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SENATORS ASSUME NEW PANEL CHAIRMANSHIPS IN 20TH CONGRESS REVAMP

MANILA – Several senators formally took on new committee chairmanships on Monday as part of a reorganization of Senate leadership roles in the ongoing 20th Congress.

Senator Alan Peter Cayetano now heads the Senate Committee on Banks, Financial Institutions, and Currencies, from his previous role as chair of the Committee on Science and Technology.

He will now lead Legislative Oversight and Reforms concerning banks, capital markets, digital finance, and consumer protection.

Cayetano said the committee will play a critical role in safeguarding the public from scams and financial mismanagement.

“Walang masama kung silipin natin pamin-san-minsan para matiyak na maayos ang investments nila, walang scam, at tama ang pagpap-atakbo (There’s nothing wrong with checking in from time to time to ensure investments are sound, there are no scams, and operations are in order),” he said.

Although the chairmanship has formally been transferred, Cayetano requested to be given time to complete key measures he initiated under the Science and Technology panel.

The Science and Technology committee has since been turned over to Senator Paolo Benigno “Bam” Aquino IV, marking his second time



Senate building
(PNA file photo by Avito Dalan)

to lead the panel.

Aquino previously chaired the committee from 2016 to 2019 and was the principal author or sponsor of landmark measures such as the Free Internet Access in Public Places Act, Balik Scientist Act, Magna Carta for Scientists, Innovative Startup Act, and the Philippine Space Act.

Aquino now concurrently chairs the Senate Committee on Basic Education, where he is leading a 7-point reform agenda to address the country’s education crisis.

Meanwhile, Senator Lito Lapid has assumed leadership of the Senate Committee on Urban Planning, Housing, and Resettlement.

The panel is tasked with overseeing land use policies, housing programs, and resettlement efforts for informal settler communities. (PNA)

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WALANG ACCREDITED BROKERS o AHENTE na maaaring mag-alok o magbenta ng mga Pag-IBIG Acquired Assets.

Ang mga transaksyon patungkol sa pagbid o pagbili ng Pag-IBIG Acquired Assets ay maaari lamang gawin sa loob ng aming mga tanggapan.

Maging maingat at mapanuri. Ipagbigay alam po nila sa amin kung sakaling may lumapit sa inyong indibidwal o grupo na nagpapakilala bilang taga Pag-IBIG Fund at nag-aalok ng aming Acquired Assets, upang agad naming magawan ito ng nararapat na hakbang.

~ SOUL FOOD ~

“For everyone born of God overcomes the world.
This is the victory that has overcome the world, even our faith.”

- 1 John 5:4 -



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NICA, PRIVATE SPONSOR BRING AID TO MARIKINA TYPHOON VICTIMS



Alastair Tereso I. Balitaan,
NICA-NCRO Deputy Regional Director

MANILA — One hundred families affected by recent typhoons in Barangay Malanday received assistance on Friday through a “Hatid Tulong” outreach program led by the National Intelligence Coordinating Agency – National Capital Region (NICA-NCRO) and a private sponsor.

The relief effort, held at the Bulelak Covered Court, was organized to provide immediate support to residents impacted by Typhoons Crising, Dante, and Emong and to strengthen collaboration between government and private entities.

Alastair Tereso I. Balitaan, NICA-NCRO Deputy Regional Director, said the initiative is aligned with the national government’s priorities.

“President Ferdinand R. Marcos Jr. underscored climate change mitigation as a national priority during his State of the Nation Address,” Balitaan said, connecting the relief mission to the broader challenge of climate resilience.

The program was conducted as part of NICA’s 76th-anniversary celebration, under the leadership of Director General Ricardo De Leon.

Barangay Kagawad Ferdie Felipe welcomed the assistance, underscoring the local government’s commitment to its constituents. He extended his gratitude to the program’s sponsor, the Young Siblings group.

Justyne Young, representing the Young Siblings, acknowledged the severe impact of the typhoons on the community.

“Although our contribution may be modest, we are committed to extending support to affected residents as part of our civic responsibility and solidarity with the victims,” Young said.

Local officials, including Kagawad Rodel Bayhon, also expressed gratitude to NICA and the Young Siblings for their role in uplifting the community’s welfare.

During a ceremonial distribution, representatives from NICA, the Young Siblings, and the local barangay handed over relief goods to the beneficiary families, marking a successful collaboration to bring timely aid to those in need. **(JCO/PIA-NCR)**

More repatriated victims forced to work illegally abroad rescued by PH government —BI

PASAY, Philippines—The Bureau of Immigration (BI) reported the return of 14 Filipinos rescued after being forced to work in scam hubs abroad.

BI Commissioner Joel Anthony Viado expressed concern on the growing number of repatriates that allegedly left the country via an illegal migration corridor, or what is more commonly known was backdoor.

The BI’s immigration protection and border enforcement section (I-PROBES) reported the arrival of 8 Filipino repatriates from Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia last July 30 at the Ninoy Aquino International Airport (NAIA) Terminal 1. The victims recounted how they were promised work in Laos as office staff, and was offered a salary of P50,000 a month.

The victims stated that they took a boat from Dipolog to Zamboanga, then later transferred to another boat to Malaysia. Upon arrival in Malaysia, they allegedly took a train to Perlis, which borders Malaysia and Thailand, where they were detained by authorities for almost 6 months.

They were eventually able to seek help from the Philippine Embassy in Malaysia, which facilitated their repatriation.

Verification of the BI’s forensic documents laboratory showed that their passports contained counterfeit Philippine immigration stamps.

On the same day, another 6 Filipinos arrived at the NAIA Terminal 1 after being repatriated from Phnom Penh, Cambodia.

Out of the 6, only 2 left via NAIA while 4 left on board small boats to reach Cambodia, where they were offered work as customer service representatives, with a promised salary of 1,000 USD



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per month.

They ended up working as scammers, and were physically abused when unable to reach their quota. They were assisted by the Philippine Embassy in Cambodia, which facilitated their safe return to the Philippines.

“It is heartbreaking to report that one of the victims, who is pregnant, was subjected to torture whenever she experienced pregnancy sickness,” said Viado. “Another victim, a man, was physically struck on the neck for failing to meet his assigned quotas,” he added.

Viado expressed his dismay at the continued attempt of Filipinos to depart through illegal means, then end up in abysmal conditions.

“Being forced into illicit activities abroad under threat and abuse is a devastating reality for many,” said Viado. “By rejecting illegal methods, we can help break the cycle of trafficking and exploitation. The public is urged to reject such offers and turn only to legal channels for assistance,” he added.

Following immigration processing, officials from the Overseas Workers Welfare Administration (OWWA), the Department of Migrant Workers (DMW), and the Department of Foreign Affairs (DFA) worked together to provide immediate assistance to all victims. **(BI)**

PH, US STAGE JOINT AID AIRLIFT DRILL IN CLARK

MANILA – The Armed Forces of the Philippines (AFP) and the United States (US) military have successfully conducted a joint simulation exercise at Clark Air Base to demonstrate the rapid airlift of relief goods for communities affected by recent floods.

The activity, held last Saturday, involved the loading and transport of family food packs (FFPs) from the Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD) using the US MV-22 Osprey aircraft—highlighting the importance of interoperability, swift logistics coordination, and disaster response readiness.

Defense Secretary Gilberto Teodoro Jr., AFP Chief of Staff Gen. Romeo Brawner Jr., and US Ambassador MaryKay Carlson led the observation of the drill, which also included a guided tour of the Osprey aircraft to showcase its capabilities for quick deployment in humanitarian assistance and disaster relief (HADR) missions.

Carlson reaffirmed support from the United States Indo-Pacific Command (USINDOPACOM), which has been assisting the AFP in delivering aid to areas impacted by successive monsoons.

To date, 4,800 DSWD food packs have been transported and prepositioned, including deliveries to remote areas such as the Batanes Islands.

Teodoro underscored the shared values anchoring the Philippine-US alliance.

“Our partnership is premised on a funda-

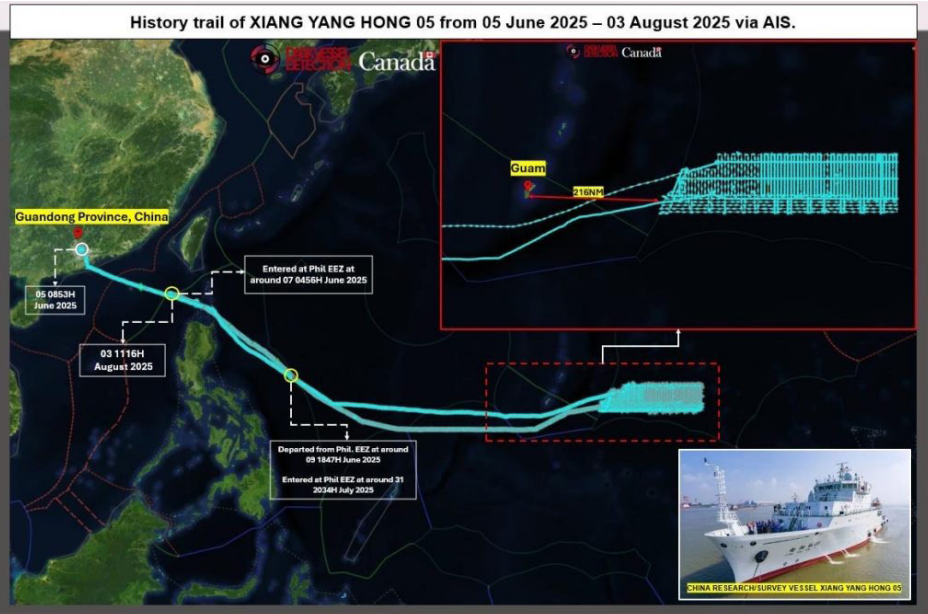


mental value, the irreplaceable worth we place on every human life. That is very valuable to both of us. We respect each other, we respect human lives, and we are here to preserve that fundamental value,” Teodoro was quoted as saying in a Department of National Defense press release Saturday.

“To our treaty partners, the United States of America, we say thank you. And this will not be the last time. In the spirit of multilateralism, in the spirit of our bilateral people-to-people ties, we hope this partnership will be sustained and enhanced to contribute to the greater good of humankind.”

The joint drill forms part of continuing efforts to enhance HADR operations between the two countries under their longstanding security and humanitarian partnership. **(With Priam Nepomuceno/PNA)**

PCG CONDUCTS MDA PATROL TO MONITOR AND CHALLENGE CHINESE RESEARCH VESSEL



In a recent initiative to safeguard the nation’s maritime interests, Admiral Ronnie Gil Gavan, Commandant of the Philippine Coast Guard (PCG), has ordered the deployment of a PCG aircraft to conduct a Maritime Domain Awareness (MDA) patrol yesterday. This action comes in response to the monitored presence of the Chinese Research Vessel, Xiang Yang Hong 05, which was tracked approximately 37 nautical miles off the coast of Sta. Ana, Cagayan.

The PCG aircraft successfully conducted its MDA flight yesterday afternoon and physically sighted the Xiang Yang Hong 05 at a distance of 14.92 nautical miles from Babuyan Island. The vessel was challenged by the PCG aircraft but did not respond. Notably, the Xiang Yang Hong 05 had previously departed from Guangdong province, China, on June 5, 2025, en route to the West Philippine Sea. It entered the Philippine Exclusive Economic Zone on June 7, approximately 130 nautical miles from Burgos, Ilocos Norte, and subsequently left on June 9, only to re-enter the EEZ last July 31.

Based on its historical track, the Xiang Yang Hong 05 conducted sub-

stantial marine scientific research for almost 22 days after departing the Philippine EEZ and before re-entering. This research occurred along a parallel track in the Pacific Ocean, close to Guam at a distance of 216 nautical miles. As of this morning, the vessel was monitored via Automatic Identification System (AIS) approximately 86 nautical miles from Calayan Island, Cagayan.

The Xiang Yang Hong 05, a relatively new addition to China’s fleet of research vessels, has been converted from a cargo ship, raising concerns among neighboring countries due to its operations within sensitive maritime zones. Historically, the Xiang Yang Hong series has been associated with supporting the People’s Liberation Army Navy (PLAN) operations, dating back to the original vessels that participated in distant-water research and ballistic missile trials during the 1970s and 1980s.

The Philippine Coast Guard remains committed to monitoring and protecting the nation’s maritime jurisdiction, ensuring the safety and security of its waters against foreign vessels engaged in unauthorized and illegal maritime activities. (PIA)

DA pushes for higher rice import tariff, halt on rice imports

MANILA – The Department of Agriculture (DA) is pushing for the temporary suspension of rice importation and an increase in tariffs on imported rice, Presidential Communications Office (PCO) Secretary Dave Gomez said Monday.

Last week, the DA said it is pushing for a modest increase in tariffs on imported rice to at least 25 percent from the current 15 percent.

“The Department of Agriculture is recommending an increase in tariffs on imported rice and a temporary halt to importation to protect local farmers,” Gomez said.

The Cabinet would discuss the matter with President Ferdinand



R. Matcos Jr. in India on the sidelines of his state visit.

The DA measure is part of the Marcos administration’s target to gradually revert to the original 35 percent tariff on imported rice, a year after the implementation of reduced duties to help lower soaring retail rice prices. (PNA)

Pag-IBIG Fund reports record P28B net income in first half of 2025

MANILA, (PIA) — The Home Development Mutual Fund posted its highest six-month earnings in 45 years, with net income surging 15% to P28.04 billion in the first half of 2025, officials announced Friday.

The government housing finance agency, known as Pag-IBIG Fund, saw gross income rise 12% to P44.39 billion from January through June compared with the same period last year.

The performance marks the strongest earnings period since the agency’s establishment in 1980, driven by increased collections and higher returns from housing and short-term loan portfolios.

Investment returns drive growth

Investment income jumped 52% year-over-year to P4.27 billion, accounting for nearly 6% of total gross income. The gains came from strategic investments in bonds, debt securities, money market instruments, equities and investment properties.

“This performance shows how excellently we are managing the funds that our members have entrusted to us,” said Human Settlements and Urban Development Secretary Jose Ramon Aliling, who chairs the agency’s 11-member board of trustees.

The strong financial position sup-



ports the government’s Expanded Pambansang Pabahay para sa Pilipino housing program, aimed at providing more Filipinos access to home ownership, Aliling said.

Assets reach P1.14 trillion

Total assets grew 7% to P1.14 trillion as of June, an increase of P74.90 billion from year-end 2024.

Pag-IBIG Fund Chief Executive Officer Marilene Acosta emphasized that the agency’s charter requires returning at least 70% of annual net income to members as dividends credited to their savings accounts.

“Pag-IBIG Fund is owned by its members — the Filipino workers. It is our duty to grow and protect their savings,” Acosta said. The agency serves millions of Filipino workers through savings programs and affordable home financing.

The record earnings position the fund to expand housing assistance while maintaining competitive returns for member savings, officials said.

(JCO/PIA-NCR)

Gov’t advances plan to protect indigenous peoples and ancestral domains

The government has begun developing a National Action Plan on Business and Human Rights (NAP-BHR), with a strong focus on protecting indigenous peoples (IPs) and their ancestral domains.

The initiative supports President Ferdinand R. Marcos Jr.’s commitment to human rights and inclusive development, as highlighted in his 2025 State of the Nation Address.

Held on July 15 in Makati City, the first workshop brought together over 50 representatives from 25 government agencies involved in indigenous rights, business regulation, and sustainable development.

With the theme, “Toward a Philippine National Action Plan on Business and Human Rights: Strengthening Protection for Indigenous Peoples and Ancestral Domains,” the event was led by the Presidential Human Rights Committee Secretariat (PHRCS) in partnership with the National Commission on Indigenous Peoples (NCIP), civil society groups, and supported by the European Union Delegation to the Philippines through the Land Justice Initiative.

PHRCS Executive Director Undersecretary Severo Catura underscored the importance of justice, unity, and respect for IPs in shaping national policies.



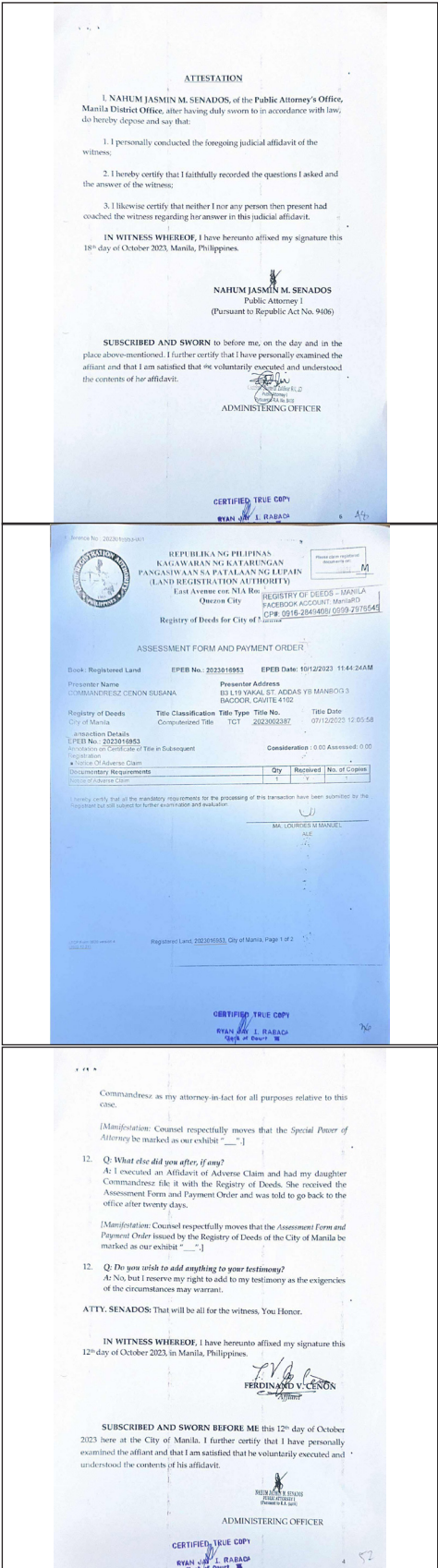
Judge Jesus Torres, former head of the Commission on Human Rights Economic, Social, and Cultural Rights Center, highlighted international frameworks like the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights, outlining the state’s duty to protect, the responsibility of businesses to respect rights, and the right of individuals to access remedies.

Legal and policy expert Atty. Reina Bermudez also discussed the Philippines’ legacy and policy landscape on BHR, as well as sound governance principles.

A second workshop is set to gather input from Indigenous communities, civil society, and the private sector.

A technical working group led by the NCIP, will then draft a preliminary version of the plan for further review.

The NAP-BHR is part of the Philippine Human Rights Plan 2024–2028, which aims to safeguard Indigenous rights and cultural heritage amid expanding business activities. (PND)



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Debtor/Mortgagor.

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NOTICE OF EXTRA-JUDICIAL SALE OF REAL
PROPERTY
UNDER ACT 3135 (AS AMENDED)

UPON extra-judicial petition under ACT 3135, as amended by ACT 4118 and pursuant to the terms and conditions of the Uniform Loan and Mortgage Agreement (Real Estate)/Supplemental Terms and Conditions of the Uniform Loan and Mortgage Agreement (Real Estate) dated November 13, 2018/ November 11, 2019 executed by **PAULA MARIE SANTOS SANTOS- #272** Interior General Luna Street, Concepcion, Acacia 1474 Malabon/ Unit 3152, 31/F, Tower 2, Sun Residences, Espana Blvd. Corner Mayon ST. Barangay Sta. Teresita, Quezon City, Debtor/Mortgagor in favor of **BDO UNIBANK, INC.** Mortgagee, to satisfy the mortgage debt in the amount of **Php2,191,358.11** as of **MAY 27, 2025**, including interests, penalties and expenses incidental, other charges, together with all the lawful fees and expenses of foreclosure sale, the Ex-Officio Sheriff of the Regional Trial Court of Quezon City and/or his duly authorized Deputy Sheriff, hereby announces that on **AUGUST 18, 2025** between the hours of 9:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M. at the Office of the Clerk of Court & Ex-Officio Sheriff. Regional Trial Court, Hall of Justice Bldg., Elliptical Road, Diliman, Quezon City, will sell thru public auction to the highest bidder for cash, in Philippine Currency. the following described real property/ies with all the improvements existing thereon, to wit:

CONDOMINIUM CERTIFICATE OF
TITLE NO. 004-2019013998
Registry of Deeds-Quezon City

SUN RESIDENCES
TOWER 2
FLOOR LEVEL: 31ST FLOOR
UNIT: 3152
DESCRIPTION: 1-BEDROOM UNIT WITH BALCONY
UNIT AREA: 26.30 SQ.M.
VIEW (MARKETING): FACING MANILA

in the diagrammatic floor plan appended to the enabling

or master deed of the condominium project annotated on TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE N-332801; N-332802; N-332803; N-332811; N-332805; N-332804; N-332792; 2010005992 which embraces and describes the land located at ESPANA BOULEVARD CORNER MAYON ST. QUEZON CITY with an area of (265.40, 121.10, 512, 274.00, 239.50, 3,080, 2,655, 4,163.20) Square Meter.

All sealed bids must be submitted to the undersigned at the aforesaid office on the above stated date and time.

Interested parties are hereby enjoined to investigate for themselves the title to the said property/ies and the encumbrances thereon, if any there be.

In the event that public auction should not take place on the scheduled date due to fortuitous event or if the same be declared a non-working holiday or for any other lawful/valid reasons. it shall be held on **AUGUST 27, 2025** at the same time and place without further notice.

Quezon City. Metro Manila, July 16, 2025

(Sgd.)
CECILIA S. BAÑEZ
Sheriff IV

(Sgd.)
GREGORIO C. TALLUD
Clerk of Court VII and
Ex-Officio Sheriff

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WARNING:
It is absolutely prohibited to remove, deface or destroy this Notice of Sheriff's Sale on or before the date of the auction sale under penalty of the law.

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FFCCCI LEADS MAJOR FOOD AID DISTRIBUTION ACROSS STORM-HIT REGIONS

MANILA — Demonstrating swift solidarity, the Federation of Filipino Chinese Chambers of Commerce and Industry, Inc. (FFCCCI) and allied civic groups have rallied P10 million in emergency aid for communities devastated by recent catastrophic typhoon flooding nationwide.

The initiative, coordinated under the Filipino at Tsino Magkaibigan Foundation, saw among its on-going major deployments on July 31, 2025. FFCCCI President Dr. Victor Lim and other Filipino Chinese community civic leaders personally delivered 10,000 bags of rice to Manila Mayor Francisco “Isko Moreno” Domagoso, providing immediate sustenance to the displaced families in the capital.

The P10 million fund—immediately pooled by FFCCCI and leading Filipino Chinese civic and cultural organizations—is actively channeling vital relief resources to hardest-hit areas across Metro Manila, Bulacan, Pampanga, Tarlac, Pangasinan, La Union, and other provinces. Relief operations prioritize urgent humanitarian assistance to evacuation centers and isolated communities. Last month, FFCCCI President Victor Lim also led Bacolod Filipino Chinese Chamber of Commerce and other Negros Filipino Chinese Chambers to donate construction materials to help rebuild

thousands of homes affected by Kanlaon volcano disturbances in five Negros cities and municipalities, such as La Castellana town, La Carlota City, Bago City, Kanlaon City and Moises Padilla town. Victor Lim and Bacolod City Mayor Greg Gasataya also presided over donation of a new 7-storey, 100-foot hydraulic high-rise ladder capacity modern fire truck to the Bacolod Filipino Chinese Volunteer Fire Brigade from the Dr. Manuel S. Lo family of Grace Pharmacy Bacolod and Merzci Bakeshop.

“This outpouring of support reflects our community’s unwavering bayanihan spirit,” stated FFCCCI President Victor Lim. “When any Filipinos suffer, we should all stand united—delivering not just aid, but hope for fast and full recovery.” The mobilization underscores the Filipino Chinese community’s deep commitment to national resilience, targeting both immediate relief and long-term rehabilitation for thousands affected by the disaster.



Maynilad cuts water losses to 36.2%, recovers 970 MLD since 2006

West Zone concessionaire Maynilad Water Services, Inc. (Maynilad) has reduced its non-revenue water (NRW) level to 36.2% as of Q1 2025, a significant improvement from 66.4% in 2006—the year the company was re-privatized.

This achievement translates to the recovery of 970 MLD—enough to meet the daily needs of millions of residents in the West Zone—through sustained investments and operational improvements over nearly two decades.

Maynilad inherited one of the oldest and most leak-prone pipeline systems from the Metropolitan Waterworks and Sewerage System (MWSS). Its NRW reduction was achieved despite these challenging network conditions, requiring extensive technical interventions and capital expenditures.

Maynilad's NRW Management Program includes the creation of District Metered Ar-



LOWERING LOSSES, ONE PIPE AT A TIME. Maynilad replaces aging pipelines as part of its long-term Non-Revenue Water (NRW) Management Program. As of Q1 2025, the West Zone concessionaire has brought down water losses to 36.2%, recovering 970 million liters of water per day since 2006.

reas (DMAs), advanced network diagnostics, active leak detection and repair, massive pipe replacement projects, and strict meter management. As of Q1 2025, Maynilad has replaced 3,293 kilometers of aging pipelines and repaired over 18,000 pipe leaks in just the first quarter of the year.

“Reducing water losses in a highly complex and aged network like ours requires long-term investment and continuous innovation. This milestone underscores our commitment to enhancing operation-

al efficiency and achieving our NRW targets,” said Maynilad Central NRW Head Engr. Ryan Jamora.

According to its IPO Prospectus, Maynilad aims to further reduce NRW to 25% by 2027 and 20% by 2030, maintaining this level until the end of the concession period.

Maynilad is the largest private water concessionaire of Metropolitan Waterworks and Sewerage System (MWSS) in the Philippines in terms of customer base. Its service area includes the cities

of Manila (all but portions of San Andres and Sta. Ana), Quezon City (west of San Juan River, West Avenue, EDSA, Congressional, Mindanao Avenue, the northern part starting from the Districts of Holy Spirit and Batasan Hills), Makati (west of South Super Highway), Caloocan, Pasay, Parañaque, Las Piñas, Muntinlupa, Valenzuela, Navotas, and Malabon, all in Metro Manila; and the cities of Cavite, Bacoor, and Imus, and the municipalities of Kawit, Noveleta, and Rosario, all in the province of Cavite. **(PIA)**

PALACE CONGRATULATES BOC FOR SURPASSING TARGET WITH P84.5 B JULY REVENUE

Malacañang has commended the Bureau of Customs (BOC) for surpassing its Development Budget Coordination Committee (DBCC) revenue target by 100.2 percent for July 2025.

In a Palace press briefing on Friday, Presidential Communications Office Undersecretary and Palace Press Officer Claire Castro said BOC collected PhP84.5 billion in July, surpassing its revenue target of PhP84.4 billion by PhP140 million.

BOC's July performance marked its highest monthly collection this year and reinforced President Ferdinand R. Marcos' administration's commitment to sound fiscal governance.

Castro said the BOC's July collection also represented a significant increase from the PhP77 billion collected in June and the PhP80.4 billion posted in July 2024.

“Mas mataas din ito sa July 2024 collection na PhP

80.4 billion. Sa tala ng BOC, ito na ang pinakamataas na koleksyon sa loob ng isang buwan ngayong 2025,” Castro said.

Year-on-year, the agency registered a 5.2 percent growth rate—substantially outperforming the 1.2 percent average during the first semester of 2025—despite a weeklong work suspension within the month.

The BOC's performance reflects not only improved administrative efficiency but also the steady progress of fiscal reforms under the Marcos administration.

DBCC members set the BOC's revenue target, particularly for the collection of custom duties, excise taxes, and other other indirect taxes.

The DBCC is composed of the Department of Budget Management (DBM), Department of Finance (DOF), Department of Economy, Planning, and Development (DEPDev), Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas (BSP) and the Office of the President (OP). **(PND)**

PBBM admin rolls out Serbisyo Caravan in Dubai



Hundreds of Filipinos living and working in the United Arab Emirates availed of the services offered by more than 10 Philippine government agencies through the Serbisyo Caravan of President Ferdinand R. Marcos Jr.

The Dubai World Trade Center's Exhibition Hall 8 hosted the Serbisyo Caravan today, August 3. The venue can be easily reached using the Dubai Metro Red Line.

Among the Philippine government agencies that offered their services were the Social Security System (SSS), Pag-IBIG or the Home Development Mutual Fund, the Philippine Health Insurance Corporation (PhilHealth), and the Public Attorney's Office (PAO).

The Serbisyo Caravan also included the Philippine Consulate General.

First Lady Marie Louise Araneta-Marcos launched the Serbisyo Caravan in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia on July 18 to provide overseas Filipino workers (OFWs) access to multiple government services such as legal aid, financial support, and welfare counseling, through a one-stop platform.

The Filipino Social Club extended its assistance to the Serbisyo Caravan in Dubai by deploying volunteers from its member organizations. The club's officers and board members were at the venue to help manage the program flow.

The next Serbisyo Caravan will be conducted in Saudi Arabia on August 8 in Jeddah and on August 15 in Al Khobar. **(PIA)**

NOTICE OF DISSOLUTION

Notice is hereby given that MAMMOET HEAVYLIFT (PHILIPPINES) INC. (“the Corporation”) is in the process of Dissolution by shortening of corporate term until September 30, 2025, after having been approved and adopted by majority of the Board of Directors of the Corporation and 2/3 of the outstanding capital shares during their joint meeting on March 1, 2025, held at the principal office address of the Corporation and through remote communication.

All persons having claims against the Corporation are requested to present the same at 10F Griffinstone Building Commerce Ave. cor Spectrum Midway Extn, Alabang, Muntinlupa City for checking and settlement, if any.

The announcement serves as notices to all concerned about the Business Closure/Dissolution of the Corporation.

(Sgd.) **CHRISTINE PATRICIA G. YU**
Corporate Secretary

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NOTICE OF DISSOLUTION

Notice is hereby given that in a Director's Certificate dated 3 June 2025, it was declared that in the special meeting of the Board of Directors (the “Board”) of CREATIVE LITE VENTURES INC. (the “Corporation”) held on 20 February 2025, at which meeting a quorum was present and acting throughout, the Board approved the closure of the Corporation's Business Head Office and all Branches, and that the Board assumes that the Business Head Offices and all Branches should be retired on 24 February 2025, due to cessation of its operation.

The Director's Certificate was notarized by Atty. Socorro Maricel N. Nepomuceno and entered in her notarial register as Doc. No. 296; Page No. 62; Book No. 1; Series of 2025.

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Notice is hereby given that in a Director's Certificate dated 7 February 2025, it was declared that in the special meeting of the Board of Directors (the “Board”) of RIDGE OUTSOURCING SERVICES INC. (the “Corporation”) held on 20 January 2025, at which meeting a quorum was present and acting throughout, the Board approved the closure of the Corporation's Business Head Office and all Branches, and that the Board assumes that the Business Head Offices and all Branches should be retired on 28 January 2025, due to cessation of its operation.

The Director's Certificate was notarized by Atty. Socorro Maricel N. Nepomuceno and entered in her notarial register as Doc. No. 284; Page No. 59; Book No. 1; Series of 2025.

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NOTICE OF DISSOLUTION

Notice is hereby given that in a Director's Certificate dated 21 July 2025, it was declared that in the special meeting of the Board of Directors (the “Board”) of M.I. EXECUTIVE CONSULTANCY CORPORATION (the “Corporation”) held on 20 January 2025, at which meeting a quorum was present and acting throughout, the Board approved the closure of the Corporation's Business Head Office and all Branches, and that the Board assumes that the Business Head Offices and all Branches should be retired on 28 January 2025, due to cessation of its operation.

The Director's Certificate was notarized by Atty. Socorro Maricel N. Nepomuceno and entered in her notarial register as Doc. No. 289; Page No. 60; Book No. 1; Series of 2025.

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LEARN BY PARADOX

BY: PASTOR PETER JOHN F. CO

COMPASSIONATELY SERIOUS

Exodus 6:9-11 9 Moses spoke thus to the people of Israel, but they did not listen to Moses, because of their broken spirit and harsh slavery. 10 So the Lord said to Moses, 11 “Go in, tell Pharaoh king of Egypt to let the people of Israel go out of his land.”

Whenever we face typhoons, we are reminded that we not only face personal problems but the world is not on our side. Because of this, we sometimes think that God allows evil things to happen and he has no plans of really helping us.

The Israelites faced a similar situation wherein instead of deliverance as they requested, they received more afflictions.

In the previous verses God promised nine “I wills”. But Israel’s response was they will not listen (v9). God had already revealed who He is and confirmed that He is the God of their fathers by declaring His sworn promise. Yet Israel still responded with, “they did not listen to Moses, because of their broken spirit and harsh slavery.”

Faced with difficulty, they find it difficult to trust God. The problem is, their understanding of God is based on the idols they were acquainted with in Egypt. If they knew YHWH intimately, they will hope in God’s unwavering will. Their ignorance distorts their view of God because they were focused on other things than God.

And this is similar to us. It’s important that we know the God we serve by studying His Word. If you neglect the study of His Word, do not be surprised when you slowly drift away from Him. One reason is that you are more concerned with other things than God.

Indeed, it’s difficult to worship the Lord with a broken spirit. Many of us even choose not to attend church when we’re going through something heavy. Some set church activities aside because of the burden they carry, as though the church gets in the way of their solution. However, is it the right response to draw farther away from Him who knows everything, who understands what we are going through, and who values our suffering? He is the almighty God who created the heavens and the earth. He is the good God who saved us. Is it right to disregard Him? Did Christ die for us only to be treated as though He doesn’t matter?

This downheartedness of Israel did not shake God’s plan. He was not disappointed nor discouraged to continue, rather He ordered Moses to demand Pharaoh for Israel’s release (v10-v11). From three days journey to a full release from his hold. It was not because God suddenly decided differently, but to make clear what God had planned from the beginning (Exodus 3:10, Genesis 15:13-16).

The unchanging mind of God shows that He is compassionately serious and He can be relied on.

At times, we are like a child who doubts our father’s decision for us. We think they do not understand us but in reality, they’ve been there and wants nothing but the best for us. Of course, not all earthly fathers are like that. But our heavenly Father’s unchanging will, which is not dependent on our temporary perspective, but on His knowledge of what true freedom really is for us, assures us that He knows what He is doing and we can really depend on Him. Trust Him for He is trustworthy. He does not change. He is God.

NOTICE OF LOSS

NOTICE is hereby given that in an Affidavit of Loss (the “Affidavit”) executed by Mr. Edwin Josue Vergara and Mr. Ricardo Meniano Vergara, Jr., they stated that: (i) they are the lawful possessors of the Certificate of Ownership and Contract for burial lots at Loyola Memorial Park, located at The Garden of Peace Sect. E, Blk. 374, Lot Nos.: A, B, C, D, E, F, G, and H, as well as a mausoleum space at The Chapel of Peace Lot S all registered under the name of their parents - Francisca Josue Vergara and Ricardo Lucas Vergara; (ii) they recently discovered that the said documents are missing and, despite diligent efforts to search and recover them, they remain lost and irretrievable; (iii) they are executing the Affidavit to declare the loss of the said documents and to attest to the truth of the foregoing statements; and (iv) the Affidavit is executed for the purpose of requesting the issuance of a new Certificate and/or Contract in their favor, and for whatever legal purpose it may serve.

The Affidavit was notarized by Atty. Bryan G. Pekas and entered in his notarial register as Doc No. 281; Page No. 58; Book No. XLIII; Series of 2025.

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PH ARMY PROBES ROOKIE SOLDIER’S DEATH DURING RECEPTION RITES

MANILA – The Philippine Army (PA) is investigating the death of a rookie soldier, supposedly during reception rites at his unit in Maguindanao del Norte last week, an official said Monday.

In a message to reporters, PA spokesperson Col. Louie Dema-ala said two officers and 19 enlisted personnel have been relieved amid the ongoing investigation.

According to reports, Pvt. Charlie Patigayon, 22, was undergoing reception rites with other soldiers at the 6th Infantry Battalion headquarters in Barangay Capiton, Datu Odin Sinsuat when he collapsed on July 30.

Patigayon, a native of Kolambugan, Lanao del Norte, died the following day.

Reception rites are a series of exercises new soldiers are instructed to do when reporting to their units.

“We assure Pvt. Patigayon’s family that the PA is committed to pursuing justice,” Dema-ala said in a statement.

“Should the investigation confirm wrongdoing, those responsi-



ble will be held fully accountable under the military justice system and all applicable laws.”

Dema-ala stressed that in compliance with the Anti-Hazing Act of 2018, the PA “upholds a zero-tolerance policy against any practices that endanger the safety and well-being of its personnel.”

Aside from pursuing justice, Dema-ala said the PA is also providing all the necessary assistance and support to Patigayon’s family.

“While no form of compensation can ever replace the life of a soldier, we are committed to honoring Pvt. Patigayon’s service and to (ease) the burden on his loved ones,” he said. (PNA)

AFFIDAVIT OF SELF-ADJUDICATION OF THE ESTATE OF RICHARD COLLARGA SOMOOK WITH ABSOLUTE SALE OF REAL PROPERTY

Notice is hereby given that in AFFIDAVIT OF SELF-ADJUDICATION OF THE ESTATE OF RICHARD COLLARGA SOMOOK WITH ABSOLUTE SALE OF REAL PROPERTY (the “Affidavit”) dated 1 August 2025, Demetrio L. Somook (“Mr. Somook”) declared that: (i) he is the father and sole surviving heir of Richard Collarga Somook (“Decedent”) who passed away on 10 February 2025; (ii) the Decedent died intestate, or without leaving a last will and testament; (iii) the Decedent died single, and without any children; (iv) the Decedent’s mother, Maria Collarga Somook died on 1 May 2015; (v) Upon the Decedent’s death, he left the following properties: (1) a parcel of land together with improvements thereon, covered by Transfer Certificate of Title No. 167-2018002637 and Tax Declaration No. 19-238-0066-50106, 19-238-0066-50107, 19-238-0066-50106(EPSF), 19-238-0066-50106(SHT), located at Bacoor City, Cavite; (2) Savings Account in BDO Unibank Inc., Valero Salcedo Village Branch; (3) Bank Account in BPI Direct BanKo; and (4) Savings Account in Eastwest Bank, Mandaluyong-Libertad Branch; (vi) with full capacity to contract, Mr. Somook, hereby settle the estate of the Decedent extrajudicially, as follows:

1. ABSOLUTE SALE OF THE REAL PROPERTY IN BACOR CITY, CAVITE

For and in consideration of the sum of TWO MILLION PESOS (P2,000,000.00), the full amount of which is hereby acknowledged as received, Mr. Somook shall TRANSFER, and CONVEY by way of Absolute Sale the above-described property located in Bacoor City, Cavite to EMERITA SOMOOK POLINAR, Filipino, of legal age, married to REYNALDO POLINAR and residing at 1064 Apacible Street corner General Luna, Paco, Manila.

2. SELF-ADJUDICATION OF ALL BANK DEPOSITS

Mr. Somook hereby adjudicates unto himself the funds or deposits with BDO Unibank, BPI Direct BanKo, and Eastwest as stated above, and request that this adjudication be effective without judicial proceedings.

In the unlikely event that any other property of the Decedent, not included above, is ever found or identified, Mr. Somook further agrees to settle and distribute the same by means of a separate settlement.

The Affidavit was notarized by Atty. Adonai Jan Aslarona and entered in the notarial register as Doc No. 14; Page No. 30; Book No. II; Series of 2025.

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TSP SHOWBIZ ROUND-UP

RUFA MAE QUINTO
FLY TO THE US WITH HER DAUGHTER TO
GATHER FACTS ON THE DEATH OF HER
HUSBAND TREVOR

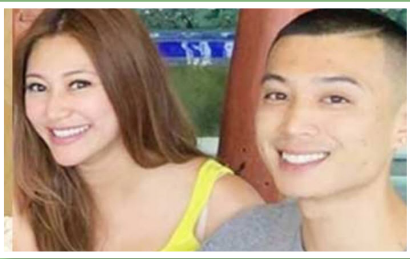
rufamaequinto I'm deeply saddened by this development. Hope u give us time to mourn his lost especially my daughter. Just pray for us that we will get thru this by the help of God!

We are still gathering factual information about his death. Even us or his immediate family are still verifying what happened. So we kindly ask his friends or anyone to stop spreading fake news or mere speculations about his death. I am flying tomorrow for d US with my daughter so pls wait for the official announcement surrounding his death from me & his family only and not fr any other source.

Thank u very much and pls give us respect & pray for us in this time of trial.

Hanggang sa huli.... Hanggang sa muli,

Mahal kita Trev. less



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SHARON CUNETA
ON THE COVER OF MEGA MAGAZINE



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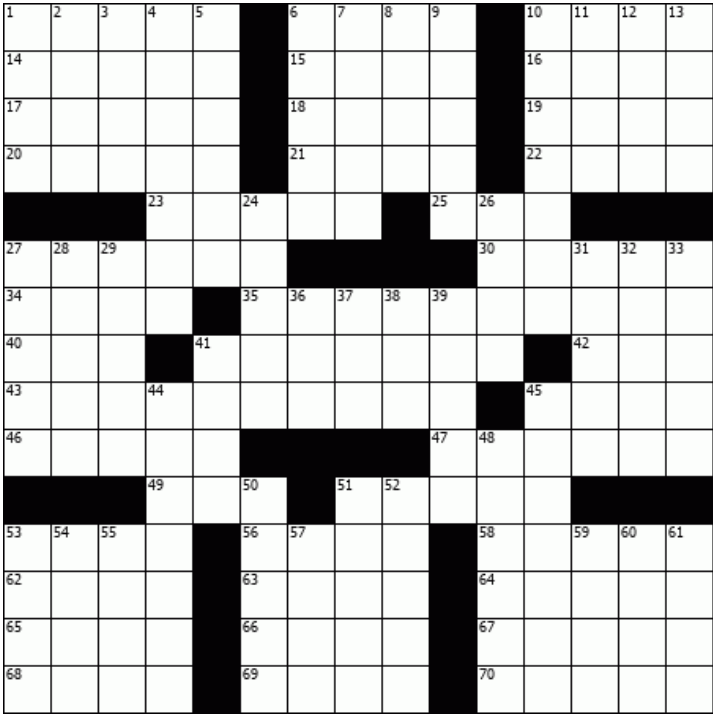


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- Disfigures
- Export
- Actress _____ Barkin
- Long tale
- Scheme
- Minimum
- See socially
- Medicinal plant
- Sci-fi weapon
- Tehran's land
- Watch over
- Respond
- Ostrich's kin
- Delights
- Guinness and Baldwin
- Poles
- Friendly toward guests
- GI's club
- Poor farmer
- _____ voyage!
- Tenacious
- TV host Jay _____
- Goody
- Bookworm
- Deposit eggs
- Sacred images
- Vegas machine

- Engrave
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- Spry
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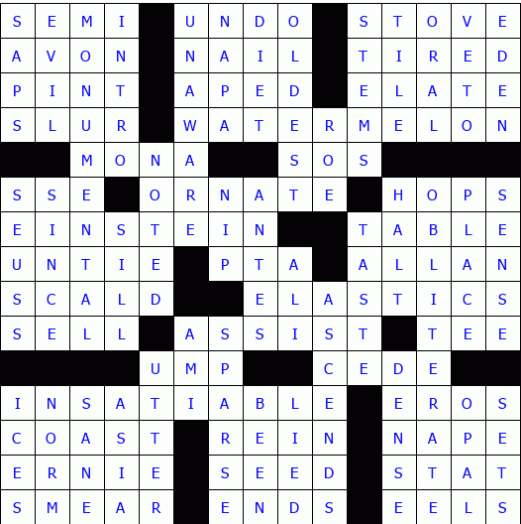


Down

- Broker's advice
- Appeal
- Exclamation of woe
- Arid wastelands
- Main course
- Military doctor
- Into pieces
- Actress _____ Hayworth
- Play part
- Bowl scraper
- _____ Macpherson
- Lunchtime
- Stained
- Fire remains
- Damon or Dillon
- Explode
- Defeated one
- Love dearly
- Receded
- Copy exactly
- Spanish title
- Edible grain
- Compass dir.

- Frying _____
- Preface
- Pocket bread
- Soup cracker
- Popular pasta
- Involve
- Baker's need
- More frosty
- Gorge
- Flower stalk
- Volcanic emission
- Draft animals
- Fir or poplar
- Tractor-trailers
- Story line
- Movie backdrops

LAST WEEK'S ANSWER:



SUDOKU

TODAY'S PUZZLE:

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LAST WEEK'S ANSWER:

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HOOPS REPUBLIC

World Games 2025 Athletes Village open



(PNA photo by Jean Malanum)

WORLD GAMES. Some members of the national contingent to the World Games on Aug. 7-17, 2025. Wushu standout Agatha Wong (4th front row) will carry the Philippine flag in the opening ceremony parade of nations.

MANILA – More than 4,000 athletes from 114 countries competing across 34 sports and 60 disciplines will stay in the 2025 World Games Athletes Village, which was opened Sunday, four days ahead of the multi-sport event to be held on Aug. 7-17 in Chengdu, China.

The state-of-the-art Village, Zones A and B, has comprehensive support services, including medical and chiropractic centers, dining halls offering diverse food, training and recreation zones, laundry facility, and multi-language assistance hubs.

Athletes, coaches, and International Federation (IF) officials from air sports, American football, billiards, boules sports, canoe, cheerleading, fistball, flying disc (Ultimate), gymnastics, handball, jiu-jitsu, karate, korfball, lacrosse, life-saving, orienteering, powerboating, sambo, sport climbing, triathlon, tug of war, underwater sports, waterski and wakeboard will stay in Village A.

Village B will accommodate athletes and staff from archery, baseball-softball, dancesport, floorball, flying disc (disc golf), kickboxing, muaythai, powerlifting, racquetball, roller sports,

squash and wushu.

National Olympic Committee (NOC) and National Sports Organization (NSO) delegations will also stay in Village A.

Meanwhile, the IWGA Family, including guests and key international stakeholders, will reside at the Intercontinental Century City Hotel —the assigned headquarters hotel in Village B.

“This Village represents the starting point of dreams fulfilled, personal bests achieved, and unforgettable moments shared. It is here that athletes will rest, recover, and build bonds that go beyond borders, beyond language, and beyond competition,” International World Games Association (IWGA) chief executive officer Joachim Gossow said in a press statement on the World Games website Monday.

“The Villages —both A and B— are more than just buildings to accommodate our athletes and teams. They are the very heart of The World Games. I want to express my deepest appreciation to the Local Organizing Committee. Your dedication, precision, and vision have set a new benchmark for athletes’ accommodation at The World Games.

From thoughtful layout and modern facilities to world-class services —every detail reflects a deep respect for the athletes and for the values of our Games,” he added.

The Philippines is sending 47 athletes, led by Agatha Wong (wushu), Raphael Trinidad (skateboard), Rubilen Amit (billiards) and Annie Ramirez (jiu-jitsu), to the World Games featuring sports not on the Olympic program.

Wong, a two-time World Championships silver medalist and five-time Southeast Asian Games titlist, and Trinidad, champion in the IWWF Asia and Oceania Championships, will carry the Philippine flag during the parade of athletes in the opening ceremony on Aug. 7 at the Tianfu International Convention Center.

Muaythai Association of the Philippines president Stephen Arapoc is the Team Philippines chef de mission.

Also attending the World Games are Philippine Olympic Committee (POC) president Abraham “Bambol” Tolentino and secretary general Wharton Chan, and Philippine Sports Commission chairman John Patrick Gregorio. (PNA)



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NU spikers unbeatable in Shakey's Super League Mindanao leg



UNBEATEN. National University skipper Evangeline Alinsug (right) tries to score against University of the Philippines players Niña Ytang (9) and Kizzie Madriaga in the Shakey's Super League (SSL) National Invitationals at the University of Southeastern Philippines Gym in Davao City on Sunday (August 3, 2025). NU won, 25-21, 20-25, 25-20, 25-17. (SSL photo)

MANILA – National University remains unsinkable despite the departure of key players.

Minus three-time UAAP MVP Bella Belen, Alyssa Solomon, Sheena Toring and Erin Pangilinan who helped the team defend the UAAP title this year, the Lady Bulldogs managed to rule the Mindanao leg of the 2025 Shakey's Super League (SSL) National Invitationals Sunday night.

Banking on veteran Arah Panique, skipper Evangeline Alinsug, setter Camille Victoria Lamina and rookie sensation Samantha Cantada, NU pulled off a 25-21, 20-25, 25-20, 25-17 win over a University of the Philippines to sweep the three-day event at the University of Southeastern Philippines Gym in Davao City.

“This is our first league as a rebuilding team. We are very happy because we got it. We know that many people thought that we were going to fall, but now we have witnessed that we can handle it even though our seniors are gone,” said Alinsug, who scored 13 points.

Panique led the Lady Bulldogs with 25 points off 21 attacks, two aces and two blocks while Cantada, the 2025 Shakey's Girls

Invitational Volleyball League MVP, chipped in 16 points anchored on 11 attacks and five service winners.

Lamina made 23 excellent sets for NU, which had 61 attacks, nine aces and 10 blocks. NU beat Notre Dame of Dadiangas University (25-19, 25-13, 25-19) and host Davao Selection (25-9, 25-12, 25-14) while UP prevailed over Davao Selection (25-11, 25-13, 25-15) and NDDU (25-19, 25-13, 25-19).

“I think UP is a team to beat in the UAAP. The battle is there and I think it will be a big morale-booster for us when it comes to the

UAAP,” said NU head coach Sherwin Menezes, who arrived Sunday morning in Davao City. His assistant, Alvin Dumalaog, took over in the first two games.

“Those who are left behind, the system is already there. Of course, the main goal is the UAAP. We lost four seniors so we will start again. We are looking for experience in the new team then focus on training and hopefully, no injuries.”

Meanwhile, the Visayas leg is scheduled from Aug. 22 to 24 in Cebu City. Batangas will host the Luzon leg. (PNA)



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