

DOST HOLDS FOOD SAFETY WEBINAR SERIES

The Department of Science and Technology (DOST) Regions IX, X, XI, Caraga, and Bangsamoro Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao (BARMM), in partnership with the 3M Philippines Food Safety Department, will be hosting a four-part webinar series on Food Safety that started in April up to June this year.

With the theme, "A journey to food safety from farm to fork", the webinars aim to provide the participants valuable insights to help their businesses improve their respective food safety program. Four key topics on food safety will be discussed.

The first was on Understanding Food Quality and Food Safety held last 16 April 2021.

The succeeding webinars are as follows: Why

FOOD SAFETY WEBINAR SERIES:
A journey to food safety from farm to fork.
9:00 A.M. - 11:00 A.M.
VIA MICROSOFT TEAMS MEETING

- UNDERSTANDING FOOD QUALITY AND FOOD SAFETY** APRIL 16, 2021
- FOOD SAFETY IN THE TIME OF COVID-19** MAY 17, 2021
- WHY IS MICROBIAL FOOD TESTING ESSENTIAL?** MAY 3, 2021
- ENVIRONMENTAL MONITORING PROGRAM AS A FOOD SAFETY STRATEGY** JUNE 7, 2021

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SPEAKER:
ANGEL "JUN" BARNES, JR., MSC
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- More than 13 years of experience in the food safety business
- Finished B.S. Biology, major in Microbiology and Master of Science degree in Microbiology from UPPLB

8,422 TOURISM WORKERS BENEFIT FROM DOT-DOLE CASH ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

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AWARDING OF DOT-DOLE CASH ASSISTANCE PROGRAM CERTIFICATES

The province recognizes the efforts of the tourism offices of Carmona and the cities of Tagaytay and Trece Martires for the successful applications of the Tourism Support Services (TSS) sector in their respective localities to the DOT-DOLE Cash Assistance Program.

Recipients of the financial assistance program received their certificates during the ceremonial awarding held via Zoom on April 12, 2021, where

DOT Secretary Puyat expressed her hopes that such aid may provide relief to some affected tourism stakeholders.

On the other hand, DOLE Secretary Silvestre Bello said that their agency will continue to support workers and help the economy bounce back.

Based from the records of DOT and DOLE, a total of 8,422 tourism workers in Cavite have already benefited; while others who applied last March will be scheduled to receive the one-time Php 5,000 cash aid.

On behalf of Provincial Government of Cavite, the PTCAO appreciates the effort of DOT IV-A Regional Director Michael Palispis and DOLE IV-A Regional Director Henry Jalbuena on the assistance extended to the LGUs of Carmona, Trece Martires, and Tagaytay City on March 2-5, 2021 that paved way to the easier process of applications under the Cash-for-Work Program of the Bayanihan 2. —(PTCAO)

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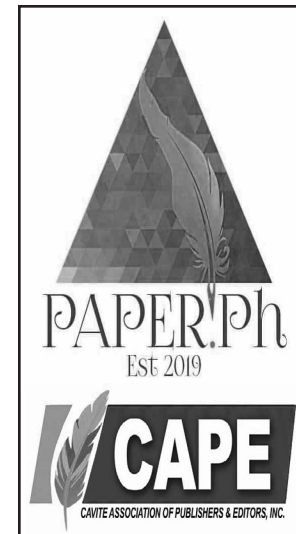
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DILG and LGU inspects public buildings and markets

The Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG) and all local government units (LGUs) are slated to inspect all public buildings, markets, and commercial establishments to check their compliance to Minimum Public Health Standards (MPHS) and use of StaySafe.ph application under the new program called Safety Seal certification.

The Safety Seal program is an inter-agency effort among the DILG, Department of Health (DOH), Department of Trade and Industry (DTI), Department of Tourism (DOT), and Department of Labor and Employment (DOLE) which grants establishments a Safety Seal to be conspicuously displayed indicating that the building or establishment they are entering are compliant to health protocols against Covid-19.

Eduardo M. Año said that as part of the Safety Seal program, the DILG and LGUs will inspect buildings to grant the said seal and ensure that all establishments, private and public, are adhering to MPHS



Branching copies of the Safety Seal Joint Memorandum Circular signed this morning were (first row, left to right) DTI Sec. Ramon Lopez, DOT Sec. Bernadette Romulo-Puyat, Cabinet Secretary Karlo Uyegre; (second row, left to right) DILG Secretary Eduardo M. Año, DOH Undersecretary Abdullah S. Dumama, Jr., PCOO Undersecretary Kris Abian; (third row, left to right) DILG Undersecretary and Spokesperson Jonathan E. Malaya, DOLE representative Tess Cusaco, and DTI Undersecretary Boy Vizmonte.

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BAGONG 2D-ECHO FACILITY NG OSPITAL NG IMUS, BUKAS NA PARA SA PUBLIKO

Pinangunahan ni Mayor Emmanuel Maliksi ang pagbubukas ng bagong 2D Echo facility sa Ospital ng Imus.

"Sa pamamagitan nito, madadagdagan natin ang kapasidad ng ating Pamahalaang Lungsod na maghatid ng serbisyong medikal," aniya.

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Country celebrates World Immunization Week

The Philippines joins er organizations, lead a changed our relationships, the global celebration of series of online activities now there is hope—through World Immunization Week lined up for the local cel- the continuous rollout 2021 on 24-30 April. With ebration such as media of COVID-19 vaccines—the theme 'Vaccines bring us closer', the World Im- tion of health workers and that vaccines will bring us closer once more. For mization Week recog- nizes and honors the im- portance of immunization events for parents, caregivers and local leaders. this year's celebration of the World Immunization Week, we hope to further

and its role in improving the health and wellbeing of everyone, everywhere, importance as COVID-19 vaccines join the arsenal of prevention measures to control the pandemic," Health Secretary Francisco T. Duque III said. "With the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF) and oth- the way this pandemic

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(From page 1) safe ang papasukin nilang cies. building.” Año said. LGUs, on the other hand, shall inspect and grant the Safety Seal to malls; wet markets; other retail stores; restaurants outside hotels and resorts; fast food stores; eateries; coffee shops; banks; money changers; pawnshops; remittance centers; car wash; laundry service centers; art galleries; libraries; museums; zoo; sports centers; tutorial, testing, and review centers; gyms; spas; cinemas; arcades; and, all other private establishments. The Safety Seal bears a green check with

“With the Safety Seal being awarded by the DILG and LGUs as Issuing Authorities, we are keeping the public away from the coronavirus. Sa pagtugon at pagsunod ng mga may-ari ng mga gusaling ito sa MPHS ay magkakaroon ng confidence ang mga tao na

the sentence “We follow safety & health protocols against COVID-19” printed on it. It also indicates the Issuing Authority, Date of Issuance, Safety Seal Number, and a QR code placed on the seal as a safeguard against counterfeits. It must also be verifiable with the Issuing Authority or the government agency or instrumentality with the authority to issue the certification and award the Safety Seal.

In the ceremonial signing of Joint Memorandum Circular (JMC) No. 21 s. of 2021 containing the implementing guidelines of the Safety Seal program, implementing government agencies were one in saying that the said program will help arrest the surge of COVID that we are currently experiencing.

Signatories of the JMC were DILG Secretary Año, DTI Secretary Ramon M. Lopez, DOT Secretary Bernadette Romulo-Puyat, DOLE Secretary Silvestre H. Bello III, and DOH Undersecretary Abdullah B. Dumama, Jr.

DILG Undersecretary and Spokesperson Jonathan E. Malaya said that the Safety Seal given to compliant establishments is an assurance to the public that they are entering a COVID-19-safe structure.

Placed on the door of an establishment, “the Safety Seal will be a warm welcome for the people as they enter to dine, purchase, or visit a certain structure or building.”

As more businesses are now slated to open to boost the economy, especially in the event that quarantine classifications are downgraded anew, Malaya said that these Safety Seals coupled with the StaySafe.ph app can be a tool in halting the transmission of the coronavirus. “The reality is we cannot keep people from entering various establishments dahil kailangan

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Sama-sama at tulong-tulong ang Bacooreño. Sa iba’t ibang bahagi ng lungsod, sa iba’t ibang barangay, pinasimulan ng ating mga kababayan ang community pantries upang makatulong sa kanilang kapwa Bacooreño. Narito ang ilang community pantries sa Queen’s Row, Amaris Homes Molino, Justinville Subdivision, Mambog IV, at Talaba III. Maraming salamat sa lahat ng tumulong at nagtulong-tulungan. By Luigi Lim



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MIAA remits P13.9B dividends to National Government from 2016-2019

The Manila International Airport Authority (MIAA) performed an impressive feat after remitting P13.9 billion in dividends to the National Government (NG) from 2016 to 2019, outshining its total remittances in the last 20 years prior to the Duterte Administration.

Below are the exact comparative figures of MIAA's remitted dividends:

1996 - 2015 : P11,149,527,394.99
 2016 - 2019 : P13,900,904,299.33

It was in 2018 that MIAA made its record-breaking fiscal performance when it remitted P3.42 billion in dividends to the NG.

The MIAA's 2018 dividend payment to the national coffers was the

highest in MIAA history, exceeding by more than 50% its 2017 remittance of P2.2 billion which was then the highest recorded dividend payment made by the agency in the last two decades.

The MIAA is mandated to remit at least 50% of its annual net income to the NG after it was granted fiscal autonomy two decades ago. Since the administration of President Rodrigo Duterte took office in 2016, the MIAA dividend payments have significantly increased.

With its continuing strong fiscal performance, the MIAA solidifies its position in the "Billionaire's Club," an elite circle of government-owned and controlled corporations (GOCCs) that contributing

billions of pesos in dividends to the NG. Department of Transportation (DOTr) Secretary Arthur Tugade commended the MIAA for its stellar fiscal performance.

"MIAA's performance in four years show consistent good fiscal management. My congratulations to the men and women of the MIAA, with the leadership of GM Ed Monreal, for your sterling numbers. The Filipino people stand to benefit from your good work," Secretary Tugade said.

For his part, MIAA General Manager Ed Monreal urged the men and women serving the country's premier gateway to continue striving to further improve fiscal management and allocation of

resources to ensure effective and efficient delivery of airport services at the NAIA.

"The MIAA remains committed in bettering its fiscal management, as we also work on improving the infrastructure and operations of the NAIA. Ultimately, our fiscal performance should resonate in our efforts in making each airport passenger satisfied beyond expectations," GM

Monreal said.

The airport chief also thanked Secretary Tugade for instilling in all attached agencies the central directive of President Rodrigo Duterte to the DOTr to make the Filipino life comfortable through better operational management, transformational initiatives, and infrastructure spending.

"Through the guidance of our strong-willed Secretary Tugade, we push ourselves to achieve higher standards of public service. Sec. Art would hammer it on us that as public servants, it is our duty to serve our countrymen with excellence and efficiency. Our people deserve better fiscal management of government operations, so services become better, too, for the comfort of the Filipino," GM Monreal added.

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nilang maghanap-buhay. Aming hangarin na itong Safety Seal ay magsilbing palatandaan na kapag nakita nila ay maging panatag silang may mga pamantayang sinusunod ang establisimiyentong iyon para maging ligtas sila doon," he said.

He also urged the public to always look for the Safety Seal as their requisite prior to entering an establishment. "Ugaliin sana ng ating mga kababayan na laging hanap-in ang mga Safety Seal na ito bago pumasok sa isang gusali sapagkat ito ay isang magandang panalab at panangalalang sa COVID-19," he said.

How to get the Safety Seal

To receive the Safety Seal, Año said private and public establishments must pass eligibility requirements patterned on the MPHS currently being implemented by the IATF and the national government.

According to the JMC No. 21 which is the implementing guidelines of the Safety Seal

program, establishments shall require health declaration and/or symptoms assessment; non-contact temperature check is performed to all employees, customers, and any individual who enters the premises; customers and other individuals who enter the premises are asked to register with StaySafe.ph; and, as applicable, an isolation area for symptomatic employees shall be installed.

Among other requirements are the availability of handwashing stations, soap and sanitizers, and hand drying equipment or supplies (e.g., single use paper towel) to employees and clients/visitors which are placed in strategic locations in the establishment; observance of physical distancing or spacing through installation of physical barriers in enclosed areas where physical distancing may be compromised, i.e., blocking off of chairs, use of markers or stickers on the floor for spacing; and, ensure adequate air exchange in enclosed (indoor) areas

as cited in DOLE Department Order No. 224-21 or the Guidelines on Ventilation for Workplaces and Public Transport to Prevent and Control the Spread of COVID-19.

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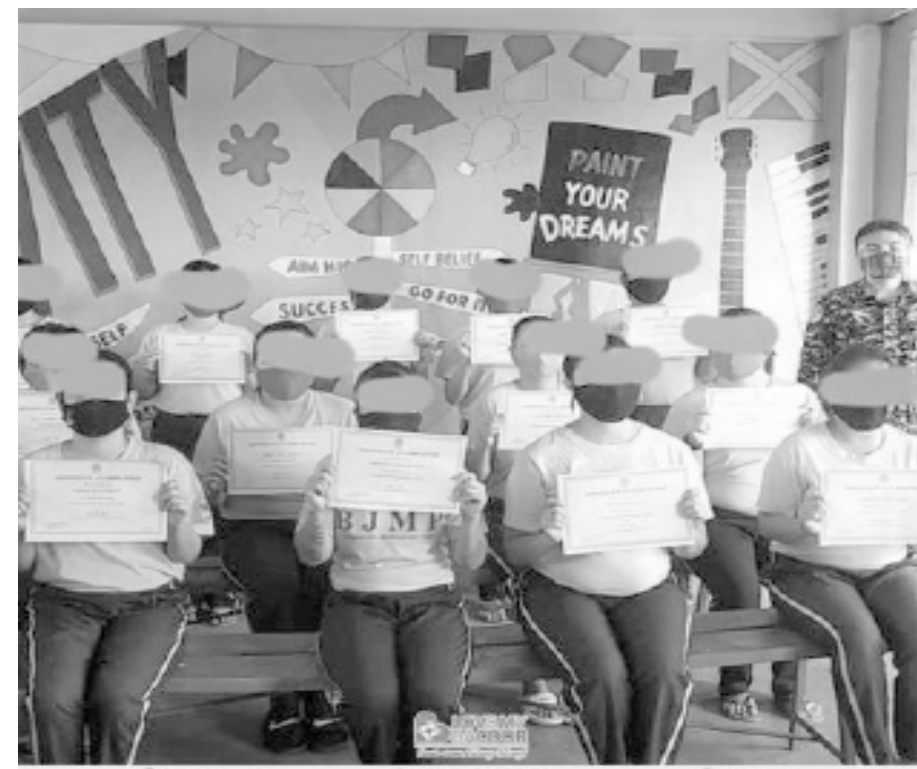
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Malugod na pagbati sa ating mga Persons Deprived of Liberty (PDL) na nagtapos sa online TESDA course para sa House-keeping NCII. Tatlumpong PDL natin ang nakatanggap ng Certificate of Completion mula sa TESDA. Congratulations po!



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Towards a strong and resilient immunization system

World Immunization Week activities aim to engage local leaders, parents, health workers and partners to build a strong and resilient immunization system, improve vaccination coverage rates, and ensure that more lives are protected from vaccine-preventable diseases—long-time immunization partners such as WHO and UNICEF have once again affirmed their commitments to work with the DOH toward achieving these goals.

World Immunization Week 2021 is also a time to renew public trust in the value of all vaccines and continue to build long-term support and awareness for immunization, as vaccines have proven to be critical in containing or limiting outbreaks of infectious diseases and in combating the spread of antimicrobial resistance.

Globally, immunization from diseases like polio, measles, rubella, diphtheria, tetanus, pertussis and influenza prevents 2 million to 3 million deaths every year.

In the Philippines, the polio outbreak response continued in 2020 with the Nationwide Vaccination Campaign to prevent a possible measles outbreak and halt the continuing spread of polio and rubella. Under this program, more than 8.5 million children were vaccinated with the measles-rubella vaccine, and more than 6.1 million children were immunized against polio between October 2020 and March 2021.

Currently, the COVID-19 vaccine is also currently being rolled out among priority groups, be-

ginning with health workers, and vulnerable individuals such as the elderly and persons with comorbidities.

Recovering from the pandemic's toll on routine immunization

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the number of children receiving life-saving routine childhood immunization in the Philippines and despite vaccination being an essential health service—available and accessible during quarantine—immunization uptake has decreased, with 62% children completing their routine vaccines in 2020 as compared with 69% the previous year. This year's activities shall be aimed at ensuring that the country covers lost ground—children who missed routine vaccines during the pandemic—and ensuring adequate uptake of vaccination.

"WHO recognizes the Philippines as one of the few countries which successfully conducted large-scale vaccination campaigns during the COVID-19 pandemic. It is important that we use our gains from the recent immunization campaigns—investments in building health workers' capacity, strengthened collaborations within and beyond the health sector, increased local government ownership—as fresh foundation for a stronger immunization program and for the restoration of immunization uptake that has been impacted by the pandemic.

We look forward to that day when we achieve high and equitable coverage

through routine immunization and prevent outbreaks of vaccine-preventable diseases. WHO has been and will be closely working with the DOH towards this goal," says WHO Representative to the Philippines Dr. Rabindra Abeyasinghe.

"UNICEF, as it celebrates its 75th anniversary, has been in the Philippines working hand in hand with the government so that children can reach their full potential. UNICEF is fighting for a world where no child dies from a preventable disease and all children realize their right

to good health. As we battle COVID-19, our aim is not just to return to normal, because for millions of children around the world, normal was never good enough. We need to redouble our efforts by investing in health and essential services that reach all children," says Oyunsakhan Dendevnorov, UNICEF Philippines Representative with the DOH, Health, and UNICEF invite the public to join the celebration of the World Immunization Week. Follow us on social media for

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