

Sec. Dizon Sinibak ang DPWH Opisyal na Sangkot sa 'Ghost Project' sa Bulacan



Public Works and Highways Sec. Dizon sinabing pananagutin ang mga may sala sa nasabing proyekto

Sinibak ni Department of Public Works and Highways (DPWH) Secretary Vince Dizon ang opisyal na sangkot sa mga maanumalyang flood control projects sa lalawigan ng Bulacan bilang mabilis na pagtugon sa direktiba

ng Pangulo na "linisin" ang ahensya matapos ang sunod-sunod na isyung kinaharap nito tungkol sa mga "ghost at substandard projects". Kinumpirma ni Secretary Dizon nitong Hunyo 2025.

Sa inspeksyon, natuklasan ni Secretary Dizon na ang declared completed na P96.50-million flood control project ng Wawao Builders sa Angat River, Sipat section ay tatlong linggo pa lamang nasimulan ang konstruksyon sa ilalim ng mga pakyawang manggagawa.

"Mga hayop ang gumawa nito, hindi sila tao, para gawin nila ito sa mga kababayan natin. And believe me, itong mga hayop na ito makukulong," ma-diing sinabi ni Secretary Dizon.

Tiniyak ni Secretary Dizon na papatawan ng perpetual or lifetime black-listing ang Wawao Builders

City Government of Imus

Mga kabataang Imuseño, lumalim ang kaalaman sa SDGs sa 7th Youth Leaders' Summit

Mahigit 200 student leaders ang nagtipon-tipon sa 7th Youth Leaders' Summit noong Biyernes, Agosto 29, 2025, na idinaos sa Children and Youth Development Center, Imus Pilot Elementary School, bilang pakikiisa sa pagdiriwang ng Youth Month 2025.

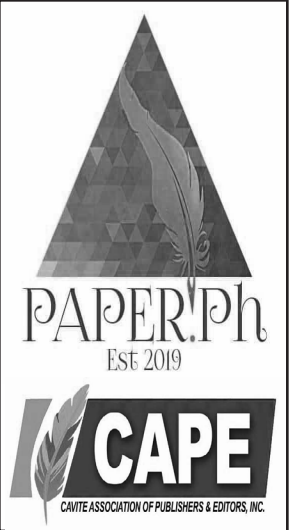
Alinsunod sa temang "Local Youth Actions for the Sustainable Development

Goals (SDGs) and Beyond," mas lumalim ang kaalaman ng mga kabataan ukol sa aplikasyon ng SDGs at pagdidisenyo ng mga proyektong magpapaunlad sa kanilang mga kapwa kabataan.

Nagbigay naman ng inspirasyonal na mensahe sina City Vice Mayor Homer T. Saquilayan, Provincial Sangguniang Kabataan (SK) Federation

President Chelsea Sarno, at Imus SK Federation President Glian Ilagan.

Nanguna sa programang Local Youth Development Office, kaagapay ang City of Imus Council for the Protection of Children. Sa pamamagitan nito, mas napagtibay ang samahan at kaalaman ng mga kabataan bilang mga tagahubog at tagapagtaguyod ng kinabukasan.



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City Government of Carmona

Disability awareness sensitivity orientation for private companies ng PDAO Carmona

Pinangunahan ng Persons with Disability Affairs Office ang Disability Awareness Sensitivity para sa mga kinatawan ng mga private companies sa City of Carmona.

Dito ay nagsagawa ng isang Seminar ukol sa

iba't-ibang paksa gaya ng DASO sa pangunguna ng Link Center for the Deaf, Republic Act No. 10524 at BP 344 ng National Council of Disability Affairs, at Ordinance 1% sa pangunguna naman ng Office of the City Public Employment Service

Manager. Layon ng nasabing seminar na makalikha ng inklusibong komunidad kung saan walang kahit sinoman ang maiiwan sa mga pribadong establisyimento para sa pantay-pantay na karapatan para sa mga PWDs.



The Manila Declaration on Seafarers' Human Rights, Safety, and Well-being was officially launched during the closing session of the International Conference on Seafarers' Human Rights, Safety, and Well-being

Unveiled by Carlos D. Sorreta, Permanent Representative of the Philippines to the United Nations in Geneva, before more than 200 delegates representing more than 40 countries, close to 10 international organizations, and 25 industry partners, more than 10 maritime training institutions, close to 30 civil society groups and non-governmental organizations, and seafarers themselves, the Manila Declaration stands as a landmark call to action to uphold the dignity, safety, and rights of the world's over two million seafarers. It highlights the urgent need for stronger global and whole-of-society cooperation to safeguard seafarers, especially in times of crisis and conflict, and reaffirms their vital role as key workers sustaining nearly 90 percent of global trade.

MMDA Pinangunahan ang Pulong para Talakayin ang mga Hakbang Laban sa Baha

Sa pangunguna ni Chairman Atty. Don Artes, sa pulong ngayong araw kasama sina UP NOAH Executive Director Dr. Mahar Lagmay, Department of Environment and Natural Resources Usec. Carlos David, at iba pang ahensiya ng pamahalaan.

Sa pulong, ipinrinta ni Chairman Artes ang mga ginagawa ng MMDA gaya ng mga proposed rainwater catchment facilities, isinusulong na drainage master plan ng Metro Manila, rehabilitasyon at upgrade ng Effective Flood Control Operation

System (EFCOS), at ang panukalang Metro Manila Sponge City na layuning i-improve ang water retention at drainage ng NCR. Ikinonsulta ni Atty. Artes ang nasabing mga proyekto, partikular ang rainwater catchment facility (Turn to page 2)

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ballast of the world economy, steadying supply chains, ensuring that the flow of goods does not stall, even in times of crisis. They are key workers in a strategic industry without whom our societies, as we know them, simply cannot function," said Executive Secretary Lucas P. Bersamin during his keynote address at the Conference.

Secretary of Foreign

Affairs Maria Theresa P. Lazaro highlighted the Declaration's global significance in her remarks at the start of the Conference: "The Manila Declaration gives us clear guideposts: enforce seafarers' rights, protect them in times of crisis, and prepare them for the future of shipping. It is a call to build a safer, more inclusive, and more sustainable maritime industry."

Representing the As-

sociated Marine Officers' and Seamen's Union of the Philippines (AMOSUP), Captain Jasmin Labarda stressed the importance of the Manila Declaration among seafarers: "The Manila Declaration is a lifeline for seafarers. It recognizes our struggles, our rights, and our contributions and it gives us hope that the world is finally listening to those who keep global trade moving."

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The Philippines launches the Manila Declaration on Seafarers' Human Rights at the International Conference on Seafarers' Human Rights, Safety, and Well-being in Manila, 2 September 2025. The Declaration, unveiled before more than 200 delegates, calls for stronger global cooperation to uphold the dignity, safety, and rights of the world's over two million seafarers. (Photo credits: DFA-OPD Johannes de Guia)

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cilities kay Dr. Lagmay at hiningi ang expert opinion nito para matiyak na nasa tamang design at gagana ang mga pasilidad.

Ipinakita naman ni Usec. David ang Road Inundation Map ng NCR habang si Dr. Lagmay

naman ay ang mga road profile ng mga natukoy nang flood-prone areas.

Kanila ring binisita ang MMDA Communications and Command Center kung saan ipinakita ni Chairman Artes ang mga CCTV camera ng ahen-

sa trapiko at baha sa mga pangunahing lansangan sa NCR.

Pinag-usapan din ang iba pang areas for collaboration ng MMDA at ng UP Resilience Institute para sa mas epektibong flood management ng Metro Manila. Source: MMDA



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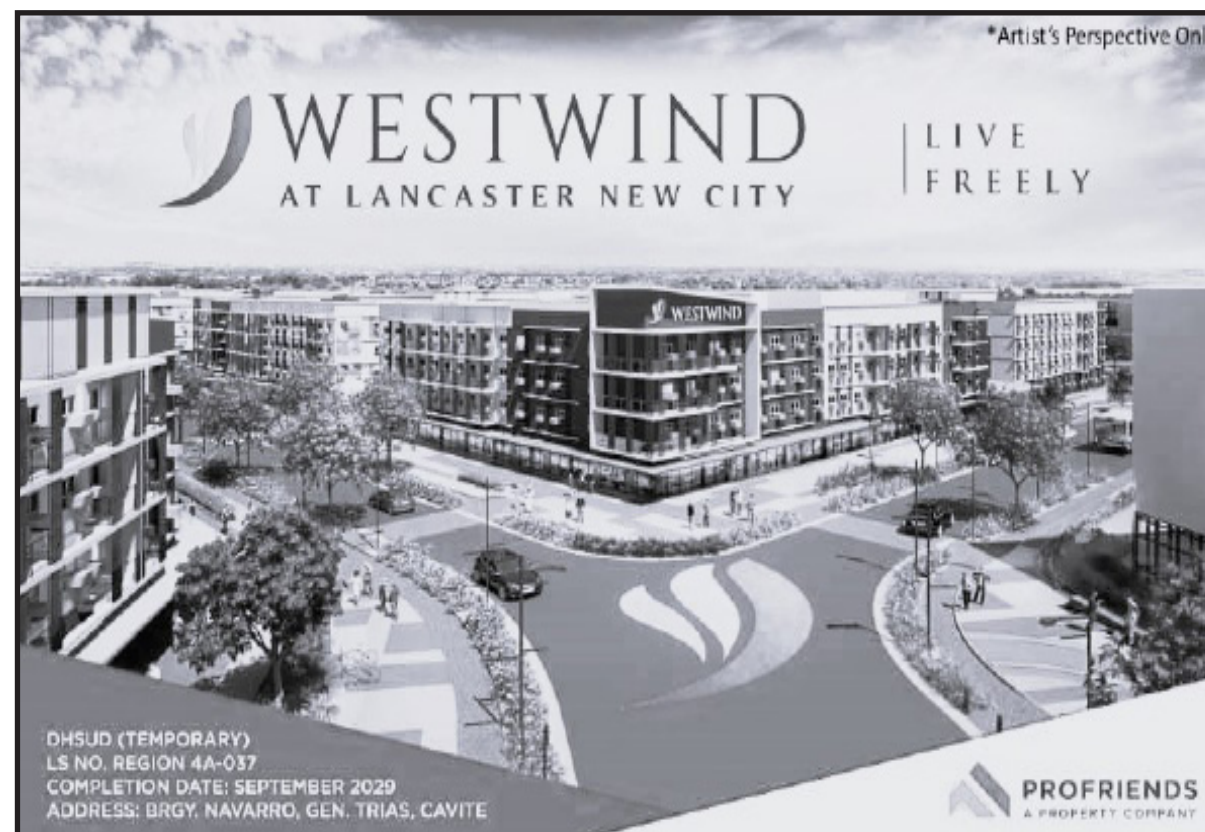
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ers, kasama na rin ang iba pang contractors gaya ng Syms Construction Trading na nauna ng natuklasang na sangkot sa "ghost projects".

Sisibakin din sina suspended Assistant District Engineer Brice Ericson Hernandez, at Engr. Jaypee Mendoza na dating hepe ng Construction Section ng DPWH Bulacan Office. Gayundin, sina-

bi ni Secretary Dizon na simula pa lamang ito ng malawakang paglilinis sa ahensya at perpetual disqualification ng mga contractors na involved sa anomalya.

"The President has repeatedly said - and this was his clear marching orders to me - that we must not allow this to happen anymore, and to hold people who have done this to account," ayon kay Secretary Dizon. Source: DPWH



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Endorsements for the Manila Declaration continue to be received, reflecting growing international and multi-stakeholder momentum behind this Philippine-led initiative.

The Philippines invites further endorsements to amplify the collective commitment to ensuring that seafarers everywhere receive due recognition and protection.

During the two-day conference, panel discussions and side events examined key issues confronting seafarers today, ranging from labor rights and safety in crisis situations, to mental health, well-being, and diversity and inclusion in the maritime industry.

These discussions underscored the interconnected challenges confronting seafarers and the maritime industry as a whole.

The Conference was jointly hosted by the Department of Foreign Affairs, the Maritime Industry Authority, the Department of Migrant Workers, and the Department of Labor and Employment. It builds on the Philippine-led discussions at the United Nations Human Rights Council that culminated in the adoption of Resolution 56/18, which recognized the need to advance the human rights of seafarers and to strengthen international cooperation in addressing the challenges they face. Source: DFA

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