

PH SECOND-HIGHEST OFFICIAL HOPES FOR BETTER NORMAL THROUGH S&T IN THE REGIONS

The second-highest official of the country, Vice President Leni G. Robredo, joined the Bicolanos in ushering the Department of Science and Technology Regional Office V (DOST-V) National Science and Technology Week (NSTW) pre-event celebration on 12 October 2021 as she encouraged everyone to embrace a strong culture of science and seek solutions through rigorous and empirical means.

In her pre-recorded message, VP Leni shared her hopes that through the help of science and technology, "we can reimagine a more progressive, more inclusive, more sustainable tomorrow, it can help build a new, better normal, where no one is left behind."

Likewise, drawing from the Vice President's message, DOST Secretary Fortunato T. de la Peña expressed his wishes for the Regional Office to strongly promote science, technology, and innovation (STI)

shared that he also hopes to see a more aggressive promotion of local inventions in the Bicol region.

De la Peña, likewise, expressed his wish for a more extensive promotion of homegrown inventions and its products to raise awareness on the importance of local technologies and innovations to come up with products and services that will help the region achieve high level of economic growth.

"Maybe we can have a Bicol Invention Product Promotion para sa mas agresibong pag-promote at makakuha ng atensyon ng mga imbentor," explained de la Peña.

The pre-event celebration is in line with the annual NSTW that will be held from 22-28 November 2021 that carries the theme, "Agham at Teknolohiya: Tugon sa Hamon ng Panahon."

This pre-event also coincides with the launch



of the Bicol Regional Invention Contests and Exhibits (BRICE) on 12-14 October 2021.

The BRICE is the annual regional level invention contest organized by the Science Department's Regional Office V. Incidentally, the RICE is being conducted by all the DOST Regional Offices, where all the winners will vie for the recognition to be awarded the National Invention Contest and Exhibit (NICE) plum, organized by the Technology Application and Promotion Institute of the DOST.

Aside from that, de la Peña wishes to strengthen the regional office's assistance to the local Small and Medium Enterprises (SME) to enable them to recover from the pandemic. He also relayed his intention to replicate the DOST's Collaborative R&D to Leverage Philippine Economy or CRADLE to the region and to establish Niche Centers for R&D in the Regions or NICER, both under the umbrella program called Science for Change spear-

headed by the Office of the Undersecretary for Research and Development.

The CRADLE Program is a collaborative program between DOST Research and Development Institutes (RDIs) and the local companies to attain technological advancement and innovation to support the growth of the Philippine Innovation ecosystem.

On the other hand, the NICER program was created to capacitate Higher Education Institutions (HEIs) in the regions to make significant improvement in regional research by integrating its development needs with the existing R&D capabilities and resources. It also provides institutional grants for HEIs in the regions for R&D capacity building to further improve their S&T infrastructure.

Similarly, de la Peña expressed his plans of strengthening the disaster resilience efforts of the region by endeavoring into long term disaster risk reduction and management programs geared at allevi-

ating infrastructure damages and economic losses.

De la Peña further emphasized that the DOST Regional Offices are charged to diffuse knowledge and programs down to the grassroots level to effect positive changes and sustainable growth in the countryside.

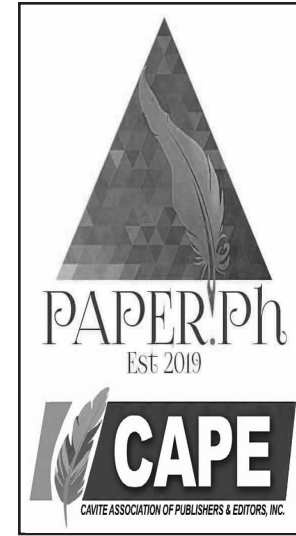
The three-day celebration features several virtual tours on innovation centers and facilities supported and funded by DOST-V. Also featured are various webinars on food safety, mental health awareness, disaster risks reduction and management, trainings, and awarding of the BRICE winners, Small Enterprise Technology Upgrading Program (SETUP) Praise Awards, Community Empowerment through Science and Technology (CEST) Best Community, and the SI-NE-Siyensya filmmaking and essay writing contests.

"Ngayong 2021 pre-NSTW, ibabandera natin ang mga abilidad ng ating siyentipikong komunidad at mga programa, proyekto, at serbisyo ng aming

ahensya sa pagpapaunlad ng agham at teknolohiya," declared DOST-V Regional Director Rommel R. Serrano. "Ipapamalas natin ang kahalagan ng S&T sa pamamagitan ng mga online activities tulad ng virtual tours ng mga innovation centers at facilities sa Bicol, mga resulta ng mga pag-aaral sa rehiyon, webinars at online trainings at ilang mga kumpetisyon." (By Joy M. Lazcano, DOST-STII)

Vice President Leni G. Robredo delivered her message of hope and a strong culture of science during the opening of the pre-National Science and Technology Week celebration hosted by DOST Regional Office V.

DOST secretary Fortunato T. de la Peña, in his message for the opening of the pre-NSTW celebration in the Bicol Region, hopes to see in the future a strengthened and aggressive development programs on disaster resilience, SME recovery, regional R&D initiatives, and community empowerment in Region V. Source: DOST



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Expanded reach beyond 13.91M users eyed by DepEd TV

"We emphasize the need to maximize the use of DepEd TV as part of the learning delivery modalities under the Basic Education Learning Continuity Plan as this is one of the most widely available modalities for distance learning," Undersecretary for Administration Alain Del B. Pascua said.


DepEd TV provides an avenue to accommodate the different learning styles of learners. The episodes were designed with more interactive components to capture and sustain learners' interest while attaining the targeted competencies.

In line with this, for School Year 2021-2022, the Offices of Undersecretaries for Administration, Curriculum and Instruction, and Field Operations released Joint Memorandum No. 002, s. 2021 encouraging all regional and division personnel to actively promote the use of DepEd TV and DepEd Radio (Radio-based in-

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Lusog Isip app to be launched for mental health

In celebration of National Mental Health Week, the Department of Health (DOH), in collaboration with USAID Re-identify-based tools and interventions on mental health, emphasizing self-help and self-care. The newHealth, launched on October 15 Lusog-Isip, the first mobile application for mental health and self-care come more challenging. It aims to expand access

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Fight against transnational crimes to intensify post COVID-19

Concerned over the implications of the COVID-19 pandemic to regional cooperation against transnational crime, the ministers and high-level representatives of the ten-member states of Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN), including the Philippines, vowed to intensify collective efforts to prevent and combat transnational crime through stronger cross-pillar and cross-sectoral cooperation in the post-pandemic era.

DILG Secretary and AMMTC-Philippines head

Eduardo M. Año, who represented the government during the meeting, said the ministers saw the need for law enforcement officials of the region to be more "vigilant, adaptable and flexible" in addressing the new and emerging transnational crime trends in the post-COVID-19 landscape, including the accelerated digitization of society while also protecting the lives and well-being of their peoples.

"Let us continue to strengthen our bonds and unite our actions in addressing all forms of

transnational crimes. Let us remain committed to realizing our overarching vision of a united ASEAN where its peoples can proudly proclaim that we care, we prepare, we prosper," Año said during the recent virtual meeting of the 15th ASEAN Ministerial Meeting on Transnational Crime (AMMTC).

In a joint statement adopted during the 15th AMMTC hosted by Brunei Darussalam, the ministers adopted the Bandar Seri Begawan Declaration which declared to en-

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Matapos makamit ang herd immunity, bubuksan ng lungsod ng Tagaytay ang kanilang vaccination program para sa lahat ng mga Caviteño mula sa iba't ibang bayan sa buong lalawigan.

Sa Facebook post ni Tagaytay City Mayor Agnes Tolentino, ibinahagi niya na layon ng kanilang LGU na makatulong sa pagkamit ng kabuuang herd immunity sa Cavite.

"Para mapalawak natin ang pagbibigay ng bakuna at mapabilis ang pagkamit ng herd immunity ng iba't ibang lungsod o bayan ng CAVITE, ang TAGAYTAY CITY ay nagbukas ng pintuan upang tumulong sa pagbabakuna sa LAHAT NG CAVITEÑO," ani Tolentino.

- Para sa mga interesado narito ang kanilang proseso:
1. Magrehistro at siguraduhing tama ang detalyeng ilalagay sa: <https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1FAIpQLSdmCQuoPke.../viewform...>
 2. Maghintay lamang ng mensahe para sa schedule ng inyong bakuna. Dagdag ng alkalde, "Sama-sama tayong abutin ang #HerdImmunity! Sama-sama tayong proteksyunan ang ating sarili."

Lusog Isip app to be launched for mental health

(From page 1) our partners at USAID for Ms. Frances Prescilla Cuevas, Chief Health Program Officer of the DOH Mental Health Division. The presentation of the initial evaluation of the app will be held on October 15 during the 4th Public Health Convention on Mental Health to be hosted by the DOH.

Lusog-Isip will be available for both Android and iOS devices through the Google Play and Apple App Store.

"This app is a timely innovation and we thank those who need it" said Source: DOH

with stress, before recommending ways they can help themselves through workbooks, exercises, audio guides, journaling, mood tracking, or simple self-care reminders.

If users feel they really need to speak to someone, they can also access a list of mental health and psychosocial support service providers near them or online.

"As the DOH and our health workers strive towards coping and living with this pandemic, we must find ways to care for the mental well-being of our fellow Filipinos who continue to suffer because of this current circumstance.

Lusog-Isip is a self-care app and one way we can bring mental health care more accessible to those who need it" said

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(From page 3) in attendance were AMMTC and SOMTC Leaders from dialogue partner countries namely China, Japan, and Korea.

Tier 1 Status for six straight years

In his country report presented during the 15th AMMTC, Año affirmed that the Philippine government remains steadfast in its serious effort and commitment as the lead shepherd against trafficking in persons (TIP) as proven by its Tier 1 status in the 2021 US TIP Report for the sixth consecutive year.

So far, the Inter-Agency Council Against Trafficking (IACAT) reported 93 TIP convictions, with 86 traffickers convicted from January to December 2020 alone. Of these convictions, one was on labor trafficking, 34 on online or cyber-sex trafficking and pornography, and 58 on prostitution and sexual exploitation.

The IACAT also reported 26 TIP convictions with 29 persons from January to June 2021 which was aggregated as follows: 3 for labor trafficking, 6 for online or cyber-sex trafficking and pornography, and 17 for prostitution and sexual exploitation.

According to Año, 1,539 barangays have been reached by the Department's whole-of-nation approach on Preventing and Countering Violent Extremism (PCVE). Multiple PCVE activities like likewise spearheaded and conducted by the Anti-Terrorism Council, AFP and PNP. Source: DILG

He said ASEAN ministers also pledged to pursue stronger border management cooperation to prevent criminal groups from taking advantage of the pandemic situation via illicit drug trafficking, trafficking in persons, smuggling of goods, people and weapons, forgeries of identification, health certificates and travel documents.

During the three-day virtual event, Año said the continued prevalence of the COVID-19 pandemic has presented new challenges in how ASEAN member countries conduct their affairs.

"The continued discussions to jointly address transnational crimes amidst the current situation further manifests the importance of the 15th AMMTC and its instrumental role in nurturing our amity towards establishing a harmonious and progressive ASEAN community," he said. The 15th AMMTC and its related meetings was attended by AMMTC Leaders and Senior Officials Meeting on Transnational Crime (SOMTC) Leaders from ASEAN member countries including Brunei Darussalam, Cambodia, Indonesia, Lao PDR, Malaysia, Myanmar, Philippines, Singapore, Thailand, Vietnam, and ASEAN Secretariat. Also

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2021 National Mental Health Week championed by DepEd

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Islamic consortium and Bangsamoro Islamic Freedom Fighters.

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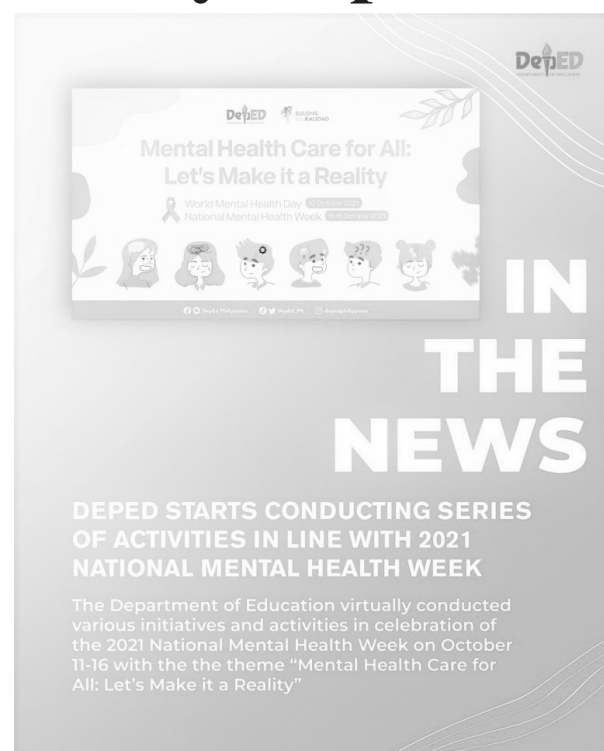
Mental Health Program on October 14, while the official closing program of the Mental Health Week will happen on October 15.

Undersecretary for Administration Alain Del B. Pascua urged the personnel to celebrate World Mental Health Day on October 10 with their families to strengthen the ties among their relatives as most of the employees are on a work-from-home setup.

"As the 2021 World Mental Health Day falls on a Sunday, it is best celebrated through rest and spending quality time with family and loved ones," Undersecretary Pascua said. "We also hope that our field offices will focus on taking care of the mental health of their personnel because the difficulties brought by the health crisis in mentally exhausting, especially for the teachers," he added. Through their re-

pective School Mental Health Program Coordinators, the field offices are also enjoined to conduct webinars, online consultations and consultations, or virtual training. Mental health breaks are encouraged in conducting these activities. The said celebration is according to Presidential Proclamation No. 452, s. 1994, titled declaring the Second Week of October of Every Year as National Mental Health Week. Source: DepEd

2021 National Mental Health Week championed by DepEd



The Department of Education (DepEd) started conducting various virtual initiatives and activities in celebration of the 2021 National Mental Health Week that will run from October 11 up to 16, 2021.

Throughout the week, the Department began releasing series of DepEd Mental Health Care Videos to amplify the messaging and purpose of the celebration's theme.

Further, DepEd published social media content series featuring the mental health journey of selected DepEd Personnel during this pandemic through Kwento ng Katatagan from October 11 onwards. Interested DepEd personnel can submit their stories and experiences through <https://bit.ly/DepEdKatatagan>.

The agency will likewise conduct Coordinators' Meeting on the field offices to partic-

[UPDATED MECQ GUIDELINES AS OF OCTOBER 15, 2021]

Nais ipabatid ng Lokal na Pamahalaan na EXTENDED ang Modified Enhanced Community Quarantine (MECQ) sa ating bayan HANGGANG OKTUBRE 31, 2021. Patuloy na ipatutupad ang sumusunod na MECQ GUIDELINES:

1. Ang CURFEW ay mula 8PM hanggang 5AM. Exempted dito ang Authorized Persons Outside Residence (APOR). Magdala lamang ng Company ID/ Certificate of Employment o Quarantine Pass. Kung walang pass ay pumunta lamang sa inyong barangay.

Ang essential stores ay bukas mula 5 AM to 7PM. Samantala, ang community mall ay bukas mula 8 AM to 8PM.

PINAPAYAGAN na ang indoor dining sa community mall at 10% venue capacity para sa FULLY VACCINATED INDIVIDUALS.

2. Bawal lumabas ang mga 17 years old paba-ba at senior citizens na 66 years old pataas kahit pa fully vaccinated na.

3. LIFTED na ang LIQUOR BAN subalit ipinagbabawal ang pag-inom ng alak sa mga pam-publikong lugar kabilang na ang mga restobar at iba pang kainan.

Ang pag-inom ng alak ay maaring gawin SA LOOB NG TAHANAN kasama ang IMMEDIATE HOUSEHOLD MEMBERS.

4. Ang essential industries ay mananatiling BUKAS AT OPERATIONAL alinsunod sa DTI guidelines.

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5. PINAPAYAGAN ang DINE-IN hanggang 20% ng venue capacity at AL FRESCO DINING hanggang 50% ng capacity.

6. PINAPAYAGAN ang 24/7 food delivery. Ihandala lamang ng riders ang ID, business permit, proof of delivery, at iba pang dokumento.

7. MAAARING magsagawa ng RELIGIOUS GATHERINGS AT MOURNING AND FUNERAL RITES for non-COVID19 deaths hanggang 10% ng venue capacity. Ang burol ay nangangailangan ng CLEARANCE mula sa barangay at

para sa immediate family members lamang.

8. Lahat ng klase ng physical gatherings, meetings, conferences, exhibitions, events, at iba pa, ay IPINAGBABAWAL.

9. Mananatiling SARADO ang mga sumusunod:

- Parks, playgrounds, at public spaces

- Gyms and fitness centers

- Recreational and entertainment venues

- Gaming sites

- Indoor sports venues and attractions

- Accommodation establishments and events places

10. PINAPAYAGAN ang mga sumusunod:

- Personal care services (spa, salon, barber-shop, atbp.) hanggang 30% ng venue capacity

- Outdoor non-contact sports venues hanggang 50% ng venue capacity

- Individual outdoor exercises sa loob ng barangay mula 5AM hanggang 8AM

11. PATULOY ang public transportation.

Tricycles – 1 pasahero sa loob

Jeepneys – 50% capacity (1 seat apart)

Motorcycles – 1 backride (APOR only)

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(From page 1) help learners understand (struction), alongside other distance learning modalities to maximize learners' learning experience.

Moreover, teachers are requested to submit a quarterly report about the usage of DepEd TV as a teaching modality in the new normal. The Department will use the said reports to assess DepEd TV's efficacy and effectiveness in ensuring learners understand the lessons and competencies they need for the school year.

"The information we will gather from the reports of our teachers will aid in the development of the alternative solutions and enhancements for our programs to reach out to more learners and teachers, particularly those who do not have access to the internet," Usec. Pascua added.

Undersecretary for Curriculum and Instruction encourages teachers to use DepEd TV as a supplemental learning resource to

help learners understand their lessons.

"Our DepEd TV episodes follow a weekly plan anchored on the Most Essential Learning Competencies.

We encourage teachers to use these resources to support learning together with other distance learning delivery modalities to help learners deepen their understanding of their lessons," Usec. San Antonio said.

For the availability and schedule of DepEd TV episodes, visit the DepEd TV Program Grid website at <http://www.deped.gov.ph/depedtv>.

Teachers and learners may also watch episodes via Facebook streaming through the IBC-13 Facebook page at <https://web.facebook.com/ibctv13/>, DepEd TV Youtube Channel through <http://www.youtube.com/c/DepEdTV>, and cable partners and specific channels. Source: DepEd

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(From page 1) and work plans. hance cooperation among ASEAN law enforcement units dealing with transnational crime through the exchange of information, experiences and good practices on new methods and modus operandi, and in the implementation of the regional action plans

and work plans.

Año said the 15th AMMTC also committed to explore modalities to promote practical cooperation among ASEAN law enforcement agencies, such as through table-top exercises, field training exercises and coordination,

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