

TCCP Holds 2026 Council Meeting Following Expanded Mandate

DFA Secretary Ma. Theresa P. Lazaro chaired the Technical Cooperation Council of the Philippines (TCCP) Council Meeting on 05 August 2026 at the Carlos P. Garcia Conference Room of the Department of Foreign Affairs (DFA). It was the first Council Meeting following the signing of Executive Order No. 115 in April 2026, strengthening the mandate of the TCCP. Aside from expanding the TCCP membership from six (06) government agencies to nine (09) which now includes the DOH, DMW, and TESDA, EO 115 also

sees the TCCP Secretariat integrated into the Department of Foreign Affairs. Discussions centered on how the TCCP may effectively implement the country's national technical cooperation program, Development Philippines. The Council was also updated on the projects for CY 2026, as well as prospective initiatives with select developing countries. Secretary Lazaro underscored that by bringing the Philippines' unique value propositions to the development cooperation landscape, we have a unique opportunity



Secretary of Economy, Planning, and Development and TCCP Vice-Chair Antonio Balisacan shares his insights during the discussion.

to showcase Philippines' innovative products and services, while helping least developed countries. DEPDev Secretary Balisacan concurred and emphasized that the country's increased visibility in the technical cooperation landscape comes at an opportune time, with the Philippines having recently been classified by the World Bank as an upper-middle income country.

The TCCP traces its roots from the commitment made in 1976 by the former President Ferdinand E. Marcos Sr. during UNCTAD IV in Executive Order No. 115 (s. 2026) by President Ferdinand R. Marcos Jr. paves the way for the Council's expansion, reflecting the Philippines' vision of becoming a provider of choice in technical cooperation, with such collaborations reinforcing the country's strategic interests.

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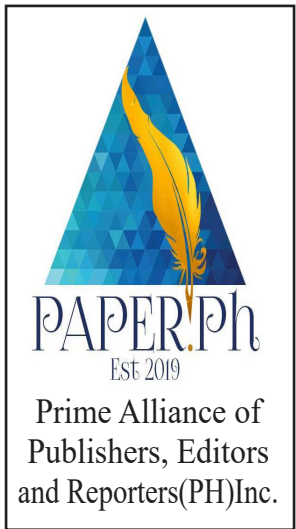
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PUSTISO PARA SA MASA DENTAL HEALTH PROGRAM NG LGU CARMONA



Pinangunahan ng Dental Health program ng nasabing tanggapan. Office of the City Health Officer ang distribusyon Layunin nitong matulungan ang mga mamamayan na maibalik ang kanilang ng libreng dentures para sa 115 beneficiaries ng Pustiso Para sa Masa, isang ngiti at maisulong ang dental health sa mga mamamayan. Nawa ay magdala ng tulong, saya, at lakas ng loob ang bagong ngiting handog na ito ng Lokal na Pamahalaan.

More than 150 micro, small and medium enterprises (MSMEs) in Cavite gained access to practical business strategies, government support and industry partnerships through the 2026 Cavite MSMEs Business Conference held on July 31 at the New Cavite Provincial Government Center in Trece Martires City. Organized by the Cavite Provincial Government through the Office of the Provincial Cooperatives Development Officer, in partnership with the Cavite SME Development Council (CaSMEDC) and the Department of Trade and Industry (DTI) Cavite, the annual conference equipped entrepreneurs with tools to strengthen their businesses amid economic uncertainty. Under the theme, “Empowering MSMEs through Innovation, Resilience and Sustainability in (Turn to page 5)

Transport Groups Back Down from Strike After Government Intervention

Thanking the government for the measures it has put in place to help the transport sector, various transport groups have withdrawn their planned transport strike this Friday, August 7, and on Monday, August 10, after hearing the assistance measures presented by the Department of Transportation (DOTr) for drivers and operators to help ease the impact of rising fuel prices caused by the conflict in the Middle East. This was the DOTr's response to the directive of President Ferdinand Marcos Jr. to assist sectors most affected by the oil price hike. According to Transportation Secretary Banoy Lopez, the DOTr will continue to work to assist and address the needs of the public transportation sector and commuters. “Pero kailangan ng DOTr, maghanap (Turn to page 2)

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pa ng ibang inisyatibo, at least makadagdag tulon po sa ating transport sector. Again, under the same objective na hindi namin ipapasa sa commuting public yung problema at sasaluhi ng pamahalaang nasyonal,” pahayag ni Sec. Lopez.

The Secretary earlier met with leaders of various transport groups to explain the government’s measures to help their sector. Sec. Lopez also listened to their concerns and assured them that the government would address them.

Pasang Masda National President Roberto Martin expressed his appreciation for the

government’s assistance and the DOTr’s efforts to find ways to address their needs. In response, they decided to call off their planned transport strike.

“Kahapon po ay nagkaroon kami ng pagpupulong dito sa kanyang tanggapan. Ang Pasang Masda po, ang Busina at ang ALTODAP at iba pang grupo, hindi na namin ibrinoadcast sa media na meron kaming transport holiday bukas, Friday. Kahapon lang po namin ito binuksan. At nung aming buksan at nagpaliwanag ang ating Kalihim tungkol po sa kanyang binanggit na mga ipinagkakaloob sa amin ngayon, ako po, bilang pangkalahatang pangulo ng Pasang Masda, cinall-off ko po ang strike namin bukas. Pinasasalamat ko ang ating Kalihim, sapagkat siya ang tulay natin sa Pangulong Bongbong Marcos tungkol po dito sa itinaas na dalawang piso na fuel subsidy,” ayon kay Pasang Masda National President Martin.

ALTODAP President Melencio Vargas also expressed his appreciation for the measures being implemented by the agency.

“Gusto ko lang pong magpasalamat sa ating kagalang-galang na Secretary. Ito po ‘yung ating naging tulay ngayon na para makuha po natin. At sa tingin ko naman po, dito po sa ating nakuha,

hindi na po tayo dapat magwelga. At sino po ang pahihirapan natin dito? Ang pahihirapan lang natin dito ‘yung ating mananakay. Ngayon, ang gobyerno po, handa naman po tumulong po sa atin dito. Ito po ‘yung nangyari ngayon, malaking tulong na po ito sa sektor ng transportasyon. Kaya po sa hanay po ng ALTODAP, lahat po ng kasama kong lider dito, wala po tayong—tayo po sa Lunes, mamamasada po tayo para po itutulon natin sa ating mga mananakay,” ayon kay ALTODAP President Vargas.

The FEJODAP group will also not participate in the transport strike due to the government’s continued support for their sector.

“Sa aming grupo po, wala ho kami na itutuloy na pagtigil sa pasada. Bagama’t ang ating gobyerno ay tinutugunan ang lahat ng ating problema at hindi naman ho nagpapabaya sa ngalan po ng ating Secretary Banoy Lopez at tsaka kay LTFRB Chairman Vigor Mendoza, at patuloy naman po ang pagtulong nila sa aming hanay. Kaya po sa grupo ng FEJODAP, eh wala pong pagtigil ng pasada,” ani FEJODAP National President Deo Sotto.

Aside from Pasang Masda, ALTODAP, and FEJODAP, the groups

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a Time of Economic Uncertainty,” the conference featured discussions on innovation, resilience and sustainable business practices.

Panelists participate in a discussion during the 2026 Cavite MSMEs Business Conference, sharing experiences and strategies for helping businesses survive and thrive amid economic challenges. Seated on stage before a large presentation screen, speakers discuss MSME resilience, business operations and entrepreneurial journeys, while attendees engage in knowledge-sharing and industry dialogue.

Conference organizers and guests present certificates of appreciation and commemorative gifts during the 2026 Cavite MSMEs Business Conference at the New Cavite Provincial Government Center in Trece Martires



City. Award recipients pose on stage in front of the event backdrop displaying the conference title, while blue-and-white balloon ar-

rangements and floral decorations frame the venue. The recognition ceremony highlights contributions to MSME development, innovation, resilience and sustainability in Cavite.

Participants engage in knowledge-sharing activities during the 2026 Cavite MSMEs Business Conference. In one image, panel speakers discuss how MSMEs are surviving and thriving amid economic challenges while seated before a presentation screen. In another, an attendee speaks during an open forum session, addressing fellow entrepreneurs and stakeholders gathered at round tables to discuss business development, innovation, resilience, and sustainability.

Through the conference, participating MSMEs gained practical ideas to improve their operations, adapt to changing market conditions and

explore new business opportunities. They also connected with government agencies and industry partners offering business programs, technical assistance and collaboration opportunities to support long-term growth.

In her message, DTI Region IV-A Regional Director Marissa Argenrote reaffirmed the agency’s commitment to helping MSMEs become more innovative, competitive and resilient through programs and partnerships that respond to their evolving business needs.

Representing Cavite Gov. Francisco Gabriel Remulla, Office of the Provincial Coopera-

my. Source: DTI

Development Officer-in-Charge Myrachel Cuadra joined Cavite Board Members Camille Lauren del Rosario and Jhon Kester Aldrin Anacan in highlighting the importance of collaboration among government, industry and the business community to expand opportunities for local enterprises and sustain economic growth. The conference reflects the continued commitment of the Provincial Government of Cavite, CaSMEDC and DTI to create an enabling environment where MSMEs can grow, generate jobs and contribute to a stronger and more resilient local economy. Source: DTI

EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT

Notice of hereby given that the estate of the deceased **RICARTE M. FREDERICO JR.** who died intestate on July 3, 2025 in Quezon City, left 50% conjugal properties covered by the following:

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CD-Aug. 10, 17 & 24, 2026

Cayetano team rumsponde sa mga binahang lugar sa Parañaque, Cavite, Las Piñas



Naghatid ng pagkain at inumin ang Emergency Response Team ni Senate Minority Leader Alan Peter Cayetano sa mga residenteng apektado ng pagbaha sa ilang lugar sa Parañaque, Cavite, at Las Piñas habang patuloy ang pag-ulan dahil sa South-west Monsoon o Habagat.

Sa Barangay San Isidro, Parañaque City, nakipag-ugnayan ang team sa mga barangay responder at rescue personnel na nagsasagawa ng clearing at recovery operations.

Ayon kay Barangay Chairman Noel Japlos, walang naitalang nasawi sa lugar. Patuloy naman ang paglilinis ng mga natumba na puno, gayundin ng mga creek at kanal, upang maiwasan ang panibagong pagbaha.

Sa Cavite, namahagi ng tulong ang team sa mga residenteng naapektuhan ng baha, gayundin sa mga barangay personnel at rescuers. Ayon kay Barangay Captain Benedicto Camia, walang naitalang nasawi sa lugar. Nananatili naman sa evacuation center ang mga apektadong pamilya habang patuloy silang tinutulungan at minomonitor ng mga awtoridad.

Sa Barangay Talon Tres naman sa Las Piñas City, dinalhan din ng pagkain at inumin ang mga residenteng naapektuhan ng baha, kasama ang barangay personnel at responders, habang unti-unti nang humuhupa ang tubig at nagsisimula nang makauwi ang mga evacuee.

Nagpasalamat ang

mga opisyal ng barangay sa patuloy na pag-abot ni Cayetano sa kanilang komunidad tuwing may sakuna. Ayon kay Barangay Talon Tres Chairman Chris Lucena, matagal nang nakatutok ang senador sa kanilang lugar, mula pa noong pandemya.

Isinagawa ang relief operations habang nagbabala ang PAGASA na magpapatuloy ang pag-ulan sa Luzon at kanlurang bahagi ng Visayas dahil sa Habagat.

Patuloy ang emergency relief operations ng team ngayong August 10 sa Taytay, Tanay, at Rodriguez sa Rizal, gayundin sa Bacoor City, General Trias, at Naic sa Cavite para maabot ang mga komunidad na apektado ng pagbaha at masamang panahon. #

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BUSINA, ACTO, and Stop and Go will also not participate in the transport strike. Sec. Lopez also spoke with Manibela Chairperson Mar Valbuena, along with Transportation Senior Undersecretary for Road Transport and Infrastructure Mark Steven Pastor, Land Transportation Franchising and Regulatory Board (LTFRB) Chairman

Atty. Vigor Mendoza II, assistance to the sector. “Kasi mas malalim ang mga kaalaman ninyo eh sa mga nangyayari sa baba at yun ang gusto naming marinig para yung programang ibo-broadcast natin, eksakto doon sa gusto nilang pakikngan at responsive tayodun sa problema nung mga grupo,” pahayag ni Chair- man Mendoza. Source: DOTr

DSWD Community-Driven Program Reaches Over 2.4M IP Households

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what they bring to the table, and make sure that social protection and development interventions are responsive to their actual needs,” the KALAHI-CIDSS director said

The DSWD’s commitment to IP empowerment is in recognition of the sector’s role in nation building as the country recently commemorated the National Indigenous Peoples Day (NIPD) and the International Day of the World’s Indigenous Peoples (IDWIP) on August 9. The NIPD is ob-

served every August 9 pursuant to Republic Act No. 10689, or the “Act Declaring August 9 as National Indigenous Peoples Day and Mandating the Meaningful Observance Thereof.” The celebration is in support of the IDWIP established by the United Nations General Assembly to raise awareness of the rights, needs, and contributions of IPs around the world.

“Ang paggunita natin sa NIPD ay hindi lamang tungkol sa pag-celebrate ng kultura at tradisyon ng ating mga IPs.

It is also a reminder for us to recognize their rights, their knowledge, and their important role in shaping their communities,” Director Mapue-Joaquin said.

As the DSWD continues to advance social protection and community development, the Department recognizes IPs not only as recipients of government interventions but as active partners whose knowledge, culture, and participation are vital to building inclusive, resilient, and empowered communities. (KB). Source: DSWD

HEALTH TIP: Cut back on sodium

Eating too much sodium can raise your risk of high blood pressure, heart attack, and stroke. More than 70% of the sodium Americans consume comes from packaged and prepared foods. While sodium has many forms, 90% of the sodium we consume is from salt.

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Ligtas Tigdas: Measles-Rubella Supplemental Immunization Activity, inumpisahan na sa Imus

DSWD Community-Driven Program Reaches Over 2.4M IP Households

The Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD) continues to empower Indigenous Peoples (IPs) nationwide by providing opportunities for their meaningful participation within the community through the community-driven development (CDD) approach of the DSWD’s Kapit-Bisig Laban sa Kahirapan—Comprehensive and Integrated Delivery of Social Services (KALAHI-CIDSS).

Since the program’s inception in 2003, KALAHI-CIDSS has benefited a total of 2,489,307 IP households nationwide, enabling them to take an active role in identifying community needs and participating in the planning, implementation, and monitoring of development projects that directly affect their communities.

KALAHI-CIDSS Director and National Program Manager Atty. Bernadette Mapue-Joaquin said the participation of IP communities is essential in ensuring that development interventions are responsive to their actual needs and grounded in their culture, traditions, and indigenous knowledge.

“Hindi lang natin tinitingnan ang ating IPs bilang beneficiaries ng mga programa. They are partners in development. Sa CDD approach, may pagkakataon silang

makilahok mula sa pagpaplanang hanggang sa pagpatupad at monitoring ng mga proyekto,” Director Mapue-Joaquin said on Tuesday (August 11).

Through the CDD approach, communities are empowered to identify their most pressing concerns, determine appropriate solutions, and collectively implement projects based on their local priorities.

For IP communities, this approach also provides an avenue for their traditional knowledge, cultural practices, perspectives, and experiences to be considered in development planning.

The DSWD recognizes that these elements are integral to the identity and resilience of IP communities and can contribute to more inclusive and sustainable community development.

“Kapag pinag-uusapan natin ang development, dapat inclusive ito at culturally sensitive. We have to make sure na hindi nawawala o naiwan ang kultura, tradition, at indigenous knowledge sa proseso ng development,” Director Mapue-Joaquin emphasized.

The KALAHI-CIDSS uses CDD to strengthen the participation of communities in poor and geographically isolated and disadvantaged

areas (GIDA), allowing them to take greater ownership in addressing local development concerns.

This approach is also reflected in the DSWD’s new modality, the Panahon ng Pagkilos: Philippine Community Resilience Project, wherein the significant population share of IPs is among the criteria considered in selecting the 500 municipality-beneficiaries.

The criterion recognizes the importance of the culture, traditions, experiences, and practices of IP communities in strengthening their resilience and advancing local development.

“Our goal is to work with all vulnerable sectors, including the IPs, respect

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Matagumpay at punong suporta ang pagsisimula ng pagbabakuna kontra Tigdas at Tigdas-Hangin sa Imus sa ginanap na kick-off program ng Pamahalaang Lungsod ng Imus, katuwang ang Department of Health (DOH) Region 4-A, nitong Martes, Agosto 11, 2026, sa Youth Center, Imus Pilot Elementary School.

Nauna nang nabakunahan ang 50 batang Imuseñong edad anim na buwan hanggang bago maglimang taon, kung saan nakatanggap din sila ng Vitamin A supplementation.

Tampok din dito ang inflatable slides, loot bags, libreng gamot at bitamin,

at libreng taho.

Nanguna sa paglulunsad sina City Mayor Alex “AA” L. Advincula, City Vice Mayor Homer T. Saquilayan, Konsehal Enzo Asistio—namumuno sa komite ng kalusugan, Dr. Marie Beatrix Duzon ng DOH Center for Health Development – CALABARZON, Provincial Health Team Leader Dr. Ferdinand Eusebio ng Provincial DOH – Cavite, City Health Officer Dr. Ferdinand Mina, at Medical Officer Dr. Gelyn Golamco.

Bahagi rin ng programa sina Dr. Nelson Soriano ng Office of the Provincial Health Officer, Dr. Keith Feldon ng Cen-

ters for Disease Control and Prevention, Dr. Melisa Medina – Montoya ng Philippine Pediatric Society – Southern Tagalog Chapter, at Sarah De. Leon ng Integrated Midwives Association of the Philippines (IMAP).

Lumagda rin ang mga opisyal at health workers sa commitment wall, bilang pagpapatibay ng kanilang partisipasyon sa pagsusulong ng mga programa at aktibidad laban sa tigdas at tigdas-hangin.

Ang Measles-Rubella Supplemental Immunization Activity sa Imus ay magtatagal hanggang Agosto 28, 2026, sa iba’t ibang barangay.