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DENR-led task force seizes P4.5-M worth of hot logs

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The intensified campaign against illegal loggers by DENR has resulted in the arrest of numerous individuals and confiscation of hot lumbers worth some P4.5 million.

ALMOST P4.5-million worth of illegally-cut premium Philippine wood species were seized by the Anti-Illegal Logging Task Force (AILTF), led by the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR).

The seizures were made in three separate operations in Valenzuela City and Bulacan province last week.

The operations also led to the arrest of 13 individuals and the confiscation of two luxury vans used to transport the illegally sourced logs.

DENR Undersecretary for Protected Areas and Special Concerns Edilberto DC. Leonardo, who is also the Executive Director of the newly-reactivated AILTF, said the confiscation of the undocumented forest products is pursuant to Executive Order (EO) 23, declaring a moratorium on the cutting and harvesting of timber in the natural and residual forests.

The initiatives were also in accordance with Section 68 of Presidential Decree 705, as amended by Republic Act 7161 or the Revised Forestry Code of the Philippines.

"The AILTF has been recalibrated so that it can move forward with greater strength from its creation in 2011 with the issuance of EO 23 so that it can further strengthen the forest protection capability and boost the government campaign against violators of environmental laws especially illegal loggers," Leonardo said.

Meanwhile, President Rodrigo Roa Duterte directed the revival of the AILTF on Jan. 30, 2021, in the wake of widespread flooding caused by Typhoon Ulysses in November last year.

During the buy-bust operations conducted in Parada, Valenzuela City on Sept. 22, the AILTF has confiscated 33 fitches of undocumented narra, yakal, molave, and mahogany measuring 3,503 board feet and valued at P4 million.

Likewise the DENR-National Capital Region (NCR) provided the overall technical support to the operation consisting of identification, assessment, inventory, scaling and hauling of the apprehended forest products.



The six individuals who were caught in possession of the undocumented forest products, are presently detained at the Valenzuela City Police Station.

The contraband have likewise been turned over to the DENR-NCR which has administrative jurisdiction over the seized forest products as per Department Administrative Order 97-32.

Meanwhile seven suspects were also arrested in two separate buy-bust operations on Sept. 15 and 19 in Guiguinto and Norzagaray towns in Bulacan province, respectively.

In Norzagaray, two persons were arrested for illegally selling forest products consisting of 27 fitches of teak wood and seven fitches of kamagong measuring 230 board feet and valued at P35,750.

Meanwhile, the AILTF arrested five individuals in Guiguinto after they were caught in possession of 24 molave fitches valued at P424,850.

The AILTF is composed of personnel from the Philippine National Police, the DENR, Department of the Interior and Local Government, Department of National Defense, and Armed Forces of the Philippines.



P4.5-M troso nasabat ng DENR



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MANILA, Philippiens – Aabot sa P4.5-milyong halaga ng endangered Philippine wood species ang nakumpiska ng Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) sa tatlong magkakahiwalay na operasyon sa Valenzuela City at probinsiya ng Bulacan noong isang linggo.

Naaresto rin sa ginawang operasyon ang 13 indibidwal at nakumpiska ang dalawang luxury vans na ginagamit sa pagbiyahe ng illegally sourced logs.

Sinabi ni DENR Undersecretary for Protected Areas and Special Concerns Edilberto DC. Leonardo na siya ring Executive Director ng Anti-Illegal Logging Task Force (AILTF), ang pagkumpiska sa undocumented forest products ay base na rin sa Executive Order (EO) 23 o Declaring a Moratorium on the Cutting and Harvesting of Timber in the Natural and Residual Forest, at Section 68 ng Presidential Decree 705 na inamiyendahan sa pamamagitan ng Republic Act 7161 o ang Revised Forestry Code of the Philippines.

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Kaugnay nito noong Enero 30, 2021 nang ipag-utos ni Pangulong Rodrigo Duterte ang muling pagbuhay sa AILTF matapos ang pananalasa ng bagyong Ulysses noong Nobyembre ng nakalipas na taon.

Nabatid sa naganap na buy-bust operation sa Parada, Valenzuela City noong Setyembre 22, nakumpiska ng AILTF ang 33 tabla ng ‘di dokumentadong narra, yakal, molave at mahogany na may sukat na 3,503 board feet ay may halagang P4 milyon.

Samantala nagbigay ng over-all technical support sa operasyon ang DENR-National Capital Region (NCR) kabilang dito ang identification, assessment, inventory, scaling at hauling ng mga apprehended forest products.

Sa naturang operasyon anim na katao na naaktuhang may posesyon ng undocumented forest products ang kasalukuyang nakapiit sa Valenzuela City Police Station.

Ayon sa DENR ang kontrabando ay naibigay na sa DENR-NCR na siyang may administrative jurisdiction sa mga seized forest products batay sa Department Administrative Order 97-32.

Pitong katao naman ang naaresto sa dalawang magkakahiwalay na buy-bust operasyon noong Setyembre 15 at 19 sa Guiguinto at Norzagaray, Bulacan, ayon sa pagkakasunod.



Sa Norzagaray, dalawang katao ang inaresto dahil sa iligal na pagbebenta ng forest products na kinabibilangan ng 27 flitches ng teak wood at 7 flitches of kamagong na may sukat na 230 board feet at may halagang P35,750.00.

Samantala, naaresto naman ng AILTF ang limang katao sa Guiguinto matapos maaktuhang may posesyon ng 24 molave flitches na may halagang P424,850.

Ang AILTF ay kinabibilangan ng mga personnel mula sa Philippine National Police, DENR, Department of the Interior and Local Government, Department of National Defense at Armed Forces of the Philippines. **Santi Celario**



TROSO NASABAT NG DENR

written by **DWIZ 882** October 7, 2021



Nasa P4.5 milyon na halaga ng endangered Philippine wood species ang nasabat ng Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) sa lungsod ng Valenzuela at lalawigan ng Bulacan.

Natimbog din sa tatlong magkahiwalay na operasyon ang 13 indibidwal at nakumpiska mula sa mga ito ang dalawang luxury vans na ginagamit sa pagbiyahe ng iligal na troso.

Inilarga ang unang operasyon sa Barangay Parada, Valenzuela City kung saan tatlumpu't tatlong tabla ng narra, yakal, molave at kamagong na may sukat na nasa 3,503 board feet ang nakumpiska.

Ayon kay DENR Undersecretary for Protected Areas and Special Concerns Edilberto Dc. Leonardo, nagkakahalaga ang mga kontrabando ng P4 milyon.

Nasakote rin sa pito katao ang mga tabla ng teakwood, kamagong at molave sa Guiguinto at Norzagaray, Bulacan na aabot naman sa kalahating milyong piso ang halaga.—**sa panulat ni Drew Nacino**



Captured python released back to natural habitat

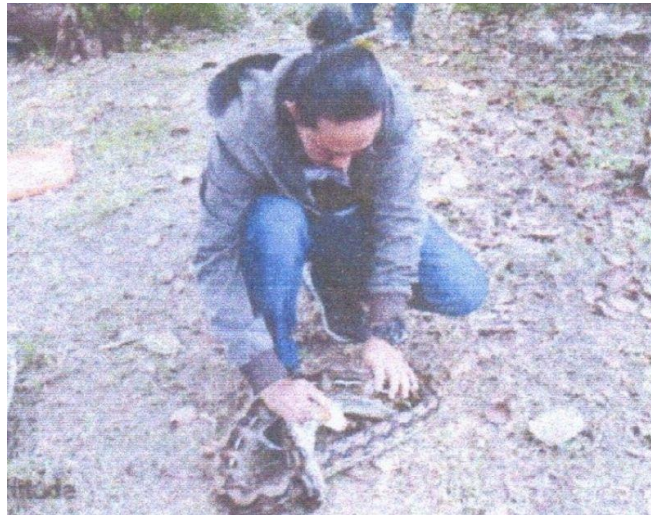


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PERSONNEL of the Provincial Environment and Natural Resources Office (Penro) in Biliran have released a reticulated python back to the forested area after it was caught trying to prey on chicken inside a farm in Barangay Cabunga-an, Naval.

The python, measuring 2.76 meters in length and weighing approximately six kilos, in the farm owned by Orson Manco, who then turned over the captured snake to Penro.

“We appreciate the effort of Mr. Manco who turned over the captured snake to the office because we really want our wildlife species to stay protected in their natural habitat,” said Director Tirso Parian of the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR).

“We are requesting everyone to report incidents of wildlife trading and any form of wildlife abuse to the DENR. Also, if there are wildlife species in your area that needs to be rescued, please contact the DENR office nearest you,” the official added.

Reticulated pythons are native to the rainforests of Southeast Asia including the Philippines.

The said animal is classified as other threatened species, which means that it is under threat from over-collection throughout its range and is likely to be moved to the vulnerable category in the near future.

The species is also threatened due to predation, destruction of habitats, or other similar causes.

The DENR reminded the public that collection and possession of wildlife are guided by Republic Act 9147, An Act Providing for the Conservation and Protection of Wildlife Resources and their Habitats.

Violators of the said law will be meted with corresponding sanctions and penalties. **(SunStar Philippines)**

Source: <https://www.sunstar.com.ph/article/1909428/Tacloban/Local-News/Captured-python-released-back-to-natural-habitat>



ASEAN nationals hone leadership in climate-smart land use

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Eight ASEAN Member States are represented in the second virtual offering of the ASEAN Climate Leadership Programme (ACLP) being conducted by the Southeast Asian Regional Center for Graduate Study and Research in Agriculture (SEARCA) and the Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) GmbH-Climate-Smart Land Use in ASEAN (CSLU) Project until October 28, 2021.

Ms. Zahra Mutiara, Advisor for the GIZ CSLU Project, said the project aims to support ASEAN in strengthening its coordinating role to develop and implement policies that ensure the promotion of climate change mitigation and adaptation in the land use sector.

SEARCA Director Dr. Glenn B. Gregorio said participants from the Philippines, Brunei Darussalam, Cambodia, Indonesia, Malaysia, Myanmar, Thailand, and Vietnam bring their diverse background and expertise into use as they embark on a leadership journey towards enhanced competencies, organizational skills, and understanding of regional policy processes, particularly those related to sustainable land use, climate change mitigation and adaptation, and attainment of the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals.

“They are being primed as competent and motivated leaders who will champion the initiation and facilitation of complex change processes in addressing climate change in Southeast Asia,” he said.

Dr. Gregorio said the 15-day leadership program promotes climate-smart land use for implementing Nationally Determined Contributions (NDCs), which is a core component of the Paris Agreement that is a commitment of 196 negotiating parties to substantially reduce global greenhouse gas emissions and to strengthen those commitments over time.

The program strengthens the participants’ leadership skills in facilitating change processes and collective cross-sectoral transformative action in climate-smart land use. It will enable participants to enhance their contribution to promoting the implementation of climate-friendly and resilient land use practices towards achieving NDCs within the context of ASEAN policies and priorities.

Dr. Mutiara said ACLP provides the participants with a review of climate-smart practices in the land use sector and introduce them to tools and framework that can help them become more effective leaders during policy formulation and implementation. She added that the program would serve as a great avenue for participants to expand their network at the regional level and, in the future, take proactive roles in facilitating cross-cutting coordination in their respective national contexts as well as in the context of Southeast Asia.



Mr. Adre de Wit, Dean of the Amsterdam Leadership Academy, Netherlands, and Ms. Rejani Kunjappan, Senior Technical Officer at the Center for People and Forest (RECOFTC)-The Center for People and Forests, Thailand, jointly serve as Leadership Facilitators together with the program's technical expert, Dr. Rex Victor O. Cruz who is Professor at the University of the Philippines Los Baños (UPLB) Institute of Renewable Natural Resources.



PAREX and sustainable green infrastructure

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One thing that most Filipinos have historically been wary of is change. This is evident in the way they continue to do the same things repeatedly because they don't want to change the status quo or worse because they are fearful of what might happen if they try something new. While this is understandable to an extent, if we continue to do the same things over and over, are we surprised that we do not get new results? Sometimes, we have to be able to think outside the box to find solutions.

In the city, one of the biggest hurdles we face is bad traffic and limited infrastructure to address it. While it sounds like a simple problem, traffic is one of the issues that bleed into every aspect of our lives. Filipinos know that it will take them roughly one to two hours to get to any destination, and have given up huge chunks of their lives sitting in their cars waiting to get to work or to go home.

In addition, cars at a standstill for several hours at a time contribute to our massive pollution problem, gas consumption, and an overall loss in productivity and income. Mass transportation isn't doing enough to alleviate this problem. Our buses and trains aren't enough to make a dent in private commuters, and with the pandemic making mass transit even more challenging, we're looking at traffic going right back to pre-pandemic levels.

At this point, long-term and lasting solutions are what's necessary to make real change. This is what San Miguel Corp. (SMC), headed by Ramon S. Ang, is presenting when they recently broke ground on the new Pasig River Expressway (PAREX) project – the country's first green, hybrid expressway. The 19.37-kilometer project that the company is undertaking with the government, seeks to link the western and eastern cities of Metro Manila.

The project, a P95-billion investment by SMC, will be a six-lane elevated expressway that will run along the banks of the Pasig River from Radial Road 10 in Manila to C-6 Road or the South East Metro Manila Expressway (SEMME) in Taguig. Once completed, it will also link to the Skyway system, making the dream of an integrated elevated road network linking the north, south, east, and west corridors of the capital a reality.

Careful consideration was taken in planning the project and no cultural or heritage sites will be negatively impacted in the construction. The expressway is set to be built on the side of the river, along the easement of the Pasig River, and will not cover the river as some may have heard. The posts of the road will only take up roughly one meter of space, while the average width of the Pasig River is 200 meters.

Concerns that the expressway will worsen pollution by inducing people to buy more cars is unfounded. Buying cars or having too many cars in the country has been a problem that has existed for years without having been tied to any highways or infrastructure development. A lot of Filipinos have cars because of a lack of transportation options like reliable bus and train systems. If we give them better alternatives and routes, it isn't going to make cars multiply – if anything it will help lessen cars in standstill traffic for hours on end making trips faster and more economical while reducing air pollution caused by unending traffic jams.

The PAREX is a milestone project and one that will have a positive impact on the country in terms of integrating the social, economic, and environmental needs of Filipinos in the capital. It will help Metro Manila by implementing future-proof solutions to traffic, and providing ways to decongest the streets while giving Filipino commuters more choices. Plus, the project also starts off a series of simultaneous environmental projects too.



SMC is also undertaking a P2-billion initiative to clean up and rehabilitate the Pasig River. The goal is to extract roughly three million metric tons of silt and solid waste from the river, and would improve the flow and carrying capacity of the river, while at the same time mitigating flooding. Part of the river rehabilitation efforts will also focus on widening and deepening the areas that have become too shallow for floodwaters to pass through.

With the success of this focused rehabilitation project, one day the river itself may be safely used again as an alternative mode of transportation by watercraft or water ferries.

The PAREX project is providing several integral benefits to the country while being responsible and cautious about the environmental and cultural impact of the project at the same time. The new expressway is not just going to be for Filipinos with cars, but will also be accessible to alternative methods of transportation for commuters, including a mass transport system through bus rapid transit and bike lanes.

At the end of the day, it's important that we not be afraid of making changes that will benefit the country in the long run. SMC and Ang have long proven that they care deeply for the welfare of Filipinos and are focused on finding ways to help the country progress. They have shown this time and again – always being the first to help out during a crisis, donating and contributing continuously during the pandemic, finding ways to create projects and initiatives that are beneficial to the public, and investing their own money despite long returns because for the benefit of nation-building.

The PAREX is another project that seeks to uplift the Philippines and help Filipinos. Alongside cleaning up the river, integrating green architecture principles, and adding several modes of private and mass transportation – the expressway could become a model for future green infrastructure initiatives that will benefit motorists, commuters, cyclists, and pedestrians alike while being carefully planned out and environmentally responsible.

Not all change is bad. Sometimes we need let go of the status quo and opt for new initiatives and projects that can have a long-term positive impact on Metro Manila and help improve the lives of Filipinos.



Parex and Pasig River rehabilitation linked only by semantics

By Ben Kritz October 7, 2021

SO far, fanboys of the hastily approved [P95-billion Pasig River](#) Expressway (Parex) project of [San Miguel Corp.](#) (SMC) have struggled to find solid arguments to support their faith-based assertions that the massive expressway is absolutely critical to solving [Metro](#) Manila's chronic traffic congestion. Instead of responding to specific questions or criticisms about the highway project, they are more comfortable either trying to provoke a pissing match over what other cities may or may not be doing and why, arguing that the construction of the expressway is necessary for the cleanup and rehabilitation of the [Pasig River](#), or resorting to various childish ad hominem.

Let me take a moment to address a rather distasteful accusation, aired by a colleague in these pages, that I was lying about information presented in my column of Sunday, October 3, specifically my sources for the list of cities that have removed, or are planning to remove, elevated highways. The only reason he has information about those sources at all, which I did not describe in detail, is that he asked about it in a private communication shortly after my column was published.

Had I known that conversation was on the record, something which journalism ethics and good manners ordinarily obliges one to disclose to his or her sources, I would have been happy to provide more expansive details because while it is certainly possible that I may not have complete information, what I do have is reliable and I stand by it. If someone wants to interpret it in his or her own way — or similar information, as I do not intend to share any more of mine with someone whose confidence is unreliable — that's up to them. The question is a distraction, an unproductive, tangential part of the broader topic of the Parex. Granted, I did bring it up first with the list of cities in my October 3 column, and in hindsight, that was a step in the wrong direction, accurate though that information was. The matter at hand is the proposed construction of this highway, in this city, at this time, and not elsewhere, and I will concern myself with addressing that.

Holding the river hostage

One thing that critics of the Parex seem to understand but its fanboys do not is that the highway project and the river rehabilitation project are not inseparable. The Pasig River can be rehabilitated without building an elevated highway along its course; building that highway would not require rehabilitation of the river.

The assertion that they cannot be mutually exclusive by advocates of the Parex might, from some observers' perspective, expose their advocacy as being more for SMC in particular than for progressive development in general, as it simply parrots the argument from SMC itself. However, let's deal with published facts, as one should, instead of speculating on third-party motives.

In a statement circulated on September 28 by SMC's [Media Affairs department](#) and attributed to SMC chairman [Ramon S. Ang](#), it said, "There are those who only cry for the long-dead Pasig river to be 'saved' now — after being indifferent to it and our many other rivers that have suffered the same fate, for so many decades. But today, SMC has the capability, resources and engineering talent to clean up, rehabilitate and take care of the river for the long term, even as we will rely on it to help solve our cities' many problems: ease traffic congestion, improve accessibility and mobility for everyday commuters, revitalize our economy, create jobs, and arrest severe pollution caused by hours of stand-still traffic. All these at no cost to taxpayers and government."



That is a poor argument because it's easy to turn it around: SMC is only calling for the river to be rehabilitated "now," after decades of indifference, because it wants to build a highway along it. As has been correctly pointed out, the only reason the topic of the river's rehabilitation came up is as a "sweetener" offered by SMC to get the government to approve the project. SMC presents it as an added value to its highway project, while from its perspective, the roughly 2 percent in additional cost it would incur is a reasonable amount to ensure that approval.

It's a business decision on SMC's part, one that the company is entirely within its purview to make, but it still amounts to holding the river hostage: no highway (which is not necessarily needed), no rehabilitation (which is badly needed). In this, the government should be faulted more than SMC for accepting the irrational argument that the two ideas are inextricably linked.

On an unrelated side note, it is disappointing, though not at all surprising, that SMC in its September 28 statement advanced the specious argument that the Parex project would be done "at no cost to taxpayers." That is simply not true; any public-private partnership project guarantees a return on investment to the project proponent because otherwise there would be no incentive for any private enterprise to propose or accept such a project.

SMC will recover its development, construction and operating costs, plus some profit margin, from tolls levied for use of the new highway, which means that at least some taxpayers will bear the entire P95-billion price tag, spread out over a period of 25 years or more. Whether one pays indirectly through the expenditure of taxes levied by the government, or pays directly out of pocket, it amounts to the same thing: The project will, in the end, be publicly funded; what SMC is proposing is just a bit more selective about what part of the public will actually foot the bill.

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Expressway sa Pasig River

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KAUNTING panahon na lang ang ipagtitiiis sa matinding trapiko ng mga motoristang bumabaybay sa kahabaan ng PASIG RIVER dahil magkakaroon na ng 6-lane elevated expressway na halos 20 minuto na lamang ang biyahe mula PASIG CITY hanggang MANILA. Ang proyekto ay tinaguriang PASIG RIVER EXPRESSWAY (PAREX) na unsolicited proposal mula sa SAN MIGUEL CORPORATION ay ideneklarang TOLL ROAD ng TOLL REGULATORY BOARD noong June 2020., at nitong September 21, 2021 ay nilagdaan ang SUPPLEMENTAL TOLL OPERATIONS AGREEMENT (STOA) para sa PAREX ng mga ahensiyang DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (DOTr), DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS AND HIGHWAYS (DPWH), TOLL REGULATORY BOARD at ang PHILIPPINE NATIONAL CONSTRUCTION CORPORATION (PNCC) kasama na ang PAREX CORPORATION at SKYWAY O&M CORPORATION.

Makalipas ang 3-araw mula ng malagdaan ang STOA ay nagtipon-tipon ang mga bumubuo ng project proponent na SAN MIGUEL CORPORATION (SMC) at GOVERNMENT REPRESENTATIVES sa paglulunsad ng GROUND BREAKING CEREMONY ng nasabing proyekto sa PANDACAN, MANILA.

Sa website ng DPWH ay isinalarawan nito ang PAREX PROJECT na may habang 19.37 km 6-lane at pawang elevated expressway na babaybay sa kahabaan ng PASIG RIVER., na magsisimula ang proyekto sa RADIAL ROAD 10 sa siyudad ng MANILA at magtatapos ito sa SOUTH EAST METRO MANILA EXPRESSWAY at CIRCUMFERENTIAL ROAD 6.

Magkokonekta rin ang proyekto sa 2.7 km portion ng SKYWAY STAGE 3 mula sa NAGTAHAN patungong PLAZA AZUL. Inaasahan ang proyektong ito na makapagluluwag ng trapiko at magkokonekta sa mga alternative route patungo sa mga toll roads na magpapabilis sa mga pagbibiyaha.

Magsisilbi rin ang proyekto bilang direct link sa pagitan ng WESTERN at EASTERN CITIES ng METRO MANILA sa pamamagitan ng elevated expressway ay mabilis na mararating ang BUSINESS DISTRICTS tulad ng MAKATI, ORTIGAS at BONIFACIO GLOBAL CITY.

“This project will incorporate green design principle to benefit, not just motorists, but also the environment and the economy of the people. It will be inclusive because it will accommodate various modes of transportation, such as the bus rapid transit, bicycle lanes, pedestrian, walkway, and water ferries,”? pahayag ni SMC President and CEO Ramon S. Ang (RSA).

Halagang P95 bilyon ang ipinuhunan ng SMC sa nasabing proyekto at ang PAREX ay ikinokonsiderang “one of the most impactful projects” sa ilalim ng DUTERTE ADMINISTRATION na nakapaloob dito ang mga pangangailangang panlipunan, ekonomiya at pangkalikasan para sa kapakanan ng mamamayan.



Naglaan din ng P2 bilyon inisyatiba ang SMC para sa paglilininis at rehabilitasyon ng PASIG RIVER., na naglalayong muling maibalik din ang dating kagandahan ng nasabing ilog.

“We know that a lot of silt, sand, and dirt will still go into the river from the Sierra Madre mountains, via the Marikina river, so the river needs to be maintained. We are committed to continuously dredge and clean it up for the next 30 years,”? pahayag ni RSA.

Sa paglilinis at pagsusudsod upang mapalalim ang naturang ilog ay magresulta ito na muling mapakinabangan ng mamamayan sa Metro.Manila ang PASIG RIVER., sa pamamagitan ng mga biyaheng pantubig at makababawas sa matinding pagbaha sa panahon ng tag-ulan.

“We are happy because we have a project like this connecting north to south and east to west. Never has this connectivity been thought of, and now it is being implemented. We thank RSA and the whole of San Miguel. Unequivocally I say, the DoTR fully supports this project because I know it is good for the people and the environment,”? pahayag ni DOTr SECRETARY ARTHUR TUGADE.

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Reimagining city design is crucial to tackling climate change, experts say

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Makati central business district -- Reuters

Addressing climate change will require reimagining urban planning and design, speakers at the Reuters Impact conference said, discussing ways that buildings and cities could evolve.

“It’s about reminding ourselves that we all have a shared responsibility to ensure that we use less resources,” said architect and chair of the Quality of Life Foundation, Sadie Morgan. “We just have to be open to new ways of living.”

When designing new structures, for instance, architects should think about how the buildings can be deconstructed and recycled at the end of their life cycle, or transformed for other purposes, said Morgan. City planners can create more places for people to gather and socialize without needing cars.

But drastic shifts in how cities operate – such as transforming the use of cars – cannot come from architects alone and would need the work of politicians, she said.

About 56% of people worldwide live in cities, yet urban areas are responsible for an estimated three-quarters of global CO2 emissions. Buildings and transport are among the largest sources of urban emissions – including emissions from cars, building construction, heating and cooling systems and lights.

The importance of cities in efforts to slow climate change continues to grow, with just over two-thirds of people expected to live in urban areas by 2050, according to U.N. estimates.

Density was necessary for the future sustainability of cities, said architect and urban planner Stefano Boeri, but density without variety was a “nightmare”. As cities expand, planners needed to find ways to encourage richness of function as well as culture, he said.

Boeri also emphasized incorporating nature into city design. “Living nature is not something that is outside our body, outside our house, outside our cities,” he said. “We have to redefine our relation, a new balance between the human sphere and the living nature sphere.”

— **Reuters**

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Google lets users factor climate change into life

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SAN FRANCISCO — Google on Wednesday said it is tweaking widely used tools for getting around, shopping and more to let users factor climate change into daily routines.

Google is among the Big Tech firms that have made pledges and investments to reduce the environmental impact of their operations with moves such as making power-hungry data centers carbon neutral.

New features [unveiled on Wednesday](#) provide users with ways to help in the effort, whether it be driving routes that result in less exhaust being spewed from cars or shopping online for energy efficient appliances.

"In all these efforts, our goal is to make the sustainable choice an easier choice," Google chief executive Sundar Pichai said while briefing journalists on the latest features.

Artificial intelligence was put to work in Google's free Maps service in the United States to show people the most fuel efficient routes to destinations even if they are not the quickest.

"It defaults to the route that uses less fuel when the estimated time of arrival is similar," Pichai said.

"We believe the feature will have the same impact in the next year as taking over 200,000 cars off the road."

The feature is to be rolled out in Europe in 2022.

Google has also started work on a project to use AI to optimize the efficiency of traffic in cities to reduce time vehicles spend idling at intersections.

Carbon dioxide emission information is being added to a Flights service for booking travel by air.

"We're putting these numbers in context by labeling flights that have significantly higher emissions, and adding a green badge to flights with significantly lower emissions," Google said in a post.

The metrics will also show how much more CO2 is attributed to business or first-class seats, which give passengers more room.

In coming months, Google will start adding details about how eco-friendly hotels are so people can opt for lodging that is kinder to the planet.

Google moves include weaving environmental impact information into its services for financial investing or shopping for appliances, and providing more insights into cost-benefits of electric vehicles.

"Individually, these choices might feel small but when you multiply them together across our products, they equal big transformations for the planet," Pichai said.

"It's going to take all of that to avert the worst consequences of climate change and there's no time to waste." — **Agence France-Presse**

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Physics Nobel rewards work on climate change, other forces

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STOCKHOLM—Three scientists won the Nobel Prize in physics Tuesday for work that found order in seeming disorder, helping to explain and predict complex forces of nature, including expanding our understanding of climate change.

Syukuro Manabe, originally from Japan, and Klaus Hasselmann of Germany were cited for their work in developing forecast models of Earth's climate and "reliably predicting global warming." The second half of the prize went to Giorgio Parisi of Italy for explaining disorder in physical systems, ranging from those as small as the insides of atoms to the planet-sized.

Hasselmann told The Associated Press that he "would rather have no global warming and no Nobel Prize."

Manabe said that figuring out the physics behind climate change was "1,000 times" easier than getting the world to do something about it. He said the intricacies of policy and society are far harder to fathom than the complexities of carbon dioxide interacting with the atmosphere, which then changes conditions in the ocean and on the land, which then alters the air again in a constant cycle.

He called climate change "a major crisis."

The prize comes less than four weeks before the start of high-level climate negotiations in Glasgow, Scotland, where world leaders will be asked to ramp up their commitments to curb global warming.

The Nobel-winning scientists used their moment in the limelight to urge action.

"It's very urgent that we take very strong decisions and move at a very strong pace" in tackling global warming, Parisi said. He made the appeal even though his share of the prize was for work in a different area of physics.

All three scientists work on what are known as "complex systems," of which climate is just one example. But the prize went to two fields of study that are opposite in many ways, though they share the goal of making sense of what seems random and chaotic so that it can be predicted.

Parisi's research largely centers around subatomic particles, predicting how they move in seemingly chaotic ways and why, and is somewhat esoteric, while the work by Manabe and Hasselmann is about large-scale global forces that shape our daily lives.

The judges said Manabe, 90, and Hasselmann, 89, "laid the foundation of our knowledge of the Earth's climate and how human actions influence it."

Starting in the 1960s, Manabe, now based at Princeton University, created the first climate models that forecast what would happen as carbon dioxide built up in the atmosphere.

Scientists for decades had shown that carbon dioxide traps heat, but Manabe's work offered specifics. It allowed scientists to eventually show how climate change will worsen and how fast, depending on how much carbon pollution is spewed.



Manabe is such a pioneer that other climate scientists called his 1967 paper with the late Richard Wetherald “the most influential climate paper ever,” said NASA chief climate modeler Gavin Schmidt. Manabe’s Princeton colleague Tom Delworth called Manabe “the Michael Jordan of climate.”

“Suki set the stage for today’s climate science, not just the tool but also how to use it,” said fellow Princeton climate scientist Gabriel Vecchi. “I can’t count the times that I thought I came up with something new, and it’s in one of his papers.”

Manabe’s models from 50 years ago “accurately predicted the warming that actually occurred in the following decades,” said climate scientist Zeke Hausfather of the Breakthrough Institute. Manabe’s work serves “as a warning to us all that we should take their projections of a much warmer future if we keep emitting carbon dioxide quite seriously.”

“I never imagined that this thing I would begin to study has such a huge consequence,” Manabe said at a Princeton news conference. “I was doing it just because of my curiosity.”

About a decade after Manabe’s initial work, Hasselmann, of the Max Planck Institute for Meteorology in Hamburg, Germany, helped explain why climate models can be reliable despite the seemingly chaotic nature of the weather. He also developed ways to look for specific signs of human influence on the climate.

Meanwhile, Parisi, of Sapienza University of Rome, “built a deep physical and mathematical model” that made it possible to understand complex systems in fields as different as mathematics, biology, neuroscience and machine learning.

His work originally focused on so-called spin glass, a type of metal alloy whose behavior long baffled scientists. Parisi, 73, discovered hidden patterns that explained the way it acted, creating theories that could be applied to other fields of research, too.

All three physicists used complex mathematics to explain and predict what seemed like chaotic forces of nature. That is known as modeling.

“Physics-based climate models made it possible to predict the amount and pace of global warming, including some of the consequences like rising seas, increased extreme rainfall events and stronger hurricanes, decades before they could be observed,” said German climate scientist and modeler Stefan Rahmstorf. He called Hasselmann and Manabe pioneers in this field.

When climate scientists with the United Nations’ Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change and former US Vice President Al Gore won the 2007 Nobel Peace Prize, some who deny global warming dismissed it as a political move. Perhaps anticipating controversy, members of the Swedish Academy of Sciences, which awards the Nobel, emphasized that Tuesday’s was a science prize.

“What we are saying is that the modeling of climate is solidly based on physical theory and well-known physics,” Swedish physicist Thors Hans Hansson said at the announcement.

For a scientist who trades in predictions, Hasselmann said the prize caught him off guard.

“I was quite surprised when they called,” he said. “I mean, this is something I did many years ago.”

But Parisi said: “I knew there was a non-negligible possibility” of winning.



The award comes with a gold medal and 10 million Swedish kronor (over \$1.14 million). The money comes from a bequest left by the prize's creator, Swedish inventor Alfred Nobel, who died in 1895.

On Monday, the Nobel in medicine was awarded to Americans David Julius and Ardem Patapoutian for their discoveries into how the human body perceives temperature and touch.

Over the coming days prizes will be awarded in the fields of chemistry, literature, peace and economics.



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AMERICAN-JAPANESE scientist Syukuro Manabe who has been awarded the 2021 Nobel Prize in physics 'for the physical modeling of Earth's climate, quantifying variability and reliably predicting global warming' leaves after speaking at a press conference at Richardson Auditorium in Princeton University, New Jersey, USA. Manabe, Klaus Hasselmann of Germany and Giorgio Parisi of Italy on Tuesday won the Nobel Physics Prize for climate models and the understanding of physical systems, the jury said.

Circular economy for plastic achievable but aggressive legislation is needed

Improving legal frameworks for waste management and recycling with stricter rules for businesses to follow is needed to tackle the world's plastic crisis, said experts at the Resource Transformation Dialogue 2021 held in Singapore.



Somewhere between 9 and 23 million tonnes of polymers get into the rivers, lakes and seas of the world every year. Image: Ivan Radic via [Flickr](#). [CC BY NC-ND 2.0](#)

By Ng Wai Mun
Oct. 6, 2021

In most jurisdictions, the disposal of plastics and other waste materials is cheaper than the option to collect, sort and recycle them. If left to manufacturers and material suppliers to decide how much they want to do to “close the loop” in the circular economy, these businesses might end up doing very little in the end, simply because it doesn’t pay.

Regulators increasingly need to recognise their role in leading the way to jump-start waste recycling, by introducing stricter legislative frameworks with clear and mandatory rules for businesses to follow, said industry experts at a plenary discussion on Thursday, as part of the Resource Transformation Dialogue 2021, organised by Eco-Business in partnership with global sustainable technology company, TOMRA.

With shifts in consumer mindsets, the experts said that there is now a real impetus for industry players to support more ambitious targets on recycling, though they need more clarity on what the exact legal requirements are.

“The problems of inadequate recycling have been made visual for everybody in recent years, from the images of beaches strewn with plastics to that of recycling facilities that do not quite make the mark. They’re all on the internet for the whole world to see and that has made politicians, bureaucrats and industry leaders want to act,” said Clarissa Morawski, chief executive and co-founder of Reloop, a non-profit that works with governments, industry and civil society groups to bring an end to waste.

Retrieval programmes for plastics need to be financed by the producers

For example, the European Commission has laid out a strategy for accomplishing the goals in its Circular Economy Action Plan that was adopted in May 2020. Speaking from Brussels where Reloop is headquartered, Morawski describes the targets as “aggressive”, emphasising that Europe now has a specific goal to collect 90 per cent of plastic bottles by 2029. Design requirements to ensure greater recycled content in products will also be worked into legislation. On the plastic problem, Morawski is supportive of making manufacturers pick up the recycling tab. Cost competitiveness is a major consideration for producers of virgin plastic - new resin created from natural gas or oil - that has traditionally been so cheap to make that it undermines the economics of the recycling market. Consumers cannot expect these businesses to “do the right thing” on their own, said Morawski.

“We have to get those making virgin plastics to start investing in circular plastics, and for businesses to collect and sort more. It is a costly venture, especially when there are so many types of plastics and to properly recycle them, you have to sort them right down to the colour,” said Morawski. “I do not know if these companies are going to voluntarily make the commitment, but if they do not, they should be forced to do that through legislation.”

Michael Löwe, vice president of governmental affairs system design at TOMRA Systems ASA, agreed that there must be intervention from regulators to “level the playing field in terms of price and costs” when it comes to waste recycling. “Simply talking about a product being sustainable is not enough,” he said.

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TOMRA, headquartered in Norway, is currently the world leader in reverse vending machines and sensor-based sorting systems for the recycling, food and mining industries. These technologies are used in deposit return systems (DRS) to make sure that packaging is taken back and recycled.

Currently, only two per cent of all plastic packaging worldwide is recycled in a “closed loop”, for it to be reused again for the same purpose without being downgraded to lower quality plastic. TOMRA has pledged that 40 per cent of the world’s plastic packaging is collected for recycling by 2030 and has committed to 30 per cent of it to be recycled in a closed loop, said Löwe.

Marika Lindstrom, vice president of procurement at Unilever, explained the difficulties of processing certain types of plastics that cannot be properly recovered. Responding to a question from the audience about what the consumer goods supplier plans to do with its large plastic packaging footprint of 700,000 tonnes a year, Lindstrom said that for markets with better recovery infrastructure in place, Unilever pays for the costs of collection, recycling and disposal under Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) schemes introduced by the national governments.

“But there are markets like India and Indonesia where there is no proper infrastructure in place. In these instances, we attach a monetary value to the sachets or flexible packaging of our products to incentivise the waste pickers to recover the difficult-to-collect plastics,” said Lindstrom. “The plastics are then brought to aggregation points and sold to places like waste-to-energy plants and cement kilns.”

Singapore looking to invest in advanced recycling facilities

For Singapore, closing the loop in the circular economy is an existential concern. Plastic waste recycling rates in the city-state is the lowest at less than 5 per cent but its government is moving towards introducing EPR laws for both packaging and electronic waste by 2025, concerned that Semakau Landfill, the only landfill it has, will run out of space in 2035.

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Dr Dominic Hogg, director at Eqanimator, a management and environmental consultancy, also thinks that finding a way to treat and process waste carbon is a venture that is worth pursuing.



L-R: joining virtually - Clarissa Morawski, Reloop, Dr Dominic Hogg, Eqanimator together with moderator Anna Moore, Eco-Business, Michael Löwe, TOMRA Systems ASA, Marika Lindstrom, Unilever, Christopher Tan, National Environment Agency.

Hogg said that facilities in Norway, Netherlands and other parts of Europe are already starting to extract fossil carbon from mixed waste. From a climate change perspective, disposing of waste by incineration should no longer be appealing, he said.

“We used to assume it was great because waste-to-energy incineration plants were displacing coal-fired power generation, but that is not true anymore. Increasingly, we are shifting towards a situation where the energy source that is being displaced has a lower carbon intensity, so the benefits of generating energy from incineration start to decline.”

Recent reports have estimated that the circular economy could potentially unlock US\$4.5 trillion of economic growth by 2030. “If we try to retain materials in the cycle of use within a more circular economy, we can also free up capacity at the incineration plants. I think we shouldn’t waste that opportunity,” said Hogg.

Guests at Thursday’s Resource Transformation Dialogue also included Eivind S. Homme, ambassador-designate of Norway to Singapore and Professor Seeram Ramakrishna, chair of the Circular Economy Taskforce at the National University of Singapore.

Ramakrishna, in his keynote speech, emphasised the importance of quality and reliable data when it comes to planning for waste recycling. Such knowledge enables governments to make sound policies, allocate appropriate budgets and adapt to future demand, he said.

Ambassador-designate Homme acknowledged the strong bilateral ties between Singapore and Norway, and called for both countries to continue sharing their best practices and technological solutions with each other. Norway recently unveiled a new national strategy to develop a green circular economy. Homme, in his speech, said that the strategy will be centred on helping businesses and industries make better use of resources, ensuring that they create profitable business models at the same time.

This timely dialogues illustrates that the circular economy for plastic is achievable but must complement the overall reduction in usage. Governments must drive the management of waste through legislation and by courting private funders to invest in new technologies to stem the tide of plastic waste that is polluting our waterways and natural environment. With rapid population growth in Asia, particularly in the next decade, the transformation of our resources is a must if we are to protect the planet. The key is the urgency with which it arrives.

Source: <https://www.eco-business.com/news/circular-economy-for-plastic-achievable-but-aggressive-legislation-is-needed/>



2 whales rescued in Argentina

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BUENOS AIRES: Rescue teams saved two stranded whales along the [Atlantic coast](#) of [Argentina](#) Tuesday (Wednesday in [Manila](#)) the [World Marine Foundation](#) said. The animals were stranded on the beach of the seaside resort town of La Lucila [del Mar](#), 220 miles (360 kilometers) south of Buenos Aires, just as spring arrives to the southern hemisphere. "The first, which was stranded on Sunday, was a juvenile female humpback whale, 32 feet (9.8 meters) long and approximately eight tons in weight," the conservation group said in a statement.

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Philippines' COVID count up by 9,868 more cases

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Commuters prepare their face shields as they board an EDSA carousel bus at the Monumento station in Quezon City on Sept. 23, 2021.

The STAR / Michael Varcas

MANILA, Philippines — The Department of Health on Wednesday reported 9,868 more coronavirus cases to bring the country's caseload to 2,622,917.

Today's numbers saw active cases up by 9,730 from the 103,077 on October 5. The Department of Health said two laboratories did not submit screening results.

No deaths were reported again today due to technical issues in DOH's COVIDKaya system.

- Active cases: 112,807 or 4.3% of the total
- Recoveries: 133 bringing the number to 2,471,282
- Deaths: N/A, or still at 38,828

Limited return to classrooms set on November 15

The Department of Education announced that the pilot run on face-to-face classes will begin on [November 15](#), with 59 public schools selected so far.

Official data showed there are now 22.40 million Filipinos complete with their COVID-19 shots, out of the government's target of up to 70 million this year.

Leadership of the Philippine National Police told its regional and provincial directors to deploy enough personnel on the last days of the filing of certificate of candidacy to prevent COVID-19 suprespreader events.

Source: <https://www.philstar.com/pilipino-star-ngayon/bansa/2021/09/13/2126704/covid-19-alert-level-system-iiral-na-sa-metro-manila-sa-september-16/amp/>



Nahawa ng COVID-19 sa Pilipinas pumalo na sa 2.62-M; patay hindi uli nadagdagan

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Residents queue for vaccination in Marikina City, suburban Manila on August 6, 2021, as authorities imposed another lockdown to slow the spread of the hyper-contagious Delta variant and ease pressure on hospitals while trying to avoid crushing economic activity.

AFP/Ted Aljibe

MANILA, Philippines — Nakapagtala ang Department of Health (DOH) ng 9,868 bagong infection ng coronavirus disease (COVID-19), Miyerkules, kung kaya't nasa 2,622,917 na sumatutal ang nahahawaan nito sa bansa.

Batay sa mga bagong nakalap na datos ng Kagawaran ng Kalusugan, narito ang bagong mga pasok na datos para araw na ito:

- **Lahat ng kaso:** 2,622,917
- **Nagpapagaling pa:** 112,807, o 4.3% ng total infections
- **Kagagaling lang:** 133, dahilan para maging 2,471,282 na lahat ng gumagaling
- **Kamamatay lang:** N/A, na siyang nagpapanatili sa total local death toll sa 38,828

COVID-19 cases sa mundo 235.17 milyon na

- Sa ikatlong-sunod na araw, wala pa ring naidadagdag na bagong kaso ng pagkamatay sa COVID-19 sa Pilipinas dahil sa "technical issues" sa COVIDKaya, sabi ng DOH. Lunes pa nakapako sa 38,828 ang total local death toll sa virus magpahanggang sa ngayon.
- Umabot naman na sa [22.4 milyon ang nakakukuha ng kumpletong doses ng COVID-19 vaccine sa Pilipinas](#), ayon sa talaan ng gobyerno. Parte lamang 'yan ng 47.77 milyong kabuuang bilang ng mga gamot na naiturok na laban sa nakamamatay na virus sa bansa.
- Ipinaalala naman ni World Health Organization technical lead kontra COVID-19 na si Maria Van Kerkhove na [hindi pa "out of the woods"](#) ang daigdig sa banta ng pandemya kahit na iniitsapwersa na ito nang marami, lalo na't nasa 3.1 milyong new cases ang naitatala ng United Nations health agency nitong nagdaang linggo. Maliban pa 'yan sa 54,000 patay noong last week.
- Aabot sa [117 bagong kawani ng pulisiya](#) ang itatalaga ni Philippine National Police (PNP) chief Gen. Guillermo Eleazar laban sa pandemya. Kabilang sa kanila ang mga healthcare workers, dentista, medico-legal officers, doktor, inhinyero atbp.
- Sumampa na sa 235.17 milyon ang tinatamaan ng COVID-19 sa buong daigdig, [ayon sa pinakasariwang datos ng WHO](#). Sa bilang na 'yan, patay na ang 4.8 milyong katao.

— James Relativo

Source: <https://www.philstar.com/pilipino-star-ngayon/bansa/2021/10/06/2132218/nahawa-ng-covid-19-sa-pilipinas-pumalo-na-sa-262-m-patay-hindi-uli-nadagdagan>



'Not out of the woods' in battle against COVID-19 — WHO

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A TV grab from the World Health Organization (WHO) website shows (From L) World Health Organization (WHO) Health Emergencies Programme Director Michael Ryan, WHO Director-General Tedros Adhanom Gebreyesus and WHO Technical Lead Maria Van Kerkhove attending a WHO virtual news briefing on the COVID-19 (novel coronavirus) from the WHO headquarters, on April 17, 2020 in Geneva. Lady Gaga will launch a giant online coronavirus awareness concert on April 18 entitled "One World: Together at Home", featuring music icons like Paul McCartney and Stevie Wonder.

GENEVA, Switzerland — The World Health Organization's Covid-19 chief warned Tuesday "We're not out of the woods" in the fight against the pandemic, even if many people thought it was nearly over.

Maria Van Kerkhove, the technical lead for WHO's Covid-19, said last week 3.1 million known new cases were reported to the UN health agency, and 54,000 more deaths — though the true numbers would be much higher.

"The situation is still incredibly dynamic. And it's dynamic because we don't have control over this virus," she said during a live presentation on the WHO's social media channels.

"We're not out of the woods. We're very much in the middle of this pandemic. But where in the middle... we're not quite sure yet, because frankly we're not using the tools we have right now to get us closer to the end."

She added: "What I really struggle with is in some cities we see ICUs (intensive care units) and hospitals full and people dying -- yet on the streets people are acting like it's completely over.

"You can't have it both ways."

Because of the way the world had handled the crisis, Covid-19 would not be eradicated and was here to stay, she added.

Misinformation killing

The novel coronavirus has killed at least 4.8 million people since the outbreak emerged in China in December 2019, according to a tally from official sources compiled by AFP.

Van Kerkhove said deaths now were largely happening among people who had not been vaccinated.

"From the countries that are providing that information, the rate of hospitalisation and death is by far really among those who are unvaccinated," she said.



Van Kerkhove also hit out at Covid-19 misinformation and disinformation circulating on the internet.

"It is resulting in people dying. There is no way to sugar-coat that," she said.

Van Kerkhove said the WHO was having discussions about the shape of the pandemic over the next three to 18 months.

The US expert said she saw Covid-19 eventually coming under control.

"But we will still have pockets of individuals who are not vaccinated — either because they don't have access, they refuse, or they can't be vaccinated — and we can still see outbreaks," she said.

Van Kerkhove said the virus was here to stay.

"The possibility to eradicate this virus, or even eliminate this virus at a global level was lost early on," she said.

"And it was lost because we didn't, at a global level, attack this virus as strongly as we could."



COVID ITINAGO NG PAMILYA, MISTER PATAY, PAMILYA KINWARANTIN



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HINDI dapat itago ninoman ang pagkakaroon ng coronavirus disease-19 o COVID-19 sa mga kinauukulan.

Sinasabi natin ito, mga Bro, kaugnay ng nangyari sa isang pamilya na hindi natin tutukuyin subalit namatayan ng ama at nakakwarantin ang buong pamilya dahil sa katatago ng pagdapo sa kanila ng nasabing sakit.

Dahil nakakwarantin ang misis at mga anak, hindi tuloy nila nasilayan man lang ang pag-cremate sa kanilang ama ng tahanan makaraan itong mamatay.

Sa isang lungsod sa Metro Manila naganap ang mapait na pangyayari.

NAKIPAG-UGNAYAN SA REMATE

Nakipag-ugnayan naman sa ating mga kasamahan sa Remate ang biktima at inaming tinamaan sila ng COVID.

Subalit ang kanilang pakikipag-ugnayan ay para humingi ng tulong pinansyal para maging bahagi ng pantustos nila sa kanilang gastusing pampamilya at pagbili-bili na rin ng gamot na sa paniniwala nila ay makatutulong sa kanila na gumaling.

Sinabi pa nilang sapat na ang konsultasyon nila sa telepono at internet sa doktor.

Giit ng ating mga kasamahan, magdeklara sila kahit man lang sa barangay lalo't kilala ang siyudad nila sa pagiging mapag-asikaso sa mga maysakit.

Ngunit umayaw sila sa katwirang masisira ang kanilang paghahanapbuhay.

KOMUNIKASYON PINUTOL

Nang kinukuha na ng mga kasamahan natin ang ngalan ng kanilang barangay at eksaktong address, pinutol na nila ang komunikasyon.

'Yun bang === ayaw nilang matukoy ang kanilang tinitirhan upang hindi sila maiugnay sa mga lokal na pamahalaan.

Sa huli, hayun, mga Bro, namatay ang ama ng tahanan at sapilitan silang inilagay sa quarantine facility.



Hanggang ngayon, nakakwarantin pa ang misis at mga anak dahil seryoso ang nangyari sa kanila.

PAYONG MAHIGPIT SA IBA

Sa nangyari sa nasabing pamilya, mga Bro, mahigpit nating payo sa lahat ng mga kinakapitan ng sumpang COVID na huwag magtago at gawing lihim ang kanilang kalagayan, lalo na sa mga awtoridad.

Huwag manghinayang na mawala ang mga pinagkakakitaan kung kapalit naman nito ang pananatili nating buhay at gumaling sa karamdaman.

Magtiwala sa pamahalaan na aasikasuhin ka kahit pa sinasabing punom-puno ang kamay nito sa pag-aasikaso sa lahat ng mga biktima.

Kung lalantad kasi tayo, maaaring makatulong din nang husto ang iba na pupuno sa maaaring kakulangan ng mga kinauukulan.

Wala na nga lang tayong magagawa kung sa kabila ng pagsisikap nating lahat na isalba ang buhay ng bawat isa ay darating ang tadhana na iginuhit sa ating buhay.

ISIPIN NATIN ITO

Paglantad natin sa iba na tayo'y maysakit, tiyak na may kamay na aabot sa atin upang tumulong.

Kung hindi sasapat ang tulong ng isa, tiyak na may iba pang mga kamay na magbitbit sa atin paahon mula sa kumunoy ng pagkakasakit.

At ang pinakamalakas na kamay ay walang iba kundi ang pamahalaan.

Ang mga opisyal ng barangay at iba pang lokal na opisyaes sa munisipyo, lungsod at lalawigan ang tumutulong sa paghahanap ng mga ospital na roon tayo pupwedeng dalhin.

Sila rin ang mabilis na nakikipag-ugnayan sa mga Task Force COVID na may mga ambulansya na may lamang pampahaba ng buhay gaya ng mga oxygen tank.

Ang mga ito ang panangga sa mga trapik at problema sa daan na ating nararanasan sa pagtakbo sa mga ospital o kwarantin na paglalagyan sa atin.

Karaniwang mga pampublikong ospital tayo dinadala at buhay o patay man tayo paglabas ng ospital, karaniwang wala tayong alalahanin sa mga hospital bill.

Nariryan sa mga ospital ang Malasakit Center na itinayo ng batas na pangunahing iniakda ni Senador Bong Go.

Pinagsasama-sama ng Malasakit Center ang PhilHealth, Social Welfare Department, Philippine Charity Sweepstakes Office at iba pang ahensya na may kaukulang pondo para bawasan nang malaki o ganap na burahin ang mga bayarin sa ospital ng may COVID o iba pang sakit.

MAGPABAKUNA NA RIN

Itong pagpapabakuna, mga Bro, ang isa sa pinakaepektibong sandata natin laban sa pandemya.

Balak ng pamahalaan na magbakuna ng isang milyon araw-araw sa buwang ito ng Oktubre dahil may sapat na suplay ng bakuna para rito.

Sa Oktubre 15, sisimulan na rin ang pagbabakuna.



Payo natin sa lahat, huwag magtago at umiwas sa bakuna kundi sumali tayo lahat kung andiyan na ang mga doktor, nars at iba pang nagbabakuna.

Kambalan natin ang pagbabakuna ng mahigpit na pagsunod sa mga health protocol gaya ng pagsusuot ng face mask at face shield, pagtulong sa contact tracing sa mga nagtatago na may sakit.



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DOH COVID-19 CASE BULLETIN # 571

OKTUBRE 6, 2021

Para sa kumpletong detalye at impormasyon,
bisitahin lamang ang aming pampublikong site:
<https://ncovtracker.doh.gov.ph/>

PORSYENTO NG AKTIBONG KASO

4.3%

TOTAL NG AKTIBONG KASO
112,807

PORSYENTO NG GUMALING

94.2%

TOTAL NG GUMALING
2,471,282

PORSYENTO NG NAMATAY

1.48%

TOTAL NG NAMATAY
38,828

MGA BAGONG KASO **9,868**

MGA BAGONG GUMALING **133**

MGA BAGONG NAMATAY **N/A**

KABUANG BILANG NG KASO **2,622,917**

MGA NAGPOSITIBO HULING OKTUBRE 4
DATOS NGAYONG OKTUBRE 6
AYON SA REPORTS NOONG OKTUBRE 4

18.2%

PORSYENTO NG MGA
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PUNO NA BA ANG ATING MGA OSPITAL?

NATIONAL CAPITAL REGION
PUNO NA BA ANG ATING MGA OSPITAL?

KALAGAYAN NG MGA
AKTIBONG KASO

ICU BEDS (4.5K TOTAL BEDS)
71% Utilized

ICU BEDS (1.6K TOTAL BEDS)
69% Utilized

Mild 76.7%

ISOLATION BEDS (21.0K TOTAL BEDS)
57% Utilized

ISOLATION BEDS (4.9K TOTAL BEDS)
47% Utilized

13.9% Asymptomatic

WARD BEDS (15.6K TOTAL BEDS)
61% Utilized

WARD BEDS (4.3K TOTAL BEDS)
58% Utilized

1.2% Critical

VENTILATORS (3.4K TOTAL VENTILATORS)
53% Utilized

VENTILATORS (1.1K TOTAL VENTILATORS)
57% Utilized

2.8% Severe

5.49% Moderate



UPDATE AND MESSAGE OF THE DAY

The DOH is in constant coordination with the DICT to resolve technical issues with COVIDKaya. DOH will then again issue necessary public advisories to report additional deaths not included in today's case bulletin due to technical issues of COVIDKaya.

Ang masusing pagsunod sa **Minimum Public Health Standards** ang susi sa kaligtasan ng lahat. Upang protektahan ang ating mga tahanan, maging alisto sa sintomas, at agad na makipag-ugnayan sa **BHERTS** o **One COVID Referral Center** sa oras na makaramdam ng mga ito. Maaabot ang One COVID Referral Center sa **1555, (02)886-505-00, 0915-777-7777, o sa 0919-977-3333.**

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


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


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