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## PH TO HARNESS AI FOR NAT'L DEVELOPMENT – PBBM

President Ferdinand R. Marcos Jr. said the country will harness artificial intelligence (AI) to accelerate economic growth, as he led the launching of the Department of Education's (DepEd) Project Accelerating Governance and Adaptive Pedagogy through Artificial Intelligence (AGAP. AI).

"At the national level, we are leveraging AI as an engine for development. We are establishing the Philippine AI Program Framework for the future-proofing of our economy," President Marcos said during the launching held at the Quezon City Science High School.

The national framework focuses on building robust infrastructure, including high-performance computing systems and upskilling workers and educators, the Chief Executive said.

"Through investment in AI research and development, we ensure that this technology delivers real benefits while remaining ethical and responsible," the President stressed.

As Chair of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) this year, President Marcos said the Philippines is also building a harmonized and human-centered AI ecosystem across Southeast Asia, focusing on five vital sectors: finance, agriculture, healthcare, manufacturing, and education.

"Indeed, we are taking the lead in building an innovative environment for Filipinos, as well as for our ASEAN brothers and sisters," the President said.

President Marcos remarked that this gen-



eration is very fortunate to be in a world where information and tools are readily available.

As a tech enthusiast, President Marcos said AI will help people tackle more complex challenges but it cannot replace core human qualities and responsibilities.

"You have in your hands an extraordinarily powerful tool. But you must use it to help you think and support your learning. It should never replace your drive, your creativity, and grit to learn about our world," the President emphasized.

"There are still some things that technology cannot do for us. Technology cannot replace discipline. It cannot replace effort. It cannot replace the habit of showing up prepared and ready to learn. It cannot replace hard work."

"That is how we build a Bagong Pilipinas, one that is enabled by technology and powered by Filipinos who choose to learn, to work and to aspire for a better future for all," said President Marcos. (PND)

## ~ SOUL FOOD ~

*"Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged, for the LORD your God will be with you wherever you go,"*

- Joshua 1:9 -

## PBBM urges Filipinos to practice compassion and solidarity beyond the Feast of the Black Nazarene

President Ferdinand R. Marcos Jr. on Friday joined the Filipino Catholic faithful in commemorating the Feast of the Black Nazarene, reflecting on the deep expressions of sacrifice, perseverance, and solidarity embodied in the annual devotion.

In his message, President Marcos called on Filipinos to carry the values of compassion, service, and shared responsibility beyond the procession and into everyday life.

"As we mark this year's Feast, I invite everyone not only to reach for the Nazareno's image, but to let this devotion guide the way we think, act, and help one another long after the procession has passed," President Marcos said.

"If we can go through great lengths for a moment of contact with the image, we can also persevere in the daily work of choosing honesty over falsehood, service over self-interest, and compassion over indifference," the President added.

President Marcos hoped the celebration of the Feast of the Black Nazarene would reinforce the shared commitment to support one another, ensure fairer access to opportunities, and sustain hope in people's daily endeavors.

"May this celebration deepen our shared vow to carry one another's burdens, share opportunity more fairly, and keep hope alive in the everyday choices that we make to build a more humane and faithful Bagong Pilipinas," urged the President.

President Marcos said every year, the procession of the Nazareno "reminds us that Filipino faith walks barefoot on hot pavement, squeezes through crowded streets, and bears upon its shoulders the daily worries of our countrymen striving for a more certain tomorrow."

"In the crowd, we witness stories of sacrifice and perseverance alongside the panata, community spirit, and steadfast solidarity that keep many families standing and communities moving to protect their dignity and secure their future," said the President.

"The image of the Lord stumbling under the weight of the cross speaks to a people who know how it is to be tired, yet still choose to rise and move forward together."

President Marcos said the stories and prayers of the devotees reflect the need for more effective and responsive governance and public services.

"By listening to their hopes, aspirations, and prayers, we come to see the gap between the burdens people carry and the support they receive, and recognize where wiser governance and more responsive services can help bridge that distance," the President said.

"I wish everyone a safe, solemn, and meaningful observance."

President Marcos has declared January 9, 2026 a special non-working day in the capital to ensure the orderly observance of the Feast of the Black Nazarene as millions of devotees are expected to flock to the Minor Basilica and National Shrine of Jesus Nazareno in Quiapo, Manila. **(PND)**

## PBBM inspects reconstruction of fire-damaged SFHS building, visits YAKAP medical mission in QC

President Ferdinand R. Marcos Jr. on Friday made his second visit to San Francisco High School (SFHS) in Bago Bantay, Quezon City to inspect the ongoing reconstruction of the school building that was damaged by fire last June 15.

President Marcos also oversaw the Yaman ng Kalusugan Program Para Malayo sa Sakit (YAKAP) at Kalinga medical caravan of the Department of Education (DepEd) and Philippine Health Insurance Corporation (PhilHealth) being held on campus.

The President first visited the school on June 18 last year, just three days after a fire razed the two-storey, 10-classroom DAO building that had been in use for over 45 years.

During that visit, President Marcos ordered the construction of a new four-storey building with 36 classrooms, significantly upgrading the



destroyed facility.

The new school building being constructed by the Department of Public Works and Highways (DPWH), is expected to be completed by the start of the next school year, the President said during the inspection on Friday.

The President also said he asked SM Group to also build 24 classrooms for the school.

"We look forward to the completion of this by the beginning of the next school year," said President Marcos.

The Chief Executive was accompanied by

DepEd Secretary Sonny Angara, DPWH Secretary Vince Dizon and Quezon City Mayor Joy Belmonte during the inspection on Friday.

Angara thanked the President for personally attending to the needs of the school.

According to DepEd, SFHS has 6,846 students supported by 325 teaching and non-teaching personnel, and has 211 classrooms.

YAKAP is PhilHealth's expanded Konsulta program for schools aimed at protecting the health and well-being of students and teachers as a foundation of quali-

ty education.

Doctors and medical personnel from the Quezon City Health Office conducted vision screenings and laboratory tests using the First Lady's Lab for All Mobile Medical Van, which was donated to the Quezon City government.

Free medicines were also distributed to beneficiaries while PhilHealth conducted registration for new members.

The SFHS mission marked the first YAKAP Caravan in 2026, following similar caravans held in seven schools last year. **(PND)**

## DEVELOPERS LAUD DHSUD PERFORMANCE; RENEW SUPPORT FOR PBBM'S 4PH

MANILA – The Subdivision and Housing Developers Association (SHDA) leaders lauded the Department of Human Settlements and Urban Development (DHSUD) and renewed support for President Ferdinand R. Marcos Jr.'s flagship Expanded Pambansang Pabahay Para sa Pilipino (4PH) program.

SHDA national president Kerwin Padua and chair Francis Richmond Villegas, and the board of governors and advisers commended the DHSUD, under the leadership of Secretary Jose Ramon Aliling, for reforms in the past six months that yielded positive results.

They cited Aliling's inclusive leadership and sustained engagement with stakeholders, which led to policy actions with clear impact across the housing sector.

"We're here to sup-

port DHSUD. Again, marami tayong nagawang strikes actually (we have actually made a lot of strikes) since our Secretary came in mid-year last year," Villegas said during the induction of SHDA's 2026 officers on Friday, as quoted in a news release on Sunday.

SHDA pledged continued support for the Expanded 4PH program, which advances safe, decent and dignified living for Filipino families.

In his address, Aliling stressed the importance of sustained collaboration between government and private developers.

"Alinsunod sa utos ni Pangulong Marcos Jr., bukas po ang DHSUD upang makinig at makipagtulungan sa pribadong sektor sa pagsusulong ng mas ligtas, disente at abot kayang pabahay para sa mas maunlad at matatag na Bagong

Pilipinas (In accordance with the order of President Marcos Jr., DHSUD is open to listening and collaborating with the private sector in promoting safer, decent and affordable housing for a more prosperous and stable New Philippines)," Aliling said.

Aliling said the department continues to strengthen systems, address gaps, and deliver better outcomes through sustained reforms and shared responsibility with all stakeholders.

This highlighted SHDA's role as a key partner while the government advances housing reforms, including the expansion of the 4PH Program to additional housing modalities, faster approval processes, clearer price ceilings for socialized housing, and improved digital systems for regulation and project processing.

"Una nating na-commit sa inyo was to expand the Pambansang Pabahay para sa Pilipino program 4PH to more modalities (Our first commitment to you was to expand the National Housing for Filipinos program 4PH to more modalities). So as you all know, we already did the expansion," he said.

Industry leaders likewise pointed to recent policy gains achieved through close coordination with DHSUD and partner agencies. These include simplified incentives for socialized housing, shorter processing timelines, and inter agency express lanes designed to reduce project delays.

SHDA restated its support for digitalization initiatives and for reforms aimed at delivering sustained outcomes and dignified homes for Filipino families. **(PR)**

## FIRST LADY: PASIG RIVER ESPLANADE SHAPING UP FOR PUBLIC USE



First Lady Louise Araneta-Marcos said efforts to improve the Pasig River Esplanade are gradually coming together following an inter-agency meeting on the planned turnover of kiosks for the walkway.

In a recent social media post after the meeting at the Centro de Turismo Intramuros, the First Lady expressed optimism over the direction of the project, describing steady progress in making the esplanade more welcoming to the public.

"Slowly but surely, things are coming together for the Pasig River Esplanade," Marcos said.

She said government agencies discussed practical measures that could significantly improve the visitor experience, including better organization of kiosks, support for local merchants, and ensuring safety and cleanliness along the riverfront.

The First Lady added, "We met and discussed how the little things can make a big difference, how to make the esplanade more wel-

coming, more organized and more enjoyable for locals and tourists alike."

Marcos emphasized that the goal is to create a public space that balances livelihood opportunities with accessibility and order, while making the area attractive to both residents and visitors.

"From supporting our local merchants to making sure the space feels safe and clean," she said.

The Pasig River Esplanade is part of the administration's broader efforts to rehabilitate the historic waterway and transform it into a viable public and tourism space.

Previous phases of the project focused on river cleanup, flood mitigation, and the redevelopment of walkways and open spaces along key sections of the river.

The esplanade is envisioned as a people-centered urban space that promotes cultural activities, tourism and small businesses, while contributing to the long-term restoration of the Pasig River. **(PTV NEWS-DAC)**

## PBBM launches DepEd's AI program for basic education through AGAP.AI



"This means that students will learn how AI works, teachers can learn how to integrate AI into their lessons, and parents can guide their children in using AI safely and wisely at home."

President Ferdinand R. Marcos Jr. thus led on Friday the launching of the Department of Education's (DepEd) Project Accelerating Governance and Adaptive Pedagogy through Artificial Intelligence (AGAP.AI) that aims to integrate AI use and training in basic education.

"As we hit the ground running in 2026, once again, we start a new era in our educational system and in the way that we train our young people," President Marcos said during the launching held at the Quezon City Science High School.

President Marcos said the project is appropriately named AGAP.AI ("agapay"), which means "to support" or "to bridge."

"This is what we are trying to do today: standing next to our people and bridging the gap between technology and education," the President said.

President Marcos, together with DepEd Secretary Sonny M. Angara and Quezon City Mayor Joy G. Belmonte, toured the booths of DepEd's local and international partner organizations on technological innovation.

The Office of the President donated two units of Starlink satellite internet service and one unit of Smartboard interactive touchscreen to Quezon City Science High School.

The Chief Executive said the education sector now has the responsibility to ensure that students use AI confidently and ethically, enabling them to stay ahead in their learning journey.

DepEd— through consultations with students, parents, teachers, AI experts, and education partners— is developing the Foundational Guidelines on Artificial Intelligence

in Basic Education that will serve as the first national framework for the ethical and responsible use of AI in schools.

With the support of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) Foundation and Google.org, DepEd will roll out a national AI skills training program that will reach up to 1.5 million Filipinos, including learners, teachers, and parents, the President said.

These training courses will cover relevant topics, including responsible use, detecting misinformation, privacy and security, and AI literacy.

"We are also investing heavily in our teachers. Through AI-focused training modules, educators will be equipped to teach AI responsibly and creatively, whilst at the same time keeping up with the developing new technologies as they come down the pipeline," President Marcos added.

Furthermore, the DepEd will pilot emerging AI-powered tools and platforms to enhance classroom instruction and school operations, the President said. These tools will also help the education system make smarter decisions while upholding fairness and data privacy.

Beyond policy and training, DepEd also engages with local and international partners to bring AI into the heart of learning.

DepEd is closely working with the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT), MIT Responsible AI for Social Empowerment and Education, and Day of AI to integrate AI concepts into the basic education curriculum, which will strengthen learners' AI literacy, computational thinking, and digital innovation skills, President Marcos said.

"All of these initiatives will ensure that AI in education prepares our institutions to keep pace with technology and that every Filipino benefits from those new technologies," the President said. **(PND)**

## PNP ORDERS TIGHTER PROBE AFTER SIBULAN SHOOTING

Philippine National Police (PNP) Acting Chief Plt. Gen. Jose Melencio Nartatez Jr. on Sunday ordered a thorough investigation into the Sibulan, Negros Oriental shooting that left four people dead, three of them police officers.



Nartatez ordered the Police Regional Office-Negros Island Region to conduct a thorough investigation into all circumstances surrounding the incident, saying there must be no cover-up, according to a press release.

At the same time, he directed all unit commanders to enforce stricter supervision and discipline among their personnel.

He emphasized that commanders at all levels are accountable for monitoring their men and must act decisively on any misconduct.

"Command responsibility applies at all levels, and failure to enforce standards will be dealt with in accordance with the law,"

he said.

"All PNP personnel are reminded that they are expected to remain physically, emotionally and psychologically fit to perform their duties at all times," Nartatez said.

The directive follows a Friday night incident at a bar in Sibulan, where Staff Sgt. Bonifacio Saycon allegedly shot a woman and later three police officers inside a vehicle.

Investigators said all four officers were previously inside the bar.

Saycon is currently under custody and will face criminal and administrative charges, Nartatez said. **(PNA)**

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## PNP affirms legality of luxury car seizures, ready to face legal cases

The Philippine National Police (PNP) on Sunday defended the legality of its recent seizure of luxury vehicles linked to former Ako Bicol representative Zaldy Co, saying the operation was carried out under valid legal authority.

In a press release, PNP Acting Chief PLT. Gen. Jose Melencio Nartatez Jr. said the operation followed directives from proper authorities, including guidance from Interior Secretary Jonvic Remulla and President Ferdinand R. Marcos Jr.

"The operation was in compliance with an order from proper authorities. We want to assure the public that all actions of the Philippine National Police are legal and in accordance with the law," he said, responding to concerns raised by Co's legal

counsel.

On Jan. 8, joint teams from the PNP, Bureau of Customs and Land Transportation Office raided a Taguig condominium and seized high-end vehicles, including a Rolls-Royce, Toyota Sequoia, Cadillac Escalade and Lexus models.

All seized vehicles were linked to the fugitive Co, who is under investigation for alleged anomalies in flood control funds.

"From the start, we [have] already committed to provide assistance in the investigation and enforcement of all legal orders in relation to the flood control

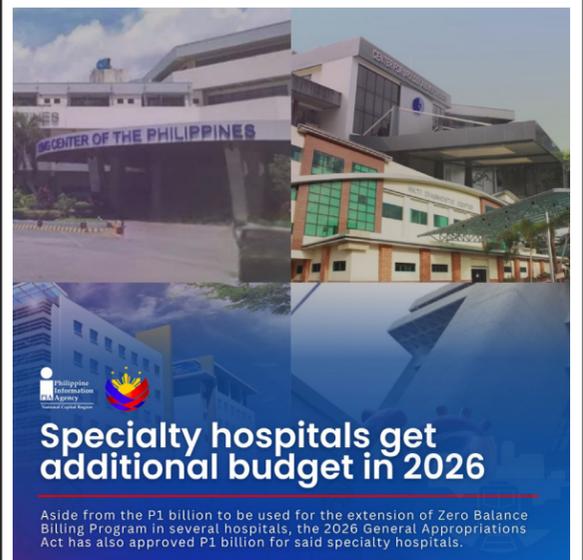


issue. The involvement of your PNP in the operation was part of that commitment," the PNP official said.

Meanwhile, PNP Spokesperson PBrig. Gen. Randolph Tuaño said the police are prepared to respond to any legal actions Co's camp may file over the seizure.

The vehicles are with the Independent Commission for Infrastructure office in Bonifacio Global City, Taguig City. (PNA)

### FAST-TRACKING UNIVERSAL HEALTH COVERAGE FOR ALL



Health Secretary Ted Herbosa expressed his gratitude to President Bongbong Marcos for approving P1 billion pesos each to enhance the services of the Lung Center of the Philippines, National Kidney and Transplant Institute, Philippine Children's Medical Center, and the Philippine Heart Center in the 2026 national budget.

## DOST boosts capacity to turn research and data into bankable projects and national policies

The Department of Science and Technology (DOST) is taking significant strides toward strengthening its capacity to transform technical data and research insights into bankable project proposals and evidence-informed policies that drive national development.

The initiative was led by the Office of the Assistant Secretary for Development Cooperation and the Geospatial Analytics and Technology Solutions (GATES) Program, in collaboration with the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) Philippines,



**Representatives from the Department of Science and Technology (DOST) gathered from December 2 to 4, 2025, for the "Collaborate, Translate, Transform" seminar-writeshop to strengthen the department's capacity to turn research and data into bankable project proposals and evidence-informed policies. Conducted in collaboration with UNDP Philippines, UP-NCPAG, and NRCP, the initiative aims to harness DOST's wealth of information for strategic actions that contribute to national development.**

experts from the University of the Philippines - National College of Public Administration and Governance (UP NCPAG), and the National Research Council of the Philippines (NRCP).

### A Vision for Data-Driven Governance

In his speech, DOST Secretary Renato U. Solidum, Jr. emphasized that the department's goal is to evolve into an agile, data-driven, and future-ready organization that transforms information into national value. He underscored that decisions must be firmly grounded in evidence to ensure they align with global cooperation priorities and national development goals.

"Data must be connected. It must speak a common language. It must move from information to insight to action," Secretary Solidum stated. "As the Department that leads innovation, we must also lead in harmonization, integration, and translation".

Strengthening Proposal Development for Global Competitiveness

In collaboration with the UNDP Philippines, the first two days of the series focused on developing high-impact project proposals.

Experts guided participants through prob-

lem framing and stakeholder mapping to create a pipeline of project concept notes addressing three strategic areas: human capital development, innovation and economic development, and climate change and disaster risk reduction.

UNDP Resident Representative Knut Ostby noted that improving the ability to leverage Official Development Assistance (ODA) and external financing positions science and technology initiatives as catalysts for private-sector engagement and domestic investment.

"This is about scaling innovations where they are needed most," Ostby said.

DOST Assistant Secretary for Development Mr. Rodolfo J. Calzado, Jr. also encouraged participants to further develop their group outputs into full draft concept notes, as these will serve as a preparatory step for the proposed one-on-one coaching sessions with the UNDP team scheduled to begin in the early months of 2026, refining the outputs into investment-ready project concept notes.

### Bridging Research to Policy and Open Data

The final day of the series, conducted with

experts from the UP-NCPAG, focused on the research-to-policy landscape.

Participants explored pathways to translate technical findings into actionable insights for national and sectoral policies while discussing the institutionalization of open data to advance good governance and transparency

Asec. Calzado, Jr. concluded that while the DOST system generates a wealth of geospatial data and technical knowledge annually, impact only occurs when that data is translated into stra-

tegic, people-centered action.

By maximizing the use of its organizational data through the GATES Program, DOST continues to reinforce its commitment to a data-driven government that provides solutions and opportunities for all Filipinos.

Through the "Collaborate, Translate, Transform: Seminar and Writeshop Series on Partnership and Proposal Development, Research Translation, and Policy Development," held from December 2 to 4, 2025, the Department gathered representatives from its Central Office and attached agencies to bridge the gap between information generation and actionable results.

GATES Program is one of the eight banner research and development programs of the Department of Science and Technology (DOST) aimed at providing science-based, innovative, and inclusive solutions across four strategic pillars: human well-being, wealth creation, wealth protection, and sustainability. These pillars embody the mantra OneDOST4U: Solutions and Opportunities for All. For more information, visit [www.dost.gov.ph](http://www.dost.gov.ph). (Joy Calvar/DOST Gates Program)

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FACT, MARY JANE MELENDRES  
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**BI arrests South Korean fugitive with Interpol Red Notice at NAI**



PASAY, Philippines—In line with President Ferdinand R. Marcos Jr.'s directive to strengthen border security, intensify international law enforcement cooperation, and ensure that the Philippines does not serve as a haven for foreign fugitives, the Bureau of Immigration (BI) has intercepted and arrested a South Korean national wanted by the Interpol.

The subject, identified as Yun Daeyoung, 50-years-old, was arrested on January 11 after attempting to depart on board a Vietnam Airlines flight for Hanoi. During primary inspection, an Interpol hit appeared in the BI system, prompting officers to immediately refer the passenger for secondary checks.

Verification with the BI-Interpol unit confirmed that Yun is the subject of an active Interpol Red Notice. He was immediately placed under arrest by BI officers.

According to BI Interpol Chief Peter de Guzman, Yun is set to be charged for undesirability under Philippine immigration laws. Interpol records show that Yun is allegedly involved in money laundering activities connected to a goods purchase fraud syndicate in South Korea. Yun allegedly deceived a victim by falsely promising a share in the profits of an online shopping mall, thereby fraudulently obtaining 22,550,204 Korean won or more than 900 thousand Pesos.

Yun allegedly defrauded the

same victim a total of 140,748,319 Korean won or 5.7 million pesos through 24 separate transactions. The offense falls under South Korea's Criminal Act and carries a maximum penalty of up to 10 years imprisonment. A warrant related to the case was issued by the Daegu District Court of Korea in July 2025.

BI Commissioner Joel Anthony Viado said the arrest reflects the bureau's firm stance against transnational crime and fugitives attempting to evade justice.

"The President's directive is clear: the Philippines will not be a safe passage or hiding place for foreign nationals wanted for serious crimes abroad," Viado said. "The moment an Interpol alert appears, we act decisively. This arrest underscores our zero-tolerance policy toward fugitives who abuse our immigration system to escape accountability."

Viado added that the bureau remains vigilant at all ports of entry and exit. "This case shows how critical our coordination with Interpol and foreign counterparts is. We will continue to strengthen these partnerships to ensure that individuals facing criminal charges overseas are intercepted and dealt with in accordance with the law," he said.

Yun is now in BI custody pending deportation proceedings and further coordination with concerned foreign law enforcement authorities. (BI)

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RE: PETITION FOR CORRECTION OF ENTRIES ON THE

Special Proceeding No. SP 25-023 MAL

CERTIFICATE OF LIVE BIRTH OF ELISEO PABLO MESINA, JR. duly represented in this act by MIGUEL P. MESINA JR.,

Petitioner,

- versus -

THE LOCAL CIVIL REGISTRAR OF THE CITY OF MALABON, METRO MANILA, AND ALL PERSONS WHO MAY BE AFFECTED THEREBY,

Respondents.

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NOTICE OF HEARING
MARCH 25, 2026, WEDNESDAY
At 8:30 a.m.
Paseo De San Antonio Complex, Brgy. Catmon, City of Malabon

(1) the Philippine Statistics Authority, (2) the Local Civil Registrar, (3) Virgilio Pablo Mesina, Rhodora Pablo Mesina, Susan Pablo Mesina, Manuel Pablo Mesina, Eduardo Pablo Mesina, and (4) all person/s who have and appear to have an interest in the subject of the petition.

Further, let copies of this Order be (1) published in a newspaper of general circulation in Metro Manila, to be determined by raffle pursuant to P.D. No. 1079 (s. 1977), and (2) posted at the main entrance of the Malabon City Hall and the respective bulletin boards of the Office of the Clerk of Court and all the branches of the Regional Trial Court of Malabon, for at least three (3) consecutive weeks, at petitioner's expense.

The Process Server/Sheriff is allowed to WITHDRAW from the Sheriff's Trust Fund the amount of One Thousand Pesos (Php 1,000.00) to defray the costs of service of this Order, subject to post-liquidation. For this purpose, and for the purpose of publication in accordance with P.D. No. 1079, furnish the Office of the Clerk of Court of the Regional Trial Court of Malabon City with a copy of this Order.

SO ORDERED.

City of Malabon, December 17, 2025.

(Sgd.)
MA. ANTONIA L. LARGOZA-CANTERO
Presiding Judge

ORDER

Petitioner Miguel P. Mesina Jr. (petitioner), a naturalized US citizen residing in the United States of America, filed the present petition, through his representative Miguel P. Mesina, Jr., for the correction of the following entries in his Certificate of Live Birth (COLB) registered under Local Civil Registrar No. 1883 of the Civil Registry of Malabon City and BReN 007502-A53UT02-5:

Table with 3 columns: ENTRY NO., FROM, TO. Row 1: 6 - Date of Birth, October 27, 1953, October 27, 1962. Row 2: 19 (d) - Date Signed by Attendant, October 27, 1953, October 27, 1962.

Petitioner alleged that he was born to his parents, Eliseo Yao Mesina and Natividad Vicente Pablo, on October 27, 1962, both of whom are deceased. He is the 6th of his parents' seven (7) children, who were born in the following order:

- 1. Virgilio Pablo Mesina - December 14, 1953
2. Rhodora Pablo Mesina - February 17, 1955
3. Susan Pablo Mesina - May 14, 1957
4. Manuel Pablo Mesina- January 17, 1960
5. Ramon Pablo Mesina- December 8, 1961 (+)
6. Eliseo Pablo Mesina, Jr. - October 27, 1962
7. Eduardo Pablo Mesina- May 13, 1964

He further alleged that his correct date of birth is reflected in his Certificate of Baptism issued by the San Roque Cathedral Parish, and two (2) of his close relatives stated and declared under oath that his correct date of birth is October 27, 1962.

Lastly, petitioner alleged that the same COLB sought to be corrected indicates that it was prepared by a certain Gaudiosa T. Lozona, a registered midwife, on October 27, 1962, which contradicts the erroneous entries-6 (Date of Birth) and 19(d) (Date Signed by Attendant), which both indicate "October 27, 1953." Petitioner also pointed out that the COLB was received by the Office of the Local Civil Registrar on November 6, 1962.

Finding the petition to be sufficient in form and substance, let this case be set for hearing on MARCH 25, 2026 (WEDNESDAY), AT 8:30 A.M., before this court sitting at Paseo de San Antonio Commercial Complex, Gov. Pascual, Catmon, Malabon City.

Any person/s having or claiming any interest that would be affected by the entries sought to be corrected, and any person/s who have objections to the petition, are notified and should file their opposition, with a statement of the grounds, on or before the date of the hearing.

Let copies of this Order, together with the petition and its annexes, be served upon

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DOTR FAST-TRACKS LAND ACQUISITION FOR SUBWAY PROJECT, COMMUTER RAILWAY SYSTEM

PASIG CITY — In line with the directive of President Ferdinand R. Marcos Jr. to speed up major railway projects to immediately benefit thousands of commuters, the Department of Transportation (DOTr) has fast-tracked the acquisition of land for the Metro Manila Subway Project (MMSP) and North-South Commuter Railway (NSCR) System.

According to DOTr, a total of 90.76% of right-of-way (ROW) and properties for said project have been acquired, while clearing at least 56% of land for free and buildable right-of-way for NSCR System north segment as of December 2025.

"Noong 2025, talagang banner year para sa right-of-way natin dahil mas binilisan pa natin ang land acquisition para agad na mapakinabangan ng mga kompyuter itong subway at NSCR," said Transportation Secretary Giovanni Lopez.

(In 2025, it was truly a banner year for our right-of-way because we accelerated land acquisition so that commuters could immediately benefit from this subway and NSCR.)

The DOTr has addressed MMSP's major bottlenecks, including Varilla Properties, and properties in White Plains, Corinthian Gardens, and Metrowalk.

Likewise, the transportation department has accelerated the right-of-way and site acquisition (ROWSA) process through several key initiatives.

The department also augmented its ROWSA personnel from 200 to 900 to expedite the land acquisition process, while also holding capacity-building and training programs to enhance workforce knowledge and skills.

DOTr also noted the increase in acquired properties for the NSCR's north segment, from 38 par-

cels recorded in February 2025 to 1,143 in December 2025 through the combined initiatives of former transportation chief Secretary Vince Dizon and current chief, Secretary Lopez.

Lopez also noted that with its current progress, the DOTr can complete ROW acquisition for NSCR's north segment by mid-2026.

Meanwhile, the DOTr said that for the south segment of NSCR, four out of the 19 stations' ROW are now cleared, namely EDSA, Cabuyao and Sta. Rosa in Laguna, and the Banlic depot.

President Marcos Jr. eyes the inauguration of the Metro Manila Subway project by 2028.

The 33-kilometer line will run from Valenzuela City to the Ninoy Aquino International Airport in Pasay City, cutting travel time from about two hours and 30 minutes to just 40 minutes. (JEG/PIA-NCR)

# TSP SHOWBIZ ROUND-UP

## DENNIS TRILLO DEFENDS WIFE JENNYLYN MERCADO INVOLVING HER IN FAMILY ISSUES



**Dennis Trillo**  
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Sa mga hindi po nakakakilala sa aking asawa, isa siya sa pinakamabuting tao sa buhay ko. Isang pribilehiyo na ako ang pinili niyang makasama habang buhay.

Ang mga magulang ko naman ay may edad na po. Hindi din sila showbiz at tahimik lang sila na namumuhay... wag naman sana sila bigyan ng isyu.

Mahal na mahal ko po silang lahat at Maayos ang samahan namin kahit di man kami madalas nagkakasama dahil sadyang busy ang aming mga schedules.

2026 na po, magfocus nalang tayo sa pagiging mabuting tao. Madaming problema ang ating bansa na mas kailangan nating pagtuunan ng pansin.

Maiksi lang ang buhay, piliin natin maging masaya at mabuti araw araw.

#MagingMabutingTao  
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## MATTHEW "MATT" MARCOS MANOTOC ILOCOS NORTE VICE GOVERNOR, MARRIED MISS EARTH 2014 JAMIE HERRELL



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### EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE OF FRANCISCO CORACHEA BEREDO WITH DEED OF ABSOLUTE SALE

NOTICE is hereby given that in a document entitled "Extrajudicial Settlement of Estate of Francisco Corachea Beredo with Deed of Absolute Sale," executed by and among Fortunata C. Lupac, surviving spouse, and Orlando L. Beredo, Zenaida L. Beredo, Conrado L. Beredo, Melecia B. Laylo, Zosimo L. Beredo, Jose L. Beredo, Ditas Francisca Beredo Pureza, and Francisco Jr. L. Beredo (collectively, the "Heirs"), the Heirs declared and made known the following:

- (i) Francisco Corachea Beredo (the "Decedent") died **intestate on July 18, 2002**, at Holy Infant Jesus, Sampaloc, Manila;
- (ii) At the time of his death, the Decedent was survived by his **spouse, Fortunata C. Lupac**, and his above-named legitimate children, who are his **only surviving compulsory heirs**;
- (iii) The Decedent left **no last will and testament**, and there are **no known debts or obligations** chargeable against his estate;
- (iv) The Decedent was the registered owner of a parcel of land located in the **Province of Batangas**, covered by **Transfer Certificate of Title No. P-1226**;
- (v) Pursuant to **Rule 74, Section 1 of the Rules of Court**, the Heirs **extrajudicially settled and adjudicated among themselves** the estate of the Decedent, and **sold the subject property by way of a Deed of Absolute Sale** in favor of **Roy Mapa Laylo**;
- (vi) The settlement and sale are **subject to the rights of any other heirs, creditors, or interested parties**, in accordance with **Rule 74, Section 4 of the Rules of Court**, within the period provided by law.

The Extrajudicial Settlement of Estate of Francisco Corachea Beredo with Deed of Absolute Sale was executed and signed in **Makati City**, and notarized before **Atty. John Domingo A. Ponce, Jr., Notary Public for Makati City**, and entered in his notarial register as **Doc. No. 27; Page No. 6; Book No. I; Series of 2026**.

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### DEED OF EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE OF PORFIRIO TAPPAN

NOTICE is hereby given that in a document entitled "DEED OF EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE OF PORFIRIO TAPPAN" executed by and between Joy T. Vinluan and Harris T. De Salit, (collectively, the "Heirs"), the Heirs declared and made known the following:

- (i) Porfirio Tappan (the "Decedent") died **intestate on 13 March 1979**, at San Pedro, Laguna;
- (ii) The Heirs are the **only surviving compulsory heirs of the Decedent**;
- (iii) The Decedent left **no last will and testament**, and there are **no known debts or obligations** chargeable against his estate;
- (iv) At the time of his death, the Decedent left a real property with Tax Declaration No. 24-0016-03203 issued by the Office of the City Assessor's Office of City of San Pedro, Laguna;
- (v) Pursuant to **Rule 74, Section 1 of the Rules of Court**, the Heirs **extrajudicially settled and adjudicated among themselves** the estate of the Decedent, among themselves;
- (vi) The settlement and sale are **subject to the rights of any other heirs, creditors, or interested parties**, in accordance with **Rule 74, Section 4 of the Rules of Court**, within the period provided by law.

The **DEED OF EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE OF PORFIRIO TAPPAN** was executed and signed in **San Pedro, Laguna** by **Atty. Jaarmy G. Bolus-Romero**, a Notary Public for **San Pedro, Laguna**, entered in the notarial register as **Doc. No. 9; Page No. 3; Book No. XXII; Series of 2025**.

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# HOOPS REPUBLIC

## **NUNS routs Ateneo by record 126 points in UAAP girls' basketball**

MANILA – National University Nazareth School (NUNS) kicked off its title campaign in the UAAP Season 88 girls' basketball with a record-breaking 155-29 rout of Ateneo de Manila University at Blue Eagle Gym in Quezon City on Sunday.

The 126-point margin erased the 124 points by defending champion University of Santo Tomas in its 170-46 demolition of Ateneo on Feb. 16, 2025.

Inday Sales led the Lady Bullpups with 19 points, six assists, and three rebounds.

KJ Badajos (5 assists, 4 rebounds and 3 steals), Queenie Cordero (5 assists, 3 steals and 3 rebounds) and Aubrey Lapasaran (8 steals, 4 assists and 3 rebounds) delivered 15 points each.

"It's a blessing to the team and for us. When we came here, we told the kids that we'll play hard because this season, we'll try again [to win the championship]," new NUNS coach Ai Lebornio, who took over from Camilla Escoto, said.

Banking on Zane Singson, Zaydhen Rosano and Lapasaran, NUNS



**Inday Sales of National University Nazareth School (right) scores on a layup against Tyler Templo of Ateneo de Manila University in the UAAP Season 88 girls' basketball at Blue Eagles gym in Quezon City on Sunday (Jan. 11, 2026). The Lady Bullpups won, 155-29.**

built an 80-10 lead at halftime.

The Lady Bullpups shot an efficient 70-of-119 from the field for a 58.8-percent clip, while limiting the Blue Eagles to only 12 made baskets on 59 attempts and forcing a total of 43 turnovers.

Tyler Templo paced Ateneo with 11 points, four rebounds, and two assists, followed by Cheska Gozum, who had nine points and seven rebounds.

Ateneo will face UST on Jan. 18 at the Blue Eagle gym, while NUNS will meet De La Salle Zobel on Jan. 22 at FilOil EcoOil Centre in San Juan. **(PNA)**

## **7 LOCAL PLAYERS COMPETE FOR 2 WILD CARD SLOTS IN PH WOMEN'S OPEN**

MANILA – The country's top female tennis players will share center stage with global stars in the Philippine Women's Open set Jan. 26 to 31 at Rizal Memorial Tennis Center in Manila.

Aside from Southeast Asian Games gold medalist Alexandra Eala, who will rise to a career-best No. 49 in the world rankings on Monday, Tenielle Madis has also secured a wild card slot in the main draw.

Eala is competing though in the Australian Open main draw in Melbourne on Jan. 18 to Feb. 1, along with Indonesian Janice Tjen, another wild card.

The remaining two slots will be decided through a playoff featuring seven players: Tiffany Nocos, Stefi Marithe Aludo, Kaye Ann Eman, Elizabeth Abarquez, Justine Hannah Maneja, Niña Angeline Alcalá and Joana Victoria Peña.

The wild card playoff is scheduled Jan. 12 to 15.

The qualifying rounds of the Philippine Open are scheduled on Jan. 24 and 25.

Former world No. 2 and Paris Olympics silver medalist Donna Vecic of Croatia tops the provisional entry list.



**WILD CARD. Tenielle Madis has earned a wild card slot in the Philippine Women's Open scheduled at Rizal Memorial Tennis Center in Manila on Jan. 26 to 31, 2026. She bagged the doubles bronze with Stefi Marithe Aludo and team bronze at the Thailand Southeast Asian Games in December 2025. (Contributed photo)**

Meanwhile, the tournament venue has undergone major renovations in preparation for the event, which was organized with Eala in mind.

Court 2 has been converted into a Center Court with a seating capacity of up to 2,000 while Courts 4 and 6 will also host matches.

The Dacudao covered court and Court 5 will serve as practice courts. **(PNA)**



# TSP

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## **UST stays unbeaten in UAAP high school baseball**

MANILA – University of Santo Tomas (UST) stayed perfect in the UAAP Season 88 high school baseball tournament after hacking out an 8-6 victory over National University Nazareth School (NUNS), 8-6, at Rizal Memorial Baseball Stadium in Manila on Saturday.

The Junior Golden Sox rallied from a 3-4 deficit with a four-run outburst in the sixth inning, followed by another run in the seventh to take the upperhand at 8-4.

Second baseman Dave Ereve made an RBI triple to center field that brought home third baseman Jacky Lobos to tie the score at 4-4.

Right fielder Joseph Paragas followed with an RBI single to score Ereve, before twins Joshua and Joseph Paragas both crossed the plate to stretch UST's lead to 7-4.

"It's a tough win. NUNS is strong. Anytime we play against them, we'll only be talking about breaks of the game. It's good that our pitchers are working, they're holding NUNS' batters," UST coach Jeff Santiago said after their second victory.

Santiago pulled out starting pitcher Joshua Ibabao after facing just four batters and allowed a walk, two hits, and two earned runs. He went to Marcus Tolentino, who surrendered only three hits in 4 2/3 innings of relief.

Ace pitcher Eugene Hermozura sealed the win, tossing the final four innings and yielding just two hits.

The Paragas twins paced UST's offense with two hits and two RBIs each.

Chester Mateo and John Plaza each tallied two hits and an RBI for NUNS, which took its first loss.

In the other game, Amadeus Trozado scored the season's first home run as De La Salle Zobel (DLSZ) scored a 17-7 win over PAREF Southridge in seven innings.

Trozado's solo shot to deep left field highlighted a six-run opening frame for the Junior Green Batters. But the Admirals scored in the second inning and made five runs in the third to level the count at 6-6.



**ACE PITCHER. University of Santo Tomas' Eugene Hermozura tosses the final four innings and yielded just two hits in their UAAP Season 88 high school baseball match against National University Nazareth School at Rizal Memorial Baseball Stadium in Manila on Saturday (Jan. 10, 2026). UST won, 8-6, to stay unbeaten in two starts. (UAAP photo)**

DLSZ unloaded four runs in the bottom of the third Trozado drove in a run with an RBI single before right fielder Isaac Ferrer cleared the bases with a double to center field to make it 10-6.

The Junior Green Batters produced five more runs, capped by center fielder Jeff Palanog's single to shallow center, that sent Trozado home for the final 17-7 count.

"I know my boys. I know they will do what I say. When they really get the momentum, that's it," DLSZ coach Gil Encarnado Jr. said.

Isaac Ferrer finished with four RBIs, while third baseman-turned-pitcher Jan Soriano collected three hits, including a double.

Soriano allowed just two hits in his outing.

DLSZ and Southridge are now tied for second to third places at 1-1. **(PNA)**



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