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Body formed to implement drug test for city employees

BAGUIO CITY – Mayor Mauricio Domogan created a committee to implement the mandatory drug tests for officials and employees of the city government.

The mayor will chair the committee with city health officer Dr. Rowena Galpo as action officers.

Dept. of Interior and Local Government city director Evelyn Trinidad, the Baguio Anti-Drug Abuse Council (BADAC) co-chairman Vice Mayor Edison Bilog, city administrator Carlos Canilao, city legal officer Melchor Carlos Rabanes, city social welfare and development officer Betty Fangasan, acting city human resource management officer Edith Dawaten and LGU-Baguio Employees Association Inc. representative Charito Bueno were

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PNP-SAF Director PCSupt. Benjamin Lusad led the SAF troopers in paying the last respects to PO2 Tirso Mantalaba, a fellow Cordillera and SAF Trooper from La Trinidad, Benguet. Mantalaba died in action when a suspected drug personality, Anuddin Akiran Daharani resisted arrest during the conduct of the "Oplan Tokhang" at Sitio Bullo in Barangay Kaunayan in Patikul, Sulu on September 24.

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ang drug testing
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Untimely relief of Baguio cop chief slammed

BAGUIO CITY – Mauricio G. Domogan slammed the leadership of the Philippine National Police (PNP) in the Cordillera for the untimely relief of the City Director of the Baguio City Police Office (BCPO) without the appropriate courtesy and coordination with concerned local officials, saying that such system must already stop or else local governments will cut off their support to the PNP if they continue to be disregarded in such instances.

The local chief executive claimed the sudden relief of BCPO City Director Senior Superintendent George D. Daskeo without just cause and appropriate consultation with concerned local officials only shows how PNP officials belittle the authority of local executives who are mandated to appoint the local chief police.

“We demand respect from our senior police officers and consultations with local chief executives must first be done before they willfully relieving our police chief. If they do not accord us the respect, then PNP officials should already stop lobbying from local governments to allocate funds for the operational expenses of the local police force

and the PNP should already shoulder such expenses so that they can claim full authority over their officers,” Domogan stressed.

He pointed out he even went to the extent of requesting the PNP officials to defer the relief of the BCPO chief until such time that the national headquarters will submit to him the shortlist of five qualified senior officers from which the local screening committee will select the next BCPO chief.

According to him, Daskeo, who only served for three months as permanent BCPO chief, passed through the rigid screening process before he was voted by the members of the committee to assume the permanent position of City Director.

Domogan revealed the local government waited for two years before the shortlist of qualified senior officers was transmitted to him which only shows the deliberate acts of some senior police officials to delay the issuance and release of the shortlist that allow a police official to serve as BCPO officer-in-charge for nearly two years.

He said there is nothing wrong if the relieved BCPO official

will be promoted but the PNP must adhere to the process that an officer-in-charge should only serve a maximum of 30 days and it is the obligation of the PNP to submit to him the shortlist so that he could convene the screening committee for the selection of the next BCPO chief.

Domogan asserted the PNP must start shouldering the operational expenses of the police force so it can dictate who to assign in the different areas and local governments can use the funds they are proving as assistance to the local police force for other projects beneficial to the people.

Instead of treating local governments as their partners in peacekeeping efforts, Domogan said the PNP seems to be insensitive to the fact that people always blame local officials when the peace and order situation in their areas of jurisdiction is not good, thus, local governments are doing their best to help the PNP; however, if the PNP leadership does not recognize such fact, then it must start providing the needs of the police force and let local governments use their available funds for better and more impactful projects./By Dexter A. See

Senior citizens told to serve as advisers to youth

BAGUIO CITY – Mayor Mauricio G. Domogan challenged senior citizens in the city to serve as the advisers to the present and future generations of youth by

providing guidance that will deter them from vices that will compromise their future as responsible citizens not only of their communities but also of the city.

The local chief executive claimed senior citizens must instill discipline to their children and grandchildren to serve as model families in their communities and to prevent the youth from being influenced by their colleagues involved in dangerous vices that will put an end to their dreams and aspirations in life.

“Let us instill the proper dis-

BAGUIO CITY – The Cordillera office of the Environmental Management Bureau (EMB-CAR) disclosed the air quality within the vicinity of its ambient air monitoring system along Lower Session road remains good to fair from April to August this year.

In a letter to Mayor Mauricio G. Domogan, EMB-Car Regional Director Reynaldo S. Digamo said results of the weekly ambient air monitoring at the site show that the ambient air quality in their monitoring station is safe for the general public.

It will be recalled that

the EMB-CAR installed one of its ambient air monitoring stations along Lower Session road to monitor air quality on a weekly basis as it is one of the convergence areas of both vehicular and pedestrian traffic.

The last monitoring period was April 22 to August 31, 2016, which showed air quality in the city's central business district is from fair to good. The area's air quality in the area is fair during the dry months, especially during rush hours, but it improves to good during the rainy months when particulates are washed

down by the rains.

Under the standards of the EMB-CAR, good air quality refers to a reading of 0-54 micrograms per cubic meter while fair air quality falls within the range of 55-154 micrograms per cubic meter. Air quality that falls within the 155-254 micrograms per cubic meter is considered unhealthy for sensitive groups while the very unhealthy air quality refers to the reading that falls within 255-354 micrograms per cubic meter.

On the other hand, the air quality that falls in the

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cipline to our children and let us allow our own neighbors to emulate how we bring up our children to serve as models. Let us be aggressive in serving as advisers to the youth and properly guide them to a good life,” Domogan stressed.

He is concerned about the increasing number of youth using illegal drugs and in various vices that significantly affect their lives, thus, senior citizens are needed now to intervene to spare the youth from vices that compromise their future.

According to him, the experiences of senior citizens are best examples from where the youth can reflect and learn from, thus, the need for greater interaction between senior citizens and the younger ones in their homes and in their barangays.

Domogan claimed the contribution of the senior citizens in molding today's youth as responsible citizens through their actual successful and failed experiences is crucial in showing the younger ones the lessons to learn to chart their own destiny.

While the senior

citizens are still with their families, he urged them to continuously advise the children and youth ways of overcoming difficulties in life that will allow them to confront the challenges they will meet on their way success.

He urged senior citizens to assert their authority over the youth to teach them the right way to a successful life and be a successful professional.

He said it is important for the elders to share with the youth how they actually hurdled obstacles

they faced in life amidst the absence of the latest information and communication technology without sacrificing the right values in life.

While it is true that the way of life today is much different than before because of the availability of state-of-the-art units of equipment, he claimed equipping the youth with the proper values and attitude will definitely help them become responsible and dedicated citizens of the city./By Dexter A. See



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Abandoned vehicles to be sold to junk shops

BAGUIO CITY – Mayor Mauricio G. Domogan said abandoned vehicles that cause obstructions along national and local roads around the city will be sold by the local government to junk shops once owners will defy the request of the anti-road

obstruction task force for them to remove their vehicles along roadlines citywide.

The local chief executive said members of the anti-road obstruction task force will provide the owners of abandoned vehicles the appropriate notice to remove their

vehicles that are obstructing roads before taking the necessary action to sell the said junk vehicles.

"We will still be considerate to the owners of the abandoned vehicles because we will issue them the appropriate notices for them to remove their junk vehicles

within a 15-day period as part of due process. If the vehicle owners continue to defy the issued notices, it will be the turn of the anti-road obstruction task force to tow the vehicles to the junk shops because the local government does not have the luxury of space to accommodate

the huge volume of junk vehicles along roads in the different parts of the city," Domogan stressed.

He reiterated the previous appeal of local officials to motor vehicle owners not to park their vehicles on the sides of the road which contribute to the constriction of roads

resulting to tremendous traffic congestions even in the city's barangays.

According to him, the city government will invoke its authority over road-right-of-ways around the city and clear the same from obstructions to allow the smooth

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Barangay merger gets more push

BAGUIO CITY – The renewed call for the merger of barangays in the city received more boost as Association of Barangay Councils (ABC) president Councilor Michael Lawana identified the scheme as one of the league's priorities with the year-long postponement of the barangay elections.

Lawana, in his report during the flag-raising rites last Monday said they will take advantage of the one-year extension in the rule of incumbent barangay officials to drum up awareness to the merger plan along with its advantages and disadvantages to finally muster the needed support to the long overdue scheme.

"It is timely that we were granted a one-year extension and we hope that within that period, we can conduct an IEC (information-education campaign) to our constituents on the merger," Lawana said.

He said that under the scheme, the city will reduce the number of barangays from 128 to just 40-60 by merging adjoining ones.

Mayor Mauricio Domogan agreed that the resetting of the barangay polls will buy time to prepare the merger scheme and implement it come election time in October, 2017.

He said it is high time to consider the scheme to address problems on the financial and administrative stature of some barangays which fall short based on the criteria and requirements under the Local Government Code of 1991.

The mayor said that based on the criteria, many barangays in the city are not qualified to exist as such as they do not satisfy the requirements on area and population, among others.

The merger was first proposed in 2003 but only reached the level of holding consultations.

In 2007, the matter again surfaced but again failed to materialize.

Pro-merger advocates then said the merger would lead to the professionalization of the service and standardization of salaries of barangay heads and councils which will redound to benefits for the constituents. The reduced number of barangays would also make it easier to manage on the part of the city government apart from the fact that it would in effect help the city comply with the requirements of the Local Government Code on the set up of the barangays.

On the other hand, those opposed to the idea cited concerns on the chances of smaller barangays to get a seat

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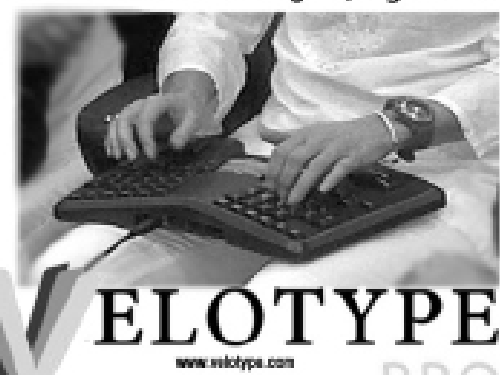
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Filipinos 'satisfied' with Duterte drug war but want suspects to live – SWS

The survey also finds that 83% of respondents don't think police are targeting only one economic class in their anti-drug operations

MANILA, Philippines – President Rodrigo Duterte's anti-illegal drugs campaign is popular among most Filipinos, a new Social Weather Stations survey shows. But a majority of Filipinos think drug suspects should be given the chance to live, the results also showed.

The survey, first published on BusinessWorld on Friday, October 7, showed that Duterte's drug war garnered an "excellent" net satisfaction rating with a score of +76.

The survey was conducted through face-to-face interviews with 1,200 adults nationwide from September 24 to 27, 2016. Its results were released on Duterte's 100th day as President.

Respondents were asked the question: Maaari po bang pakisabi ninyo kung gaano kayo nasisiyahan o hindi nasisiyahan sa kasalukuyang kampanya ng gobyerno laban sa illegal na droga. Kayo ba ay... (SHOWCARD)? [LUBOS NA NASISIYAHAN, MEDYO NASISIYAHAN, HINDI TIYAK KUNG NASISIYAHAN O HINDI, MEDYO HINDI NASISIYAHAN, o LUBOS NA HINDI NASISIYAHAN]

(Please tell me how satisfied or dissatisfied you are with the performance of government in its campaign against illegal drugs. Are you... (SHOWCARD)? [Very satisfied, Somewhat satisfied, Undecided if satisfied or not, Somewhat dissatisfied, Very dissatisfied])

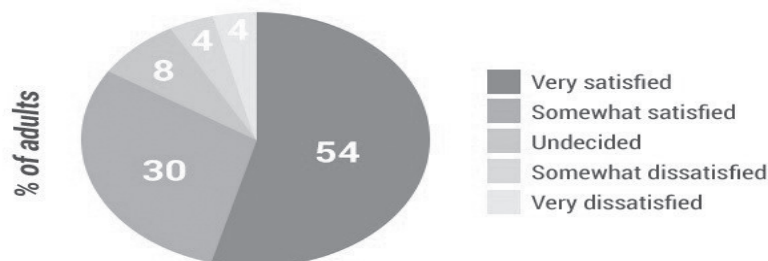
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Of the respondents, 54% said they were "very satisfied" and 30% said they were "somewhat satisfied."

Those who said they were "very dissatisfied" or "somewhat dissatisfied" were each 4% of the total. Only 8% said they were undecided.

The "excellent" rating was obtained by subtracting the percentage of dissatisfied respondents from those satisfied.

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Q148. Maaari po bang pakisabi ninyo kung gaano kayo nasisiyahan o hindi nasisiyahan sa kasalukuyang kampanya ng gobyerno laban sa illegal na droga. Kayo ba ay... LUBOS NA NASISIYAHAN, MEDYO NASISIYAHAN, HINDI TIYAK KUNG NASISIYAHAN O HINDI, MEDYO HINDI NASISIYAHAN, o LUBOS NA HINDI NASISIYAHAN?

Source: SWS Third Quarter Social Weather Report
Sept 24-27, 2016 National Survey

'Drug suspects should live'

Despite the strong support for the administration's anti-illegal drugs campaign, 71%, or a majority of respondents, said they find it "very important" that drug suspects be arrested alive by police personnel.

Only 2% said this was "not at all important."

Respondents were asked: Sa pagtupad ng kapulisan ng kanilang tungkulin sa kampanya laban sa illegal na droga, sa inyong palagay, gaano ka-importante na mahuli nila nang buhay ang mga taong pinaghihinalaang di-umano'y kasabwat sa bentahan ng illegal na droga? Ito po ba ay... (SHOWCARD)? [TALAGANG IMPORTANTE, MEDYO IMPORTANTE, MEDYO HINDI IMPORTANTE, TALAGANG HINDI IMPORTANTE]

(In the police's fulfillment of their duty in the campaign against illegal drugs, in your opinion, how important is it that they arrest suspects allegedly involved in the illegal drug trade alive? Is it... (SHOWCARD)? [Very important, Somewhat important, Somewhat not important, Not at all important])

This figure comes after local and international criticism for extrajudicial killings that have been linked to the drug war. Police data say that over half of the roughly 3,600 deaths linked to the drug war are extrajudicial killings. The rest are deaths of suspects in legitimate police operations. Police claim that these deaths happened because the suspects "fought back."

While around 1,400 drug personalities were killed in police operations (as of October 6), around 23,000 drug personalities were arrested alive.

Duterte has vehemently denied his administration's involvement in these unlawful killings. He claims these were the

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KAKAMPI MO ANG BATAS

"Drug lord gave De Lima P1.5 M"



BY: ATTY. BATAS MAURICIO

LIFE'S INSPIRATIONS: "... Seek the LORD while he may be found; call on him while he is near. Let the wicked forsake their ways and the unrighteous their thoughts..." (Isaiah 55:6-7, the Holy Bible).

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BREAKING NEWS: "DRUG LORD GAVE DE LIMA P1.5 M": One witness in the on-going investigation of the House of Representatives on the trading of drugs at the national penitentiary in Muntinlupa City did not mince words when he charged, on Thursday, October 06, 2016, that then Justice Secretary Leila de Lima received money from him, on orders of a drug lord known as Jeffrey Diaz, or Jaguar.

The sum was allegedly P1.5 million. This is to be denied again? Yes, it will be denied again, but, certainly, the testimony of the witness who is detained in Muntinlupa City, former PO3 Engelberto Durano, could suffice as the kind of evidence that could be sufficient to charge the lady lawmaker in court with a non-bailable crime.

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ROBREDO DENIGRATING DUTERTE: Vice President Leni Robredo, with due respect, should be more circumspect in making statements that tend to insult President Duterte, especially on matters of official government policies. Duterte, after all, remains to be the boss of everyone in government, including her, who is actually irrelevant while Duterte is there.

Many are of the view that what Leni said on Wednesday, October 05, 2016, as a reaction to Duterte's statements against the US, the European Union, and some world leaders, had the effect of

denigrating Duterte, simply because her call for all government officials to think first before saying anything implied that Duterte had not been thinking first before proceeding with his outbursts.

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ROBREDO MUST SHOW GRATITUDE TO DUTERTE: Even if Leni really believed deep inside her that Duterte is not in the habit of thinking first before talking, prudence dictates that she should keep her beliefs to herself, especially if they disparage the man that agreed to give her a position in the Cabinet even if she belonged to a rabidly anti-Duterte political party, and even if she said she wanted no one to be president except her own candidate in the last elections.

At the very least, Leni should endeavor to show her gratitude to Duterte at all times that she is in his Cabinet. Otherwise, if she thinks she cannot really stomach anymore Duterte's style of expressing himself, she must resign her position first. Then and only then can she hit him, even in wild abandon, and no one will question her.

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DIVISION IN DUTERTE GOV'T SURFACES: On the other hand, Defense Secretary Delfin Lorenzana let out a mouthful also last Wednesday when he claimed that Duterte, his boss, might have been fed with wrong information about the state of the Philippines' joint military exercises and defense agreements with the United States.

Whether Lorenzana was aware of it or not, his statement threw wide open the schism or division in the Duterte government between those who support the US and those

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MAGKASANGGA TAYO

- *Senador na Cocaine user?!*
- *'Di kailangan ng Pinas ng AID mula sa US/UN/EU!!!*



BY: NESTOR "PAKEN" CASTRO

Senador/a na Cocaine user - Isang napakatinding info ang pinasabog ni Vice Mayor Paolo Du30 na may isang senador o senadora na cocaine user o addict daw. Ngayon, dapat rin na pangalanan ni VM Du30 kung sino ang Senador o Senadora na ito sapagkat kung hindi niya ito ibubunyag ay magiging unfair sa mga senador na inosente at hindi gumagamit ng cocaine. Kaya ang panawagan ko kay Senate President Pimentel ay huwag babakla-bakla at siguraduhin na pangalan ni VM Du30 kung sino ang senador o senadora na yuon.

Sa aking analysis, ang suspetsa ko na posibleng mga user ay ang mga sumusunod SEN. ZUBIRI, SEN. GATCHALIAN, SEN. SOTTO, wala naman po akong info o ano mang basehan kung hindi ito ay suspetsa, hinala, at palagay ko lang na ang isa sa tatlong pangalan na aking nabanggit ang siyang cocaine user. Tama kaya ako? Ma-tsambahan ko kaya ang hula-hula ko? Kayo mga dear readers, sino ang sa palagay ninyo???

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Hindi kailangan ng Pinas ng AID mula sa US/UN/EU- Yan ang aking Pangulo, nung kanyang sinabi ng diretsahan na hindi natin kailangan ng AID mula sa USA, sa UN at sa EU. Hep Hep Hooray! Hep Hep Horay!!! At kanya pang sabi na we will survive. Yehey, yan ang tama Mr. President, you are trying to instill national pride and patriotism. Sinigundahan pa ni Commissioner on Anti Poverty na si Liza Masa na "oo" at hindi natin kailanagn ng AID sapagkat maraming mga programa ang gobyerno para sa anti poverty. Clap! Clap! Clap! Samakatwid ay hindi natin kailangan ng tulong pinansiyal, etc mula sa mga ibang bansa.

Teka, sandali, kung ang AID ba ay galing sa China o sa Russia ay atin itong tatanggapin? Nagtatanong lang po sa aking mga kapwa-Dutertards, na katulad ninyo at katulad ko rin ay mga certified Dutertards tayong lahat. Hi! Hi! Hi! Eh kung tutuusin nga ay mas malaki pa ang minimum wage sa Pinas kaysa sa America, hindi po ba sapagkat ang minimum wage sa US ay \$7/per hour or \$56/per 8 hours /day, eh sa atin ay P450 per day sa Metro Manila ang minimum wage. O, di malinaw na mas malaki ang minimum wage natin, kitang kita naman ninyo 450 komparado sa 56. Isang patunay lamang yan na ang ating ekonomiya ay siyang maganda at matibay. Hi! Hi! Hi!

Katunayan nga ay nabasa ko sa FB mula sa isang netizen Dutertard na kanyang sinabi na maganda itong tumataas ang palitan ng piso sa dolyar sapagkat patunay raw yan na gumaganda ang ekonomiya sapagkat ang mga padala ng mga OFW sa kanilang pamilya ay magkakaroon ng maganda at mas mataas na palitan ng piso kaya lalago daw ang ekonomiya. YES! Yan ang mga analohiya ng mga kapwa dutertards ko! Kaya dapat siguro ay ang maging palitan ng dolyar sa piso ay maging \$1 = P70! Anong say ninyo mga ka-dutertards, oks na oks kapag ganito ang palitan ng dolyar ano??? Very Good! Very Good! Very Nice! Very Nice! Hi Hi Hi.

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BY: LEONARDO R. AGUNOY

NATAN-OK a gagem ti namagbalin iti maysa a tao a kas mannursuro. Ti kinamannursuro ti maibilang a katatan-okan a profession. No maminsan, saan nga awagan iti profession, ngem, ketdi, awagan iti vocation. Saan nga umdas dagiti balikas a mangiladawan iti saan a magatgatadan a sakripisio ni mannursuro a mangiyallatiw ti di magatgatadan a tinukel ti adal nga agpaay kadagiti adalan. Nadagsen nga akem ti mannursuro ti naipabaklay iti abagana a pagrebbengan. Ngem, saan a dagita ti lappedna tapno ituloyna nga ipatungpal a sipupuso, sipipinget ken siregta iti pagrebbenganna kadagiti adalan uray nalablabes pay ngem iti ninamnama nga ipatungpalna a pagsayaatan.

Babaen iti a pannangisuro ni mannursuro kadagiti umno nga aramid ken adal a nasken nga umagsep iti panunot dagiti adalan (student/pupil), aramaten ni mannursuro iti umno a balikas a mangiladawan/mangipaawat kadagiti wagas/panglakagan nga aramiden dagiti adalan.

Ti aglawlaw ken linguahe, dagitoy ti agkaasmang/agdanggay a banag nga impaay ti Namarsua.

Ti nakaparsuaan (rumiet a kabakiran), a pakasapulan kadagiti taraon, nabiag nga ubbog, dagitoy ti mangipapaay ti kasapulan ti tao iti aginaldaw. Ilawlawag ni mannursuro kadagiti adalanna no aniada ti akem ti nakaparsuaan iti masakbayan a biag ti taonken amin a nabiag no saluadan ti aglawlaw. Iladawan pay ni mannursuro ti makapaaliaw a ladawan ti aglawlaw no baybay-an a madadael wenno iranta a dadaelen pay ketdi ti tao iti nadumaduma a makaigapu a mabalin a pakairanudanda, ngem, iti laeng agdama; saanen iti masakbayan.

Ti linguahe, gamigam ni mannursuro a maiyalatiw kadagiti adalan. Ilawlawag ni mannursuro no apay a nasken nga ipateg/saluadan ti aglawlaw. Isuro ni mannursuro kadagiti adalan no ania ti masasao a balanse a relasionda iti aglawlaw (give and take relationship). Kas koma dagiti mabasbasa kadagiti bulletin board a kunana: PROTECT OUR TREES TODAY FOR TOMORROW THEY WILL PROTECT YOU (US). Ilawlawag ni mannursuro babaen iti mainugot a pannangiladawan no apay a saluadan dagiti kayo iti agdama. Kas maawatan iti ngato, dagiti kayo ti mangsaluad kadagiti umili wenno amin a nabiag iti kanito a sumangbay ti didigra. Nalaka nga ilawlawag ni mannursuro no ania dagiti mabalin nga ibungana no agtululoy a dangran dagiti tao dagiti muyong iti aglawlaw. Kas koma dagiti mapaspasamak no sumangbay dagiti bagyo ken kasta met ti tikag. Iyadal/ilawlawag ni mannursuro kadagiti adalanna ti agpada a kinapateg ti naruaay a muyong iti aglawlaw iti man panawen ti panagtutudo wenno iti tikag. Makapaaliaw ti mapaspasamak ken mapaspasaranen ti dakes nga apektana ti masasao a climate change. Adda laeng sumangbay a napipigsa a tudo, nakaal-alisto a malayus dagiti nababan a lugar agsipud ta nawadan dagiti kabakiran. Bassiten dagiti muyong iti aglawlaw a manglapped ti adu a danum a napardas nga agkaruskos kadagiti nababa a disso. Isuro ni mannursuro no ania ti umno nga aramiden dagiti adalan wenno dagiti lumugar tapno malappedan iti panagreggaay ti daga.

Heal our land, don't delay, plant a tree today. Ilawlawag ni mannursuro iti nalaka a maawatan babaen iti linguahe ti umno nga aramiden dagiti adalan tapno makatulogda met iti pannakasaluad ti aglawlaw.

Exampleisleadership. Daytoy a sinao ni Dr. Albert Schweitzer ti bagnos ni mannursuro tapno ipakitana babaen iti aramid no kasano nga imula ti kayo ken

BWD commissions 2 deep wells

BAGUIO CITY – The Baguio Water District (BWD) recently commissioned the operation of two deep wells to help augment and ensure the stability of water supply within the areas of operation.

In his letter to Mayor Mauricio G. Domogan, BWD General Manager Engr. Salvador M. Royeca expressed the water district's gratitude to the local government for having approved the pertinent permits for their well-drilling projects within the Lucban Elementary School and at the T. Alonzo barangay.

Royeca said the well-drilling project at the Lucban Elementary School was completed several months ago and yields 140 gallons per minute and currently augmenting the water supply of barangays Happy Homes, Old Lucban, parts of Camdas, Trancoville, Magsaysay, and Dizon subdivision.

On the other hand, the BWD official added its well-drilling project at T. Alonzo barangay fronting the City Health Services Office was completed just over two months ago with a yield of 317 gallons per minute.

The output of the deep well shall augment the water supply of T. Alonzo, New Lucban, Rimando Road, Magsaysay, Honeymoon and parts of Bonifacio St.

Royeca explained the operation of the two deep wells will definitely ease the burden of other neighboring deep wells previously providing water supply to the above-mentioned barangays.

The additional water source will help beef up the program of the water district to locate additional water sources that could be commissioned to address the water requirements of the rapidly increasing population.

For his part, Domogan extended his greetings to the BWD for its sustained efforts in locating more sources of potable water to augment the city's water supply.

He added the local government remains committed to supporting the efforts of the water district to develop additional sources of water to provide a regular supply of potable water to the residential and commercial consumers.

According to him, the deep wells in the different parts of the city will serve as part of the short-, medium and long-term solutions for the water district while pursuing its long overdue plan of a bulk water supply

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saluadan dagitoy a mula tapno tumanor nga agpaayto a pagsalinongan iti masakbayan.

Ti adal nga ipaagsep ni mannursuro kadagiti adalanna, ket, dagitoy ti maregmeg ti balitok a saan a magatadan no saluadan, ipateg, tawiden ken aramaten a pagsayaatan ti sapsap.

Ni mannursuro, asideg kenkuana ti panagballigina a mangiyallatiw iti nasayaat nga aw-awid ken aramid ken adalan no la ketdi ipapusoda dagitoy nga aramiden/ipatungpal ti naadalda.

Saan a matukod ti aglaplapanan a ragsak iti lansad ti barukong ni mannursuro inton maimatangannan ti narnuoyan a nagballigi nga adalanna a dimngeg ken nangaramid kadagiti inyad-adalna idi kadakuada.

Kunanto met dagiti adalan ken ni mannursurona idi: "Gapu iti saan a magatgatadan iti kinapategna ti adal nga impaagsepyo kadakami idi, ma'am, sir, adtoy, addakami met ita iti yuyeng ti balligi. Ngem, dayta a balligi, nangrugi kadakayo..."

Sumpilot no kua ti tarumpingay iti puso ni mannursuro. Tarumpingay iti biang ti ragsak gapu ta ti naruaay a sakripisio ni mararaem a mannursuro, nagbunga, nagballigi bayat nga imatpatungpalna ti katatan-okan nga akemna iti gimong a nangtubay kadagiti nagtulnog nga adalan a nagtawid iti di magatgatadan a pannursuro ni natan-ok a mannursuro...#

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Cordillera Administrative Region
2600, Baguio City

CRISANTO FRONDA - Vendor
RONNIE PABUNAN - Vendee
Applicant/s
Case No.
2013-CAR-483

NOTICE OF HEARING

This is an application for the Sale and Transfer of a Certificate of Public Convenience to operate PUJ Service for the transportation of passengers and freight on the line: BAGUIO PLAZA - PHILEX MINES and Vice Versa with the use of one (1) unit.

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WITNESS, the Honorable ATTY. JOSE EDUARDO L. NATIVIDAD, Regional Director, this ___ day of ____, 2016.

GREGORIO R. RETUTA, JR.
Hearing Officer

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Baguio City

GREGORIO & IRENE BARCENA
Applicant/s
CASE No. 2005-BENG-CAR-1057
NOTICE OF HEARING

This is an application for Extension of Validity of a Certificate of Public Convenience to operate a PUJ Service for the transportation of passengers and freight on the line: BANGUED - MANABO and Vice Versa with the use of one (1) unit.

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PETER S. POOTEN SR. - Vendor
BRYANT D. BUGTONG - Vendee
Applicant/s
Case No.
2002-BC-556

NOTICE OF HEARING

This is an application for the Sale and Transfer of a Certificate of Public Convenience to operate PUJ Service for the transportation of passengers and freight on the line: BAGUIO PLAZA - ROSARIO via KENNON ROAD and Vice Versa with the use of one (1) unit.

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MARY CAROLYN CALIWAY - Vendor
JEFFREY ABALOS - Vendee
Applicant/s
Case No.
2012-CAR-784

NOTICE OF HEARING

This is an application for the Sale and Transfer of a Certificate of Public Convenience to operate PUJ Service for the transportation of passengers and freight on the line: BAGUIO PLAZA - TRANCOVILLE and Vice Versa with the use of one (1) unit.

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VICTOR NAVARRO - Vendor
SOTERO CALICA JR. - Vendee
Applicant/s
Case No.
97-BC-500

NOTICE OF HEARING

This is an application for the Sale and Transfer of a Certificate of Public Convenience to operate PUJ Service for the transportation of passengers and freight on the line: BAGUIO PLAZA - TRANCOVILLE and Vice Versa with the use of one (1) unit.

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MARIO AMBACAN - Vendor
ANTONIO O. TID-ONG JR. - Vendee
Applicant/s
Case No.
2011-CAR-520

NOTICE OF HEARING

This is an application for the Sale and Transfer of a Certificate of Public Convenience to operate PUJ Service for the transportation of passengers and freight on the line: BAGUIO PLAZA TO ANY POINT IN CAR and Vice Versa with the use of one (1) unit.

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JHOANNA L. PORTE - Vendor
JUAN M. CAMPOS - Vendee
Applicant/s
Case No.
2016-CAR-683

NOTICE OF HEARING

This is an application for the Sale and Transfer of a Certificate of Public Convenience to operate PUJ Service for the transportation of passengers and freight on the line: BAGUIO PLAZA - TRANCOVILLE and Vice Versa with the use of one (1) unit.

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Hearing Officer

EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE WITH SIMULTANEOUS DEED OF SALE OF MOTOR VEHICLE WITH FRANCHISE

Notice is hereby given that an Extrajudicial Settlement of Estate with Simultaneous Deed of Sale of Motor Vehicle with Franchise was entered into and executed by the surviving legal heirs of the late ORLANDO P. IBASCO who died intestate on January 18, 2015 at Baguio City. The Extrajudicial Settlement of Estate with Simultaneous Deed of Sale of Motor Vehicle with Franchise was done on September 17, 2016 before Atty. Isagani Z. Mamaril and entered into his Notarial Registry as Doc No. 347; Page No. 70; Book No. XII; Series of 2016.

October 1, 8 and 15, 2016

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flow of traffic even along barangay roads so that motor vehicle owners will be compelled to look for parking areas that will not contribute to obstructions in the city.

Domogan reiterated his call on barangay officials to already identify vacant spaces in their respective areas of jurisdiction which could be used by their constituents as common parking spaces for their vehicles.

The city's anti-road obstruction task force, which is composed of representatives from various government agencies, is expected to conduct a citywide clean-up of the obstructions along national, city and barangay roads to help in efforts to rid the streets of obstructions that contribute to the worsening traffic jams around the city.

Domogan revealed the local government will coordinate with concerned government agencies for

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named members of the committee.

In his Administrative Order No. 117, the mayor tasked the committee to determine the methods or strategies for the implementation of the mandatory drug test for the officials and employees as well as the procedures to take when intervention is needed along with the available services for treatment and rehabilitation.

The committee will also take charge of conducting training programs and activities to increase awareness on the harmful effects of drugs and to encourage the officials and employees to embrace healthy lifestyles while at work and at home.

The mayor directed the action officer to immediately convene the body.

The mayor said this is in support of the anti-drug campaign of President Rodrigo Duterte and in compliance with Republic Act No. 9165 or the Comprehensive Dangerous Drugs Act of 2002, the DDB and Civil Service Commission (CSC) memorandum circular prescribing the guidelines for a drug-free workplace in the bureaucracy./Aileen P. Refuerzo

the deputation of barangay officials in the city's 128 barangays for them to be empowered to remove the license plates of vehicles that are pinpointed to be the causes of obstructions and compel the owners to pay the fine before they can claim their confiscated license plates.

He appealed to local residents and visitors to cooperate with the anti-obstruction task force to help ease the burden of people who encounter daily traffic congestions that result in their being late in their work, classes and appointments due to tremendous traffic jams being triggered by obstructions./By Dexter A. See

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the intestate estate of JAIME WALDO DOMINGUEZ, SR. who died in Buguias, Benguet on June 12, 2016 was extrajudicially settled by the heirs on September 21, 2016 as evidenced by Doc. No. 52; Page No. 12; Book No. V; Series of 2016 of the Notary Public Vicente Jose M. Angeles.

Sept. 24, Oct. 1 and 8, 2016

Baguio air quality...

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reading of 355-424 micrograms per cubic meter is considered to be accurately unhealthy while the air quality is considered to be in an emergency situation when the reading of the ambient air quality monitoring station reaches 425-504 micrograms per cubic meter.

City Environment and Parks Management Officer Cordelia Lacsamana said the latest EMB-CAR report on the ambient air quality within the central business district reflects the gains in the efforts of the local government to further improve air quality.

She underscored the results of the ambient air quality monitoring in the area does not represent the air quality in less populated areas in the city which are usually better than the prevailing air quality along Lower Session road.

It was learned that other areas in the city with established ambient air quality monitoring stations such as those in Burnham Park, the EMB-CAR Compound, Camp John Hay (CJH), among other areas, have always recorded good air quality during the dry and rainy months which indicate that the overall air quality in the city remains breathable.

The EMB-CAR Ambient Air Monitoring and Technical Services Section is now in charge of monitoring the air quality not only in the city but also within the Baguio-La Trinidad-Itogon-Sablan-Tuba-Tublay (BLISTT) area./By Dexter A. See

Relatives of beggars told to help in anti-mendicancy campaign

BAGUIO CITY – The City Government wants the relatives of beggars in various parks and those roaming around the city to help in the city's anti-mendicancy campaign by talking to them to stop their activities that has put the country's undisputed Summer Capital in a bad light through the years.

Mayor Mauricio G. Domogan said family members and relatives of the mendicants play a key role in significantly reducing the proliferation of beggars around the city by simply convincing them to already stop their begging activities because it is their family's reputation that will be tainted once they continue to tolerate such activities of their family members.

"We discourage begging in our parks, especially those using our indigenous attire to justify their begging activities, because it puts us in a bad light. We do not want our visitors to have a different perception about the Cordillerans that is why the family members and relatives of the beggars should do their part in convincing the beggars to already shift to a better source of income," Domogan stressed.

He admitted begging has been a lucrative source of income among some of the Cordillerans who found it as the easiest way of earning income for their families through the years.

According to him, some individuals who were engaged in begging around the city were able to build houses for their families, established their own businesses among others that is why some of their colleagues are being lured to beg for them to be able to improve their living condition.

He explained the City Social Welfare and Development Office had been its part in rounding up beggars who had been begging around the city and were able to turn them over to their families but they keep going back to their lucrative activity of begging around the city.

He claimed the existence of beggars who use the attire of the different tribes in the Cordillera and have their pictures taken in exchange for a certain amount of money from visitors reportedly result to the degradation of the culture of Cordillerans that is why as much as possible, begging activities and picture taking being undertaken with Cordillerans wearing their native attire

Barangay merger...

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in the barangay councils and to get a share from the budgets should the merger be pursued. They also aired concern on the bigger responsibility that the merger would entail on the barangay officials.

Domogan rued the "parochial" grounds for objection but offered a solution to the issue of representation to Lawana for consideration in the ordinance to be proposed for the purpose.

He said barangays merged should be divided into puroks and each purok will have a representation in the barangay council as kagawads.

"That way, all puroks will be represented and only the barangay captain will be elected at large," he said.
/Aileen P. Refuerzo

KAKAMPI MO...

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who want to terminate the US-Philippine relations, and bring our country in an alliance with Russia and China, both communist countries.

Indeed, who could have fed the President with wrong information, as Lorenzana claimed, on US-Philippine relations other than those who are close to the President and who are known to be the local allies of the communists from Russia and China? The defense secretary's outburst had the effect of blaming these local allies over Duterte's belligerence with the US and the European Union? The question is, where is this headed for?

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that will guarantee daily supply of potable water for the growing number of consumers in the city including expanding its services to the city's 128 barangays.

He added there were several companies that signified their interest to implement the ambitious bulk water project of the water district with available sources outside the city but the district has yet to decide whether or not to pursue the project.

One of the conditions imposed by the BWD for interested partners to implement the bulk water project is for the sourcing out of water outside the city, including the social acceptability of the areas where the said water will be sourced./By Dexter A. See

should already stop to prevent the culture of the Igorots from being commercialized that might send a wrong signal to visitors coming to the city.

He called on various sectors in the city not to give any favour or amount to the beggars to help discourage them from continuing with begging as their source of income for their families.

Domogan said with the upcoming celebration of the Yuletide season, beggars are expected to flock to the city to pursue their begging activities because of the expected influx of visitors wanting to spend a well-deserved break in the city to enjoy its cool and romantic weather, pine-scented air and scenic tourist, thus, concerned government agencies as well as law enforcers must be vigilant to apprehend them and bring them back to their places of origin so that they will not be coming back to the city to beg./By Dexter A. See

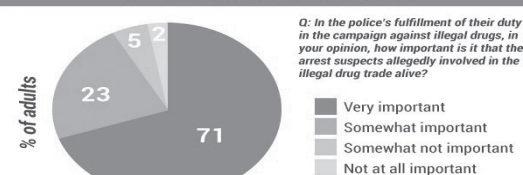
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work of criminal syndicates "purging" their ranks out of fear that law enforcers will obtain more information about their operations.

The President has even invited concerned foreign bodies like the United Nations to investigate the killings.

IMPORTANCE OF KEEPING ILLEGAL DRUG TRAFFIC SUSPECTS ALIVE - SEPT 2016



Q151. Sa pagtupad ng kapulisan ng kanilang tungkulin sa kampanya laban sa ilegal na droga, sa inyong palagay, gaano ka-importante na mahuli nila nang buhay ng mga taong pinaghihinalaang di umano'y kasabwat sa bentahan ng ilegal na droga? Ito po ba ay (show card) [ITALAGANG IMPORTANTE, MEDYO IMPORTANTE, MEDYO HINDI IMPORTANTE, TALAGANG HINDI IMPORTANTE]

Source: SWS Third Quarter Social Weather Report Sept 24-27, 2016 National Survey

'No class discrimination'

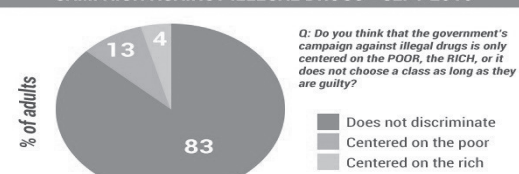
The SWS survey also found that 83%, or a majority of respondents, don't think there is class discrimination in the administration's anti-drugs campaign.

Previously, the police were criticized for targeting only poor suspects and not cracking down on wealthier suspects.

But only 13% believed the drug war was focused on the poor while only 4% believed it was focused on the rich.

Respondents were asked this question: Sa inyo pong palagay, ang kampanya po ba ng gobyerno laban sa ilegal na droga ay naka-sentro lamang sa mga MAHIHIRAP, MAYAYAMAN, o WALANG PINIPILING ANTAS hanggang sila ay may sala? (ONE ANSWER ONLY) [MAHIHIRAP, MAYAYAMAN, WALANG PINIPILING ANTAS]

PERCEIVED CLASS DISCRIMINATION OF THE GOVERNMENT'S CAMPAIGN AGAINST ILLEGAL DRUGS - SEPT 2016



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Source: SWS Third Quarter Social Weather Report Sept 24-27, 2016 National Survey

(Do you think that the government's campaign against illegal drugs is only centered on the POOR, the RICH, or it does not choose a class as long as they are guilty? (ONE ANSWER ONLY) [Poor, Rich, Does not choose a class])

Duterte's promise to suppress crime and drugs in 3 to 6 months has been a centerpiece program of his administration since day 1 of his presidency.

But if he were to grade his drug war, he would give it a score of 5 out of 10, as he admitted in mid-September.

He has asked for a 6-month extension to his self-imposed deadline.

Duterte's drug war has consisted of aggressive police raids of drug dens and shabu laboratories, knock-and-plead operations in private households, Duterte's public announcement of government officials with alleged drug links, and calls for the surrender of drug addicts nationwide.

As of October 6, over 730,000 drug addicts and pushers have surrendered to authorities.

Malacañang welcomed the survey results. Communications Secretary Martin Andanar said in a statement that it "validates [Duterte's] landslide victory in the May elections based on his campaign pledge to eliminate the drug menace."

He maintained that the Duterte government "does not condone summary execution or extrajudicial killing of drug suspects" and that the police are "investigating all cases of extrajudicial killings and will prosecute the perpetrators to the full extent of the law." /Pia Ranada Rappler.com



BARANGAY UPDATES - Liga Ng mga Barangay president and City Councilor Michael Lawana reports on the accomplishments of his office and the upcoming activities in the celebration of Barangay Day which will be capped with a program at Ibaloy Park in Burnham Park on October 10./By Bong Cayabyab

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watershed cradle of Northern Luzon.

At the same time, the NCIP-CAR will be spearheading a series of for a on regional autonomy and federalism for the youth and students in the different colleges and universities regionwide from October 1-31, 2016 while a separate forum on regional autonomy and federalism for elders will be held on October 28-29, 2016 in a venue that will be announced later.

According to the NCIP-CAR official, there will be a book launching on October 30, 2016 wherein the venue will still be ascertained.

The Igorota Foun-

dation will be hosting an event entitled 'the Cordillera Perspective on Development and Violence Against Women and Children on October 28-29, 2016.

The month-long event will be capped by the conduct of the Gong Festival and Indigenous Peoples Rights Act (IPRA) Day on October 30, 2016 at the Baguio Convention Center wherein participants from the different tribes in the region will converge to showcase their respective culture and traditions through the playing of the gongs.

Calde said the Gong Festival will serve as a

venue for both the elders and the youth to interact in the showcasing of their respective culture and traditions as well as allow the youth to be able to acquire the skills on how to value the traditions that were passed on to them by their ancestors.

He encouraged the public to patronize the various activities lined up for the month-long celebration to serve as an avenue to learn the rich culture and traditions of Cordillerans which were preserved and protected by the elders and were able to be passed on to the younger generations effectively and efficiently./By Dexter A. See

DPWH urged to cooperate in clearing road-right-of-way obstructions

BAGUIO CITY – Mayor Mauricio G. Domogan wants the Department of Public Works and Highways – Baguio City District Engineering Office (DPWH-BCDEO) to cooperate with the local government in clearing the road-right-of-way of national roads from structures of informal settlers and motor vehicles that impede the smooth flow of vehicular and pedestrian traffic in various parts of the city.

The local chief

executive claimed owners of structures erected within the road-right-of-way of national roads have already committed two violations: one, is the encroachment to the existing road right-of-way of national roads, and second, the absence of building and occupancy permits as the City Building Official will not issue similar permits to structures built over road-right-of-way.

"The clearing of our national roads from obstructing structures

and motor vehicles should be a joint effort of the public works department and the local government to send a stronger message to violators that we mean business in getting rid of such obstructions," Domogan stressed.

He pointed out DPWH-BCDEO officials should also sign the required demolition orders against those who encroached on the road-right-of-way while the city will issue the demolition order against

Night spots commit support to solid waste, peacekeeping efforts

BAGUIO CITY – Owners of night spots operating within the jurisdiction of Salud Mitra and Upper Gen. Luna barangays committed to support the unrelenting and uncompromising campaign of the local government on solid waste management and peacekeeping to maintain law and order in the areas where they do business.

During a recent meeting with Mayor Mauricio G. Domogan, it was agreed upon by the establishment owners and barangay officials that they will contribute in the raising of funds to hire the services of barangay tanods to help maintain peace and order in the vicinity of their establishments during their operations.

It was also agreed upon by the establishment owners and barangay officials that it will be their security guards who will have the primary jurisdiction of maintaining peace and order inside their establishments and that the hired barangay tanods will be the ones to extend support services when in need.

However, the concerned departments of the local government will conduct an ocular

inspection in all the night establishments to ascertain their compliance to the installation of sufficient sound proofings to lessen the nuisance that disrupt the peace and order in the community, especially during the wee hours of the mornings.

In terms of the compliance of the night establishments to the policy of the local government on the segregation of garbage and the right time to bring out garbage, Domogan ordered the owners of the business establishments to instruct their employees to bring out their garbage only during the collection day to prevent stray animals from scattering the garbage once brought out earlier than the scheduled pick up time.

Earlier, concerned residents in Salud Mitra and Upper Gen. Luna complained to the local government over the alleged loud sound emanating from the night spots operating within their barangays and the alleged occurrence of troubles within the vicinity of the establishments caused by suspected intoxicated customers.

The local chief executive also ordered the temporary closure of one

of the establishments in the said barangays after he personally found out that it was operating without the required business permit and instructed the owner to process his permit before his establishment will be allowed to resume operations.

He instructed personnel of the Permits and Licensing Division and the Public Order and Safety Division to closely monitor the operation of the night spots in the two barangays to make sure that those with business permits are the ones that will operate while those without permits should remain closed until their owners are able to secure the necessary business permits.

Domogan appealed to business establishment owners and barangay officials in other similarly situated barangays in the city to settle the problems that may arise with the operation of the night spots and not to wait for their problems to worsen before bringing the matter to his attention so that barangay officials will be empowered to settle issues and concerns within their midst in their level so that city officials could attend to more pressing problems of the city./By Dexter A. See

the informal settlers for their failure to secure the mandatory building permit and the subsequent occupancy permit.

According to him, local officials are alarmed over the increasing number of illegal structures that encroach into the road-right-of-way of national roads around the city and the local government is being blamed for the mushrooming of illegal structures when in fact, it is the joint obligation of the city and the DPWH to prevent the illegal structures along said roads.

Domogan disclosed

closer coordination between the DPWH and the local government is required in formulating a comprehensive plan of action that allow the synchronized issuance of demolition permits for the immediate removal of the illegal structures built on the road-right-of-way of national roads and contribute to both traffic decongestion and beautification.

He called on DPWH officials to cooperate with the programs of the local government to get rid of illegal structures on the road-right-of-way of national roads, thus, the

joint issuance of demolition orders to synchronize actions that will discourage land speculators from trying their luck in building their houses along national roads.

On the other hand, he also warned land speculators not to build structures on the road-right-of-way of national roads because they will just be wasting their time, effort and resources since the DPWH and the local government will demolish such structures once found to be in violation of existing laws, rules and regulations./By Dexter A. See

Moratorium on process of CALTs lifted by NCIP

BAGUIO CITY – The Cordillera office of the National Commission on Indigenous Peoples (NCIP-CAR) announced the moratorium for the processing of pending applications for the issuance of Certificates of Ancestral Land Titles (CALTs) was lifted that will pave the way for the agency to evaluate existing CALT applications that will result to the subsequent issuance of CALTs to qualified applicants.

Lawyer Roland Calde, NCIP-CAR regional director, revealed agency officials and employees already started processing pending CALT applications after the Commission en banc lifted the moratorium imposed on the CALT processing due to alleged anomalies in the issuance of such titles to legitimate ancestral land owners several years ago.

However, Calde revealed that the 5 CALTs previously issued covering portions of Wright Park, Forbes Park, Baguio Dairy Farm, Loakan airport among others which were subsequently cancelled by the Commission en banc

will remain invalid and awaiting future actions that will be taken by the members of the Commission that were appointed by the President.

“We have to start the stringent evaluation and processing of the CALT applications which had been pending with us for so many years due to the imposed moratorium by the previous Commission,” Calde stressed.

The NCIP-CAR official underscored that CALT applications that comply with the stringent requirements enshrined in the provisions of Republic Act (RA) 9165 or the Indigenous Peoples Rights Act (IPRA) will be the ones that will be given due course for approval by the Commission while those with questionable documents will be subjected to further investigation by the concerned authorities.

According to him, the NCIP-CAR officials and employees will exert efforts to ascertain the legitimacy of the CALT applications to prevent unscrupulous and enterprising claimants from

being able to acquire obvious titles over their purported ancestral land claims to give justice to those with legitimate and valid ancestral claims.

He called on legitimate ancestral claimants with legitimate and valid CALT applications to be patient in awaiting the outcome of their pending applications considering that the moratorium has just been lifted and the agency needs more time to evaluate and assess the validity of the pending applications over their ancestral claims.

Under Section 78 of the IPRA, Baguio City will retain its townsites reservations but prior rights recognized by administrative bodies, quasajudicial bodies and the courts before the effectivity of the law in November 1997 will remain valid.

It was learned that RA 8371 or the IPRA which empowered indigenous peoples and indigenous cultural communities to possess their ancestral lands passed on to them by their ancestors took effect in November 1997. / By Dexter A. See

Activities lined up for indigenous peoples month celebration

BAGUIO CITY – The Cordillera office of the National Commission on Indigenous Peoples (NCIP) lined up various activities to celebrate Indigenous Peoples (IP) month this October.

Lawyer Ronald Calde, NCIP-CAR regional director, extended the invitation to the public to patronize the activities the agency prepared for the month-long celebration

for them to be able to appreciate the importance of being able to contribute in efforts to preserve and protect the rich culture and traditions of indigenous peoples considering that the Cordillera is a region dominated by indigenous peoples belonging to different tribes.

On October 8-31, 2016 at Vocas La Azotea, the public will be given

a chance to appreciate the ingenuity of Cordillera artists through the PAMA N Art Exhibit followed by a series of free film showing at the Ili-likha along Assumption road on October 22-26.

Giving importance to the efforts to preserve and protect the region's state of the environment, the more than 1,000 beneficiaries of the NCIP-CAR's educational assistance program will actively participate in a massive tree planting activity in a place to be announced later wherein each of the participating scholars will be required to plant at least 10 tree seedlings and subsequently maintain them to help regreen the forests in the region and sustain the identity of the Cordillera as the

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GERMAN VOLUNTEER AT WORK - German Frank Georg spearheads the landscaping of the island gardens at the Baguio Convention Center. Georg, has been volunteering to do landscaping jobs for the city government. Mayor Mauricio Domogan commissioned him to undertake the BCC garden spruce up of the BCC beautification project. / By Bong Cayabyab

Mayor urges public to support scrap-for-x'mas tree project

BAGUIO CITY – Mayor Mauricio Domogan urged the public to support the city's giant Christmas tree project by continuing to donate household scrap materials to be used in mounting the city's holiday centerpiece this year.

He said the city has allotted some P1.6 million for this year's Christmas decorations to adorn roads, parks and establishments including the giant Christmas tree at the top of Session Road but the city adopted the recycled material concept to supplement the limited budget.

The city buildings and architecture office under Engr. Nazita Banez said

the recycled concept was hatched to help the city cut on costs.

The past Christmas tree designs had elicited criticisms for not living up to the public's expectations but the mayor said the designs were reasonable considering the small budget allotted for the purpose.

“If we want grander designs, then we need to allot more money but as it is, we are limited to what our budget will allow,” he said.

Arch. Homer Soriano said that with the recycled material concept, they hope to realize a considerable saving on the cost of the tree which they

project to amount to less than P500,000.

The design was done by a private architect and was approved by the CBAO.

The use of recycled materials is also in support of the city's cleanliness and waste management programs.

The CBAO will continue to accept donations of household junks like discarded pipes, broken appliances, scrap steel, metal, used tires and the like.

Donations may be brought to the CBAO office at DPS barangay or call 442-2503. Arrangement for pick-up may also be done for donations in bulk. / Aileen P. Refuerzo

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