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DILG: SAP 2 digital distribution in NCR in full swing, urges public to maintain physical distancing in remittance centers

The digital distribution of the second tranche of the Social Amelioration Program (SAP 2) through financial service providers (FSPs) in the National Capital Region (NCR) is in full swing and is expected to be completed by the end of next week, according to the DILG.

DILG Secretary Eduardo M. Año says that as of August 7, 2020, SAP 2 financial assistance has so far been disbursed to 71,701 waitlisted family beneficiaries from NCR and the distribution will be completed by end of next week. He also says that digital disbursement of the SAP second tranche to some 1,553,052 original family beneficiaries have started in the pilot cities of Caloocan, Makati, Pasig, and Quezon City.

Waitlisted family beneficiaries are to receive P16,000 corresponding to 2 tranches of the SAP while original family beneficiaries who already received their first tranche last April-May will receive their second tranche of P8,000. 4Ps beneficiaries will also receive their 2nd tranche of P8,000. A total of P28.3-billion has been allocated for SAP 2 by the government.

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"We are pleased to report that distributing SAP 2 through various digital platforms or FSPs is currently in full swing in Metro Manila. Tuloy-tuloy po ang pakikipag-ugnayan ng DSWD sa mga LGU at FSP partners nito para tuluyan nang madistribute ang SAP 2 sa ating mga kababayan."

-DILG Secretary Eduardo M. Año



## DILG to LGUs: Start planning for local recovery now even if pandemic is not yet over

The DILG is urging local government units (LGUs) to start planning and budgeting for local recovery and rehabilitation now even if the coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) pandemic is not yet over so that the economy can begin recovering from the deadly disease.

DILG Spokesperson and Undersecretary Jonathan E. Malaya said that the DILG, with technical support of the World Bank, has developed the "Ready to Recover (We Rise as One) COVID-19 Local Recovery Planning Guide" to help the LGUs prepare and recover from the current health crisis.

"We need to recover now kahit 'di pa tapos ang COVID-19 crisis kasi mas lalala ang epekto nito sa ekonomiya at kabuhayan ng ating mga kababayan. The DILG is collaborating with other national government agencies in the Interagency Task Force (IATF) to help LGUs prepare their recovery strategies and programs. The goal is to build back better," he said to local chief executives (LCEs) participating in a webinar.

# DILG asks public, LGUs, PNP to be more vigilant vs scammers after bogus contact tracers strike anew

The DILG urges local government units (LGUs) and the Philippine National Police (PNP) to be more vigilant against scammers as it warns the public anew against persons posing as Department of Health (DOH) contact tracers extorting money from unsuspecting victims.

DILG Secretary Eduardo M. Año says that the LGUs and the PNP should constantly be on the look-out for scammers amid the COVID-19 pandemic as these opportunistic criminals will take advantage of the fear and panic of people for their own gains.

"Isa pang virus na kailangan pag-ingatan ng mga tao ang mga scammer na ito na sumasabay pa at nakukuhang manamantala ng kapwa ngayong krisis at ito ngang sa DOH ang pinaka-recent. I urge all LGUs and our men and women of the PNP immediately investigate these criminal activities," Año said. "Hindi na kayo [scammers] naawa sa mga kababayang nating niloloko ninyo," he adds.

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#### **REGIONAL NEWS**



### DILG XII to public: support frontline workers; impose self-restrictions

The DILG XII is urging the public to support the country's frontline workers by imposing 'self-restrictions' as the country continues to battle COVID-19.

In a statement on August 3 during the regular Monday convocation, DILG XII Regional Director Josephine Cabrido-Leysa, CESO III urged the employees and the public to "act as if we are on ECQ", despite the Region being under the Modified General Community Quarantine (MGCQ) for quite sometime now.

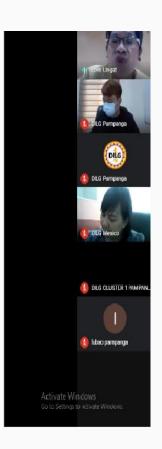
As cases of Covid 19 surged especially in Metro Manila area, health workers publicly sought for a "time-out" to enable them to rest. Such a call became the basis for President Duterte to declare the MECQ in the National Capital Region (NCR).











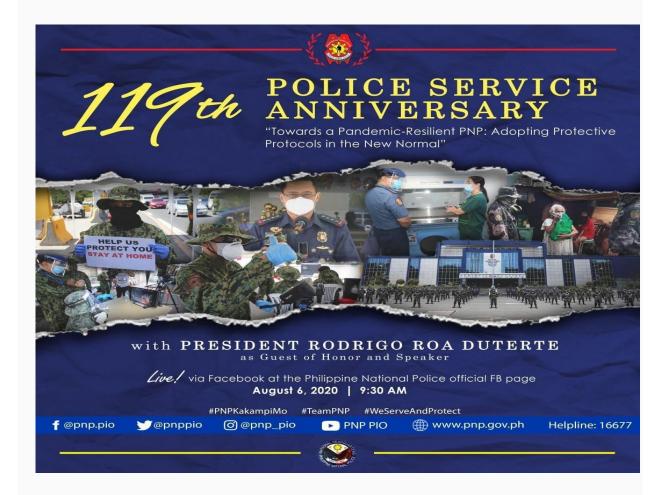
### DILG Pampanga holds online knowledge forum on the implementation of zoning containment strategy

DILG Pampanga continues to strengthen the capacities of its field officers through an online knowledge sharing forum between and among its field officers and partner LGUs as

The forum underscored the implementation of the zoning containment strategy where emphasis is placed on the importance of testing, surveillance and reporting as a strategic approach to stem the spread of the virus in the community as soon as it has been detected.

Dr. Renely P. Tungol, City Health Officer and Incident Commander of the City of San Fernando, provided technical expertise on the subject matter and drew on the experience of the LGU on the implementation of the Localized Zoning Containment Strategy.

# NEWS FROM ATTACHED AGENCIES



### Duterte leads virtual rites of 119th police service anniversary

The Philippine National Police celebrates the 119th Police Service Anniversary tomorrow, August 6, with a nationwide live simulcast of the anniversary rites at the PNP National Headquarters and in all 17 Police Regional Offices across the country.

President Rodrigo Roa Duterte graced the occasion via live feed to all viewers over the internet and television where he will deliver his message to the PNP. Police Service Anniversary is celebrated in commemoration of the establishment of the Philippine Constabulary as the country's first insular police force founded on August 8, 1901.

Gamboa said the 119th Police Service Anniversary celebration focuses on the mandate and resiliency of the PNP in this time of pandemic with the theme: "Towards A Pandemic-Resilient PNP: Deploying Digital Technologies and Adopting Protective Protocols in The New Normal".

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Newly appointed BJMP regional jail chief conducts
1st Public Productivity Conference in NCR

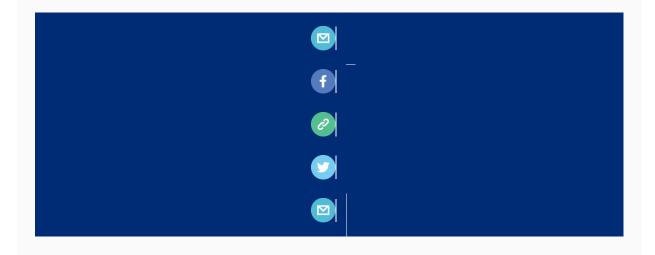
With the initiative of the new regional BJMP Jail Chief Superintendent Luisito C Muñoz, the first BJMPRO-NCR Online Public Productivity was conducted on August 6, 2020.

The conference aimed to discuss the ongoing programs of the Jail Bureau as well as to strengthen any upcoming ones as the BJMPRO-NCR look towards the direction under the 'new normal.'

The event which also talk about the condition of jail personnel, its security and the welfare and development of its persons deprived of liberty (PDLs) was also attended by key officers and jail wardens of the region.







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