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DILG grants one-week extension of road clearing ops deadline

The DILG has granted a one-week extension of the deadline of the Department's Road Clearing Operation 2.0 (RCO 2.0) following the requests by local government units (LGUs) to give them more time to clear roads of obstructions.

DILG Undersecretary and Spokesperson Jonathan Malaya said that upon the request of local chief executives, the deadline for RCO 2.0, which was supposed to be on January 15, will instead be on January 22, 2021 with the validation starting January 25, 2021.

"We extended the deadline for RCO 2.0 because these are extraordinary times; we are in a pandemic and LGUs have a lot on their plate. We understand the request so the Department granted it," he said. [Read more](#)



DILG to LGUs: Coordinate with NTF on Vaccination Procurement and Roll-Out

Amid the move of local government units' (LGUs) to acquire additional COVID-19 vaccine, the DILG clarified that the procurement and roll-out of COVID-19 vaccines must be coordinated with the national government, through the National Task Force Against COVID-19 (NTF) and the Department of Health (DOH), in a tripartite agreement involving local governments and pharmaceutical companies.

DILG Secretary Eduardo M. Año said that LGUs' bold effort to earmark funds from their local budget for COVID-19 vaccines is commendable but the proper procedure must be followed to avoid duplication of efforts and ensure standardized pricing. He said that as the main procurer of the said vaccine for the nation, the national government will take the lead to ensure that the necessary monitoring and proper allocation, through the DOH, is done across the country.

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DILG submits more than .5 million signatures, LGU resolutions in support of lifting the restrictive economic provisions

The DILG submitted to the House Committee on Constitutional Amendments some 555,610 signatures and LGU resolutions in support of lifting the restrictive economic provisions of the Constitution.

“The DILG conducted roadshows all over the country in 2019 and last year pre-COVID and we can definitely say that there is growing public support to reforms in the 1987 Constitution especially the lifting of restrictive economic provisions to encourage foreign capital flow and investments into the country,” said DILG Undersecretary and Spokesperson Jonathan Malaya.

“If not for COVID, we could have gathered more signatures but because the DILG turned

its attention to the pandemic, we migrated our signature campaign on-line and relied on our CSO-partners starting March of 2020,” he added. [Read more](#)

REGIONAL NEWS



DILG-3: Php1.1M awarded to former rebels thru ECLIP

DILG-3 awards twenty-three former rebels who surrendered in the Province of Aurora a total amount of Php 1.195 million financial assistance, ranging from P 15,000.00 to P65,000.00 under the Enhanced Comprehensive Local Integration Program (E-CLIP) of the DILG.

On December 29, 2020, Governor Gerardo A. Noveras, Atty. Ofelio A. Tactac, Jr., DILG Aurora Provincial Director, MAJ Sagersanti C. Estrada of the 91IB, 71D, PA, PCOL Raul C. Siriban, PNP Aurora and Ms. Abigaiel Paulino, OIC-PSWDO, led the E-CLIP awarding ceremony for the 23 former rebels at the Sangguniang Panlalawigan, Provincial Capitol Compound, Baler, Aurora.

Gov. Gerardo A. Noveras gave his words of gratitude and encouragement to the 23 former rebels who pledged their support to the Government. The governor stated, *"Maipapakita ninyo sa mga dati ninyong kasamahan maitataguyod na ninyo and inyong mga sarili sa pamamagitan ng inyong sariling mga kamay at pagod mula sa panimulang biyaya na bigay ng pamahalaan."*

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DILG Secretary Eduardo M. Año (third from left) and DILG Undersecretary Marjorie N. Jalosjos (second from right) among government officials present in the event.

DILG XII witnesses turnover of Cotabato City to the Bangsamoro Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao

The DILG-12 has witnessed the historic event of Cotabato City officially becoming a part of the Bangsamoro Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao during a turnover ceremony on December 15 at the Shariff Kabunsuan Cultural Center (SKCC).

The turnover was witnessed by DILG Secretary Eduardo M. Año, Defense Secretary Delfin Lorenzana, PNP Chief P/BGen Debold Sinas, USec. Marjorie N. Jalosjos, DILG undersecretary for Mindanao Affairs and Special Concerns, Usec. David Diciano, who represented Sec. Carlito Galvez and Finance Sec. Carlos Dominguez III was represented via Zoom app by Usec. Bayani Agabin.

DILG XII Regional Director Josephine Cabrido-Leysa, CESO III led the team from the regional office, with Assistant Regional Director Lailyn A. Ortiz, CESO V, CAO Dennis T.

Sucol, SAO Mary Anne R. Traspe, Cotabato Province PD Ali Abdullah, City Director Sarah L. Alamada, Legal Officer/ Chief of Staff Michelle Anne P. Viejo, Planning Officer Muhammad Farzieh Abutazil, among others. The necessary documents to be turned-over to the BARMM were earlier readied.

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NEWS FROM ATTACHED AGENCIES



BJMP conducts first Joint Nationwide Virtual Graduation

BJMP National Capital Region, thru the leadership of Jail Chief Superintendent Luisito C. Munoz, warmly congratulates the region's Jail Non-officer Ranks in finishing with flying colors during the First Nationwide Joint Virtual Graduation Ceremony of the Public Safety Senior Leadership Course (PSSLC) and Public Safety Junior Leadership Course (PSJLC).

The limited number of guests attended the event at the BJMP NCR Main Conference Room, Seneca Plaza, Quezon City.\

The BJMP extends also congratulates the friends and families of PSSLC Class 2020-02 Tagamarusay and PSJLC Class 2020-02 Sanbinhi.

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LGA holds virtual Capacity Development Awards 2020

The Local Government Academy (LGA) conducts Capacity Development Awards for Catalysts of Excellence 2020: The Exemplars in the Time of Pandemic during an online event to honor the performance of the DILG personnel in 2020.

LGA Exec. Dir. Vecina recognized the DILG personnel stating that, “*Ang mga istorya ninyo*

provided the substance, heart, and light to our teaching in the LGA. These are stories of inspiration that we hope to echo.”

The prestigious Bagwis ng Paglilingkod sa Bayan of 2020 was awarded to DILG Usec. For Peace and Order Bernardo Florece Jr. who represents all of the DILG personnel selflessly working and facing the challenges of 2020.

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PCW lauds LTO's move to address policies related to the use of maiden name

The Philippine Commission on Women lauds the action of the Land Transportation Office in addressing concerns in relation to women's use of maiden name in the processing of licenses.

In its Memorandum directed to its regional and field offices, the LTO recognized that there have been complaints about LTO field offices refusing to process applications for license if a married woman does not bear the husband's surname.

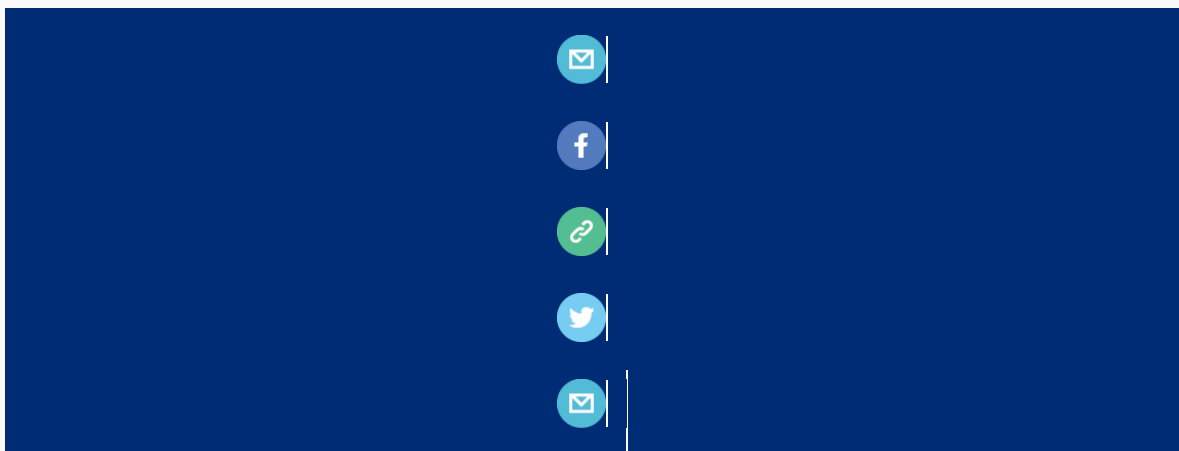
The issuance follows a series of correspondence and meetings between PCW and LTO, with

the former emphasizing what we have long reiterated: a married woman has an option, but not a duty, to use the surname of the husband.

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