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IN: Crime rate down by 15%—PNP data

• *INPPO reports that the province is relatively peaceful*

The Province of Ilocos Norte remained “relatively peaceful” as reported by the Ilocos Norte Police Provincial Office (INPPO) during the Provincial Peace and Order Council (PPOC) and Provincial Anti-Drug Abuse Council (PDAC) joint 3rd Quarter Meeting held at the Sangguniang Panlalawigan session hall, Provincial Capitol in Laoag City last September 27.

The meeting was presided by Provincial Planning and Development Officer Engr. Pedro S. Agcaoili Jr., on behalf of Governor Matthew Marcos Manotoc. It was attended by different agency heads, government officials, and stakeholders.

The meeting highlighted the status of the current peace and order situation of the province, anti-drug abuse and public safety programs, and strategies to combat criminal activities.

Police Maj. Antonio A. Marzon Jr., acting chief of the Provincial Operations and Management Unit of the INPPO, said that based on PNP

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Ilocos Norte Governor Matthew Marcos Manotoc and San Juan City Mayor Francis Zamora jointly signed a Memorandum of Agreement for the sisterhood partnership between the Province of Ilocos Norte and the City of San Juan, Metro Manila. The MOA signing was held at the Plaza del Norte Hotel and Convention Center, Laoag City on Sept. 30, 2023. (Photo by PGIN-CMO) See story below

Ilocos Norte, San Juan City ink sisterhood partnership

The Provincial Government of Ilocos Norte (PGIN) has officially established a sisterhood partnership with the City Government of San Juan, Metro Manila, through

the signing of a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) on September 30, 2023.

Governor Matthew Marcos Manotoc and Mayor Francis M. Zamora led the signing ceremony

at Plaza Del Norte Hotel and Convention Center together with other government officials of Ilocos Norte and San Juan.

This sisterhood (Pls. turn to page 3)

PBBM: Govt to continue providing high-quality, well-paying jobs to Filipinos

President Ferdinand R. Marcos Jr. is resolutely dedicated to providing high-quality and well-paying job opportunities for the Filipino workforce, the Presidential Communications Office (PCO) said on Friday.

Under the Marcos



Pres. Marcos Jr.

administration, the PCO pointed out that the labor market saw significant progress, with unemployment dropping from 5.3 percent in August 2022 to 4.4 percent in August 2023 while underemployment improved

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Guest Editorial:

Vote buying makes a mockery of PHL elections

Vote buying is an age-old Philippine problem which seems to have no solution.

Because of this pernicious issue, we can say that our home country is not a truly democratic nation.

This election evil has reared its ugly head again as the country is set to hold the Barangay and Sangguniang Kabataan elections (BSKE) on Oct. 30, 2023.

Money talks, and so most of the time, only the moneyed candidates win in every election. As a result, not the most qualified candidates become barangay, municipal, city, provincial and national officials.

The use of money to win elections does not only make a mockery of the electoral process but it is also the root cause of graft and corruption on all government levels.

Because they spend tons of money to buy votes, the elected officials while in power see to it that they recover their "investment" and make big profit from it, too.

This is done in so many ways -- including rampant overpricing of projects, hiring of "ghost employees" and cutting government benefits for their constituents.

The ultimate victims are the people who, as a result of corruption, are deprived of having, among others, better roads and bridges and efficient government service.

Sometimes, though, the people themselves are to be partly blamed. In the first place, they should not sell their votes. Without sellers, there are no buyers.

But people who are poor like those in our home country are easily tempted to exchange their votes for money. The money could mean delicious meal for one's family.

If it is any consolation, this situation holds true not only in the Philippines but also in other poor countries. For example, in Indonesia, vote buying is also rampant, according to journalists in that country.

Philippine officials are very much aware of the problem. In fact, recently, the Commission on Elections (Comelec) and the Department of Justice (DOJ) signed an agreement to go after persons involved in vote-buying in the coming barangay and kabataan elections.

Justice Secretary Jesus Crispin Remulla said prosecutors nationwide will be on duty to accept complaints on election day.

He said the need for witnesses is crucial because most vote-buying may be conducted with the use of electronic wallets, instead of actual cash changing hands.

Comelec Chairperson George Erwin Garcia expressed confidence that measures such as warrantless arrest of persons involved in vote buying and red flags like the transport of large volumes of cash and giveaways are sufficient measures.

From our standpoint, the effort looks like Don Quizote fighting the windmills.

Even so, we wish good luck to Secretary Remulla and Chairman Garcia. (FilStarNews)



WORD ALIVE

by Fr. Bel R. San Luis, SVD

Bearing fruits of good works

In the gospel of this 27th Sunday (Matthew 21,33-43), we read Jesus' parable how the heir of the vineyard was badly treated by the tenants.

The parable refers to the servants as the earlier prophets sent by the vineyard owner (God) to collect the harvest. But they were not only rejected but even killed. Then he sent the heir, referring to Jesus, but was also mistreated and executed outside the vineyard (referring to Jesus' crucifixion outside Jerusalem).

Jesus' parable is a thinly-veiled attack against the Jewish leaders who were then plotting to kill him.

We Filipinos may not be rejecting the heir (Jesus) as evidenced by our Sunday Mass going, our prayers, and pious practices but are we

"bearing fruit that yields a rich harvest?"

We can and do reject him when we do not follow his moral teachings as summed up in the 10 Commandments.

There's a story about a priest who was delivering a homily on the 10 commandments with much vigor and enthusiasm. "Thou shalt not kill!" he boomed.

A charismatic parishioner, sitting in the front row, exclaimed, "Amen, Father, amen."

"Thou shalt not steal!" the priest fulminated again. "Amen!" The parishioner practically shouted.

With the tension rising, the preacher paused and declared, "Thou shalt not commit adultery."

(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)

"Ops, ops," said the parishioner. "Padre hindi ka na nangangaral. Nakikialam ka na sa buhay ko!" (Father, you've stopped preaching. You are now meddling with my personal life!).

It's easy to accept the commands of Christ as long as they don't contradict our will. In effect, such obedience is selective.

To be true Christians, Jesus says in today's gospel, "You should bear fruits of good works."

John the Baptist, Christ messenger, said in response to the people who asked for guidance: "What must we do (Lk 3,10).

In very concrete terms, he replied, "Whoever has two shirts must give one to the man who

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THE ILOCANO EDUCATOR

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

A LETTER TO ALL MY TEACHERS, PAST AND PRESENT

(SPECIAL TEACHERS' DAY TRIBUTE)

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Your Ilocano Educator receiving the Phenomenal and Outstanding Educator Advocate and Radio Host of the Year Award on October 08, 2022, exactly one year ago. Photograph courtesy of Alliance of Hospitality and Tourism Movers of the Philippines (AHTOMP).

Dear mentors of mine:

Good day! How have you all been? I hope this letter reaches you even after so many years (or few months). Let me take this opportunity to relay to you my message of greetings as well as my message of gratitude.

I remember three decades ago when I first started formal education. Harking back to the old days, I was an uhugin and innocent young grader who just wanted to have fun, play, and be untouched by bullies. I can still recall the times

when I would cry due to separation anxiety and fear of failure. It may be hard to admit, but I considered myself an average student and I also considered myself a failure. It was perhaps due to my then-undiagnosed post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD) that I was considered eccentric by my peers and even my teachers (and other teachers who were not even my teachers). Such happened until the end of my freshman year in high school.

Since transferring to a smaller school in my

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Ilocos Norte reclaims Best Tourism-oriented LGU award

IlocosNortereclaimed the first place in the “Best Tourism-oriented Local Government Unit (LGU)” category of the Association of Tourism Officers in the Philippines and Department of Tourism (ATOP-DOT) Pearl Awards 2023 at the Boracay Newcoast in Aklan yesterday, October 5.

It first won the top award in 2018 and has three (3) runner-up finishes in the said category since 2016.

The Pearl Awards for Best Tourism Practices of the Philippines was part of

the ATOP 24th National Convention, recognizing the efforts of LGUs towards the development of the country’s tourism industry.

Over the years, the Provincial Government of Ilocos Norte (PGIN), under the leadership of Governor Matthew Marcos Manotoc, sustained its commitment to developing and implementing programs that aim to renew the local tourism industry by making Ilocos Norte a top travel choice while preserving the province’s ecological and cultural

heritage.

Ilocos Norte’s entry focused on Gov. Marcos Manotoc’s initiatives toward making tourism an economic driving force by creating and providing livelihood opportunities for local entrepreneurs, s t r e n g t h e n i n g international cultural partnerships, and promoting local talents and creatives.

The province’s “Lolita is IN” video campaign also bagged first place in the “Best Tourism Promotion Video” category.

The campaign follows the adventure of Lola Lolita as she embarks on a memorable journey of rediscovering joy, highlighting strong family ties and traditions while promoting the natural beauty and culture of Ilocos Norte.

The awards were accepted by Ilocos Norte Vice Governor Cecilia Araneta-Marcos, Mr. Xavier Ruiz, Officer-in-Charge of the Ilocos Norte Tourism Office, and other employees of PGIN. – (Edison Justin B. Deus and Kenneth Dhovan C. Natividad, PGIN-CMO)

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has none, and whoever has food must share it.” * * *

To the tax collectors: “Don’t collect more than what is legal.” To the soldiers: “No extortion; do not bully, no false charges. Be content with your pay” (read Lk 3,11). Interestingly, these words were taught for over 20,000 years ago but deplorably they have not been put into practice.

May it not be said of us, “These people honor with their lips but their hearts are far from me.” * * *

This Sunday is Indigenous or Tribal Peoples’ Day. The Church invites us to become more aware of our brethren living mostly on the fringes of society — the Aetas, Igorots, Manobos, Mangyans, Tagbanuas, to mention some. We should respect their cultures and traditions, and learn from their values. * * *

Fr. Ewald Dinter, a German SVD missionary who has dedicated the longest part of his life working with the Mangyans in Or. Mindoro. He said that when the word

“tribal” is mentioned, what is often conjured are images of illiterate, primitive people wearing G-strings. * * *

People do not know that in fostering their pride and human dignity, a good number of indigenous have gradually advanced in life becoming lawyers, nurses, accountants, priests, and bishops, Fr. Dinter adds. * * *

We are expected to remember and pray for them, the original inhabitants of the Philippines. We are also exhorted to recognize and respect their rights and to love them as our brothers and sisters. * * *

Generous readers. It’s very inspiring how generous our readers in contributing to our “Adopt-A-Seminarian” scholarship fund. This is Christian love in action.

Seminarians are very important. Without them, we cannot have priests, missionaries, and bishops who are substituting the retiring clergymen. * * *

Let’s continue to help our seminarians by sharing your financial assistance. (belsvd@gmail.com)

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sophomore year, I then began to develop the self-confidence that I had been yearning to earn. I started getting good grades, becoming active in extracurricular activities, and making more friends. Such extended up to my college years, although I considered myself less successful during my freshman year in college. I started bouncing back during my sophomore year by becoming part of the dean’s list, cultivating a love for research and scholarship, and making more friends (most of them are my steadfast friends till now); by the time I graduated, I earned my degree with honors.

When I entered graduate school, I started to experience difficulties not academically but professionally because I started my teaching career handling difficult students, which caused me to question my own capabilities and competencies. Despite the rough roads I took, I eventually finished my MA and started building more self-confidence, which I actually needed to succeed not only in school but also at work and in life in general.

Now that I am a PHD student and have experienced more problems (some of which I have successfully overcome), I am striving to learn more and grow further as a teacher. In all honesty, I do not aspire to be mediocre; rather, I am quite ambitious and I am even willing to bite the bullet, so to speak. Perhaps due to my traumatic experiences which some of your co-teachers (especially in grade school) have caused, I have become stronger yet sometimes I have stepped on some people either unintentionally or intentionally, both out of anger and envy. But to you teachers who have appreciated and loved me for who I am, I thank you so much from the bottom of my heart and I will never ever forget you until my last breath.

Because you have taught me and inspired me, I am striving to be a better teacher and, above all, a good person. That is what important, and such is a great realization. Hence, I would like to seek your forgiveness for my lapses, shortcomings, mistakes, and other wrongdoings in the past. I would also like to thank you for being patient and kind toward me and my classmates, which we will never forget for the rest of our lives.

I may be 39 now, but I still remember your names and (perhaps) your faces. That is how much I love and appreciate you all!

Sincerely,
THE ILOCANO EDUCATOR

(NALAING, KABSAT! and GUESS WHAT, GUESS WHO! will return next week in order to give way to the open letter to teachers. -ETR)

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. 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). Please subscribe to my YouTube Channel Spox Jet Channel and watch UKP (Ulat, Komentaryo, at Payo) from Mondays to Fridays at 02:00 PM and 07:00 PM (permanent and final schedules), and The Ilocano Educator Show (TIES) on Saturdays at 09:30 PM. Agyamanak, Dios ti anggina, ket ay ayaten kadakayo!



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agreement aims for the two local government units to share their knowledge and best practices in local governance in various areas, including tourism, trade, commerce industry, sports, education, environmental protection, public health, and social services.

In 2022, the Province of Ilocos Norte and the City of San Juan initiated collaboration through the Producers 2 Consumers (P2C) Program, which aims to empower accredited MSME entrepreneurs and farmers in the province of Ilocos Norte by providing them with an expanded platform to market their products to various areas in the Philippines, including San Juan.

“San Juan has a special place in my heart and in the hearts of my family. Syempre, our ancestral home is in San Juan. So, we will always consider San Juan as our home, and our sisterhood

agreement is just right,” remarked Gov. Marcos Manotoc.

He also expressed his gratitude to Mayor Zamora and the City Government of San Juan for their invaluable assistance during Supertyphoon Egay, extending financial aid of P1.5 million to the province.

Mayor Zamora, in turn, conveyed his appreciation to PGIN, saying, “Alam ko po na dapat ay nagpapahinga kayo ngayon, ngunit naglaan po kayo ng oras para maipakita sa amin ang inyong mainit na pagtanggap. Dahil dito, kami po ay taos-pusong nagpapasalamat.”

Department heads and councilors of the City Government of San Juan, along with the Sangguniang Panlalawigan members and department heads from PGIN, witnessed the signing of the agreement. —(Mariell J. Pahinag, PGIN-CMO)

ILOCOS SUR

Ilocos Sur farmers receive P17M worth of Aggie interventions

In preparation for the dry season, the Department of Agriculture - Regional Field Office 1 (DA-RFO1) distributed a total of Php17,720,952 worth of agricultural interventions during a distribution activity held at the DA-Ilocos Sur Research and Experiment Center (ISREC), San Juan, Ilocos Sur on October 6, 2023.

2,009 bags of hybrid palay seeds worth Php9,643,200 were distributed to nine municipalities in Ilocos Sur's first district.

Aside from hybrid seeds, the DA-RFO1's Rice Banner program also distributed three (3) pump and engine sets, a recirculating dryer, and a combine harvester for a total of Php4,597,052.

Corn growers from Sto. Domingo also received a four-wheel tractor from Corn Banner Program, and three egg incubators were given to the Ilocos Sur Provincial Organic Producers under the Balik Probinsya,

Bagong Pag-asa Program.

The activity was led by 1st District of Ilocos Sur Congressman Ronald V. Singson, along with San Juan Municipal Agriculturist Rommel Hilario, representative of San Juan Mayor Ma. Elaine Sarmiento, Provincial Rice Program Coordinator Engr. Julius Bragado, representative of Governor Jeremias "Jerry" Singson, and Agricultural Programs Coordinating Officer (APCO) for Ilocos Sur Mr. Jomar Dayap. Representatives from the MLGUs and various farmers associations also attended the distribution. (DA-Rafis Ilocos Region)

"Your time is limited, so don't waste it living someone else's life. Don't be trapped by dogma - which is living with the results of other people's thinking."
--Steve Jobs

ILOCOS SUR

DOH nagpaalala sa banta ng leptospirosis sa Ilocos Sur

LUNGSOD NG VIGAN, Ilocos Sur (PIA) — Nagpaalala sa banta ng sakit na leptospirosis ang Provincial Department of Health Office (PDOHO) dito sa probinsya sa kabila ng tumataas na bilang ng mga kaso.

Ipinagbigay alam ni Development Management Officer John Lee Gacusan ng PDOHO ang paalala sa panayam sa programang Ammuentayo noong Sabado, ika-26 ng Agosto.

Base sa huling ulat noong ika-12 ng Agosto na nakuha ng PDOHO mula sa kanilang pagbabantay sa bilang ng mga kaso sa iba't ibang mga ospital at Rural Health Unit sa Ilocos Sur ay may naitalang 52 na kaso ng "suspected and probable cases".

"Kung makikita po natin sa data, iyon pong mga heavily flooded areas during the Super

Typhoon Egay ang may pinakamataas na cases kagaya ng Vigan City na may naitalang 27 cases, at kung saan merong pong dalawang deaths," ani Gacusan.

Kasunod ng lungsod ay ang bayan ng Caoayan, isa rin sa mga bahagyang binaha noong bagyong Egay, na may 17 na kaso at isang naiulat na namatay dahil sa nasabing sakit. Samantala, sa kabuuan ay mayroon nang naitala na pitong pagkamatay kaugnay ng Leptospirosis.

May tig-dalawang kaso sa mga bayan ng Bantay at Santa Cruz, at tig-isa sa mga bayan ng Cabugao, Gregorio Del Pilar, Santa Catalina, at Tagudin.

Mariing pinayuhan ni Gacusan ang publiko na mag-ingat laban sa leptospirosis.

Aniya, "hanggang (Pls. turn to page 5)

LA UNION

La Union town, police partner for environment protection

SAN FERNANDO CITY, La Union (PIA) — The Police Regional Office 1's (PRO1) Highway Patrol Group (HPG) is doing its share to address global warming and climate change.

The PRO1 HPG, in partnership with the local government unit (LGU) of Bauang and the Provincial Environment and Natural Resources Office-La Union, conducted a tree planting activity on September 28 at the Bakawan Eco-Tourism Park in Bauang town.

This greening initiative, which was anchored on the theme "Highway Patrol Group, Kakampi ng Kalikasan," was aimed at gaining the cooperation of all government units and other agencies to attain a genuine purpose of unity in all aspects of public service that will benefit the community in addressing calamities that endanger

the lives of the people in the town and in La Union.

Uniformed personnel and advocacy support group foresters planted 1,000 seedlings of beach-type trees such as bani and umbrella trees during the event.

In his message, PCOL Rommel Estelano, chief of the Regional Highway Patrol Unit 1, said that the HPG upholds the significance of the Philippine National Police's (PNP) core value of "makakalikasan" and vowed to continuously empower its personnel in preserving and protecting the environment.

"Alam po natin na ang kalikasan ang ating panlaban kung merong mga sakuna gaya ng bagyo, storm surge o kung anumang delubiyong darating sa lugar na ito," Estelano said.

Meanwhile, Bauang Mayor Eulogio Martin

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LA UNION

San Fernando City provides barangays with farming input, eyes better agricultural production

SAN FERNANDO CITY, La Union (PIA) — Urban settlers and local farmers from 14 coastal barangays and 47 agricultural barangays in this city received agricultural input to improve their agricultural and aquaculture production through an awarding ceremony held on September 30.

The awarding was led by the City of San Fernando's Office of the City Agriculturist, with 8,425 packs of assorted vegetable seeds, 42 bags of fertilizers, and 2,252 bags of ammonium sulfate distributed to vegetable growers in the city.

A total of 500 pieces of seedlings, 120 packs of polyethylene bags, 30 bags of complete fertilizers, 100 bags of vermicast, and 4,500 packs of assorted vegetables were meanwhile awarded to coastal barangays' urban gardeners.

In addition, water pumps shall also be distributed to five registered cooperatives and farmers associations and 59 registered tobacco farmers at a date to be announced by the city government soon.

City Mayor Hermenegildo Gualberto said that the distribution is the local government's way of contributing to improve production among urban gardeners and vegetable growers in the city, strengthening their economic status as a result.

"Providing supplies to the agricultural sector here in the city is one way to strengthen their economic status and improve their production," Mayor Gualberto said.

The mayor also touched upon the after-effect the distribution will have on securing food sufficiency in the city, (Pls. turn to page 5)

PANGASINAN

Pangasinan Agri-Pinoy Trading Center considered as a Major Agricultural Hub in the country

Assistant Secretary Mary Jean T. Pacheco of the DTI Supply Chain Management Division joins DTI -R1 Regional Director Grace Falgui-Baluyan and Pangasinan Provincial Director Natalia B. Dalaten in exploratory talks with the City Government of Urdaneta, Pangasinan on September 26, 2023.

The activity included a tour and interviews with stakeholders of the Pangasinan Agri-Pinoy Trading Center. The visit is part of the consultation process of enhancing the role of key trading centers in the country to identify possible projects to reduce logistics costs of major basic commodities.

Urdaneta City Mayor Julio F. Parayno III and his team warmly received the DTI Team. In his message, Mayor Parayno indicated willingness of the City Government for possible collaboration that will lead

to enhancing incomes of farmers as well as enhance the contribution of the PAPTC to the economy of the City and nearby municipalities of the Province.

The PAPTC is the Urdaneta City's commitment to agricultural excellence and sustainable economic development and that it shall continue to play a pivotal role in reshaping the landscape of the local agricultural industry. The Mayor also announced that the PAPTC shall be relocating to a bigger and more accessible site by January 2024.

The visit included a tour of the PAPTC and conversations with stakeholders. This was followed by a consultation meeting with DTI, LGU Urdaneta, PAPTC officials, City Agriculturist, Rice Report Officer, High Value Crops Development

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PANGASINAN

PRC to mount mobile outreach program in Alaminos City

The Professional Regulation Commission (PRC)-Regional Office 1 will conduct a mobile outreach program for various PRC transactions to bring its services closer to Filipinos.

It will be mounted on October 18, 2023 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Don Leopoldo Convention Center in Alaminos City, Pangasinan.

Among the services that will be covered include the following: apply for various licensure examinations, initial registration, renewal and duplicate of professional identification card, petition for change of status, correction of name or date of birth, certification, and authentication of PRC documents, and state board verification.

PRC Ilocos regional director Arl Ruth Sacay-Sabelo advised clients to register online through this link: <https://online.prc.gov.ph/> to secure an appointment

prior to proceeding to the said mobile service venue as professional with no scheduled appointment will not be entertained.

"No walk-in transactions are allowed," she emphasized.

For queries and further clarifications, clients can contact the PRC by call at 0906-568-6215 or (075) 649-3798 or through email at ro1@prc.gov.ph or ro1.fad@prc.gov.ph.

Meanwhile, the PRC Ilocos will also hold the licensure examination for aspiring optometrists on October 10-12, 2023.

Here in the region, seven examinees will take their examination at the PRC Regional Office I testing room in Barangay Carmat East, Rosales, Pangasinan.

Sabelo reminded examinees to bring with them their notice of admission (NOA), pencils (no. 2), ball pens (black ink only), one piece long brown (Pls. turn to page 6)

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from 15.9 percent in August 2022 to 11.7 percent in the same month this year.

To enhance employability, President Marcos signed the Trabaho Para sa Bayan Act (Republic Act No. 11692) while the Senate has approved the Public-Private Partnership (PPP) Act with the launching of the National Innovation Agenda and Strategy

Document (NIASD) for 2023-2032, all of which are expected to create more job opportunities.

By focusing on these key initiatives, the PCO said that the government is aiming to propel the nation toward a more resilient and prosperous future, "ensuring that the Filipino workforce not only survives but thrives in an evolving job market." PND

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de Guzman III said that planting trees is not just to achieve sustainability, but also regeneration.

"Once you come here and plant a tree, we're not just going to sustain the tree, but we're going to make it better, not just the environment, but the people themselves, because the people are important here," Mayor De Guzman said.

Prior to the tree planting activity, a memorandum of agreement was signed by the HPG and LGU-Bauang for a stronger partnership on environmental protection.

Under the agreement, the PRO1-HPG will adopt one hectare of a National Greening Program site at the eco-park through the conduct of tree-planting activities.

"Ang inadopt po

naming one hectare ay aming babalik-balikan to the extent na makagawa tayo ng mini-forest," said Estelano.

Personnel from the La Union Police Provincial Office, Bureau of Jail Management and Penology, Bureau of Fire Protection, Philippine Navy, Philippine Coast Guard, Department of the Interior and Local Government, Philippine Drug Enforcement Agency, Department of Environment and Natural Resources, Philippine Eagle Motorcycle Club, residents from Barangays Parian Oeste and Pudoc also participated in the said endeavor. (Kathlene Joyce Ramones/PIA La Union)

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which shall benefit all constituents from all walks of life.

"By supporting them with these inputs, the city's agriculture will continue to develop and our crop

production will highly contribute to the attainment of food sufficiency and security for every Fernando and Fernanda," he added. (Chester Trinidad/PIA La Union)

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maaari po, inirerekomenda po natin na kung wala po tayong importanteng gagawin, o hangga't maaaring iwasan ang paglusong sa baha ay huwag po nating gagawin."

Dagdag pa niya, "kung hindi po talaga maiwasang lumusong sa baha ay inirerekomenda po natin na gumamit tayo ng bota o gloves kung kailangan talaga nating magtrabaho sa baha. Pangalawa, siguraduhin po nating malinis ang iniinom nating tubig."

Paalala rin ni Gacusan na paghiwa-hiwalayin ang mga basura dahil aniya, ito ang kadalasang pinupuntahan ng mga hayop, at kapag na-impeksyon o nahawaan sila, maaaring ito ang magkalat ng sakit na Leptospirosis.

Payo ni Gacusan, kung may masamang pakiramdam gaya ng lagnat ay mainam na agad magpakonsulta sa pinakamalapit na pagamutan. (Aila Villanueva/PIA Ilocos Sur)

Ensure workplaces are 'safe spaces' - DOLE

Private sector employers and workers are responsible for preventing gender-based sexual harassment (GBSH) in workplaces.

In his talk during the Orientation on Republic Act No. 11313, or the Safe Spaces Act for frontline workers of SM supermalls nationwide, DOLE Undersecretary Benjo Santos M. Benavidez underscored that the law mandates employees and co-workers to prevent, deter, and report any form of GBSH in the workplace.

A product of the partnership between the Philippine Commission on Women (PCW) and SM Supermalls, the hybrid learning session attended by the mall chain's janitorial and security

personnel is the first in a series of seminars promoting gender equality and women empowerment in the company.

Citing the provisions of the law, the undersecretary also said that co-workers are urged to provide emotional or social support to fellow employees, co-workers, colleagues, or peers who are victims of GBSH.

Similarly, Undersecretary Benavidez also stressed the employers' role in preventing, deterring, and punishing the conduct of GBSH acts in the workplace.

Establishments are mandated to constitute a Committee on Decorum and Investigation (CODI), an independent internal grievance mechanism, tasked to investigate and resolve GBSH complaints, according to the DOLE exec.

The law requires the CODI to adequately represent the management, supervisory employees, rank-and-file employees, and the union, if there is any. The committee shall also be headed by a woman and not less than half of its members shall be women.

The Committee is also mandated to observe due process and investigate and decide on the complaints within 10 days or less upon receipt thereof. It shall also protect the complainant from retaliation and guarantee confidentiality to the greatest extent possible.

PCW Executive Director and Officer-in-Charge, Atty. Kristine Rosary E. Yuzon-Chaves said the orientation is timely and significant as the nation gears for the 18-Day Campaign to End Violence Against

Women in November. She also cited the activity as a vital convergence between the public and private sectors in promoting gender equality and women empowerment.

SM Supermalls executives also expressed their support towards guaranteeing safe spaces for all.

"We must uphold this Act and ensure that SM Supermalls remain a safe, secure, and respectful environment for all. Today's orientation is one way of reinforcing and promoting an open and nurturing environment as we serve each and every customer that comes into our mall," said Engr. Liza Silerio, SM Supermalls Vice President for Corporate Compliance Group. END/aladm

RA Form No. 10.1 (LCRO) Republic of the Philippines Local Civil Registry Office Batac City, Ilocos Norte NOTICE OF PUBLICATION CFN-0012-2023 In compliance with Section 5 of R. A. No. 9048, a notice is hereby served to the public that MARK DARREL DAGUIMOL TOLENTINO has filed with this office a petition for Change of First Name from DARREL to MARK DARREL in the Certificate of Live Birth of DARREL TOLENTINO who was born on February 15, 2001 at Batac, Ilocos Norte and whose parents are Virgilio Tolentino and Marites Polendey Daguiamol. Any person adversely affected by said petition may file his written opposition with this office not later than October 15, 2023. (Sgd.) LORLYN FLODELIZ P. ULIT City Civil Registrar October 2-8, 2023 & October 9-15, 2023* Ilocos Sentinel

RA Form No. 10.1 (LCRO) Republic of the Philippines Local Civil Registry Office Province of Ilocos Norte Municipality of Banna (Espiritu) NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION In Compliance with Section 5 of R.A. No. 9048, a notice is hereby served to the public that Pedro O. Quiroga, Jr. has filed with this Office a petition for Change of First Name from "VERIDIANO PEDRO" to "PEDRO, JR." in the Birth Certificate of PEDRO O. QUIROGA, JR. who was born on February 1, 1962 at Banna, Ilocos Norte and whose parents are Pedro Quiroga and Lydia Quilit. Any person adversely affected by said petition may file his written opposition with this Office not later than October 16, 2023. (Sgd.) JUDY RABAGO MADES Municipal Civil Registrar October 2-8, 2023 & October 9-15, 2023* Ilocos Sentinel

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data the crime incidents on the average monthly crime rate in the province had decreased by 15%, while the peace and order indicator was down to 26%.

On the other hand, the Philippine Drug Enforcement Agency has declared 446 barangays in the province as drug-free.

It reported that there

are now 15 "Bahay Silangan" rehabilitation centers for drug offenders and surrenderees in the province.

The different agencies, likewise, reported a notable decrease in crime incidents, and road accidents in the province during the previous year.

PPOC and PDAC

officials said they remain dedicated to their mandate of strengthening peace and order while addressing relevant issues.

On behalf of Governor Marcos Manotoc, presiding officer Agcaoili Jr. expressed gratitude to all attendees for their commitment to the province's safety and

welfare.

The Provincial Government of Ilocos Norte, in partnership with other agencies and stakeholders, said it continues to work diligently to ensure a safe, peaceful, and drug-free place for the people of Ilocos Norte. (Allyssa Charisse G. Magno/PGIN-CMO)



Republic of the Philippines
 Department of Environment and Natural Resources
MINES AND GEOSCIENCES BUREAU
 Regional Office No. I
 DENR-1 Bldg., Gov't Center, Sevilla, San Fernando City, La Union
 Tel. Nos. (072) 6072686 / 09772701514 / Email: region1@mgb.gov.ph Website: region1.mgb.gov.ph



NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

FOR THE PROPOSED PROCLAMATION DECLARING SOME AREAS OF BARANGAY SULONGAN IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF PASUQUIN, PROVINCE OF ILOCOS NORTE AS MINERAL RESERVATION

Notice is hereby given that, pursuant to the DENR Administrative Order No. 2010-21, the Consolidated Department of Environment and Natural Resources Administrative Order (CDAO) for the Implementing Rules and Regulations of Republic Act No. 7942, otherwise known as "The Philippine Mining Act of 1995", the hereunder described area in the Municipality of Pasuquin, Province of Ilocos Norte, containing feldspar, mica, silica and other strategic minerals is proposed to be declared as Mineral Reservation, to wit:

Technical Description (Projected in Luzon 1911)

Corner	Latitude	Longitude
1	18° 24' 12.0" N	120° 36' 30.0" E
2	18° 24' 12.0" N	120° 37' 31.0" E
3	18° 23' 8.0" N	120° 37' 31.0" E
4	18° 23' 8.0" N	120° 36' 30.0" E

With an area of **Three Hundred Fifty-Two and 28/100 (352.28) hectares**, more or less as shown in in the attached topographic/location map.

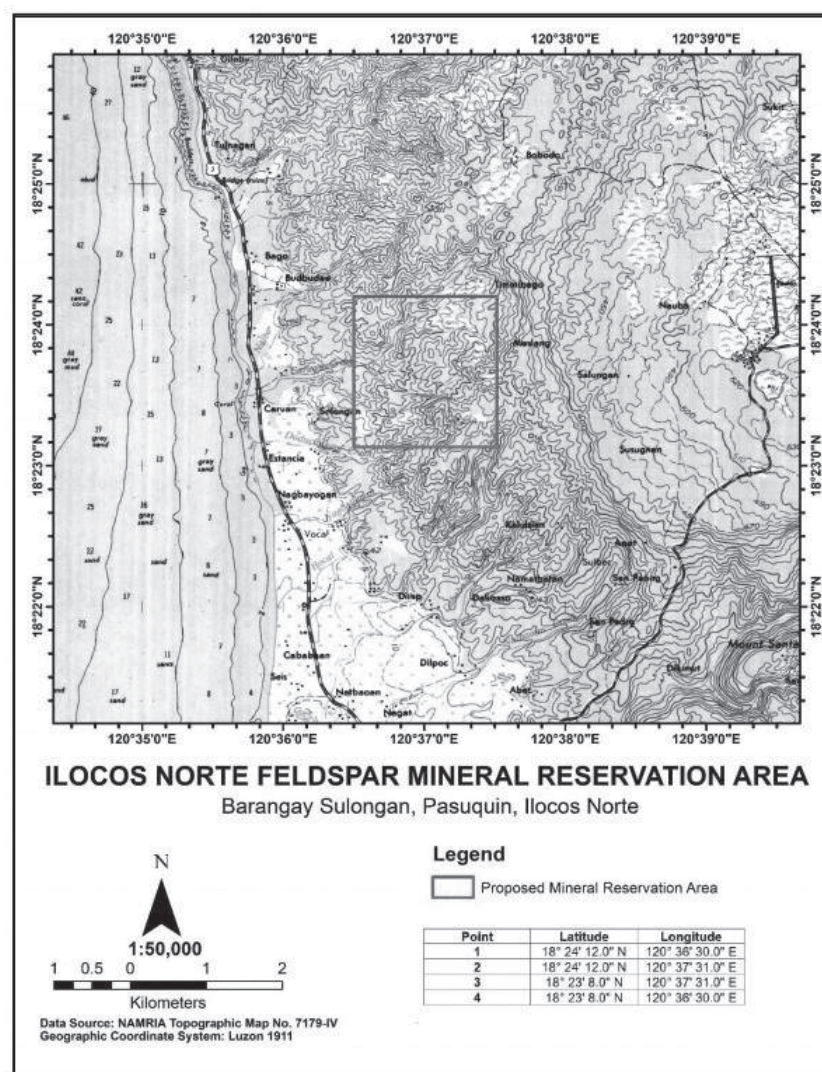
Any and all person interested to air their views regarding the establishment of the mentioned mineral reservation are hereby notified of the following schedule of Public Hearings:

Venue	Date	Time
Barangay Hall of Sulongan, Pasuquin, Ilocos Norte	October 25, 2023	8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Position paper relative to the proposed declaration will be accepted in the Mines and Geosciences Bureau, Region I, DENR-1 Bldg., Gov't. Center, Sevilla, San Fernando City, La Union on or before the above date.

August 22, 2023. San Fernando City, La Union, Philippines.

ENGR. CARLOS A. TAYAG, CESE
 Regional Director



"MINING SHALL BE PRO-PEOPLE AND PRO-ENVIRONMENT IN SUSTAINING WEALTH CREATION AND IMPROVED QUALITY OF LIFE"

September 25 & October 2, 2023* Ilocos Sentinel

DEED OF ADJUDICATION WITH ABSOLUTE SALE

Notice is hereby given that the intestate estate of deceased MAURICIO PASCUA pertaining to a parcel of land designated as Lot No. 15782, CAD-621-D, situated at Barrio of Felipe, Sarrat, Ilocos Norte, covered by Original Certificate of Title No. P-48161 has been adjudicated by his legal heir Catalina D. Pascua and simultaneously sold unto Kristine Malvar Pascua and Pacita Coloma Wright in an instrument executed before Notary Public Atty. Marvison Mark B. Dalayap; as per Doc. No. 400; Page No. 81; Book No. I; Series of 2023.

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Program (HVCDP) traders to discuss the Coordinator, Office of the Provincial Agriculturist (OPAg) staff, farmers' association leaders, rice millers, retailers and

supply chain and logistics issues in Urdaneta City and identify possible areas for collaboration. (DTI Region I)

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envelope, one piece long transparent (non-colored) plastic envelope for keeping the valuables and other allowed items, packed lunch (placed in a transparent bag/plastic), and water.

their room assignment at <https://tinyurl.com/yck9rwd9> and download the examination program for their reference and guidance," she said.

"Examinees are strongly advised to read the special instruction and advisory in their NOA, visit and check

For further concerns and queries, examinees may contact PRC Ilocos at rol.examination@prc.gov.ph, she added. (April Bravo/PIA Region I)

RA Form No. 10.1 (LCRO)

Republic of the Philippines
Local Civil Registry Office
 Province of Ilocos Norte
 Municipality of Banna (Espiritu)

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

In Compliance with Section 5 of R.A. No. 9048, a notice is hereby served to the public that **Thelma Manibog Quilates** has filed with this Office a petition for Change of First Name from "**ALONA**" to "**THELMA**" in the Birth Certificate of **THELMA OALOG MANIBOG-QUILATES** who was born on **March 10, 1955** at **Banna, Ilocos Norte** and whose parents are **Florendo Manibog** and **Violeta Oalog**.

Any person adversely affected by said petition may file his written opposition with this Office not later than **October 20, 2023**.

(Sgd.) **JUDY RABAGO MADES**
 Municipal Civil Registrar

October 2-8, 2023
 & October 9-15, 2023* Ilocos Sentinel

DEED OF ADJUDICATION WITH QUITCLAIM

Notice is hereby given that the intestate estate of deceased GREGORIO, FRANCISCO, PABLO, ANDREA and AURELIO, all surmamed JOSE pertaining to a parcel of land designated as Lot No. 11754, situated at Brgy. 2 Sta. Joaquina, Laoag City, covered by Original Certificate of Title No. O-437 has been adjudicated by their legal heirs Hilario Agcaoili Jose and Quintin J. Bartolome and simultaneously quitclaimed in favor of Niña Lharlyne M. Jose and Christine Angelique M. Jose an area of the aforesaid lot equivalent to 159 sq. m. in an instrument executed before Notary Public Atty. Edito A.G. Balintona; as per Doc. No. 359; Page No. 73; Book No. X; Series of 2023.

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

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

CCE-0042-2023 (10172) Date: September 27, 2023

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 **Estelita Claro Aguineldo** has filed with this office a petition for **Correction of Clerical Error under the Child's Date of Birth** from "**July 18, 1962**" to "**July 19, 1962**" in the Certificate of Live Birth of **ESTELITA CLARO AGUINALDO** at **Solsona, Ilocos Norte** and whose parents are **Antolin R. Aguineldo** and **Maximina M. Claro**.

Any person adversely affected by said petition may file is written opposition with the Office not later than **October 16, 2023**.

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

October 2-8, 2023
 & October 9-15, 2023* Ilocos Sentinel

DEED OF ADJUDICATION WITH ABSOLUTE SALE

Notice is hereby given that the intestate estate of deceased FLORENTINO G. DOMINGO pertaining to his share over a parcel of land designated as Lot No. 15781, CAD-621-D, situated at Barrio of Felipe, Sarrat, Ilocos Norte, covered by Transfer Certificate of Title No. 022-T-17086 has been adjudicated by his legal heir Andrea N. Domingo and simultaneously sold unto Kristine Malvar Pascua and Pacita C. Wright in an instrument executed before Notary Public Atty. Marvison Mark B. Dalayap; as per Doc. No. 401; Page No. 82; Book No. I; Series of 2023.

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

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

In Compliance with Section 5 of R.A. No. 9048, a notice is hereby served to the public that **MARCELIANO J. CAMACHO JR.** has filed with this Office a petition for Change of First Name in his Birth Certificate from "**MARTILLANO**" to "**MARCELIANO JR.**" who was born on **January 15, 1975** at **Dingras, Ilocos Norte** and whose parents are **Marceliano Camacho** and **Valentina Jacinto**.

Any person adversely affected by said petition may file his written opposition with this Office not later than **October 8, 2023**.

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

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& October 2-8, 2023* *Ilocos Sentinel*

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

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

In Compliance with Section 5 of R.A. No. 9048, a notice is hereby served to the public that **FELICENCIA D. SILVESTRE** has filed with this Office a petition for Change of First Name in her Birth Certificate from "**CARMEN FELICENCIA**" to "**FELICENCIA**" who was born on **July 8, 1957** at **Dingras, Ilocos Norte** and whose parents are **Laureano Dela Cruz** and **Irene Duldulao**.

Any person adversely affected by said petition may file his written opposition with this Office not later than **October 8, 2023**.

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

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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 **JOSIE ADELIA ALEJANDRO FRANCISCO** has filed with this Office a petition for Change of First Name from **JOSIE DELIA** to **JOSIE ADELIA** in the Certificate of Live Birth of **JOSIE DELIA FRANCISCO** who was born on **February 12, 1959** at **Laoag City, Ilocos Norte** and whose parents are **Constantino Francisco** and **Anastacia Alejandro**.

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

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

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Publication Notice
R.A. 10172

Republic of the Philippines
Office of the City Civil Registrar
Laoag City, Ilocos Norte

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

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 **BERNADINE, JR. DIMACALI CALDERON** has filed with this office, a petition for Correction of Entry in his **SEX** from "**FEMALE**" to "**MALE**" in the Certificate of Live Birth of **BERNADINE, JR. DIMACALI** who was born on **February 9, 2000** and whose parents are **BERNADINE CALDERON** and **PERSIPHONE DIMACALI**.

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

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

September 25-October 1, 2023
& October 2-8, 2023* *Ilocos Sentinel*

DEED OF ADJUDICATION WITH ABSOLUTE SALE

Notice is hereby given that the intestate estate of the late **MAXIMINA DIAZ** pertaining to a parcel of land designated as Lot No. 26551-B Part, situated at San Lorenzo, Bangui, Ilocos Norte, covered under Tax Declaration No. 14-0001-01185 has been adjudicated by her legal heir **Vivencio Q. Diaz, Jr.** unto himself and simultaneously sold unto Spouses **Alex M. Cimatu** and **Rosa A. Cimatu** a portion of abovesaid parcel of land equivalent to 369 sq.m. (now referred as Lot No. 26551-B-1) in an instrument executed before Notary Public Atty. **Joel P. Dadis**; as per Doc. No. 229; Page No. 46; Book No. I; Series of 2019.

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

DEED OF ADJUDICATION WITH ABSOLUTE SALE

Notice is hereby given that the intestate estate of the late **EMMA D. ARAFILES** pertaining to a parcel of land designated as Lot No. 26551-A-3, Csd-01-026621-D, Cad-734-D, situated at Brgy. San Lorenzo, Bangui, Ilocos Norte, covered by Original Certificate of Title No. **CARP2015001139** has been adjudicated by her legal heir **Ric Domine Arafiles** unto himself and simultaneously sold unto **Alex M. Cimatu** in an instrument executed before Notary Public Atty. **Jose Roy B. Raval**; as per Doc. No. 280; Page No. 57; Book No. XV; Series of 2023.

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

REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES
REGIONAL TRIAL COURT
FIRST JUDICIAL REGION
BRANCH 18, BATAC CITY
rtcbat018@judiciary.gov.ph mobile number 09708334640

IN RE: PETITION FOR THE CORRECTION OF THE CERTIFICATE OF LIVE BIRTH OF **EDEL GRACE BACUDIO BLANCO**, PARTICULARLY THE ENTRY IN BOX NO. 6 THEREOF (MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER) WHICH SHOULD BE **DELIA-DOMINGA ARELLANO BACUDIO** INSTEAD OF **DELIA B. BACUDIO**

EDEL GRACE BACUDIO BLANCO
Petitioner,

-versus-

THE LOCAL CIVIL REGISTRY OF BATAC CITY, THE CIVIL REGISTRAR GENERAL AND ALL OTHERS WHOSE INTEREST MAY BE AFFECTED, Respondents.

Sp. Proc. No. 5824-18
For: Correction of Entry
X-----X

ORDER

This is a verified petition for Correction of the Certificate of Live Birth filed by **Edel Grace Bacudio Blanco** of Brgy. Baay,

Batac City, Ilocos Norte, through counsel, asking that after due publication and hearing, an Order be issued directing public respondents to correct the error in petitioner's Certificate of Live Birth/birth record, particularly the entry in Box No. 6 thereof, thus: MAIDEN NAME: **DELIA-DOMINGA ARELLANO BACUDIO**.

The Court hereby sets the initial hearing of the Petition on **November 13, 2023, at 8:30 A.M.** at the session hall of this Court located at the Bulwagan Ng Katarungan, Batac City, on 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 at the expense of the petitioner once a week for three (3) consecutive weeks in a newspaper of general circulation in the province of Ilocos Norte and the City of Laoag.

Let also copies of this petition and this Order be furnished the City Civil Registrar Batac City, the Civil Registrar-General, Philippine Statistics Authority, Manila, the Office of the City Prosecutor, Batac City, Ilocos Norte, and the Office of the Solicitor General, Manila.

SO ORDERED.
Batac City, September 22, 2023.

(SGD.) **MARIA CORAZON M. LABRADOR**
Presiding Judge

Copy furnished:

- 1) Atty. **Joel R. Garcia**
Batac City
- 2) The City Civil Registrar
Batac City
- 3) Office of the Civil Registrar General
Phil. Statistics Authority
Manila
- 4) Office of the Solicitor General
134 Amorsolo St., Legaspi Village
Makati City
- 5) Office of the City Prosecutor
Batac City

October 2, 9 & 16, 2023* *Ilocos Sentinel*

DEED OF ADJUDICATION WITH ABSOLUTE SALE

Notice is hereby given that the intestate estate of the late **MAXIMINA DIAZ** pertaining to a parcel of land designated as Lot No. 26551-B Part, situated at San Lorenzo, Bangui, Ilocos Norte, covered under Tax Declaration No. 14-0001-01185 has been adjudicated by her legal heir **Vivencio Q. Diaz, Jr.** unto himself and simultaneously sold unto Spouses **Alex M. Cimatu** and **Rosa A. Cimatu** a portion of abovesaid parcel of land equivalent to 526 sq.m. (now referred as Lot No. 26551-B-4) in an instrument executed before Notary Public Atty. **Joel P. Dadis**; as per Doc. No. 01; Page No. 01; Book No. XVIII; Series of 2017.

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

DEED OF ADJUDICATION WITH ABSOLUTE SALE

Notice is hereby given that the intestate estate of the late **MAXIMINA DIAZ** pertaining to a parcel of land designated as Lot No. 26551-B Part, situated at San Lorenzo, Bangui, Ilocos Norte, covered under Tax Declaration No. 14-0001-01185 has been adjudicated by her legal heir **Vivencio Q. Diaz, Jr.** unto himself and simultaneously sold unto Spouses **Teodoro L. Aleta** and **Emely P. Aleta** a portion of abovesaid parcel of land equivalent to 200 sq.m. (now referred as Lot No. 26551-B-2) in an instrument executed before Notary Public Atty. **Joel P. Dadis**; as per Doc. No. 11; Page No. 03; Book No. XVII; Series of 2017.

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

DEED OF ADJUDICATION WITH ABSOLUTE SALE WITH PARTITION

Notice is hereby given that the intestate estate of deceased CONSOLACION DOCTOLERO pertaining to a parcel of land designated as Lot No. 2, CCS-01-001047, equivalent to Lot 28667, Cad-621-D, situated at Brgy. 22 San Cristobal, Sarrat, Ilocos Norte, covered by Katibayan ng Orihinal na Titulo Blg. P-69625 is the subject of Deed of Adjudication with Absolute Sale executed by and among her legal heirs Redentor Dcotolero and Rebe Ca Doctolero before Notary Public Atty. Nestor T. Corpuz; as per Doc. No. 122; Page No. 26; Book No. XXXVIII; Series of 2023.

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DEED OF ADJUDICATION WITH ABSOLUTE SALE

Notice is hereby given that the intestate estate of deceased FLODELINO A. BALOALOA pertaining to a parcel of land designated as Lot No. 21312, Cad 734-D, Bangui Cadastre, situated in Baruyen, Bangui, Ilocos Norte, covered by Original Certificate of Title No. P-55729 has been adjudicated by her legal heirs ERLinda Baloaloo-Ravelo, Pedro A. Baloaloo, Amancia Baloaloo-Salcedo and Agnes Baloaloo-Baloloy and simultaneously sold unto MANOTOK KINGFISHER INC. represented by Benjamin Miguel A. Manotok in an instrument executed before Notary Public Atty. Alexandra Elyze R. Alcid; as per Doc. No. 218; Page No. 45; Book No. I; Series of 2023.

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

DEED OF EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT WITH WAIVER OF SHARES

Notice is hereby given that the intestate estate of the late MARGARITA M. TABANIAG pertaining to a parcel of land designated as Lot No. 2257, situated at Brgy. 2 San Nicolas, Ilocos Norte, covered by Original Certificate of Title No. 2014000287 has been extrajudicially settled by and among her legal heirs Robert M. Tabaniag, Delfin M. Tabaniag, Evelyn T. Mabalay, Catherine T. Capili, Jose Modesto M. Tabaniag and Jesse Valerion Tabaniag; that Jose Modesto M. Tabaniag and Delfin M. Tabaniag waived their ownership, interest, rights and participation in the above-described parcel of land in favor of co-heir Robert M. Tabaniag in an instrument executed before Notary Public Atty. Marcelino M. Quitaras Jr.; as per Doc. No. 429; Page No. 87; Book No. CCXXIII; Series of 2023; that the aforesaid Deed of Extrajudicial Settlement of Estate with Waiver of Shares was the subject of Acknowledgment in separate instrument executed by heirs Robert M. Tabaniag, Evelyn T. Mabalay, Catherine T. Capili and Jesse Valerion Tabaniag before Philippine Consul Grace Anne G. Bulos in and for the City and County of Honolulu, Hawai'i, United States of America on August 23, 2023, as per Doc. No. 2808; Page No. 18; Book No. L; Series of 2023

Sept. 25-Oct.1, Oct. 2-8 & Oct. 9-15, 2023*Ilocos Sentinel

DEED OF ADJUDICATION WITH ABSOLUTE SALE

Notice is hereby given that the intestate estate of the late ERIC B. LEAÑO pertaining to a parcel of land designated as Lot No. 9430 Cad. 577-D of the Vintar Cadastre, situated at Brgy. Parparoroc, Vintar, Ilocos Norte, covered by Katibayan ng Orihinal na Titulo Blg. P-79667 has been adjudicated by his legal heirs Virginia Leoño and Jeenell Leaño and simultaneously sold unto Shirley Simolata and Joemar Simolata in an instrument executed before Notary Public Atty. Antonio R. Cajigal; as per Doc. No. 160; Page No. 33; Book No. XXXI; Series of 2010.

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

R.A. Form No. 10.1 (LCRO)

Republic of the Philippines
Local Civil Registry Office
Province of Ilocos Norte
Municipality of Banna (Espiritu)

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

In compliance with Section 5 of RA No. 9048, a notice is hereby served to the public that **Norma G. Pablico** has filed with this Office a petition for Change of First Name from "**ADELINA**" to "**NORMA**" in the Birth Certificate of **NORMA ILA GALINATO-PABLICO** who was born on **March 25, 1953** at **Banna, Ilocos Norte** and whose parents are **Perfecto Galinato** and **Catalina Ila**.

Any person adversely affected by said petition may file his written opposition with this Office not later than **October 6, 2023**.

(Sgd.) **JUDY RABAGO MADES**
Municipal Civil Registrar

September 18-24, 2023
& September 25-October 1, 2023*Ilocos Sentinel

DEED OF ADJUDICATION WITH QUICLAIM

Notice is hereby given that the intestate estate of the late ELISEO B. BONILLA and PACIENCIA GUTIERREZ BONILLA pertaining to their respective shares over two (2) parcels of land designated as Lot Nos. 5481 and 5605, both situated at Brgy. 22 San Guillermo, San Nicolas, Ilocos Norte, both covered by T.C.T. No. 022-2010000195 has been adjudicated by their legal heir Juanita Bonilla Piedad unto herself and simultaneously quitclaimed all her rightful rights over the aforesaid lots in favor of Bernadette Piedad Senado in an instrument executed before Notary Public Atty. Luciano R. Caraang; as per Doc. No. 463; Page No. 93; Book No. 222; Series of 2023.

Sept. 25, Oct. 2 & 9, 2023*Ilocos Sentinel

DEED OF ADJUDICATION

Notice is hereby given that the intestate estate of the late SPS. LUCIO NICOLAS and MARIA BARTOLOME pertaining to a parcel of land designated as Lot No. 24005 of the Cadastral Survey of Laoag, situated in the Barrio of San Matias, Municipality of Laoag (now Laoag City), covered by Original Certificate of Title No. 14936, under Tax Declaration No. 17-0024-00212 has been adjudicated by their legal heir Jovita B. Marcos-Calamaan unto herself in an instrument executed before Notary Public Atty. Erme S. Labayog; as per Doc. No. 436; Page No. 89; Book No. CXV; Series of 2023.

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DEED OF ADJUDICATION WITH ABSOLUTE SALE

Notice is hereby given that the intestate estate of the late JUANITO PAJINAG pertaining to a parcel of land designated as Lot No. 7667-A, Csd-1-002884, situated at Brgy. Napu, Badoc, Ilocos Norte, covered by Transfer Certificate of Title No. TCT 2020000504 has been adjudicated by his legal heir Rosario Pajinag unto herself and simultaneously sold unto Spouses Ronald Castro and Carina Lumaguip-Castro in an instrument executed before Notary Public Atty. Windell D. Chua; as per Doc. No. 218; Page No. 45; Book No. CCLXX; Series of 2023.

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Notice is hereby given that the intestate estate of deceased ROMANA M. GANITANO pertaining to a parcel of land designated as Lot No. 3, pcs-01-004501, L.R.C. Rec. No.____, situated in Barangay 49-A, Darayday, City of Laoag, covered by Transfer Certificate of Title No. 021-2010000327 has been adjudicated by her legal heirs Benjamin A. Ganitano, Amelia G. Dichoso and Alex M. Ganitano and simultaneously sold unto Josephine G. Acoba in an instrument executed before Notary Public Atty. Ed Von Fernandez Cid; as per Doc. No. 282; Page No. 58; Book No. 34; Series of 2023.

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DEED OF ADJUDICATION WITH ABSOLUTE SALE

Notice is hereby given that the intestate estate of the late NICASIO PASCUAL DELA CRUZ pertaining to a parcel of land designated as Lot No. 20382, situated at Brgy. 60-B, Madiladig, Laoag City, covered by Transfer Certificate of Title No. T-39108 has been adjudicated by his legal heirs Alma Dela Cruz Tambua, Alwin Dela Cruz, Nick Dela Cruz and Allan Dela Cruz unto themselves and simultaneously sold unto Joselito C. De Vera in an instrument executed before Notary Public Atty. Michael M. Garces; as per Doc. No. 469; Page No. 95; Book No. LXVII; Series of 2023.

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DEED OF ADJUDICATION WITH ABSOLUTE SALE

Notice is hereby given that the intestate estate of the late EUGENIA FLORENTINO and ROSITA F. ARANZANSO pertaining to a parcel of land designated as Lot No. 90086, Cad-578, situated at Brgy. Poblacion 2, Pasuquin, Ilocos Norte, covered by OCT No. 2016000079 has been adjudicated by their legal heirs Florendo M. Florentino, Gloria Florentino-Ragasa, Elena Florentino-Garcia, Anita Salvacion Florentino-Aranzanso, Jessie Florentino Aranzanso and Janette Aranzanso-Langit unto themselves and simultaneously sold unto co-heir Jessie F. Aranzanso in an instrument executed before Notary Public Atty. Nestor T. Corpuz; as per Doc. No. 509; Page No. 103; Book No. XXXVII; Series of 2023.

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AFFIDAVIT OF SELF-ADJUDICATION

Notice is hereby given that the intestate estate of the late CRISTALITA T. MANUEL pertaining to a parcel of land designated as Lot No. 5837-A, PSD-1-01959, being a portion of Lot 5837, Laoag Cadastre, L.R.C. Rec. No. 1171, situated at the Barrio of Bengcag, City of Laoag, covered by Transfer Certificate of Title No. (T-33944) 021-2023000378 has been adjudicated by her legal heir Benjamin Joseph F. Manuel unto himself in an instrument executed before Notary Public Atty. Michelle Ivy R. Candelaria-Mangabat; as per Doc. No. 328; Page No. 67; Book No. II; Series of 2023.

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DEED OF EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE WITH ABSOLUTE SALE

Notice is hereby given that the intestate estate of the late SPOUSES DOROTEO MARCOS and BERNARDA GAMBALAN pertaining to a parcel of land designated as Lot No. 20731-B, situated at Brgy. Tabug, Batac, Ilocos Norte, covered under Tax Declaration No. 05-043-00876 has been extrajudicially settled by and among their legal heirs Gregorio G. Marcos and Estelita M. Rosario unto themselves and simultaneously sold unto Reymund C. Agtunong in an instrument executed before Notary Public Atty. Windell D. Chua; as per Doc. No. 447; Page No. 91; Book No. CCXCIV; Series of 2023.

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EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE

Notice is hereby given that the intestate estate of the late VENANCIA T. AGUILAR and JORGE AGUILAR pertaining to a parcel of land designated as Lot No. 37381, before Lot 13142-B, Csd-1-00029, of the Cadastral Survey of Laoag, Cad. Case No. 44, LRC Cad. Rec. No. 1203, with improvements thereon, situated in the Barrio of Ntra. Sra. de Consolacion, City of Laoag, covered by Transfer Certificate of Title (TCT) No. 26395 has been extrajudicially settled by and among their heirs Juanita Aguilar-Almario, Adelaida Aguilar-Galiza, Regina Aguilar-Ampuan, Sonia Aguilar-Arboleda, Leonor Aguilar and Aurora Aguilar in an instrument executed before Notary Public Atty. Eranio G. Cedillo for Quezon City; as per Doc. No. 246; Page No. 50; Book No. 28; Series of 2022.

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DOH rolls-out second batch of Biosafety training for health workers of North Luzon

The Department of Health (DOH) in collaboration with the Biorisk Management Office (BMO) of the Research Institute for Tropical Medicine (RITM) conducted the second batch of "Training on the Fundamentals of Biosafety, Biosecurity and Respirator Fit Testing" for health personnel of various regional offices of Luzon including Ilocos, MIMAROPA, CALABARZON, Bicol, and NCR held in the province of Pangasinan from October 2-6, 2023..

Biosecurity is the process used to ensure ensuring biological agents are properly safeguarded against theft, loss, diversion, unauthorized access, or use/release while biosafety is the process that ensures that operations involving infectious agents are conducted in a safe, secure and reliable manner.

Respiratory fit testing evaluates the seal between a respirator and the face, identifying gaps or leaks that may put workers at risk and also verifying that the make or model of N95 respirator properly fits the user.

A total of 66 identified health personnel composed of medical technologists, doctors, and nurses completed the

five-day training which included fundamentals of biosafety, biorisk management, donning and doffing of personal protective equipment (PPE), biorisk mitigation control, transport of infectious substances, and accident and incident response in laboratories.

"As the country progresses from the COVID-19 public health experience, DOH National Laboratory Response Network Unit (NLRNU) endeavors to establish a Laboratory Response Network (LRN) that will provide efficient, effective, and continuous operations to detect diseases of public health importance such as COVID-19," Undersecretary Nestor F. Santiago stated in his message during the opening of the five-day training.

"Biosafety and biosecurity measures serve as the foundation for regional laboratory teams to offer more complete oversight and technical support to their respective networks to ensure that their COVID-19 laboratories can safely continue operations as we also aim to increase the number of qualified personnel capable of conducting respirator fit testing."

"We aim to achieve tangible outcomes that will contribute significantly to the realization of our strategic interventions under the "Proteksyon sa Anumang Pandemya" in the 8-point Action Agenda and strengthen the implementation of Universal Health Care, with the ultimate goal of attaining a "Healthy Pilipinas kung saan ang Bawat Buhay ay Mahalaga," Santiago emphasized.

Ilocos is the first region in North Luzon to establish its own laboratory response network to detect and respond to emerging diseases. Among the hospitals that are included in the network are the Ilocos Training and Regional Medical Center in San Fernando City, La Union; Region 1 Medical Center in Dagupan City, Pangasinan; Mariano Marcos Memorial Hospital and Medical Center in Batac City, Ilocos Norte; and Ilocos Sur Medical Center in Candon City, Ilocos Sur.

DOH - Ilocos Regional Director Paula Paz M. Sydiongco said that the region has been providing a standard training program for laboratory personnel in collaboration with RITM to help bridge the gap in

the number of adequately trained personnel.

"It is important that we recognize the significance of adopting strict measures to protect human health, the environment and global security," she emphasized.

The "Training on the Fundamentals of Biosafety, Biosecurity and Respirator Fit Testing for COVID-19" was organized and facilitated by DOH - Ilocos Regional Laboratory Network Unit in coordination with the RITM and NLRNU.

Mr. Mauro A. Marzan, who heads the Ilocos Regional Laboratory Unit, stressed that the activity will also address the specific competencies based on the DOH Competency Map for regional offices including advocating for public health, data recording and reporting, implementing health policies and regulations, occupational safety and health knowledge and scientific knowledge for health and medical staff.

The first batch of training on the fundamentals of biosafety and biosecurity, and respiratory fit testing was conducted on September 17-23, 2023, in Laoag City, Ilocos Norte. (Glen S. Ramos/DOH Ilocos Region)

Climate change, deforestation imperil medicinal trees and plants

Experts underscored the need to implement active conservation efforts to protect and propagate medicinal plants amidst climate change and other threats, noting that the country has yet to maximize the economic value of medicinal plants.

The Department of Environment and Natural Resources--Ecosystems Research and Development Bureau (DENR-ERDB), the principal research arm and thinktank of the DENR, led the conduct of the ASEAN Conference on Medicinal Forest Trees in Pampanga and cited the huge potential of medicinal trees for the health and wellness of Filipinos.

Some 117 participants from the Philippines, Indonesia, India, Bangladesh, Nepal and Pakistan took part in the three-day conference.

According to ERDB Director Maria Lourdes G. Ferrer, forest species studies reveal interconnected relationships between nature and human health used by indigenous people worldwide for disease treatment. Ferrer said there is a need to gather and preserve indigenous knowledge on medicinal plants and medicinal forest trees given their benefits and potential for economic activity.

"As we embark on this intellectual journey, let us remember that our discoveries have the potential to touch lives, alleviate suffering and shape the course of healthcare and medicinal forest trees species conservation," said Ferrer.

For his part, ERDB Assistant Director Conrado B. Marquez said

habitat protection through active management of forests, governance with the appropriate funding allocation are vital for medicinal forest trees to adopt and become resilient to climate change.

Marquez said the ERDB is mandated to develop protocols on propagation and plantation development and management.

"We are working now on a technology called tree fortification. We are trying to fortify trees in a manner that will make them more resilient to pests and to add to the viability and manageability of particular tree species," said Marquez.

The objective of tree fortification is to protect threatened tree species and increase their population.

The ERDB is also doing other vegetative propagation measures such as cloning to address scarcity of species.

Dr. Pastor Malabrigo, Jr., professor at the University of the Philippines Los Baños said based on the database of medicinal species in the country 456 tree species have known medicinal value.

"We have 3,500 tree species. It's safe to assume that we are underutilizing our plant resources. There are rare, threatened species, the public is not familiar with, which are not being used. We have to give attention to these," said Malabrigo.

He encouraged the event poster presenters to publish their researches on medicinal plants for people to recognize these and increase public awareness. ###

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visitors every day.

"Ang paglilinis at pag-aalis ng mga basura sa ating mga dalampasigan ay nakakabawas sa epekto ng polusyon sa ating mga karagatan and also brings camaraderie to the community dahil lahat, kabilang ang ating mga LGU, ay nakikilahok at nakikiisa sa responsibilidad na mapanatiling ligtas at malinis ang ating mga lugar."

"Sa mga bumibisita po sa ating mga beaches, huwag po nating iwanan ang ating mga basura at siguruhin po nating malinis ang lugar sa dalampasigan na ating ginamit bago tayo umuwi," Sydiongco encouraged.

The coastal cleanup activity was held on September 26, 2023 from 6 AM to 10:30 AM with a total of 15 sacks or 300 kilograms of various garbage collected composed of face masks, pet bottles, plastic bags, straws, plastic and paper cups, barbeque sticks, broken soft drink,

beer and alcohol bottles, styrofoam, wood, used slippers and shoes, etc.

The coastal clean-up initiative was led by the Regional Health Promotion Unit headed by Dr. Cheryl D. Buhong who expressed that a regular cleanup program will reduce pollution and reminded residents to always sort out trash and recycle as much as possible to reduce carbon footprint.

Buhong also encouraged residents and visitors to store their refuse in reusable bags and containers to ensure that everything won't be left at the beach. "Use reusable plastics instead of single-use plastic cups and bring your own utensils instead of plastic spoons as these are the most common trash that can be found lying on beaches."

"Ang pagbabawas ng basura at basura ng pagkain, ay pangangalaga sa ating kapaligiran," she emphasized.

A total of 98 volunteers from various rural health

units of Paoay, Currimao, Nueva Era, Pagudpud, Burgos, Sarrat, Bangui, Pinili, Badoc, San Nicolas including health personnel from the City Health Office of Laoag, Mariano Marcos Memorial Hospital & Medical Center, teaching staff from the Mariano Marcos State University - College of Aquatic Science and Applied Technology, provincial DOH office of Ilocos Sur, barangay

officials of Salugan, Currimao participated in the activity.

Currimao is a coastal town, and known for its annual "Dinaklisan festival", a yearly celebration of fishermen and residents as a way of remembering God's blessings for having a bountiful harvest and being safe at sea when fishing. (Glen S. Ramos/DOH Ilocos Region)

LEGAL NOTICE

DEED OF ADJUDICATION WITH ABSOLUTE SALE WITH PARTITION

Notice is hereby given that the intestate estate of deceased EULALIO DAGMANG pertaining to a parcel of land designated as Lot No. 5922, Pls-859-D, situated at Brgy. Lacuben, Badoc, Ilocos Norte, covered by Original Certificate of Title OCT P-60-58 is the subject of Deed of Adjudication with Absolute Sale with Partition executed by his legal heir Emily Valdez Dagupion unto herself before Notary Public Atty. Windell D. Chua; as per Doc. No. 15; Page No. 4; Book No. CCLXIX; Series of 2023.

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Reduction Management Council, or the national government.

Likewise, employers with approved installment proposals must deposit their post-dated checks that fall due in June and July 2023 on or before October 2, 2023.

However, no contribution paid retroactively by individual members will

be used in determining their eligibility to any benefit arising from a contingency wherein the date of payment is within or after the semester of contingency.

The original contribution payment deadlines and guidelines in the said areas will resume starting with the applicable month of July 2023. (SSS)

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SSS extends deadline of remittance of contributions in areas affected by Egay, Falcon

The Social Security System (SSS) extended in selected areas the payment deadline for the June 2023 contribution of business employers and the second quarter contributions of household employers, coverage and collection partners (CCP), and individual members from July 31, 2023 to October 2, 2023.

According to SSS Circular No. 2023-005 (<https://bit.ly/CI2023-005>) signed by SSS President and CEO Rolando Ledesma Macasaet, the said applicable month and quarter were extended until September 30, 2023, but since it falls on a Saturday, the deadline was further extended to the next working day, which is October 2, 2023.

"We understand that these calamities have affected the ability of some of our members, covered employers, and CCPs in selected areas to pay their contributions on or before their original schedule. For consideration, we are giving them more time to pay their SSS contributions so that payment gaps or late

payments can be avoided," Macasaet said.

The extension applies to employers, CCPs, and members in areas declared under State of Calamity by various local government offices due to the Southwest Monsoon enhanced by Tropical Cyclones Egay and Falcon, such as the provinces of:

- Ilocos Norte
- Ilocos Sur
- La Union
- Pangasinan
- Cagayan
- Bataan
- Bulacan
- Nueva Ecija
- Pampanga
- Tarlac
- Cavite
- Rizal
- Occidental Mindoro
- Abra
- Apayao
- Benguet
- Ifugao
- Mountain Province

The said extension also covers other areas that may be declared under State of Calamity by local government units, local disaster risk reduction management offices, the National Disaster Risk

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Laoag City Mayor Michael Marcos Keon, Director of CREOTEC Philippines, Inc. Ms. Thess Bermudez and Schools Division Superintendent Dr. Joann Corpuz led the launching and distribution of the Robotics Kits project to all the 34 elementary schools and 5 high schools in the city last Monday, October 2, at the Division Office. (Photo by Laoag CMO)

DOH leads "Linis-Ligtas Barangay" coastal clean-up drive in Ilocos Norte

The Department of Health (DOH) – Ilocos Region together with the local government of Currimao, Ilocos Norte conducted a coastal clean-up drive along the beaches of Brgy. Salugan to promote

awareness and promote the "Linis-Ligtas Barangay Coastal Clean-Up Drive" with the theme "Ang Barangay na Malinis ay Kaisa para sa Healthy Pilipinas!" by collecting wastes and garbage that

may cause serious pollution problems that can affect the health of the residents and tourists, marine wildlife including the local economy.

Regional Director Paula Paz M. Sydiongco

said that the coastal clean-up initiative encourages the local leaders and residents to protect our beaches and help to keep them safe and clean from waste washed up on shore and trash left by

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