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*Amid COVID-19 infection of their health personnel*

# Samar mayor seeks DOH help

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**TACLOBAN CITY-** A municipality in Samar is calling help to the national government through the Department of Health (DOH) as practically all of its health personnel are in isolation after they were tested positive of the coronavirus disease (COVID-19).

Motioning town Mayor Renato Cabael said that except for a nurse and a midwife, 16 their health personnel to include their municipal health officer Dr. Katerina Abiertas, are see Samar /page 7 ...



As Tacloban City continue to experience surge of coronavirus disease (COVID-19), thousands of its residents flock to the vaccination sites to receive jabs against the virus. City Mayor Alfred Romualdez has appealed to his constituents to avail of the inoculation for the city to attain herd immunity.

(Photo Courtesy)

## Alfred throws support on VP bid of Rep. Romualdez



Mayor Alfred Romualdez

**TACLOBAN CITY-** Mayor Alfred Romualdez is giving his full support on the reported vice presidency bid of his cousin, Leyte Rep. Ferdinand Martin Romualdez.

The mayor of this city said that the possible election of his cousin could be of big help to the people of Tacloban in terms of programs and services.

“Of course, I support my family. (But

I have been telling him that he can bank on my support on condition that he will also support the Taclobanons. That has always been my condition,” Mayor Romualdez said.

He narrated that when another cousin, Imee Marcos, sought for her support when she ran for senator during the 2019 elections, he also asked her to give support to the people of Tacloban.

Tacloban is part of the first congressional district

of Leyte which is currently being held by Rep. Romualdez and is considered to be the family’s main political bailiwick along with the town of Tolosa.

Earlier, President Rodrigo Duterte mentioned Rep. Romualdez as his candidate for Vice President saying he would not seek for the said position in favor of the Leyte solon.

During his June 17 see Alfred /page 7 ...

## Facility for ‘banig’ products ground breaks in Basey town; local owners express anxiety



Samar Rep. Sharee Ann Tan and her brother, Gov. Michael Tan lead in the groundbreaking of a facility that will serve as a showroom of world-class items made of ‘banig.’ (Photo Courtesy)

**TACLOBAN CITY-** A facility showing products made of ‘banig’ is soon to open in Basey town as Samar Rep. Sharee Ann Tan and Governor Michael Tan lead the groundbreaking last Sunday (June 27).

The facility, Lara Samar Showroom, will house the intricately woven and word class banig products of Basey.

Rep. Tan thanked the House Speaker Lord Allan Jay Velasco for allocating P10 million for the banig showroom and processing center located in Barangay Canmanila.

Tan also expressed her appreciation to the Department of Tourism, Department of Science and Technology, Department of Trade and Industry for help-

ing the banig industry.

Tan also mentioned Mayor Luz Ponferrada for her unconditional support towards the efforts in promoting banig products.

The Samar lawmaker said that she is positive that her bill to make Basey town as the banig capital of the Philippines will be realized. see Facility /page 7 ...



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## Inflation rate in Eastern Visayas escalates to 3.2 percent in May, 2021

Inflation Rate (IR) in Eastern Visayas escalated to 3.1 percent in May 2021. This IR is 0.3 percentage point higher compared with the 2.8 percent IR in April 2021. This May IR of the region is also 1.3 percentage points higher than the recorded 1.8 percent IR in the same period last year.

In comparison with the national average IR, the regional IR is 1.4 percentage points lower than the 4.5 percent national IR in May 2021.

Among the provinces, only Southern Leyte and Leyte registered decreases

in IRs.

Southern Leyte's IR declined to 3.3 percent in May 2021 from 4.1 percent in April 2021, a reduction by 0.8 percentage point. Leyte's IR, meanwhile, decreased to 0.9 percent in May 2021 from 1.4 percent in April 2021.

It was the lowest IR among the provinces during the month in review. Samar registered the highest increase in IR by 1.6 percentage points. Its IR rose to 8.3 percent in May 2021 from 6.7 percent in April 2021. It recorded the highest IR among provinces during the reference

month.

Northern Samar grew by 0.9 percentage point, registering 1.6 percent IR in May 2021. Biliran's 0.6 percentage point increase in IR brought its level to 5.5 percent. While Eastern Samar's IR settled at 5.4 percent, prompted by the 0.5 percentage point increase during the month in review. (PR)



Leyte Governor Leopoldo Dominico "Mic" L. Petilla has turned over an emergency vehicle worth P 995,000 to Councilor Erwin Ocana of Tolosa on June 25, 2021, coinciding with the distribution of checks to the nine barangay officials as financial assistance of their different priority projects. With him were Melanie Feliza Vivero, ABC president and Joselito Labata, municipal disaster risk reduction management officer. The turn over was held in front of the municipal building of Tolosa, Leyte. (GINA P. GEREZ)

## Flood control protects river bank and bridge in Sabang North, Borongan City

BORONGAN CITY- The Department of Public Works and Highways - Eastern Samar District Engineering Office completed the construction of 151-meter flood control structure in Brgy. Sabang North, Borongan City with the project cost amounting to P18,756,247.68 funded under General Appropriations Act of 2020.

District Engineer Ma. Margarita C. Junia said that the flood control structure in Sabang North is a long-term solution to the problem of the residents, where portions of their residential lot have been eroded during flooding.

"This newly constructed flood control structure aims to protect the lives and properties of the residents of Sabang North, Borongan. This will protect the riverbanks from scouring," DE Junia said during interview.

District Engineer Junia also disclosed that the project also protects the approach and foundations of Borongan Bridge along Borongan-Guiuan Road from further exposure.

"It is also important to protect the bridge because it connects the northern part of Eastern Samar to the main proper of Borongan," DE Junia added.

Grace Basada Mengote, a resident of Brgy. Sabang North, said in an interview that before the construction of the flood control in the area, the soil from her yard erodes because of the rapid water current.

"Tikang han akon pagukoy dinhe ha Sabang North, damo na nga mga babaha an akon na-eksperyensyahan, especially nga yadi kami hit bukangan it kasulgan yanhe ha amon. Gidadaku-i talaga an nahibulig hini nga proyekto han DPWH [For all the years that I have been living here in Sabang North, I have already experienced quite a number of flooding, especially that my house is situated where the water current is rapid. This project of DPWH is really a big help to us.]," she said.

Mengote expressed her gratitude to the agency for the construction of the flood control.

"Sana tuloy-tuloy iton mga proyekto nga iginpapatuman hiton DPWH. Damo iton iyo nabubuligan, dire la dinhe ha Brgy. Sabang North, kundi it bug-os nga Eastern Samar ngan bug-os nga Pilipinas. God bless hiton namumuno ngan mga empleyado nga nagpapatuman hiton atun mga proyekto [I hope that the

TACLOBAN CITY- The Department of Agriculture (DA) in Eastern Visayas has so far provided indemnification to more than 600 hog raisers in Leyte who were affected by the African Fever Swine (ASF).

The DA, on its report, said that these hog raisers were from the towns of Pastrana, La Paz, Javier, Abuyog, where the first COVID-19 case in Eastern Visayas was first monitored January of last year, and this city.

About 603 hog raisers from these areas have so far received the indemnification this month totaling to more than P8.92 million,

projects implemented by DPWH be continuous. This is really a big help, not just here in our Barangay, but around Eastern Samar and the Philippines. God bless to the leaders and employees that work hard to make all the projects possible]," she said.

According to District Engineer Ma. Margarita Junia, Eastern Samar DEO guarantees its stakeholders and beneficiaries that the office will continue to construct infrastructure projects that will protect the

the DA said.

Each hog raisers have received P5,000 per swine culled. About 1,781 pigs were culled on these areas.

The DA also said that around P12.84 million are ready for disbursement to be paid to more than 700 farmers in other areas hit by ASF documents like payrolls.

These hog raisers have applied for indemnification from the DA as asked the other affected farmers to apply for them at the Philippine Crop Insurance Corp. (PCIC) to receive the indemnity fund set up by the agency before the end of this month.

lives and properties of the Estehanons.

"We uphold the vision of the agency, to which our aim is to build infrastructure projects that would be beneficial to the locals in the community; a structure that would give assurance and give peace of mind to the locals during the time of calamities," said DE Junia.

The flood control structure in Brgy. Sabang, Borongan City started its construction on February, 2020 and was completed on August 3, 2020. (PR)

## DA indemnifies more than 600 hog raisers hit by ASF

Earlier, the DA said that the spread of the infection among pigs in the region could be a combination of swill feeding, boar service providers as most of the affected pigs were adult female swine and even meat traders who could have unknowingly were carrying products that were already infected by the ASF virus.

It was learned that about 2,829 hog raisers from the region's 30 areas have been affected by ASF.

About 12,946 pigs have been culled since the ASF hit the region early this year, the DA said.

Angel Enriquez, the executive regional director

of DA, said that of the six provinces in Eastern Visayas, only the province of Biliran has not reported of any ASF case.

The most affected province was Leyte involving 21 towns and Tacloban City affecting 2,596 hog raisers followed by Northern Samar with 116 hog raisers coming from the towns of Lope de Vega, Mondragon and Catarman.

In Samar province, 58 hog raisers were affected from the cities of Catbalogan and Calbayog and Sta. Rita town; 42 in Eastern Samar from Dolores town; and 17 in Silago, Southern Leyte. (JOEY A. GABIETA)

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House Majority Leader and Leyte Rep Martin Romualdez answers questions from news anchor Karen Davila during the live interview for ANC Headstart program. Romualdez said the House passed all of the President's legislative priorities including previous Bayanihan Laws which is very effective for corona virus response.

photo by Ver Noveno

## Borongan mayor extends MECQ status for another week

TACLOBAN CITY - The modified enhanced community quarantine (MECQ) status in Borongan City has been extended for another week by Mayor Jose Ivan Dayan Agda.

Agda signed Executive Order No. JID-CA-003-0621 last June 25 extending the MECQ status of the city until July 3.

The current quarantine status ended last Saturday (June 26).

The issuance was based to the City Epidemiology and Surveillance Unit (CESU) of the City Health

Office (CHO) that there is a new wave of coronavirus disease (COVID-19) outbreak in the city.

"After the span of two weeks, the City Health Office and the CESU assessed that the infection rate of COVID-19 cases in the city had not declined yet," Mayor Agda said.

"Upon careful deliberation and comprehensive assessment, the CHO has recommended that the MECQ status of Borongan be extended in order to flatten the curve of COVID-19 cases," he added.

Meantime, the city government inaugurated a new isolation facility last June 3 to address its COVID-19 surge.

The new isolation facility has 17 fully air-conditioned isolation room facility with each room has its toilets and bathrooms, sprinkler system and fire extinguisher. Each room also has an adjustable modern patient bed with sliding glass window and with two nurses stations and sterilizing room. (ROEL T. AMAZONA)

## DDB donates 10 tents to Maasin City which will serve as COVID-19 isolation facility

TACLOBAN CITY - The Dangerous Drugs Board (DDB) has provided 10 tents to Maasin City which will be used as their isolation facility for individuals tested of the coronavirus disease (COVID-19).

This was disclosed by Mayor Nacional Mercado who said that the donation of the tents to the city was timely as Maasin is facing a surge of COVID-19 cases.

"We are truly grateful to Secretary Catalino Uy and Usec. Earl Saavedra for facilitating our request and for the prompt action by their office," he said.

Maasin City, the cap-

ital of Southern Leyte province, has now a total of 895 confirmed cases of COVID-19, as of June 27, 2021.

Of which 703 are tagged as clinically recovered, 169 are active cases with 23 deaths.

The active cases are currently isolation with close monitoring from medical workers of the city, according to the mayor.

"We have also instructed our contact tracing team to submit their primary and secondary contacts to closely monitor and to subject them for RT-PCR testing," the mayor said.

With the city facing

surge of COVID-19 cases, Mayor Mercado urged his people to always observe all the minimum health protocols to stop any further spread of the virus.

"The city government strongly urges the public to religiously practice the infection-prevention and control measures. Please limit your outside exposure to essential activities," the mayor said. (ROEL T. AMAZONA)



### In Eastern Samar

## NPA surrenders, points where they hid their firearms

TACLOBAN CITY- A cache of firearms reportedly owned by the New People's Army (NPA) were recovered by government soldiers in remote villages in Gen. MacArthur, Eastern Samar last June 21.

The discovery and recovery of the firearms came about after a former NPA member surrendered to the 78th Infantry Battalion which is based in Borongan City, also in Eastern Samar.

Captain Arnold Arias, civil military officer of the said battalion, said that the former rebel, identified as Ka Roel, led the government forces to these areas

where they hid their firearms.

The recovered firearms consisting of five M16 rifles, two M14 rifles, and six IED main charge components, were found in the mountainous portions in the villages of Laurel, Macapagal, Magsaysay, and Osmena.

Last June 15 of this year, Ka Roel, 45, voluntarily surrendered to the 78th IB under the command of Lt. Col. Oliver Alviar.

During his surrender, the former rebel also turned in one 5.56 mm M16A1 rifle, and several rounds of ammunition.

Difficulties living like hunger and running around

as a rebel for the past five years were the reasons cited by Ka Roel why he decided to return to the folds of the law, Arias said.

Lt. Col. Arias welcomed the surrender of the former rebel as he vowed to provide all needed financial assistance to him for him to start a new life.

"The increasing number of NPA surrenderees and the recovery of numerous firearms and explosives signify that the NPA in Eastern Samar are directionless because their top leaders in Eastern Samar have abandoned their fighters," Alviar, in a statement, said. (JOEY A. GABIETA)

## Held online for second straight year

# Samar bet is this year's Miss Pintados; Eastern Samar lass wins the Miss Teen Pintados title

TACLOBAN CITY - The current holder of 'Mutya ng Samar' was adjudged as this year's Miss Pintados, besting 17 other equally beautiful and talented young women from all over the ceremony.

Leslie Ann Pomida, representing Catbalogan City, was crowned as Miss Pintados via an online ceremony held Sunday (June 27) night at the auditorium of the St. Paul School of Business and Law in Palo

town, Leyte.

In the same ceremony, Judy Rose Patalinghug of Guiuan, Eastern Samar was crowned as this year's Miss Teen Pintados, defeating 16 other candidates.

The annual beauty and brain search, now on its 35th year which is held during the annual Tacloban city fiesta, was staged online due to the pandemic of coronavirus disease.

Leyte Governor Leopoldo Dominico Petilla

crowned the new Miss Pintados who also represented Samar province during the Miss Millennium contest sponsored by 'Eat Bulaga,' the country most popular noontime television show.

Both newly-crowned beauty queens also received cash prizes.

Pomida, 20, during the question and answer portion, said that she wanted to become a lawyer protecting the rights of women and see Samar /page 8 ...



WINNERS. This year's Miss Pintados and Miss Teen Pintados, for second straight year, was held virtually with the candidate of Catbalogan City, Leslie Ann Pomida, winning the Miss Pintados. Judy Rose Patalinghug of Guiuan town, garnering the Miss Teen Pintados crown. Also photo are the runner-ups in both categories. (Pintados Foundation)



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## A red menace

**Of** the thirteen places in Visayas and Mindanao that BFAR had identified to be under the onslaught of red tide, four are in our region, thus yielding selected sea harvests that are unsafe for human consumption.

Positive to red tide infestation in the region are Irong-Irong Bay of Western Samar, the seas surrounding Daram Island, the seas of Calubian Leyte, and Cambatutay Bay of Western Samar. Seashells in particular that are harvested from these places are then unsafe to eat according to the BFAR alert.

It can be recalled that the red tide menace has been one of the lingering problems in the country, ours being a country of scattered islands and islets, surrounded by big bodies of water. Whenever

red tide is active, our waters easily fall prey to this phenomenon. And it is not a thing to ignore since, for years now, it has been endangering the lives of the ignorant and careless.

At least, the government agencies concerned in disseminating alerts and information drive have been responsible enough in doing their job just to spare our people from red tide's toxicity. Ours is just to keep ourselves updated about the whereabouts of this tide to avoid food poisoning. Wiser still is to consult the BFAR regarding current updates before feasting on marine products that we plan to have on the table.

In the face of today's pandemic, ASF, etc., we cannot afford to ruin our health out of carelessness. We have to be extra careful, mindful of everything that could put us at high risk. Avoidance sometimes is the key.



## Fiestas and faith

How time quickly fly, the end of the month is just around the bend. At this time of year, Tacloban is on its feet in revelry. There is that permanent double feature of the events at Balyuan and that in the RTR Plaza. We in the academe take turn in giving entertainment to our bisita's (meaning tourists and relatives). The concerts

came in handy as it was sponsored by the beverages of choice, alcoholic and soda type. There were opportune homecoming in the schools and food fair including exhibits of all sorts.

Central of the fiesta celebration are the Parades, the Pintados, and Parade of Lights whose rivalry is tense and can only be

equaled by the competing teams stacked against each other in a protracted war of sorts in these contests.

With the sanguine optimism of the people, great entertainment including lovely beauty contests and the best buys in our streets. Wow that was the fiesta in my mind.

Festivals in the Philippines can be religious, cultural, or both. Several of these are held to honor the local Roman Catholic patron saint, to commemorate local history and culture, to promote the community's products, or to celebrate a bountiful harvest. They can be marked by Holy Masses, processions, parades, theatrical play and reenactments, religious or cultural rituals, trade fairs, exhibits, concerts, pageants and

various games and contests. However, festivals in the country are not limited to Christian origins. Many festivals also focus on Islamic or indigenous concepts. There are more than 42,000 known major and minor festivals in the Philippines, the majority of which are in the barangay (village) level. Due to the thousands of town, city, provincial, national, and village fiestas in the country, the Philippines has traditionally been known as the *Capital of the World's Festivities*.

But here and now, we are Huerfano's (orphans) of the Hermanas and Hermanos of the fiesta. There is an ongoing Pandemic and social distancing is the rule. We need to distance ourselves to our viv- see *Fiestas/page 5 ...*





## What's New Mr. Q?

TENTE U. QUINTERO

### PACMAN's "Ups & Downs" (9<sup>th</sup> of a Series)

Since last March, this Columnist received Two (2) xeroxed copies of Articles written by known writers of Two (2) leading national broadsheets -- the Manila Times & the Manila Standard, from avid readers of our regular column in this newspaper.

Oh we really wanted to reprint their very interesting articles as written; but due to limited publication space, this Columnist took the liberty of omitting some portions of their Articles, retaining the "more interesting parts."

ARTICLE No. 1 - "CAPTAIN PACMAN, ANYONE?" written by Tita Villarama of the Manila Times dated 21 June 2021.

"Senator Emmanuel "Manny" Pacquiao wants to run for president in the 2022 elections. But based on his stated plans for the country, he seemingly has the illusion of becoming a superhero instead.

"Without any provocation, the senator said "Kung ako maging presidente, magkakamatayan diyang (sa gobyerno). Gusto ko ipakulong lahat ng mga kawatan diyang sa gobyerno."

(If I become president, there will be many who will get killed. I want to kill all the thieves in the government.)

"Simplistic plans if he becomes president, isn't it! ( According to the author Ms. Villarama) But Senator Manny didn't say how he's going to do it.

Here's more -- "Kung ako maging presidente, four to five years wala kang makikitang squatter

sa buong Pilipinas. Lahat magkakaroon ng sariling tahanan, lalo na ang Metro Manila. Lahat ng squatter magkakaroon silang tahanan, condominium o subdibisyon. Wala silang babayaran kahit piso.

"Listening to the interview can either bring you to "wonderland" if you won't think how Pacquiao can make his dreams a reality or leave you nauseated, as he jumps from one illusion to another, and at times, gives you a statement that conflicts with a previous one.

(But the following portions of the Article, really "jolted" this Columnist....)

"With his enormous wealth gained from winnings in his boxing bouts, Pacquiao wouldn't need the ruling Partido Demokratiko Pilipino - Laban ng Bayan, to finance a national campaign.

"There was talk last year that he (Pacquiao) was designated the party's acting president because of his money." (End of quote.)

(So with Senator Pacquiao's plan "to jail ang mga kawatan, he should name the person or persons who received the ("rumored) "million reasons" that maneuvered for him to become the PDP-Laban's "Hold-over Acting President" instead of the customary No. 2 man -- the Executive Vice-President of a party, when a president resigns or is incapacitated.)

Author Ms. Villarama then asks -- "Where will Pacquiao get the extra-ordinary powers to make the Philippines free from corruption and squatters? Can he be Captain Pac-

quiao or Super Manny?

ARTICLE No. 2 - "ABSENTEE PACQUIAO IS NOT FIT FOR THE PRESIDENCY" written by Rey Requero & Macon Ramos Araneta of the Manila Standard newspaper dated 24 March 2021.

"Sambayan lead convenor retired Supreme Court Associate Justice Antonio Carpio said Senator Manny Pacquiao lacks the the competence to become the next president of the Philippines; even mentioning Pacquiao's poor attendance in legislative sessions.

"As congressman, Pacquiao was the Number One Absentee -- he was the Topnotcher in absences in Congress!

"As senator, he again topped -- he was Number One in Absences," Carpio said.

"Manny Pacquiao may have a good heart and we know that. But running a country with 110 million people requires competence," the retired magistrate said.

"I think we should understand that we have to look for a leader who has competence, who can revive the economy, who can generate employment for the people, who can solve the pandemic.

And we cannot have a president who (usually) absent," Carpio added.

### Fiestas...

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id and happy memories. We cannot be complacent as virus spread is a reality and we have not curbed the number of the Covid-19 infestations, we are seeing a dangerous roller coaster ride of cases, where the most prudent thing to do is to stay at home.

Ultimately, when we removed the celebration and substitute them with prudent praying and calibrated pious observance of the festival taking stock of the good year that was, in spite of the punches of the virus, we come through better and safe.

Festivals is also about faith, about how to steadfast amid the tribulations. It's about stoic discipline



## Commentary

FR. ROY CIMAGALA

### Appreciating St. John the Baptist better

IF we want to be truly Christian, we need to appreciate more deeply the role of St. John the Baptist in the whole economy of salvation. He was the one who prepared the people for the coming of Christ, the one who pointed Christ, the lamb of God who would take away the sins of the world, to the people. Somehow, we have a duty to follow the example of this saint in preparing people for the coming of Christ.

We know all too well that like St. John the Baptist whose call for repentance as preparation for the coming of the Redeemer was a lonely cry in the desert, we too can be like the voice of God today as well as that of the Church or of any spiritual and moral Christian teaching that has become a voice of one crying in the wilderness.

Present circumstances in the world point to a growing deafness and in-

sensibility to truths of faith and morals. The prologue of St. John's gospel already captures this phenomenon: "He came unto his own, and his own received him not." (1,11)

The Psalms have many references to the same predicament. For example, Ps 76 says: "How often they rebelled in the wilderness! / How often they grieved him in the desert! / Again and again they put God to the test / and provoked the Holy One of Israel. / They forgot his strength, they forgot the time / when he saved them from the oppressor's power."

I don't refer so much to those who openly declare themselves as atheists or agnostics as to Christians themselves, some of whom flaunting their Christianity, who fail to be consistent to their beliefs. The former needs a lot of understanding and patience. The latter, some "spanking."

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and genuine care to our fellowmen. The saints whose fiesta we honor had mostly been an embodiment and epitome of discipline and self-less devotion, not famous for the outgoing, sociable and grand celebration. After all, these carousing and revelry is misplaced in today's menu. We are in difficult times, fiestas must therefore be about faith, about goodness and about Him, who had always been with us, He who never let go on His hold on our fragile state.

We have to have the same attitude of St. John the Baptist. Like him, we too should help in preparing everyone to be fit for the coming of the Lord. This definitely will be going to be a very challenging task, given the conditions we are having today.

We cannot deny that there is a lot of ignorance, confusion and indifference to the things of God these days. The life of piety seems to be waning in many parts of our country, let alone, the whole world. Many people are hardly praying, and the practice of devotion seems to be facing extinction.

Just the same, we should not forget that regardless of what may appear to be a deep-seated culture of irreligion these days, every man continues in the deepest part of his heart to yearn for God. What the Catechism says about this is always relevant:

"The desire for God is written in the human heart, because man is created by God and for God; and God never ceases to draw man to himself. Only in God will he find the truth and happiness he never stops searching for." (CCC 27)

Yes, God himself will always draw us to himself in ways that can be very mysterious. And we, on our part, should try our best to discern the directing ways of God. This is where everyone has to do his part in preparing himself to see and follow God's ways.

What should be foremost in our mind is that we are preparing people fit for the Lord, starting with our own selves and then reaching out to others. For this, let's continue to use both the human and the supernatural means.

### Prayer for the Nation and for Those who Serve in Public Office

God, our Father, you guide everything in wisdom and love. Accept the prayers we offer for our nation, by the wisdom of our leaders and integrity of our citizens, may harmony and justice be secured and may there be lasting prosperity and peace.

Almighty and eternal God, You know the longings of our hearts and You protect our rights in your goodness, watch over those in authority, so that people everywhere may enjoy freedom, security and peace.

We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever, Amen. (Courtesy of Daughters of St. Paul)



Pray the Holy Rosary daily for world peace and conversion of sinners (The family that prays together stays together)



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TD No.	: <b>08-41021-00131</b>
Lot No.	: <b>2-A, B and C</b>
Approved Survey No.	: <b>Psd-08-042108 (AR)</b>
Area per OCT/TCT/TD No. (has)	: <b>7.0164 Has.</b>
Area acquired per ASP	: <b>1.9803 Has.</b>
Location	: <b>Brgy. Jalas, Villaba, Leyte</b>

Please be informed that out of the total area indicated in the aforesaid title of Tax Declaration an area of **1.9803** hectares is subject to immediate acquisition and distribution to qualified agrarian reform beneficiaries (ARBs) under ( ) Voluntary Offer to Sell ( x ) Compulsory Acquisition.

On the basis of the value determined by the Land Bank of the Philippines (LBP) per attached Memorandum of Valuation (MOV) and Land Valuation Worksheet (LVW), the compensation for your landholding amounts to **ONE HUNDRED THIRTY ONE THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED FORTY THREE PESOS AND 97/100 (Php 131,543.97)** covering **1.9803** hectares, including improvements thereon, if any.

We have already requested the LBP, with address at: Sagkahan Street, Tacloban City to deposit in your name the said amount, in cash and bonds. The release of payments shall be effected or may be withdrawn upon your submission of all documents required by LBP on the release of claims.

Please accomplish the attached CARPER LAD Form 53 (Landowner's Reply to NLVA) within thirty (30) days upon receipt of this Notice and return it to the DAR Provincial Office.

In case you reject the compensation offered for your property or fail to reply to this notice within thirty (30) days from receipt thereof, we shall advise the Department of Agrarian Reform Adjudication Board (DARAB), with address at DAR Regional Office Compound, Sto. Niño Extension Tacloban City to conduct summary administrative proceedings on the matter. In the event that you subsequently accept the value as computed by the LBP based on existing valuation guidelines, you should manifest in writing with respect to such acceptance of the original value, or jointly with LBP manifest in writing with respect to the recomputed value by the LBP, with the DARAB or the regular court.

The DAR shall take immediate possession of the property upon issuance of a Certification of Deposit (COD) by LBP and the concomitant transfer of the title to the landholding in the name of the Republic of the Philippines.

Very truly yours,

(Sgd.) **RENATO G. BADILLA, MPMRD**  
Provincial Agrarian Reform Officer II

ATTACHMENTS:  
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### DEED OF EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE WITH WAIVER OF RIGHTS

NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of the late HAROLD F. BALASOLLA extrajudicially settled, partitioned and adjudicated over 3 bank deposits at Philippine Veterans Bank described as; **1) Deposit Type: 03-USC-CTD-INDIVIDUAL, TD Account No: 000000016065, Balance Per Bank Record: \$2,093.50; 2) Deposit Type: Savings Account-FCDU-INDIVIDUAL, Account No: 0052348213101, Balance Per Bank Record: \$8,410.02; 3) Deposit Type: 03-USC-CTD-INDIVIDUAL, TD Account No: 000000016068, Balance Per Bank Record: \$2,443.71 and heirs hereby WAIVED all shares and interest unto MILAGROS F. BALASOLLA. Per Doc No. 85, Page No. 18, Book No. IV, Series of 2021. Notary Public Henecito F. Balasolla.**

LSDE: June 22, 29 & July 6, 2021

### EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT WITH ABSOLUTE SALE

NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of the late GILBERTO ROSALES and MILAGROS CONCEPCION ROSALES extrajudicially settled, partitioned and adjudicated over a parcel of agricultural land located in Brgy. Bulao, San Jorge, Samar, covered by OCT No. 20691 issued by the Registry of Deeds for the Province of Samar, under Lot No. 5261, Cad-444-D, Case 5, containing an area of 13,062 square meters, more or less. A Deed of sale was executed in favor of ENRICO R. CINCO married to LYNN SOCORRO DACARA CINCO as vendee for the above-described property; per Doc. No. 2807, Page No. 92, Book No. 317, Series of 2021 of Notary Public Atty. Ma. Rowena L. Urot.

LSDE: June 15, 22 & 29, 2021

### EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT WITH ABSOLUTE SALE

NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of the late SOFRONIO BOMBOT extrajudicially settled, partitioned and adjudicated over a parcel of land situated at Poblacion Motiong Samar, covered and embraced by the OCT No. 10491, Lot No. 660, Pls 658-D, containing an area of 7,404 square meters. A Deed of Sale was executed in favor of ELMA FABRI-GARAS-GABIETA, married to Reynaldo R. Gabieta as vendee for the above described property; per Doc. No. 359, Page No. 73, Book No. 151, Series of 2012 of Notary Public Atty. Medino L. Acuba. LSDE: June 15, 22 & 29, 2021

### EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT WITH SALE

NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of the late FELIPE RAMBACUD extrajudicially settled, partitioned and adjudicated over a parcel of land under Katibayan ng Orihinal na Titulo Blg. P-5602, TD ARP No. 11-090056-00568, Lot No. 8675 with an area of 4,147sq.m., A Deed of Sale was executed in favor of CHRISTINE CABERIO-SAMBELI represented by her sister, CATHERINE ASPARA-GOMEZ as vendees of a portion containing an area of 2,551sq.m., more or less from the above-described property. per Doc No. 384, Page No. 77, Book No. II, Series of 2021. Notary Public Vincent A. Cablaos.

LSDE: June 15, 22 & 29, 2021

### EXTRAJUDICIAL ADJUDICATION OF PROPERTY WITH DEED OF ABSOLUTE SALE

NOTICE is hereby given that FLORENCIA OBEJAS, AMASCUAL TRINIDAD OJALES, SALVADOR ORTILLO OJALES AND TERESA O. BALINTONG, heirs of the late SPS. ROMAN OJALES AND FRANCISCA MISTADES executed an Extrajudicial of Adjudication over a parcel of agricultural land designated as Lot No. 214 situated at Brgy. Calicugan, Sta. Rita, Samar containing an area of 7,508sq.m., under TCT No. T-3877. A Deed of Absolute Sale was executed in favor of NILO C. GULA married to LUCITA D. GULA as vendees of a portion containing an area of 1,575sq.m., designated as Lot No. 214-A from the above-described property. Per Doc No. 153, Page No. 31, Book No. X, Series of 2020. Notary Public Rogelio P. Gula. LSDE: June 15, 22 & 29, 2021

### DEED OF EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE

NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of the late KRISTOFFER TYRONE R. BRA-SILEÑO extrajudicially settled, partitioned and adjudicated over 3 properties described as; **1) A parcel of land (Lot 2479-A-3-G, Psd-08-002748 containing an area of 844sq.m., more or less covered by TCT No. 69741 situated at Brgy. Utap, Tacloban City; 2) A parcel of land (Lot 2479-A-3-C, Psd-08-002748 containing an area of 114sq.m., more or less covered by TCT No. 69740 situated at Brgy. Utap, Tacloban City; 3) The sum of Php136,884.44 deposited under Savings Account No. 000990174735 with the Banco de Oro, Zamora Branch, Tacloban City. Per Doc No. 309, Page No. 62, Book No. I, Series of 2021. Notary Public Eric L. De Veyra, Jr.**

LSDE: June 15, 22 & 29, 2021

CARPER LAD Form No. 51  
(Revised Carp-LAD Form No. 51)

Republic of the Philippines  
**DEPARTMENT OF AGRARIAN REFORM**  
Provincial Agrarian Reform Office  
Liceo del Verbo Divino, Former Law Building  
Avenida Veteranos, Tacloban City

### NOTICE OF LAND VALUATION AND ACQUISITION

March 15, 2021

**MARIVIC CABAÑAS**  
Brgy. Caruyucan, Calubian, Leyte

Sir/Madam

This refers to your agricultural land covered by the Comprehensive Agrarian Reform Program (CARP) pursuant to Republic Act (R.A.) No. 6657, as amended by R.A. No. 9700, particularly described as follows:

OCT/TCT No.	: <b>TCT-T-23797</b>
TD No.	: <b>08-09-0014-00023</b>
Lot No.	: <b>1-D, E, F, H, I and J</b>
Approved Survey No.	: <b>Psd-08-042238 (AR)</b>
Area per OCT/TCT/TD No. (has)	: <b>14.5358 Has.</b>
Area acquired per ASP	: <b>9.4233 Has.</b>
Location	: <b>Brgy. Caruyucan, Calubian, Leyte</b>

Please be informed that out of the total area indicated in the aforesaid title of Tax Declaration an area of **9.4233** hectares is subject to immediate acquisition and distribution to qualified agrarian reform beneficiaries (ARBs) under ( ) Voluntary Offer to Sell ( x ) Compulsory Acquisition.

On the basis of the value determined by the Land Bank of the Philippines (LBP) per attached Memorandum of Valuation (MOV) and Land Valuation Worksheet (LVW), the compensation for your landholding amounts to **FOUR HUNDRED FIFTY EIGHT THOUSAND TWELVE PESOS AND 63/100 (Php 458,012.63)** covering **9.4233** hectares, including improvements thereon, if any.

We have already requested the LBP, with address at: Sagkahan Street, Tacloban City to deposit in your name the said amount, in cash and bonds. The release of payments shall be effected or may be withdrawn upon your submission of all documents required by LBP on the release of claims.

Please accomplish the attached CARPER LAD Form 53 (Landowner's Reply to NLVA) within thirty (30) days upon receipt of this Notice and return it to the DAR Provincial Office.

In case you reject the compensation offered for your property or fail to reply to this notice within thirty (30) days from receipt thereof, we shall advise the Department of Agrarian Reform Adjudication Board (DARAB), with address at DAR Regional Office Compound, Sto. Niño Extension Tacloban City to conduct summary administrative proceedings on the matter. In the event that you subsequently accept the value as computed by the LBP based on existing valuation guidelines, you should manifest in writing with respect to such acceptance of the original value, or jointly with LBP manifest in writing with respect to the recomputed value by the LBP, with the DARAB or the regular court.

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Very truly yours,

(Sgd.) **RENATO G. BADILLA, MPMRD**  
Provincial Agrarian Reform Officer II

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### EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE OF AGRICULTURAL LAND WITH SALE

NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of the late SPS. PEDRO DONADILLO AND MATILDE GALVEZ extrajudicially settled, partitioned and adjudicated over a parcel of agricultural land denominated as Lot No. 5524, Cad 444-D, Case 5 with the improvements found thereon situated in the Barrio of San Agustin, Gandara, Samar covered by OCT No. 26127 containing an area of 44,517sq.m., more or less. A Deed of Sale was executed in favor of TERESITA G. OTANGUIN as vendee of the above-described property. Per Doc No. 8, Page No. 3, Book No. 71, Series of 2021. Notary Public Atty. Edilberto G. Morales.

LSDE: June 22, 29 & July 6, 2021

### EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT WITH ABSOLUTE SALE

NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of the late GUIDA R. JAO and ERIBERTO S. JAO SR. extrajudicially settled, partitioned and adjudicated over a parcel of land, Lot No. 5850, Cad 817-D, Case 19 with OCT No. 3187, situated at Brgy. Malo-palo, Tinambacan District, Calbayog City, containing an area of 4,446.15 square meters, more or less, under Tax Dec No. 990300500427. A Deed of sale was executed in favor of ROSITA CALISTE MELE as vendee for a portion of 467.50 square meters, more or less from the above-described property per Doc. No. 067, Page No. 015, Book No. 041 of Notary Public Atty. Demetrio J. Acuba. LSDE: June 15, 22 & 29, 2021

### EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF PROPERTY WITH WAIVER

NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of the late ALEJANDRO SOLAJES, SR. extrajudicially settled, partitioned and adjudicated over a parcel of residential land designated as Lot No. 467-A situated at Independencia Street, Tacloban City containing an area of 115sq.m., covered by TCT No. T-10567 including improvements thereon and heirs hereby WAIVED all rights and part-ownership over the above-heroin property unto ALEJANDRO P. SOLAJES. Per Doc No. 286, Page No. 58, Book No. XI, Series of 2021. Notary Public Atty. Rogelio P. Gula. LSDE: June 22, 29 & July 6, 2021

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

NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of the late TEODORICO T. CALUPAZ extrajudicially settled, partitioned and adjudicated over his conjugal share of a parcel of land located at Brgy. 58, Sagkahan, Tacloban City designated as Lot No. 815-A-5 containing an area of 101sq.m., more or less embraced by TCT No. T-22336. A Deed of Absolute Sale was executed in favor of JOSEFINA L. BRUN married to ROMEO C. BRUN as vendees of the above-described property free from all liens and encumbrances of any kind whatsoever. Per Doc No. 487, Page No. 98, Book No. 02, Series of 2015. Notary Public Samuel C. Lagunzad. LSDE: June 22, 29 & July 6, 2021

### EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT AND ADJUDICATION WITH SPECIAL POWER OF ATTORNEY

NOTICE is hereby given that VICENTE A. CABORNAY extrajudicially settled, partitioned and adjudicated over a savings bank deposit with Land Bank of the Philippines (LBP) Catbalogan Branch, Catbalogan City under Account No. 0601-1647-95 with outstanding balance of Php101,285.00 Philippine Currency as of June 14, 2021 and heirs do hereby name, constitute and appoint our sister LITA BATULA CABORNAY-CURIOSO to be our true and lawful attorney-in-fact for us and in our names, place and stead to do and perform the following powers to wit; To transact, process, claim, withdraw receive the outstanding balance, To sign and acknowledge receipt or issue, sign execute other similar documents, To process, pay and secure estate tax clearance with BIR AND ROD, To perform all and every act and thing which may be requisite or proper to carry out the above purposes. Per Doc No. 446, Page No. 091, Book No. 064, Series of 2021. Notary Public Atty. Demetrio Medino-Acuba. LSDE: June 22, 29 & July 6, 2021

### EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE WITH ABSOLUTE SALE OF A REGISTERED LAND

NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of the late BENIGNO RAANDAAN extrajudicially settled, partitioned and adjudicated over a parcel of land designated as Lot No. 2007, Pls 1067-D, Case 2 covered by OCT No. 17038 located at Brgy. Cambuhay, Daram, Samar containing an area of 26,992sq.m., more or less. A Deed of Absolute Sale was executed in favor of REYNALDO MAGDALAGA married to VILMA COSTO-MAGDALAGA as vendee of the above-described property free from liens and encumbrances. Per Doc No. 13416, Page No. 56, Book No. XXV, Series of 2020. Notary Public Pedro M. Labid. LSDE: June 22, 29 & July 6, 2021

### SELF-ADJUDICATION WITH SALE

NOTICE is hereby given that GIL V. PERMEJO, heir of the late MERCEDES V. PERMEJO executed an Affidavit of Self-Adjudication over a parcel of land designated as Lot 3897 situated at Brgy. Malbog, Tolosa, Leyte containing 627.67sq.m., more or less. A Deed of Sale was executed in favor of FORTUNATO P. FRANCISCO III married to AILEEN MAY D. FRANCISCO as vendees of the above-described parcel of land without improvements thereon free from all liens and encumbrances. Per Doc No. 312, Page No. 76, Book No. VIII, Series of 2020. Notary Public Yoko Carolyn C. Watanabe.

LSDE: June 15, 22 & 29, 2021

### EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT AND PARTITION WITH WAIVER

NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of the late ROGELIO CAPAROSO extrajudicially settled, partitioned and adjudicated over a 1/2 share of 2 properties described as; **1) A parcel of land, Lot 1324, Cad 655 situated at Brgy. Seguinon, Albuera, Leyte containing an area of 279sq.m., covered by OCT No. P-91076; 2) One unit residential building erected on said Lot 1324 covered by TD No. 00121-R13 and heirs hereby WAIVED all rights and shares unto CORAZON D. CAPAROSO AND REGINA D. CAPAROSO. Per Doc No. 13, Page No. 3, Book No. CLXXXIV, Series of 2020. Notary Public Atty. Aleah Rafel G. Bataan-Tolibao. LSDE: June 15, 22 & 29, 2021**

### EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF THE ESTATE WITH ABSOLUTE DEED OF SALE

NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of the late FEDERICO A. CALCETA extrajudicially settled, partitioned and adjudicated over a parcel of agricultural land located at Brgy. Baaculanad, Sta. Fe, Leyte designated as Lot 3318, Case 17, Cad 475-D containing an area of 1,198sq.m., covered by Katibayan ng Orihinal na Titulo Blg. P-51949 and TD No. 08-35-0004-00354 (R13). A Deed of Absolute Sale was executed in favor of AMOR LU PETILLA married to ARMANDO N. PETILLA as vendees of the above-described property. Per Doc No. 168, Page No. 35, Book No. II, Series of 2021. Notary Public Faye Gladys M. Tebrero. LSDE: June 29, July 6 & 13, 2021

### DEED OF EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE AMONG HEIRS

NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of the late FILOTEA T. PALANA AND JULIA P. MANINGO extrajudicially settled, partitioned and adjudicated over 2 parcels of land described as; **1) A parcel of coconut land located at Brgy. San Roque, Tolosa, Leyte designated as Cad Lot No. 4666 with an area of 5,786sq.m., under TD No. 01167-R13 covered by OCT No. P-66885; 2) A parcel of coconut land located at Brgy. Quilao, Tolosa, Leyte designated as Cad Lot No. 790 with an area of 8,095sq.m., under TD No. 00261-R13 covered by OCT No. P-66976; Per Doc No. 087, Page No. 018, Book No. VI, Series of 2019. Notary Public Atty. Wilfredo T. Pascua. LSDE: June 29, July 6 & 13, 2021**

### DEED OF EXTRAJUDICIAL PARTITION/SETTLEMENT WITH SALE OF A PARCEL OF AGRICULTURAL LAND

NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of PEROTE, FRANCISCO A AND PEROTE, VIRGILIO A. extrajudicially settled, partitioned and adjudicated over a parcel of land designated under TD No. 08-30-0029-00210, Lot No. 5450 part with total area of 4,117sq.m., situated at Brgy. San Antonio, Palo, Leyte. A Deed of Sale was executed in favor of RUBEN A. BURLASA as vendee of a portion equivalent to 900sq.m., from the above-described property. Per Doc No. 519, Page No. 105, Book No. 7, Series of 2020. Notary Public Kenilma E. Pen. LSDE: June 15, 22 & 29, 2021

### EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE WITH SALE

NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of the late SOFIA MAGAN extrajudicially settled, partitioned and adjudicated over a parcel of agricultural/rice land designated as Lot No. 5548 containing an area of 4,304sq.m., under TD No. 99-03006-00363 situated at Brgy. Malajog, Tinambacan District, Calbayog City. A Deed of Sale was executed in favor of JONAS GENOGUIN TECBOBOLAN as vendee of the above-described parcel of land free from all liens and encumbrances. Per Doc No. 5384, Page No. 77, Book No. 382, Series of 2021. Notary Public Ma. Rowena L. Urot. LSDE: June 15, 22 & 29, 2021

### EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT WITH SALE

NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of the late SOFIA MAGAN extrajudicially settled, partitioned and adjudicated over a parcel of agricultural land/rice land, situated at Brgy. Malajog, Tinambacan District, Calbayog City, designated as Lot No. 5546, containing an area of 4,304 square meters with assessed value of Php1,090, under Tax Dec. No. 09-0306-00363. A Deed of sale was executed in favor of JONAS GENOGUIN TECBOBOLAN as vendee for the above-described property; per Doc. No. 5384, Page No. 73, Book No., 381, Series of 2021 of Notary Public Atty. Ma. Rowena L. Urot.

LSDE: June 15, 22 & 29, 2021



## Samar...

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in isolation as they were tested for COVID-19.

“They were tested for COVID-19 and in isolation though some of them are just waiting to complete the protocol relative to quarantine or isolation,” Cabel, in a phone interview, said.

He said that he already wrote a letter to the DOH

addressed to regional director Dr. Exuperia Sabalberino seeking for augmentation and more vaccine supply.

Aside from their municipal health officer, also tested positive for COVID-19 were midwives, nurses, contact tracers, and utility workers assigned at the rural health unit.

They get the infection due to their exposure to persons who were earlier

tested of the virus.

According to Mayor Cabel, their rural health unit is temporarily closed for disinfection and for contact tracing purposes.

“Our current situation now is heavily impacting our vaccination campaign as right now, we have only one nurse and a midwife,” he said.

“But we are thankful to our nearby municipalities who have provided us their medical personnel. In fact, our MHO (in officer-in-charge capacity) is from Hinabangan town,” Cabel said.

He, however, said that they could not totally rely on these health workers from their neighboring towns considering that they are also busy with their own vaccination campaign.

It was learned from Mayor Cabel that they will resume their vaccination drive on July 8 and 9 as some of their health workers are ready and with the deployment of health personnel by the DOH.

And since they have started their campaign, they have only managed to inoculate 689 individuals, a far cry from their target of at least 12,000 individuals

for Motioning to achieve herd immunity.

At present, the town has 20 active cases most of which were medical workers or frontliners.

Dr. Abiertas, in a separate phone interview, said that she was swabbed on June 18 after she was exposed to a positive person with her positive result coming out on June 20.

“But I feel ok. I’m done with my doses,” she said.

Abiertas also said that she hopes that whatever benefits health workers like her will be received by them as they continue to serve the public during this time of pandemic caused by COVID-19.

Since the start of the pandemic last year, Motioning has posted 57 COVID-19 cases.

**(JOEY A. GABIETA)**

## Alfred...

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online press conference, Rep. Romualdez admitted that he would find some difficulties in leaving the congressional district saying it is where his heart belongs.

“It is really very difficult (as it is where) my focus ever since. That is my hometown. That’s where my family comes from. That’s where it is closest to my heart,” he said.

And if he would really plunge to run for the second highest elective position in the land, he would consult, among others, his allies and political leaders in Leyte, especially in

the first district which is composed of Tacloban and seven towns, Romualdez said.

His wife, Yedda, once served as the congressional representative of the district when Romualdez ran but lost for senator during the 2016 elections.

Yedda is now a party-list representative under the banner of Tingog party-list.

**(JOEY A. GABIETA)**

## Facility...

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Ricky Bautista, owner of the Henry’s Banig Shop, said that while he welcome the opening of the showroom, he admitted that this could affect the operation of other shops in the area already hit by the pandemic caused by the coronavirus disease(COVID-19).

“With the onset of the health crisis, some of the banig stores have already closed shop due to low to zero customers. Now with the opening of this giant competitor, we might also consider a change of our source of income,” he added.

**(LIZBETH ANN A. ABELLA)**

Republic of the Philippines  
Province of Northern Samar  
Municipality of Mondragon  
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**OFFICE OF THE MUNICIPAL CIVIL REGISTRAR**

Publication Notice  
R.A. 10172

**NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION**

Date: June 25, 2021

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 **DARYL JOHN CARANOG MERCADO** has filed with this Office, a petition for correction of entry in SEX from “**FEMALE**” to “**MALE**” in the Certificate of Live Birth of **DARYL JOHN CARANOG MERCADO** born on **June 30, 2000** at **Mondragon, Northern Samar** and whose parents is **LILIA DOMANAIS CARANOG** and **RUDY CASIS MERCADO**.

Any person adversely affected by said petition may file his/her written opposition with this Office not later than July 13, 2021.

**(Sgd.) MARIBEL A. PINANGAY**  
Municipal Civil Registrar

LSDE: June 29 & July 6, 2021

Republic of the Philippines  
Department of Transportation and  
Communication  
**LAND TRANSPORTATION  
FRANCHISING AND REGULATORY  
BOARD**  
Regional Office No. VIII  
Palo, Leyte

Case No. VIII-2020-0239

Application for **Issuance** of a Certificate of Public Convenience to operate a **PUB** Service with prayer to adopt trade name with **Issuance of Provisional Authority**

**DAVAO METRO SHUTTLE CORP.,**  
Represented by: **Elvin D. Deiparine**  
and **Romer Tadina**  
Applicant/s  
x-----x

**NOTICE OF HEARING**

Applicant request authority for the Issuance of a Certificate of Public Convenience to operate a **PUB Service** for the transportation of passengers and freights along the

line: **ALLEN, NORTHERN SAMAR-SAN RICARDO, SO. LEYTE & VICE VERSA** with the inclusion of **ONE (1)** unit/s, as addition to the **FOURTEEN (14)** unit/s in the petition previously filed. Re: *Application for the Issuance Certificate of Public Convenience to operate a PUB Service.*

**NOTICE** is hereby given that this application will be heard by this Board on **JULY 21, 2021** at **10:00 a.m.** at its office of the above address.

At least **TEN (10)** days prior to the above date, applicant/s shall cause the publication of this Notice of Hearing once in a newspaper of local circulation.

This application will be acted upon by this Board on the basis of its records and documentary evidence submitted by the parties, unless the Board deems it necessary to receive additional documentary and/or oral evidence.

WITNESS the Honorable  
**GUALBERTO N. GUALBERTO**, Regional Director, this **28<sup>th</sup>** day of **JUNE, 2021.**

**(Sgd.) ATTY. ARMI ROSE**  
**C. TUMAMPOS**  
Attorney IV

CARPER LAD Form NO. 51  
(Revised Carp-LAD Form NO. 51)

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**DEPARTMENT OF AGRARIAN REFORM**  
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**NOTICE OF LAND VALUATION AND ACQUISITION**

**April 6, 2021**

**MARILOU CABAÑAS** married to **DOUGLAS DIAGO**  
Brgy. Caruyucan, Calubian, Leyte

Sir/Madam

This refers to your agricultural land covered by the Comprehensive Agrarian Reform Program (CARP) pursuant to Republic Act (R.A.) No. 6657, as amended by R.A. No. 9700, particularly described as follows:

OCT/TCT No.	: TCT-T-23798
TD No.	: 08-09-0014-00021
Lot No.	: 2-D, E, G, H and I
Approved Survey No.	: Psd-08-042237 (AR)
Area per OCT/TCT/TD No. (has)	: 14.5359 Has.
Area acquired per ASP	: 9.4009 Has.
Location	: Brgy. Caruyucan, Calubian, Leyte

Please be informed that out of the total area indicated in the aforesaid title of Tax Declaration an area of **9.4009** hectares is subject to immediate acquisition and distribution to qualified agrarian reform beneficiaries (ARBs) under ( ) Voluntary Offer to Sell ( x ) Compulsory Acquisition.

On the basis of the value determined by the Land Bank of the Philippines (LBP) per attached Memorandum of Valuation (MOV) and Land Valuation Worksheet (LVW), the compensation for your landholding amounts to **FOUR HUNDRED FIFTY ONE THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED FIFTY EIGHT PESOS AND 80/100 (Php 451,258.80)** covering **9.4009** hectares, including improvements thereon, if any.

We have already requested the LBP, with address at: Sagkahan Street, Tacloban City to deposit in your name the said amount, in cash and bonds. The release of payments shall be effected or may be withdrawn upon your submission of all documents required by LBP on the release of claims.

Please accomplish the attached CARPER LAD Form 53 (Landowner’s Reply to NLVA) within thirty (30) days upon receipt of this Notice and return it to the DAR Provincial Office.

In case you reject the compensation offered for your property or fail to reply to this notice within thirty (30) days from receipt thereof, we shall advise the Department of Agrarian Reform Adjudication Board (DARAB), with address at DAR Regional Office Compound, Sto. Niño Extension Tacloban City to conduct summary administrative proceedings on the matter. In the event that you subsequently accept the value as computed by the LBP based on existing valuation guidelines, you should manifest in writing with respect to such acceptance of the original value, or jointly with LBP manifest in writing with respect to the recomputed value by the LBP, with the DARAB or the regular court.

The DAR shall take immediate possession of the property upon issuance of a Certification of Deposit (COD) by LBP and the concomitant transfer of the title to the landholding in the name of the Republic of the Philippines.

Very truly yours,

**(Sgd.) RENATO G. BADILLA, MPMRD**  
Provincial Agrarian Reform Officer II

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**NOTICE OF LAND VALUATION AND ACQUISITION**

**June 22, 2021**

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Sir/Madam

This refers to your agricultural land covered by the Comprehensive Agrarian Reform Program (CARP) pursuant to Republic Act (R.A.) No. 6657, as amended by R.A. No. 9700, particularly described as follows:

OCT/TCT No.	: TCT-T-19987
TD No.	: 07-0038-02477
Lot No.	: 8207-B-1, 2, 4, 6, 8 & 9
Approved Survey No.	: Psd-08-041015 (AR)
Area per OCT/TCT/TD No. (has)	: 8.9704 has.
Area acquired per ASP	: 3.8304 has.
Location	: Brgy. Caridad, Baybay, Leyte

Please be informed that out of the total area indicated in the aforesaid title of Tax Declaration an area of **3.8304** hectares is subject to immediate acquisition and distribution to qualified agrarian reform beneficiaries (ARBs) under ( ) Voluntary Offer to Sell ( x ) Compulsory Acquisition.

On the basis of the value determined by the Land Bank of the Philippines (LBP) per attached Memorandum of Valuation (MOV) and Land Valuation Worksheet (LVW), the compensation for your landholding amounts to **THREE HUNDRED THIRTY SEVEN THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED SEVENTY SIX PESOS AND 50/100 (Php 337,376.50)** covering **3.8304** hectares, including improvements thereon, if any.

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# DENR lauds tribe members for rescuing of the Philippine deer

TACLOBAN CITY -

The regional office of the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) has urged the public to be mindful and help protect endangered wildlife in the region.

The call of the DENR in the wake after a Philippine Deer was rescued in a mountain village of Lanawan in MacArthur town, Leyte.

In May this year, two Philippine deer locally called "bugsok" were rescued by members of the Mamanwa tribe who lives in Barangay Kagbana in Burauen town, a neighboring village of Lanawan.

The two deer were trapped from an "awang", a trapping pit used by locals in the upland to catch animals for food.

The animals sustained wounds from falling into the trap and were brought to the village chief of Lanawan Michael De Luis who kept them first into his care until they were fit for travel to the Regional Wildlife Rescue Center in Palo town.

The deers were turned over to the Community Environment and Natural Resources Office (CENRO) in Palo.

Lanawan village chairman De Luis said that they have been conducting awareness campaigns for people to be aware and mindful of the laws that



protects wildlife.

"When the Mamanwa came to me, they were brief about the sanctions for killing and inflicting harm to these species specially those classified as endangered," he said.

Meanwhile, Palo CENR Officer Crisostomo Badeo Jr., lauded the efforts of the locals in protecting the re-

gion's wildlife species.

"The presence of the Philippine deer in our forests is an indication that we still have an ecologically balanced ecosystem, thus the need for more intensified protection efforts from all of us," Badeo said.

He then urged people to emulate what the leader of

Lanawan and the Mamanwa residents did and be mindful of their responsibilities toward environment.

"If you are in possession of any wildlife species, and if you see any wildlife species in danger please contact the DENR office nearest you," Badeo added.

(ROEL T. AMAZONA)

## Man posing as PDEA agent nabbed in Ormoc City

ORMOC CITY- A man who claimed to be an agent of the Philippine Drug Enforcement Agency (PDEA) was arrested by the real agents of the said agency here in the city last Saturday (June 26).

Arrested was Ronaldo Galapin, 47, who was arrested in a buy-bust operation in Barangay Salvacion, this city, while he was visiting his pregnant wife who was temporarily staying with her parents.

Seized from the suspect were a caliber .45 pistol, 12 pieces live bullets, two magazine assembly, fake PDEA badge and identification

cards, 8.6502 grams of crystal meth (shabu) and the P2,000 bust money.

PDEA 8 Chief Operation Division Intelligence Agent V Christine Dumapias said that they have been conducting surveillance against the suspect for six months.

She said that they have received report that the suspect has claimed to be a PDEA agent and extort money from arrested drug suspects.

Galapin, a resident of Alta Vista village, also of this city, chose to decline to comment when asked by the members of the local media.

The suspect was then brought to the PDEA region for custody while charges

were prepared against him.

He will be charged for violations of Article 9165 otherwise known as Dangerous Drugs Act of 2002, particularly drug selling and possession and also violations of the Revised Penal Code of Article 177 known as usurpation of authority for posing as PDEA agent and Article 151 also known as disobedience of persons in authority for alleged resisting arrest.

Also, charges for illegal possession of firearms particularly in violation of Article 10591 otherwise known as Comprehensive Firearms and Ammunition Regulation Act is being prepared for filing by police station 4 against the suspect.

(ELVIE ROMAN ROA)

### EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE WITH ABSOLUTE SALE

NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of the late APOLONIO F. LOTEYRO extrajudicially settled, partitioned and adjudicated over a parcel of land (Lot 6, Block 5) of the consolidation subdivision plan, being a portion of the consolidation of Lots 2 (LRC) Pcs-23671, 3-C situated at Tacloban City, Leyte containing an area of 289sq.m., covered by TCT No. T-25730. A Deed of Sale was executed in favor of JASCHA MAE R. TIU as vendee of the above-described property and all improvements therein. Per Doc No. 129, Page No. 27, Book No. VI, Series of 2021. Notary Public Kenneth M. Golong. LSDE: June 29, July 6 & 13, 2021

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children.

"I want to represent them in court; give that hope, give them that light in the end of the tunnel no matter how dark it may seem because I believe that if we give voice to the voiceless, then they can be a voice to the voiceless as well," she said.

Her court includes Caryl Anne Beltran of Southern Leyte (1st Runner-up), Susan Mitchell of Baybay City (2nd Runner-up), Emily Marie Brumby of Tanauan, Leyte (3rd Runner-up), and Jaira Sophia Rose Encina of Tacloban City (4th Runner-up).

Special awards for Miss Pintados were given to Susan Mitchell with Miss Goldilocks and Bank of Commerce award, Emily Brumby with Our Lady of Fatima EENT Center Ambassador, and Joyce Ann Mendoza with Miss Sukwan Day Spa.

Patalinghug, the winner in this year's Miss Teen Pintados, said that she is pushing for mental health protection, especially during this time of pandemic.

"I am willing to do anything to work with (Pintados) organization and to achieve your vision and mission, furthermore I am an advocate of mental health and right now we are in need to push through this advocacy because it is very relevant and to everyone out there who is feeling depressed, anxiety, and everything else. I believe I am with you and will battle

with until the end," the 17-year old said.

Other winners were Joncine Javier of Abuyog, Leyte (1st), Jeansy Mae Zepeda of Merida (2nd), Aiyana Shane Dedal of Mahaplag (3rd), Ma. Therese Camiller of Pastрана (4th).

Special awardees were Ma. Therese Camiller as Miss Goldilocks, Franziska Zimny with Our Lady of Fatima EENT Center Ambassador and Miss Teen Sukwan Day Spa, and Jeansy Mae Zepeda as Miss Teen Bank of Commerce.

Gov. Petilla, in his message, said that the candidates are inspirations to the youth during this time of pandemic.

"The youth is our future. This is yours; this planet is yours. I think you joining here will inspire a lot of youth today to fight back to survive and fight this pandemic so that we have a better future than we have now," he said.

Petilla also expressed his thanks to the Pintados Foundation for continuing the pageant despite of the pandemic.

"Hopefully next year I'm very hopeful that we will have an audience and congratulation for doing this every year. You never failed us that is why we continue supporting their programs," he added.

This year's panel of judges was led by Vice Gov. Carlo Loreto with outgoing director of the Philippine Information Agency, Olive Tiu, among the members of the panel.

(ROEL T. AMAZONA)

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