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DILG: 112 areas have been placed under localized lockdown by LGUs

The DILG said today that 112 areas all over the country have been placed by their respective Local Government Units under localized or granular lockdown showing that LGUs have

been implementing the LGU-led zoning containment strategy developed by the National Task Force against COVID-19.

According to DILG Secretary Eduardo M. Año, localized lockdown is the best approach in containing COVID-19 as it surgically targets areas where cases, either positive or suspected, are concentrated. He says that the 112 locally quarantined areas in the country as of June 21 prove that with proper implementation, the spread of the coronavirus can be contained on the community-level.

“Localized lockdown is like hitting COVID-19 at its source which has been proven to be effective especially in the 112 areas where it is currently being implemented. It really works since the hot zones areas are secluded from the rest of the community, hence, stopping the transmission to other communities,” Año says.

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DILG to LGUs: Be stricter in issuing PWD IDs, ensure IDs are issued to legit PWDs only

Following reports of fake persons with disabilities (PWDs) who are allegedly availing of PWD discounts, the DILG said it supports the call of Congress for a crackdown on the

proliferation of fake PWD IDs even as it urged local government units (LGUs) to be stricter in the issuance of identification cards to PWDs and ensure that such IDs are issued to legitimate PWDs only.

“Maganda ang intensyon ng batas pero mayroong mga taong gustong abusuhin ang pribilehiyong ibinigay sa mga tunay na PWDs. LGUs should, therefore, be wary of such individuals who want to secure a PWD ID even if they are not entitled to PWD privileges,” said DILG Secretary Eduardo M. Año.

“We fully support Congress in this issue if they wish to review the law or the IRR. Hindi dapat magpatuloy ang ganitong pamemeke at pag-aabuso sa paggamit ng PWD IDs dahil baka mabangkarote pa ang mga business establishments lalo na ngayong panahon ng COVID-19,” he said.

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DILG issues show cause order vs. brgy execs involved in Sinulog street dance in Cebu City despite being under lockdown

DILG Secretary Eduardo M. Año today said that he is issuing a Show Cause Order against barangay officials who are complicit in the conduct of a viral Sinulog street dance and procession in a COVID-19 hotspot in Cebu City. He also ordered the PNP-Criminal Investigation and Detection Group to conduct an investigation and file charges against the organizers of the said event.

“We will not tolerate any violation of our quarantine protocols. Those responsible will be made to account. Hindi din naman tayo tumitigil sa pagpapaalala na napakalaki ng risk of transmission ng COVID-19 sa mass gathering and yet we see these kinds of activities and what makes it worse ay ang barangay na ito ay isang COVID-19 hot spot,” Año said.

“We will definitely get to the bottom of this. We have issued a Show Cause Order against the officials who are involved in this blatant violation of the ECQ currently being implemented in Cebu City,” he added.

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“We have nothing against the expression of devotion but in a time of crisis, kailangan mag-isip din naman tayo. Sa ganitong mga pagsuway mas maraming buhay tayong nilalagay sa kapahamakan.

-DILG Secretary Eduardo M. Año

REGIONAL NEWS

DILG R3: Province of Zambales shifts to MGCQ

The Municipal Inter-Agency Task Force (MIATF), together with the Punong Barangays and Barangay Secretaries, convened on June 18, 2020 to discuss the guidelines on Modified General Community Quarantine (MGCQ) as the Province of Zambales' shift to MGCQ took effect.

Local Civil Registrar and Secretary of the Municipal Mayor Manolito C. Donatos presented the provisions in Executive Order No. 19, series of 2020 and Executive Order No. 19-A, series of 2020 issued by Governor Hermogenes E. Ebdane, Jr. Subsequently, Department of Trade and Industry (DTI) representative Jayson M. Tenerife enumerated the establishments and activities under Categories I to IV that are allowed in MGCQ. He emphasized that resorts may operate, provided that such have secured certificate of authority from the Department of Tourism.

Municipal Engineer Mary Susan Mae P. Torres reiterated the Department of Public Works and Highways' Order No. 39, series of 2020. She reminded that construction safety guidelines shall still be complied with in all construction projects even under the new phase of the community quarantine.

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DILG XII released P3M worth ECLIP benefits to former rebels of South Cotabato

Forty Seven (47) former rebels (FRs) received their immediate assistance worth Php 15,000.00 each and Php 50,000.00 each as their livelihood assistance during the awarding of the Enhanced Comprehensive Local Integration Program (ECLIP) benefits at South Cotabato Gym and Cultural Center (SCGCC), City of Koronadal on June 6, 2020. Overall, each beneficiary received a total of Php 65,000.00.

The ECLIP Committee awarded a total of Php 3,055,000.00 financial assistance from DILG and Php 987,000.00 intended for their essential needs which was received by AFP/PNP as their receiving unit.

The ECLIP is a complete package program for individuals who have decided to abandon armed struggle and return to the fold of the law and join the mainstream of the Philippine society. It is a peace building and social protection program that provides interventions to Former New People's Army (NPA) Rebels (FRs) and Militia ng Bayan (MB) in becoming productive citizens of society.

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DILG MIMAROPA conducts 1st Online CapDev Activity

DILG MIMAROPA conducted its first virtual CapDev activity dubbed as Online Orientation on the Conduct of Capacitating LGUs in the Formulation of Risk-Informed Comprehensive Development Plan (CDP).

The activity aimed to jumpstart the collaborative engagement between the Department and the four (4) new targets LGUs and reaffirm institutional arrangements with the eleven (11) previously targeted LGUs.

CDP is one of the two (2) Local Government Code-mandated plans with which the LGU promotes the general welfare of its inhabitants in its capacity as a corporate body. DILG Memorandum Circular No. 2019 – 172 and Department Advisory dated April 8, 2020 stipulated that LGUs that failed to comply with the requirements for the preparation/updating of CDPs and CLUPs by September 15, 2020 will be subjected to an appropriate administrative case filed against them pursuant to Section 60 of the LGC.

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PNP nets 99.67M worth of illegal drugs in one week; 51 drug suspects nabbed

The PNP's intensified anti-illegal drugs operations during the past week resulted in 51 drug suspects rounded-up in 25 separate operations across the country yielding a combined total of 7,606.69 grams of crystal meth and 239,500 fully-grown Marijuana plants all estimated to be worth Php 99.672 million in the blackmarket.

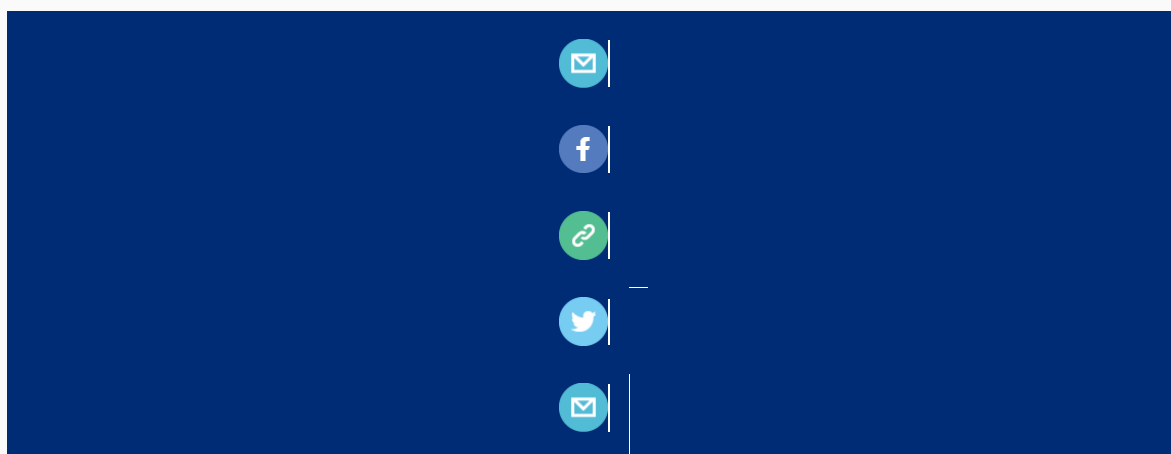
PNP Chief, Police General Archie Gamboa took note of the latest anti-drug offensive by PNP units even as most parts of the country are still under General Community Quarantine (GCQ).

Gamboa said, *“The PNP has been consistent in its warning. No let up in the pursuit of criminals. Our recent accomplishments nationwide validate the PNP’s determination to eradicate threats to the public’s safety and security.”*

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