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Ilocos Norte Governor Matthew Marcos Manotoc (right) leads the inauguration rites for the Bangui District Hospital's three newly constructed facilities on November 3, 2021. The new facilities, which include the medical records building, isolation, and holding rooms for patients, expect to improve further the province's public healthcare system. The Bangui hospital is the province's second-largest next to the government-run Gov. Roque B. Ablan Sr. Memorial Hospital in Laoag City. (Photo by PGIN-CMO)

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# Vax rollout for 'U' students begins

● *As CHED readies for the in-person tertiary classes in Ilocos Norte*

LAOAG CITY---COVID-19 immunization has started for tertiary students in Ilocos Norte as part of the massive vaccination campaign of the Commission on Higher Education (CHED).

In preparation for the reopening of in-person tertiary classes, CHED-Regional Office 1 held a ceremonial vaccination of students at Mariano Marcos State University (MMSU) on November 8, 2021, in collaboration with the Department of Health (DOH),

Department of Interior and Local Government (DILG), Provincial Government of Ilocos Norte (PGIN), and Mariano Marcos Memorial Hospital and Medical Center (MMM&MC).

About 800 students are expected to be inoculated through

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## DA hands ₱1M check to LGU Piddig

LA UNION - Farmers in Piddig, Ilocos Norte will soon benefit from a smooth transport of their agricultural products following the turn over of a P1 million check to the Local Government Unit (LGU) of Piddig, Wednesday.

Ms. Jenifer Ligot, representing Piddig Mayor

Eduardo Guillen, personally received the check from DA-RFO 1 Regional Executive Director Nestor Domenden which will fund the procurement of a 14-footer closed aluminum van which will be used for the safe delivery of farmers' goods.

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## THIS WEEK'S NEWS IN A FLASH

by Tri-Media

Engineer shot dead in cold blood by riders in tandem as he buys a car stereo at Brgy. 2 San Nicolas, I.Norte  
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Man drowns while swimming off Gasgas river at Solsona, I.Norte after having a drinking spree with pals  
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Fishing ends in tragedy for a 31-year-old who drowns off Bacarra river. The victim was a known spear-fishing expert  
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Discarded cigarette butt probably ignites the fire that burns Laoag house-- BFP's initial theory  
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Gun, Maryjane leaves seized from a suspect during a sting raid in a Batac City village  
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Cadaver of a motor rider with multiple gunshot wounds found in a river at Cabugao, Ilocos Sur  
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Unwed preggy claims she "stumbled and untimely gave birth to a lifeless baby. She secretly buried him due to shame".Scene: I.Sur's southern town  
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*Guest Editorial:*

**DepEd celebrates National Children's Month with activities on children's rights**

Anchored on the domestic and international rights of the child, the Department of Education (DepEd) celebrates the 29th National Children's Month (NCM) this November with various activities championing children's rights and welfare in the new normal.

With the national theme, "New Normal na Walang Iwanan: Karapatan ng Bawat Bata Ating Tutukan," this year's celebration will cover the myriad of issues on children's rights to survival, development, protection, and participation in the new normal setting.

"As the country gradually recovers from the pandemic, we will continuously champion the rights and welfare of our children. Particularly, the month-long celebration will take off from the previous and current challenges, and learnings of the Philippines in terms of promoting and upholding children's rights," Education Secretary Leonor Magtolis Briones said.

Four categories of children's rights will be covered per week of November. The first week tackled survival rights and development rights on the 2nd week. Meanwhile, participation rights and protection rights will be covered on the 3rd and 4th week, respectively.

"The NCM activities will still strictly comply with the minimum health standards, and it shall utilize print, broadcast, outdoor, and social media as tools in educating Filipinos on children's rights, parenting, and the concerns surrounding them," Secretary Briones noted.

The DepEd Central Office, through the newly created Child Rights in Education Desk under the Office of the Undersecretary for Legal Affairs, will spearhead the Third National Summit on the Rights of the Child in Education on November 25 to 26 with the theme "Batang May K: Karapatan ng Bata sa Edukasyon, Katuwang ang Lahat sa Pagsulong!" focusing on rights-based education in the Department. Before this event, DepEd will conduct the Pre-Summit Conference with child participants to help them prepare and gather their suggestions regarding the conduct of the summit.

Furthermore, NCM activities supported by DepEd include a weekly screening of documentaries every Friday, play activities for children, 4th Conference on Digital Parenting: Webinar on Digital Well-being on November 23 (Tuesday), and NCM culminating ceremony and awarding for the NCM Logo Making Contest on November 26 (Friday).

The conduct of the 29th NCM is under Republic Act No. 10661, titled "An Act Declaring the Month of November of Every Year as the National Children's Month," which mandates DepEd to facilitate and encourage the celebration of the NCM in all public and private school nationwide. In full support of the rights of the child, DepEd issued DepEd Memorandum No. 075, s. 2021, on the celebration by DepEd of the NCM in solidarity with the whole government and the country. (DepEd)



**WORD ALIVE**

by Fr. Bel R. San Luis, SVD

*End of the world*

There was a young lady-lector at Mass who was reading the Scriptures for the first time before a large congregation in church. Visibly nervous, she blurted out as she concluded: "This... this is the end of the world" (She meant Word). And the congregation chorused: "Thanks be to God!"

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We have reached the end of the Church calendar and commemorated All Souls Day. Today, we reflect on the end of the world.

Some people have been asking me, "Father, is the world about to end?" "And why should it be about to end?" I replied. "It's because of the plagues, referring to the COVID-19 pandemic, the earthquakes, famines, global warming. These are now happening in our

country and in the world."

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During Christ's time, people were gravely perturbed and asked the same question. But Christ tells us not to be frightened "for this is something that must happen but the end is not so soon" (cf. Lk 21:9).

Jesus douses cold water on all predictions of the end, saying, "As for that day or hour no one knows, neither the angels of heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father" (Mk 13:32).

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What matters is NOW. Are we holding on to our faith or living as a Christian should? While we are still in this world, we are exhorted no less from our Lord Jesus to do God's his will. Jesus has always stressed the virtue of love for neighbor

(Note: Fr. San Luis hails from Laoag City. He served as President of Divine Word College of Laoag in the 1980s. His new turf is the Christ The King Seminary in Quezon City. Thank you, Father Bel for sharing your weekly column for the Ilocos Sentinel.—Editor)

so much so that in the Last Judgment, he will ask us what good deeds we have done for them. "When I was hungry you gave me food, thirsty and you gave me drink, sick and in prison and you visited me... Enter into the Kingdom of Heaven" (Matt. 25).

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Another requirement for entering the kingdom of God is following his will and commands as stated in the 10 Commandments: "Honor your father and mother, you shall not kill, you shall not commit adultery, you shall not steal..." There are people who don't like obeying, saying, "These commands are a burden and a restriction to our freedom." On the contrary, obeying these commands is not only God's will but it's for

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**THE ILOCANO EDUCATOR**

by Eduardo Teodoro "Jet" B. Ramos, Jr.

**Why I have no love lost for Briones**

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Ever since Department of Education Secretary Leonor Magtolis-Briones assumed office on June 30, 2016 (co-terminus with my beloved President Rodrigo Roa Duterte), I have been an active, albeit silent, observer of DepEd. Although I would like to say that I have been involved with DepEd through my work as a teacher since 2006 (though indirectly since I have taught grade school and high school), Tatay Digong's administration had begun running its full course when I decided to become much more active than before in reading news and research articles pertaining to education.

In the five years that Secretary Briones has been sitting as top honcho of the government agency in charge of basic education, I have realized that our expectations of her have not been met, let alone revisited by her and reconsidered eventually. Frankly, I did not care about her because I felt that she was just another ordinary bureaucrat

Was I right?

About 80 to 90%, yes.

Ever since I learned about DepEd's shortcomings through first-hand information, I have sworn to become not only an eagle-eyed

observer but also a staunch educational reform advocate. I cannot actually fathom why DepEd is failing to see the light and let the painful truths set it free.

What I can see in Secretary Briones is not her eagerness to improve the state of education in our country but her failure to see the light. Yes, she is all of 81 years old and has had much experience in the government and in the academe, but she must realize that her time is up because she is not so much in the pink of health anymore.

During the first few years of her tenure, Secretary Briones came across as someone indefatigable, no-nonsense, and unflinching in her commitment to reform our educational system. However, as years have passed, I have been wrong about placing my trust in her management of our educational system.

In short, I have no love lost for Secretary Briones. Beginning with my simple dismissal of her as an unqualified educational bureaucrat, such has been supplanted by my disdain towards the way she handles DepEd.

These are the eight reasons why I have no

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Ilocos Norte Governor Matthew Marcos Manotoc, together with Vice Governor Cecilia Araneta Marcos and other provincial officials, welcomes the visiting Senator Win Gatchalian (center) upon his arrival in the province on Saturday, November 6. Senator Gatchalian later donated medical supplies for the Mariano Marcos Memorial Hospital in Batac City. (Photo by PGIN-CMO)

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the CHED immunization drive. Prior to this, MMSU had already vaccinated 75% of its overall student population.

Meanwhile, on October 28, CHED and PGIN inaugurated this inoculation program at the Northern Christian College in Laoag City.

Governor Matthew Marcos Manotoc commended CHED for conducting the immunization program for college and university students in Ilocos Norte, saying, "Congratulations. Finally, there is light at the end of the tunnel. Babalik na po tayo sa colleges and universities."

The Provincial Government aided the said initiative by augmenting vaccine supplies and deploying medical personnel to administer

the shots.

Moreover, Governor Manotoc has also urged college students to get vaccinated in order to ensure the safe reopening of schools, claiming that the inoculation is essential to regain "some sense of normalcy."

I hope we can all do our part in getting vaccinated. Let us get back to school, let us get back to learning, and let us carry on and learn to live with COVID-19," he ended.

According to CHED, limited face-to-face classes of 50% capacity are allowed in higher education institutions under the following conditions: high vaccination rate among students and faculty, approval from local government units, and retrofitted facilities.(pgin-cmo)

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love lost for Secretary Briones:

1.She cannot make quick yet rational decisions anymore. The good madam secretary is so advanced in age that many of us are afraid of the possibility that she would add insult to injury through her rash decisions. Her decisions are more of the spur-of-the-moment ones rather than well-informed ones.

2.Secretary Briones is tends to be dismissive of teachers' (and learners') concerns. Madam, you have to have a heart. Live what you profess in life.

3.The secretary is unfeeling and diffident. Do you remember the time you said that the teachers in a Southern Tagalog Region high school that their use of one of the toilets is "more dramatic"? Such a statement reflects your insolence and apathy, which we do not need at all. Even the claim that you have emerged totally victorious in terms of distance learning modalities is a hyperbole.

4.Briones is making DepEd a topsy-turvy agency. Your agency is inundated with so many processes and delays that there are not a few frustrated individuals and entities. Better make your processes simpler so that we can all work in peace, not rest in peace.

5.Secretary Briones does not bother to consult the public on DepEd's decisions. Enough said. Do your research and consult the public. You claim to have made sound decisions and emerged victorious in relation to developing our learners and our teachers. I am not at all surprised why many want you replaced.

6.DepEd, as represented by the secretary, implements programs without giving just reasons and without making procedures convenient for all. For one, the constant internet connectivity problem is forcing teachers and learners to go to greater heights (literally, most of the time) just to get a good signal. As for the production of modules, please have a stricter quality control system. And pertaining to our learning service providers, the National Educators Academy of the Philippines (NEAP) is making requirements difficult instead of convenient and what the organization is doing is a pain in the thorax and in the medulla oblongata. Do something about the discombobulating procedures and requirements that you have been implementing because you

make things complicated, all in the name of bureaucracy.

7.Secretary Briones tends to focus more on publicity rather than actual activity. This is quite undeniable. The secretary has claimed that DepEd has emerged victorious in implementing distance learning modalities. Such is untrue and illogical because no program is without its flaws and follies. Secretary Briones is supposed to know this, but she seems to forget to do so. Be open to feedback because we care for you.

8.Our educational system is fast becoming decadent. I am not blaming anyone and any one solely, but under Briones' administration, our educational system is about to descend into a deep abyss. The mere fact that the secretary of education required an apology from the World Bank over the PISA ratings among 15-year-old Filipino learners is one manifestation of the sickening and worsening state of our education. Another instance is that DepEd tends to be too centered on the learners that they forget our teachers, the real heroes of our educational landscape yesterday, today, and tomorrow; the agency also seems to forget to put our youth in their place. Furthermore, the mere fact that DepEd pays teachers' salaries only once monthly is a testament to the agency's refusal to reform the system (N.B.: I have heard through the grapevine that teachers and staff from public schools will be paid bi-monthly) and to adapt to the changing times.

It is never too late to redeem yourself and your agency, Madam. We believe that you can do so if you have the fortitude to reflect on your past decisions and actions.

We columnists and other media practitioners, as well as parents, teachers, and learners, may criticize you, but when it comes to the inner workings of your heart and mind, only God knows the sincerity of your heart and pureness of mind.

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If you have suggestions in terms of the education-related topics that you want me to feature, please feel free to send me an email to edteo.ramos@yahoo.com or to coachjet.inspirations@gmail.com and I will reply to you as soon as I receive your email.

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the good and welfare of our country.

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For instance, in the coming election, God expects us to be judicious in choosing leaders who're honest and competent; leaders who will work genuinely for the good and welfare of the people, especially in this time of economic crisis.

God's command, "Thou shalt not steal," is imposed not only to restrict our greed or amass ill-gotten wealth but also the unabated violation of the commandment leads to the country's economic perdition. Recall the truism from the Greek philosopher Plato: "Poverty is not the decrease of wealth but the increase of greed."

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Let's live in such a way that in the Last Judgment, you will not have cause to regret when God will judge us.

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Story to ponder. Once there was a wealthy matron who died and went to heaven. St. Peter escorted her down a magnificent boulevard on which rows of mansions stood. The rich lady seeing an exceptionally beautiful house, asked who lived there.

"You will be surprised," said St.

Peter. "That is the home of your katulong (helper)." "Well," the lady said smiling, "if my helper gets a place like that, I certainly should own a more grandiose residence."

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Soon they came to an alley where the houses were cramped. St. Peter stopped and said, "Lady, you will live in that hut." She stared at it and said, "Me, live in that hovel! This is an insult. When I was on earth, I was a rich, influential matron." "Well, this is the best we can do for you," explained St. Peter.

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"You must understand that we only built your house up here with the materials you sent ahead while you were still on earth." Lesson: The construction materials we send ahead are not wood, cement, gravel, and sand but our good works, our acts of kindness, and piety.

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Help seminarians, sick indigents. Let's send ahead our "construction materials" of charity by helping our seminarians, COVID-19 patients, and sick indigents like Joshel C. and Alison Genesis L.

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**ILOCOS SUR**

**Vigan City's STAC undergone upgrades, reopens**

VIGAN CITY, Ilocos Norte -- Amid the closure last year due to the pandemic, the City Government of Vigan took the opportunity to upgrade and rehabilitate the Vigan City's Stimulation and Therapeutic Activity Center (STAC) with rubberized rooms, newly furnished walls, ceilings and brand new equipment that further improve the services of the institution to its learners.

Vigan City Mayor Juan Carlo Medina, Vice Mayor Lourdes Baquiran, SPM Janina Medina-Fariñas, SPM Joy Benette Orio, SPM Ramil Arce, SPM Francisco Arturo Ranches III, SPM Liborio Arca, ABC Vice President Edmund Supnet, PPSK Mary Ann Ataup, CSWDO Ma. Celerina Agcamaran, CPSDRRMO Milagros

Alquiza, Office of the Senior Citizens Affairs Head George Villanueva and STAC Personnel headed by HEPO III Frances Liza Pugrad witnessed the blessing of the facility initiated by Msgr. Gary Formoso.

Vigan City's Former Mayor Eva Marie Medina, being the founder of the said facility, was also present in the event.

The STAC Vigan has Physical Therapy Room, SPED Room, Occupational Therapy Room, Teacher's Room and Outdoor playground that currently serve 65 enrolled students.

"Free shuttle services and limited scheduling of every learner were provided to ensure the safety of everyone during the face to face sessions." Pugrad said. (Vigan City PH)

**CAGAYAN**

**DOT promotes fireflies watching in Santa Ana town**

SANTA ANA, Cagayan - - The tourism office of the local government unit of Santa Ana in this province has proven that the municipality is not only confined with white and pristine beaches as it also promotes 'fireflies watching' as one of their tourism attractions.

During the Dry Run Test for Santa Ana Tourism Circuit that started today which was organized by the Department of Tourism Regional Office No. 2, Cagayan Economic Zone Authority (CEZA) Community Development Officer Sherly Grace Briosio revealed that their office has helped the officials of barangay Casagan for the establishment of the 'Casagan Eco Adventure' in 2017 where it offers the fireflies or kulitaptap' watching.

The Dry Run Test aims to assess the readiness of the activities identified in the "Amazing Santa Ana" Tourism Circuit in preparation for the reopening of tourism in the

Cagayan Valley Region. Earlier this August, a team from the DOT also went to experience the Casagan Eco Adventure and other tourism destinations in the municipality with 'Your Adventure Paradise' as its new tourism branding.

Briosio said that from the community's multi-purpose hall, tourists will walk for 15-20 minutes to reach the area where the 'kulalanti' thrives, the iloko term of firefly.

Barangay Captain George Peneyra said that the fireflies thrive in "kulabban" trees which are abundant in their community.

The local chief added that the best time to witness fireflies is during summer season, however, they are elusive if it rains.

On the other hand, the CEZA officer said they have also organized the Kulinarya de Casagan, a group of women in the barangay that specializes in making native bibingka and other delicacies.

The CEZA, according (Pls. turn to page 5)

**LA UNION**

**40 swine farmers, trained in Biogas Technology from animal waste**

In partnership with the Department of Agriculture - Bureau of Animal Industry (DA-BAI), 40 swine farmers in the City of San Fernando got trained to adopt Biogas Technology during the Awareness Seminar on Animal Waste Management held at Biday Terminal last October 26-27, 2021.

On the first day, 20 participants came from Barangays Camansi, Pao Norte, Pacpaco, Cadaclan, Narra Oeste, Bato, Canaoay, Pao Sur, Cadaclan, Narra Este, Birunget, Baraoas, Languas, Namtutan, and Bato. Meanwhile, on the second day, 20 participants were from Barangays Pacpaco, Canaoay, Cadaclan, Pias, Cabarsican, Pao Sur, Dallangayan Este, Puspup, Bungro, and Sacyud.

The program included lectures by National Animal Waste Resource Management Program (NAWRMP) alternate focal person Engr. Reymer G. Martinez. He discussed the benefits of Biogas Technology as

a way to control animal waste pollution and demonstrated the actual installation of the model type of Biogas Digester by using 3 plastic drum containers and different sizes of water pipes.

Aside from the lectures, two demo Biogas Digesters were also installed and given for free to Pao Sur and Cadaclan farmers by the DA-BAI.

Biogas, a renewable energy source, is a mixture of gases, primarily consisting of methane and carbon dioxide, produced from raw materials such as agricultural waste, manure, municipal waste, plant material, sewage, green waste, and food waste.

According to Dr. Flosie Decena, City Veterinary Officer, this training will help piggery and chicken raisers provide solutions to power-related concerns such as when they need direct combustion for heating, cooking, lighting lamps, and running a biogas generator. She added, "It will also contribute in reducing (Pls. turn to page 9)

**LA UNION**

**Bureau of Local Government Finance commends San Fernando as Top-Performing LGU in the region**

The Department of Finance - Bureau of Local Government Finance (BLGF) commended and gave Certificates of Achievement to the City Government of San Fernando through the City Treasury Office (CTO) and the City Assessor's Office (CAO) for being one of the top performing local government units in Region 1.

For the Fiscal Year 2019, Certificates of Achievement signed by BLGF Executive Director Niño Raymond B. Alvina were given to the CTO and the CAO for ranking as Top 6 among all the cities in the Philippines for

the category of Collection Efficiency of Locally Sourced Revenues (LSR), with a total of 137.4% collection efficiency.

Meanwhile, the CTO also received a Certificate of Achievement for getting a national ranking of Top 7 for the category of Year-on-Year Growth in Locally Sourced Revenues with a percentage of 17.2% for the Fiscal Year 2019.

City Mayor Hermenegildo "Dong" Gualberto deeply thanked the staff of both the offices of Treasury and Assessor for working hard and for offering high quality service to all. (CGSF)

**PANGASINAN**

**Pangasinan has new police provincial director**

L I N G A Y E N , Pangasinan, Nov. 9 (PIA) -- A new provincial director of Pangasinan on Friday assumed his post after the turnover ceremony held at the Magilas Hall of Camp Antonio Sison Provincial Police Office (PPO) here.

During a change of command, Police Col. Richmond Tabina formally replaced Police Col. Ronald Gayo, who will be assigned as chief of staff of the Philippine National Police (PNP) Aviation Security Group.

Gayo, who headed Pangasinan PPO for 11 months, said his best legacy was having responsible, vigilant and God-fearing police force of Pangasinan PPO that led to various significant accomplishments even in the midst of the pandemic.

He likewise expressed his gratitude to all the men and women

of Pangasinan PPO for their efforts that made the Pangasinan PPO the Best PPO in Region 1.

Gayo also thanked the Provincial Government of Pangasinan and all stakeholders in the province for their untiring support accorded to him as the provincial director.

Tadina, who hails from the province of La Union, is the chief of regional operations division of Police Regional Office 1.

Tadina vowed to intensify anti-criminality operations, especially shooting incidents in Pangasinan.

He said the Pangasinan PPO will continue to enforce the minimum health standards in the province and maintain the strategic checkpoints in preparation for the upcoming elections. (Elsha Marie Arguel/PIA Pangasinan)

**PANGASINAN**

**Pangasinense farmers receive various farm inputs from Gov't**

L I N G A Y E N , Pangasinan, Nov 10 (PIA) - - The provincial government of Pangasinan led yesterday the distribution of agricultural and fishery inputs for farmers and fisherfolk as part of the rehabilitation assistance under the Abig Pangasinan program.

Provincial Agriculturist Dalisay Moya said the inputs include 5,000 bags of certified palay seeds, 750 bags of hybrid yellow corn seeds and vegetables worth P3.4 million which were received by qualified and registered farmer groups from the six districts of the province.

Further, some 27 fisherfolk associations from 13 municipalities received fishery paraphernalia consisting of fish pots, fish shelters, hook and line sets, gill net sets and engine pumps with axial flow pipe, also funded from the Local Government Support Fund.

"Ang mga farmers natin ay resilient group. Tuluy-tuloy ang mga programang pang-agrikultura lalo na at madagdagan ang budget natin sa probinsiya next year dahil sa Mandanas ruling," Moya said during the program.

Gov. Amado Espino III, who led the distribution at the Narciso Ramos Civic Center grounds, told the agriculture group to love the farming industry as this was the lifeline sector especially when the corona virus disease pandemic first hit the country in 2020.

"Asikasuhin natin ang pagsasasaka dahil ito ang magandang puhunan natin. Noong tumama ang pandemya, maganda ang laban natin dahil ang bumuhay sa mga pamilya natin ay ang mga magsasaka," Espino added.

Espino said the provincial government will utilize government (Pls. turn to page 6)



## Mission possible as DOST positions R&D center in Region I for more innovation

Garlic - bawang in Tagalog, ahos in Bisaya - is an Asian staple as food ingredient. Every Filipino kitchen has garlic. One cannot cook adobo (a favorite Filipino dish with pork or chicken) nor eat fried rice without garlic.

Despite our love for garlic the Philippines surprisingly produces garlic in small volume, estimated at 7,751 mt (2017), with Ilocos Norte contributing 61% of the total production followed by Occidental Mindoro (19%), and

then Ilocos Sur (4%), (PSA, 2018).

In 2017, the country ranked 46th among the 101 garlic-growing nations in the world in terms of volume production, based on the record from the Food and Agriculture Organization's Statistical Databases.

The declining production is attributed mainly to the low yield of existing varieties, low soil fertility particularly organic matter content of current production areas, pest infestation from production to post-harvest losses. As a result, farmers are shifting to other

high-value commercial crops, such as corn and tobacco, leaving garlic production behind.

To solve this growing problem, the Department of Science and Technology (DOST), through the Niche Centers in the Regions (NICER) Program, approved a PHP35.5-million fund for the establishment of the Garlic and Other Agri-Food Condiments Research and Development (R&D) Center last 30 April 2021. This program under the umbrella Science for Change (S4CP) Program is expected to help

increase the production of garlic, thus improving its market competitiveness.

Dr. Dionisio S. Bucayo, program leader, said the Center has five component projects. These include the following: collection, characterization, conservation, and improvement of garlic and chili genetic resources; improvement of garlic and other agri-food condiments productivity through integrated crop management system; development and evaluation of a

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## ILUKO NEWS

### 35 nga TESDA grads immawat ti tulong manipud mismo kenni Gob. MMM

Mamati ni Ilocos Norte Gob. Matthew J. Marcos Manotoc a dakkel ti maitulong na kadagiti nagsanay iti Technical Education Skills and Development Authority iti benneg ti carpentry ken masonry dagiti nasursuro da a pagsapol.

Daytoy ket kalpasan a naibunong kadakuada babaen iti gobernador dagiti welding machine ken masonry Kits iti mismo a capitol playground.

Nagyamanan met ti Gobernador iti biang ti TESDA a nakikamayet iti probinsia partikular iti PESO Office nga idadawlwan ni Mrs Lizeth Atuan.

Kangrunaan a dinakamat ken nagyamanan ti Gobernador da Mr. Ruel Dugay ken Mr. Rolando Arellano a nangisuro kadagiti 35 a benepisyario.

Kuna ti gobernador a saan laeng nga idiaiy ballasiw taaw ti makasapul kadagiti skilled workers no di ket kasapulan pay iti pagilian.

Umabot iti tallopulo ket lima dagiti benepisyario nga immawat kadagiti nasao a kagamitan manipud iti ili a Marcos, Dingras, Paoay, Nueva era, Vintar ken iti ili a Solsona.

Umabot iti sangapulo ket pito dagiti immawat iti welding machine idinto a sangapulo ket walo met dagiti naipaayan iti carpentry kits. (pgin)

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to Brisio, has also conducted capability building for the members of the Kulinarya such as product development, packaging of their products, tour guiding, among others.

For her part, Grace Ruiz, community officer IV of CEZA Community Affairs and Development Division, said that the pandemic did not hinder their office to continue in reaching out to their organized groups such as the Casagan.

"Tuluy-tuloy pa naman ang support ng CEZA sa people's organization lalong-lalo na

sa mga community-based enterprises na engaged sa tourism industry dahil alam naman natin na ang Santa Ana is still the top tourist destination in Region 2," Ruiz said.

"Ang CEZA laging nakaagapay sa organized groups through Secretary Raul Lambino. As of now, we are establishing policies that are adaptable to the new normal. Yun yung ginagawa nating technical assistance sa mga organized groups para masiguro ang safety ng mga turista at mga host communities," she added. (Mark Djeron Tumabao/PIA Cagayan)

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More than 1,000 members of the Piddig Basi Multi-Purpose Cooperative and 46 farmers' associations will be the beneficiaries of the project.

Said fund is part of the

DA Kadiwa ni Ani at Kita Financial Grant Assistance Program which aims to help local farmers become more reliable suppliers of food commodities to consumers. (DA Region I)

## PH, other Asian nations highlight green funding benefits for developing countries

The Philippines, through the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR), led Asian nations in the second climate fund replenishment talks to particularly seek funding support for developing countries to meet the 2030 international environmental goals.

DENR Secretary Roy A. Cimatu highlighted the significance of the 8th Global Environment Facility (GEF-8) Fund Replenishment discussions to finance projects for intensified environment protection against the coronavirus pandemic and climate-related calamities.

"There is a need to mobilize more resources to finance climate action and intensified environmental protection amidst the COVID-19 pandemic. GEF-8 is an opportunity that the countries should tap for this," Cimatu said.

The GEF was created in October 1991 to enable developing countries to address priority environmental concerns, such as deforestation, desertification, climate change, biodiversity loss, and ozone depletion.

DENR Undersecretary for Finance, Information

Systems, and Climate Change Analiza Rebuelta-Teh represented Asian nations, which include Afghanistan, Bangladesh, Bhutan, Cambodia, Iraq, Jordan, Laos, Lebanon, Sri Lanka, Malaysia, Mongolia, Myanmar, Nepal, Pakistan, Philippines, Thailand, Vietnam, Indonesia, Syria, and Yemen, during the global meeting held virtually on September 29 to October 1.

"The meeting comes at a crucial time as the world is in the COVID-19 crisis recovery stage," Rebuelta-Teh said, who served as the observer for GEF Asia and GEF Operational Focal Point for the Philippines.

She cited that Asian nations are united in the call to bring to the attention of GEF their support for the vulnerability index as a factor in the prioritization of GEF funding of projects.

The vulnerability index under the System for Transparent Allocation of Resources (STAR) is important in determining the real economic issues on the ground, Rebuelta-Teh said.

STAR is a performance-based framework for the allocation of resources

from the GEF Trust Fund to countries over a replenishment period.

Rebuelta-Teh also noted that the vulnerability index especially applies among Least Developed Countries and Small Island Development States.

She pointed out that there is a need for increased support for these nations.

Other recommendations include the intensified support for countries in their blue (ocean) and green (forestry) recoveries with the pandemic recovery factored in the GEF strategy.

Rebuelta-Teh said the Philippines is looking forward to sustained funding for its environmental projects in the next GEF four-year cycle, from July 2022 to June 2026.

GEF-8 is expected to reach US\$6.5 billion given an increase in allocation for Non-Grant Instruments (NGI) and Small Grants Program (SGP). The allocation is meant to support the private sector and civil society participation in NGI and SGP.

The biggest chunk will be allocated for biodiversity (34 percent),

followed by climate change (15 percent), chemicals and wastes (14 percent), international waters (12 percent), and land degradation (11 percent).

About US\$157 million will be allocated for NGI and US\$256 million for SGP.

The replenishment negotiation process serves as a venue for donor countries to discuss and negotiate financial allocation sharing for the upcoming GEF replenishment cycle.

It also provides the opportunity to review GEF performance and evaluate progress, assess future funding needs of the member-countries, and agree on the GEF financing framework.

The meetings are attended by representatives from four clusters of non-donor recipient countries, namely Africa, Asia, Eastern Europe, and Central Asia, including non-government organizations and the private sector.

The third GEF-8 Replenishment Meeting will be held on February 2022 followed by the fourth and last meeting on April-May 2022. ###

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KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:

I, **CARMENCITA MARIE D. MARAMAG**, Filipino, of legal age, with present address at 1214 Casanas St., Sampaloc, Manila, after having been duly sworn in accordance with law, do hereby name my son, appoint, and constitute **MARC ALFRED D. MARAMAG**, of legal age, a dual citizen of both the Philippines and the United States, with present address at 460 Wolley Ave., Staten Island, New York, NY 10314, as my true and sole legal representative to act for and in my name and to be authorized to follow up, secure, transact, sign, sell, mortgage and negotiate for all documents pertinent to my assets, properties, shareholdings, stocks, finances, subdivided and unsubdivided lots, and the likes and any and all other instances that requires for my personal attention, signature, permission and welfare.

**HEREBY GRANTING** unto my sole representative full power an authority to execute and perform every act necessary as mentioned, as though I myself have so performed it, and **HEREBY APPROVING ALL** that he may do by virtue of these presents.

**HENCEFORTH THEREBY**, let it be known then, as it is hereby known, that the Special Power of Attorney is exclusively granted herein to my son, **MARC ALFRED D. MARAMAG**, as my sole and true representative to perform all acts in my stead, which includes among others signing of all documents pertinent to all my present and future assets, properties, estates, ancestral homes, subdivided or unsubdivided lots, and any known and unknown properties/assets under my parents name which I am equally and rightfully entitled to as a surviving heir.

**FURTHER, I, CARMENCITA MARIE D. MARAMAG**, by virtue of these presents hereby **REVOKE, ANNUL, and VOID ANY OTHER** power of attorney and all powers and authority therein or hereby given or granted or intended to be given or granted to any and all person relative to my estate and well-being.

**FURTHERMORE**, let it be known that I hereby **REVOKE** all Special Powers of Attorney that I may have executed or issued before the date of this Special Power of Attorney with Revocation of any Special Power of Attorney previously issued and any other authority or power I may have granted or may instruction I verbally communicated.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF, WE HAVE HEREUNTO SET OUR HANDS THIS OCT. 11 2021** at *City of Manila*.

(Sgd.) **CARMENCITA MARIE D. MARAMAG**  
(Sgd.) **MARC ALFRED D. MARAMAG**

Signed in the presence of:

**ACKNOWLEDGMENT**

Republic of the Philippines)  
City of Manila ) S.S

**BEFORE ME**, personally appeared:

Name  
**CARMENCITA MARIE D MARAMAG**  
**MARC ALFRED D. MARAMAG**

Known to me and to me known to be the same persons who executed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged to me that the same is their free and voluntary act and deed.

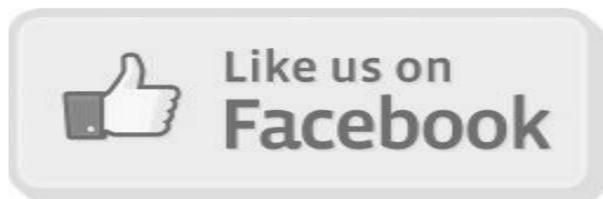
**WITNESS MY HAND AND SEAL**, on the date and place first above written.

(SGD.) **ATTY. HENRY A. ADASA**

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funds to the fullest to continue to help the farmers and fisherfolk groups in Pangasinan.

“Anos, disiplina tan sakripisyo (perseverance, discipline and sacrifice). Hindi natin pababayaang ating trabaho para magsasaka sa buong probinsya,” the governor

said.

He added that the Department of Agriculture has given and will continue to distribute more than P700-million worth of farm assistance to the province which is set to benefit more than 110,000 farmers in Pangasinan. (*Venus May Sarmiento/PIA Pangasinan*)

**Apply for a 13th-month pay loan, Bello tells micro, small biz**

Micro and small enterprises that are having difficulty in financing the 13th-month pay of their employees can apply for a government loan, Labor Secretary Silvestre Bello III announced on Friday.

The labor chief made the call as he reminded employers that the grant of 13th-month pay is mandatory. He however assured establishments that are still struggling amid the re-opening of the economy of the government’s support through the Small Business Corporation

(SBCorp).

“Let me remind the employers that the grant of 13th-month pay is mandatory. We issued a Labor Advisory where we maintained that no exemption and no deferment will be allowed on the payment of the 13th-month pay. So, with this loan facility from SB Corporation, there is no more reason to not give the 13th-month pay,” Bello said during the ceremonial launch of the loan program with the Department of Trade and Industry and its financing arm, SBCorp on Friday.

As of November 12, a total of 25 loan applications amounting to P5.052 million were already approved by SBCorp.

Qualified borrowers are the micro and small enterprises that have implemented flexible work arrangements and registered under the DOLE Establishment Reporting System as of October 15, 2021.

The loan program can cover up to 40 employees per establishment and the loanable amount is at P12,000 per current employee.

It is a zero-interest rate, no collateral loan that is payable in 12 months, inclusive of the three-month grace period.

“I encourage our employers, especially yung mga nahihirapan pa, to avail of this facility so that they can comply with the mandate to pay our workers with what is due them, especially this Christmas season,” said Bello.

Interested micro and small enterprises may apply at [www.bayanihancares.ph](http://www.bayanihancares.ph). ##adldm

**DEED OF EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT**

Notice is hereby given that the intestate estate of deceased EDUARDO SANTILLAN DUQUE pertaining to a bank deposit with Landbank of the Philippines Laoag Branch in Laoag City with Account No. 00000266255691 has been adjudicated by his sole heir REMIELITO DELA CRUZ DUQUE unto himself as per instrument executed before Notary Public Atty. John John P. Felipe; Doc. No. 192; Page No. 39; Book No. CCXVIII; Series of 2021.

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**DEED OF ADJUDICATION with QUITCLAIM**

Notice is hereby given that the intestate estate of deceased LUIS CACAL pertaining to a parcel of land designated as Lot No. 759 SP of the Bacarra, Ilocos Norte, CAdastre, situated at Brgy. San Andres, Bacarra, Ilocos Norte, covered by Tax Declaration No. 14-004-00232 has been adjudicated by his heirs simultaneously quitclaimed in favor of co-heir Leony C. Cacal as per instrument executed before Notary Public Atty. Nestor T. Corpuz; Doc. No. 214; Page No. 44; Book No. XIX; Series of 2021.

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**DEED OF ADJUDICATION WITH ABSOLUTE SALE**

Notice is hereby given that the intestate estate of the late JUSTINO APUYA (the same Justino Apuya and Faustino Apuya are one & the same person) pertaining to five (5) parcels of land under Tax Declaration Nos. 08-0029-00199, 08-0025-00837, 08-0029-00677, 08-0029-00680 and 08-0029-00644, all situated at Brgy. Sta. Cruz 7A, Badoc, Ilocos Norte and two (2) lots under Tax Declaration Nos. 08-0029-00179 and 08-0025-00853, both situated at Paltit Brgy. 9, Badoc, Ilocos Norte; that the intestate estate of ESTEFANIA SALMASAN APUYA (the name Estefania Salmasan & Estefania Salmasan Apuya are one and the same person) pertaining to two (2) parcels of land under Tax Declaration Nos. 08-0029-00701 and 08-0029-00636, situated at Sta. Cruz 7A, Badoc, Ilocos Norte; that the intestate estate of deceased Damaso Apuya pertaining to a parcel of land under Tax Declaration No. 08-0029-00719, were the subject of a Deed of Adjudication of Estate with Absolute Sale executed by their sole heir Mariano S. Apuya executed on May 7, 2021 before Phoebe Grace Cordillon, Notary Public for County of Clark, State of Nevada, U.S.A., which was authenticated on May 10, 2021 by Barbara K. Cegavske, Secretary of State of the State of Nevada, U.S.A. under document no. N2105103080002.

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**DEED OF ADJUDICATION WITH ABSOLUTE SALE**

Notice is hereby given that the intestate estate of deceased SATURNINA BASILIO pertaining to her share over a parcel of land designated as Lot No. 6158-I-1, Psd-012820-024737, being a portion of Lot No. 6158-I, Csd-7763, L.R.C. Rec. No. \_\_, situated at Bo. No. 24, Sta. Monica (now) Municipality of San Nicolas, Ilocos Norte, covered by Transfer Certificate of Title No. T-19421 has been adjudicated by her legal heirs Juana Basilio and Veronica Basilio and simultaneously sold unto Maximo B. Ramos as per instrument executed before Notary Public Atty. Kathleen Ann A. Bonador-Gumiran; Doc. No. 266; Page No. 54; Book No. I; Series of 2018.

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village-level low-cost storage structure for garlic; enhancement of the usability and profitability of garlic through black garlic processing; and, identification of the key strategies in improving the competitiveness of the local garlic through value chain analysis of garlic in the country.

Further, this will help in keeping agriculture safely running as an essential source of food (supply), thereby helping in the country’s efforts to heighten food security.

Incidentally, the Niche Centers in the Regions or NICER is just one of the many programs that will be showcased during the upcoming celebration of the 2021 National Science and Technology Week from 22-28 November 2021. Other S4CP programs that will share the limelight are the Collaborative Research and Development to

Leverage Philippine Economy (CRADLE), Business Innovation through S&T (BIST) for Industry Program, and the R&D Leadership Program (RDLead). Furthermore, other innovations from DOST agencies and regional offices will be featured in the areas of smart farming for agriculture, health and nutrition, emerging technologies, satellite technology, disaster preparedness tools, application of nuclear technology in medicine, enterprise development, industry automation and artificial intelligence, robotics, scholarships, and community empowerment program.

For more information on the different activities of the 2021 NSTW such as webinars, product demonstrations, forums, etc. just visit the website [www.nstw.dost.gov.ph](http://www.nstw.dost.gov.ph) or check out the Facebook page of NSTW.

**DEED OF ADJUDICATION  
WITH ABSOLUTE SALE**

Notice is hereby given that the intestate estate of deceased FRANCISCO M. TORRALBA consisting of two (2) parcels of land designated as Lot Nos. 13220 and 13221, both situated at Brgy. Santiago, Solsona, Ilocos Norte, covered by Original Certificate of Title Nos. P-3779 and P-5172, respectively, has been adjudicated by his heirs Aldrich C. Torralba and Caroline T. Adaoag and simultaneously sold unto Joe Patrick T. Ganal as per instrument executed before Notary Public Atty. John John P. Felipe; Doc. No. 217; Page No. 44; Book No. CLXXIII; Series of 2020.

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**DEED OF ADJUDICATION WITH SALE**

Notice is hereby given that the intestate estate of deceased ANDRES P. RAMOS pertaining a parcel of land designated as Lot No. 16990-I Csd-012815-005160 VLT being a portion of Lot 16990, CAD-738-D, situated at Brgy. Pasaleng, Municipality of Pagudpud, Ilocos Norte, covered by Original Certificate of Title No. C-3229 has been adjudicated by his heir Virginia B. Ramos and simultaneously sold unto John Michael B. Saldua and Claudine B. Saldua as per instrument executed before Notary Public Atty. Francisco A. Musni; Doc. No. 127; Page No. 27; Book No. CXXVII; Series of 2021.

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**DEED OF ADJUDICATION**

Notice is hereby given that the intestate estate of deceased MARIANO BERNABE, GUILLERMA BERNABE and JUANA RESPICIO pertaining a parcel of land designated as Lot No. 10229-B, situated at Brgy.1, San Lorenzo, Laoag City, covered by Transfer Certificate of Title No. T-3367 has been adjudicated by their legal heir Joseph Baclig as per instrument executed before Notary Public Atty. Francisco A. Musni; Doc. No. 420; Page No. 85; Book No. CXXVIII; Series of 2021.

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Municipality of Solsona

**NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION**

In Compliance with Section 5 of Republic Act No. 9048, notice is hereby served to the public that **CECILE BANGLAY VIGINIO** has filed with this Office a petition for change of first name from "**REGETTO (OCRG copy)/ ROGELIO (LCRO copy)**" to "**CARLITO**" in the Certificate of Live Birth of **REGETTO/ROGELIO PERALTA MAGLAY** who was born on **May 15, 1968** at **Solsona, Ilocos Norte** and whose parents are **Manuel Banglay** and **Visitacion Peralta**.

Any person adversely affected by said petition may file his written opposition with this Office not later than **November 22, 2021**.

(Sgd.) **ARLENE EDITHA M. VILLALOBOS**  
Municipal Civil Registrar

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**DEED OF SELF-ADJUDICATION**

Notice is hereby given that the intestate estate of deceased ANTONIA M. GARDUQUE consisting of two (2) parcels of land designated as Lot Nos. 10451-D and 91007, situated at Brgy. 13 Naglicuan and Brgy. #2 Poblacion, Pasuquin, Ilocos Norte, covered by Tax Declaration Nos. 20-0013-01187 and 20-0002-01799, respectively; and an improvement under Tax Declaration No. 20-0002-01642 has been adjudicated by her legal heir Kim Arvee Malapira Garduque as per instrument executed before Notary Public Atty. Melchor B. Guillen; Doc. No. 240; Page No. 49; Book No. LXXVI; Series of 2021.

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**NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION**

In Compliance with Section 5 of Republic Act No. 9048, a notice is hereby served to the public that **ELMA COLOMA LACUESTA** has filed with this Office, a Petition for Change of First Name from "**LUCIANA**" (OCRG Copy)/ "**LUCIANA ELMA**" (MCRO Copy) to "**ELMA**" in the Certificate of Live Birth of **LUCIANA GANADEN COLOMA (OCRG copy) / LUCIANA ELMA COLOMA (MCRO Copy)** who was born on **July 10, 1959** at **Badoc, Ilocos Norte** and whose parents are **Enrique F. Coloma** and **Maria M. Ganaden**.

Any person adversely affected by said petition may file his written opposition with this Office not later than **November 22, 2021**.

(Sgd.) **IRIS GAYLE S. BATALLONES**  
Municipal Civil Registrar

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Province of Ilocos Norte  
Municipality of Badoc

**NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION**

In Compliance with Section 5 of Republic Act No. 9048, a notice is hereby served to the public that **MANUEL IBE LACUESTA** has filed with this Office, a Petition for Change of First Name from "**MANOLING**" to "**MANUEL**" in the Certificate of Live Birth of **MANOLING LACUESTA** who was born on **December 30, 1959** at **Badoc, Ilocos Norte** and whose parents are **Mariano Lacuesta** and **Emilia Ibe**.

Any person adversely affected by said petition may file his written opposition with this Office not later than **November 22, 2021**.

(Sgd.) **IRIS GAYLE S. BATALLONES**  
Municipal Civil Registrar

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Publication Notice  
R.A. 10172

**NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC**

CCE-0029-2021(10172) Date: November 4, 2021

In Compliance with the publication requirement and pursuant to OCRG Memorandum Circular No. \_\_\_\_, Guidelines in the Implementation of the Administrative Order No. 1 Series of 2012 (IRR on R.A. 10172), Notice is hereby served to the public that **HIEDY MORENO TIBURCIO** has filed a petition with this Office a petition for correction of entry in Sex from "**FEMALE**" to "**MALE**" in the certificate of live birth of **HIEDY MORENO TIBURCIO** who was born at **Solsona, Ilocos Norte** and whose parents are **Ernesto T. Tiburcio** and **Ofelia T. Moreno**.

Any person adversely affected by said petition may file his written opposition with this Office not later than **November 22, 2021**.

(Sgd.) **ARLENE EDITHA M. VILLALOBOS**  
Municipal Civil Registrar

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**DEED OF ADJUDICATION  
WITH ABSOLUTE SALE**

Notice is hereby given that the intestate estate of deceased VALERIANO CU MAGALLAONES pertaining to a parcel of land, including its improvement thereon, designated as Lot No. 1, PCS-01-003898, (portion of Lots 36458 & 36459), of Laoag Cadastre, L.R.C. Rec. No. 1212, situated at Barangay 15, San Catalino, Laoag City, covered by TCT No. 021-2012000618 has been adjudicated by his legal heirs and simultaneously sold unto Karmelli Clinic and Hospital Corporation represented by Dr. Norman Panfilo Rabago as per instrument executed before Notary Public Atty. Isidro Corpuz; Doc. No. 190; Page No. 39; Book No. CLIV; Series of 2021.

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Ilocos Norte  
Laoag City

**NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION**

In Compliance with Section 5 of Republic Act No. 9048, notice is hereby served to the public that **ANGELICA ABARA REYES** has filed with this Office a petition for change of first name from "**MELDA ANNABEL**" to "**IMELDA**" in the Certificate of Live Birth of **MELDA ANNABEL ABARA** who was born on April 01, 1967 at Laoag City, Ilocos Norte and whose parents are Luciano Abara and Josefina Santos.

Any person adversely affected by said petition may file his written opposition with this Office not later than **November 15, 2021**.

(Sgd.) **JEAN PASCUA MANUEL**  
City Civil Registrar

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Laoag City, Ilocos Norte

**NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC**

CCE-0144-2021 (RA 10172)

In Compliance with the publication requirement and pursuant to OCRG Memorandum Circular No. 2013-1 Guidelines in the Implementation of Administrative Order No. 1 Series of 2012 (IRR on R. A. 10172), notice is hereby served to the public that **DAVE MARTINEZ** has filed with this office, a petition for correction of entry in the **child's SEX** from "**FEMALE**" to "**MALE**" in the Certificate of Live Birth of **DAVE MARTINEZ** who was born at Laoag City, Ilocos Norte on February 23, 1999 and whose parents are Danilo Nagtalon and Carmencita Martinez.

Any person adversely affected by said petition may file his written opposition with this Office not later than **November 15, 2021**.

(Sgd.) **JEAN PASCUA MANUEL**  
City Civil Registrar

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**AFFIDAVIT OF SELF-ADJUDICATION**

Notice is hereby given that the intestate estate of deceased RONALD I. BONAYON consisting of four (4) bank accounts at the Bank of Philippine Islands (BPI) - Fonacier Branch in Laoag City, namely:

- Reg Savings with PSBK with Account No. 001654-0083-92
- Savings Bet with Account No. 000596-0883-21
- Reg Savings with PSBK with Account No. 001653-0625-09
- Reg Savings with Account No. 001653-0641-29

has been adjudicated by his legal heir Rianne Bonayon Guerrero as per instrument executed before Notary Public Atty. Marshall Ellis M. Diego; Doc. No. 436; Page No. 89; Book No. XVII; Series of 2021.

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**DEED OF SELF-ADJUDICATION**

Notice is hereby given that the intestate estate of deceased MAGDALENA T. PITLO pertaining to a parcel of land designated as Lot No. 15937, Cad-657-D, situated in Barangay 16-Gayamat, Piddig, Ilocos Norte, covered by OCT No. P-47951 has been adjudicated by her legal heir Jessie T. Pitlo as per instrument executed before Notary Public Atty. Valarie O. Birosel; Doc. No. 113; Page No. 24; Book No. LXV; Series of 2020.

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— **Positively Sherry**

Republic of the Philippines  
REGIONAL TRIAL COURT OF ILOCOS NORTE  
First Judicial Region  
BRANCH 13, LAOAG CITY

IN THE MATTER OF THE GUARDIANSHIP OF THE INCOMPETENT OSMENIA D. GALERA

VICENTA G. AGNI  
Petitioner.

SP. PROC. NO. 17794-13  
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**ORDER**

Before the Court is a verified petition for the guardianship of the incompetent Osmenia D. Galera, 94 years old, widow and a resident of Brgy. 7, Vintar, Ilocos Norte and suffering from heart and Alzheimer's disease, under the care and custody of her daughter, herein petitioner Vicenta G. Agni.

Finding the petition to be

sufficient in form and substance, the petition is given due course and is set for initial hearing on December 7, 2021 at 8:30 o'clock in the morning at the Marcos Hall of Justice, Laoag City.

In order that any interested person who may be adversely affected by the said petition may be notified to file written opposition and/or appear and show cause why the petition should not be granted, and/or that the letters of guardianship issue to himself, let this Order be published once a week for three (3) consecutive weeks in a duly accredited newspaper of general circulation in the City of Laoag and the Province of Ilocos Norte at the expense of the petitioner.

Further, let copies of this Order and the petition be furnished as prescribed by the rules to the known heirs of Osmenia D. Galera. Petitioner is likewise directed to furnish the Court of the known creditors of Osmenia D. Galera if any.

**SO ORDERED.**

**GIVEN** this 19th day of October 2021 at Laoag City.

(SGD.) JOHNSON VALIN PADRE  
Presiding Judge

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**DEED OF EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE WITH WAIVER OF RIGHTS**

Notice is hereby given that the intestate estate of deceased BEN B. DELA CRUZ pertaining to a parcel of land designated as Lot No. 15714-G, situated at Brgy. Billoca, Batac, Ilocos Norte, covered by Transfer Certificate of Title TCT T-427 has been adjudicated by his legal heirs and simultaneously waived all shares and participation over the parcel of land unto co-heir Dina Mae Dela Cruz as per instrument executed before Notary Public Atty. Francisco A. Musni; Doc. No. 400; Page No. 81; Book No. CXXVIII; Series of 2021.

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**DEED OF ADJUDICATION, QUITCLAIM with PARTITION**

Notice is hereby given that the intestate estate of the late ANTONIA CALINGAO CACATIAN pertaining to her interests over a parcel of land designated as Lot No. 27735, situated in the Barrio of Mabaleng, City of Batac, covered by Original Certificate of Title No. P-12234 is the subject of a Deed of Adjudication, Quitclaim with Partition executed by her heir ROLANDO C. CACATIAN before Notary Public Atty. John John P. Felipe as per Doc No. 300; Page No. 60; Book No. CCXVI; Series of 2021.

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**DEED OF ADJUDICATION WITH SALE**

Notice is hereby given that the intestate estate of deceased SPOUSES SILVESTRE PAJINAG and CESARIA DAHILIG PAHINAG pertaining to a parcel of land designated as Cadastral Lot No. 7667-B, situated at Brgy. Napu, Badoc, Ilocos Norte, covered by OCT No. E-8703 has been adjudicated by their legal heir RODELIA PAJINAG OASAY and simultaneously sold unto Jeannine Mei C. Dahilig and Crystelle Mei Dahilig-Fagaragan as per instrument executed before Notary Public Atty. Francisco A. Musni; Doc. No. 211; Page No. 44; Book No. CXXVIII; Series of 2021.

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**DEED OF EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE WITH ABSOLUTE SALE**

Notice is hereby given that the intestate estate of deceased DEMETRIO ASPILI pertaining to a parcel of land, with improvements thereon, designated as Lot No. 28799, Cad 398, situated at Brgy. #25-S Payao, Batac, Ilocos Norte, covered by Original Certificate of Title No. P-10803 has been extrajudicially settled among his heirs and simultaneously sold the aforesaid parcel of land unto MICHAEL A. GUITTAP in an instrument executed before Notary Public Atty. Francisco A. Musni; as per Doc. No. 84; Page No. 18; Book No. CXXVIII; Series of 2021.

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**DEED OF ADJUDICATION WITH SALE**

Notice is hereby given that the intestate estate of deceased SPS. PABLO CALZADO and ELY U. CALZADO pertaining to a parcel of land designated as Lot No. 28485, Cad-398, situated at Brgy. Payao, Batac City, Ilocos Norte, covered by TCT No. T-17028 has been adjudicated by their heirs and simultaneously sold unto JIMMY A. BANAYAT as per instrument executed before Notary Public Atty. Da Vinci M. Crisostomo; Doc. No. 359; Page No. 73; Book No. CDXXII; Series of 2021.

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**DEED OF EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE WITH SALE**

Notice is hereby given that the intestate estate of deceased DOMINGA ANDRES consisting of five (5) parcels of land described as Cadastral Lot Nos. 335-D, 335-G, 335-H, 334 and 327, all situated at Brgy. Palpalicong, Batac, Ilocos Norte, covered by TCT Nos. 2017000261, 2017000264, 2017000265, 2017000241 and OCT No. O-3109, respectively has been extrajudicially settled among her legal heirs and simultaneously sold Lot Nos. 335-G, 335-H and 327 unto Jeannine Mei C. Dahilig and Lot Nos. 335-D and 334 unto Crystelle Mei Dahilig-Fagaragan as per instrument executed before Notary Public Atty. Francisco A. Musni; Doc. No. 146; Page No. 31; Book No. CXXVIII; Series of 2021.

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**DEED OF EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE WITH ABSOLUTE SALE**

Notice is hereby given that the intestate estate of deceased ALEJANDRO AGULAY pertaining to a parcel of land designated as Lot No. 10531-A, Cad 398, situated at Brgy. #35 Billoca, City of Batac, Ilocos Norte, covered by Original Certificate of Title No. P-17313 has been extrajudicially settled among his heirs and simultaneously donated the same lot unto Christopher Ching and Jocelyn Masallo-Ching, who accepted the donated, as per instrument executed before Notary Public Atty. Limberge Paul G. Corpuz; Doc. No. 430; Page No. 87; Book No. XX; Series of 2021.

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**DEED OF ADJUDICATION WITH SALE**

Notice is hereby given that the intestate estate of deceased HESQUIO GEREMIAS C. CALZADO pertaining to a parcel of land designated as Lot No. 28469, Cad-398, situated at Brgy. Payao, Batac City, Ilocos Norte, covered by TCT No. 023-2011000195 has been adjudicated by their heirs and simultaneously sold unto JIMMY A. BANAYAT as per instrument executed before Notary Public Atty. Da Vinci M. Crisostomo; Doc. No. 356; Page No. 73; Book No. CDXXII; Series of 2021.

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**DEED OF EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE WITH SALE**

Notice is hereby given that the intestate estate of deceased DOMINGA ANDRES consisting of five (5) parcels of land described as Lot Nos. 335-A, 335-B, 335-C, 335-E and 335-F, all situated at Brgy. Palpalicong, Batac, Ilocos Norte, covered by TCT Nos. 2017000258, 2017000259, 2017000260, 2017000262 and 2017000263, respectively has been extrajudicially settled among her legal heirs and simultaneously sold Lot No. 335-C unto Gina Rosalyn A. Duldulao and Lot No. 335-F unto Altagracia Andres Farne as per instrument executed before Notary Public Atty. Francisco A. Musni; Doc. No. 88; Page No. 19; Book No. CXXVIII; Series of 2021.

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**DEED OF SELF-ADJUDICATION OF ESTATES OF THE LATE MARIO CAYETANO**

Notice is hereby given that the intestate estate of the late MARIO CAYETANO, who died in the United States of America pertaining to twenty-eight (28) parcels of land designated as Lot Nos. 3436, 14648, 3454, 3464, 5573, 588(9), 5919, 5959, 5967, 5984, 6015, 6028, 5377, 5685, 32211, 32911, 32916, 32912, 33160, 33169, 816, 6436, 7413, 7452, 7883, 7406, 7822 and 7933, and one-sixth (1/6) share of Lot No. 15988), all in the Cadastral Survey of Laoag), situated in Laoag City, covered by Original Certificate of Title Nos. 16252, 21113, 22424, 22424, 22424, 23072, 23072, 23072, 23072, 23072, 23072, 23072; Transfer Certificate of Title Nos. 11161, 11161, Original Certificate of Title Nos. 17531, 17531, 17531, 17531, 17531, 17531, 22002, Transfer Certificate of Title Nos. 14717, 14717, 14717, 14717, 14717, Original Certificate of Title No. 20302, Tax Declaration No. 17-0060-00612 and Transfer Certificate of Title No. T-37085, respectively has been adjudicated by his legal heir Pancho Guerrero Villanueva as per instrument executed before Notary Public Atty. Michael A. Garces; Doc. No. 417; Page No. 85; Book No. LX; Series of 2021.

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**DEED OF ADJUDICATION**

Notice is hereby given that the intestate estate of deceased BERNABE DAMO pertaining to a parcel of land designated as Lot No. 619-P Cad 307-D, situated at Brgy. 6, San Nicolas, Ilocos Norte, covered by Tax Declaration No. 2014-19-010-01176 has been adjudicated by his legal heirs Catalina R. Damo and Frelen Damo Incillo as per instrument executed before Notary Public Atty. Kathleen Ann A. Bonador-Gumiran; Doc. No. 288; Page No. 58; Book No. IX; Series of 2021.

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**DEED OF ADJUDICATION WITH SALE**

Notice is hereby given that the intestate estate of deceased LUCIA CORPUZ pertaining to a parcel of land designated as Lot No. 3271, Cad 307-D, situated at Brgy. 16, San Marcos, San Nicolas, Ilocos Norte, covered by Tax Declaration No. 20-19-021-02407 has been adjudicated by his heirs unto themselves and simultaneously sold unto Spouses SANTIAGO T. AGUINALDO and ANITA A. AGUINALDO as per instrument executed before Notary Public Atty. Angeli B. Gapuzan; Doc. No. 225; Page No. 45; Book No. VII; Series of 2021.

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**EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE WITH DEED OF ABSOLUTE SALE**

Notice is hereby given that the intestate estate of deceased ESTEBAN RALLECA pertaining to a parcel of land designated as Lot No. 9100, Cad-445-D, situated at Brgy. 5 Nalasin, Paoay, Ilocos Norte, covered by OCT No. P-35860 has been extrajudicially settled among his heirs and simultaneously sold the aforesaid parcel of land unto GLADWYN E. BACENA in an instrument executed before Notary Public Atty. Da Vinci M. Crisostomo; as per Doc. No. 477; Page No. 97; Book No. CDXVIII; Series of 2021.

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## DA Ilocos supports Duterte Legacy: Barangayanihan Caravan

“Providing better services to the Filipino people.” This campaign highlights the services provided by the Department of Agriculture in Region I in the recent Duterte Legacy: Barangayanihan Caravan held at Brgy. Hacienda Bugallon Pangasinan.

The ‘Duterte Legacy: Barangayanihan Caravan’ is a collaboration with government agencies, as well as volunteers from the Global Coalition of Advocacy Support Groups and Force Multipliers. This also aims to inform the public

about the government’s programs, policies, accomplishments, and efforts to bring about real change to the lives of the Filipino people by showcasing real stories from the beneficiaries in their respective localities of the administration’s landmark policies and programs.

As part of the caravan, DA has distributed 1,050 assorted fruit trees, 500 assorted vegetable seeds, 1kg x 100 kgs vermicast, 200 pcs tricanthera cuttings, 200 pcs mulberry cuttings, 200 pcs Napier cuttings. Information dissemination activities were also showcased

to 84 recipients by providing different Information, Education and Communication (IEC) reading materials in order to raise their awareness on the DA initiatives and let them grasp about the benefits from it.

Municipal Mayor Priscilla L. Espino of Bugallon Pangasinan welcomed and expressed her thanks to the Provincial Government of Pangasinan including the collaborating agencies to include the Philippine National Police, and the Technical Education and Skills Development Authority (TESDA)-Pangasinan Provincial Office and

the Department of Agriculture (DA) for joining the caravan and offering their basic services such as scholarship programs, food packs and awarding of water pumps.

Meanwhile, as the Duterte Legacy Caravan continues, the DA Ilocos region is now set for the next campaign. It is targeted to provide palay (rice) seeds to Mabini, Pangasinan and around 100 seedlings of fruit bearing trees such as cacao, sampalok (tamarind) and kasoy (cashew), among others. ###

## NEWSBIT

### Batac City boosts its City Medical Trust at MMMH & MC

BATAC CITY -- Mayor Albert D. Chua handed over the third tranche of the City Medical Trust amounting to P1 Million to the Mariano Marcos Memorial Hospital and Medical Center (MMM&MC) through Dr. Jose B. Orosa on October 29, 2021.

Mayor Chua said that the program aims to provide immediate financial assistance to its underprivileged residents confined or seeking medical intervention at the said hospital.

He added that it covers hospital bills, medicines and/or diagnostic procedures for both out-patients and in-patients residents of Batac.

As per record at the city health office, as of October 2021, the program has already catered to 408 beneficiaries and the city government has already spent a total of 3 million pesos since its creation in 2019.

Witnessing the turn-over ceremony were Sangguniang Panlungsod Members headed by Vice Mayor Windell D. Chua, City Social Welfare Officer Lilibeth Maligsay, City Treasurer Veronica D. Garcia, Local Civil Registrar and GAD Focal Person Lorlyn Flordeliz Ulit, Loivee C. Mallari and Evangeline C. Cid of MMMH&MC. (CGB)

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release additional support from the National Rice Program, the Agricultural Credit Policy Council, the Philippine Crops Insurance Corporation, and the Bureau of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources.

“Additional support amounting to P27.7 million will be released under the Department’s Quick Response Fund,” he said.

The distribution of interventions were part of the kick off activity for the Rice Farmers Financial Assistance (RFFA) in Ilocos Region, which provides cash grant to rice farmers tilling farmlands measuring two hectares or less.

For Ilocos Sur and Pangasinan, close to 160,000 rice farmers will receive P5000 each as share from the P7.6 billion RFFA fund sourced from the excess tariff collected from the rice imports as mandated by the Rice Tariffication Law (RTL).

“Bagama’t marami po ang kumondena, napatunayang hindi failure ang RTL, at nakikita natin ngayon ang impact at outcome ng batas,” he said.

Sec. Dar stressed that RTL, amidst criticism and reproof, proved to be a game-changer in the reform of Philippine

agriculture.

“Ito po ay umpisa lamang, at kapag pinagbuti pa natin ang ating pagsasaka, siguradong uunlad ang rice industry ng bansa. Habang may RTL, may siguradong pagkukunan ng ayuda para sa mga magsasaka,” he said.

Sec. Dar added that the rice sector has improved in the past year with the combined interventions from the RTL’s Rice Competitiveness Enhancement Fund (RCEF) and the regular initiatives under the National Rice Program.

“With all of these, I am confident that we will surpass the production target of one million metric ton for the year, and attain our projected 20.4 MMT yield by the end of 2021,” he announced.

In his message, Sec. Dar thanked the food heroes for partnering with the government, and encouraged them to pursue projects to support the goals towards a food-secure nation.

“Huwag po kayong mawawalan ng pag-asa sa agrikultura. Ipagpatuloy ang inyong pagsasaka at pangingsda dahil kayo ang nagpapakain sa buong bansa,” he ended. (ARodriguez, DA-AFID)

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recently.

“Believing in a unifying leadership, we, the leaders of the parallel groups and organizations, hereby coalesce and express our deep commitment and unwavering support to a TRUE PUBLIC SERVANT, A FORWARD-THINKING LEADER and a GENUINE MAN FOR THE PEOPLE, Ferdinand ‘Bongbong’ Marcos, Jr.,” a portion of the manifesto read.

The manifesto, read in full by the group’s convenor, Mr. Joey Fornier further stated, “We pledge to align all our efforts to work as one in campaigning and utilizing all means available - our manpower and resources - to achieve our unified goal of electing and installing BBM as the next President of the Republic of the Philippines.”

In her acceptance message, Atty. Louise Araneta-Marcos said, “I know you have gone a long long way, my husband couldn’t be here dahil umiikot na kasi siya pero pinapasabi niya na maraming-maraming salamat. It’s because of people like you na maski ano ang batikos nila sa amin, fight pa rind dahil sa inyo. Maraming salamat.” Before this,

representatives from the country’s largest transport groups also endorsed Marcos’ Presidential in the upcoming 2022 polls, saying they believe Marcos’ plans for their sector and trusts him to implement them once he secures the people’s mandate.

Support for Marcos’ candidacy is accelerating following his stellar performance in online and traditional Presidential preference surveys.

In the latest survey conducted by The Manila Times from October 26 to November 2, Marcos cornered 68% of the votes. A far cry from the 10.8% obtained by his nearest competitor. Other presidential candidates only registered single digits.

The alliance also vowed, “to remain steadfast to our duties and responsibilities and wholeheartedly dedicate our loyalty and service to BBM, as the one and only fit and capable man to build back a grappling nation to greatness.”

In closing the manifesto urged Filipinos to join BBM’s fight and bring back the Marcos leadership into our government. It added, BBM, Ikaw ang Presidente ko!, sama-sama tayong babangon muli!

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environmental issues, particularly water and air pollution. Those already trained can generate income by installing affordable biogas digester for others raising 6 pigs. Commercial cooking gas is so expensive.”

Also present in the training seminar were NAWRMP Regional Alternate Mr. Richard

C. Neri; NAWRMP focal Ms. Grace L. Guillermo; lecturers from DA-Regional Field Office 1 Dr. Marlon Mendez; Department of Environmental and Natural Resources representative Ms. Marygail Antonette Killa; and Dr. Mary Jane Alcedo of the City Agriculture Office. (CGSF)

### Region 1 shows.....(back page)

“Wala na po tayong active COVID-19 variant cases sa region. We have 342 recoveries and 25 deaths,” the spokesperson said.

Meanwhile, the healthcare utilization in the region is also on a downward trend.

“Dahil sa patuloy na pagbaba ng kaso, patuloy rin ang pagbaba ng utilization

rate ng hospital bed and equipment,” he said.

Bobis advised the public to continue following the minimum public health protocols in order to maintain the declining trend by the end of the year until early 2022, especially given the forthcoming holiday season. (Joanne Namnama Dilim/PIA La Union)

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Batac City Mayor Albert Chua and Vice Mayor Atty. Windell Chua lead the distribution of garlic and onion planting materials and fertilizers to local farmers on November 10-12, 2021 at Tabug Community Center in Brgy. Tabug, Batac City. (Photo courtesy of CGB)

## Agri department gives more aids to Ilocano farmers

The Department of Agriculture (DA) distributed packages of assistance, consisting of planting materials and other farm inputs, and various machineries and equipment, amounting to P121.38 million to farmers of Ilocos Sur and Pangasinan affected by typhoon Maring.

On November 4-5, 2021, Agriculture Secretary William Dar led the awarding of various interventions aimed at rehabilitating damaged farmlands of Ilocano farmers and enabling them to bounce back from their losses.

According to the agri chief, Region 1 incurred a total of P2.3 billion in agricultural damages, with Ilocos Sur suffering most of the brunt at 47 percent total loss due to the typhoon.

"We will be distributing interventions and assistance, including seeds to replant so you can continue with your production," Sec. Dar said during his visit to the province.

The DA chief added that aside from the initial agri-fishery projects distributed in October, the Department is set to

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# Region 1 shows downward trend of COVID-19 cases-- DOH

SAN FERNANDO CITY, Nov. 9 (PIA) -- There has been a downward trend in reported active cases of coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) in Region 1, the spokesperson of the Department of Health Ilocos Center for Health Development (DOH CHD1) reported.

Dr. Rheuel C. Bobis, medical officer and COVID-19 focal person

of the DOH CHD1, said as of Nov. 7, the number of active cases has dropped while the number of recovery cases has considerably increased.

"Pataas na ng pataas ang recovery rate na nasa 95.65% at sa kabaliktaran, bumababa ng tuluyan ang active cases na nasa 2.63% na lamang," Bobis said.

He said there was surge of cases from July to September, but confirmed

cases dramatically decreased in October.

"Noong July, August, at September, nakita po natin ang malakihang pagtaas ng COVID-19 cases sa ating region pero noong October nakita din natin ang malaking pagbaba ng kaso mula 25,195 noong September na naging 11,164 na lamang noong October," he said.

He added: "This is

reflected sa trend per province. Lahat ng trend ay pababa."

Further, Region 1 has not been tagged with new COVID-19 variants since Oct. 16.

The total number of variant cases remains at 367. Delta cases still comprise the bulk of the cases at 177, Alpha cases – 104, Beta cases – 83, and P.3 – 3.

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## Support for Bongbong's 2022 Presidential bid snowballs

Twenty-five cause-oriented organizations have formed an alliance backing the candidacy of Presidential aspirant Ferdinand 'Bongbong' Marcos, Jr. in the upcoming 2022 elections.

The Progressive Alliance for BBM recently visited Marcos' campaign headquarters in Mandaluyong City and submitted a manifesto to express its support.

The alliance consists of 25 organizations

representing various sectors such as OFWs, Seafarers, Barangay Youth, Christian Churches, Loyalists, and Healthcare workers.

The group submitted a document entitled 'Manifesto of Unity, Support, and Commitment to 'Bring Back the Momentum' To Our Country's Progress and Development' to Marcos' wife, lawyer, Atty. Louise Araneta-Marcos through a simple ceremony held

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