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New viaduct to solve Pancian landslide

- **Rep. Sandro says PBBM is supportive of the project; initial fund: P300 million**

By Ma. Joreina Therese A. Blanco

LAOAG CITY (PIA) – A new viaduct project in the landslide-prone village of Pagudpud town will be constructed this 2023, it was announced by Ilocos Norte First District Representative Ferdinand Alexander “Sandro” Marcos during a press briefing on Jan. 3.

At present, the original viaduct, now decades-old, still exists for travelers on the Maharlika highways connecting Ilocos Region and Cagayan Valley.

Congressman Marcos said the new viaduct project with an initial P300 million fund would address the frequent road closures along the Manila North

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60 firecracker injuries mar Xmas celeb in Ilocos

The Department of Health-Ilocos reported 60 fireworks-related injuries during the Christmas season from December 1, 2022 to January 1, 2023.

The FWRIs figure was

81.82% higher than the number of cases during the same period last year with 33 recorded cases, the DOH noted.

Of the Ilocos provinces, (Pls. turn to page 5)

PBBM admin on high gear to digitalize gov't services, ensure bureaucratic efficiency

The administration of President Ferdinand R. Marcos Jr. has made a commitment to transform government services in 2023 to ensure responsiveness and accessibility to the public.

Improving bureaucratic efficiency is contained in



With the DOLE Integrated Livelihood and Emergency Employment Program and initiative of first district Rep. Ferdinand Alexander “Sandro” A. Marcos III, the Provincial Government of Ilocos Norte headed by Gov. Matthew Marcos Manotoc received Php 9,504,000 cheque for TUPAD. In the photo, also shown at right is DOLE Ilocos Norte Field Office OIC-Chief Janelyn Martin. (Photo courtesy of DOLE Ilocos Norte)



Pres. Marcos Jr.

the administration's 8-Point Socioeconomic Agenda in the near-term, putting a premium on digitalizing, harmonizing, and standardizing government data.

“In 2023, the government shall remain steadfast and continue to pursue streamlining initiatives to ensure the delivery of efficient government services to the people and fight corruption by eradicating all forms of red (Pls. turn to page 5)

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Guest Editorial:

A glimmer of peace appears in horizon

There appears to be a glimmer of peace at the horizon.

In the past five or six decades, the peace and order situation the Philippines has been impacted by the “revolutionary movement” being waged by the Communist Party of the Philippines (CPP) and its military arm, the New People’s Army (NPA).

But the recent death of CCP founder Jose Maria “Joma” Sison in the Netherlands is seen by several leaders as a development that could weaken the revolutionary forces and eventually lead to the end of the insurgency.

Former President Rodrigo Duterte said the passing of Sison marks the end of an era for communist insurgency.

“His death certainly marks the end of an era, and it is my hope that with it, the end of insurgencies in the Philippines and the revolutionary movement that he has founded as well,” Duterte said in a Facebook post.

Last Dec. 17, CPP announced that Sison, 83, died after a two-week confinement in a hospital in the Netherlands.

Duterte said Sison is known for his radical ideas that affected the course of the country’s history and created the NPA that operates up to this day.

“While Mr. Sison and I have had many disagreements – especially in the ways in which he chose to pursue and effect change in the country – I would like to believe that, at the end of the day, we shared the same dream of creating a better future for every Filipino,” he said.

“My sincerest condolences to his family, and I pray that the Lord Almighty grants him and our country peace,” Duterte said.

Meanwhile, Arian Jane Ramos, former secretary of the NPA Guerrilla Front 55 of the Southern Mindanao Regional Command, said the death of “Ka Joma” shows that the People’s Democratic Revolution’s (PDR) purported victory in the Philippines was “a total hoax.”

She said Joma’s death should “serve as a lesson for everyone,” especially for the people who continue to support or push the NPA movement. Ramos believes the death of the CPP founder will further motivate the Armed Forces of the Philippines and the government to take immediate action to answer the main causes of communist insurgency.

We agree with Ramos’s view that there is an urgent need to address the root causes of communist insurgency.

The CPP, through the National Democratic Front, has been effective in its campaign to recruit members by pointing out the inequities and injustices in society.

They target young, idealistic people, mostly students with radical views, echoing the claims of Marxist communists that in a democratic system the gap between the rich and the poor is getting wider and wider.

They also target poor people in rural areas who are victims of injustices -- such as those whose loved ones were killed by the police or rich, influential persons.

They failed to obtain justice in the court because they could not afford to hire good lawyers. They talk about compartmentalized justice -- one for the poor and the other for the rich.

These social issues will not be resolved in a short time because it will take a major overhaul of society. But if there is a proper time to start, it is now. (*FilStarNews*)



WORD ALIVE

by Fr. Bel R. San Luis, SVD

Lessons from the Magi

This Sunday (Jan. 8) we celebrate the feast of the Three Kings or Magi.

Magi were wise men or enlightened astrologers. The feast is also called “Epiphany” (from the Greek word ‘epiphanein’) which means “manifestation” because the newborn Messiah showed himself to the Magi.

What messages can we learn from the Magi event?

The Magi were not Jews but “pagans” who came from the East, likely from Africa and Arab countries.

Hence, the teaching of certain church denominations, like the Iglesia ni Kristo, the Born Again Christians, that they — and only they — will be saved contradicts the message of the Bible, particularly in

today’s feast of the Epiphany.

The Catholic Church does not reach out only to a chosen people but to the whole world. Jesus Christ wants that salvation is universal. Before ascending to heaven, Jesus commanded his apostles: “Go out into the whole world and proclaim the Good News to every nation. He who believes and is baptized will be saved.” (Mk 16,15).

Going out into the whole world and proclaiming the Good News is a priority mission. However, mission work is not only the task of the religious missionary congregations but also of every baptized Christians.

When I was ordained priest in the missionary Society of the Divine Word (SVD), I applied to work in

(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)

Mexico, Central America. Unfortunately, I never got my wish. The farthest I’ve gone to is Mexico...Pampanga!

That doesn’t mean, however, that I am not a genuine missionary. By my work in the media and supporting seminarians under the “Adopt A Seminarian” scholarship program, I am a missionary.

What counts is not geography, but the spirit or acts of reaching out to the less fortunate and those who have not known Christ.

St. Therese of the Child Jesus is the universal patroness of Catholic missions yet, ironically, she never stepped out of the four walls of her Carmelite cloister.

She merited the title
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THE ILOCANO EDUCATOR

by Eduardo Teodoro “Jet” B. Ramos, Jr.

Why Joma Sison’s demise should be considered a victory for all education stakeholders

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FROM LEFT TO RIGHT: The dreaded communist and lead insurgent Jose Ma. “Joma” Sison poses pensively for a rare photograph (file photo from Philstar.com courtesy of Xave Gregorio, December 17, 2022 issue). Children from Negros Oriental towns adversely affected by insurgency celebrate a pre-Christmas event together with officials from the Armed Forces of the Philippines and Dumaguete City (photo courtesy of Judy Bartlow; taken from the Philippine News Agency website, December 22, 2022 issue)

December 16, 2022 was a tragic day for top-ranking officials, rank-and-file members, and sympathizers of the notorious and dreaded Communist Party of the Philippines-New People’s Army-National Democratic Front (CPP-NPA-NDF) for its founder, former UP teacher and public fracas-

prone rebel Jose Ma. “Joma” Sison, met his death from heart failure at 83 in Utrecht, The Netherlands. However, for peace-loving, government-supportive Filipinos like us, the tragedy that befell the international terrorist that is Joma can be considered

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the beginning of the end of the reign of terror of the nefarious CPP-NPA-NDF.

Though Joma's death was unexpected by a multitude, such has signaled the presence of Divine Intervention and the PBBM administration's enforcement of political will in eradicating insurgency, leftism, and communism across the Philippines.

What has gotten every Filipino's goat was the CPP-NPA-NDF's unabashed and unabated recruitment of innocent students from public and private universities, particularly within the Greater Manila Area (the precursor of the present Metro Manila/National Capital Region) since the late 1960s. As a result, many of these gullible, clueless students forsook their books and took to the mountains.

The so-called martyrs whose names are etched on the walls of the ersatz martyrdom symbol called Bantayog ng mga Bayani have failed to realize that their causes are indeed lost causes. Akin to James Dean's character in the 1955 flick Rebel without a Cause, a majority of insurgents died tragically, trying to defend their ideologies that have consumed them like the spirit of Linda Blair's character in the 1973 blockbuster The Exorcist. As for those who are still alive, they still live in the past and attempt to wreak havoc on the present administration by demonstrating loudly on major thoroughfares.

With the administration of President Ferdinand R. Marcos, Jr. converting its promises into concrete, quiet action, rebellion and insurgency will soon be vestiges of the past, albeit dreaded.

Why is Joma Sison's death a victory for all education stakeholders (to be explicit, we are also a part of the education landscape as Filipinos, learners, parents, professionals, and patriots)? Let me provide you with five reasons why Sison's death is a celebration for us Filipinos:

1) Education institutions that are allegedly coddling leftists and communists are beginning to be exposed. Thanks to the Department of National Defense, Armed Forces of the Philippines, Philippine National Police, and other related agencies, the private and public education institutions that are known as hotbeds of dissent are being unveiled. Students and teachers from these institutions who would insist on espousing their lost causes must also be unmasked in public in order for them to cease their unholy alliance with communist-linked organizations.

2) Our children are now being saved from the clutches of the monster called insurgency. Because our law enforcers are more armed to the teeth and because we believe in them, they are motivated to put an end to the deleterious effects of communist insurgency across the archipelago by saving our children and others, including rebels who have surrendered to the government.

3) Communist- and leftist-oriented personalities are unmasked right before our very eyes. Who can ever forget the communist deception princess Raoul Manuel, the vacuous pseudo-defender of teachers France Castro, the insipid Arlene Brosas, the treacherous Sarah Elago, and other members of the Makabayan bloc? Their vehement opposition to government policies and proposals reveal their latent desire to call for a coup of sorts. It is not just the insurgents themselves who are exposed but also their sympathizers, who are from various fields such as mass media, politics (particularly the opposition), business and economics, and education.

4) Many teachers are now open to the truth about groups such as ACT, Kabataan Party List, Gabriela, and others. ACT's overt charging of fees from teachers exposes the organization's lack of transparency, especially in terms of fiduciary matters, and is a major example of plunder. Another example of nefariousness across the CPP-NPA-NDF bloc is the blatant finger-pointing of the National Union of Journalists of the Philippines towards the current administration, insinuating that our government has a hand in the numerous murders of media practitioners. Sus Santissima Trinidad Concepcion de Altapresyon!

5) Parents are now more wary in ensuring their children's protection. Now that groups such as League

of Filipino Students, Kabataan Party List, and other associated organizations have been unmasked as deceptive and anarchic, a majority of our parents are protective of their children and, with the help of their respective local governments and the national government, now err on the side of caution as far as trusting so-called "progressive groups" to bring about change in our society.

God bless the Philippines and our government for furthering the cause of eradicating insurgency, communism, and leftism especially in our education landscape! As for Joma Sison, his death translates to good riddance to wanton rebellion!

NALAING, KABSAT!

Your Ilocano Educator would like to congratulate our two featured personalities for this segment:

1. Dr. Benedict DC. David, academic and business executive, for having been appointed COO of XCE Enterprises, a company specializing in coin-operated cellphone chargers found at convenience stores and other establishments, months ago.

2. The Media and Civil Affairs Group (which is under the Civil Relations Service of the Armed Forces of the Philippines), for successfully holding the first-ever TribYouth Festival last December 09, 2022 in commemoration of the 87th anniversary of the AFP.

Continue inspiring our fellow Filipinos, Dr. David and MCAG! I doff my hat to you on your remarkable achievements!

GUESS WHAT, GUESS WHO!

GUESS WHAT: Proposing preposterous policies and keeping its financially ravenous commissioners are what characterize this government agency known for making the lives of Filipinos difficult. According to my source, who is a researcher and academic, the reason why this government agency in question has never escaped from its errant reputation for its numerous requirements for registration, accreditation, and other discombobulating processes individuals and organizations have to undertake.

What are the lessons of the story? Make processes simpler. Serve the Filipinos, not yourselves (this goes for the cupidity-prone commissioners, not the hardworking rank-and-file employees). Avoid red tape, mind you. Scrap policies that are onerous.

GUESS WHO: Who is this eccentric academic known for his egocentrism and alleged incompetence as a professor? As I spoke to my source, who is a well-respected professor, our subject became my source's professor and was known for requiring students to read articles written about our subject. In terms of teaching, our subject would speak in a pedantic tone and make his lectures revolve around himself. This academic was notorious for flagrant plagiarism in not just one but several of his works.

What are the lessons of the story? Avoid making yourself the subject of your lectures. Be seriously dedicated to your craft. Hide your eccentricity if you can. Be honest in citing your sources and producing your work.

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. You may also message me on Facebook through any of my two working accounts: Jet Ramos (personal) and SpoxJet Ramos (new and publicly official; renamed after my YouTube Channel). I will be launching two online shows beginning on January 02, 2023. UKP (Ulat, Komentaryo, at Payo) will air on weeknights, beginning on January 02 at 09:30 PM. The Ilocano Educator Show (TIES) will air on Saturday nights, beginning on January 07 at 09:30 PM, and will feature current education issues as published in past and current issues.

PGIN distributes assistance to Ilokano entreps anew

The Provincial Government of Ilocos Norte, through the Micro, Small, and Medium Enterprise (MSME) Office, led the distribution of "COVID-19 Recovery Assistance" and "Mataginayon a Progreso Assistance" to over 300 Ilokano entrepreneurs at the Ilocos Norte Centennial Arena on January 5.

298 sari-sari store owners from the municipalities of Nueva Era, Adams, Pinili, Marcos, Pagudpud, and Currimao received Php 3,000 worth of groceries, while 30 "Mataginayon a Progreso" received Php 3,000 in cash.

"Ang gusto po talaga namin ay mas sustainable, kumbaga kaya niyo na kase wala na tayo sa pandemya mode, move on na tayo. And of course, nandito pa rin kami to support all our sari-sari store owners and micro, small businesses, and ambulant vendors," Governor Matthew Marcos Manotoc said at the distribution.

He also stated that the program's goal is to assist MSME owners to expand and profit more, and he hoped that MSME owners would have more opportunities and feel more comfortable in Ilocos Norte.

In December last year, 500 beneficiaries also received the same assistance from the PGIN-MSME Office. The office is also preparing the grant for almost 50 recipients as of this writing. (Mariell Pahinag, PGIN-CMO)

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because of her burning obsession to save immortal souls by offering every little act of sacrifice, every bodily pain, and every fervent prayer.

Let's be aware of our missionary commitment and emulate the persevering faith of the Magi. Jesus said empathically: "He who perseveres to the end will receive the crown of eternal life."

The lighter side: A Franciscan, a Jesuit, and an SVD missionary paid homage to the Christ Child in Bethlehem. The Franciscan was interested to have a piece of the manger to serve as reminder of the vows of poverty and simplicity which they strictly professed.

The Jesuit was more interested to have Jesus enrolled at their Ateneo school.

When they looked around, the SVD was nowhere to be found. They discovered later that he ran after the 3 Kings — soliciting donations for the mission!

"Dear God, all I ask for the New Year is a fat wallet and a thin body. And please don't mix them up... like you did last year!"

Thank you — for your donation to our Adopt-A-Seminarian scholarship program. Let me request more benefactors since there are more seminarians enrolled this school year. Remember that without seminarians, we cannot have priests, missionaries, bishops and popes.

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LA UNION

Theft and robbery suspects in La Union and neighboring provinces, captured in Ilocos Sur

CAMP BGEN OSCAR M FLORENDO – Police Officers have arrested three suspects in separate theft and robbery incidents through an intelligence-driven checkpoint in Cabugao, Ilocos Sur at about 12:00 AM of January 7, 2023.

The suspects were identified as Marlon Padaco y Galap, 31 years old, married, driver; Ceasar Mangamling y Bastog, 41 years old, married, gardener, both residents of Brgy. Tapapan, Bauko, Mt. Province, and Milton Padaco y Galap, 35 years old, married, driver, native of Brgy Lagawa, Bauko, Mt Province and presently residing at Brgy Tamurong, Candon City, Ilocos Sur.

The said intelligence-driven checkpoint was established after a robbery incident was reported in Bauang, La Union where the suspects ransacked the house of Hon. Virginia Ardina, incumbent President of Liga ng mga Barangay, on January 4, 2023 and took valuables and

cash amounting to more or less Php 423,000.00 inside their house and looted from their vehicle the sling bag of Mr. George Picardal containing cash worth of Php 100,000.00, bank book, ATM cards, and a Cal. 45 MAC pistol. Victims averred that the suspects fled using a Toyota Innova bearing plate number AAK 6113 seen in a CCTV footage.

Meanwhile, at 11:00 o'clock PM of January 6, PCOL LAMBERT A SUERTE, Provincial Director, La Union Police Provincial Office, informed PCOL MARLO A CASTILLO, Provincial Director, Ilocos Sur Police Provincial Office, that the said vehicle was sighted within his Area of Responsibility. This prompted PCOL CASTILLO to order all police stations to immediately conduct intelligence monitoring and establish checkpoints.

Suspects were flagged down at a checkpoint in front of the police outpost at

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LGU-San Fernando City opens one-stop shop for quick business applications, renewals

SAN FERNANDO CITY, La Union (PIA) – The city government of San Fernando opened its Business One- Stop Shop (BOSS) on January 3 for business owners to conveniently process their business permits.

The BOSS aims to eliminate red tape and lower the processing time of business permits and licenses release.

“Dahil po ang city government of San Fernando ay may City Ordinance No. 2022-02, ito ang unang taon ng ordinansang ito na kung saan ang deadline of application and renewal ng business permit without penalty ay hanggang February 28, so napahaba po ‘yong duration,” said Rizalyn Medrano, head of the city’s local economic and business development office.

For a more convenient process, business owners are advised to proceed to the online application platform through ebpls. sanfernandocity.gov.ph.

“Hindi na po kailangan na ang ating clients to go from one office to another dahil na- lessen na po ‘yong ating oras sa pagpa-process ng business permits. Through this Business One-Stop Shop, maghihintay na lang po ang client, papel po ang lalakad,” Medrano assured.

Some 26 business renewals and applications were received on its first day particularly, 11 micro; 12 small; two medium; and one large business.

The renewal activity is open daily from 8a.m. to 8p.m., except on weekends. (Kathlene Joyce Ramones/PIA La Union)

PANGASINAN

Slope protection project ongoing along Alaminos-Bolinao Road

DAGUPAN CITY (PIA) – The Department of Public Works and Highways (DPWH)-Pangasinan First District Engineering Office, headed by District Engineer Marieta Mendoza, implemented the construction of slope protection structures to reduce occurrence of landslide in Barangay

Tiep in Bani town.

Esperanza Tinaza, regional information officer of DPWH Ilocos, said the ongoing project is intended to make the critical slope along Alaminos – Bolinao Road more stable as heavy rains and natural calamities can trigger erosion and pose risks to motorists.

“The ongoing project involves the construction of stone masonry, laying out of additional active wire mesh and erosion control mat that will help stabilize soil condition to reduce the risk and potential hazards posed by landslides,” Tinaza said.

The slope protection project, which started on March 28, 2022, is expected to be completed in the first quarter this year.

The project costs P91,671,450, which was funded under the General Appropriations Act of 2022. (April Bravo/PIA Pangasinan)

PANGASINAN

P’sinan gov’t, DENR ink agreement for management of foreshore area for salt production

DAGUPAN CITY (PIA) – The provincial government of Pangasinan and the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) signed a memorandum of agreement recently for the interim management of the foreshore area for salt production.

Governor Ramon Guico III said the area for salt production is about 473.880 hectares of foreshore land situated in Barangay Zaragoza in Bolinao town.

In a statement, the province said “The project aims to provide continuity of operations to the salt industry, give security of tenure to the more or less 400 displaced salt-workers within the aforementioned area with all necessary services, technology and

financing to be furnished by the local government unit of Bolinao.”

“Further, it serves as an avenue to prepare for the looming salt shortage at the end of the year as local production does not cover domestic demand per the previous announcement of the Department of Agriculture,” it added.

The government share shall be computed based on formula per DENR Administrative Order No. 98-67, otherwise known as “Guidelines for the Identification and Award of Areas Suitable of Salt Production.”

Earlier, the Pangasinan State University organized the first Philippine Salt Congress recently in Lingayen town.

Policy makers, local government officials, members of the academe,

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PANGASINAN

Dagupan City conducts flu vaccination

DAGUPAN CITY (PIA) – The city government of Dagupan administered free flu vaccines to Dagupenos during the vaccination drive conducted by the City Health Office at the Dagupan City plaza on Friday, January 6.

The 20,000 doses of flu vaccine was given by the Pharmaceutical & Healthcare Association of the Philippines (PHAPCares) to the city government of Dagupan through the Pangasinan Medical Society (PMS).

Dr. Ophelia Rivera, city health officer of Dagupan, said that flu vaccination can help improve the immune response and provide additional protection to prevent infections with influenza viruses.

“Malaking bagay po ito kasi maraming matutulungan and very supportive sila sa atin. Si Mayor Belen Fernandez ay nagpapasalamat dahil

tayo ang nabiyayaan nitong vaccine na ito. Sana po ay mag-avail po tayo nitong flu vaccine kasi kahit papaano libre and mapoprotektahan po tayo,” she said.

Rivera said the city targets to roll out the vaccines to Dagupenos aged 18 years old and above.

The vaccination drive will also be held in different barangays, also in coordination with the PMS.

Acting City Mayor Dean Bryan Kua said, “Tayo po ay nagpapasalamat sa lahat na pumunta sa free flu vaccine na binigay po ng PMS. Ito po ay malaking tulong po sa ating mga kababayan lalo na po ngayon na maulan, panahon po ng trangkaso at sipon kaya napakalaking bagay po nito.”

Tyron Wayne Oclay, one of the recipients of the flu vaccine, said getting the vaccine will prevent the misery of the flu and

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Pangasinan topped the FWRIs list with 45 cases, La Union, nine; Ilocos Sur, five; and Ilocos Norte, one.

The Regional Epidemiology and Surveillance Unit (RESU) and Health Emergency Management Service said the types of FWR injuries were caused by blast/burn (without amputation – 45.75%, with amputation – 2.3%), eye injury (12.20%), and one stray bullet (1.2%).

Involved were 49 males and 11 females while the most affected age group ranges from three to 75 years old.

A total of 33 cases were actively involved while 27 cases were passive.

“Boga” and skyrocket (kwitis), on the other hand, were the most common type of fireworks that caused the injuries.

DOH - Ilocos regional director Paula Paz Sydiongco stated that all health emergency personnel and public health facilities have provided emergency treatment to all injured individuals during the yuletide holidays.

“Nagpapasalamat po ako sa lahat ng mga local government units natin kasama na ang ating mga kapulisan sa kanilang maigting na pagbabantay noong bagong taon. Bagama’t tumaas po ang kaso

natin ng FWRIs, ay magpapatuloy pa rin po ang pagsasagawa ng public awareness campaigns sa mga ipinagbabawal na paputok,” Sydiongco said.

Sydiongco also proposed stricter regulation on the sale of kwitis and the manufacture of bogas.

“As these two firecrackers account for most of the injuries in the region, law enforcement should be directed towards preventing importing, distributing, and using these fireworks,” she added.

Meanwhile, the DOH Ilocos has awarded cash prizes to winners of the search for the “Pinaka-Bonggang Merry Making Alternative Sa Paputok” which was launched on December 19, 2022 in Lingayen, Pangasinan.

The most creative entry was awarded to the Pangasinan Public Employment Service Office 2 with a P10,000 cash prize followed by Shallom Gideon Balolong who comes in second with P8,000 and third place winner, Provincial Health Office Planning and Training Unit with P6,000.

A total of 10 entries were submitted and non-winners were also given P2,000 consolation prizes. (JCR/AMB/PIA Pangasinan)

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its complications.

“Mas mahal po kasi gagastusin namin kapag nagka-flu pa ako. Ika nga nila, prevention is better than cure,” he said in an interview with the Philippine Information Agency.

Meanwhile, the city health officer encouraged the public, especially people who have yet to receive regular or booster shots, to submit themselves for vaccination.

It is vital to receive COVID-19 vaccination, especially school children aged five and above who attend face to face classes, she said.

She added that observing minimum health and safety protocols such as wearing face mask and regular handwashing is still necessary.

In coordination with the Department of Health, the city’s COVID-19 vaccination sites are open to everyone.

Primary doses and booster shots are available at the City Health Office in Barangay Herrero-Perez and at the Dagupan City People’s Astrodome from Mondays to Fridays.

Mayor Fernandez has targeted for Dagupan to reach 100 percent booster vaccination rate this 2023. (April Bravo/PIA Pangasinan)

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silent and be
thought a fool
than to speak
out and remove
all doubt.
-- Maurice
Switzer

Theft.....(page 4)

Brgy. Bonifacio, Cabugao, Ilocos Sur. Suspects attempted to runaway but were successfully subdued and arrested by the responding PNP personnel of Cabugao MPS.

Recovered in their possession were two (2) Cal.45 Pistols, one (1) hand grenade, one (1) Glock 9MM Pistol, bolt cutter, 28 pcs live ammos for cal 45, 18 pcs live ammos for 9MM, white crystalline substance believed to be shabu, five (5) cellular phones (4 touch screen and 1 keypad) and other personal belongings.

Meanwhile, after close coordination among authorities, Mr. George Picardal positively

identified the recovered Cal. 45 MAC as his firearm which was stolen from their house in Bauang on January 4, 2023. On the other hand, the Glock 9 MM pistol was also discovered to have been stolen from A1 First Class Rienel Arcona and Airwoman Josea Mariz Sarabia, both members of the Philippine Airforce based at Villamor Airbase, Pasay City in a thievery incident during their stay at Ohana Transient House, Brgy. Saud, Pagudpud, Ilocos Norte on December 23, 2022.

PBGEN CHUA commended the concerted efforts and close coordination among police

P’sinan gov’t.....(page 4)

salt manufacturers and salt farmers from all over the country gathered at the Sison Auditorium to take part in the event that serves as a hallmark of the University’s leadership in the development of salt processing and management through quality research, extension and innovation programs.

During the congress, Guico said salt is important in life therefore it needs more attention, budgeting, research and participation from all stakeholders.

“I’m requesting all salt associations to unite for a vision where we will no longer need

to import salt because there is enough supply, enough workers and enough cooperatives,” the governor said.

Meanwhile, KABAYAN Partylist Representative Ron Salo, presented House Bill No. 1976 which stakeholders are pushing for immediate passage.

Rep. Salo emphasized that this endeavor to revitalize salt is not only today as it has started a long time ago but is not given much attention.

“Our vision, hindi lang tayo maging salt-sufficient but we will also become exporters of salt,” he added. (April Bravo/PIA Pangasinan)

New viaduct.....(page 1)

Road at Barangay Pancian due to landslides and rockslides during rainy days.

Marcos said that the Department of Public Works and Highways would start the construction of the viaduct project “as soon as possible.”

A Japanese expert in building viaducts abroad will help in the project using a modern structural design.

Before New Year’s eve, the DPWH posted a road advisory that landslides occurred again in Brgy, Pancian, Pagudpud causing the area impassable to motorists.

“Alam kong

nagkaroon na naman ng landslide kaya we have to start working on the (new) viaduct to make sure na kahit may landslide ligtas ang ating mga kababayan na dadaan sa Pagudpud,” Marcos said.

The youthful solon said his father President Ferdinand “Bongbong” Marcos Jr. is supportive of the project when he told him about it.

“Noong governor siya, nangyayari na iyon (frequent landslides). So, sabi niya, dumating na ang oras na may pagkakataon na tayong ayusin. Pati siya ay nakatutok sa viaduct,” said the young Marcos. (JCR/MJTAB PIA Ilocos Norte)

units which led to this successful operation. “The No let-up investigation efforts of LUPPO, the Intelligence build up, immediate dispatch of troops for checkpoints of Ilocos Sur PPO, and the Inter-operabilities and cooperation of other PPOs, brought us this successful endeavor. This is a proof that we should always work as a team. Congratulations,

Team PRO 1!,” said Chua in a statement.

The recovered firearms were subject for Ballistic Exam and FED verification, the vehicle used subject for verification to LTO/HPG, and cellphones subject for Digital Forensic Exam at PNP ACG. While the recovered white crystalline substance will be subjected for Laboratory examination at PNP Forensic Group.

PBBM.....(page 1)

tape,” the administration said in its year-end report.

These include the strengthening of the TradeNet, a one-stop online shop aimed to reduce processing time and harmonize the permitting procedures involved in import and export in the country.

The Anti-Red Tape Authority (ARTA), in coordination with other government agencies, will pursue the National Policy on Regulatory Management System (NPRMS), which provides a common framework for good regulatory practices, and enforcement and compliance strategies.

The government plans to advance NPRMS components such as the Philippine Business Regulations Information System (PBRIS) to provide stakeholders and government agencies access to proposed and existing government regulations and avoid overlapping.

It will also push the Anti-Red Tape Electronic Management Information System (ARTEMIS) to provide a live database and mapping of all government services indicated in the Citizen’s Charter.

In addition, Philippine Good Regulatory Principles (PGRP) will be implemented to promote proportionate, consistent, accountable, and targeted regulations through an effective dialogue between regulators and entities.

Also, the Department of Trade and Industry (DTI) will pursue the implementation of the proposed Executive

Order creating the Green Lane for Strategic Investments aimed at creating a more favorable business ecosystem.

In line with local government units’ (LGU) devolution of functions, the national government will scale up its assistance to local governments through needs-based and targeted interventions, such as the Growth Equity Fund.

To optimize the government’s Information and Communications Technology (ICT) resources, the government will continue to develop and implement interoperable systems that will further implement seamless sharing of data sources, such as the Philippine Identification System and electronic Business Permits and Licensing Service(eBPLS).

The administration will also address the fragmentation of the justice system through the implementation of the National Justice Information System and Middleware Exchange Platform.

On budget reforms, the Department of Budget and Management (DBM) will focus on rolling out digital systems that will promote prudent fiscal management and improve budget reliability.

This will be done through the enactment of the Progressive Budgeting for Better and Modernized Governance (PBBM) Bill, developing and implementing the Budget and Treasury Management System, and pursuing the National Government Rightsizing Program. #



Laoag City Mayor Michael Marcos Keon (center) and city councilor RJ Fariñas lead the distribution of farm inputs to local farmers in Laoag City held on December 29, 2022. The P8 million-worth agricultural inputs procured through the city's coffers include 300 sacks of hybrid rice seeds, 35 bags of inbred rice seeds, 330 bags of hybrid yellow corn, 40 bags of white corn, 3,000 packs of assorted vegetable seeds, 1,000 bags of Urea fertilizer, 144 bags of complete fertilizers, 260 packs of foliar fertilizers, 690 kilos of tilapia fingerlings and 520 bags of fish feeds. (Photo by LGU-Laoag)

Republic of the Philippines
Office of the City Civil Registrar
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 **ABDENAGO BENZON PARUNGAO** has filed with this Office a petition for change of first name from "**ABEDNIEGO**" to "**ABDENAGO**" in the Certificate of Live Birth of **ABEDNIEGO BENZON PARUNGAO** who was born on **November 11, 1962** at **Laoag City, Ilocos Norte** and whose parents are **Luis C. Parungao** and **Lolita V. Benzon**.

Any person adversely affected by said petition may file his written opposition with this Office not later than **January 16, 2023**.

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

Jan. 2-8, 2023
& Jan. 9-15, 2023* *Ilocos Sentinel*

DEED OF ADJUDICATION WITH ABSOLUTE SALE

Notice is hereby given that the intestate estate of deceased **FABIAN BARTOLOME** consisting of two (2) parcels of land designated as Lot Nos. 63153 731-D and 65939 731-D, both situated in Brgy. Sangil, Bacarra, Ilocos Norte, both covered by Original Certificate of Title No. P-57493 has been adjudicated by his legal heir **Leocadia B. Cadaoas** and simultaneously sold unto **Maria Victoria Bartolome** as per instrument executed before Notary Public Atty. Keith Jamaica L. Collado; as per Doc. No. 373; Page No. 76; Book No. X; Series of 2022.

Jan. 2, 9 & 16, 2023* *Ilocos Sentinel*

DEED OF ADJUDICATION WITH ABSOLUTE SALE

Notice is hereby given that the intestate estate of deceased **FAUSTINO ROBUELTO** pertaining to a parcel of land designated as Lot No. 128, Psd-1-000052, being a portion of Lot 40-D-22 of the Cadastral Survey of Marcos, situated at Brgy. Lydia, Marcos, Ilocos Norte, covered by Transfer Certificate of Title No. E-326 has been adjudicated by his legal heir **Maria P. Robuelto** and simultaneously sold unto **Sps. Hector A. Lorenzo** and **Donna R. Lorenzo** as per instrument executed before Notary Public Atty. John John Felipe; as per Doc. No. 175; Page No. 35; Book No. LXXIV; Series of 2016.

Jan. 2, 9 & 16, 2023* *Ilocos Sentinel*

Republic of the Philippines
Local Civil Registry Office
Province of Ilocos Norte
Municipality of Dingras

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

In compliance with the publication requirement and pursuant to OCRG Memorandum Circular No. 2013-1 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 **LARY CALIBUYOT-BATOON** has filed with this Office, a petition for **Correction of Entry in the Sex Column** in her Birth Certificate from "**MALE**" to "**FEMALE**", born on **June 20, 1962** at **Dingras, Ilocos Norte** unto parents **Antonio Calibuyot** and **Remedios Serrano**.

Any person adversely affected by said petition may file his written opposition with this Office not later than **January 16, 2023**.

(Sgd.) **ELIZA B. ATIENZA**
Municipal Civil Registrar

Jan. 2-8, 2023
& Jan. 9-15, 2023* *Ilocos Sentinel*

DEED OF ADJUDICATION WITH ABSOLUTE SALE

Notice is hereby given that the intestate estate of deceased **JULIO F. PASCUA**, **JOSEFA M. PASCUA**, **ENRIQUE M. PASCUA** and **ESTERLINA PASCUA ACENA** pertaining to their respective share over a parcel of land designated as Lot No. 1729, Cad 576, situated at Brgy. Pias Norte, Currimao, Ilocos Norte, covered by Tax Declaration No. 20-06-009-00397 has been adjudicated by their legal heirs and simultaneously sold unto the Municipality of Currimao, Ilocos Norte, duly represented by its Municipal Mayor **Edward T. Quilala** as per instrument executed before Notary Public Atty. **Maria Louisa M. Que**; as per Doc. No. 195; Page No. 040; Book No. 003; Series of 2022.

Jan. 2, 9 & 16, 2023* *Ilocos Sentinel*

DEED OF ADJUDICATION WITH WAIVER OF RIGHTS

Notice is hereby given that the intestate estate of deceased **ROMEO PASTRANA** pertaining to a parcel of land designated as Lot No. 4-D-2A-B-7-B-2, situated in Brgy. Puyupuyan, Pasuquin, Ilocos Norte, covered by Transfer Certificate of Title No. 022-2011000050 is the subject of Deed of Adjudication with Waiver of Rights executed by his legal heirs before Notary Public Atty. **Jerry C. Villegas Jr.**; as per Doc. No. 404; Page No. 92; Book No. VIII; Series of 2023.

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Publication Notice
R.A. 10172

Republic of the Philippines
Local Civil Registry Office
Province of Ilocos Norte
Municipality of Paoay

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

CCE-0045-2022 R.A. 10172 December 27, 2022
CFN-0006-2022

In Compliance with the publication requirement and pursuant to OCRG Memorandum Circular No. 2013-1 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 **MARLON C. MACAYSA** has filed with this Office a Petition for **correction of entry in the child's sex** from "**FEMALE**" to "**MALE**"; and in the child's date of birth from "**JULY 06, 1971**" to "**JUNE 6, 1971**" in the Certificate of Live Birth of **MILDRED C. MACAYSA**, who was born on **June 6, 1971** at **Paoay, Ilocos Norte** and whose parents are **Mariano Macaysa** and **Loreta C. Cabacungan**.

Any person adversely affected by said petition may file his written opposition with this Office not later than **January 16, 2023**.

(Sgd.) **LEONA JACQUELINE R. GAJETON**
Municipal Civil Registrar

Jan. 2-8, 2023
& Jan. 9-15, 2023* *Ilocos Sentinel*

Publication Notice
R.A. 10172

Republic of the Philippines
Local Civil Registry Office
Province of Ilocos Norte
Municipality of Pagudpud

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

In compliance with the publication requirement and pursuant to OCRG Memorandum Circular No. 2013-1 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 **CHARLIE PAGURAYAN TABIEROS** 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 **CHARLIE PAGURAYAN TABIEROS** who was born on **May 30, 1972** at **Pagudpud, Ilocos Norte** and whose parents are **Ireneo C. Tabieros** and **Florida D. Pagurayan**.

Any person adversely affected by said petition may file his written opposition with this Office not later than **January 16, 2023**.

(Sgd.) **RODEL R. RAGONJAN**
Municipal Civil Registrar

Jan. 2-8, 2023
& Jan. 9-15, 2023* *Ilocos Sentinel*

Republic of the Philippines
Local Civil Registry Office
Province of Ilocos Norte
Municipality of Bacarra

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

In compliance with the publication requirement and pursuant to OCRG Memorandum Circular No. 2013-1 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 **JOSEFINA B. BISARES** has filed with this Office, a petition for correction of entry in the DATE OF BIRTH from "**FEBRUARY 05, 1961**" to "**JANUARY 25, 1961**" in the Certificate of Live Birth of **JOSEFINA PASCUAL BAGAOISAN** at **Bacarra, Ilocos Norte** and whose parents are **Juan Bagaoisan** and **Visitation Pascual**.

Any person adversely affected by said petition may file is written opposition with the Office not later than **January 20, 2023**.

(Sgd.) **CLEMENTE S. GALIZA, Ph.D**
Municipal Civil Registrar

Jan. 2-8, 2023
& Jan. 9-15, 2023* *Ilocos Sentinel*

*Art does not exist only to entertain,
but also to challenge one to think, to
provoke, even to disturb, in a constant
search for truth.— Barbra Streisand*

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IN THE MATTER OF
THE PETITION FOR
THE CANCELLATION/
CORRECTION OF
ENTRIES IN THE
CERTIFICATE OF LIVE
BIRTH OF MICHELLE
VENOSA AGANUS
PARTICULARLY HER
MIDDLE NAME FROM
“VENOSA” TO BATANG
AND HER MOTHER’S
FIRST AND LAST NAME
FROM “LILY VENOSA”
TO “LILIA BATANG”,

MICHELLE VENOSA
AGANUS,
Petitioner,

-versus-

THE MUNICIPAL
CIVIL REGISTRAR
OF PINILI, ILOCOS
NORTE; NATIONAL
STATISTICIAN AND
CIVIL REGISTRAR
GENERAL OF
THE PHILIPPINE
STATISTICS
AUTHORITY (PSA);
SONNY B. AGANUS;
LILY B. AGANUS;
CHICKLET B. AGANUS;
KEYLEE B. AGANUS;
JAMLEY B. AGANUS
AND ALL OTHER
PERSONS WHO
MAY BE AFFECTED
THEREBY.
Respondents.

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SP. PROC. NO. 5796-17

ORDER

Filed before this Court on
November 25, 2022 is a verified
Petition by Michelle Venosa
Aganús, though counsel,
seeking to make corrections in
her birth record, to wit:

- a) Correct Entry No. 3
pertaining to petitioner’s
name from “MICHELLE
VENOSA AGANUS” to
“MICHELLE BATANG
AGANUS”
- b) Correct Entry No. 12
pertaining to the name of
petitioner’s mother, from
“LILY VENOSA” to “LILIA
BATANG”.

Finding the Petition to be
sufficient in form and substance,
the Court hereby sets the initial
hearing thereof on **FEBRUARY
21, 2023** at 8:30 o’clock in the
morning at the Session Hall of
this Court located at the Hall of
Justice, Batac City, Ilocos Norte,
at which date, time and place, all
interested parties may appear
and show cause why the Petition
should not be granted.

Let this Order be published
once a week for three (3)
consecutive weeks in a
newspaper of general circulation
in the Province of Ilocos Norte
and in the City of Laoag at the
expense of the petitioner.

Also, copies of the Petition
and this Order be furnished
the Local Civil Registrar of
Pilini, Ilocos Norte; the Office
of the Civil Registrar General;
the Office of the Provincial
Prosecutor of Batac; and the
Office of the Solicitor General.

SO ORDERED.

Given this 13th day of
December, 2022 at Batac City,
Ilocos Norte.

(Sgd.) FELIX G. SALVADOR
Presiding Judge

Copy furnished:

- 1. Provincial Prosecutor’s Office
- 2. Atty. Alyssa Marie A. Jacinto
- 3. LCR Pinili, Ilocos Norte
- 4. Office of the Civil Registrar
General
- 5. Office of the Solicitor General
- 6. Office of the Clerk of Court

Dec. 26, 2022, Jan.
2, 2023 & Jan, 9,
2023*Ilocos Sentinel

EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE with
QUITCLAIM and USUFRUCT

Notice is hereby given that the intestate estate of
deceased ROMAN A. EVANGELISTA pertaining to their
respective share over a parcel of land designated as Lot
No. 164, Cad-195, situated at Barrio (Barangay) Calayab,
Laoag City, covered by Transfer Certificate of Title No.
(T-8861)4125 is the subject of Extrajudicial Settlement of
Estate with Quitclaim and Usufruct executed by his legal
heirs Josephine E. Marapao and Juliette E. Mateo before
Notary Public Atty. Roxanne Lee I. Castro; as per Doc. No.
383; Page No. 27; Book No. LI; Series of 2017.

Jan. 2, 9 & 16, 2023*Ilocos Sentinel

DEED OF EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF
ESTATE WITH WAIVER OF RIGHTS

Notice is hereby given that the intestate estate of deceased
PEDRO BALBOA pertaining to a parcel of land designated
as Lot No. 19640 equivalent to Lot No. 25352, situated
at Brgy. Gulpeng, Pinili, Ilocos Norte, covered by Tax
Declaration No. 20-014-00688 has been extrajudicially
settled among his heirs Severino Antonio Caipang,
Rileta Cuadro Caipang, Violeta Caipang Saludez and
Encarnacion Caipang Asuncion as per instrument
executed before Notary Public Atty. Maria Louisa M. Que;
as per Doc. No. 371; Page No. 076; Book No. 002; Series
of 2022.

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DEED OF EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT
OF ESTATE

Notice is hereby given that the intestate estate of
deceased FROILAN C. GO consisting of five (5) parcels
of land designated as Lot Nos. 6834-F, 6653-F, 6439-G,
6723-B and 15, covered by OCT Nos. C-10243, C-10244,
C-10245, C-10246 and TCT No. C-14903, respectively; that
Notice is likewise given to the intestate estate of PERLA
R. GO, consisting of five (5) parcels of land designated as
Lot 112, Cad-734-D, Lot No. 2586, Cad-373-D, Cadastral
Lot No. 666, Cadastral Lot No. 643 and Cadastral Lot
No. 674-Part, covered by KOT Blg. P-74180, TCT No.
026-2012004936, TD No. 03-001-02201, TD No. 03-001-
02200 and TD No. 03-001-02202 has been extrajudicially
settled among his heirs Winston R. Go, Christopher R. Go,
Marjoe G. Martinez, Frederick R. Go, Kenneth R. Go and
Clemence R. Go in an instrument executed before Notary
Public Atty. Eric R. Garvida; as per Doc. No. 195; Page No.
39; Book No. XLIV; Series of 2022.

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DEED OF
ADJUDICATION OF
ESTATE
WITH SALE

Notice is hereby given
that the intestate estate
of deceased FAUSTINO
MALUBAY consisting of
two (2) parcels of land
designated as Lot Nos.
36163 and 36173, both
situated at Brgy. #27-W
Naguirangan, Batac City,
Ilocos Norte, covered
by Original Certificate of
Title No. P-37214 and
Katibayan ng Orihinal
na Titulo Blg. P-8969
has been adjudicated
by his legal heirs Benita
Decano Malubay and
Noel Decano Malubay and
simultaneously sold unto
Glenn Agustin Saguiguit as
per instrument executed
before Notary Public Atty.
Windell D. Chua; as per
Doc. No. 333; Page No.
68; Book No. CLXXXVIII;
Series of 2022.

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RA Form No. 10.1 (LCRO)

Republic of the Philippines
Local Civil Registry Office
Province of Ilocos Norte
Municipality of Paoay

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

In compliance with Section 5 of R. A. No. 9048, a
notice is hereby served to the public that **CLARINDA M.
ALIGA** has filed with this Office a petition for Change of
First Name from “**MARIA CLARINDA**” to “**CLARINDA**”
in the Birth Certificate of **MARIA CLARINDA CABUGON
MACULAM** who was born on **January 29, 1961** at
Paoay, Ilocos Norte unto parents **Mariano Maculam**
and **Ageda Cabugon**.

Any person adversely affected by said petition may
file his written opposition with this Office not later than
January 9, 2023.

(Sgd.) LEONA JACQUELINE R. GAJETON
Municipal Civil Registrar

Dec. 26, 2022-Jan. 1, 2023
& January 2-8, 2023*Ilocos Sentinel

DEED OF ADJUDICATION WITH SALE OF A
PORTION OF A PARCEL OF LAND

Notice is hereby given that the intestate estate of deceased
SPOUSES HIPOLITO RAMOS and SEGUNDINA PAMBID-
RAMOS pertaining to a parcel of land designated as Lot
No. 7429, Cad.398, situated at Brgy. Baligat, Batac, Ilocos
Norte, covered by Original Certificate of Title No. P-59779
has been adjudicated by their heir Emilio P. Ramos and
simultaneously sold a portion of aforesaid lot equivalent
to 2,917 sq. m. (Eastern portion, now identified as Lot No.
7426-C) in an instrument executed before Notary Public
Atty. Da Vinci M. Crisostomo; as per Doc. No. 416; Page
No. 85; Book No. CDXXXIX; Series of 2022.

Dec. 19, Dec. 26, 2022 & Jan. 2, 2023*Ilocos Sentinel

DEED OF ADJUDICATION
WITH ABSOLUTE SALE

Notice is hereby given that the intestate estate of deceased
FIDEL CASTILLO pertaining to a parcel of land designated
as Lot No. 1-C, Psd-01-032353, situated in the Brgy.
San Juan, Pasuquin, Ilocos Norte, covered by Transfer
Certificate of Title No. T-20824 has been adjudicated by
his legal heirs Corazon M. Castillo and Marc Castillo and
simultaneously sold unto Brgy. 29, San Juan, Pasuquin,
Ilocos Norte duly represented by Punong Barangay Rudy
E. Llapitan as per instrument executed before Notary
Public Atty. Nestor T. Corpuz; as per Doc. No. 261; Page
No. 54; Book No. XXVIII; Series of 2022.

Dec. 19, Dec. 26, 2022 & Jan. 2, 2023*Ilocos Sentinel

DEED OF ADJUDICATION WITH SALE

Notice is hereby given that the intestate estate of
deceased CATALINA ACHUELA pertaining to a parcel of
land designated as Lot No. 21286, Cad-445-D, situated at
Brgy. Salbang, Paoay, Ilocos Norte, covered by Original
Certificate of Title No. P-29938 has been adjudicated
by her sole heir Juanita Dadoy and simultaneously sold
unto SPS. EMMANUEL D. GALUTIRA and LAILANI S.
GALUTIRA as per instrument executed before Notary
Public Atty. Nestor T. Corpuz; as per Doc. No. 367; Page
No. 75; Book No. XXVIII; Series of 2022.

Jan. 2, 9 & 16, 2023*Ilocos Sentinel

DEED OF ADJUDICATION WITH QUITCLAIM

Notice is hereby given that the intestate estate of deceased
EDUARDO G. SORIANO pertaining to a motor vehicle with
Franchise described as Make: KAWASAKI; MV File No.:
0101-00000501801; Motor No.: BC175AEB01758; Model:
2017; Chassis No.:BC175J-B24743; Type of Body: MC W/
SIDE CAR; Series: BC175J has been adjudicated by his
legal heirs Nelia S. Soriano, Weslie S. Soriano, Jackie Lou
S. Bermejo and Queency S. Cometa and simultaneously
quitclaimed in favor of co-heir Queency S. Cometa as per
instrument executed before Notary Public Atty. John Paul
V. Ramos; as per Doc. No. 62; Page No. 13; Book No. LIX;
Series of 2022.

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PUBLIC ADVISORY
PHILIPPINE STATISTICS AUTHORITY
ILOCOS NORTE PROVINCIAL STATISTICS OFFICE



**TEMPORARY CLOSURE OF PSA ILOCOS
NORTE CIVIL REGISTRATION SERVICE
OUTLET UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE**

The Civil Registration Service (CRS) Outlet of PSA Ilocos Norte will be
closed until further notice due to the transfer of the outlet to its new
location at IT Bar Annex Building, Valdez Center, Brgy. 1 San Francisco, San
Nicolas.

There will be no slots for Ilocos Norte CRS Outlet in the CRS Appintment
System for the meantime. A separate advisory on alternative ways to
secure civil registry documents will be issued by PSA in the soonest
possible time.

SOURCE: PSA ILOCOS NORTE



Philippine Information Agency
Ilocos Norte



R.A. Form No. 10.1 (LCRO)
Republic of the Philippines
Local Civil Registry Office
Province of Ilocos Norte
Municipality of Piddig

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

In compliance with Section 5 of Republic Act No. 9048, a notice is hereby served to the public that **RIMA C. MIRANDA** has filed with this Office a petition for Change of First Name from “**TIMOTEO**” to “**REMEGIO**” in the Certificate of Live Birth of **TIMOTEO J. COREA** who was born on **January 24, 1959** at **Piddig, Ilocos Norte** and whose parents are **Melchor Corea** and **Maria Julian**.
Any person adversely affected by said petition may file his written opposition with this Office not later than **January 8, 2023**.

(Sgd.) ROSALINDA E. JOSE
Municipal Civil Registrar

Dec. 26, 2022-Jan. 1, 2023
& January 2-8, 2023* Ilocos Sentinel

DEED OF EXTRA-JUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE

Notice is hereby given that the intestate estate of deceased **NIDA M. SANTOS** pertaining to a bank deposit with the Philippine National Bank, JP Rizal Laoag Branch with account number 223110369337 has been extrajudicially settled among her heirs **Jeremias T. Santos**, **Jennie Lee Ann M. Santos** and **Jerome Jay M. Santos** as per instrument executed before Notary Public Atty. **Erme S. Labayog**; as per Doc. No. 205; Page No. 44; Book No. CVIX; Series of 2022.

Dec. 26, 2022; Jan. 2, 2023 & Jan. 9, 2023*Ilocos Sentinel

DEED OF ADJUDICATION OF REGISTERED REALTY WITH DEED OF QUITCLAIM

Notice is hereby given that the intestate estate of deceased **VICTORIANO ULEP** pertaining to a parcel of land designated as Lot No. 5213, Cad 307-D, situated in Barangay Catuguing, San Nicolas, Ilocos Norte, covered by Original Certificate of Title No. P-59893 has been adjudicated by his heirs **Flora Ulep Asencion** and **Andres F. Ulep** and simultaneously quitclaimed their shares and interests of the aforesaid lot in favor of **Rose U. Abad** as per instrument executed before Notary Public Atty. **Pristine Amber C. Aurelio**; Doc. No. 145; Page No. 30; Book No. VIII; Series of 2022.

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DEED OF ADJUDICATION OF REGISTERED REALTY WITH DEED OF QUITCLAIM

Notice is hereby given that the intestate estate of deceased **CONSTANCIA T. FIESTA** pertaining to a parcel of land designated as Lot No. 9487, Cad 307-D, situated in Barangay Barabar, San Nicolas, Ilocos Norte, covered by Original Certificate of Title No. P-21833 has been adjudicated by her heirs **Flora Ulep Asencion** and **Andres F. Ulep** and simultaneously quitclaimed a portion of the aforesaid lot equivalent to 224 sq.m. in favor of co-heir **Flora Ulep Asencion** in an instrument executed before Notary Public Atty. **Pristine Amber C. Aurelio**; as per Doc. No. 140; Page No. 29; Book No. VIII; Series of 2022.

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DEED OF SELF-ADJUDICATION OF UNREGISTERED REALTY

Notice is hereby given that the intestate estate of deceased **ROSALIA FIESTA ASENCION** pertaining to a parcel of land designated as Lot No. 7375, Cad.307-D, situated in the Barrio of Barabar, San Nicolas, Ilocos Norte, covered by Original Certificate of Title No. P-32229 has been adjudicated by her heir **Flora U. Asencion** in an instrument executed before Notary Public Atty. **Pristine Amber C. Aurelio**; as per Doc. No. 135; Page No. 28; Book No. VIII; Series of 2022.

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Province of Ilocos Norte
Municipality of Badoc

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

In compliance with the publication requirement and pursuant to OCRG Memorandum Circular No. 2013-1 Guidelines in the Implementation of the Administrative Order No. 1 Series of 2012 (IRR on R.A. 10172), a notice is hereby served to the public that **ELIZABETH SARMIENTO FERNANDEZ** has filed with this Office, a Petition for Correction of Entry in SEX (OCRG Copy) from “**MALE**” to “**FEMALE**” in the Certificate of Live Birth of **ELIZABETH SARMIENTO** who was born on **September 23, 1966** at **Badoc, Ilocos Norte** and whose parents are **Demetrio Sarmiento** and **Basalisa Tolentino**.
Any person adversely affected by said petition may file his written opposition with this Office not later than **January 9, 2023**.

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

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DEED OF ADJUDICATION OF REGISTERED REALTY WITH DEED OF QUITCLAIM

Notice is hereby given that the intestate estate of deceased **CONSTANCIA T. FIESTA** pertaining to a parcel of land designated as Lot No. 9387, Cad.307-D, situated in Barangay Barabar, San Nicolas, Ilocos Norte, covered by Original Certificate of Title No. P-21836 has been adjudicated by her heirs **Flora Ulep Asencion** and **Andres F. Ulep** and simultaneously quitclaimed a portion of the aforesaid lot equivalent to 263.50 sq.m. in favor of co-heir **Flora Ulep Asencion** in an instrument executed before Notary Public Atty. **Pristine Amber C. Aurelio**; as per Doc. No. 155; Page No. 32; Book No. VIII; Series of 2022.

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DEED OF ADJUDICATION WITH PARTITION

Notice is hereby given that the intestate estate of deceased **RAMON LAMUG** pertaining to a parcel of land designated as Lot No. 18128-B, situated at Brgy. Cataban, Laoag City, covered by Transfer Certificate of Title No. T-9583 is the subject of Deed of Adjudication with Partition executed by his heirs before Notary Public Atty. **Candida Dorothy Swerte D. Bumanglag**; as per Doc. No. 321; Page No. 66; Book No. XII; Series of 2022.

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DEED OF SELF-ADJUDICATION OF UNREGISTERED REALTY

Notice is hereby given that the intestate estate of deceased **ROSALIA FIESTA ASENCION** pertaining to a parcel of land designated as Lot No. 7156, Cad.307-D, situated in the Barrio of Barabar, San Nicolas, Ilocos Norte, covered by Transfer Certificate of Title No. T-12941 has been adjudicated by her heir **Flora U. Asencion** in an instrument executed before Notary Public Atty. **Pristine Amber C. Aurelio**; as per Doc. No. 150; Page No. 31; Book No. VIII; Series of 2022.

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DEED OF ADJUDICATION WITH ABSOLUTE SALE

Notice is hereby given that the intestate estate of deceased **JUAN MARTIN** pertaining to his share over a parcel of land designated as Lot No. 70019, Cad. 578, situated at Poblacion 4, Pasuquin, Ilocos Norte, covered by Transfer Certificate of Title No. 2013000133 has been adjudicated by his legal heirs **Rodora V. Martin**, represented by **Gestanona G. Salvador** and simultanesouly sold unto Spouses **Ronald I. Garduque** and **Lylymay C. Garduque** in an instrument executed before Notary Public Atty. **Nestor T. Corpuz**; as per Doc. No. 426; Page No. 86; Book No. XXVIII; Series of 2022.

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NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

In compliance with the publication requirement and pursuant to OCRG Memorandum Circular No. 2013-1 Guidelines in the Implementation of the Administrative Order No. 1 Series of 2012 (IRR on R.A. 10172), a notice is hereby served to the public that **FREXIE JOY FERNANDEZ MAGBUAL** has filed with this Office, a Petition for Correction of Entry in SEX (OCRG Copy) from “**MALE**” to “**FEMALE**” in the Certificate of Live Birth of **FREXIE JOY FERNANDEZ MAGBUAL** who was born on **November 7, 1979** at **Badoc, Ilocos Norte** and whose parents are **Sixto Magbual** and **Helen Fernandez**.
Any person adversely affected by said petition may file his written opposition with this Office not later than **January 9, 2023**.

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

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MUNICIPALITY OF SAN NICOLAS

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

In compliance with Section 5 of R. A. 9804, a NOTICE is hereby served to the public that **JOSELITO BATO NICOLAS** has filed with this office a petition for the change of first name from “**METRING**” to “**DEMETRIO**” in the Certificate of Live Birth of **METRING BATO NICOLAS**, who was born on **December 22, 1962** at **San Nicolas, Ilocos Norte** and whose parents are **Bernabe Nicolas** and **Elena Bato**.
Any person adversely affected by said petition may file is written opposition with the Office not later than **January 9, 2023**.

(Sgd.) ROSEMARIE B. ANTOLIN
Municipal Civil Registrar

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DEED OF ADJUDICATION WITH SALE

Notice is hereby given that the intestate estate of deceased **FLORABISTA RAGUAL ACHUELA** pertaining to a parcel of land designated as Lot No. 21285, situated at Brgy. Salbang, Paoay, Ilocos Norte, covered by Original Certificate of Title No. P-45608 has been adjudicated by her sole heir **Lapaz R. Achuela** and simultanesouly sold unto Sps. **Emmanuel D. Galutira** and **Lailani S. Galutira** in an instrument executed before Notary Public Atty. **Nestor T. Corpuz**; as per Doc. No. 366; Page No. 75; Book No. XXVIII; Series of 2022.

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DEED OF EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE WITH WAIVER OF RIGHTS

Notice is hereby given that the intestate estate of deceased **CIRIACA FLOJO** pertaining to a parcel of land designated as Lot No. 17658-B, on the subdivision plan, Psd-01-041259, being a portion of Lot 17658, Cad. 398 Batac Cadastre, situated at Brgy. Baay, Batac, Ilocos Norte, covered by Transfer Certificate of Title No. T-1249 has been extrajudicially settled among her heirs **Fidencio Bartolome** and **Florendo Bartolome** and simultaneously waived all rights, interests and participation over the aforesaid lot in favor of co-heir **Florendo Bartolome** in an instrument executed before Notary Public Atty. **Francisco A. Musni**; as per Doc. No. 144; Page No. 30; Book No. CXLIII; Series of 2022.

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DENR gets ‘satisfactory’ rating in ARTA report card poll

The Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) capped off the year with a “satisfactory” rating of 89.78 percent in the 2022 Report Card Survey (RCS) 2.0 conducted by the Anti-Red Tape Authority (ARTA) in compliance with Republic Act 11032, or the Ease of Doing Business and Efficient Government Service Delivery Act of 2018.

RCS 2.0 is a tool that measures effectiveness of the Citizen’s Charter in reducing regulatory burdens, and the impact of human resource systems and programs in delivering efficient government service.

Together with

other top performing government agencies, the DENR was feted during an awarding ceremony held last December 19 in Pasay City. The DENR received a Certificate of Recognition, a Certificate of Participation, and its report card.

DENR Secretary Antonia Loyzaga, through Undersecretary for Policy, Planning and International Affairs Jonas R. Leones, said the entire DENR community was honored and grateful for the award.

Leones also said that the high score received by the DENR in the ARTA survey was a clear indication that the agency was “on the right track in its goal to deliver

excellent and efficient public service.”

“With a score of 89.78 percent, the DENR is challenged to work even better to serve the Filipino people through prompt action on transactions done in all our offices. We remain committed to our duties as public servants,” Leones said.

RCS 2.0 has been under pilot implementation since it was launched in 2021 as a feedback mechanism to improve government services.

A total of 50 offices and agencies providing government services were subjected to the pilot implementation of the survey. These include 30 National Government

Agencies, five government-owned and controlled corporations, five local government units, five state universities and colleges and five government hospitals.

Under the RCS rating system, agencies with a rating of 95 to 100 percent are classified as Excellent agencies; 90 to 94.99 percent, Very Satisfactory; 85 to 89.9 percent, Satisfactory; 80 to 84.99 percent, Compliant; and 75 to 79.99 percent, Needs Improvement; 74.99 percent and below, Requires thorough Review of RA 11032 requirements.

For this year, the Awards Committee looked into three

processes of the DENR National Capital Region, including the issuances of tree cutting and earth-balling permits, tree cutting permit for planted trees, and application for chainsaw registration.

Other government agencies recognized as “Satisfactory Agencies” and received an RCS rating of 85 to 89.9 percent were the Department of Social Welfare and Development, Home Development Mutual Fund (Pag-IBIG Fund), Dr. Jose Fabella Memorial Hospital, Philippine Statistics Authority, Philippine Health Insurance Corporation, Valenzuela City, Cooperative

Development Authority, Bureau of Internal Revenue, and Polytechnic University of the Philippines – Main Campus in Sta. Mesa, Manila.

Government agencies that obtained a “very satisfactory” rating or an RCS rating of 90 to 94 percent, and bagged the Silver Award were the Department of Foreign Affairs, the Department of Trade and Industry, the Government Service Insurance System, the University of the Philippines-Diliman, and the Philippine Children’s Medical Center.

There was no recipient of the Gold Award last year. ###

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the courtesy resignation is effective only upon acceptance. Pending acceptance, the officer may continue in his position.

“Kung wala kang ginagawang masama, there’s nothing to worry about. Tuloy lang ang trabaho. We just want to start fresh with a clean slate,” he added.

He said there is a need

to take a radical approach versus illegal drugs by cleansing the PNP because it is unfair to the majority of the police officers who are putting their lives on the line everyday to combat illegal drugs while some of their bosses in the organization are behind illegal drug trade.

“Maraming pulis ang binubuwis ang sarili nilang

buhay para sugpuin ang iligal na droga, ayun pala boss nila ang kalaban nila. Napaka-unfair naman sa majority sa ating kapulisan na matinong nagtatrabaho,” he said.

Ninja cops are police officers involved in the illicit re-sale of confiscated illegal drugs.

Abalos said there will be a committee of

five trustworthy persons, whose names he did not divulge for their security, who will be on top of going through the pertinent records to find out who are involved in illegal drugs.

“Please be with me in this fight. Ang laban na ito ay hindi para sa atin, kundi para sa ating mga anak, sa ating bansa, at para sa kinabukasan,” he said.

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reported before the New Year’s Eve.

“Hindi tayo pwedeng magpakampante at kailangan maging maigting pa rin tayo sa pagbabantay dahil inaasahan na ang peak ng FWRI ay sa gabi ng Dec.31 hangganga Jan.1,” she said.

She added, “We have to look after our younger ones especially at yung four-year-old [child] case natin ay may active involvement o siya mismo ang nagpapaputok.”

Meanwhile, based on surveillance of the DOH

CHD-1 from 2010 to 2022, the highest number of FWRI were recorded in 2010-2011 with 376 cases while the lowest digit of said injury was noted in 2020-2021 with 56 cases.

The health department is continuously urging the public to refrain from using firecrackers, instead switching to alternative merry-making instruments like toy horns or torotot, carn horns, loud music, or kitchenware to happily welcome the coming year. (Caren Grace Cabanayan/PIA Region 1)

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posted to continuously monitor the peace and order situation in the region following the New Year revelry where post-holiday traffic jams are expected.

As to the recorded stray bullet incident,

proper medical attention was immediately given to the 9-year-old victim while the recovered slug at the place of the incident was properly turned over to the Provincial Forensic Unit of Ilocos Sur for ballistic examination. ###

LEGAL NOTICE

DEED OF ADJUDICATION WITH SALE

Notice is hereby given that the intestate estate of deceased Sps. DIMAS CASTRO and IRENE FRANCO CASTRO pertaining to a parcel of land designated as Lot No. 26563, Cad-398, situated at Brgy. Magnuang, Batac City, Ilocos Norte, covered by Transfer Certificate of Title No. T-15142 has been adjudicated by their legal heirs Drenito F. Castro, Elmer F. Castro, Roland F. Castro and Jesus F. Castro, both represented by Elmer F. Castro and simultaneously sold unto Edwin Joseph A. Franco as per instrument executed before Notary Public Atty. Da Vinci M. Crisostomo; as per Doc. No. 356; Page No. 73; Book No. CDXXXIX; Series of 2022.

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New Year revelry in Region 1 relatively peaceful -- PRO1 Dir. PBGen. Chua

CAMP BGEN OSCAR M. FLORENDO- Police Regional Office 1 (PRO1) headed by PBGEN JOHN C CHUA has declared a relatively peaceful New Year revelry in Region 1.

PBGEN CHUA, PRO1's Regional Director said, the New Year celebration in this region was relatively peaceful despite some reported cases of minor injuries caused by firecrackers.

As of January 3, 2022, 8:00 AM, the Department of Health Center for Health Development -Regional Office 1 has recorded 28 fireworks-related cases (18 in Pangasinan, 4 in La Union, 2 in Ilocos Sur, and 2 in Ilocos Norte) and one stray bullet incident in Ilocos Sur.

"The relatively peaceful yuletide celebration is the result of the combined efforts of the PNP, Department of Health (DOH), other law enforcement agencies, local government units and the community who supported the government's campaign against the use of illegal

firecrackers.

PRO1 has maximized police presence on the streets, in churches and in places of convergence to ensure the peaceful welcoming of the year 2023.

"This effort was also complemented by early and extensive information drive of our police on the ground and inspection of stalls selling firecrackers. Along with the intensified campaign against illegal firecrackers, PRO 1 is also continuously implementing strict adherence to traffic rules and regulations to minimize vehicular traffic accidents during the holiday season." PBGEN CHUA added.

The RD, PRO1 also lauded the cooperation of other law enforcement agencies and force multipliers in making the New Year's celebration peaceful.

A total deployment of 5, 152 (2,984 PNP personnel, 516 augmented personnel from PNP/PCG/AFP, and 1,652 advocacy group members) were

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Governor Matthew Marcos Manotoc met NEA Administrator Antonio Mariano C. Almeda, Deputy Administrators Engr. Ernesto O. Silvano Jr. and Atty. Omar M. Mayo, and Acting Deputy Administrator Leila B. Bonifacio on January 3, 2023. They discussed the power rate issue in the province. (Photo by NEA)

PNP courtesy resignation is an act of honor

Amid reports of the continued existence of so-called "ninja cops" in the Philippine National Police (PNP), Department of the Interior and Local Government Secretary Benjamin "Benhur" C. Abalos, Jr. today called for the courtesy resignation of

full colonels and generals of the PNP as part of the government's efforts to cleanse the ranks of the police organization of those involved in illegal drugs, saying that it will be an "act of honor" to rebuild the reputation and integrity of the PNP.

According to Abalos, the ranks concerned are the most sensitive and critical positions in the PNP, hence the need for a swift solution to the problem.

"I am appealing to our full colonels and generals in the PNP to submit a courtesy resignation

because this is the only way that we can cleanse the ranks of the PNP nang mabilis," said Abalos during this morning's press conference held at the PNP national headquarters in Camp Crame, Quezon City. Abalos clarified that

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