issue of population management. As the government reiterates its focus on family planning as a core part of its social development agenda, there is a simultaneous call for inclusivity—ensuring that all Filipinos, particularly the most vulnerable and marginalized sectors, have access to necessary services and information for reproductive health and responsible parenthood.

At the heart of the program is a promise to

not only manage the population numbers but also enhance the quality of life for every Filipino. This vision—grounded in the philosophy of “Dahil Tao ang Puso ng Pag-Unlad” (Because People are the Heart of Development)—is an ambitious attempt to bridge gaps in access to family planning services while fostering informed decision-making for responsible parenthood. Yet, while the rhetoric sounds progressive, the program's effectiveness, efficiency, and feasibility merit deeper scrutiny.

The success of the PPDP will ultimately hinge on its capacity to address the root causes of unmet needs in family planning. The initiative aims to provide access to services for underserved communities, but questions remain: how will these services be rolled out to the most remote and impoverished regions? How will the program ensure that information is both accessible and culturally appropriate, particularly in areas where misinformation and traditional beliefs around family planning still dominate? *(turn to page 6)*

the government's renewed commitment to advancing agrarian reform, ensuring that the nation's farmers, particularly agrarian reform beneficiaries, are equipped to thrive and continue playing a critical role in food production.

Senator Cynthia Villar, who sponsored the budget during the plenary session on Monday, November 18, 2024, underscored the importance of sustained agrarian reform efforts in improving the lives of Filipino farmers. Villar emphasized that the agricultural sector remains pivotal not only for food



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security but also for economic stability, making it imperative to provide farmers with the

support they need to improve productivity and secure their livelihoods *(turn to page 6)*