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Nakiisa kami ni Ate Janet Olivarez, at ang ating mga kapwa lingkod-bayan: Cong. Eric Olivarez, Vice Mayor Benjo Bernabe, at Kap. Jenn Quizon sa masayang pagbubukas ng pagdiriwang ng kapaskuhan dito sa ASEANA City. #SaDiyosSaTaoSerbisyonTotoo #sErbisyol-angpO #BagongParañaque



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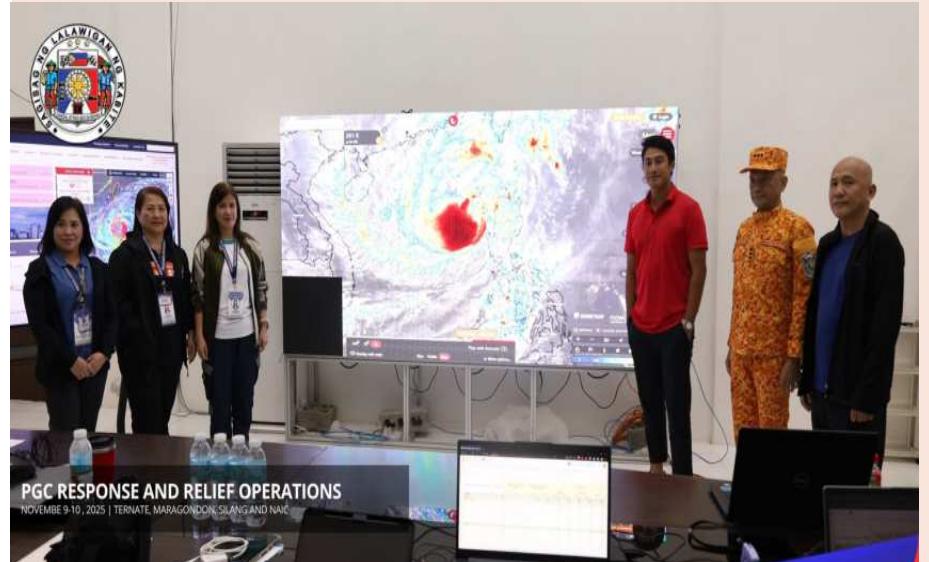


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Cavite Provincial Government...

The Provincial Government of Cavite, under the leadership of Governor Francisco Gabriel "Abeng" Remulla, continues to implement proactive response and relief operations for families affected by Super Typhoon Uwan, which brought heavy rains and strong winds across the province in recent days.

As of the latest report, a total of 12,184 families or 44,733 individuals have been affected in various cities and municipalities of Cavite. No casualties have been reported.

Even before Super Typhoon Uwan entered the Philippine Area of Responsibility (PAR), the Provincial Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Council (PDRRMC) was convened on November 7 to conduct a Pre-Disaster Risk Assessment (PDRA) together with Local Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Officers (LDRRMOs) and lead national and provincial agencies.

Following the directive of the Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG), pre-emptive evacuations were implemented in high-risk areas to ensure the safety of residents. The Emergency Operations Center (EOC) has remained on 24/7 standby, with all response clusters on full alert status to closely monitor developments and coordinate immediate actions with local government units (LGUs). Relief operations officially began on November 9, led by the Office of the Provincial Social Welfare and Development Officer (OPSWDO), which distributed food and non-food items to affected families in Ternate and Maragondon.

On November 10, another round of relief operations was done, with the teams distributing aid to affected residents in Silang and Naic, and another batch of assistance in Ternate.

Governor Remulla reaffirmed the provincial government's commitment to ensuring timely and efficient delivery of assistance, emphasizing that the safety and welfare of Caviteños remain the top priority.

The Provincial Government of Cavite continues to mobilize its resources and manpower to provide sustained relief and recovery support to affected communities. Meanwhile, the Office of the Provincial Disaster Risk Reduction and Man-

agement Officer (OPDRRMO) remains on heightened alert for further monitoring and response activities.

Residents are reminded to remain vigilant and to follow updates and advisories from official government channels. (CPIO)

AFP's intel officers verifying list of alleged destabilizers – Palace

MANILA – The Armed Forces of the Philippines (AFP) is validating information on the alleged destabilization efforts against the Marcos administration involving the Dutertes, military officers, and other personalities, Malacañang said Tuesday.

This came after former columnist Ramon Tulfo, in a Facebook post on Monday, released a list of individuals allegedly being "watched" by the government for their supposed attempts to destabilize the government.

Palace Press Officer Claire Castro said the names of individuals allegedly involved in destabilization efforts have been referred to the AFP's intelligence community.

"Ayon po sa AFP, sa mga ganitong klaseng mga sinasabi – although ito ay aya nasa social media – ay ibinibigay na rin po nila sa kanilang intelligence community, minu-monitor, inaalam ang katotohanan (According to the AFP, while such claims are posted on social media, they are being referred to the intelligence community for monitoring and validation)," Castro said.

"Hindi naman po ibig sabihin na

nasabi sa social media ay agad na dapat paniwalaan, kaya kailangan po nilang i-

validate. At sa ngayon po, ayon sa AFP, ito

po ay mino-monitor at ibinigay na po nila sa intelligence community nila (The AFP cautions that not everything posted online should be believed until verified. And now, according to the AFP, this is being monitored by the intelligence community)."

Citing his unnamed source, Tulfo tagged Vice President Sara Duterte, Davao City 1st District Rep. Paolo Duterte, and politician-businessman Chavit Singson as "possible financiers" in the alleged destabilization plot against the Marcos administration.

Tulfo also mentioned Senator Rondante Marcoleta, former executive secretary Vic Rodriguez, lawyer Ferdinand

Topacio, relieved Col. Raymund Dante La-chica, and retired military officers Romeo Poquiz, Orlando de Leon, and Johnny Mancaas.

He added that the supposed involvement of Baguio City Mayor Benjamin Magalang is still being confirmed.

When asked if the Palace considers the alleged destabilization reports a serious matter, Castro said the issue is already being handled by the intelligence community.

"Nasa intelligence community na po iyan. Kung mayroon silang makikitang dapat na talagang pagtuunan ng pansi, ito naman po ay hindi tutulugan ng ating Pangulo (That's now with the intelligence community. If they find that the matter needs serious attention, the President will certainly act on it)," Castro said.

She said it is necessary to investigate the allegations involving retired generals and other individuals to determine whether their actions fall within the limits of free expression or are already part of a destabilization effort.

"Kailangan po talagang maimbestigahan ito kasi maaaring sabihin nila ito ay freedom of expression, pero muli, titingnan natin kung ano ang hangganan at kailangan po talaga itong mapaimbestigahan kung ito po ay parte na po talaga ng destabilization (This needs to be investigated because, while some may claim it is an exercise of free expression, we also have to determine its limits and whether it already constitutes part of a destabilization attempt)," she said.

Castro, also a lawyer, said it would be premature to conclude that any laws have been violated.

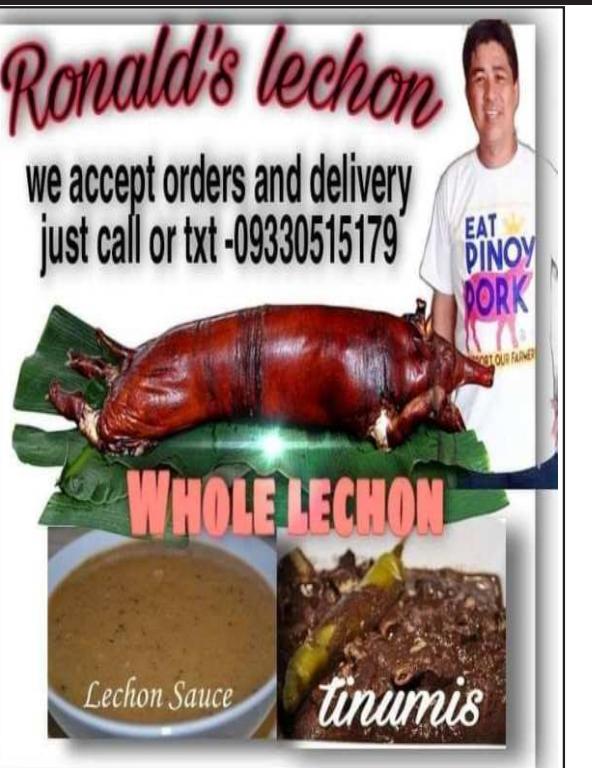
"Wala pa po tayong masasabi kung sila ay may nilalabag na batas. Kailangan pong maimbestigahan ito nang mas malaliman (We cannot yet say whether any laws have been violated. This must first be investigated thoroughly)," she said. (PNA)

**PhilHealth...**

Idinaos ng PhilHealth ang Policy Dialogue on Social Health Insurance noong Nobyembre 6, 2025 sa Bayview Hotel, kasama ang mga political officers, HR, at Medical Bureau ng Senado ng Pilipinas. Layunin ng aktibidad na palalimang pag-unawa sa social health insurance bilang mahalagang haligi ng Universal Health Care (UHC).

Sa pamamagitan ng mas mataas na kamalayan ng mga kawani ng Senado, mas mapagtibay ang teknikal na gabay na naibigay sa mga mambabatas para sa paggawa ng mga batas na sumusuporta sa misyon ng UHC — isang sistemang pangkalusugan na tunay na para sa lahat ng Pilipino.

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might just detonate a grenade and injure peace-loving Filipinos.

"So, we are asking the organizers to really, really make sure na safe, peaceful yung yung kanilang mga rally (that their rallies are safe and peaceful)," he stressed.

The AFP chief assured the public that the military and police will be deployed to ensure that peace and order prevail over the proceedings.

Brawner said the AFP reiterates its respect for the rights of all Filipinos to freedom of expression and peaceful assembly.

"These are freedoms we are sworn to protect. The AFP will work closely with law enforcement authorities to guarantee that these gatherings remain orderly, safe, and consistent with the law," he said.

Meanwhile, Brawner said the AFP will not be involved in any coup d'état, stressing that the military is a professional organization.

He added that the AFP will not resort to unconstitutional means to bring about change.

"The AFP remains a professional, disciplined, and non-partisan institution, unwavering in its loyalty to the Constitution, the democratic principles it is sworn to defend, and to the Filipino people it serves," he said in a separate statement.

"Amid ongoing speculation circulating in various platforms, we assure our countrymen that the AFP is focused on its mandate. Our soldiers perform their duties with professionalism, unity, and full respect for civilian authority. With full conviction, I assure the public that the armed forces will not engage in any action that violates the Constitution. Not today, not tomorrow, and certainly not under my watch," he said.

As part of its responsibility to protect national stability, Brawner said the security sector continues to carefully monitor and validate information that may affect public safety or constitutional order.

"These processes are deliberate, lawful, and coordinated with our partner agencies. We encourage everyone to remain discerning and to rely only on verified and official information," he said.

Brawner also said that the AFP intelligence community is now looking into the purported list of persons involved in a plot to destabilize the government.

"The AFP take such threats seriously," he said. (PNA)

PNP disaster response goes on despite Uwan damage to cop facilities

MANILA – The Philippine National Police (PNP) said Tuesday it continues to ensure public safety and non-stop law enforcement amid the recent damage caused by Super Typhoon Uwan to police facilities nationwide.

Based on police records, Uwan damaged 24 police stations and two headquarters across Cagayan Valley, Bicol Region, Western Visayas, and Eastern Visayas.

Two police vehicles were also damaged, while 27 uniformed personnel and one non-uniformed personnel were affected by the storm, with some losing personal properties.

"There were temporary disruptions in some areas, especially in regions na tinamaan ng malakas ng Typhoon Uwan pero agad po nating na-restore ang (severely hit by Typhoon Uwan but we were able to restore immediately) communication lines and operational control. Our command centers remained functional," acting PNP chief Lt. Gen. Jose Melencio Nartatez Jr. said in a statement.

"Even if a number of our police stations and offices were damaged and some of our personnel were also affected, your police continued their duties. Some even operated from temporary posts just to ensure public safety and continuous coordination with local responders."

The PNP conducted rapid damage assessment of all affected police stations and headquarters, and activated temporary command posts and relocation centers for units unable to operate in their regular facilities.

"Overall, I would say our disaster preparedness and response were timely and effective," Nartatez said, adding that their personnel and assets had been pre-positioned before Uwan made landfall.

"We alerted our units in all regions at nag-deploy tayo ng mga personnel para tumulong sa (and we deployed personnel to assist in) preemptive evacuation, search and rescue, (and) relief operations. Despite the magnitude of the typhoon, operational pa rin ang majority ng ating units (the majority of our units were operational.)"

The PNP, he said, would also provide emergency assistance to police personnel affected by the typhoon, including support for damaged homes and lost personal property.

Amid ongoing recovery efforts after the earlier onslaught of Typhoon Tino, law enforcers in Central Visayas also managed to arrest 183 suspects in a weeklong intensified operation conducted from Nov. 2 to 8.

Authorities apprehended 84 drug suspects, seizing 647.67 grams of suspected shabu with an estimated street value of PHP4,404,156.

Anti-firearms operations resulted in the arrest of 14 individuals and the recovery of 36 unregistered firearms, three explosives, and 204 rounds of ammunition.

A total of 41 warrants of arrest were also served, capturing 11 most wanted individuals and 30 other wanted persons.

Efforts against illegal gambling led to 44 arrests and the confiscation of PHP7,813 in gambling proceeds.

Meanwhile, the Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG) joined President Ferdinand R. Marcos Jr. in acknowledging the efforts of local government units across the country for their swift and decisive action in carrying out pre-emptive evacuations and early response operations during Uwan's onslaught.

Through prompt warnings, clear coordination, and on-the-ground leadership, governors, mayors, barangay officials, and disaster response teams safely moved more than 1.6 million individuals, or nearly 490,000 families, away from danger.

"These efforts prevented greater loss of life and demonstrated the power of proactive governance and community cooperation," the DILG said in a statement. (PNA)


Gov't closely monitoring Bonoan's whereabouts

MANILA – The whereabouts of former Public Works and Highways Secretary Manuel Bonoan is being closely monitored by the Philippine government, the Department of Justice (DOJ) said Wednesday.

Bonoan flew to the United States on Tuesday to accompany his wife for medical treatment. He was included by the Independent Commission for Infrastructure (ICI) in its request to the Office of the Ombudsman to be investigated over anomalies in the implementation of flood control projects in Bulacan province.

In a press briefing, DOJ spokesperson Nicholo Polo Martinez said Bonoan remains closely watched even if he later chooses to move from the U.S. to another country.

Martinez described the situation as "bantay sarado" (strictly guarded) following the issuance of an Immigration Lookout Bulletin Board (ILBO).

"Being under the Immigration Lookout Bulletin Order, this means that there is real-time monitoring and reporting of all his movements," he said. "So, bantay sarado po, ng Kagawaran ng Katarungan at ng gobyerno ang bawat galaw ni Mr. Bonoan (Every movement of Mr. Bonoan is strictly guarded by the DOJ and the government)." Asilo added.

"Ang pasaporte niya magkakamarka. At dahil po doon (His passport will be marked. And because of that), there is real-time monitoring through the Bureau of Immigration to the DOJ," he added. Martinez said the ILBO is the government's recourse, as the right to travel under the Constitution may only be limited by a court-issued hold-departure-order (HDO) when a case is already filed. "ILBO guarantees that every movement of any citizen who is under the ILBO will be monitored and reported to the proper authorities," he said. The spokesperson said the tracking is immediate. "That's immediate. So, habang nakatayo po siya doon sa (while standing before) immigration, they check his or her name, and then they see that his or her name is listed there under ILBO, right away, i-report po yan sa amin (it will be reported to us)," he said.

If Bonoan overstays his visa in the United States, he said it will be up to the US government to act on it. (PNA)

PNP to deploy 16K cops for 3-day prayer rally in Manila, QC

MANILA – A total of 16,433 police personnel will be deployed for the simultaneous prayer rallies organized by the Iglesia ni Cristo (INC) and the United People's Initiative (UPI) in Manila and Quezon City from Nov. 16 to 18, the National Capital Region Police Office (NCRPO) said on Wednesday.

In a press briefing at Camp Crame, NCRPO spokesperson Maj. Hazel Asilo said police officers will be deployed to the Rizal Park in Manila for the INC rally, and the EDSA People Power Monument for the UPI rally.

She added that for the EDSA rally, they will be coordinating with the Metropolitan Manila Development Authority to address traffic congestion along the thoroughfare.

"Meron pa tayong mga ibang binabantayan na mga locations na posibleng magkaroon ng mga lightning rallies, gaya ng US Embassy, Mendiola, and mga usual na lugar na pinupuntahan ng mga rallyista (We are also monitoring other locations that may have lightning rallies, such as the US Embassy, Mendiola, and the usual places where protesters go)," Asilo added.

"Magkakaroon tayo ng mga announcements kung saan magkakaroon ng rerouting ng ating mga daan, as well doon sa mga parking para doon sa mga kasanahan na mag-join. Since three-day rally ito, magkakaroon ng mga parking areas para doon sa mga buses at iba pang mga sasakyang (We will announce any rerouting plans and parking options for those who will join. Because this is a three-day rally, parking areas will be provided for buses and other vehicles)."

In a separate statement, acting PNP chief Lt. Gen. Jose Melencio Nartatez Jr. said inter-agency coordination meetings were conducted to ensure a well-organized deployment and seamless support for participants and the public.

"We respect the rights of every Filipino to freely practice their religion. Our task is to ensure that this rally, like any peaceful gathering, remains safe for both participants and the surrounding community," Nartatez said.

PNP spokesperson and public information chief Brig. Gen. Randolph Tuano said their personnel will focus on crowd management, traffic coordination, and ensuring that the areas around the venues remain safe.

The PNP acknowledged the guidance of President Ferdinand R. Marcos Jr., highlighting the importance of safeguarding both the rights of citizens and public order during such events.

Attendees were also urged to observe traffic regulations, cooperate with security personnel, and participate responsibly. (PNA)



Iglesia Ni Cristo members walk along Roxas Boulevard in Manila for the National Rally for Peace on Jan. 13, 2025. (File PNA photo by Avito Dalan)

Air Force gets 5 more Black Hawk helicopters

MANILA – The Philippine Air Force (PAF)'s humanitarian assistance and disaster response (HADR) capabilities received a much-needed boost as five more S-70i Black Hawk helicopters were commissioned into its service Friday.

In a statement, PAF spokesperson Col. Ma. Christina Basco said the acceptance, turnover and blessing ceremonies for the aircraft took place at the 250th Presidential Airlift Wing at Villamor Air Base in Pasay City.

Department of Budget Management Secretary Amenah Pangandaman, PAF chief Lt. Gen. Arthur Cordura, and Department of National Defense (DND) Undersecretary for Acquisition and Resource Management Salvador Melchor Mison Jr. attended the ceremony.

The helicopters comprise the fourth batch under the 32-unit S-70i acquisition from Poland's PZL Mielec, procured through the Armed Forces of the Philippines (AFP) modernization program.

The latest batch arrived in the Philippines on Oct. 20, following previous deliveries of five units each on June 10 and Dec. 9, 2024; and July 15.

Each helicopter underwent technical inspection and acceptance process on Oct. 22 to 26, conducted jointly by the DND, AFP and PAF, to ensure compliance with operational standards.

The aircraft will be operated and maintained by the 205th Tactical Helicopter Wing under the Air Mobility Command.

"With this latest addition, the PAF continues to strengthen its air mobility capability and fulfill its mandate to protect the nation and serve the Filipino people, in times of both humanitarian crisis and conflict," Basco said. (PNA)

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MIAA AT NNIC MAGKATUWANG SA PAG-UPGRADE NG NAIA UPANG LAGING LIGTAS AT MAAYOS ANG PUBLIKO SA HINAHARAP

Mga katoto sadyang ugma sa panahon ang pagkasapribado ang Ninoy Aquino International Airport (NAIA) bunga ng kalumaan ng ibang gusali tulad ng Terminal 4 at may kasikilan na ang ibang pasilidad gawa ng pagdami ng papulasyon, mga pribadong sasakyan, at mga sasakyang pamhimpapawid kabilang na ang iba pang dapat baguhin mga lugar na nasasakupan ng naturang paliparan. Tulad nitong nakalipas na UNDAS 2025 o bago sumapit ang araw ng All Souls Day/All Saints Day mga katoto tiniyak ng Manila International Airport Authority (MIAA) sa publiko na ganap na kahandaan ng ibang gusali tulad ng NAIA sa inaasahang pagdagsa ng mga pasahero nitong Undas 2025, salamat sa matibay na pagtutulungan ng MIAA at ng pribadong partner nito, ang New NAIA Infra Corp. (NNIC), sa ilalim ng nagpatuloy na programa ng modernisasyon ng gobyerno.

Bilang suporta mga katoto sa "Oplan Biyaheng Ayos: Undas 2025" ng Department of Transportation, sinabi ni katotong MIAA General Manager Eric Jose Ines na ang mahigpit na koordinasyon sa DOTr at NNIC ay nagsisiguro ng ganap na kahandaan sa lahat ng mga terminal sa panahon ng holiday rush, alinsunod sa direktiba ni katotong Pangulong Ferdinand R. Marcos Jr. na tiyakin ang ligtas, mahusay, at komportableng paglalakbay para sa lahat ng Pilipino.

"Sa magkasanib na pagsisikap ng DOTr, MIAA, at NNIC, handa kaming gawing ligtas, maayos, at maginhawa ang paglalakbay para sa lahat ng pasahero ngayong Undas. Ang layunin namin ay makapaghahid ng world-class na karanasan sa paliparan kahit na sa mga pinakabalang araw ng taon," sabi ni GM Ines.

Ang NNIC sa ilalim ng pamumuno ni katotong General Manager Lito Alvarez ay nag-proyekto na mahigit 1.3 milyong pasahero ang dadaan sa tatlong terminal ng NAIA mula Oktubre 27 hanggang Nobyembre 5, na may average na 135,000 hanggang 140,000 na mga pasahero araw-araw. Upang pamahalaan ang pagdagsa, isinaaktibo ang Oplan Undas 2025, na nagtalaga ng karagdagang kawani para sa tulong ng mga pasahero, pagsusuri sa seguridad, at pamamahala ng mga tao. Ang koordinasyon sa mga airline, CAAP, at iba pang ahensya ng gobyerno ay pinalakas para mapanatili ang mahusay na operasyon ng terminal at on-time na flight.

Kabilang sa mga pangunahing pagpapahusay na ipinatupad sa buong NAIA ay ang pagbubukas ng 6,000 metro kuwadradong mezzanine Food Hall sa Terminal 3, ang pagdaragdag ng mga bagong food at retail outlet, at mga upgrade sa air-conditioning, seating, at lighting. Ang mga self-check-in kiosk, self-bag-drop counter, at pinahusay na koneksyon sa Wi-Fi ay ipinakilala upang mapadali ang pagproseso at panatiliing updated ang mga manlalakbay. Ang mga upgrade sa airside at ground access, kabilang ang mga muling na-configure na parking stand, mas mabilis na operasyon ng taxiway, mas malalawak na curbside, at mga dedikadong ride-hailing hub ay nagpapabuti sa daloy at kahusayan ng trapiko.

Para matiyak ang maayos na paglalakbay, pinapayuhan ang mga pasahero na dumating nang maaga, tatlong oras bago ang mga international flight at dalawang oras bago ang domestic departure at mag-impakte nang matalino sa pamamagitan ng pag-iwas sa mga ipinagbabawal na bagay. Dapat hand-carried ang mga power bank, pinapayagan ang mga unit na hanggang 100Wh, ang mga 100Wh hanggang 160Wh ay nangangailangan ng pag-apruba ng airline, habang ang anumang bagay na higit sa 160Wh ay ipinagbabawal. Ang paggamit o pag-charge ng mga power bank habang lumilipad ay hindi pinahihintulutan.

"Ang mga pagpapahusay na ito ay bahagi ng mas malawak na pagsisikap sa modernisasyon upang gawing mas mahusay, maaasahan, at madaling gamitin ang NAIA, hindi lamang para sa Undas,

kundi para sa pangmatagalang panahon." Dagdag pa ni ose Inis

Pinangunahan nila Department of Transportation(DOTr) Secretary Giovanni Z. Lopez at Manila International Airport Authority(NAIA) General Manager Eric Jose Ines at New NAIA Infrastructure Corporation(NNIC) President/CEO Ramon Ang, ang pagbisita sa lahat ng Terminal sa NAIA. Pasky Natividad

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President Marcos receives former UN chief Ban Ki-moon at Malacañan Palace

President Ferdinand R. Marcos Jr. welcomed former United Nations (UN) Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon during a courtesy call at Malacañan Palace on Tuesday.

During their meeting, President Marcos expressed his appreciation for Ban's continued advocacy and leadership in promoting climate resilience and sustainability, particularly in vulnerable nations such as the Philippines.

"I am glad that you continue this very important work.... What you are doing — sustainability — is key to the survival of my country, considering we are so vulnerable to the effects of climate change," the President said.

For his part, Ban expressed his gratitude to President Marcos for the warm reception and conveyed his hope that the Philippines will recover swiftly from the recent devastation caused by the back-to-back typhoons.

Ban's visit to Manila comes in the wake of Super Typhoon Uwan and Typhoon Tino, which brought widespread devastation across parts of the Visayas and other regions.

On Monday, the former UN chief participated in a dialogue at the Trans-Pacific Sustainability Dialogue (TPSD) in Makati City, where he urged the international community to extend support to the Philippines and other climate-vulnerable nations in recovering from increasingly destructive natural disasters.

The PSD is a joint initiative of the Walter H. Shorenstein Asia-Pacific Research Center (APARC) at Stanford University and the Ban Ki-moon Foundation for a Better Future that brings together scholars, policymakers, and practitioners to accelerate progress on achieving the United Nations-adopted 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development.

President Marcos and Ban last met in February 2024, when the President welcomed the continued support of the Global Green Growth Institute (GGGI), where Ban serves as President and Chairman of the Council.

Ban reaffirmed the GGGI's commitment to assist the Marcos administration

in implementing sustainable and climate-resilient development programs.

Joining the President during the meeting were Foreign Affairs Secretary Ma. Theresa Lazaro, Executive Secretary Lucas Bersamin, Presidential Communications Office Acting Secretary Dave Gomez, and Foreign Affairs Assistant Secretary Maria Teresa Almojuela.

Ban, meanwhile, was joined by Republic of Korea Ambassador to the Philippines His Excellency Lee Sang-hwa, former Ambassador of Korea to Australia and former President of Jeju Peace Institute Mr. Kim Bonghyun, and former Ambassador and Permanent Representative of Republic of Korea to the United Nations Mr. Kim Sook. | PND



DepEd Camiguin strengthens classroom supervision through Project DAGPAK

MAMBAJAO, Camiguin (PIA) — The Department of Education (DepEd) Camiguin strengthened its classroom supervision efforts through Project Delivering Active Guidance in Pedagogical Advancement and Knowledge (DAGPAK) to ensure quality teaching and improve learner outcomes.

"The project focuses on intensifying instructional supervision as a key strategy to address learning gaps and recover learning losses among students in the province," Schools Division Superintendent Lorebina Carrasco said, adding that the division aims to make classroom instruction the top priority of all schools.

Project DAGPAK requires school heads and education program supervisors (EPS) to conduct regular classroom observations to support and guide teachers in their instructional delivery.

Each EPS is expected to complete at least 12 classroom observations per month, providing technical assistance, coaching, and mentoring based on observed needs. Supervisors use structured

observation tools and feedback forms to ensure consistency and improve teaching strategies.

"The program also encourages reflective practices among teachers, allowing them to analyze their performance and identify areas for professional growth. Effective supervision is not about fault-finding but about guiding teachers to be their best in the classroom," Carrasco said.

Project DAGPAK also includes professional development sessions such as workshops and peer mentoring to strengthen teachers' instructional skills.

Data from student performance and formative assessments are used to guide supervision and tailor interventions that address learning needs.

Carrasco said teachers are directed to devote the remaining days of the school year to instruction, remediation, and enhancement activities in reading, numeracy, and scientific literacy.

School activities unrelated to instruction are discouraged to ensure uninterrupted learning time for students.

Challenges such as time constraints, resource limitations, and varied teacher readiness have been identified but are being addressed through collaboration and strong leadership. Despite these challenges, classroom observations have shown noticeable improvements in lesson delivery and learner engagement," she added.

The division said sustained supervision and coaching will help teachers adopt better strategies aligned with DepEd's goals for quality basic education.

Carrasco said Project DAGPAK goes beyond compliance, aiming to build a culture of continuous improvement among teachers and school leaders.

"With its systematic approach to supervision and support, Project DAGPAK positions DepEd Camiguin as a model for strengthening instructional practices at the grassroots level," she said.

The implementation of Project DAGPAK is anchored on Republic Act 9155, or the Governance of Basic Education Act of 2001, and DepEd Order 16, s. 2012, which mandate effective school-based management and instructional supervision to ensure access to quality, equitable, and relevant basic education. (DepEd Camiguin/PIA-10/Camiguin)