

# P300k worth if Valenzuela vape products siezed

The Department of Trade and Industry – Fair Trade Enforcement Bureau (DTI-FTEB) seized 923 units of vaporized nicotine and non-nicotine products, and novel tobacco products worth Php 255,940.00 during its focused enforcement operation in Valenzuela City, on 04 May 2023.

Consumer Protection Group (CPG) Undersecretary Atty. Ruth B. Castelo and DTI-FTEB Director Atty. Fhillip D. Sawali led the inspection of vape products being sold by seven (7) vape stores in Valenzuela City.

Valenzuela City Mayor Weslie T. Gatchalian is also present in the said activity, expressing his full support for DTI's enforcement efforts.

Three (3) non-forming shops were issued a Notice of Violation

(NOV), and they were required to submit a written explanation within 48 hours from receipt of the NOV.

The common violations of non-compliant vape establishments are the failure to post the minimum age requirement, the absence of point-of-sale signage, and the sale of vapor products that are appealing to minors, such as those with fruit, candy, and dessert flavors; and/or packaging that features cartoon characters, and the sale and promotion of the said products within one hundred(100) meters from any point of perimeter of a school, playground, or other facility frequented by minors.

During the course of the DTI's operations,

the City Government of Valenzuela conducted an inspection, and two (2)

the monitored vape stores were issued with a closure order for operating without a business permit.

Usec. Atty. Castelo emphasized that the significant result of the enforcement operation in Valenzuela and the accomplishment of the campaign against violators of R.A. No. 11900 and its IRR in the National Capital Region (NCR), reflect the dedication and commitment of the DTI to protecting consumers and ensuring that products prohibited in RA11900 are not sold in blatant contraven-

tion of the law.

“The DTI enforcement teams regularly conduct steadfast surveillance monitoring and enforcement operations in all cities of the National Capital Region (NCR) to ensure that appropriate actions are being taken against violators of R.A. No. 11900 and its IRR, and that prohibited vape products being sold are seized to safeguard consumers, especially minors,” said Usec. Atty. Castelo.

Meanwhile, Valenzuela City Mayor Gatchalian, the former Deputy Speaker of the 18th Congress and

co-sponsor of the vape law commits to the City Government's obligation of regulating vape shops.

“Valenzuela City stands with the DTI in protecting consumer rights and welfare. We appreciate their efforts in implementing RA 11900, and rest assured that this local government unit is also doing its best to ensure that vape shops are operating with business permits and other documentary requirements,” Mayor Gatchalian underscored.

With DTI-FTEB as the CPG's implementing arm, Director Atty. Sawali

welcomes and commends the support of other government agencies such as the City Government of Valenzuela in enforcing RA 11900 and its IRR, and upholding consumer protection and welfare.

As of 02 May 2023, the enforcement teams have already monitored and visited 427 physical vape stores. Consequent to surveillance, the enforcement teams conducted physical validation where 139 firms were found to be compliant, while 171 firms were issued with Show Cause Orders

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## City Government of Imus



### BREAKING

#### PAGPAPATAYO NG BAGONG MCDO BAHAY BULILIT, PINASINAYAAN



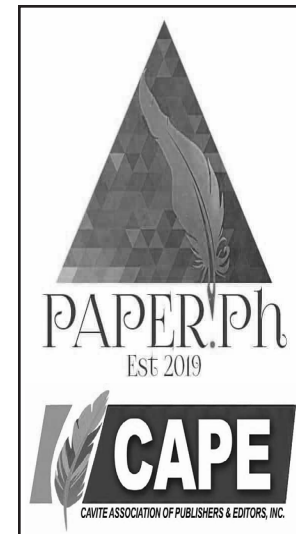
Pinangunahan ni City Mayor Alex "AA" L. Advincula ang isinagawang groundbreaking ceremony ng Ronald McDonald Bahay Bulilit Learning Center sa ACM Village, Brgy. Alapan 1-A noong Biyernes, Mayo 5, 2023.

Nakasama rin dito ang Managing Director ng McDonald's Philippines at Vice President ng Ronald McDonald House Charities of the Philippines, Inc. na si Ms. Margot Torres.

City Information Office's Officer Engr. Chris Sarno, Kap. Jeffrey Aman, at mga kagawad ng Brgy. Alapan 1-A. Matatandaang binuksan sa mga batang Imuseño ang kauna-unahang McDo Bahay Bulilit noong 2019

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# Korean Fact-Finding Mission looks into 4 DPWH Pipeline Projects

A new loan program of the Korean Government may be tap to finance at least four (4) pipeline projects of the Department of Public Works and Highways (DPWH) in Central Luzon and Central Visayas Regions.

Senior Undersecretary Emil K. Sadain, Jr. met on Wednesday, May 10, 2023 a fact-finding mission from the national headquarters of Export-Import Bank of Korea

## City Government of Carmona

### Nasa 120 Buntis mula Carmona, nagsama-sama sa Buntis Assembly ng MHO Carmona



Nagdaos ang Municipal Health Office ngayong araw, Mayo 12, ng Buntis Assembly na dinaluhan ng 120 nating kababayang buntis. Dito ay tinalakay ang iba't-ibang mahahalagang paksa ukol sa pagbubuntis tulad ng kahalagahan ng breastfeeding, family planning, at tamang nutrisyon sa ina at sanggol. Maraming salamat kina Dr. Lina Lorreine Levarado, Ms. Dely Carpina, at Mr. Egay Dela Cruz na nagsilbing mga resource persons para sa Buntis Assembly.



Director General Chung-in-charge of DPWH Infrastructure flagship project under "Build, Better, More" program of Presi-

dent Ferdinand R. Marcos Jr. met on Wednesday, May 10, 2023 a fact-finding mission from the national headquarters of Export-Import Bank of Korea

## Online Tourism Briefing for PH diplomatic posts released

The Department of Foreign Affairs-Office of International Relations (OIER) co-organized an Online Tourism Briefing with the Department of Tourism (DOT), Tourism Promotions Board (TPB), and the Department of Trade and Industry (DTI) on 09 May 2023. The briefing drew 333 participants from various Foreign Service Posts (FSPs) and Philippine Investment Centers (PTICs). In her opening remarks, TPB Chief Operating Officer (COO) Margarita Nograles highlighted the important role that FSPs and PTICs play in promoting the Philippines to foreign travelers. They help complement the work of the tourism attachés and reach markets beyond what is covered by the current 23 Philippine DOT Overseas Offices. She is hopeful that with the combined whole-of-government efforts, the Philippines will be able to attain its goal of becoming a tourism powerhouse in Asia in the next five (5) years. To help orient Philippine diplomats and trade attachés on the work of the tourism attachés and reach markets

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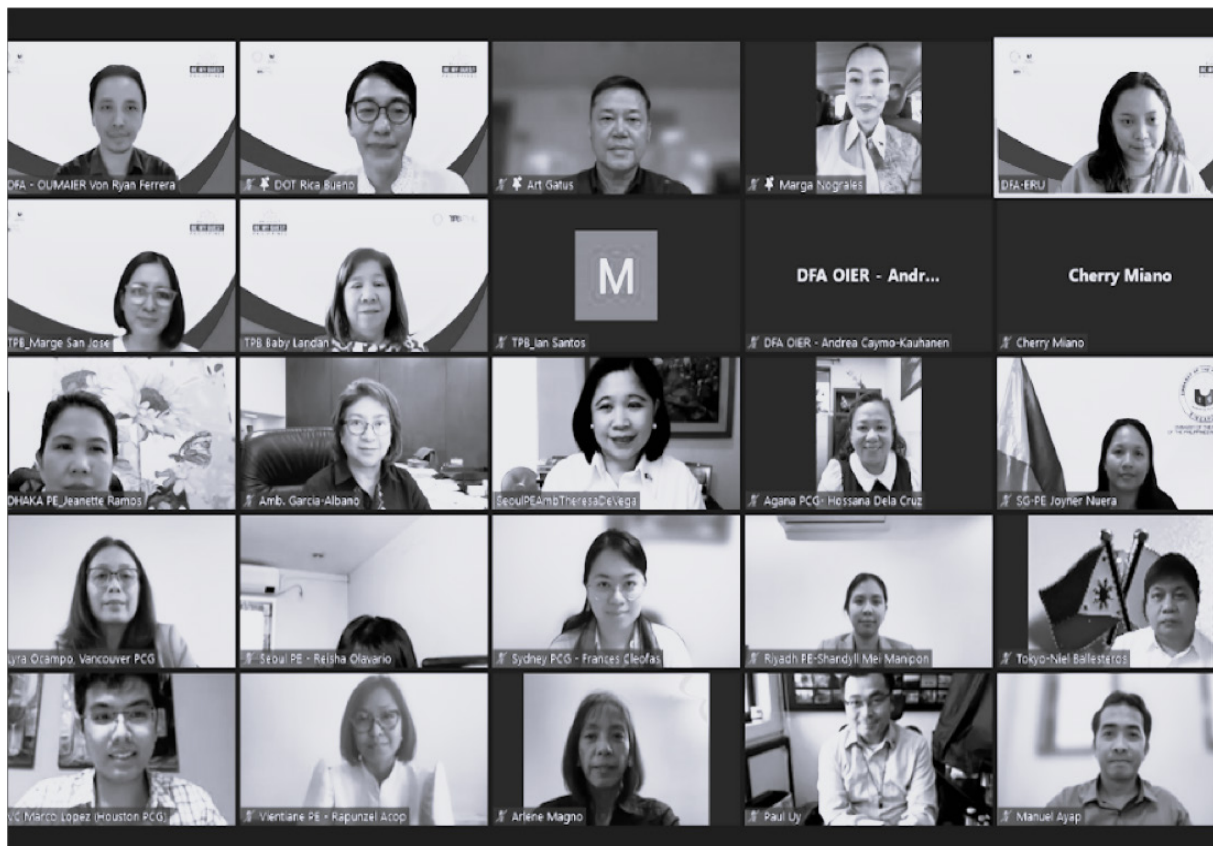


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(From page 1) Assistant Secretary Maria Rica Bueno discussed the new program of the DOT which leverages on the large Philippine diaspora in reaching potential tourists through its "Bisita Be My Guest" (BBMG) program.

The DOT hopes to tap Overseas Filipinos as Tourism Ambassadors and provide them with incentives to invite their family, friends, and acquaintances to visit the Philippines. More information about the BBMG can be found on this link: <https://bbmg.philippines.travel/>

Through the recently-conducted Tourism Presentation, FSP and PTIC



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officers and staff not only learned more about the current DOT and TPB Programs, they were also able to interact with tourism officials on how their offices can collaborate on promoting Philippine tourism. Source: DFA

## Oil-spill affected victims in Oriental Mindoro gets aid frim DSWD

The Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD) started its simultaneous payout activities for its Cash-for-Work (CFW) program for the oil-spill affected residents in the municipalities of Mansalay, Pola and Bulalacao in Oriental Mindoro on Thursday, May 11.

Payout activities in the municipalities of Gloria, Roxas, Bangabong, Bansud, Pinamalayan, Naujan, Baco, San Teodoro, Socorro, and Victoria and the City of Calapan are scheduled next week, from May 15 to 19.

Around 25,000 individuals from Oriental Mindoro who participated in the CFW program are expected to benefit from the cash-for-work payouts.

Of the total CFW beneficiaries, 2,429 are from the municipality of Mansalay; 3,889 from the municipality of Pola; and 2,334 beneficiaries in the municipality of Bulalacao. As of press time, the consolidation of the final reports of the CFW beneficiaries from the Field Offices is still in progress. The participants of the CFW program in Oriental Mindoro were deployed to conduct various activities such as collecting locally available materials for making improvised oil spill boom and absorbent; establishing barangay or backyard gardens; mangrove rehabilitation, as well as conducting community clean-up drives. Work program. Source: DSWD

Based on May 10 report of the DSWD Disaster Response Management Bureau (DRMB), the DSWD has already provided more than Php 313 million to the residents of the MIMAROPA Region, consisting of family food packs, other non-food items, Assistance to Individuals in Crisis Situations (AICS), Emergency Cash Assistance, and Cash-for-Work program. Source: DSWD

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(From page 6) already 57 formal charges (SCO) and Notices of Violation (NOV), mandating non-compliant firms to submit a written explanation within 48 hours from their receipt of SCOs and NOV. The 117 monitored stores, however, were either closed or no longer selling vape products.

Alongside its enforcement operations among physical stores, the DTI-FTEB Online Monitoring Unit (OMU) has also intensified its monitoring initiatives, resulting in 17,828 monitored online vape stores. Of these, 93 online stores were found to be compliant, while 17,735 were non-compliant.

Out of the non-compliant online stores, only 98 have valid addresses and have been subjected to validation and physical inspection. During the physical inspection, 32 NOV were issued while the rest were either closed or cannot be located. Recognizing the challenge of regulating vape products in online platforms, 30 SCOs were issued to different online platforms notifying that there are online merchants selling or offering for sale vape products that do not conform with RA 11900 and its IRR. They were given 48 hours from receipt thereof to submit a written explanation.

The OMU is monitoring seven (7) major online platforms and 14 company websites daily. Through the combined efforts of the on-the-ground and online enforcement teams, there are

already 57 formal charges filed against violators of Administrative Order No. 02, Series of 2007.

The DTI-FTEB has already monitored 1,078 firms, from January to April 2023, resulting in the sealing of 22,286 units of uncertified consumer products worth P10,553,762.80. To protect consumers or potential buyers of electrical and electronic products; mechanical or building and construction materials; and chemical and other consumer products and systems, DTI - Bureau of Philippine Standards (DTI-BPS) covered products and systems through implementing Mandatory Product Certification Schemes: the Philippine Standard (PS) Quality and/or Safety Certification the Consumer Care Hotline at DTI (1-384) or and the Import Commodity consumer care@dti.gov.ph. Source: DTI

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(From page 4) Integrated Disaster Risk and Reduction and Climate Change Adaptation (IDRR CCA) – Stage II covering the Third River and Eastern Branch that traverses municipalities of Macabebe, Minalin, and Sto. Tomas; detailed engineering design and civil works of 10.6-kilometer Consolation-Liloan Bypass Road with two (2) bridges and feasibility study of Lapu-Lapu Coastal Road in the Province of Cebu.

In keeping with the government's goal of "Build, Better, More" to modernize the country's infrastructure backbone, the rolling out of new infrastructure flagship projects will sustain rapid development and attract investments to achieve inclusive growth for all Filipinos.

Composed of two (2)-sea-crossing bridges connecting Panay Island, Guimaras Island and Negros Island in Western Visayas Region, Panay-Guimaras-Negros Island Bridges Project will shorten travel time of commuters and motorist and transport of goods from Panay to Negros Islands through ferries/RORO of 3-4 hours to just less than 1 hour. Source: DPWH

Meanwhile, DPWH is targeting to commence by June 2023 the detailed engineering design (DED) activities for the Panay-Guimaras-Negros Island Bridges. The engineering services of the 32.47-kilometer Panay-Guimaras-Negros Island Bridges is covered by \$56.6 Million in loans from the Government of the Republic of Korea. The scope of engineering services are preliminary design covering review of the feasibility study and preliminary and basic design; detailed engineering design including estimation of detailed construction cost; and procurement assistance.

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REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES  
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REGIONAL TRIAL COURT  
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IN RE: PETITION FOR THE RE- ISSUANCE OF OWNER'S DUPLICATE COPY OF TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE (TCT) No T-851058

LRG 8843 2022-161

HOUSEHOLD DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION, as represented by ENGR. JEAN KAY G. MENDOZA  
Petitioner,

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NOTICE OF HEARING

There is a petition filed by petitioner through counsel for the re-issuance of new owner's duplicate copy of Transfer Certificate of Title No. (TCT) No. T-851058 of the Registry of Deeds for the Province of Cavite on the grounds alleged therein.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT said petition has been set for hearing on June 5, 2023 at 8:30 in the morning, in this Court, on which date and hour and place, any person interested is cited to appear and show cause why the same should not be granted.

Let this Notice be published once a week for three (3) consecutive weeks in a newspaper of general circulation in the cities and province of Cavite

Let a copy of this Notice and that of the Petition be furnished the Register of Deeds of the City of Bacoor, Cavite and be posted by the Sheriff of this Court in three (3) conspicuous places in Bacoor City where the property is located.

WITNESS THE HONORABLE MATIAS M. GARCIA II, Judge of this Court this 17th day of March 2023 at Bacoor City, Cavite.

ATTY. MELY C. HERMOSURA - VISTA  
Branch Clerk of Court

CD-May 8, 15 & 22, 2023

**"Knowledge comes, but wisdom lingers. It may not be difficult to store up in the mind a vast quantity of facts within a comparatively short time, but the ability to form judgments requires the severe discipline of hard work and the tempering heat of experience and maturity."**  
-Calvin Coolidge-

