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Solar, battery storage project to rise soon in New Clark City

CLARK — Acwa Power Philippines, a subsidiary of Acwa Power Company, has signed a contract of lease (COL) with the Bases Conversion and Development Authority (BCDA) for a 500-hectare site within New Clark City, marking a major milestone in the Philippines' clean energy and industrial transformation agenda.

This project is one of the key investment commitments secured by the Philippine government under the administration of President Ferdinand R. Marcos Jr., in support of the country's sustainable economic growth and energy security objectives. "We have worked tirelessly with our partners across government to bring this investment to fruition, and we are pleased to see those efforts finally bear fruit. Acwa Power's decision to invest is a strong vote of confidence in the country and the reforms being pursued under this administration. This will help unlock new investments,

create quality jobs for Filipinos, and foster more resilient growth for Central Luzon and the Philippines for years to come," Finance Secretary Frederick D. Go said.

Under the lease with BCDA, Acwa Power Philippines will develop an integrated utility-scale solar photovoltaic and battery energy storage system (PV-BESS) facility. The project represents an initial investment of at least USD 400,000 per megawatt (MW), with a capacity of up to 500 MW upon full build-out, subject to final design, regulatory

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The Bases Conversion and Development Authority (BCDA) and ACWA Power Philippines signed a contract lease agreement for a 500-hectare land lease agreement to develop a utility-scale solar and battery energy storage facility in New Clark City. The ceremony was led by BCDA President and CEO Joshua M. Bingcang and ACWA Power Philippines President Salman M. Baray. Also present to witness were Department of Finance Secretary Frederick D. Go and ACWA Power Global Chief Executive Officer Dr. Samir J. Serhan. (BCDA photo)



Death toll reaches 27 Building owner vows support for victims, probe

ANGELES CITY — The owner of the building that collapsed in Barangay Balibago has pledged full cooperation with the investigation being conducted by the Angeles City Government and committed to extending assistance to affected victims and their families. During a press conference led by Angeles City Mayor Carmelo "Jon" Lazatin II, Atty. Willie Rivera, legal counsel for property owner Ernest Jackson Lim,

said his client would fully cooperate with the fact-finding committee created by the city government to determine the cause of the incident and identify those responsible. Rivera said the property owner also plans to conduct a parallel investigation in support of the local government's probe. He added that Lim remains committed to assisting those affected by the tragedy, assuring victims and their families that the

owner will not turn away from his responsibilities and will provide the necessary support to help ease their burden. Meanwhile, Atty. Nicolai Manguerra, legal counsel for project contractor Golden Years Construction and Steelworks, likewise assured the public that the contractor would provide assistance to all those affected by the collapse.

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DEATH TOLL



The Roman Catholic Archbishop
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MESSAGE

The Peace of the Risen Lord!

As The Voice Newsweekly celebrates its 72nd Anniversary, I extend my warmest congratulations and heartfelt gratitude to its publisher, editors, writers, staff, and all those who have sustained its mission of public service through responsible journalism.

Your commitment to informing the public is a noble service that helps shape a more informed and responsible society. Our 1987 Philippine Constitution recognizes the vital role of communication and information in nation-building and safeguards the freedom of the press. Such freedom carries with it the responsibility to uphold truth, protect human dignity, and foster justice and accountability.

In his Message for the 60th World Day of Social Communications, Pope Leo XIV reminds us that authentic communication must safeguard the sacredness of human faces and voices, which reveal the dignity and uniqueness of every person created in the image of God. He cautions against forms of communication that manipulate truth, foster division, and diminish genuine human encounter. These reflections resonate deeply in our present context in the Philippines, where misinformation, polarization, and hostility too often cloud public life.

Precisely because of these challenges, responsible journalism remains an indispensable service to society. The work of the media should not merely provide information; it must also enlighten consciences, encourage meaningful dialogue, strengthen accountability, and inspire a culture rooted in truth, justice, and compassion.

For this reason, I sincerely thank The Voice Newsweekly for its enduring contribution to our communities. I likewise encourage everyone involved in its mission to persevere in the noble vocation of journalism with integrity, prudence, and courage.

May the Lord continue to bless and guide The Voice Newsweekly as it carries on its important work in service of truth and the Filipino people.

+ FLORENTINO G. LAVARIAS, D.D.
Archbishop of San Fernando

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Fla... Coming SOON IN ANGELES CITY

New buildings in Sasmuan, Bacolor for new school year

CITY OF SAN FERNANDO —

The Provincial Government of Pampanga continues to invest in educational infrastructure with the inauguration of new school buildings in the municipalities of Sasmuan and Bacolor on June 2, providing improved learning facilities for hundreds of students.

In Barangay Sta. Monica, Sasmuan, Vice Governor Delta Pineda, Mayor Catalina Cabrera, and Executive Assistant IV Angelina Blanco led the inauguration of newly constructed elementary and high school buildings funded through the Provincial Government's Special Education Fund (SEF).

The provincial government allocated ₱11.66 million each for the two school buildings. The project is a significant development for the town, as the new facility serves as only the second inland high school in Sasmuan, enabling students to study closer to home and reducing travel time.

Vice Governor Pineda said the new building will help accommodate more students and support the continued development of education services in the municipality.

The project was made possible through



the donation of a 3,000-square-meter lot for the elementary school and a 4,000-square-meter lot for the high school by Mayor Cabrera.

Meanwhile, in Barangay San Antonio, Bacolor, Governor Lilia "Nanay" Pineda, Vice Governor Pineda, Mayor Eduardo "Diman" Datu, members of the Sangguniang Bayan, and Angelina Blanco led the blessing and inauguration of a new two-story Junior High School Building at San Antonio Integrated School.

Funded through a ₱11.2-million SEF allocation, the facility features six classrooms and is expected to accommodate

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NEW BUILDINGS



School buildings for the new school year were inaugurated in Bacolor and Sasmuan towns. Leading the ceremonies were Gov. Lilia Pineda, Vice Gov. Dennis Pineda, Bacolor Mayor Diman Datu, Sasmuan Mayor Catalina Cabrera, among others.

SM Clark, SM Lanang reopen upgraded IMAX theatres

CLARK — SM Cinema has reopened its IMAX theatres at SM City Clark and SM Lanang, introducing the latest IMAX® with Laser technology designed to deliver a more immersive moviegoing experience.

The reopening completes SM Cinema's nationwide upgrade of all its IMAX branches, making every IMAX theatre in the country equipped with the next-generation laser projection and precision sound system.

IMAX with Laser features a 4K laser projection system that offers sharper and brighter images, deeper contrast, and a wider color range for more lifelike visuals. The upgrade also includes next-generation IMAX Precision Sound, providing enhanced clarity, depth, and

evenly distributed audio throughout the theatre.

Among the key features of the upgraded cinemas are:

- Crystal-clear 4K laser projection with brighter visuals and richer colors
- Next-generation IMAX Precision Sound for enhanced audio immersion
- Custom-designed IMAX theatres with stadium seating and optimized screens for the best viewing experience

Moviegoers at SM City Clark and SM Lanang can now enjoy upcoming blockbuster releases, including "Michael," "Mortal Kombat II," "Star Wars: The Mandalorian and Grogu," and other highly anticipated titles in the enhanced IMAX format.



TIEZA leads groundbreaking rites for DOT-3 office

CITY OF SAN FERNANDO —

Tourism Infrastructure and Enterprise Zone Authority (TIEZA) Chief Operating Officer Mark Lapid led the groundbreaking ceremony on Tuesday for the construction of the permanent office of the Department of Tourism

- Region 3 in Barangay Calulut, City of San Fernando.

The two-story building will serve as the permanent headquarters of the DOT Central Luzon regional office, providing a dedicated facility for the agency's operations in the region.

During the ceremony, Lapid welcomed the project, noting that the new office would finally provide DOT Region III with its own permanent home. He also expressed pride that the facility will be located in

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The groundbreaking ceremony for the construction of the permanent office of the Department of Tourism - Region 3 in Barangay Calulut, City of San Fernando was led by TIEZA Chief Operating Officer Mark Lapid, among other officials.

NLEX, Pampanga government strengthen disaster readiness

CITY OF SAN FERNANDO —

NLEX Corporation and the Provincial Government of Pampanga have partnered to enhance the province's disaster preparedness and resilience efforts ahead of the rainy season.

The collaboration included a two-day Disaster Management Policy-Making Workshop facilitated by the Philippine Disaster Resilience Foundation (PDRF), bringing together

about 40 participants from key provincial offices, including the Provincial Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Office Pampanga PDRRMO, Department of Public Works and Highways, Office of the Provincial Agriculturist, and Provincial Health Office.

The workshop focused on identifying gaps in existing disaster management policies and strengthening protocols to better protect communities

during emergencies and natural disasters.

NLEX President and General Manager Luis S. Reñon emphasized Pampanga's strategic role as a key link between Metro Manila and Central and Northern Luzon, noting that strengthening disaster preparedness is essential to ensuring public safety and maintaining the reliability of critical transport corridors.

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Workshop participants posed for a photo with (L-R, front row) PDRF Center Director Arnel Capili, Pampanga PDRRMO Officer Janica Mikhail Yambao, NLEX Government Relations Manager Kiko Dagohoy, and MPT South Stakeholder Engagement Assistant Manager Mhanny Agosto



KUWENTONG PEYUPS

BY: ATTY. DENNIS GORECHO

Cutting of trees is 'an act of ecological violence' and a 'direct assault on the poor'

THE tree-cutting of 225 trees along Quirino Avenue to give way to the Southern Access Link Expressway (SALEX) project is "an act of ecological violence" and a "direct assault on the poor."

"Why must 'development' always demand the sacrifice of the vulnerable? Why are our cities designed for vehicles and concrete instead of for children, workers, pedestrians, and the elderly?," asked Bishop Gerardo Alminaza, president of Caritas Philippines.

Bishop Alminaza stressed that the removal of mature trees will directly harm commuters, workers, and families facing extreme urban heat and flood.

SALEX is a proposed 40.62-kilometer expressway featuring both elevated viaduct and shoreline sections.

SALEX will traverse portions of Quirino Avenue, San Marcelino Street, and areas terminating near Roxas Boulevard, where it will connect to the Metro Manila Skyway Stage 3. The Quirino Avenue segment spans 3.97 km and features four elevated lanes.

The tree-cutting of 617 trees to make way for SALEX has been approved by the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR).

The DENR earlier defended the tree cutting along Quirino Avenue, saying it was legally authorized and subject to strict environmental safeguards.

The agency also cited Presidential Decree No. 705, PD 953, and other existing forestry and environmental regulations, which allow the cutting or earth-balling of trees when necessary for infrastructure projects, public works, and other development activities.

It added that SMC is mandated to plant 57,000 seedlings in Manila in line with the memorandum on seedling replacement uniform ratio to "offset" the trees that were cut.

On average, most trees take 10 to 30 years to reach full maturity. However, the

exact timeline depends heavily on the species, whether you start from a seed or a sapling, and local growing conditions.

A total of 225 trees have been felled so far, including a 50-year-old narra tree, which earned criticisms and protest from environmental and civil society groups.

"We refuse to hide this injustice behind bureaucratic language. What is legal on paper is not automatically moral in the eyes of God," Bishop Alminaza said.

Trees combat urban heat through shade and evapotranspiration, reducing local surface temperatures by up to 8 degrees Celsius.

They cool the air by blocking solar radiation and release water vapor. In areas like Metro Manila, increasing urban canopy is crucial for combating the urban heat island effect.

Trees intercept sunlight, preventing concrete and asphalt from absorbing and radiating heat.

As nature's sponges and barriers, trees are also highly effective at preventing and reducing floods. These act as nature's original flood defense by intercepting rainfall with their leaves, slowing water runoff, and using deep roots to absorb water and stabilize soil.

The leaves and branches act like a giant umbrella, catching rainfall and slowing the rate at which water hits the ground. This reduces flash flooding and prevents heavy rain from slamming into the soil.

Tree roots draw massive amounts of water out of the ground, which then evaporates back into the atmosphere through transpiration.

As tree roots grow, they create underground air gaps and loosen compacted soil. This allows rainwater to sink deeply into the earth rather than pooling on the surface and running off into overtaxed storm drains.

A strong root network holds soil firmly together, preventing the ground from washing away during heavy downpours

Removing trees accelerates surface water runoff and erosion, which drastically increases flood risks—a major issue across Metro Manila, where urban development and tree clearing continually compound these vulnerabilities.

The removal of the trees along Quirino Avenue aggravates the worsening loss of green spaces in Metro Manila.

According to DENR 2020 data, the National Capital Region contains only 22.05 square kilometers of forest cover across 619.54 square kilometers of urban concrete.

One of the remaining green spaces is the Diliman campus of the University of the Philippines.

Canopied by over a hundred old, sturdy Acacia trees, the Diliman academic oval is a pollution-free haven not just for runners, but also bikers. They offer much needed shade and bring in a relieving breeze even in the scorching heat.

A favorite photo backdrop is the scenic view of the way the branches of the trees from the left side of the street meet with those from the right side, forming some kind of archway.

Most of the trees are as old as the campus itself as the Acacias were the first trees planted after the transfer of UP to Diliman in the late 1940s.

The fiasco should have been avoided if tree balling was done instead of cutting the tree down. It is an eco-friendly tree-transplanting method where a tree is excavated with its root system and surrounding soil kept entirely intact. The root ball is shaped circularly, wrapped in burlap, and relocated.

(Peyups is the moniker of the University of the Philippines. Atty. Dennis R. Gorecho heads the Seafarers' Division of the Sapalo Velez Bundang Bulilan Law Offices. For comments, e-mail info@sapalovelez.com, or call 0908-8665786.)



THE GLOBAL BEAT

BY GERALD LACUARTA

The Voice: More Than a Newspaper

LAST June 1, The Voice Newsweekly celebrated its 72nd year of serving readers in Central Luzon.

When newspapers around the world are shrinking, merging, or disappearing altogether, reaching such a milestone is no small achievement. It speaks not only to the dedication of those who produce the paper, but also to the readers who continue to believe that local journalism matters.

As I reflected on this anniversary, I found myself thinking about my own journey with newspapers and the people who introduced me to the profession.

My earliest exposure to newspapers came through my father, veteran journalist Jerry Lacuarta, a longtime friend of current publisher Lincoln Baluyut. Long before I understood deadlines, news beats, or the importance of a well-written lead, I was already surrounded by newspapers and journalists, and conversations about current events.

Those early experiences sparked an interest that eventually led me to become editor of my high school paper, manage the Philippine Collegian while studying at the University of the Philippines, write for SunStar Clark, and later join the Philippine Daily Inquirer as a reporter.

Back then, journalism was a very different business. Stories were researched in libraries and archives, interviews were conducted on landline telephones, and reporters relied on notebooks rather than smartphones. News traveled much more slowly than it does today.

Yet despite all the changes in technology, the purpose of journalism has remained remarkably consistent: to gather facts, verify information, and tell stories that matter.

That mission is especially important at the local level.

National media organizations report on major events in Manila and abroad. Social media provides an endless stream of information, opinions, and commentary. Artificial intelligence can now generate articles, images, and videos within seconds.

But local journalism fills a different role.

It covers the stories that directly affect communities. It reports on local government decisions, community events, schools, businesses, and the people whose efforts often go unnoticed beyond their own towns and cities. It creates a shared record of a region's history and holds institutions accountable to the public they serve.

Without local journalism, communities lose more than a newspaper. They lose part of their collective memory.

The story of The Voice Newsweekly itself reflects that commitment.

Founded in 1954 by Armando P. Baluyut—known to many readers as "Arpiba" or "Apong Mandong"—the publication began as what has been described as a challenging one-man operation in Angeles City. Through perseverance and a deep commitment to community journalism, it grew into one of the region's most enduring news publications.

Today, that legacy continues under the leadership of his youngest son, Lincoln M. Baluyut, who serves as editor and publisher.

There is something reassuring about that continuity.

In a media environment that changes almost daily, where news websites appear and disappear overnight and social media trends come and go within hours, The Voice Newsweekly stands as a reminder that some institutions endure because they continue to serve a purpose.

Think about everything Central Luzon has experienced over the past seven decades. The region has witnessed political upheavals, peasant revolts, economic growth, natural disasters, the eruption of Mount Pinatubo, the transformation of Clark, and the rise of new industries that have reshaped the local economy.

Through all those years, local journalists were there documenting events as they unfolded, creating a record for future generations.

That work rarely attracts national attention. Most local reporters do not become household names. Yet their contributions are no less important.

When I accepted the invitation to write this column, it felt like a return to familiar ground. After more than two decades living abroad and working in other fields, I found myself once again contributing to a local newspaper and reconnecting with the profession that shaped much of my early life.

The tools may have changed. The technology may have changed. The challenges facing journalism may certainly have changed.

But the need for trusted information remains as important as ever.

As The Voice Newsweekly celebrates its 72nd anniversary, the occasion is about more than the longevity of a publication. It is a reminder of the value of local journalism and the important role it continues to play in strengthening communities across Central Luzon.

For that, both the newspaper and its readers have every reason to celebrate.

Happy anniversary, The Voice Newsweekly. May you continue telling the stories of Central Luzon for many years to come.

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approvals, and future expansion phases.

For Acwa Chief Executive Officer Dr. Samir J. Serhan, the partnership translates to the growing investor confidence in the Philippines as a destination for large-scale clean infrastructure. "New Clark City reflects the kind of integrated, future-ready development that global energy investors are looking for," he said.

"Working alongside BCDA gives this initiative both strategic clarity and long-term momentum. We see an opportunity to help power industrial growth while lowering energy costs and supporting the country's broader economic ambitions through reliable renewable energy," Serhan added.

The scale of the lease within an active special economic zone was itself a deliberate design decision. Salman M. Baray, Country General Manager of Acwa Philippines, said the footprint allows the company to build something genuinely integrated rather than incremental.

"We will also invest in the host

communities around the site, because a project of this breadth has to work for the people who live alongside it," Baray said.

Powering up New Clark City

BCDA is positioning New Clark City as a competitive hub for artificial intelligence, advanced manufacturing, and other technology-driven industries — supported by world-class digital infrastructure and, through its agreement with Acwa, a reliable foundation of clean and renewable energy tailored to the needs of high-growth, energy-intensive sectors.

BCDA President and CEO Engr. Joshua M. Bingcang expressed confidence in the collaboration, noting that aligning Acwa's track record with BCDA's development mandate will allow both parties to "accelerate the country's renewable targets and attract the high-value tenants that depend on clean, dependable power."

"Anchoring Acwa inside New Clark City is a defining moment for the estate. It tells global investors that this is where the Philippines' next wave of

sustainable infrastructure gets built," Engr. Bingcang added.

The solar plant will serve as BCDA's anchor power locator inside the New Clark City special economic zone, supplying clean, round-the-clock electricity to data centers, advanced manufacturing tenants, and other energy-intensive industries moving into the master-planned development.

The project directly supports the Philippine government's goal of increasing the share of renewable energy in the national power mix to 35 percent by 2030, while reinforcing New Clark City's ambition to become a green, smart, and resilient urban center.

The lease also marks Acwa's first land agreement with a Philippine government agency, representing a significant milestone in the company's Southeast Asia growth strategy and reinforcing investor confidence in the Philippines as a destination for large-scale infrastructure and renewable energy investments.

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Manguerra clarified that his client is not evading responsibility, noting that company representatives immediately coordinated with victims and their families following the incident. He explained that the contractor opted not to personally appear at the site in the immediate aftermath due to safety concerns as emotions were running high.

The contractor's legal

counsel also maintained that appropriate construction materials were used in the project and that all documentary and regulatory requirements had been secured before construction began.

Both parties said they would continue to cooperate with authorities as investigations into the collapse proceed.

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more than 300 additional students in the coming school year.

Vice Governor Pineda emphasized the provincial government's commitment to delivering quality projects while ensuring the responsible use of public funds. He noted that the project also includes the provision of classroom furniture such as desks and chairs.

School officials and

teachers welcomed the new facilities, saying they will help address classroom shortages and create a more conducive learning environment for students.

The inauguration of the new school buildings reflects the Provincial Government's continuing efforts to expand access to quality education and meet the growing needs of learners across Pampanga.

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RENZI KEITH LIM YANES SORIANO,
Petitioner-Mortgagee,
- versus -
MARCIA PABILIN HERNANDEZ married to ELMER F. HERNANDEZ,
Defendants-Mortgagors.

EXTRAJUDICIAL FORECLOSURE OF REAL ESTATE MORTGAGE UNDER ACT NO. 3135 AS AMENDED
F.C. Case No. 2026-0034

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NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE

Upon extra judicial petition for sale under Act 3135, as amended filed by the Mortgagee, **RENZI KEITH LIM YANES SORIANO** with residence addresses at 489 4th St., Angeles Citcenter, Phase 2, Tabun, Angeles City 2009 Pampanga, against the Mortgagor, **MARCIA PABILIN HERNANDEZ married to ELMER F. HERNANDEZ,** with residence and postal address at 27-7 Catlea St., Diamond Subd., Balibago, Angeles City 2009, Pampanga, in order to satisfy the total outstanding obligation therein which as of November 27, 2025, amounts to **FOURTEEN MILLION FIVE HUNDRED FORTY-FIVE THOUSAND PESOS (Php 14,545,000.00)**, Philippine Currency, principal inclusive of interest, thereto, the undersigned Sheriff IV hereby gives notice and announces that on **July 14, 2026** at 10:00 o'clock in the morning, at the **Office of the Clerk of Court, Regional Trial Court, Angeles City located at Ground Floor of Chief Justice Jose Abad Santos Bldg., Hall of Justice, Brgy. Pulung Maragul, Angeles City** will SELL at public auction for CASH and in Philippine Currency, the following parcel of land/real property/ies with all existing and future improvements thereon, to wit:

TCT No. 045-2018011261

A PARCEL OF LAND (LOT 3, BLOCK 7 OF THE SUBDIVISION PLAN (LRC) PSD-31390, SHEET 1, BEING A PORTION OF LOT 647, ANGELES CADASTRE; LRC (GLRO) CAD. REC. NO. 124), SITUATED IN THE BARRIO OF MALABAÑAS, MUNICIPALITY OF ANGELES, PROVINCE OF PAMPANGA, ISLAND OF LUZON, BOUNDED ON THE N., POINTS 4 TO 1 BY LOT 4; ON THE SE., POINTS 1 TO 2 BY LOT 6; ON THE SW, POINTS 2 TO 3 BY LOT 2, ALL BLOCK 7 AND ON THE NW., POINTS 3 TO 4 BY ROAD LOT 3, ALL OF THE SUBDIVISION PLAN. x x x CONTAINING AN AREA OF SIX HUNDRED FIVE (605) SQUARE METERS, MORE OR LESS x x x

Prospective buyers/bidders may investigate for themselves the above-mentioned parcel/s of land for their information and protection.

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 July 28, 2026 at the same time and place without further notice.

Angeles City, May 5, 2026.

(SGD)
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BANK OF THE PHILIPPINE ISLANDS,
Petitioner-Mortgagee,
-versus-
SPOUSES REMIGIO E. TUAZON AND MERCY F. TUAZON,
Mortgagors,
PAIS CARRIERS, INC.,
Borrower.

E.J.F. No. 26-26 Real Estate Mortgage Under Act 3135 as Amended by Act 4118

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AMENDED NOTICE OF EXTRA - JUDICIAL SALE

Upon extra-judicial petition for sale under Act 3135/1508 filed by **BANK OF THE PHILIPPINE ISLANDS,** mortgagee, with principal office at 22nd to 28th Floor Ayala Triangle Gardens Tower Two, Paseo De Roxas cor. Makati Ave., Makati City, against **SPOUSES REMIGIO E. TUAZON and MERCY F. TUAZON,** mortgagors, with postal address/es at (1) No. 24 G.H. Del Pilar St., Brgy. Quebiawan, City of San Fernando, Pampanga and (2) No. 24 GF Del Pilar St., Kalayaan Village, Brgy. Quebiawan, City of San Fernando, Pampanga, and **PAIS CARRIERS, INC.,** borrower, with office address at Brgy. San Isidro, City of San Fernando, Pampanga, to satisfy the mortgage indebtedness which as of **December 31, 2025** amounts to **TWENTY ONE MILLION FOUR HUNDRED FORTY-ONE THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED EIGHT PESOS & 82/100 (Php21,441,708.82)** excluding penalties, attorney's fees and expenses of foreclosure, the undersigned duly authorized deputy sheriff will sell at public auction on **July 16, 2026 at 10:00 A.M. or soon thereafter** at the main entrance of the **Regional Trial Court, Capitol Compound,** City of San Fernando, Pampanga, to the highest bidder for **CASH or MANAGER'S CHECK** and in Philippine Currency, the following property with all improvements, to wit:

TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. 714253-R

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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 July 23, 2026 without further notice.

City of San Fernando, Pampanga, May 8, 2026.

(SGD)
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- versus -
SPOUSES ARTHUR B. AQUINO and JULIET M. AQUINO,
Respondents-Mortgagors

E.J.F. No. 52-26 Real Estate Mortgage under Act 3135 as amended by Act 4118

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NOTICE OF EXTRA - JUDICIAL SALE

Upon extra-judicial petition for sale under Act 3135/1508 filed by Petitioner-Mortgagee **GM BANK OF LUZON, INC.,** (A Rural Bank), with head office located at Brgy. Gen. Luna, Maharlika Highway, Cabanatuan City, Nueva Ecija, against Respondents-Mortgagors, **SPOUSES ARTHUR B. AQUINO and JULIET M. AQUINO,** residing at Purok 7, Blk. 2, Brgy. Saguin, City of San Fernando, Pampanga, to satisfy the mortgage indebtedness which as of January 05, 2026 amounts to **PESOS: FOUR HUNDRED SEVENTY ONE THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED THIRTY THREE and 04/100 (Php 471,733.04)** excluding penalties, attorney's fees and expenses of foreclosure, the undersigned duly authorized deputy sheriff will sell at public auction on **JUNE 17, 2026 at 10:00 A.M. or soon thereafter** at the main entrance of the **Regional Trial Court, Capitol Compound, City of San Fernando, Pampanga,** to the highest bidder for CASH or MANAGER'S CHECK and in **Philippine Currency,** the following properties with all improvements, to wit:

TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. 708823-R

" x x x A parcel of land (lot 7-C-1 of the subd. plan Psd-03-114224, being a portion of lot 7-C Psd-03-110961, LRC Rec. No.), situated in the Bo. of Saguin, Mun. of San Fdo., Prov. of Pamp. x x x containing an area of FIVE HUNDRED (500) square meters, more or less. x x x

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 June 24, 2026, without further notice. Prospective buyers and bidders are hereby enjoined to investigate for themselves the title to the property described above, and the encumbrance thereon, if any there be.

City of San Fernando, Pampanga, May 11, 2026.

(SGD)
Lyndon L. Isip
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(0923-617-7280)

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1.) **GM BANK OF LUZON, INC., (A RURAL BANK) - BRGY. GEN. LUNA, MAHARLIKA HIGHWAY, CABANATUAN CITY, NUEVA ECIA**
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3.) **SPS. ARTHUR & JULIET AQUINO-PUROK 7, BLK. 2, BRGY. SAGUIN, CITY OF SAN FERNANDO, PAMPANGA**
4.) **THE VOICE**

THE VOICE NEWSWEEKLY. May 17, 24, 31, 2026

Brigada Eskwela mobilizes P43.8-M support for CL schools

CITY OF SAN FERNANDO — Brigada Eskwela 2026 has generated more than P43.8 million worth of resources across Central Luzon on its first day of implementation, ahead of the opening of classes.

This strong turnout reflects robust multi-sectoral support for school readiness efforts, with over 201,000 volunteers participating in the annual bayanihan initiative.

Department of Education (DepEd) Assistant Regional Director Jessie Amin said contributions came from national government agencies, local government units, private sector partners, civic organizations, financial institutions, parents, teachers, and community volunteers.

Assistance included school supplies, equipment, financial donations, and personnel support aimed at ensuring safe, clean, and child-friendly learning environments.

“Matapos ang unang araw ng Brigada Eskwela noong Lunes, ang kabuuang halaga ng nalikom na mga resources sa buong rehiyon ay nasa mahigit P43.8 million habang nasa mahigit 201,000 na mga Brigada Eskwela volunteers ang lumahok sa unang araw ng

taunang bayanihan para sa mga paaralan,” Amin said.

He emphasized that the strong participation underscores the continued spirit of bayanihan and shared responsibility in strengthening school readiness and ensuring that learning spaces are prepared for the smooth return of learners.

Amin also highlighted that Brigada Eskwela, DepEd’s flagship convergence program, reflects the agency’s continued partnership with stakeholders in maintaining school facilities and improving the overall learning environment.

The initiative aligns with President Ferdinand R. Marcos Jr.’s education agenda under the whole-of-government approach, which prioritizes improving learning conditions, strengthening basic education facilities, and expanding partnerships to enhance education outcomes nationwide.

With sustained collaboration expected throughout the implementation period, Brigada Eskwela continues to serve as a key platform for advancing quality education and reinforcing community involvement in the region.



BAYANIHAN FOR SCHOOL READINESS. Volunteers participate in Brigada Eskwela 2026 activities to help ensure that public schools in Central Luzon are safe, clean, and conducive to learning. The initiative supports the whole-of-government approach of President Ferdinand R. Marcos Jr. in strengthening basic education through stakeholder collaboration and community participation. (Dolores Integrated School)

TIEZA... FROM PAGE 2

Pampanga and thanked the City Government of San Fernando for providing the land for the project.

TIEZA has allocated P45.39 million for the construction of the building, which is expected to be completed by the first quarter of 2027.

Joining Lapid at the groundbreaking rites were DOT Region III Director Richard Daenos, City of San

Fernando Councillor Reggie David, City Administrator Kristannico Abad, City Engineer Anele David, and City Tourism Officer Ching Pangiliinan.

The Central Luzon office is one of three DOT regional offices currently being financed by TIEZA, alongside similar projects underway in Koronadal City, South Cotabato, and Legazpi City, Albay.

35th North Luzon Area Business Conference opens in Tarlac

TARLAC — More than 400 leaders from the government, business, and development sectors across Regions 1, 2, 3, and the Cordillera Administrative Region convened for the opening of the 35th North Luzon Area Business Conference (NLABC), underscoring the importance of collaboration in advancing inclusive growth and sustainable prosperity across Northern Luzon.

Hosted by PCCI Tarlac, led by President Aileen Uy-Chan, the

conference, which opened at the Bulwagang Kanlahi, Diwa ng Tarlac Convention Center, is anchored on the theme, “North Luzon Now: Stronger in Inclusivity and Sustainable Prosperity,” highlighting the need for urgency, cooperation, and long-term resilience amid a rapidly evolving economic landscape.

Tarlac Governor Christian Yap, who graced the conference, described the NLABC as an important gathering of leaders from the business,

government, and industry sectors to discuss opportunities and challenges facing Northern Luzon.

Governor Yap underscored the importance of collective action in building a more inclusive economy, expanding investment opportunities, and promoting long-term development for communities across the region.

He said the Province of Tarlac remains committed to supporting initiatives that create opportunities in business, tourism, agriculture, and other key sectors that contribute to economic growth and improve the lives of residents.

Yap likewise emphasized that stronger collaboration among stakeholders is essential in broadening opportunities for development and securing a more prosperous future for Northern Luzon.

The NLABC serves as a premier platform for aligning regional development priorities, strengthening MSME integration into regional value chains, encouraging investments, and fostering public-private partnerships aimed at accelerating economic growth throughout North Luzon.



The 35th North Luzon Area Business Conference (NLABC) opened in Tarlac, underscoring the importance of collaboration in advancing inclusive growth and sustainable prosperity across Northern Luzon. The event was hosted by PCCI Tarlac, led by President Aileen Uy-Chan.

Converge bags top privacy award for children’s awareness campaign

ANGELES CITY — Leading fiber broadband and technology company Converge ICT Solutions Inc. has been recognized as a champion of data privacy, taking home the Kabataang Digital Award handed by the National Privacy Commission (NPC) for the company’s program focused on empowering the youth to protect and understand their data privacy rights online.

Held annually, the National Privacy Commission (NPC) organizes the Privacy Awareness Week (PAW) Awards, a celebration dedicated to strengthening data privacy awareness and promoting responsible personal data processing in the Philippines. For its 2026 edition, the data privacy agency conferred 10 awards on organizations and individuals that have made a significant impact in advancing data privacy in the country.

Among these awards is the Kabataang Award, which honors initiatives that empower and protect children and young

people through digital responsibility, privacy awareness, and the promotion of safeguards for their personal data.

“This recognition reminds us that technology is most meaningful when it is used to protect, empower, and uplift young people and communities. We share this award with everyone who believed in Project PIGLET or the Privacy Integration through Guided Learning of Emerging Technologies, supported our vision, and worked quietly behind the scenes to make it possible. Most especially, we dedicate this to the youth — may we continue building a digital space that is safe, responsible, and hopeful for the next generation,” said Atty. Laurice-Esteban Tuason, Corporate Compliance and Data Protection Officer, and Corporate Sustainability Officer during the awards ceremony.

Launched by the Corporate Governance and Data Privacy Group in 2024, Project PIGLET aims to enhance digital literacy and privacy awareness among school-age children.

The campaign aims for youth as young as seven years old to be informed about protecting their digital identity through an interactive, story-

telling session. Through a space-themed adventure story, children are taught the dangers of the digital world, as well as practical ways to protect their data. The program also enlists the help of parents or guardians as active participants in the ‘digital adventure’ - making sure that the youth’s data privacy is a shared responsibility.

Project PIGLET has been carried out in schools across Metro Manila, Mindoro, Pampanga, and even with Converge employees and their children.

“With the mission of Converge to leverage Tech For Good, we take it as a serious responsibility to balance access to connectivity with the data privacy of users who trust in our network. Through programs such as Project PIGLET, we aim to safeguard those most vulnerable on the internet, which are children,” added Esteban-Tuason.

In 2025, the executive was recognized as Best Data Privacy Officer (in the sector of General Management and Services) by the Philippines’ leading professional information security organization, the Information Security Officers Group (ISOG).



Aromatic rice farmers of the Villa Bar Primary Multipurpose Cooperative undergo Citizens Monitoring Tool training under the Department of Agriculture–Philippine Rural Development Project Scale-Up to help ensure quality and transparency in the implementation of their rice processing facility in Llanera, Nueva Ecija. (DA-PRDP Central Luzon)

DA trains NE farmers for rice facility project

LLANERA, Nueva Ecija — The Department of Agriculture–Philippine Rural Development Project (DA-PRDP) Central Luzon held a Citizens Monitoring Tool (CMT) training for aromatic rice farmers of the Villa Bar Primary Multipurpose Cooperative to prepare them for monitoring the construction of a rice processing facility in Llanera, Nueva Ecija.

The training aimed to boost community participation in monitoring the subproject’s implementation while promoting transparency and accountability at the grassroots level.

According to DA-PRDP Central Luzon, the CMT training taught cooperative members how to monitor site works,

including checking compliance with design specifications, material quality, worker safety, environmental safeguards, and proper construction practices.

Participants were also briefed on contract review, documentation, maintenance planning, and the Grievance Redress Mechanism for addressing concerns related to project implementation.

Additionally, the agency introduced the DA-PRDP Applied Geotagging Tool, a mobile application that enables documenting subproject progress through geotagged photos and videos to support more transparent and reliable reporting.

Following the training,

participants joined an on-site monitoring activity guided by the DA-PRDP Central Luzon, where contractors provided updates on ongoing construction works and signified support for the community-led monitoring initiative.

The rice processing facility, part of the cooperative’s P65-million aromatic rice common service facility and marketing enterprise subproject, is expected to enhance the processing and marketing of locally produced aromatic rice once operational.

It will benefit 40 aromatic rice farmers and 42 regular rice farmers, strengthen cooperative operations, and broaden market access for local producers.

NLEX... FROM PAGE 2

Second District Board Member Atty. Claire Lim welcomed the initiative, highlighting the importance of collaboration in safeguarding the lives, homes, and livelihoods of Kapampangans during times of crisis.

Meanwhile, First District Board Member Cherry Manalo expressed appreciation to NLEX and PDRF for helping enhance the capabilities of provincial personnel and frontline responders through the workshop.

Pampanga has faced major natural disasters in the past, including the 1990 Luzon earthquake and the 1991 Mount Pinatubo eruption. As one of Central Luzon's major economic centers, the province continues to strengthen its

disaster resilience efforts to protect communities and support sustainable growth.

The partnership also seeks to improve coordination between government agencies and NLEX to help keep vital transportation routes accessible for emergency responders and the delivery of essential goods during disasters.

PDRF Center Director Arnel Capili underscored the importance of proactive disaster management, stressing the need to balance immediate response measures with long-term climate adaptation strategies.

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LAILA BAQUING GAMBOA,
Mortgagee,
-versus-

SPS. NENITA V. VALDEZ and
FLORENCIO VALDEZ, JR., and
JESSA VALENZUELA VALDEZ,
Mortgagors

EXTRA-JUDICIAL
FORECLOSURE
OF REAL ESTATE
MORTGAGE UNDER
ACT NO. 3135 AS
AMENDED

F.C. Case No. 2025-0186

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE

Upon extra judicial petition/application for sale under Act 3135, as amended filed by the Mortgagee, LAILA BAQUING GAMBOA with residence addresses at No. 11 San Isidro St., Purok 2, Sta. Cruz, Porac, Pampanga and/or Blk. 7, Lot 12, Verdant St., Mansfield Residences, Brgy. Sto. Domingo, Angeles City, against the Mortgagors, SPS. NENITA V. VALDEZ and FLORENCIO VALDEZ, JR., and JESSA VALENZUELA VALDEZ with residence and postal addresses at Purok 68 Barangay Pampang, Angeles City and/or 45 Sitio Militar Project 8, Quezon City, Manila, in order to satisfy the total outstanding obligation therein which as of September 8, 2025, amounts to TWO MILLION EIGHT HUNDRED THOUSAND PESOS (Php 2,800,000.00). Philippine Currency, principal inclusive of interest, thereto, the undersigned Sheriff IV hereby gives notice and announces that on July 8, 2026 at 10:00 o'clock in the morning, at the Municipal Trial Court in Cities, Branch 1, Mabalacat City, Pampanga located at the Bldg. 2 Unit 33 Great Mall of Central Luzon (formerly Xevera Commercial Complex) Tabun, Mabalacat City, Pampanga 2010 will SELL at public auction for CASH and in Philippine Currency, the following parcel of land/real property/les with all existing and future improvements thereon, to wit:

TCT No. 045-2021004483

A PARCEL OF LAND (LOT NO. 3, BLOCK 1 OF THE CONSOLIDATION-SUBDIVISION PLAN PCS-03-015323 BEING A PORTION OF CONSOLIDATED LOT NOS. 1 TO 34, PCS-03-010893 (LRC REC. NO.). SITUATED IN THE BARRIO OF BICAL, MUNICIPALITY OF MABALACAT, PROVINCE OF PAMPANGA. BOUNDED ON THE NE, ALONG LINE 1-2 BY LOT 4, BLK. 1, OF THE CONSOLIDATION-SUBDIVISION PLAN: ON THE SE.. ALONG LINE 2-3 BY LOT 111-H-4, PSD-035409-053666, ON THE SW.. ALONG LINE 3-4 BY LOT 2, BLK. 1; AND ON THE NW, ALONG LINE 4-1 BY ROAD LOT 1 (6.50, M. W.), BOTH OF THE CONSOLIDATION-SUBDIVISION PLAN. x x x CONTAINING AN AREA OF ONE HUNDRED THIRTEEN (113), SQUARE METERS x x x

Prospective buyers/bidders may investigate for themselves the above-mentioned parcel/s of land for their information and protection.

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 July 22, 2026 at the same time and place without further notice.

Angeles City, April 29, 2026.

(SGD)
MICHAEL ANGELO F. SEGISMAR
Sheriff IV

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IN RE: PETITION TO USE THE SURNAME OF BIOLOGICAL FATHER UNDER REPUBLIC ACT 9255, CORRECTION OF ENTRY IN THE CERTIFICATE OF LIVE BIRTH REGISTRY NO. 95-11386 UNDER RULE 108 OF THE RULES OF COURT AND CANCELLATION OF CERTIFICATE OF LIVE BIRTH REGISTRY NO. 98-1362

DANIEL TIAMZON
BUENSUCESO A.K.A. DANIEL
BUENSUCESO LALU,

Petitioner,
-versus-

SP. PROC. CASE NO. 6431

THE HEIRS OF DANILO CANLAS LALU NAMELY, REMY L. SANTOS BEING THE LEGITIMATE WIFE AND THEIR HEIRS, DANIELLE ALLEXIS DIAZ LALU, ALAIN DIAZ LALU, ALDAINE DIAZ LALU, AND ALJOHN DIAZ LALU, and all persons claiming rights and interests under him, MARIQUITA CANLAS LALU AND VENANCIO BARCILLANO LALU being the paternal grandparents of the petitioner, THE CITY CIVIL REGISTRAR OF THE CITY OF SAN FERNANDO, PAMPANGA, THE LOCAL CIVIL REGISTRAR OF MEXICO, PAMPANGA & THE CIVIL REGISTRAR GENERAL

Respondents.

ORDER

This is a petition to use the surname of his biological father filed by petitioner Daniel Tiamzon Buensuceso, a.k.a. Daniel Buensuceso LalU, through counsel. Petitioner prays that the Court, after due notice, publication and hearing, allow him to use his father's surname "Lalu" a change from "Daniel Tiamzon Buensuceso" to "Daniel Buensuceso LalU" in Entry No. 1 in the Certificate of Live Birth No. 95-11386 and direct the Local Civil Registrar and Civil Registrar General to cancel Certificate of Live Birth No. 98-1362 from their records.

Finding the aforesaid petition to be sufficient in form and substance, the same is hereby set for hearing on 27 July 2026 at 8:30 in the morning at the Session Hall of this Court, 2nd Floor, RTC Building, City of San Fernando, Pampanga when and where all persons who may have interest in the said petition may appear and show cause, if there be any, why the same should not be granted.

The Court orders the petitioner to serve, within five (5) calendar days from receipt of this Order, copies of the petition and its annexes on the (i) the Office of the Solicitor General at 134 Amorsolo Street, Legaspi Village, Makati City; (ii) the Local Civil Registrar of Mexico, Pampanga; (iii) the Local Civil Registrar of City of San Fernando, Pampanga; (iv) the Civil Registrar General, Philippine Statistics Authority, Quezon City; (v) the heirs of Danilo Canlas LalU, namely: Remy L. Santos at her last known address at Lot 21 Pandacaqui, Mexico, Pampanga; (vi) the other heirs of Danilo Canlas LalU, namely: Danielle Allexis Diaz LalU, Alain Diaz LalU, Aldaine Diaz LalU, and Aljohn Diaz LalU at Purok 3, Paroba, Sta. Monica, San Luis, Pampanga and/or 134 Lagundi, Mexico, Pmpanga; and (vii) Mariquita Canlas LalU and Venancio Barcillano LalU at Barangay Lagundi, Mexico, Pampanga and to show proof of said service to this Court.

Let the petitioner publish this Order for three (3) consecutive weeks in a newspaper of general circulation in the Province of Pampanga at his expense.

Furnish petitioner, his counsel, the Office of the Solicitor General, Makati City, the Civil Registrar General, Philippine Statistics Authority, Quezon City, the Local Civil Registrar of Mexico, Pampanga, the Local Civil Registrar of City of San Fernando, Pampanga, the Office of the Clerk of Court, Regional Trial Court, City of San Fernando, Pampanga, the heirs of Danilo Canlas LalU, namely: Remy L. Santos, the other heirs of Danilo Canlas LalU, namely: Danielle Allexis Diaz LalU, Alain Diaz LalU, Aldaine Diaz LalU, and Aljohn Diaz LalU, and Mariquita Canlas LalU, and Venancio Barcillano LalU with a copy of this Order.

SO ORDERED.

06 May 2026, City of San Fernando, Pampanga.

(SGD)
ROXANNE MARIE. DIMAYUGA
Presiding Judge

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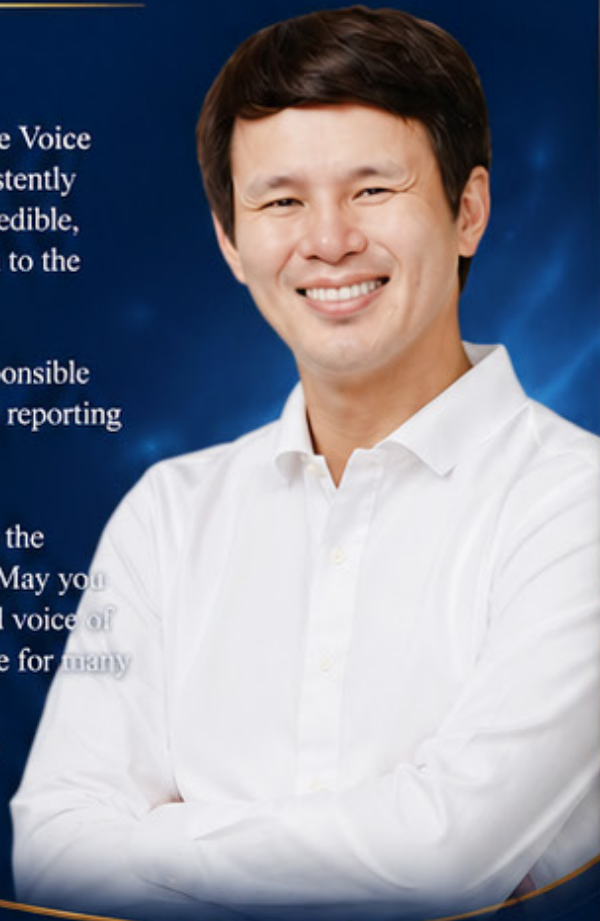
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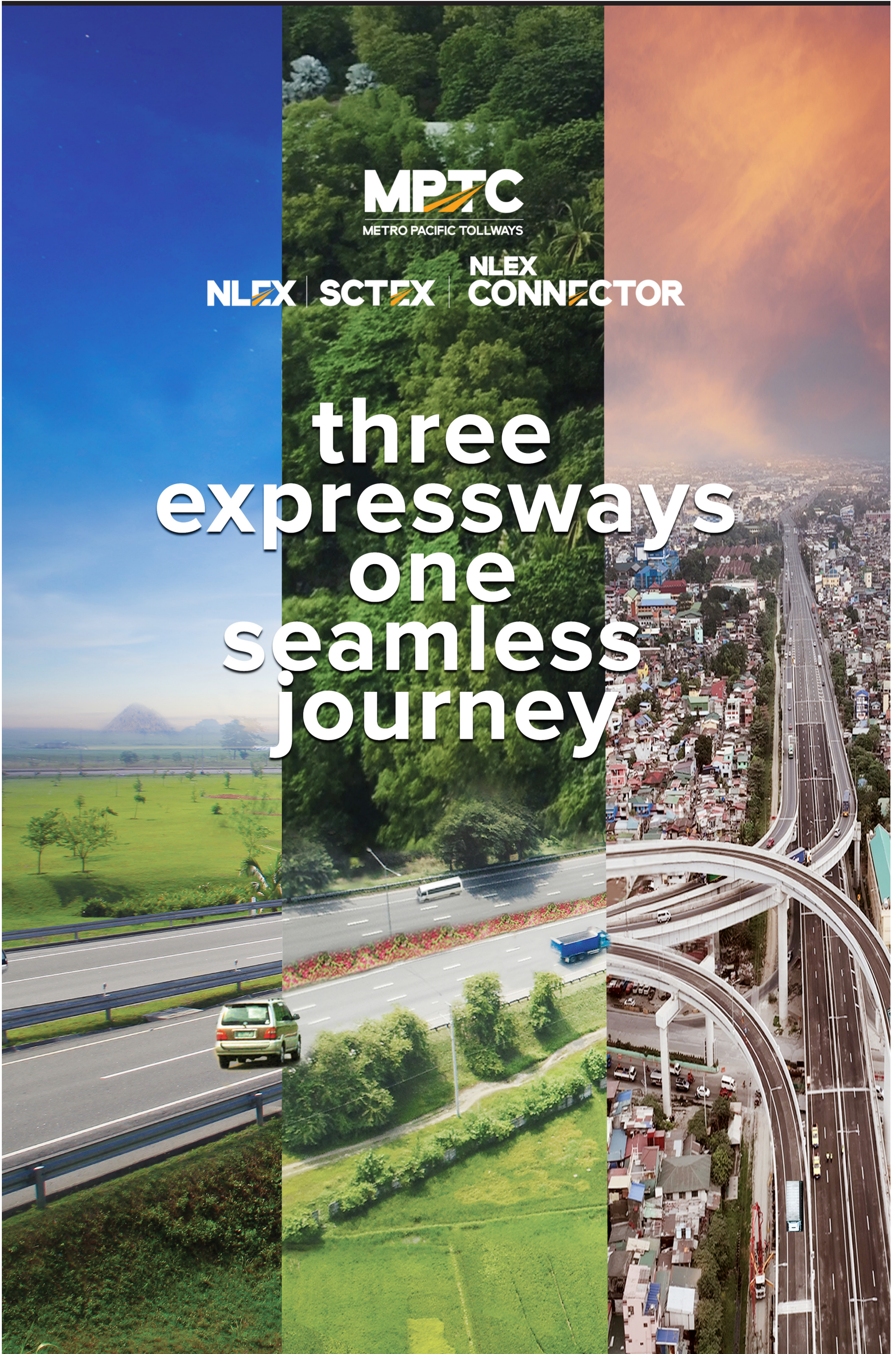
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Converge elects former Senior Associate Justice Perlas-Bernabe as first female Board Chair, veteran leader De Jesus stays on as Independent Director

The Board of Directors of leading fiber broadband and technology solutions provider Converge ICT Solutions Inc. (PSE: CNVRG) has elected former Senior Associate Justice (SAJ) Estela Perlas-Bernabe as its new chairperson during its organizational Board meeting following the company's Annual Stockholders' Meeting (ASM) on Friday.

SAJ Perlas-Bernabe succeeds veteran business leader and former Secretary of the Department of Public Works and Highways (DPWH) and Department of Transportation and Communications (DOTC), now Department of Transportation, Jose De Jesus who will stay on as Converge Independent Director. De Jesus served as Chairman of the Converge Board since it was listed at the Philippine Stock Exchange (PSE) in October 2020.



Former Converge Chairman
Jose P. De Jesus

"It is with heartfelt delight that I pass the baton to Justice Perlas-Bernabe who is a respected jurist celebrated for her unshakeable integrity. Being the first female chairperson of Converge, she ushers in a new era of fairness and accountability into the Board," said De Jesus who led Converge to its Five Arrow Award, the highest distinction in corporate governance handed by the Institute of Corporate Directors (ICD).

SAJ Perlas-Bernabe joined the Converge Board in May 2023, and served as chair of the Remuneration Committee and Related Party Transactions Committee. Other directors elected during the ASM were former Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas Governor Amando Tetangco Jr., Reyes Tacandong & Co. Chairman Manuel Felipe Reyes, former Naver Cloud CEO Woengi Park, and Converge founders Maria Grace Uy and Dennis Anthony Uy.

"I am deeply honored to serve as Chairperson of the Board of Converge. In the past three years, I have witnessed the company's adherence to the highest standards of corporate governance and seen its subscriber base rise to over three million in a highly competitive industry. I am truly excited to lead the Board as the fiber internet provider evolves into a future-forward technology company," said Perlas-Bernabe.

"I am also elated to add to the growing number of women leading in the boardroom. I have always believed that increased diversity would only bring out the best decisions in any organization,"

she pointed out. Of the over 280 PSE-listed firms, less than ten companies have women as their chair.

In recognition of her outstanding service to the Supreme Court (SC) from 2011 until her retirement in 2022, the high court has created a special award called "The Senior Associate Justice Estela M. Perlas-Bernabe Exemplary Career Jurist Award" to be given to retiring SC justices who have served as magistrate in all levels of court without leaving any case pending for resolution upon promotion to a higher court — a feat only Perlas-Bernabe had accomplished so far with zero-backlog or zero docket upon her every promotion to the next level court.

In her 26 years in the Philippine judiciary, SAJ Perlas-Bernabe also served as associate justice of the Court of Appeals, Regional Trial Court judge of Makati City, Metropolitan Trial Court judge of the same city, and as technical assistant in the Office of the Court Administrator.

Since February 2025, Perlas-Bernabe has been a member of the Panel of Arbitrators of the Singapore International Arbitration Centre (SIAC), bringing her decades of complex judicial and dispute resolution expertise to the international stage.

She also received various awards and distinctions namely, "Judicial Medal of Distinction" in 2022 (Supreme Court of the Philippines), "Distinguished Alumni Award for the Judiciary" in 2018 (Ateneo de Manila Alumni Association,



Converge Chairman
Estela Perlas-Bernabe

Inc.), "Gawad Dangal ng Lipi" in 2012 (Provincial Government of Bulacan), Gawad Parangal 2008 as Outstanding Alumna for Dedicated Service to Country and People (St. Paul University Manila), Court of Appeals Award for Exemplary Performance in 2007 (CA Award of Recognition for Outstanding Performance in Case Disposition), and Natatanging Babaeng Hukom in 2003 (Municipality of Plaridel, Bulacan) among others.

Justice Perlas-Bernabe completed her Bachelor of Science in Commerce Banking and Finance at St. Paul College of Manila and graduated Magna Cum Laude in 1972. She earned her law degree in Ateneo College of Law, graduating as Class Salutatorian in 1976 and passed the bar in 1977 with a rating of 85.15%.



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PLDT Home offers Free Installation, Speedboosts and more amid Rising Demand for Work-from-Home

As rising fuel costs and inflationary pressures prompt a nationwide re-evaluation of daily commutes, PLDT Home is committed to supporting the Filipino workforce. PLDT Home is waiving installation fees and has executed timely speed boosts to make the transition to remote work seamless and cost-effective.

The initiative reinforces the government's call for the private sector to adopt flexible work schemes as a strategic response to ongoing global economic volatility. By empowering remote and home-based work setups, PLDT Home aims to strengthen Filipinos' daily productivity and income opportunities while keeping the family together during these challenging times.

"Filipinos are among the most resilient people in the world, and we want to make it easier for them to navigate today's challenges, especially amid ongoing global uncertainties. This is why we continue to enhance our fiber products and services to better support the daily digital needs of the Filipino workforce," said Menardo "Butch" Jimenez, Jr., PLDT Chief Operating Officer and Chief Technology Officer.



The "Work-From-Home" Economic Shield

As commuters report record-high transportation spending, the private sector is rapidly pivoting toward flexible work arrangements. To lower the cost of digital adoption for remote work, PLDT Home rolls out a comprehensive suite of upgrades for both new and existing PLDT Home subscribers.



Menardo "Butch" Jimenez, Jr.,
PLDT Chief Operating Officer and
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Jimenez added, "Families need a reliable fiber connection to work from home, stay productive and connected to what matters most."

New subscribers of PLDT Home Fiber Plan 1299 and above will enjoy a free speed boost of up to 2x faster for six months, ensuring ample bandwidth for high-definition video conferencing and heavy cloud-based work. To also help ease their financial burden, PLDT Home is waiving the ₱3,600 installation fee.

Those switching services to PLDT Home will also receive a free Always On modem for six months. This hybrid fiber-LTE device ensures uninterrupted service by automatically switching to a wireless LTE connection during fiber outages, a critical safeguard especially for

remote professionals and freelancers.

PLDT Home also boosts its services with value-added perks to support work and lifestyle needs at home with free unlimited entertainment via Cignal, free IGV Game Pass for 1 year, and exclusive huge discounts on Samsung home products.



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packages are now available at 100 Mbps and 300 Mbps. To further ease financial burden, PLDT Home expands its load packages with 1-day, 7-day, 15-day, 30-day, and up to 365-day load options. Fiber Prepaid users can now load for as low as P19.17/day for a 365-day package with speeds of up to 50 Mbps.

As households adapt to evolving economic conditions, PLDT Home strengthens its commitment to delivering reliable, flexible, and future-ready connectivity to empower Filipinos' productivity and resilience at home.



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