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MANILA – The Quezon City government is requiring public and private infrastructure projects to clean up construction debris and repair affected public facilities before their projects can be officially accepted or fully authorized.

Under Quezon City Construction Site Restoration and Cleanup Compliance Ordinance (SP-3519, S-2026), all public and private infrastructure projects must secure a Certificate of Site Restoration and Cleanup Compliance (CSRCC) before they are approved.

The ordinance is intended to reduce hazards and help prevent flooding.

"Every infrastructure project must be completed in a safe, orderly, and environmentally responsible manner. No developer or project proponent should be allowed to leave behind debris that threatens our people, communities, and environment," QC Mayor Joy Belmonte said in a news release Sunday.

The ordinance requires removal of all construction and demolition debris, restoration of affected roads, sidewalks, drainage systems and rights-of-way, and proper backfilling and compaction.

Project proponents must also follow engineering, environmental and waste-management regulations. Debris must be transported, disposed of, recovered or recycled only through authorized facilities.

The CSRCC will be issued after the project



(PNA file photo)

obtains the required clearances, including a Technical Restoration Clearance from the Quezon City Department of Engineering, and an Environmental Compliance Inspection Report from the QC Department of Sanitation and Cleanup Works.

The Department of Building Official will oversee privately owned or privately funded projects, while the City Engineering Department will handle projects owned or funded by the city government.

District Action Offices and barangays will help monitor projects and report violations.

Projects that fail to comply may face monetary penalties and other sanctions, including withholding project acceptance, suspension or denial of building-related permits, forfeiture or non-release of performance bonds for public infrastructure projects, and suspension or closure of ongoing construction until compliance is achieved. (PNA)

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"Come, let us bow down in worship, let us kneel before the Lord our Maker; for he is our God and we are the people of his pasture, the flock under his care."

- Psalm 95:6-7 -

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PBBM LEADS NATIONAL HEROES' DAY RITES AT LIBINGAN NG MGA BAYANI



President Ferdinand R. Marcos Jr. led the commemoration of National Heroes' Day on Monday at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier at the Libingan ng mga Bayani, honoring Filipinos who made sacrifices and contributions to the country.

President Marcos served as the guest of honor and delivered the keynote address during the ceremony, which was attended by government officials, military and uniformed personnel, scouts, and civil servants.

The President was accompanied by Armed Forces of the Philippines (AFP) Vice Chief of Staff Lt. Gen. Rommel P. Roldan, PAF; Defense Secretary Gilberto C. Teodoro Jr.; National Historical Commission of the Philippines (NHCP) Chair Regalado Trota Jose Jr.; and Taguig City Mayor Maria Laarni Lopez Cayetano.

Also in attendance were Senate President Sherwin Gatchalian and House Speaker Faustino "Bojie" Dy III.

The rites included the raising of the Philippine flag, the singing of the national anthem, the "Himno ng Bagong Pilipinas" and the "Panata sa Bagong Pilipinas," as well as the wreath-laying at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier.

Cayetano delivered the opening remarks, followed by a message from Jose, while Teodoro introduced President Marcos before the Chief Executive delivered the main address.

After the formal program, the President offered prayers at the tomb of his father, former President Ferdinand E. Marcos Sr.

National Heroes' Day is observed every last Monday of August as a regular national holiday under Republic Act No. 9492.

The observance traces its roots to Act No. 3827, enacted during the American Insular Government, which designated the last Sunday of August as a day to honor heroic Filipinos.

The NHCP said the holiday commemorates all Filipino heroes regardless of their period or contribution, while the August observance is historically associated with the sacrifices of Filipino revolutionaries who fought Spanish colonial rule during the Philippine Revolution of 1896.

The month recalls key events in the revolution, including the Cry of Pugad Lawin on August 23 and the Battle of Pinaglabanan on August 30.

The separate commemoration for Filipino heroes was re-instituted in 1952 by President Elpidio Quirino. The holiday was later incorporated into the Administrative Code of 1987 before Republic Act No. 9492 moved its observance from Sunday to Monday.

The NHCP, the government agency tasked with promoting Philippine history and preserving historical heritage, organized the National Heroes' Day commemoration. (PND)

P3.7-B spent on projects in 'illegal' Taguig reclamation – Lacson

MANILA – At least PHP3.713 billion in public funds went to completed, ongoing, and suspended government projects along portions of the Laguna Lake shoreline in Taguig City that are now subject to government action over alleged illegal reclamation, Senator Panfilo Lacson said Monday.

Lacson said the amount, based on official records and his team's investigation, covered flood control and multipurpose projects of the Department of Public Works and Highways (DPWH).

"Based on official records and our investigation, the total cost of identified completed, ongoing (and suspended) DPWH Flood Control and Multi-Purpose Projects along the 'illegal' Laguna Lakeshore Reclamation Areas in Taguig City has so far reached PHP3.713 billion," Lacson said in a post on X.

He said the PHP3.713 billion does not include other allegedly anomalous slope protection and flood mitigation projects along the Taguig River, which he claimed involved double appropriations and "ghost" projects that used recycled photographs of supposedly completed projects for billing.

Lacson said the latest findings would be among the evidence his team would submit to the Office of the Ombudsman's fact-finding team "for proper disposition."

Of the amount identified, PHP2.372 billion involved projects undertaken by five contractors, according to Lacson.

Dahl Construction accounted for PHP858.22 million, covering five solo projects worth PHP571.5 million and four joint ventures totaling PHP286.7 million.

J.C. Uyecio was involved in four joint ventures totaling PHP483.1 million, followed by Toughbuilt with three projects worth PHP434.2 million; Top-notch with three joint ventures totaling PHP329.9 million; and GR Fervidal with five multipurpose building projects worth PHP266.6 million.

Lacson said all five GR Fervidal projects were suspended due to a "revision of plans" involving soil re-investigation.

The disclosure followed the DPWH's issuance of cease-and-desist orders covering government projects linked to the questioned reclamation activities.

Public Works Secretary Vince Dizon earlier



assured Lacson that the department would stop the projects upon receiving the appropriate request from the Philippine Reclamation Authority (PRA).

Dizon subsequently confirmed that cease-and-desist orders had been issued following a directive from the Office of the President coursed through the PRA.

Senate Minority Leader Alan Peter Cayetano, meanwhile, said Sunday that the government stands to benefit if Lacson's allegations concerning the questioned titles are proven.

Cayetano particularly cited the 181,077-square-meter, or roughly 18-hectare, property that Lacson said had a title originating from a homestead patent.

"May isang nasa dyaryo kahapon na [nagsabi na may] 181,000 square meters o 18 hectares daw na 'illegally titled.' Sa isang banda po, nagho-hope din kami na totoo iyon. Bakit? Kasi kung totoong illegal iyon, sa gobyerno iyon [mapupunta], eh di may 18 hectares tayo ngayon para sa gobyerno (There was a report in the newspaper yesterday saying that 181,000 square meters or 18 hectares were 'illegally titled.' In a way, we are also hoping that is true. Why? Because if it is indeed illegal, it will go to the government, and then we will have 18 hectares for the government)," Cayetano said.

He also welcomed the examination of land titles in the area, saying Taguig City Mayor Lani Cayetano had long wanted them scrutinized.

"Katulad ngayon na gusto nilang tingnan lahat ng titulo, matagal na pong gusto ni Lani iyon (Just like now that they want to examine all the titles, Lani has wanted that for a long time)," Cayetano said. (PNA)

DSWD distributes 2.3M food packs, prepares for Pilandok

MANILA – The Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD) has distributed over 2.3 million family food packs (FFPs) to families and individuals affected by recent storms, while maintaining stockpiles for tropical depression Pilandok and the enhanced southwest monsoon or "habagat."

In a televised interview Monday, DSWD Secretary Rex Gatchalian said the distribution of 2.3 million FFPs is one of the largest in the department's history.

"Mula nang magsimula ito, kasi parang isang tuloy tuloy na disaster na to mula nang unang habagat na tatlong bagyo ngayon, na kay Pilandok na tayo, umabot na tayo sa 2.3 million family food packs ang ating nailabas, isa yan sa pinakamalaki natin na paglabas ng family food packs in our history kasi parang halos apat na linggo ang pinag-uusapan, 2.3 million (Ever since this started, it felt like one continuous disaster - from the very first habagat to the three storms, and now we're already at Pilandok, we have already distributed 2.3 million FFPs. That is one of the largest in our history because we are talking like four weeks)," Gatchalian said.

"At tuloy-tuloy kami kasi alam natin itong weekend naman medyo nasalanta na naman

yung mga probinsya natin sa Central Luzon and portions ng NCR, may evacuees tayo (And the distribution is continuous because Central Luzon provinces and the National Capital Region were devastated)," he added.

The DSWD currently maintains 3,586,913 FFPs, 301,570 ready-to-eat food (RTEF) packs, and 282,931 non-food items (NFIs) prepositioned in strategic locations nationwide.

The extensive deployment of relief resources forms part of ongoing augmentation operations for communities affected by tropical cyclones Luis, Maymay, and Neneng, as well as the recent flooding in Central Luzon and parts of the National Capital Region.

Gatchalian said DSWD Field Offices remain in close coordination with local government units to monitor weather developments, track emergency situations, and facilitate immediate augmentation requests.

Meanwhile, repacking hubs and supply chains across the country continue to operate at full capacity to replenish prepositioned stockpiles under the directive of President Ferdinand R. Marcos Jr. to ensure that disaster response resources are available and strategically prepositioned nationwide. (PNA)

DOH warns: Leptospirosis can be fatal

PASIG CITY — With the continued heavy rains due to Habagat and many communities still experiencing flooding, the Department of Health (DOH) warns the public to avoid swimming, wading or playing in floodwaters.

According to DOH, floodwaters may be contaminated with the urine of infected animals, such as rats, causing leptospirosis, which can be fatal.

DOH advises those who have been exposed to floodwaters, with or without injuries, to immediately consult the nearest health center or YAKAP clinic to find out if they are in need of doxycycline prophylaxis.

President Ferdinand R. Marcos Jr. has ordered immediate assistance to patients in need of treatment for leptospirosis, following the rains and severe flooding in Metro Manila and other parts of the country.

In response, DOH said that patients are still being admitted to the Leptospirosis Fast

Lanes or Express Lanes opened in 33 DOH Hospitals in Metro Manila, Regions I, II, III, and CAR. The department is also ensuring that there are enough beds for leptospirosis cases, which currently stand at 521 in the entire Metro Manila.

The DOH reports that as of August 26, there were 5,486 cases of Leptospirosis, which is 23% lower than the 7,163 cases recorded on the same date last year. The highest number of cases were recorded in the NCR, Region II, and Region III.

Likewise, DOH has deployed additional health professionals to the San Lazaro Hospital from Dr. Jose Fabela Memorial Hospital, Philippine Orthopedic Center, National Center

for Mental Health, Dr. Jose R. Reyes Memorial Medical Center, and DOH Health Emergency Management Bureau.

The health department said that YAKAP providers can prescribe Doxycycline to approximately 3,000 PhilHealth-accredited GAMOT providers in the country. Also, 471 public hospitals, health

centers, and 4,526 YAKAP clinics are also ready to receive consultations for the treatment of leptospirosis.

The DOH also assures the continuous monitoring of leptospirosis cases in the country and the readiness of additional health workers if needed in DOH hospitals. (JEG/PIA-NCR)



PDEA secures convictions of 2 suspects in P7-M shabu drug sting

MANILA – Two individuals have been convicted by the Regional Trial Court of Quezon City, and meted with life imprisonment, less than five months after their arrest for selling more than a kilogram of shabu, worth nearly PHP7 million, the Philippine Drug Enforcement Agency (PDEA) said on Monday.

The conviction stemmed from a buy-bust operation conducted by operatives of the PDEA Regional Office - National Capital Region (RO-NCR) near a home depot along Quirino Avenue, Barangay Pasong Putik, Quezon City on April 10, 2026.

During the operation, the suspects Janoden Basmala and Sainor Musa were found conspiring in selling 1,020.50 grams of shabu to a PDEA poseur buyer. The illegal drugs, contained inside one self-sealing pack, have a standard market value of PHP6,939,400.

In a 25-page decision dated Aug. 28, 2026, the Regional Trial Court, Branch 219 found Basmala and Musa guilty beyond reasonable doubt of violating Section 5 (Sale of Dangerous Drugs) Article II of Republic Act 9165, the Comprehensive Dangerous Drugs Act of 2002. The court sentenced them to life imprisonment and ordered each of them to pay a fine of PHP1,000,000.

PDEA Director General Undersecretary Isagani Nerez said the swift conviction demonstrates the importance of strong case buildup, the preservation of evidence, and close coordination among law enforcement and prosecution authorities.

“Our objective has never been simply to count arrests, destroy seized drugs or prevent drug abuse. We also see to it that those who violate our drug laws answer for their actions and ensuring that the communities they threaten are protected,” Nerez said in a statement. (PNA)

Chief Justice Gesmundo Leads His Last SC Baguio Flag-Raising Ceremony

Chief Justice Alexander G. Gesmundo on Monday, August 24, 2026, led his last flag-raising ceremony during the Supreme Court's (SC) annual sessions in Baguio City, reflecting on the Judiciary's transformation under the Strategic Plan for Judicial Innovations 2022-2027 (SPJI), the importance of integrity in public service, and the institution's readiness for the future. The ceremony held special significance as it marked Chief Justice Gesmundo's final participation in the long-standing Baguio tradition before his retirement on November 6, 2026. In his message, Chief Justice Gesmundo noted that Baguio has long been a place of both beginnings and farewells for the Judiciary, where new members are welcomed and those nearing the end of their service address the institution they helped shape. 1

Joining him at the ceremony were SC Senior Associate Justice Marvic M.V.F. Leonen; SC Associate Justices Alfredo Ben-

jamin S. Caguioa, Ramon Paul L. Hernandez, Amy C. Lazaro-Javier, Rodil V. Zalameda, Samuel H. Gaerlan, Ricardo R. Rosario, Japar B. Dimaampao, Jose Midas P. Marquez, Maria Filomena D. Singh, and Raul B. Villanueva; and SC officials and employees. The Chief Justice observed that this year's gathering differed from previous Baguio sessions. Instead of the summer weather traditionally associated with the Court's annual stay in the city, the sessions took place amid persistent rains and the threat of a super typhoon. He said the circumstances served as a reminder that while traditions provide continuity, institutions endure through their ability to adapt to changing conditions and unforeseen challenges. Chief Justice Gesmundo also reflected on the Judiciary's reform journey under the SPJI. While the program introduced major initiatives in digitalization, process improvement, and inclusion, he said its most enduring contribution was foster-

ing a culture of adaptability throughout the institution. According to him, the reforms encouraged the Judiciary to reassess longstanding practices, embrace innovation, and remain responsive to the needs of a rapidly changing society while staying true to its core values: “And so if there is one legacy of the SPJI, it is that it has helped make the Judiciary more resilient, more adaptive, and more open to change. For an institution that has served the Republic for 125 years, that capacity is essential. An institution endures not by remaining unchanged, but by knowing what must never change and having the courage to change what must.” Despite the advances brought about by modernization efforts, Chief Justice Gesmundo emphasized that integrity remains the most important and nonnegotiable value of the Judiciary. He cited the adoption of the 2025 Code of Judicial Conduct and Accountability and

the 2025 Code of Conduct and Accountability for Court Officials and Personnel as part of the Judiciary's continuing commitment to uphold public trust and accountability. The Chief Justice also highlighted the Judiciary Fiscal Autonomy Act, describing it as a landmark measure that strengthens judicial independence by ensuring the institution's capacity to sustain reforms, invest in its people, and plan for the future. Together with the SPJI, he said, fiscal autonomy provides a strong foundation for the Judiciary's continued growth and resilience. Expressing his gratitude to judges, officials, and employees, Chief Justice Gesmundo stressed that the reforms achieved during his tenure were the result of collective effort and shared commitment across all levels



Chief Justice Alexander G. Gesmundo (front row, rightmost) leads his last Supreme Court (SC) Baguio flag-raising ceremony at the En Banc Session Hall in Baguio City, on August 24, 2026. With him are: (front row, from right) SC Senior Associate Justice Marvic M.V.F. Leonen; SC Associate Justices Alfredo Benjamin S. Caguioa, Ramon Paul L. Hernandez (partly hidden), Amy C. Lazaro-Javier, Rodil V. Zalameda, (second row, from right) Samuel H. Gaerlan, Ricardo R. Rosario (hidden), Japar B. Dimaampao, Jose Midas P. Marquez (partly hidden), Maria Filomena D. Singh, and Raul B. Villanueva (hidden); and SC officials and personnel. (Photo courtesy of the SC Office of the Spokesperson)

of the institution. “The SPJI was a plan. You were the reason it became a reality. The SPJI was never the work of one Chief Justice or of one Court. It was the work of the whole Judiciary, of all of us who gave it life.” As he approaches retirement, Chief Justice Gesmundo acknowledged the sadness that comes with leaving the institution to which he devoted much of his professional life. At the same time, he expressed confidence that

the Judiciary remains in capable hands and will continue to uphold its constitutional mandate with integrity, independence, and excellence. Concluding what he described as “the beginning of my farewell,” Chief Justice Gesmundo thanked members of the Judiciary for their service and 34 dedication, and for the opportunity to serve alongside them. (Press release courtesy of the SC Office of the Spokesperson)

DOST Ilocos Region Reviews Mid-Year Performance, Strengthens STI Delivery for Second Half of 2026



DOST Ilocos Region, Sinuri ang Mid-Year Performance; Pinalakas ang Pagpapatupad ng STI para sa Ikalawang Semestre ng 2026

CITY OF SAN FERNANDO, La Union – The Department of Science and Technology Ilocos Region (DOST Ilocos Region) reviewed its first-semester accomplishments and set priority actions for the remainder of the year during its Mid-Year Performance Assessment for CY 2026 held on August 12–13, 2026, at the DOST Ilocos Region Multipurpose Hall.

Led by Regional Director Dr. Teresita A. Tabaog, the two-day assessment brought together the agency’s regional management, Provincial Directors, unit heads, program and project managers, and concerned personnel to evaluate organizational performance, assess the implementation of science, technology, and innovation (STI) programs, discuss implementation concerns, and determine actions needed to meet CY 2026 targets.

The first day focused on agency-wide, regional, and provincial performance. Assistant Regional Director for Technical Operations Services and Designated Planning Officer Ms. Racquel M. Espiritu presented the status of the agency’s CY 2026 Balanced Scorecard physical targets and accomplishments for the first semester. This was followed by a review of DOST Ilocos Region’s financial performance, including the status of obligation and cash programming for regular and special projects, presented by Budget Officer Ms. Sheriel Mae P. Gapasin and Accountant III Ms. Frances L. Simalong. Mr. Justin N. Madrid, Customer Satisfaction Measurement Officer, likewise reported on customer satisfaction ratings and feedback from internal and external clients.

The assessment then proceeded with the reports of the Provin-

cial Science and Technology Offices (PSTOs), providing management with a province-level view of the implementation, progress, and performance of DOST programs and services across the Ilocos Region. Provincial Directors Engr. Brian U. Rasco of Ilocos Norte and Engr. Arnold C. Santos of Pangasinan presented the accomplishments of their respective offices, while Engr. Edison M. Acosta represented Ilocos Sur Provincial Director Engr. Jordan L. Abad, and Ms. Katrina F. Ronquillo represented La Union Provincial Director Mr. Jonathan M. Viernes. The presentations highlighted first-semester accomplishments, key implementation concerns, and priority catch-up actions for the second semester of CY 2026.

Regional divisions and units also presented their respective accomplishments. The Financial and Administrative Services, headed by Assistant Regional Director Ms. Mercy Q. Ponciano, reported on human resource management, supply, and general services. The Field Operations Services, led by Assistant Regional Director Mr. Decth-1180 P. Libunao, presented updates on field operations, including the Community Empowerment through Science and Technology (CEST) Program and related initiatives. The Technical Operations Services, headed by Espiritu, reported on Gender and Development, Quality Management System, Philippine Quality Award initiatives, and planning.

The second day focused on the accomplishments and implementation status of the agency’s key programs, and special projects. Program managers presented their

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NOTICE OF DISSOLUTION

Notice is hereby given that **OVERTURE MNL-SVS INC.** (the “Corporation”), a corporation duly organized and existing under and by virtue of the laws of the Republic of the Philippines, with registered office at **6795 Level 40 PBCOM Tower, Ayala Ave. Cor. V.A. Rufino St., Bel-Air, Makati City, 1226, Philippines**, has shortened its corporate term and is in the process of closing its business and dissolving the Corporation effective **14 August 2026**, subject to the approval of the Securities and Exchange Commission and the completion of the necessary requirements with all relevant government authorities.

The foregoing action was approved by the Corporation’s Board of Directors and Stockholders at their Joint Meeting held on **4 May 2026**, pursuant to which the Corporation was authorized to amend its Articles of Incorporation to provide that its corporate term shall be until **14 August 2026**, and to undertake all necessary acts for its closure and dissolution.

This announcement serves as notice to all concerned of the business closure and dissolution of the Corporation.

(Sgd.)
JEFFREY UMALI INANDAN
President

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DOST XII-PSTO South Cotabato Brings Innovation and Opportunities Closer to Sto. Nino MSMEs

The Department of Science and Technology–SOCCSKSARGEN Region (DOST XII), through its Provincial Science and Technology Office (PSTO)–South Cotabato, under the leadership of Provincial Director Giselle Eve O. Siladan, joined the second leg of Project CO-FUND (Collaborative Opportunities for Financial Upliftment and Network Development): Unlocking Grants & Capital for MSMEs, organized by the Department of Trade and Industry (DTI)–South Cotabato headed by Provincial Director Mr. Elbert Cepecio, on August 4, 2026, at the Sto. Niño Public Market, Sto. Niño, South Cotabato.

Following its successful launch in Norala, the forum brought government agencies and financing institutions closer to local micro, small, and medium enterprises (MSMEs), opening more doors to financing opportunities, business support, and enterprise development assistance.

Bringing science, technology, and innovation into the spotlight, DOST XII–PSTO South Cotabato showcased its flagship programs, including the Small Enterprise Technology Upgrading Program (SETUP), Community Empowerment



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DOST XII–PSTO South Cotabato Powers Up MSMEs at Project CO-FUND Forum
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through Science and Technology (CEST), and iFWD PH. Through these programs, local entrepreneurs were introduced to technology-based interventions that can help improve productivity, enhance product quality, and boost business competitiveness. The activity was supported by Sto. Niño Municipal Mayor Hon. Sulpicio F. Villalobos, who reaffirmed the local government’s commitment to empowering MSMEs and strengthening local enterprise development. Representatives from the Department of Labor and Employment (DOLE), DTI–Small Business Corporation (SB Corp.), and Land Bank of the Philippines (LANDBANK) also shared their respective financing programs and support services for entrepreneurs. **(DOST)**

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BDO Kabayan Facebook Page wins
back-to-back Philippine Quill Awards recognition



BDO Unibank’s BDO Kabayan Facebook Page has earned an Award of Merit in the Social Media category at the Philippine Quill Awards for the second consecutive year, this time for its campaign “Alagang Kabayan: Where Every Kabayan Belongs.” The recognition highlights the platform’s efforts to engage overseas Filipinos through relevant content that helps them navigate financial matters while staying connected to their families back home.

For many Filipinos working overseas, digital platforms have become an important source of information and support. Through the BDO Kabayan Facebook Page, BDO Remit shares practical financial tips, remittance-related updates, and useful content designed to help overseas Filipino workers (OFWs) make informed decisions about their fi-

nances. “Every remittance represents hard work, sacrifice, and commitment to family. Through the BDO Kabayan Facebook Page, we aim to provide useful information and a sense of community for Filipinos overseas as they manage their financial responsibilities and work toward their goals,” said Genie T. Gloria, BDO Senior Vice President and Head of Remittance.

The award-winning campaign reflects BDO Remit’s continuing Alagang Kabayan commitment to supporting Filipinos beyond the remittance transaction. Through the BDO Kabayan Facebook Page, the bank provides a dedicated online space where OFWs can access relevant information, learn from shared experiences, and stay connected to the people and aspirations that inspire them to keep moving forward.

DOST Ilocos Region Reviews Mid-Year Performance... (From P.2)

first-semester accomplishments and catch-up plans for the Small Enterprise Technology Upgrading Program (SETUP) and eCommerce initiatives, Disaster Risk Reduction and Management (DRRM), OneA-SIN, Regional Standards and Testing Laboratory (RSTL), Scholarship Program, Packaging and Labelling, Halal, the Information Technology Systems and Management Unit and other STI initiatives.

The assessment further reviewed special projects such as SILLAG, TECHGROW, GATES, Project eTURO, Electrodialysis Reversal Project, SAFEWATRS, Sewage Treatment Plant Project, MoCCoV, and PORTASOL.

Beyond reporting accomplishments, the Mid-Year Performance Assessment served as a management platform to identify performance gaps, address operational concerns, align regional and provincial priorities, and establish clear commitments for the second semester. Presenters were directed to provide concise and evi-

dence-based updates focused on decisions, issues requiring management action, and commitments for follow-through.

The assessment concluded with directions aimed at sustaining organizational excellence through improved planning, strengthened monitoring mechanisms, enhanced inter-office collaboration, and continuous innovation in program implementation. These actions support DOST Ilocos Region’s commitment to responsive, results-oriented, and inclusive STI programs that contribute to resilient communities and sustainable regional development.

Through collaborative leadership and strategic performance management, DOST Ilocos Region continues to advance “Agham na Ramdam” by ensuring that science, technology, and innovation translate into meaningful opportunities, stronger local industries, and improved quality of life for the people of the Ilocos Region. (Hannah Dorothy Morales)

REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES
REGIONAL TRIAL COURT
NATIONAL CAPITAL JUDICIAL REGION
OFFICE OF THE EX-OFFICIO SHERIFF
CALOOCAN CITY – METRO MANILA

LAND BANK OF THE
PHILIPPINES,
Mortgagee/Petitioner,

-versus-

SPS. ZENaida & JOSE I.
CANDELARIO, THELMA I.
CANDELARIO and RHETT G.
IBABAO,

Mortgagors

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EJF No. 10833 (2026)
(TCT No. C-21048-)

Extra-judicial Foreclosure of Real
Estate Mortgage Under Act 3135, as
amended by Act 4118

NOTICE OF EXTRA JUDICIAL SALE

Upon Extra-judicial petition for sale under Act 3135, as amended by Act 4118, filed by **LAND BANK OF THE PHILIPPINES**, mortgagee/petitioner, with principal office at **Land Bank Plaza, 1598 M.H. Del Pilar, corner Dr. J. Quintos Street, Malate, Manila**, against **SPS. ZENaida & JOSE I. CANDELARIO, THELMA I. CANDELARIO**, mortgagors, with residence address at **209 F. Carillo St., Barangay Poblacion, Numancia, Aklan / Lot 1 Blk. 39 PHHC 1 Subd., Brgy. 174, Camarin, Caloocan City, Metro Manila**, and **RHETT G. IBABAO**, mortgagor, with residence address at **Brgy. Tigaygon, Kalibo, Aklan**, to satisfy the mortgage indebtedness which as of **April 15, 2026** amounts to **FOURTEEN MILLION FOUR HUNDRED THIRTEEN THOUSAND SIXTY SEVEN PESOS and 78/100 (Php14,413,067.78)** including/ excluding penalties, interest, attorney’s fees plus sheriff’s fees and all other necessary expenses of Foreclosure and Sale, the undersigned Sheriff hereby gives notice to all interested parties and to the public in general that on **OCTOBER 7, 2026** at ten o’clock in the morning (10:00 am) or soon thereafter, in front of the main entrance of Judicial Complex located at 10th Avenue, Poblacion, Caloocan City, will sell at public auction to the highest bidder for CASH and in Philippine Currency, the real estate property/ies with all the improvements existing thereon, to wit:

TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. C-21048-

A parcel of land (Lot 1 Block 39 of the consolidation subdivision plan Pcs-5914 being a portion of the consolidated Lots 849 (Now) 850, 852 (Now) 853 and 1184 Tala Estate; C.L.R.O. Rec. No. 6563) situated in Camarin, Caloocan City. Bounded on the SW., along line 1-2, by Lot 12, Block 39; on the NW., along line 2-3 by Road Lot 13; on the N., & NE., along lines 3-4-5, by Road Lot 5, and on the SE., along line 5-1, by Lot 2, Block 39; all of the consolidation subdivision plan. x x x containing an area of TWO HUNDRED EIGHTY THREE SQUARE METERS AND FIFTY SQUARE DECIMETERS (283.50) x x x

Prospective buyers or bidders are hereby enjoined to investigate for themselves the title to the said property/ies and encumbrances thereon, if any there be.

In the event the public auction should not take place on the said date, it shall be held on **OCTOBER 14, 2026** at the same time and place without further notice.

Caloocan City. August 7, 2026.

For the Ex-Officio Sheriff:

(Sgd.)
EMMANUEL N. GARCIA
Sheriff-In-Charge

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Heroes’ pseudonyms differ from OVP fund aliases —Palace

Malacañang on Thursday drew a distinction between the pseudonyms used by Filipino heroes during the revolutionary period and the aliases appearing in receipts submitted by the Office of the Vice President (OVP) for its confidential funds.

In a Palace press briefing, Press Officer and Undersecretary Claire Castro said Senator-judge Robin Padilla’s comparison of the two situations should be viewed in the proper context.

Sen. Padilla had compared the aliases appearing in OVP receipts, including Mary Grace Piattos, Andy Lim, Pagong, Pusa, and Belat, with the pseudonyms and code names used by Filipino heroes.

“Hindi tayo huhusga at hahayaan natin ang mga kababayan at ang mga senador ang siyang humusga rito,” Usec. Castro said.

Usec. Castro, however, pointed to a key difference between the two, saying the identities of the Filipino heroes who used pseudonyms were known, while the identities of the individuals named in the OVP receipts have yet to be established.

“Ang mga bayani noon, kahit gumamit ng pseudonym ay alam nating totoong tao. Sa ngayon, ang mga resibong naipakita, hindi natin alam kung totoong tao o sila ay multo or mga



Presidential Communications Office (PCO) Undersecretary and Palace Press Officer Claire Castro holds a press briefing in Malacañang on Thursday, Aug. 27, 2026. (Photo courtesy: PCO)

ghost beneficiaries,” she said.

Castro said Filipino heroes used pseudonyms to conceal their identities while writing and fighting to defend Filipinos during the colonial period.

She added that the country’s heroes served the nation without expecting payment, while the individuals identified in the receipts were allegedly paid for their roles as informants.

“Ang mga bayani noon ay lumalaban para sa bayan nang walang bayad. Pero iyong mga tumutulong na mga informant, informer sa kasalukuyan ay mukhang hindi kikilos nang walang bayad,” she said.

“Para sa kaalaman ng mga kabataan, kung ito ang pagkukumparahin natin, ang mga bayani noon ay lumalaban para sa bayan, itinatago ang pagkakakilanlan para sa bayan, pero iyong iba ngayon, itinatago ang pagkakakilanlan

para sa bayad,” Usec. Castro added.

Usec. Castro said the Palace respects Padilla’s right to express his views but maintained that the differences between the two situations are clear.

She said the Malacañang’s position was not intended to judge Padilla but to clarify that the heroes’ use of pseudonyms was not intended to conceal payments.

Sen. Padilla on Wednesday defended the use of aliases in the disbursement of the OVP’s confidential funds, citing historical figures such as Jose Rizal, Andres Bonifacio, and Apolinario Mabini who used pseudonyms and code names to conceal their identities from Spanish authorities.

He said the use of aliases is necessary to maintain secrecy in confidential operations. (PTV4 News)

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OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF COURT
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PHILIPPINE NATIONAL BANK,
IN ITS CAPACITY AS ASSIGNEE-
MORTGAGEE OF PNB SAVINGS
BANK,

Mortgagee,

-versus-

SPS. FERDINAND C. EUSEBIO
AND RUSSELYN C. EUSEBIO
AND LOUIE FRANCIS C. EUSEBIO,
Mortgagor/s.

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FORECLOSURE NO. F-26-088
EXTRA-JUDICIAL FORECLOSURE OF
REAL ESTATE MORTGAGE UNDER
ACT 3135, AS AMENDED BY ACT 4118

NOTICE OF EXTRA-JUDICIAL SALE

Upon verified petition for sale under Act 3135, as amended by Act 4118, filed by the Mortgagee/s PHILIPPINE NATIONAL BANK, IN ITS CAPACITY AS ASSIGNEE-MORTGAGEE OF PNB SAVINGS BANK, with office/business/residence address at PNB Financial Center, Pres. Diosdado P. Macapagal Boulevard, Pasay City, Metro Manila, against the Mortgagor/s/Debtor/s SPS. FERDINAND C. EUSEBIO AND RUSSELYN C. EUSEBIO AND LOUIE FRANCIS C. EUSEBIO, with residence/postal/office address at (1) Blk. 1, Lot 12, Banawe (Banaue) Street, Bermuda Country Subd., Brgy. Pamplona, Las Piñas City (2) Unit 1203 (With Balcony), 12th Floor 2, South Residences, Alabang Zapote Road, Brgy. Almanza Uno, Las Piñas City, to satisfy the mortgage indebtedness which as of May 31, 2026 amounts to Php1,521,849.74 including/excluding interests, penalties, charges, attorney’s fees and expenses incidental to this foreclosure and sale, the undersigned OIC/Clerk of Court and Ex-Officio Sheriff of the Regional Trial Court of Las Piñas City or any of the Deputy Sheriffs will sell at public auction on **September 29, 2026** at 10:00 a.m. or soon thereafter at the ground floor (main entrance) of the Hall of Justice of Las Piñas City to the highest bidder, for CASH and in Philippine Currency, the following described real property/ies, together with all the improvements existing thereon to wit:

CONDOMINIUM CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. 005-2020000740

“SOUTH RESIDENCES “
TOWER NUMBER: TWO
FLOOR LEVEL: TWELVETH
UNIT NUMBER: 1203
UNIT DESCRIPTION: 1 BR WITH BALCONY
APPROX. AREA: 23.27 SQUARE METERS

All sealed bids must be submitted to the undersigned on the above-stated time and date. In the event the public auction should not take place on the said date. It shall be held on **October 20, 2026** without further notice.

Las Piñas City, this 31st day of July 2026.

(Sgd.)
LEAMOR BATILES GARCIA
Officer-In-Charge

(Sgd.)
DON LYNWEN ARON L. RAMOS
Deputy Sheriff

Warning
It is absolutely prohibited to remove, deface or destroy this Notice of Sale on or before the date of sale under penalty of law.

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AFP sends disaster response units as ‘habagat’ floods C. Luzon, NCR

The Armed Forces of the Philippines (AFP) has deployed disaster response personnel, vehicles and other humanitarian assistance and disaster response (HADR) assets to flood-hit areas in Central Luzon and Metro Manila amid the continued effects of the southwest monsoon or “habagat.”

AFP disaster response teams were sent to Tarlac, Pangasinana and Bataan on Saturday to assist local government units and disaster response agencies in rescue operations and the transport and distribution of relief supplies.

In Metro Manila, the AFP’s National Capital Region Command (NCRCOM), through the 12th Civil-Military

Operations Battalion, conducted rescue and evacuation operations in Marikina and Caloocan also on Saturday.

In Barangay 176-A, Bagong Silang, Caloocan City, troops helped evacuate 74 families or 296 individuals, to a safe area in Phase 4 and coordinated with barangay officials for the continued evacu-

ation of residents at risk.

In Barangay 176-B, personnel, together with the Barangay Task Force, assisted residents in leaving their homes and proceeding to designated safe areas.

In Barangay Malanday, Marikina City, troops worked with local responders to evacuate residents to Malanday Elementary

School and other evacuation centers

The AFP personnel also assisted in distributing food and 3,000 bottles of mineral water to families temporarily staying at Malanday Elementary School.

The AFP said its units remain on standby and continue to coordinate with local governments and other agencies while mon-

itoring flooded areas, water levels and the need for further rescue, evacuation and relief operations.

It said the operations are part of its mandate to provide humanitarian assistance and disaster response and support efforts to protect communities and save lives. (with report from Priam Nepomuceno/PNA)

TSP SHOWBIZ ROUND-UP

LIZA SOBERANO COMES HOME TO PHILIPPINES FOR 'FORGOTTEN ISLAND'

lizasoberano There's something extra special about getting to come home and share this film with the Philippines. 🇵🇭💖

The past few days in Manila have been filled with yummy food, jeepney rides, interviews, conversations, familiar faces, and finally getting to share Forgotten Island with some of you. It's been so nice being back home and feeling all the love and excitement for Forgotten Island!!!

This film is such a special project to be part of, not just for me personally, but for so many people because of what it represents. To be part of DreamWorks' first original Filipino story and to see our culture, our people, and pieces of home represented on this scale is something I'll always be proud of. I hope this is just the beginning of seeing more Filipino stories told and celebrated around the world!!!

Thank you to everyone who came to the screening, everyone who sat down with us over the past few days, and everyone who has been cheering us on from the very beginning 🙏💖

I'm so excited for the rest of the world to finally see Forgotten Island and experience this story for themselves 🇵🇭💖

Always feels good to be home. 🇵🇭 less



Images courtesy of Instagram: lizasoberano

SMOKEY MANALOTO FATHER AGAIN AT 55

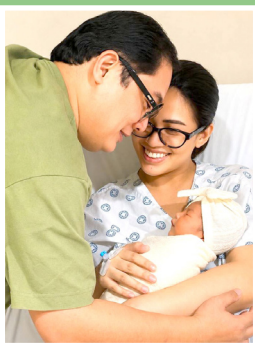
Smokey Manaloto is with Smokey & Cassie at The Medical City. AI content · 1d · 📷

May mga umagang gigising ka at mapapangiti ka na lang kasi, "Ah, ito na pala ang bago naming buhay." 🙏💖

Mas maaga ang gising, mas maraming yakap, at mas puno ng pagmamahal ang bahay. Sa pagdating ng isang bagong buhay, parang pati kami binigyan din ng panibagong simula. And suddenly, even the simplest mornings feel like moments we'll want to remember forever.

Bagong araw, bagong chapter, at isang munting blessing na mas pinasaya ang mundo namin. 🙏💖🌟

"For this child I prayed, and the Lord has granted me what I asked of him." — 1 Samuel 1:27 🙏💖



Images courtesy of Facebook: Smokey Manaloto

RUFA MAE QUINTO AND EMPLOY STARS IN A COMEDY FILM 'SISIKAT SI SIKAT' BY SIGRID ANDREA



Image courtesy of Facebook: CinemaBravo



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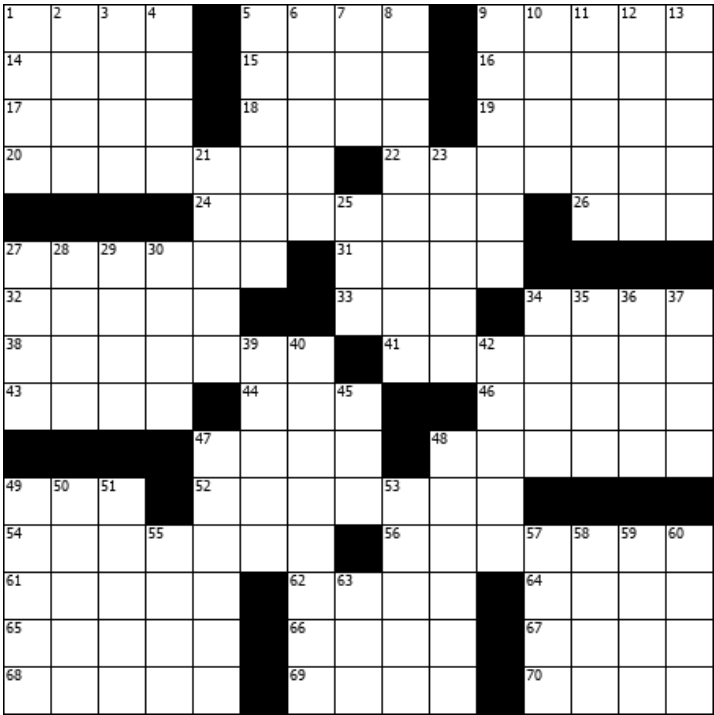
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CROSSWORD PUZZLE

Across

- 1. Hide-and-_____
- 5. News story
- 9. Not appropriate
- 14. Wheel shaft
- 15. Heroic narrative
- 16. _____ O'Donnell of TV
- 17. Annoy
- 18. Tractor-trailers
- 19. External
- 20. From Naples
- 22. 14-line poems
- 24. Go back over
- 26. Deli bread
- 27. Attack
- 31. Passed effortlessly
- 32. Comes close
- 33. Gun lobby (abbr.)
- 34. Relinquish
- 38. Not one or the other
- 41. Withstood
- 43. Abolishes
- 44. Actress Sandra _____
- 46. Excuse
- 47. Staff officer
- 48. Vouch for
- 49. Newsman _____ Koppel
- 52. Free from germs
- 54. Pain in a hearing organ
- 56. Motorcycle ad-junct
- 61. Nimble
- 62. 5,280 feet
- 64. Urn
- 65. Lucky dice roll
- 66. Genesis location
- 67. Level
- 68. Construct
- 69. Singer Diana _____
- 70. Enjoy a book



Down

- 1. Calcutta dress
- 2. Outlet
- 3. _____ Fitzgerald of jazz
- 4. Boat bottom
- 5. Tel Aviv's country
- 6. Pollute
- 7. Hen's creation
- 8. "The Texas Chainsaw _____"
- 9. Pressed
- 10. Person, place, or thing
- 11. Daisy's kin
- 12. Religious devotion
- 13. Concise
- 21. _____ setter
- 23. Atlantic or Pacific
- 25. Rushed
- 27. Diarist _____ Frank
- 28. Perceived
- 29. Stated
- 30. Fine _____
- 34. Religious sect
- 35. Pennsylvania city
- 36. Society girls
- 37. Blue-pencil
- 39. Archie Bunker's wife
- 40. Savior
- 42. Saw socially
- 45. Poet's eternity
- 47. Climb
- 48. Foreigners
- 49. Taunt
- 50. Enthusiastic
- 51. Operate a car
- 53. The British _____
- 55. A Baldwin
- 57. At all times
- 58. Underground chamber
- 59. On a ship
- 60. Pull apart
- 63. Groom's response (2 wds.)

LAST WEEK'S ANSWER:

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TODAY'S PUZZLE:

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LAST WEEK'S ANSWER:

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Gilas boosts World Cup hopes with Iran win, Window 4 sweep

HOMESTAND SWEEP. Dwight Ramos rises for a jumper as Gilas Pilipinas pulls away from Iran, 68-56, to complete a sweep of Window 4 of the FIBA Basketball World Cup Asian Qualifiers at the SM Mall of Asia Arena in Pasay City on Sunday night (Aug. 30, 2026). Ramos finished with 16 points as the Philippines improved to 4-4 in Group E and strengthened its bid for a fourth straight World Cup appearance. (FIBA Photo)

MANILA – Gilas Pilipinas strengthened its bid for a fourth straight World Cup appearance after completing a crucial Window 4 sweep with a 68-56 victory over Iran in the FIBA Basketball World Cup Asian Qualifiers on Sunday night at the SM Mall of Asia Arena in Pasay City.

Kai Sotto, Juan Gomez de Liaño and Dwight Ramos spearheaded a decisive fourth-quarter run as the Philippines pulled away late to improve to 4-4 in Group E of the Asian Qualifiers.

Sotto delivered another double-double with 13 points and 16 rebounds, while Gomez de Liaño and Ramos provided the scoring punch with 16 points each.

AJ Edu also made his presence felt on defense, chipping in eight points, eight rebounds and three blocks to help Gilas control the paint.

Like in its thrilling 82-81 overtime win over Jordan on Friday, the Nationals had to overcome a sluggish start again, falling behind 7-18 in the opening quarter before finding their rhythm in the second canto.

Gilas outscored Iran, 29-16, in the second period to seize a 36-34 halftime lead.

The game remained tight in the

second half, with Iran threatening to regain control after Mohammad Amini's layup tied the game at 54 with 7:20 remaining.

Ramos quickly answered with a three-pointer, putting Gilas back in front, 57-54, with over six minutes left.

The Philippines then tightened the screws defensively and outscored Iran, 11-2, in the final minutes to seal the win.

Gilas improved its record to 4-4 and remained very much in contention for a slot in the World Cup next year.

Australia leads Group E with an impressive 8-0 record, followed by New Zealand (6-2), Iran (5-3) and Jordan (5-3). Syria is at the bottom of the group at 2-6.

The top 12 teams from the Asia-Oceania qualifiers are now divided into two groups of six for the second round. The top three teams from each group and the best fourth-place team will qualify for the 2027 FIBA Basketball World Cup, with host Qatar already assured of a spot.

Window 5 is scheduled for Nov. 23 to Dec. 1, followed by Window 6 from Feb. 2 to March 2, 2027.

Gilas will next face Syria and Iran as it continues its push for another World Cup berth. (PNA)

GARCIA, NAZARIO RULE WR BUGHOUSE CHESS OPEN

MANILA – Bubu Chacha's Jem Garcia and Marc Christian Nazario ruled the WR Bughouse Chess Open after beating Benilde Blazers' John Laurence Donguines and Daniel Baylosis at the M.I.C.E. Center of Quezon City over the weekend.

Garcia, an International Master who will compete in the FIDE Chess Olympiad in Uzbekistan next month, and Nazario lost in Game 1, but won the next two games to secure the PHP100,000 champion's purse.

The pair, who decided to team up at the last minute, lost two straight matches that started after falling to Donguines and Baylosis in the second round.

The losses motivated Garcia and Nazario to win their last five matches to reach the quarterfi-

nals. They won another one in the semifinals.

Metaboys' Samson Lim III and Jerich Cajeras, who topped the qualification round, blanked DCSK's Noel dela Cruz and Timothy John So Kua in two outings to finish third in the event supported by the National Chess Federation of the Philippines and Philippine Sports Commission.

More than 100 players battled through eight rounds for the eight seats to the playoff stage.

Chronosphere's IM Pau Bersamina and Rafael Irvin Lacorte, Data-matics Red's Mark Kevin Labog and John Michael Magpily, Ruy Lopez Kidz's Zach Evan Orzame and Marco Piolo Sanido, and Stopper's IM Michael Concio, Jr. and FIDE Master Alekhine Nouri were other teams who made the quarters. (PNA)

PLDT opens title-retention bid vs Thai team in PVL Invitational



STAR PLAYER. Filipino-Canadian Savi Davison banners PLDT's title-retention campaign in the Premier Volleyball League Invitational. The tournament starts Monday (Aug. 31, 2026) at Smart Araneta Coliseum in Quezon City. (PVL photo)

MANILA – Defending champion PLDT battles EST Cola of Thailand in the Premier Volleyball League (PVL) Invitational which fires off Monday at Smart Araneta Coliseum in Quezon City.

Bannered by Filipino-Canadian Savi Davison, the High Speed Hitters meet the Thai spikers at 1:30 p.m.

Kim Dy, Alleiah Malaluan, Majoy Baron and Mika Reyes are also expected to deliver for PLDT against EST Cola.

PLDT came from behind to beat Japan's Kobe Shinwa University, 21-25, 31-29, 25-22, 25-18, in last year's finals.

Multititled Creamline, which won in 2023 and 2024 and finished third last year, takes on Nxled at 4 p.m. while Farm Fresh meets Ho Chi Minh Volleyball Club of Vietnam at 6:30 p.m.

With six playdates squeezed into just eight days, the tournament is shaping up as a virtual sprint to the championship.

"It feels like we've already experienced this, back in the first PVL season where the games were played consecutively. So, I suppose what really matters is how we manage to recover -- from the first game to the second, and the ones that follow," Creamline middle blocker Sachi Minowa (Jaja Santiago) said in a news release Sunday.

Leading the Cool Smashers are Alyssa Valdez, Jema Galanza, Tots Carlos, Michelle Gumabao, Pangs Panaga and Bea de Leon.

The Nxled Chameleons will bank on Brooke Van Sickle, Myla Pablo, MJ Phillips,

Jonah Escamilla, Chiara Permentilla, Jovelyn Fernandez, EJ Cariño and Leyann de Guzman, with support coming from new recruits Gel Cayuna and Jackie Acuña.

Skipper Ces Molina and veteran Ara Galang spearhead the Farm Fresh Foxies against the Vietnamese side, known for fast, skillful and determined play.

Tuesday's triple-header features PLDT against Nxled at 1:30 p.m., Farm Fresh against EST Cola at 4 p.m. and Creamline against Ho Chi Minh at 6:30 p.m.

The tournament takes a break on Wednesday before plunging back into another stretch of back-to-back playdates.

The matches on Sept. 6 will close the elimination round, after which the top two teams advance to the championship on Sept. 8. The day's schedule will also feature the battle for third place and the fifth-place consolation match. (PNA)



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