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DENR tightens crowd control on Manila Bay's dolomite beach

By Catherine Teves [October 26, 2021, 5:29 pm](#)



(PNA file photo)

MANILA – Additional crowd control measures are in place for Manila Bay's dolomite beach to better prevent possible spread of coronavirus disease 2019 (Covid-19) while enabling the conduct of maintenance and other works.

The beach has been attracting throngs of people since it reopened this month, raising concern the crowd may facilitate Covid-19's spread due to lack of physical distancing which is among the minimum health standards set by the government, noted Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) Undersecretary Jonas Leones.

"We are aware that if this situation continues and the minimum health standards are ignored, this may bring us to a scenario of a possible super spreader event," Jonas said Tuesday during a virtual press conference, reading the DENR's latest statement on the matter.

To address the situation, he said there is a "temporary ban on minors to enter dolomite beach" as this restriction is consistent with Covid-19 protocols of Inter-Agency Task Force (IATF) for the Management of Emerging Infectious Diseases.

He also said members of DENR-led Manila Bay Task Force (MBTF) agreed to close the beach every Friday for maintenance work and, in accordance with IATF protocols, from Oct. 29 to Nov. 3.

"The minimum health protocols will be strictly observed by implementing measures to meet capacity of the area to avoid over-crowding and give way to some repairs in some parts of the beach," he continued.

There will be time allotted for visitor's stay in the beach so pending rehabilitation work in the area -- particularly water quality-related tasks -- can continue, he said.

"In accordance with existing laws, persons with disabilities, senior citizens and even pregnant women are to be accorded with special lanes inside the dolomite beach," he added.

DENR is optimistic such measures will significantly reduce the number of people flocking there.

Marshalls of DENR are patrolling Manila Bay's dolomite beach but visitor turn-out has been unexpected, raising the need for additional crowd control measures.



"We respectfully request your understanding," the DENR urged the public while assuring that coordination among MBTF member-agencies will continue to further rehabilitate Manila Bay.

The dolomite beach comprises Phase 1 of the beach nourishment project the DENR is undertaking as part of Manila Bay's rehabilitation.

The DENR-led rehabilitation aims to make Manila Bay's water fit again for contact recreational activities.

The government earlier opened the dolomite beach for a limited time, enabling the public to get a glimpse of the area while complying with the minimum Covid-19 health protocols.

Aside from observing at least one-meter distance from people, the protocols include wearing of face masks and washing hands frequently. **(PNA)**



DENR moves to lessen crowds at Manila Bay's dolomite beach

BY JONATHAN L. MAYUGA

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Cyclists take selfies in front of the Manila Baywalk Dolomite Beach archway on Roxas Boulevard, which leads to a stretch of artificial white-sand beach on Manila Bay.

A week after the soft-opening of the controversial Manila Baywalk dolomite beach along Roxas Boulevard, Manila, the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) announced measures to effectively reduce the number of visitors in the area.

In an online news conference on Tuesday, DENR Undersecretary for Environment and International Affairs Jonas R. Leones admitted that the agency was overwhelmed by the enthusiasm and interest of the public to visit the recently opened beach as shown by the big number of people in the beach area since it opened on October 16.

Director Jacob Meimban Jr. of the DENR's Manila Bay Coordinating Office (MBCO) there were admitted that more than 120,000 people trooped to the area on October 25 alone.

Netizens were quick to criticize the DENR for what some described as a "publicity stunt" to promote the controversial project amid the threats of Covid-19. No less than President Duterte called the attention of the DENR.

Leones said in support of the efforts of the national government and the directives of the Covid-19 Inter-Agency Task Force for the Management of Emerging Infectious Diseases (IATF), children 11 years and below will not be allowed entry in the beach area starting October 26, 2021. The beach will also be closed every Friday.

Moreover, the Manila Baywalk dolomite beach shall be closed from October 29, 2021 until November 3, 2021 in observance of All Saints' Day and All Souls' Day.

To further reduce the number of visitors and avoid overcrowding at any given time, a "cinema approach" will also be implemented by the DENR—which means that visitors will be given very limited time inside the beach area.

Leones said there will times that the dolomite beach will be closed to give way to ongoing development in the area, noting that the area covered with the crushed dolomite is just part and parcel of the bigger P389-million Beach Nourishment Project being implemented by the Department of Public Works and Highways and the DENR.

Leones said the new measures that will take effect immediately would limit the number of people and prevent the much-feared transmission of the dreaded coronavirus.



“We are all aware of that we are still in the pandemic situation. When we opened the Manila Bay dolomite beach, we did not expect that it would be warmly accepted by throngs of Filipinos from all walks of life who descended on the dolomite beach in the West of Metro Manila, breathing fresh air, walking on the sand and most of all, witnessing the famous Manila Bay sunset,” he said.

Image courtesy of Roy Domingo



'Cinema approach' policy to be implemented in Dolomite beach —DENR

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by [Joseph Pedrajas](#)

The Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) will use a “cinema approach” in its operation of the Dolomite beach in the Manila Bay to avoid repeat of violations of health protocols against COVID-19, which were observed for the past two weeks since it reopened to the public.

DENR Usec. Jonas Leones said Tuesday that the agency will limit the number of people in the area to 4,000 for every given time. This can be done through distributing stubs for entry.

“Beforehand, meron na silang notice na ganitong oras sila pupunta (they will be given notice about their schedule of visit). So there will be no need for long queues outside the Dolomite kasi (because) they will not be staying there,” Leones said in a press conference. Visitors will also only be allowed to stay for up to two hours, just like when they are watching a movie in theaters, “to enjoy the scenery and the area.”

The Dolomite beach will open starting 5:30 a.m. until 6 p.m., Leones said.

The said policy will most likely be implemented during weekends when there is a deluge of people, as during weekdays DENR “does not have any problem with the crowd.”

Previously, DENR allowed anyone, regardless of age or vaccination status, inside the Dolomite beach. But on Monday night, it issued a statement barring children below 12 years old Tuesday, Oct. 26.

Aside from these, DENR also decided to implement the following:

- Close the area every Friday for maintenance work
- Close the area from Oct. 29 to Nov. 3 in observance of the All Souls’ Day and the All Saints’ Day and in accordance with the national government’s pandemic task force protocols
- Implement “substantial reduction of visitors” to give way for the pending rehabilitation works in the Manila Bay

Currently, Metro Manila is under Alert Level 3. Under the national government’s guidelines, minors or those 18 years old below are still not allowed to go out, except for essential purposes, such as availing medical or government services, and outdoor exercises.

Asked about defying the rule by still allowing in the Dolomite beach those 12 to 17 years old, Leones only seemed clueless about the guidelines and said they would still accommodate those from the age group as they are now qualified for COVID-19 vaccine.

“Minors 17 and below? I think that’s a legal term eh... ‘Yung (Those_ 12 to 17... we vaccinate now itong (this) age group na to eh. Ang sinasabi natin dito vaccinated na sila, baka naman pepwede na silang lumabas din...’Yun ang ginawa natin basehan (What we’re saying is they’re already vaccinated, so perhaps they’re already allowed to go out. That’s our basis),” he said.

For the past two weekends, tens of thousands of people flocked the Dolomite beach, making various government agencies and officials alarmed over the situation.



From at least 25,000 people recorded on Oct. 17, it swelled to 121,744 on Oct. 24, according to Manila Bay Coordinating Office Deputy Executive Director Jacob Meimban.

“The total number of visitors for the past nine days is 322,718,” he said.



DENR to implement 'cinema' system to prevent dolomite beach crowding

[Gaea Katreena Cabico](#) - Philstar.com October 26, 2021 | 3:45pm



Crowds gather as they wait for the famous Manila Bay sunset at the Manila Dolomite Beach during its second day being open on Sunday, Oct. 17, 2021.

The STAR / Miguel de Guzman

MANILA, Philippines — The Department of Environment and Natural Resources will implement several changes to reduce the number of people flocking to the so-called Manila Baywalk Dolomite Beach, such as limiting the number of visitors at a given time.

The changes in rules came after over 120,000 people trooped to the artificial white sand beach on Sunday, raising concerns on compliance with health protocols set by the government.

“Observance of minimum public health standards will be strictly observed by implementing measures to meet the capacity of the area to avoid overcrowding and give way to repairs in some parts of the beach,” DENR Undersecretary Jonas Leones said in a briefing on Tuesday.

Leones said the agency will limit the number of visitors to 4,000 to 5,000 at a given time.

The DENR will also implement a rotation and cinema approach when accepting people. Under this, visitors will be given stubs to enter the destination and be allotted only two hours to stay there.

“After two hours, they will leave. We’ll be asking them to leave and we will give time to prepare the area for one hour. After that, we’ll accept another batch of 4,000 individuals to enter,” the environment official said.

Leones said children aged 11 and below are not allowed inside the beach area, clarifying an earlier statement that the ban include those aged 12.

The destination will be closed down on Fridays for maintenance work.

There will also be special lanes for persons with disabilities, senior citizens and pregnant women.

DENR officials said authorities have no problem managing the crowds during weekdays, but there is a massive influx of visitors during weekends.

According to Manila Bay Coordinating Office Executive Director Jacob Meimban, the number of people who flocked the artificial beach ballooned to 121,744 on October 24 from around 25,000 people on October 17.



The Department of Health earlier said the overcrowding of people in the area violated rules set by the pandemic task force.

Leones said the incident is a “wake-up call” to increase the number of public spaces, especially in urban area.



DENR to implement 'cinema approach' crowd control at dolomite beach

By JOVILAND RITA, GMA News

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The Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) on Tuesday said it will implement a "cinema approach" in receiving visitors to Manila Bay's dolomite beach.

In a press conference, DENR Undersecretary Jonas Leones said this is one of the measures the Manila Bay Task Force came up with to reduce the number of visitors to the dolomite beach.

"Crowd control will be implemented such as rotation approach and cinema approach, wherein allotment of time to visit and stay in the dolomite will be imposed," he said, reading the DENR statement.

A 24 Oras News Alert report said visitors will be given tickets that will allow them to stay in the area for a maximum of two hours.

The DENR, as well as the police, recently drew flak after the artificial white sand area along Manila Bay drew large crowds over the weekend, including small children, amid the COVID-19 pandemic.

Other measures that the DENR will implement are:

closure of dolomite beach on Fridays

- closure on October 29 to November 3 in accordance to IATF order on the observance of All Souls' and All Saints' Days
- strict implementation of minimum health protocols in light of the COVID-19 pandemic
- setting up a special lane for persons with disability, senior citizens, and pregnant women

On Tuesday, the DENR also announced that children [11 years old and below will no longer be allowed entry](#) to the dolomite beach. —**KBK, GMA News**

Source: https://www.gmanetwork.com/news/news/metro/808446/denr-to-implement-cinema-approach-crowd-control-at-dolomite-beach/story/?fbclid=IwAR16hiDcqFj3R2ZEBboaafiTTGRlt_ChYyTRYOHLw8IViCZTDHa7Qad6kww



DENR to apply 'cinema approach' for visitors at dolomite beach

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The DENR will implement a "cinema approach" system for visitors wanting to enter the Manila Baywalk Dolomite Beach to prevent overcrowding and to limit the number of visitors, which hit around 322K from Oct. 16-24 alone according to DENR Usec. Jonas Leones.

Starting Tuesday (Oct. 26, 2021), children below 12 years old are no longer allowed at the beach. It is also closed to the public from Oct. 29-Nov. 3.

(Kiara Lauren Ibanez/BENJAMIN CUARESMA/ai/mtvn)



Source: <https://maharlika.tv/2021/10/26/denr-to-apply-cinema-approach-for-visitors-at-dolomite-beach/?fbclid=IwAR0LOJ7OsLNfdDOSdivME99qW2Bs1z9Z2jpJ1YDuO9QzgJzpLjI4RgVQUdA>



Dolomite beach may mga bagong alituntunin para sa mga bisita

ABS-CBN News

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MAYNILA - Nagpatupad ng mga bagong panuntunan ang Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) sa Manila Baywalk Dolomite Beach matapos dagsain ng mga tao at pumalo sa mahigit 121,000 ang mga namasyal dito noong Linggo.

Simula umaga ng Martes ay ipinagbawal na ang pagpasok sa Dolomite Beach ng mga batang edad 11 pababa.

Lilimitahan na rin sa 4,000 hanggang 5,000 ang dami ng mga taong papapasukin sa limitadong oras lalo na tuwing weekend.

Sabi pa ng DENR na sa mga susunod na araw at sa weekend matapos ang Undas malalaman kung talagang epektibo ang mga bagong panuntunan.

Sinabi naman ng DENR na hindi kailangan na i-require na magpresenta ng ID ang mga bata pero umapela ang ahensiya sa mga magulang na tiyaking 12 anyos pataas ang bata.

Maglalaan na rin ng special lane at lugar para sa mga person with disability, senior citizen, at mga buntis, habang isasara ang beach mula Oktubre 29 hanggang Nobyembre 3.

Isasara sa publiko ang beach tuwing Biyernes para sa maintenance work.

Iniiisip din nilang gawing limitado ang oras ng kada batch ng mga mamamasyal sa loob ng beach.

"For example we will be opening the dolomite area at 5:30. They will be given 2 hours to stay there, enjoy the scenery at saka 'yung area and another 2 hours, we will be asking them to leave and then we will be given time to prepare the area for 1 hour then we are ready to accept another batch," ani DENR Undersecretary Jones Leones.

Aminado ang DENR na nagulat sila at hindi nila inaasahan ang pagdagsa ng napakaraming tao.

Mahirap din anilang ipatupad ang contact tracing dito kaya umapela sila na sundin ang protocols.

Hinamon din ni Manila Mayor at presidential aspirant Isko Moreno ang National Task Force on COVID-19 na sampahan ng reklamo ang DENR dahil sa pagdagsa ng maraming tao sa dolomite beach habang may pandemya.

"File charges in violation [of health protocols] sa mga kapwa nila nasa national government," ani Moreno.

Ipinapaubaya naman ng Malacañang sa DILG ang panawagan ni Moreno.

"Hinahayaan na po namin 'yan sa DILG at sa ating kapulisan, kasama na po ang lokal na pamahalaan ng Maynila," ani Presidential Spokesperson Harry Roque.

-- **Ulat ni Raya Capulong, ABS-CBN News**

Source: <https://news.abs-cbn.com/news/10/26/21/alaman-mga-bagong-patakaran-sa-dolomite-beach?fbclid=IwAR3IOWDFUGJNFq08E-GrD0i6IfoAcD4z7yM0hBm-DKDwp4R7LHoKxHFSETg>



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Matataas na opisyal ng DENR, magbabantay na sa dolomite beach kada araw

By [RadyoMaN Manila](#) -Oct. 26, 2021 at 5:41am



Nagtalaga na ng mga matataas na opisyal ang Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) na magbabantay sa aktibidad ng publiko sa dolomite beach sa Manila Bay.

Ayon kay DENR Usec. Benny Antiporda, kabilang sa mga ilalagay kada araw ay ang mga duty officer na ang ranggo ay hangang undersecretary.

Habang tiniyak din ng opisyal na inaayos na nila ang sistema sa pagbubukas ng dolomite beach upang hindi maging COVID-19 super spreader.

Sa ngayon, nanindigan si Antiporda na walang balak ang gobyerno na isara ang dolomite beach dahil hindi ito patas sa mga Pilipino lalo't ginastusan ng pamahalaan.

Tuwing Biyernes isasarado ang dolomite beach bilang pagbibigay-daan sa maintenance work.

Source: https://rmn.ph/matataas-na-opisyal-ng-denr-magbabantay-na-sa-dolomite-beach-kada-araw/?fbclid=IwAR0gFvpH7zxjxrxyUg_qL9pW_pGRI9ltyK4S3vgBLZQZSL2ka7HITBgyWcM



DENR owns up to protocol breach in Manila dolomite beach weekend frenzy

By: [Daniza Fernandez](#) - [@inquirerdotnet](#)

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Thousands of people flocked to the Manila Bay Dolomite Beach after it reopened last week following the downgrading of the quarantine restrictions in NCR to Alert Level 3. Screenshot from YouTube / DENR

MANILA, Philippines — The Department of Environment and Natural Resources on Tuesday owned up to its failure to implement social distancing and other protocols when it opened the Manila Bay dolomite beach to thousands of visitors in recent weeks.

DENR Undersecretary Benny Antiporda however claimed that the overcrowding was quickly addressed by authorities, amid the government rule to [limit the capacity to just 50 percent](#).

“Rest assured that ‘yung sinasabi nilang nagkaroon ng violation sa social distancing, immediately na-address po ‘yan dahil in-implement po namin ‘yung five-minute rule,” Antiporda said during the Palace briefing.

(Rest assured that what they said we had a violation of social distancing, it was immediately addressed because we implemented the five-minute rule.)

The five-minute rule, according to Antiporda, allows not more than 400 people in the over one-hectare dolomite beach for just five minutes, after which they would be ushered out to be able to accommodate the next batch.

“Sad to say, mayroon po tayong ilang mga kapatid sa media na nakunan ng litrato ‘yun pong time na dumami ‘yung tao dahil umulan po at that time. So, again, hindi ho natin pwede sabihin na hindi po tayo nagkulang. Nagkulang nang kaunti, pero naagapan po,” he said.

(Sad to say, we have some media who captured a photo of people during the time when there was an influx. Again, we cannot say that we did not have any shortcomings. There was a slight shortcoming but it was addressed.)

Antiporda was also asked for his reaction to Manila City Mayor Isko Moreno’s challenge to government officials to file cases against environment officials for failing to control the volume of visitors in the [artificial beach](#).

However, Antiporda was not aware of Moreno’s statement at the time of the briefing but shared that they received a letter from the mayor the day before.

“The document that we received last night is asking us on our plans and what are the strategies that we’re using in trying to control the crowd,” the [DENR](#) official said.



“So, very supportive pa ho ‘yung letter niya (his letter was even very supportive) and the letter started from the words na (of) ‘we are in full support of the project of the DENR.’ So, I don’t know kung saan po galing ‘yang statement na ‘yan (where that statement came from),” he added.

Starting Tuesday, the [DENR has prohibited children aged 11 years old and below](#) from entering the dolomite beach in accordance with the guidelines of the Inter-Agency Task Force on Emerging Infectious Diseases. The department is also mulling to [close the area to visitors during weekends](#).

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'Supportive si Isko sa project': DENR sinagot bantang kaso sa dolomite beach crowding

By [James Relativo](#)(Philstar.com) - October 26, 2021 - 2:23pm



Naka-face mask laban sa COVID-19 si Manila Mayor Francisco "Isko Moreno" Domagoso (kaliwa) habang makikitang dinaragsa ng publiko ang Dolomite Beach sa Maynila (kanan) nitong ika-17 ng Oktubre, 2021
The STAR, File: AFP/Ted Aljibe

MANILA, Philippines — Hindi maintindihan ng Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) kung bakit hinahamon ngayon ng alkalde ng Maynila ang Inter-Agency Task Force for the Management of Emerging Infectious Diseases (IATF) na sampahan ng kaso ang kanilang kagawaran dahil sa mga "paglabag" ng COVID-19 restrictions kaugnay ng pagbubukas ng Dolomite Beach kamakailan lalo na't todo suporta raw rito ang naturang lokal na pamahalaan.

Martes kasi nang [hamunin](#) ni Manila Mayor Francisco "Isko Moreno" Domagoso ang gobyernong ihabla ang DENR dahil sa siksikan ng publikong dulot ng kino-construct pa ring Manila Baywalk Dolomite Beach — bagay na maaari raw maging COVID-19 "supers preader." "The document that we received last night [from the Manila government] is asking us on our plans and what are the strategies that we're using in trying to control the count [of visitors]," wika ni Environment Undersecretary Benny Antiporda, Martes, sa [briefing ng Palasyo](#).

"Very supportive pa ho 'yung letter niya. The letter started with the words, 'We are in full support of the project of the DENR.' I don't know kung saan nanggaling 'yang statement na 'yan [ng pagpapasampa ng kaso]."

Kahit na nagkaroon daw ng ilang paglabag sa social distancing ang ilang bumisita sa lugar, na sinasabi ni presidential spokesperson Harry Roque na nakakaigi sa mental health ng taumbayan, agad naman daw itong naagapan dahil sa pagpapatupad ng "five minute rule." Suportado ni Domagoso ang dahan-dahang paglabas ng bahay ng publiko para makapaglibang naman sa gitna ng pandemya ngunit mas mainam daw na makontrol at hindi magtipun-tipon sa iisang lugar ang lahat.

'400 at a time lang nasa loob'

Inutusan na ng hepe ng Philippine National Police ang kanilang kasapian na [magtalaga ng mas maraming pulis](#) sa kontrobersyal na atraksyon matapos umabot sa 65,000 katao ang bumisita rito. Nagkakahalaga ng P349 milyon ang first phase ng kontrobersyal na "beach nourishment project," na siyang binuhusan uli ng P265 milyon para sa second phase nito.

"In every single time, dahil po sa laki ng lugar na ito it's more than one hectre, hindi po lalapas ng 400 'yung tao," wika pa ng DENR official kanina/

"Since magkakaroon na po pila sa labas, ang ginagawa po namin, immediately pinapakiusapan namin after five minutes, 'Pagbigyan po natin 'yung next batch.'"



Ganito raw ang sistemang kanilang ipinatupad hanggang magsara ang naturang lugar bandang 6:00 p.m. nitong Linggo. Malas lang daw na nakunan ng litrato ng media na dumami ang tao dahil sa biglang umulan. Aminado naman ang kagawaran na nagkaroon ng pagkukulang pagdating sa pagmando ng lugar ngunit agad naman daw itong nasawata.

Wika ni Roque, hahayaan na nila ang Department of the Interior and Local Government, PNP at Manila local government unit kung mauwi sa kasuhan ang paniningil ng pananagutan.

Una nang sinabi ni Domagoso, na kumakandidato rin sa pagkapangulo sa 2022, na DENR ang may otoridad sa naturang man-made beach habang hindi pa natatapos ang development nito. "Ang ironic kasi diyan, sila yung nagpapatupad, sila rin 'yung lumalabag," banggit ni Domagoso, na tumatakbo sa ilalim ng patidong Aksyon Demokratiko sa susunod na taon.

"If we cannot implement it within our offices, then there's no point in implementing it sa mga taongbayan. Pinahihirapan natin ang taongbayan, pero ang unang naglalabag ay tayo rin sa national government. It doesn't make sense."

11-anyos pababa bawal muna roon

Bilang pagtalima sa guidelines na itinakda ng IATF laban sa COVID-19, [pagbabawalan muna ang pagpasok ng mga batas 11-anyos pababa sa nasabing lugar](#). Pagtama ito ng DENR sa una nilang pahayag na babawalan pati ang mga 12 taong gulang, na pwede naman na raw mabakunahan laban sa virus.

Isasara rin naman ang nasabing beach mula ika-29 ng Oktubre hanggang ika-3 ng Nobyembre habang ginugunita ang Undas.

ICMYI: Children age 12 and below will not be allowed entry to the Manila Baywalk Dolomite Beach starting today, Oct. 26, with respect to the guidelines of IATF.

The beach will also be closed from Oct. 29 to Nov. 3 in observance of 'Undas.' [#BattleForManilaBay pic.twitter.com/FNmvdFQPHp](#)

— ???? (@DENROfficial) [October 25, 2021](#)



Umano'y hamon ni Mayor Isko sa IATF para kasuhan ang mga opisyal ng DENR, hindi totoo-Antiporda

By [RadyoMaN Manila](#) -Oct. 26, 2021 at 3:54pm



Wala umano'ng binabanggit si Manila Mayor Isko Moreno na hinahamon niya ang Inter-Agency Task Force (IATF) na sampahan ng kaso ang mga opisyal ng Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) dahil sa nalabag na health protocols matapos dagsain ang Manila Baywalk Dolomite Beach.

Ito ang pahayag ni DENR Assistant Secretary Benny Antiporda sa panayam ng DZXL.

Ani Aniporda, tila nasobrahan ang pag-anggulo sa pahayag ng Manila mayor.

Aniya, sa katunayan ay nagkausap na sila ni Mayor Isko at pinuri pa ng alkalde ang mga pagsisikap na ginawa ng DENR.

Nauunawaan umano ni Moreno na hindi inaasahan ang pagdagsa ng mga tao dahil sa labis na paghanga at interes ng publiko sa Dolomite Beach.

Batid na rin aniya ng alkalde na mayroon na silang ginagawang hakbang para maiwasang maulit ang insidente.

Samantala, simula ngayong araw ay di na pinapayagan ang mga bata na nasa edad dose pababa na makapasok sa beach area.

Sarado naman ito sa publiko simula October 29 hanggang November 3, 2021 bilang pakikiisa sa paggunita ng All Saints' Day at All Souls' Day.

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Aminado si DENR Usec. Benny Antiporda na nagkaroon ng pagkukulang sa pagpapatupad ng health protocols sa Manila Baywalk Dolomite Beach pero agad naman aniya itong naagapan. Kasunod ito ng pahayag ni Manila Mayor Isko Moreno na pinakakasuhan niya sa Inter-Agency Task Force ang mga opisyal ng DENR dahil hindi nito nakontrol ang pagdagsa ng tao sa lugar.

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ICYMI: Hinamon ni Manila Mayor Isko Moreno ang IATF na kasuhan ang DENR officials dahil sa pagdagsa ng mga tao sa Dolomite Beach. Pero sabi ni DENR Usec. Benny Antiporda, wala raw silang natanggap na mensahe mula kay Yorme ukol dito. Gayunman, natugunan naman daw nila ang isyu sa social distancing sa Dolomite beach. #DZRHNationwide

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SA PAGDAGSA NG MGA TAO SA DOLOMITE BEACH




Mayor Isko Moreno




I'm calling the IATF, to charge those people in DENR for violating our rules. If we cannot implement it within their offices, then there is no point to implementing sa mga taumbayan. **Dapat yung nagpapatupad, may kusang-palo rin na sumunod. Binuksan nila, di naman kami in-inform.** Bumuhos ang tao, eh na-excite ang tao.


Usec. Benny Antiporda

Wala akong nakikita na sinabi ni Mayor Isko Moreno 'yan. Wala kaming document na natanggap ukol dyan. But rest assured na yung sinasabi nila na may violation of social distancing, immediately na-address po 'yan kasi in-implement namin yung 5-minute rule.



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Kids aged 11 and below banned from Manila beach

October 26, 2021 | 7:24 pm



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THE DEPARTMENT of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) clarified on Tuesday that minors aged 12 years and above will be allowed to visit the Manila Baywalk Dolomite Beach and only those aged 11 and below are temporarily banned.

The clarification came after the department announced Monday night that those 12 years and below will not be allowed to enter the area starting Oct. 26 due to restrictions under the alert level 3 system.

In a televised briefing on Tuesday, DENR Undersecretary Benny D. Antiporda said there were “no lapses in communication” between the DENR and the national government, but the earlier announcement was based on information they received that children are allowed to go to open areas when Metro Manila was put under alert level 3 on Oct. 16.

However, the policy has been adjusted as the Dolomite Beach, despite being an open area, became a “crowded open area” when the number of visitors reached up to 25,000 in the past two weekends.

Minors aged 12 to 17 years are allowed to enter as the government has started vaccination against the coronavirus disease for the age group.

Mr. Antiporda also advised the public that the Dolomite Beach will be closed from Oct. 29 to Nov. 3 for the All Saints’ Day observance.

Manila Mayor Francisco “Isko” M. Domagoso, meanwhile, called on the Inter-Agency Task Force for the Management of Emerging Infectious Diseases (IATF) to press charges against DENR for allowing people to flock to the Dolomite Beach which could become a “superspreader” event.

The local government of Manila has no direct role in the area’s management.

“What’s ironic there is that they are the implementers and also the violators. Now I’m challenging agencies of government under IATF to file charges in violation against their fellow national government (officials),” Mr. Domagoso said in an ANC interview Tuesday.

Mr. Antiporda, on the other hand, said Mr. Domagoso gave the DENR a “very supportive letter” Monday night to ask about their plans and strategies to control the crowd. He said the letter started with the words, “We are in full support of the project of the DENR.”



Mr. Antiporda nonetheless admitted that there were “a few lapses” on the part of the DENR, but the problem “was addressed immediately.”

In an interview on CNN on Monday, DENR Undersecretary Jonas R. Leones said they are planning to close the Dolomite Beach once a week for maintenance and will implement a 15-minute stay for visitors in order to reduce the number of people in the area. — Bianca Angelica D. Añago



Oops! DENR clarifies only kids aged 11, below not allowed in dolomite beach

By: [Neil Arwin Mercado](#) - Reporter / [@NAMercadoINQ](#)

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MANILA, Philippines — Kids aged 11 and below are not allowed to enter the dolomite beach at the Manila Bay, the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) said, Tuesday, clarifying an earlier statement that the ban includes 12-year-olds.

At a Palace briefing, DENR Undersecretary Benny Antiporda corrected DENR's earlier announcement that [kids aged 12 and below are not allowed](#) at the dolomite beach following the overcrowding at the area over the weekend.

“Sad to say, isa hong masamang balita para sa mga bata, from 11 pababa ang

“Sana maunawaan natin ito although sinasabi na pwede kayo sa open areas, but this is a crowded open area so we want to be sure na hindi kayo madisgrasyo o magkasakit ng COVID,” he added.

Antiporda explained that the initial announcement barring children aged 12 and below to visit the dolomite beach was based on the launching of the vaccination for the 12-17 age group in the country.

“Ngayon po, inaayos amin ang impormasyon, 11 years old and below ang ipagbabawal muna dito sa Manila Bay,” Antiporda said.

On Sunday, there were reports that authorities have recorded over 4,000 individuals at the dolomite beach — which sits on one section of the rehabilitated Manila Bay.

The [dolomite beach](#), a project of the DENR, is being promoted as a possible tourist spot.

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Kids 11 years old and below banned from Dolomite Beach



Photo from DENR

October 26, 2021

THE Inter-Agency Task Force (IATF) has banned the entry of children 11 years old and below to the Manila Bay Dolomite Beach.

Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) Undersecretary Benny Antiporda said in a press briefing Tuesday, October 26, that the ban will stay while Metro Manila is under Alert Level 3.

“Everything will be recalibrated once a new alert level is issued by the IATF,” he said.

He said the decision was made during the IATF meeting Monday evening, October 25, after noting that thousands of people trooped to the beach especially last weekends.

“Based on information that we received, children are allowed as long as it is open area, but we saw that the area is crowded, especially during weekends. Grabe sa sobrang dami,” said Antiporda.

He said the DENR noted around 300 to 400 people on weekdays at a single time, but this number doubles on weekends.

He stressed though that the government has implemented some measures to limit the number of people inside the beach.

“We implemented the five-minute rule, and kapag lalagpas na ang bilang ng mga tao sa loob, we limit the number of people,” he said.

He stressed that they also make sure that social distancing is strictly implemented, as well as the other health protocols, such as wearing of face mask.

He said the ban aims to limit the people going to the Dolomite Beach and prevent the children 11 years old and below from getting infected with the coronavirus disease (Covid-19).

“Although the children, based on IATF guidelines, are allowed in open areas, remember that this (Dolomite Beach) is a crowded open area. We want to make sure that you will not get Covid-19,” Antiporda said.

He added that with the ban, the number of visitors is expected to decrease decrease.



“Kung hindi na pumupunta yung mga bata, hindi na rin pumupunta yung adults, so malaking tulong po ito,” Antiporda said.

He also said that the Dolomite Beach will be closed to public from October 29 to November 3 in observance of Undas (All Saints’ Day and All Souls’ Day).

Earlier, DENR Secretary Roy Cimatu cited the importance of the Dolomite Beach in the Manila Bay Rehabilitation Program, noting how the beach enhancement project can positively shape the mindset of the public on proper solid waste management.

In his keynote speech during the launch of the DENR’s Solid Waste Management Advocacy Campaign last October 15, Cimatu said he envisions the full restoration of the historic bay as a way to inspire Filipinos’ behavioral change toward the environment.

By making Manila Bay more attractive and clean, the DENR chief said the public will be inspired to practice proper solid waste management and shun environmentally-destructive habits.

"Why did we beautify the Baywalk when we can have just settled with its old appearance? You see, our intention is to dramatically change it so that when you enter there, your mindset and attitude will improve," Cimatu said.

"This is really our intention for doing this, for us not to go back to the old, dirty Manila Bay," he said. **(Laureen Mondoñedo-Ynot/With PR)**



DENR allows minors aged 12 and above at Manila's dolomite beach

By [CNN Philippines Staff](#) Published Oct 26, 2021 2:09:30 PM



Metro Manila (CNN Philippines, October 26) — The Department of Environment and Natural Resources will carry out several changes to prevent another instance of overcrowding and possible COVID-19 superspreader event at the Manila Baywalk Dolomite Beach.

The agency on Tuesday said it will refine its guidelines after 121,000 visitors flocked to the controversial artificial beach on Sunday when the limit should be 4,000 at a given time.

DENR Undersecretary Jonas Leones said children under 12 years old are not allowed to enter.

Minors aged 12-17 can go to the dolomite beach, with DENR explaining COVID-19 vaccination is ongoing in this age group. However, authorities will not require them to present vaccination cards — placing the responsibility on the parents or guardians.

"For those 12 years and above, wala kaming ni-require. Whether it's a vaccinated person o hindi pa, they can still enter the dolomite beach," he said in a media briefing.

[Translation: We don't require anything from those aged 12 years old and above. They can enter the dolomite beach whether they're vaccinated or not.]

Leones said limiting the age of children allowed to enter will help limit the number of visitors especially on weekends.

However, the Metro Manila Council has repeatedly said minors aged 17 and below are prohibited from going out for non-essential trips.

Persons with disabilities, senior citizens, and pregnant women will be allotted a special lane at the beachfront.

Aside from closing the attraction on Fridays for maintenance work, the DENR will also carry out a rotation system when accepting guests.

Leones said only 4,000 guests will be accepted and they can only stay for a maximum of two hours. They will be asked to leave, then another batch of guests will be allowed to enjoy the artificial white sand beach undergoing rehabilitation. He added they are also planning to give out stubs, like in cinemas, to ensure only a limited number of guests can enter.

"After two hours, they'll leave. We will be asking them to leave, and then we will be given time to prepare the area for one hour, then we're ready to accept another batch of 4,000 individuals to enter. Beforehand, meron nang notice na itong oras sila pupunta [They will be given an appointment time], there will be no need for long queues outside the dolomite," the official said.



The Department of Health on Monday issued a stern reminder to the Manila City local government and concerned national agencies to regulate and even revise its process if it cannot control the crowd. Health Undersecretary Maria Rosario Vergeire noted that the officials overseeing the dolomite beach violated the capacity allowed for outdoor spaces.

"Sinabi kapag Alert Level 3, ang outdoors natin 50% capacity. 'Yung nakita natin nung weekend, hindi po 'yun 50% capacity," she said.

[Translation: If it's Alert Level 3, outdoor spaces are allowed 50% capacity. What we saw over the weekend was not 50% capacity.]

Manila Mayor Isko Moreno urged the national government's pandemic response task force to file charges against DENR.

The national government pushed for the opening of the Manila Baywalk Dolomite Beach in September 2020, with Presidential Spokesperson Harry Roque saying the white sand will help Filipinos' mental health amid the COVID-19 pandemic.



Kids aged 12 and below no longer allowed at dolomite beach

By Catherine Teves **October 26, 2021, 2:54 pm**



(PNA photo by Joey O. Razon)

MANILA – Minors 12 years old and younger can no longer enter crowd-drawer Manila Baywalk Dolomite Beach beginning Tuesday (Oct. 26).

Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) has set such a ban to help guard against further spread of coronavirus disease 2019 (Covid-19), observing children and adults have been flocking to the beach in droves since the area reopened over a week ago.

"In support of the efforts of the national government and the directives of the Covid-19 Inter-Agency Task Force (IATF) for the Management of Emerging Infectious Diseases, children 12 years and below will not be allowed entry in the beach area starting tomorrow, October 26, 2021," DENR said in its press statement released late Monday night.

DENR thanked the public for its enthusiasm and interest in visiting the dolomite beach.

"However, we would like to strongly remind everyone that the NCR is under Alert Level No. 3, we are still in a pandemic and the virus is still present," it said.

Alert level 3 is the less stringent quarantine status of areas where IATF said Covid-19 case counts "are high and/or increasing, with total bed utilization rate and intensive care unit utilization rate at increasing utilization."

The dolomite beach comprises Phase 1 of the beach nourishment project DENR is undertaking as part of Manila Bay's rehabilitation.

Such DENR-led rehabilitation aims to make Manila Bay's water fit again for contact recreational activities.

The government earlier opened the dolomite beach for a limited time, enabling the public to get a glimpse of the area while complying with basic Covid-19 health protocols.

These protocols include the wearing of face masks, maintaining at least a 1-meter distance between people, and frequent washing of hands.

DENR assured to continue working with government agencies concerned regarding the improvement of regulations covering Manila Bay's dolomite beach so people's visit there can be safer and more enjoyable.

"We appreciate the comments of His Eminence Archbishop Socrates Villegas on the matter and we commit to continuously abide by the guidelines of the IATF," it said. **(PNA)**

Source: <https://www.pna.gov.ph/articles/1157770>



DENR: Kids 12 and below not allowed to enter Manila's dolomite beach starting Oct. 26

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MANILA, Philippines — The Department of Environment and Natural Resources said starting Tuesday, kids aged 12 and below are barred from entering the Manila Baywalk Dolomite Beach where thousands of families flocked to when curbs were eased in Metro Manila.

The DENR said in a tweet on Tuesday morning that this is following guidelines from the Inter-Agency Task Force on Managing Emerging Infectious Diseases.

“Children age 12 and below will not be allowed entry to the Manila Baywalk Dolomite Beach starting today, October 26, with respect to the guidelines of the IATF,” it said.

The DENR added that the dolomite beach will be closed from October 29 to November 3 in observance of Undas.



In a separate statement, the department added: “[W]e would like to strongly remind everyone that the National Capital Region is under Alert Level No. 3, we are still in a pandemic, and the virus is still present.”

The department reopened the man-made beach on October 16 for a few hours a day, after Metro Manila eased to Alert Level 3 status.

The DENR stressed that visitors must wear face mask and face shield at all times, but with tens of thousands of people flocking to the area, crowding was observed.

On Sunday, authorities started limiting the number of people entering the dolomite beach. Jacob Meimban Jr, deputy executive director of the department's Manila Bay Coordinating Office, has said that he directed the office's ground commander to temporarily stop the entry of people after the number of visitors reached up to 4,000.



"During last weekend when the beach re-opened, we gave them access to some 140 meters or 8,000 square meters of the Dolomite Beach area. If we see that a much larger number of people are going in, we are ready to open up to some 300 meters or 12,000 square meters – that is 1.2 hectares," Meimban added.

Metro Manila has few parks and public spaces. Shopping malls, where many go for leisure, have reopened subject [to restrictions](#). — **Kristine Joy Patag with reports from Franco Luna**



Children 12 years old and below no longer allowed in Dolomite beach

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by [Joseph Pedrajas](#)

Children aged 12 and below will no longer be allowed in Manila Bay's Dolomite beach starting Tuesday, Oct. 26, as a health measure against COVID-19.

The Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) made the announcement Monday night amid calls from various national government agencies and other concerned bodies about the possibility that the crowding of people in the area might be a superspreader for the virus.



Ali Vicoy/MANILA BULLETIN

"The DENR is overwhelmed by the enthusiasm and interest of the public to visit the recently-opened Manila Baywalk Dolomite Beach as shown by the big number of people in the beach area since it opened on October 16," the agency said in a statement.

"However, we would like to strongly remind everyone that the National Capital Region is under Alert Level No. 3, we are still in a pandemic, and the virus is still present," it added. DENR also said that the Dolomite beach will also be closed to the public from Oct. 29 to Nov. 3 in observance of the All Souls' Day and the All Saints' Day.

"We appreciate the comments of His Eminence Archbishop Socrates Villegas on the matter and we commit to continuously abide by the guidelines of the IATF (Inter-Agency Task Force (IATF) for the Management of Emerging Infectious Diseases)," DENR said.

"Be assured that the DENR together with concerned government agencies are working together to further improve the rules and regulations in the Manila Baywalk Dolomite Beach to make your visit safe and enjoyable," it added.

For the past two consecutive weeks since it reopened to the public, the Dolomite beach had been flocked by tens of thousands of people, including children, defying the prohibition on minors to go out.

Under Metro Manila's current alert level guidelines, minors or those 18 years old below are not allowed to go outside, except for essential purposes and outdoor exercises.

Source: <https://mb.com.ph/2021/10/26/children-12-years-old-and-below-no-longer-allowed-in-dolomite-beach/>



Minors 12 yrs and below now banned in Manila Bay's dolomite beach

By: [John Eric Mendoza](#) - [@inquirerdotnet](#)

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Visitors of the Manila Baywalk dolomite beach include children, despite the IATF's ban on minors doing outdoor activities. Image from Twitter / DENR

MANILA, Philippines — Minors aged 12 years old and below are now prohibited from entering Manila Bay's dolomite beach, the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) announced on Tuesday.

"Children aged 12 and below will not be allowed entry to the Manila Baywalk Dolomite Beach starting today, Oct. 26, with respect to the guidelines of IATF," the DENR said in a Twitter post.

The dolomite beach will also be closed from October 29 to November 3, during the Undas, according to DENR.

[Manila Bay's dolomite beach](#) has been open every day from 8 a.m. to 11 a.m., and 3 p.m. until 6 p.m.

[Local tourists flocked to the artificial beach](#) since then, which led to the disregard of minimum public health standards like social distancing.

To avert super spreader events, the Philippine National Police have deployed [more cops to the site](#).

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Mga batang edad 12 pababa, bawal na sa dolomite beach — DENR



October 26, 2021 @ 11:16 AM 20 hours ago

MANILA, Philippines – Hindi na papayagan ang mga batang edad 12 anyos pababa na makapasok sa dolomite beach sa Manila Bay simula ngayong Martes, Oktubre 26, ayon sa Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR).

Sa tweet, sinabi ng DENR na ang bagong polisiya ay alinsunod na rin sa guidelines ng Inter-Agency Task Force for the Management of Emerging Infectious Diseases (IATF).



“Children age 12 and below will not be allowed entry to the Manila Baywalk Dolomite Beach starting today, Oct. 26, with respect to the guidelines of IATF,” ayon sa DENR.

Sa kaparehas din na tweet, abiso ng DENR na isasara ang dolomite beach sa Oktubre 29 hanggang Nobyembre 3 sa pagdiriwang ng All Saints’ and All Souls’ Days.



Ang anunsyo ng DENR ay bunsod na rin ng pagdagsa ng tao kamakailan sa dolomite beach kung saan isinama pa ang mga bata sa pagpasok nito.

Sa ngayon ay nagdagdag na si Philippine National Police (PNP) chief Police General Guillermo Eleazar ng pulis sa lugar para sa crowd control. **RNT**



Mga batang edad 12 pababa bawal na sa dolomite beach – DENR

On Oct 26, 2021



HINDI na maaaring makapasok ang mga batang edad 12 pababa sa dolomite beach sa Manila Bay simula nitong Martes, Oktubre 26, ayon sa Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR).

Sa isang tweet, sinabi ng DENR na ang bagong polisiya na ito ay salig sa guidelines ng Inter-Agency Task Force for the Management of Emerging Infectious Diseases (ITAF-EID).

Sa kaparehong tweet, sinabi rin ng DENR na isasara ang dolomite beach mula Oktubre 29 hanggang Nobyembre 3 bilang paggunita sa All Saints' at All Souls' Days.

Matatandaan na sa mga nakalipas na araw ay inulan ng batikos ang DENR, pati na rin ang mga pulis, matapos na dagsain ng maraming tao ang white sand area sa kahabaan ng Manila Bay, kabilang na ang mga maliliit na bata.

Source: <https://www.policefilestonite.net/2021/10/26/mga-batang-edad-12-pababa-bawal-na-sa-dolomite-beach-denr/?fbclid=IwAR3Vf05HiXzKwahMU-QBgm3scAGio7nYIKt2Vt6Ad2v5MzyILZBSiF8V6rQ>



Pagbabawal sa mga edad 12 pababa na makapasok sa Dolomite Beach, sisimulan na ngayong araw

By [RadyoMaN Manila](#) - Oct. 26, 2021 at 5:40am



Ipatatupad na simula ngayong araw ang pagbabawal sa mga edad 12 pababa na makapasok sa Manila Baywalk Dolomite Beach.

Sa ginanap na pulong na kahapon sinabi ni Manila Police District (MPD) Director Police Brig. Gen. Leo Francisco na layon nitong mapigilan ang posibleng super spreader event na resulta ng pagkukumpulan ng mga tao.

Papayagan naman ang mga person with disability at mga senior citizen kung saan may itatalagang special lane para dito.

Samantala, napagkasunduan din sa pulong na isara ang Manila Baywalk Dolomite Beach simula October 29 hanggang November 3.

Bukod pa ito sa pagsasara tuwing Biyernes para sa maintenance works.

Lilimatahan sa 3,000 ang kapasidad ng Dolomite Beach kumpara sa halos 6,000 katao na dumagsa kamakailan.

Source: <https://rmn.ph/pagbabawal-sa-mga-edad-12-pababa-na-makapasok-sa-dolomite-beach-sisimulan-na-ngayong-araw/?fbclid=IwAR0xdYBSAE28cOG3dggIQXJDyUDUuNDRj7Vt1T-HWLn-iiQsEQlnQS3N6Ck>



Mga batang edad 12 pababa bawal nang papasukin sa dolomite beach – DENR

By [Bombo Dave Vincent Pasit](#) -October 26, 2021 | 10:18 AM

Hindi na papayagan ang mga batang edad 12 pababa na makapasok sa dolomite beach sa Manila Bay simula ngayong araw ng Martes, Oktubre 26, ayon sa Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR).

Sa isang tweet, sinabi ng DENR na ang bagong polisiya na ito ay salig sa guidelines ng Inter-Agency Task Force for the Management of Emerging Infectious Diseases (ITAF-EID).

Sa kaparehong tweet, sinabi rin ng DENR na isasara ang dolomite beach mula Oktubre 29 hanggang Nobyembre 3 bilang paggunita sa All Saints' at All Souls' Days.

Magugunita na sa mga nakalipas na araw ay inulan ng batikos ang DENR, pati na rin ang mga pulis, matapos na dagsain ng maraming tao ang white sand area sa kahabaan ng Manila Bay, kabilang na ang mga mliliit na bata.



Panawagan ng Malacañang sa mga magulang 'Wag ipasyal ang mga bata sa Dolomite Beach

By [Malou Escudero](#)(Pang-Masa) - October 26, 2021 - 12:00am



Crowds gather as they wait for the famous Manila Bay sunset at the Manila Dolomite Beach during its second day being open on Sunday, Oct. 17, 2021.

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MANILA, Philippines — “Huwag palabasin ang mga bata o isama sa mga pasyalan lalo na kung ang lugar ay dinudumog ng mga tao.”

Ito ang naging panawagan ng Malacañang sa publiko lalo na sa mga magulang at guardians dahil sa lalo pang dinumog ng mga namamasyal ang Manila Baywalk Dolomite Beach kumpara sa mga naunang araw na binuksan ito.

Sinabi ni Presidential spokesperson Harry Roque, nasa panahon pa rin ng pandemya ang bansa kaya't hindi pa pwede na magpasyal-pasyal ang mga bata lalo na sa mga matataong lugar.

“Well, unang-una po, ang mga bata talagang for essentials lang po na dapat lumalabas ng kanilang mga tahanan ‘no. So hindi pa po pupuwede talagang magpasyal-pasyal ang mga bata,” ayon kay Sec. Roque.

“So unang-una, nananawagan po kami sa ating mga kababayan ‘no, pandemya pa po, bagama’t bumababa po ang mga kaso natin eh nandyan pa po si COVID-19 ‘no so huwag po tayong magpabaya ‘no. Kinakailangan po mask, hugas, iwas at kung kakayanin na bakuna nga po ‘no,” dagdag na pahayag nito.

Nananawagan din si Sec. Roque sa kapulisan sa Maynila na ipatupad ang social distancing. Sa ulat, kapansin-pansin na mas dagsa ngayon ang mga namamasyal sa Dolomite Beach kaysa nang unang ilagay ang Metro Manila sa Alert Level 3 kaya hindi maiwasan na hindi sumunod ang ilan sa minimum health protocols.

Bukod sa mga matatanda, may mga kasama na rin ang ilan na mga bata na pinayagan nang makabiyahe ng pamahalaan.

Source: <https://www.philstar.com/pang-masa/police-metro/2021/10/26/2136757/panawagan-ng-malacaang-sa-mga-magulang-wag-ipasyal-ang-mga-bata-sa-dolomite-beach/amp/>



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AS A 'GENERAL RULE,' KIDS MUST REMAIN AT HOME

To avoid the risk of COVID-19, Malacañang stated on Tuesday that kids should stay at home "as a general rule." Thousands of people, including children, gathered to the "Dolomite Beach" at Manila Bay, a government beautification project, over the weekend, according to Palace spokesperson Harry Roque.

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Manila Bay dolomite beach closed during Undas

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Manila Bay dolomite beach will be closed for six days in observance of All Saints' Day and All Souls' Day, according to the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR).

In a televised briefing Tuesday, Environment Undersecretary Benny Antiporda said Filipinos are barred from visiting the beach from 29 October to 3 November in accordance with the pandemic task force's guidelines to prevent coronavirus transmission.

"We'd like to inform the public that the dolomite beach is closed during Undas," Antiporda told reporters during the news conference.

The DENR also prohibited children aged 12 and below to visit the beach amid concerns that gatherings in the area may lead to spread of Covid-19, he added.

Last week, the department reopened the man-made beach for a few hours a day, after Metro Manila was downgraded from alert level 4 to alert level 3.

Thousands of people flocked to the area over the weekend, raising concerns that it turned into a Covid-19 superspreader event.

Antiporda defended the DENR from criticism over its supposed lapses in implementing health protocols, saying officials had immediately asked people to disperse.

"We cannot say that we didn't have shortcomings. We had a few lapses, but we immediately addressed it," he said.

On Sunday, authorities started limiting the number of people entering the dolomite beach.

Malacañang and the health department have appealed to the public to observe Covid-19 protocols and reminded the police to enforce distancing rules in the area.

The DENR also assured the public it is working with other government agencies to improve the anti-coronavirus rules in the controversial dolomite beach.

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DENR to close Manila Baywalk's dolomite beach for Undas

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Metro Manila (CNN Philippines, October 25) — The Department of Environment and Natural Resources announced on Monday the closure of Manila Baywalk's dolomite beach for six days in observance of the All Saints' Day and All Souls' Day.

The controversial beach area will be closed from Oct. 29 to Nov. 3.

The DENR also said children aged 12 years old and below will not be allowed to enter the site in compliance with the national government's COVID-19 health and safety guidelines.

"We would like to strongly remind everyone that the National Capital Region is under Alert Level No. 3, we are still in a pandemic, and the virus is still present," the DENR said in its statement.

About 65,000 people flocked to the artificial beach on Sunday alone, according to the police.

Manila Baywalk Coordinating Office deputy executive director Jacob Meimban said his office had no complete control over the crowd since anyone can simply enter the premises, adding the crowding could get worse if they restrict entry because people will gather in a tighter space.

The Department of Health reminded the local government of Manila and concerned national agencies to regulate and even revise the process if they cannot control the crowd.

Health Undersecretary Maria Rosario Vergeire noted that the officials overseeing the dolomite beach violated the capacity allowed for outdoor spaces.

"Sinabi kapag Alert Level 3, ang outdoors natin 50% capacity. 'Yung nakita natin nung weekend, hindi po 'yun 50% capacity," she said.

[Translation: If it's Alert Level 3, outdoor spaces should be at 50% capacity. What we saw over the weekend was not 50% capacity.]

Several doctors also sounded the alarm. Infectious diseases expert Dr. Benjamin Co called for the permanent closure of the dolomite beach.



"First of all, it's such a super spreader event. Even if it is outdoors, there is no distancing anymore. And children are allowed! Children are currently allowed only for essential travel. The government needs to make sure that local government units implement what the guidelines allow. Otherwise, this double standard on allowing events according to their standards will end up badly," he said.

The national government pushed for the opening of the Manila Baywalk Dolomite Beach in September 2020. Presidential spokesperson Harry Roque said the white sand would help Filipinos' mental health amid the COVID-19 pandemic.



Dolomite Beach sarado muna sa Undas

By [Danilo Garcia](#) (Pilipino Star Ngayon) - October 27, 2021 - 12:00am



Sinabi ni Environment Undersecretary Jonas Leones na ban na rin ang mga batang may edad 11-taong gulang pababa sa dolomite beach. Ito ay sa kabila ng naunang pahayag na 12-taong gulang pababa ang hindi pagbabawalan sa artipisyal na beach.

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MANILA, Philippines — Tulad ng mga sementeryo, isasara rin pansamantala ang Manila Bay Dolomite Beach ngayong Undas mula Oktubre 29 hanggang Nobyembre 3 bilang pagtugon sa advisory ng Inter-Agency Task Force (IATF).

Sinabi ni Environment Undersecretary Jonas Leones na ban na rin ang mga batang may edad 11-taong gulang pababa sa dolomite beach. Ito ay sa kabila ng naunang pahayag na 12-taong gulang pababa ang hindi pagbabawalan sa artipisyal na beach.

Ikinatwiran ni Leones na ang pagpayag sa mga nasa edad 12 taong gulang ay base sa desisyon ng pamahalaan na bakunahan ang naturang age group hanggang 17-taong gulang.

Hindi naman umano hihingan ng identification card ang mga bata ngunit nakiusap siya sa mga magulang na maging responsable at alalahanin ang kalusugan ng kanilang mga anak laban sa mapanganib na COVID-19 na bagama't bumababa na ang bilang ay patuloy pa rin namang nananatili.

Makaraan ang mga batikos maging galing sa Department of Health (DOH), sinabi ni Leones na magpapatupad na sila ng mahigpit na 'crowd control measures' kabilang ang paglalaan lamang ng ilang oras para manatili sa beach ang mga bibisita bago palitan ng panibagong grupo.

"Gagawin natin for our purposes, we will just be limiting the number of people to 4,000 to 5,000 in the dolomite area at a given time," ayon kay Leones.

Magkakaroon rin umano ng espesyal na lane para sa mga taong may kapansanan (PWDs), senior citizens at mga buntis.



Manila Bay's dolomite beach closed from Oct. 29 to Nov. 3

By Catherine Teves October 26, 2021, 2:43 pm



(PNA file photo)

MANILA – Manila Baywalk Dolomite Beach will not accommodate visitors this "*Undas*" season as a containment measure to prevent the spread of coronavirus disease 2019 (Covid-19).

The beach "shall be closed from October 29, 2021 until November 3, 2021 in observance of All Saints' Day and All Souls' Day," the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) said in a press statement released late Monday night.

It is in consonance with an earlier closing of all cemeteries and other interment places nationwide from Oct. 29-Nov. 2 this year to prevent people from congregating there and crowding these areas during *Undas*.

Filipinos traditionally observe *Undas* by visiting and spending time in their loved ones' resting places.

Undas observances before Covid-19's onslaught were crowd-drawers and traffic jammers.

The government continues reminding the public to avoid crowded places and mass gatherings can spread Covid-19.

The dolomite beach comprises Phase 1 of the beach nourishment project the DENR is undertaking as part of Manila Bay's rehabilitation.

Earlier, the government opened the dolomite beach for a limited time so the public can get a glimpse of this area.

The beach reopened on Oct. 16 this year, drawing crowds daily. **(PNA)**



Mula Okt. 29-Nob. 3... Manila Bay dolomite beach, isasara – DENR

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Isasara ng Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) ang Manila Bay dolomite beach simula Oktubre 29 hanggang Nobyembre 3 bilang pagsunod alinsunod sa Inter-Agency Task Force on COVID-19 advisory upang maiwasan ang hawahan ng COVID-19.

Bukod sa naunang pahayag ng DENR na tuwing Biyernes ay isasara ang Manila Bay dolomite beach para sa patuloy na maintenance nito, ayon kay DENR Undersecretary Jonas Leones, magpapatupad sila ng crowd control measures sa naturang beach para mapigilan ang posibleng pagkalat ng COVID-19 infection.

Aniya, kabilang dito ang tinatawag na “rotational and cinema approach” kung saan ang mga bibisita sa lugar ay bibigyan lamang ng kaukulang oras para manatili sa nasabing beach.

“Gagawin natin for our purposes we will just be limiting the number of people to 4,000 to 5,000 in the dolomite area at a given time,” sabi ni Leones sa isang interview ng mga reporter.

Ayon pa kay Leones, ang mga bata na below 12-year-old o edad 11 pababa ay ipinagbabawal na pumasok sa dolomite beach.

Binanggit naman ni Leones na habang ang mga awtoridad ay walang problema sa paglimita ng mga tao tuwing weekdays, mayroon namang pagdagsa ng mga bumibisita tuwing weekends.

“Hindi na bumababa sa 18,000 and above,” wika ni Leones.

Sa taya naman ng Manila Police District nasa 65,000 visitors sa kabuuan ang nagtungo sa Manila Bay dolomite beach nitong Linggo.



Gov't shuts dolomite beach Fridays, Oct 29 - Nov 3

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11-year-olds and below banned



Kids and adults flock to the Manila Baywalk Dolomite Beach to watch the sunset on Oct. 21, 2021. The recently opened government project has been a hit destination for visitors and tourists since the IATF eased restrictions of the NCR to Alert Level 3. *George Calvelo, ABS-CBN News/File*

MANILA (UPDATE) - The Manila Bay dolomite beach will be closed every Friday for maintenance works, and on Oct. 29 to Nov. 3 in accordance with the inter-agency task force on COVID-19 advisory to prevent coronavirus transmission, an official said Tuesday.

Environment Undersecretary Jonas Leones also said that those aged 11 and below are banned from the artificial beach, contrary to his department's pronouncement Monday night that "children 12 years and below will not be allowed entry in the beach area starting tomorrow, October 26, 2021."

Leones said allowing 12 years old and above to visit the beach is consistent with the government's vaccination program, which covers the said age group.

While authorities would not require children to present their IDs, he is appealing to parents that they only bring companions 12 years old and above.

Presidential and IATF spokesman Harry Roque said Monday that minors in Metro Manila are only allowed outside their residence for essential activities.

"Hindi pa po pupuwede talagang magpasyal-pasyal ang mga bata," Roque said when asked for comment on the presence of children at the dolomite beach.

(Kids are not yet allowed outside for leisure activities.)

"Nananawagan po kami sa ating mga kababayan, pandemya pa po. Bagama't bumababa po ang mga kaso natin, eh nandiyan pa po si COVID-19. So huwag po tayong magpabaya," he added.

(We appeal to the public and remind them that there is still a pandemic. Although our cases are going down, there is still COVID-19. So, let's not be complacent.)

"Talaga naman po ang Dolomite eh for the enjoyment of everyone. Pero huwag naman hong maging dahilan 'yan para magkaroon tayo ng superspreader event."

(The dolomite beach is for the enjoyment of everyone. But let it not be a reason for a superspreader event.)



Leones said crowd control measures will be implemented in the area to prevent the possible spread of COVID-19, a concern raised by some observers after thousands have been flocking to the area amid the lingering pandemic.

The measures include a "rotational and cinema approach" wherein visitors will only be given a set time to stay on the beach.

"Gagawin natin (what we will do) for our purposes, we will just be limiting the number of people to 4,000 to 5,000 in the dolomite area at a given time," Leones said.

There will be a special lane for persons with disability (PWD), senior citizens, and pregnant women.

Leones noted that while authorities have no problem limiting the crowds during weekdays, there is an influx of visitors during weekends.

"Hindi na bumababa sa 18,000 and above," he said.

(Visitors are at least 18,000.)

Jacob Meimban, Jr. of the Manila Bay Coordinating Office said that since the soft-opening of the beach, it received the following number of visitors:

- Oct. 16: more than 8,800
- Oct. 17: around 25,000
- Oct. 18: more than 20,300
- Oct. 19: more than 21,300
- Oct. 20: more than 25,200
- Oct. 21: more than 12,400
- Oct. 22: more than 28,600
- Oct. 23: more than 63,000
- Oct. 24: more than 121,700

The Department of Health (DOH) had pointed out that the overcrowding of people in the dolomite beach over the weekend violated IATF rules.

Leones admitted that contact tracing is difficult to implement in the area at present, which is why they are relying on the public's adherence to health protocols.

Alliance of Health workers president Robert Mendoza had expressed concerns about the crowding.

"Natakot tayo po. Alam po natin, sa ngayon po ay mataas pa rin ang ating utilization rate doon sa mga [intensive care units], sa mga emergency room po ano. At nakita natin na ito ay talagang superspreader din. Puwedeng mag-cause ng pagkakalat ng ating virus. At alam naman natin na kahit bakunado na tayong lahat, ay meron ka pa rin, prone ka pa rin magkasakit. Kaya sana ma-control ito," he said Monday.

(We are afraid. We know that as of now, intensive care unit and emergency room utilization for COVID cases remains high. And we see that this can be a superspreader that can cause the spread of the virus. And we know that even if we are all vaccinated, we can still get sick with COVID. So we need to control this.)

Prior to the decision to close the dolomite beach on Oct. 29-Nov. 3, a priest questioned the policy allowing the general public to visit it while all cemeteries, memorial parks, and columbaria are ordered closed on Oct. 29-Nov. 2 to prevent coronavirus transmission.



"Alin ba ang mas importante? Ang ating malalim na religious tradition na dumalaw sa ating mga mahal sa buhay na pumanaw na o 'yung magpunta sa beach?" Fr. Aris Sison, parish priest of St. John Paul II Parish in Quezon City, said in an interview on TeleRadyo on Monday.

(What's more important? Our deep religious tradition of visiting our departed loved ones o visit the beach?)

For Sison, there appears to be a "double standard".

"Kung ili-limit ang dami ng tao, 'di ganun din sa sementeryo para lang consistent tayo kasi nakakalito," he said.

(If there will be a limit on people, it could also be done in cemeteries so it's consistent and not confusing.)

Environmental groups earlier urged government to stop putting more dolomite in Manila Bay, and instead use the project funds for the COVID-19 crisis.

But government hopes the project would revive businesses along Roxas Boulevard, Environment Undersecretary Benny Antiporda had said.

The Department of Environment and Natural Resources has been criticized over the P389-million project, which government said was part of efforts to beautify Manila Bay and help improve Filipinos' mental health during the pandemic.

Malacañang defended the project, saying the funds for the rehabilitation have long been allocated.

Metro Manila is currently under COVID-19 Alert Level 3. It has logged a total of 847,103 confirmed coronavirus infections, as of Monday, of which, 11,135 are active, data from the DOH showed.

- With a report from Raya Capulong, ABS-CBN News



DENR mum on Isko's appeal to charge execs over Dolomite beach crowd

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by [Joseph Pedrajas](#)

The Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) will coordinate with Manila Mayor Francisco “Isko Moreno” Domagoso regarding his call on the national government to file charges against the agency’s officials over supposed violations of health protocols during the opening of the Dolomite beach.

DENR Usec. Jonas Leones said Tuesday he “cannot say” any comment on Moreno’s statement “right now,” although he is firm that the local government of Manila “is fully supporting” the agency’s rehabilitation efforts.

“And he’s inquiring from the DENR ano yung mga measures, yung mga ginagawa namin to address ‘yung crowding doon sa dolomite area. So yun lang ‘yung information na nakuha ko,” Leones said in a press conference.

“We’ll coordinate with the good mayor doon sa statement. But ‘yun ‘yung statement na nareceive ko kagabi,” he added.

Several hours before the DENR’s press conference, Moreno called on the national government’s pandemic task force to file charges against DENR officials for the overcrowding at the Manila Bay dolomite beach.

“Charge those people in DENR for violating our rules. If they cannot implement it within their offices, then there is no point implementing it sa mga taumbayan (to the public). Pinahihirapan natin ang taumbayan pero ang unang naglalabag ay tayo ring nasa national government (We are giving the public a hard time but those violating are those in the national government),” he said in an ANC interview.

“It doesn’t make sense, it doesn’t add up,” he added.

For the past two weekends, tens of thousands of people flocked the Dolomite beach, making various government agencies and officials alarmed over the situation.

From at least 25,000 people recorded on Oct. 17, it swelled to 121,744 on Oct. 24, according to Manila Bay Coordinating Office Deputy Executive Director Jacob Meimban.



Palace leaves DENR's fate to DILG over dolomite beach crowding

By Ruth Abbey Gita-Carlos [October 26, 2021, 3:11 pm](#)



(File photo)

MANILA – The possible filing of cases against the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) for the supposed breach of health protocols following the opening of Manila Bay dolomite beach is up to the Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG), Malacañang said Tuesday.

This, after Manila Mayor Francisco “Isko Moreno” Domagoso challenged the government to press charges against the DENR for the reopening of the man-made beach at the Manila Bay that led to the sudden influx of visitors over the weekend.

Domagoso made the call, saying the overcrowding at the dolomite beach in the country's metropolis “can be super spreader”.

Sought for reaction, Roque said the Palace would leave the issue to the DILG.

“Hinahayaan na po namin iyan sa DILG at sa ating kapulisan, kasama na po ang lokal na pamahalaan ng Maynila (We are leaving it to the DILG, the police force and the local government of Manila),” he said.

People have flocked to the Manila Bay dolomite beach in Manila since it was reopened to the public on Oct. 16.

On Monday, the Department of Health raised alarm over the failure of visitors, which include children, to observe the existing health protocols amid the prevailing coronavirus disease 2019 (Covid-19) pandemic.

The overcrowding also prompted the DENR to prohibit children aged 12 and below from visiting the dolomite beach.

Roque also advised parents or guardians to avoid bringing children to crowded places.

“As a general rule, stay home pa rin po ang mga bata habang hindi sila bakunado. Pero may exception naman po yun. Puwede po silang lumabas for exercise, puwede po silang lumabas for open areas at importante din po iyan sa mental health. Siguro, dapat nating i-emphasize na hindi pa rin dapat ibiyahang ang mga bata doon sa mga site na ganito (As a general rule, unvaccinated children must stay home. But there's an exception. They can go out to exercise and visit open areas because that's good for their mental health. Perhaps, we have to emphasize that they have to avoid sites like this [dolomite beach]),” he said.



Roque, nevertheless, said the reopening of Manila Bay dolomite beach was meant to promote positive mental health amid the Covid-19 pandemic.

“Talaga naman pong itinuloy itong proyektong ito dahil importanteng magkaroon naman po ng respite at kaunting libangan (This project was really pursued because it’s important to have a respite and a recreational activity), which is good for the health of everyone, including children,” he said.

The DENR undertook the beach nourishment last year to protect the coastal resources in Manila Bay and prevent coastal flooding, erosion, and pollution.

The agency has also reminded the dolomite beach’s visitors to observe minimum public health standards by wearing face masks, maintaining at least one meter distance from other people, and washing hands frequently. **(PNA)**



Dolomite beach visitors expected but should be regulated

By Marita Moaje October 26, 2021, 5:51 pm



ATTRACTION. The dolomite beach, as seen in this photo taken Tuesday (Oct. 26, 2021), is part of the Manila Bay Rehabilitation Program and shapes public mindset on proper solid waste management. The Department of Environment and Natural Resources says dolomite is a known neutralizer that lessens the acidity of seawater, the reason it is used in aquariums. (PNA photo by Avito C. Dalan)

MANILA – The city government of Manila supports the opening of the Manila Baywalk Dolomite Beach as long as safety guidelines are observed.

The management of the dolomite beach, despite its location in Manila, is still under the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR).

After the rehabilitation is completed, it will be turned over to the city government.

The influx of people going out is expected now that Covid-19 infections are decreasing and restrictions are easing, according to Manila Mayor Francisco “Isko Moreno” Domagoso in a television interview with a news channel on Tuesday.

“So far *naman*, we’re okay with the infection in Manila. *Napakababa ng aming* infection (So far we are okay with the number of infections in Manila as it is on a decline), but still, just be sensitive to the situation,” Domagoso said.

From a daily average of more than 1,000 during the past two months, Manila only has 536 active Covid-19 infections as of noontime on Tuesday.

“*Sinusuportahan ko paglabas ng tao na dahil* most of Manilans are vaccinated and its high time for us to go out and *magkaron naman ng bagong* ambiance o environment ‘*yung mga bata, matatanda* (I support people going out because most Manilans are vaccinated and it’s high time for us to go out and for the kids and the elderly to have a new ambiance or environment), but not this type of influx in one area,” he said, referring to more than 1.2 million fully vaccinated Manila residents out of the estimated 1.8 million population.

Domagoso said he wishes people would go to different places in Manila and not converge in one area to avoid the spread of Covid-19.

He said he respects the authority of the DENR.

“I’m grateful that they beautify the area but diligence must be observed especially in this situation where it can be a super spreader,” he said.



On Monday, Domagoso instructed the Manila Police District to assign additional officers in the vicinity of the dolomite beach to help put order and remind the public to follow health and safety protocols.

Starting Tuesday, children 12 years old and below are no longer allowed to enter the dolomite beach, according to the DENR.

It will also be closed from October 29 until November 3 and every Friday for maintenance works.

Since it was opened to the public on October 16 and until October 24, the DENR said that some 322,000 visitors have entered the dolomite beach, prompting even the Department of Health to ask the agency and the Department of the Interior and Local Government to regulate the crowd. **(PNA)**



Mayor Isko challenges IATF to charge DENR for overcrowding in dolomite beach

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Manila Mayor Isko Moreno Domagoso on Tuesday, Oct 26, has called on the government to file charges against Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) officials for the overcrowding at the Manila Bay dolomite beach.



Mayor Isko Moreno (MANILA BULLETIN FILE PHOTO)

In an ANC Headstart interview, Domagoso appealed to the Inter-Agency Task Force for the Management of Emerging Infectious Diseases (IATF) to address the matter.

This, after thousands of people were seen at the Manila Bay Dolomite beach over the weekend.

“I’m challenging agencies of government under IATF to file charges in violation sa mga kapwa nila nasa national government. Ang irony kasi diyan, sila ang nagpapatupad, sila din ang lumalabag (to their fellow in the national government. The irony is that, they are the ones who are supposed to enforce (the law)but they are also the ones who are violating it),” Domagoso said.

“Charge those people in DENR for violating our rules. If they cannot implement it within their offices, then there is no point implementing it sa mga taongbayan (to the public). Pinahihirapan natin ang taumbayan pero ang unang naglalabag ay tayo ring nasa national government (We are giving the public a hard time but those violating are those in the national government). It doesn’t make sense, it doesn’t add up,” he reiterated.

The Manila mayor stressed that minimum health standards such as physical distancing were not observed in the area, as well as the implementation of prohibiting children in the premises.

He added that the number of people going to the dolomite beach can be a “super spreader.” “Yesterday, during our directional meeting with the department heads of Manila. I called the attention of the Manila Police District and the Department of Public Services (DPS) to tell DENR that they might be violating all protocols issued by the same national agencies which they are a member of,” Domagoso said.

He said the jurisdiction of the dolomite beach is under the DENR even if Manila Bay is located in the capital city due to its ongoing rehabilitation project.

“I hope this is not just a lip service that they are doing now, that they should file cases against these people, their colleagues, among themselves, because they are the ones violating their own order,” he added.



The Department of Health on Monday also said the influx of people in Manila Bay's dolomite beach over the weekend is a violation of rules set by the IATF.

On Tuesday, the DENR announced that children aged 12 and below will no longer be allowed in the man-made beach.

"The DENR is overwhelmed by the enthusiasm and interest of the public to visit the recently-opened Manila Baywalk Dolomite Beach as shown by the big number of people in the beach area since it opened on October 16," the agency said.



Moreno dares gov't: File charges vs DENR for overcrowding in dolomite beach

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Manila Mayor and now presidential aspirant Francisco “Isko Moreno” Domagoso urged the country’s pandemic task force to file charges against the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) for opening the dolomite beach without informing the Manila City government.

In an interview with ANC, Domagoso did not mince words against DENR, who he alleged did not coordinate with the local government of Manila and pursued the opening of the controversial artificial beach.

“I’m challenging agencies of government under IATF (Inter-Agency Task Force for the Management of Emerging Infectious Diseases) to file charges in violation to their fellow members in the national government,” he said.

“The irony is that they are the ones who are supposed to enforce the law) but they are also the ones who are violating it,” he added.

The statement came after thousands of people flocked at the Manila Bay Dolomite beach over the weekend, which he described as a “super-spreader event.”

“Charge those people in DENR for violating our rules. If they cannot implement it within their offices, then there is no point implementing it to the public,” he said.

Domogaso pointed out that the DENR is in control of the area because of its continuous efforts in developing the area.

“In fact, they have a gate before you can enter the dolomite beach. But due diligence must be observed especially in this situation wherein it can be a super spreader,” he said.

He was referring to the Manila Bay Coordinating Office (MBCO), an agency under the direct supervision of the DENR secretary, which has coordinative functions among all offices and agencies involved in the rehabilitation, restoration and conservation of Manila Bay.



According to the mayor, since the MBCO has reopened the Manila Baywalk Dolomite Beach, thousands of people have flocked the area, from an estimated 8,000 on reopening day, to around 65,000 last Sunday, including children below 12 years of age.

Meanwhile, the DENR said it will coordinate with Domogoso regarding his call on the national government to file charges against the agency's officials for alleged violations of health protocols by reopening the dolomite beach.

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Isko to IATF: Charge people in DENR for dolomite beach overcrowding

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People trooping to the Manila baywalk dolomite beach along Roxas boulevard in Manila city on October 17, 2021, a day after authorities eased its quarantine restrictions in the nation's capital. (File photo by Ted ALJIBE / AFP)

MANILA, Philippines — Manila City Mayor Francisco “Isko Moreno” Domagoso challenged the Inter-Agency Task Force for the Management of Emerging Infectious Diseases (IATF) on Tuesday to file charges against officials of the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) over incidents where people are seen overcrowding at the dolomite beach in Manila Bay.

Moreno said while Manila Bay is located in their city, jurisdiction of the dolomite beach is with the DENR due to the agency's ongoing rehabilitation project in the area.

“Ang ironic kasi dyan, sila ang nagpapatupad, sila rin ang lumalabag tapos iisipin nila na susunod ang tao [It's ironic because they are the ones supposed to implement (rules) yet they are the ones who violate (it) and they think the public would still follow them],” Moreno said in an interview with ABS-CBN News Channel.

“I'm challenging agencies of government under IATF to file charges in violation sa mga kapwa nila (against their fellow agencies in the) national government,” he added.

According to Moreno, due diligence must be observed especially when such events—such as the overcrowding at the dolomite beach—could serve as a superspreader amid the pandemic.

“If due diligence was done by DENR, in this case. I'm calling the IATF, to charge those people in DENR for violating our rules. If we cannot implement it within their offices, then there is no point to implementing sa mga taumbayan [implementing it to the public],” Moreno said.

“Pinahihirapan natin ang taumbayan pero ang unang naglalabag ay tayo ring nasa national government. It doesn't make sense, it doesn't add up,” he added.

(We are giving the public a hard time yet those violating are those in the national government.) On Sunday, there were reports that authorities have recorded over 4,000 individuals at the dolomite beach — which sits on one section of the rehabilitated Manila Bay.

The DENR, however, said marshals had been deployed in the beach area to remind the visitors about the health protocols being imposed.

The dolomite beach, a project of the DENR, is being promoted [as a possible tourist spot](#).

Source: <https://newsinfo.inquirer.net/1506580/isko-calls-on-iatf-charge-people-in-denr-for-dolomite-beach-overcrowding>



Isko dares gov't to press charges against DENR over dolomite beach crowding

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Crowds gather as families spend quality time while waiting for the famous Manila Bay sunset at the Manila Dolomite Beach during its 2nd day opening on Sunday (October 17, 2021).

The STAR / Miguel De Guzman

MANILA, Philippines (**Updated 11:54 a.m.**) — Manila Mayor Isko Moreno Domagoso challenged Tuesday the government's pandemic task force to press charges against the Department of Environment and Natural Resources for violations of coronavirus curbs when it opened the dolomite beach in the capital city.

“Ang ironic kasi diyan, sila yung nagpapatupad, sila rin ‘yung lumalabag. (What’s ironic there is that they are the implementers and also the violators,)” Domagoso told [ANC’s Headstart](#). “Now I’m challenging agencies of government under IATF to file charges in violation sa mga kapwa nila (against their fellow) national government [officials.]”

Domagoso said the crowding seen at the dolomite beach over the weekend when thousands flocked to the area can be a “superspreader.”

He added that the DENR, which still has jurisdiction over the controversial artificial beach, did not inform the Manila City government that it is opening it to the public.

The Manila mayor, who is running for president in the 2022 elections, also slammed the DENR for failing to exercise “due diligence” in strictly implementing coronavirus protocols.

“If we cannot implement it within our offices, then there’s no point in implementing it sa mga taongbayan. Pinahihirapan natin ang taongbayan, pero ang unang naglalabag ay tayo rin sa national government. It doesn’t make sense,” Domagoso said.

(If we cannot implement it within our offices, then there’s no point in implementing it among the people. We burden our people, but the first ones to violate are us in the national government. It doesn’t make sense.)

In response, DENR Undersecretary Jonas Leones said Domagoso sent them a letter just last night “fully supporting” the dolomite beach which is part of the Manila Bay rehabilitation project.

Leones said they will coordinate with Domagoso on his statement during the IATF to press charges against the DENR.



After thousands trooped to the dolomite beach, the DENR [limited access](#) to the area and [prohibited the entry](#) of children aged 12 below.

It is also closing the beach from October 29 to November 3 in observance of All Saints' Day and All Souls' Day or Undas.

Metro Manila has few parks and public spaces. Shopping malls, where many go for leisure, have reopened subject [to restrictions](#).



IATF urged to sue DENR over crowd at Dolomite beach

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by [Rey E. Requejo and Macon Ramos-Araneta](#)

Manila City Mayor Isko Moreno Domagoso on Tuesday urged the Inter-Agency Task Force Against COVID-19 to file cases against officials of the Department of Environment and Natural Resources for opening the dolomite beach in Manila Bay to the public without informing the city government.



A member of the Manila Police District (MPD) Station 5 helps maintain crowd control, particularly in preventing the entry of minors 12 years old and below at the Manila Bay Dolomite Beach. Norman Cruz

The Palace, for its part, said it is up to the Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG) if cases would be filed against Environment officials responsible for the crowding of the beach.

Moreno said the decision to reopen the dolomite beach was made without proper coordination with the Manila city government.

"They opened it, but we were not informed," Moreno said in an interview on ANC's Headstart. Crowds flocking to the beach Sunday could have been a "super spreader" event, he said.

"They are the ones who enforce, but they are also the ones who violate [the rules]," Moreno said, even as he lamented the lack of physical distancing and the presence of children below 12 years old in the area.

"If they cannot implement it within their offices, then there is no point implementing it to the public," he added.

Moreno pointed out that the DENR is in control of the area because of its continuous efforts to develop the beachfront.

"In fact, they have a gate so you can enter the dolomite beach area.

But due diligence must be observed especially in this situation wherein it can be a super spreader," Moreno said.

Since the Manila Bay Coordinating Office, an agency under the administrative supervision of the Environment Secretary Roy Cimatu, reopened the dolomite beach on Oct. 17, thousands of people have flocked to the area, with an estimated 8,000 crowding the beach on reopening day, to about 65,000 on Sunday—including young children.

The DENR later on banned children below 12 years of age from entering the dolomite beach, saying it was "overwhelmed by the enthusiasm and interest of the public" in the ersatz white sand beach.



Moreno said that if the national government, particularly the IATF of which the DENR is a member, is serious in implementing COVID-19 protocols, then it must abide by the same rules it has set.

On Monday, the Department of Health raised alarm over the failure of visitors, which include children, to observe the existing health protocols amid the prevailing COVID-19 pandemic. The overcrowding also prompted the DENR to prohibit children aged 12 and below from visiting the dolomite beach.

Presidential spokesman Harry Roque also advised parents or guardians to avoid bringing children to crowded places.

“As a general rule, unvaccinated children must stay home. But there’s an exception. They can go out to exercise and visit open areas because that’s good for their mental health. Perhaps, we have to emphasize that they have to avoid sites like this [dolomite beach],” he said.

Roque, nevertheless, said the reopening of Manila Bay dolomite beach was meant to promote positive mental health amid the COVID-19 pandemic.

In an online briefing, Environment Undersecretary Jonas Leones admitted that there was a failure on their part to control the crowd when thousands of people flocked to the dolomite beach on Sunday.

Undersecretary Benny Antiporda, however, said they were quick enough to order visitors to enter by batches to decongest the area.

Leones declined to comment on Domagoso's remarks calling for cases to be filed against the DENR officials.

Meanwhile, Senator Nancy Binay suggested closing down the beach until the DENR can come out with regulations for the area.

While frontline workers were doing all they could to stop the spread of COVID-19, there were those who organized events or offered “unnecessary attractions.”

The DENR, she said, failed to manage the crowds which can result in rapid community transmission of COVID-19.



DOLOMITE BEACH | Manila Mayor wants charges against environment agency for reopening Manila Bay to public

October 26, 2021 , 03:43 PM By Clarist Zablan

(October 26, 2021) – The Manila City mayor who is running for president in next year’s elections on Tuesday wanted to file cases against officials of the environment agency for opening to the public the dolomite-filled beach without coordinating with the local government.

Francisco “Isko Moreno” Domagoso called out the Manila Bay Coordinating Office (MBCO), an agency under the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR), for its failure to communicate with his office and avoid the mass gathering at the beach which could result in the transmission of coronavirus.

“I am calling on IATF. Charge those people in DENR of violating... show our rules,” Domagoso said in an interview with ABS-CBN News Channel. “If we cannot implement it within their offices, then there is no point implementing them sa taumbayan.”

The mayor told the Inter-Agency Task Force Against COVID-19 (IATF), which implements pandemic responses, to abide by the strict quarantine rules it has set if it is serious in implementing its coronavirus disease (COVID-19) pandemic protocols. The DENR is a member of the task force.

Thousands of people flocked to the Manila Baywalk Dolomite Beach during the weekend after the MBCO reopened the area, wanting to give nearby residents a place to relax after going through several lockdowns imposed to curb the spread of COVID-19.

The beach saw an estimated 8,000 on reopening day, which blew up to around 65,000 last Sunday including minors below 12 years of age, prompting the IATF to close the area to children and limit the stay of visitors to five minutes at most.

Domagoso said the DENR should be in control of the area and observe due diligence in handling situations that can result in a super-spreader event, given that they installed gates to allow people to enter.

“Dapat yung mga nagpapatupad din sa national government, may kusang palo din na sumunod,” Domagoso said.

IATF spokesman Harry Roque said he will leave it to the Department of Interior and Local Government and the police to look into Domagoso’s request.

DENR Undersecretary Benny Antiporda admitted that the agency made lapses in enforcing the minimum health standards in reopening the beach, saying that they failed to anticipate a huge crowd during weekends.

“Wala akong nakikita na sinabi ni Mayor Isko yan,” Antiporda said in response to Domagoso’s statement. “Document is asking us what’s our plans in trying to control the crowd. Very supportive pa ang letter niya. I don’t know kung saan galling ang statement na yan but rest assured na nagkaroon ng violation ay immediately na-address yan.”

(MM)

Source: https://news.tv5.com.ph/breaking/read/dolomite-beach-manila-mayor-wants-charges-against-environment-agency-for-reopening-manila-bay-to-public?fbclid=IwAR3z2sbCtjTQu7JoMz91jmbQNKpUQBSgDAEasUUQ6zoWynIYFdIOU_tKCLI



Mayor Isko urges IATF to file raps over dolomite beach overcrowding

Robie de Guzman • October 26, 2021



MANILA, Philippines – Manila Mayor Francisco “Isko Moreno” Domagoso on Tuesday called on the Inter-Agency Task Force against COVID-19 pandemic to file complaints against officials of the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) over last weekend’s overcrowding at dolomite beach in Manila Bay.

In a television interview, Domagoso said an agency under the DENR opened the dolomite beach to the public without coordinating with the local government.

Mayor Isko was referring to the Manila Bay Coordinating Office (MBCO), an agency under the direct supervision of the DENR secretary, which has coordinative functions among all offices and agencies involved in the rehabilitation, restoration and conservation of Manila Bay.

“I am calling on IATF. Charge those people in DENR of violating... show our rules. If we cannot implement it within their offices, then there is no point implementing them sa taumbayan,” he said.

Domagoso, a presidential aspirant in the 2022 elections, also stressed that it is the DENR that has control over the area amid rehabilitation and development efforts.

“In fact, may gate nga sila para makapasok ka sa dolomite. But due diligence must be observed especially in this situation wherein it can be a super spreader,” he said.

The opening of the Manila Baywalk dolomite beach on Oct. 17 attracted thousands of people during the last two weekends. Videos and photos circulating on social media showed that social distancing and other COVID-19 health protocols were violated.

The DENR later on banned children below 12 years old from entering the dolomite beach, saying it was “overwhelmed by the enthusiasm and interest of the public”.

At a Palace briefing, DENR Undersecretary Benny Antiporda admitted the shortcoming on the part of the agency but assured that this was addressed immediately.

“Sinasabi nila na nagkaroon ng violation ng social distancing, immediately na-address po yan,” he said. “Nagkulang ng kaunti pero naagapan.”

The Philippine National Police earlier said it will deploy more personnel to the area to help control the crowd.

Source: <https://untvweb.com/news/mayor-isko-urges-iatf-to-file-raps-over-dolomite-beach-overcrowding/>



Sampahan ng kaso ang DENR officials sa pagbubukas ng dolomite beach, hamon ni Isko sa IATF

On Oct 26, 2021



HINAMON ni Manila Mayor Isko Moreno ang IATF na sampahan ng kaso ang mga DENR officials na lumabag sa protocols sa muling pagbubukas ng dolomite beach. (JERRY S. TAN)

HINAMON ni Manila Mayor Isko Moreno ang Inter-Agency Task Force (IATF) against COVID-19 na sampahan ng kaso ang mga opisyal ng Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) dahil sa pagbubukas ng dolomite beach sa lungsod, na dinudumog ng maraming tao, sa gitna nang patuloy na banta ng COVID-19.

Ayon kay Moreno, ang pagdagsa ng maraming tao sa naturang dolomite beach ay maaaring maging ‘super spreader’ ng COVID-19.

Sinabi pa niya na hindi sila inimpormahan ng DENR ng buksan ang dolomite beach.

“File charges in violation [of health protocols] sa mga kapwa nila nasa national government,” hamon pa ni Moreno sa IATF, sa panayam sa telebisyon. “If they cannot implement it within their offices, then there is no point implementing it sa mga taongbayan.”

“Sila ang nagpapatupad, sila din ang lumalabag,” ayon pa sa alkalde, na ang tinutukoy ay yaong presensiya maging ng mga batang 12-anyos pababa sa lugar.

Una nang sinabi ng Manila Police District (MPD), na sa kanilang pagtaya, aabot sa 65,000 katao ang dumagsa sa dolomite beach nitong Linggo lamang kahit nasa Alert Level 3 pa lamang ang National Capital Region (NCR).

Matapos naman ang insidente, ipinagbawal na ng DENR ang pagtungo doon ng mga batang 12-anyos pababa.

Ipinag-utos rin nila ang pagsasara ng dolomite beach sa panahon ng Undas o mula Oktubre 29 hanggang Nobyembre 3.

“I hope this is not just a lip service... that they would file cases against violators,” anang alkalde.

Sinabi rin ni Moreno na nirerespeto nila ang awtoridad ng DENR na i-develop ang lugar, ngunit dapat aniyang obserbahan ng mga ito ang due diligence. (ANDI GARCIA)

Source: <https://www.policefilestonite.net/2021/10/26/sampahan-ng-kaso-ang-denr-officials-sa-pagbubukas-ng-dolomite-beach-hamon-ni-isko-sa-iatf/?fbclid=IwAR3JJDF0yPirwrxTbY4clMAPaGhmkHYjqPZwp1Vltnq9i-qEuPDzidzh524>



Mga opisyal ng DENR pinakakasuhan ni Mayor Isko dahil sa overcrowding sa dolomite beach

By [Bombo Dave Vincent Pasit](#) -October 26, 2021 | 12:33 PM

Hinamon ni Manila City Mayor Francisco “Isko Moreno” Domagoso ang IATF na kasuhan ang mga opisyal ng Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) kasunod nang pagdagsa ng maraming tao sa dolomite beach sa Manila Bay.

Bagama’t ang Manila Bay ay matatagpuan sa kanilang lungsod, sinabi ni Moreno na ang hursidiksiyon sa dolomite beach ay nasa DENR dahil na rin sa ongoing rehabilitation project ng kagawaran sa lugar.

Iginiit ng alkalde na dapat nasusunod ang due diligence lalo na sa mga events katulad na ito, tulad nang overcrowding sa dolomite beach, na maaring magsilbing superspreader sa harap ng pandemya.

Patutsada pa ni Moreno, pinapahirapan ang taumbayan pero ang unang naglalabag sa mga health at safety protocols ay ang mga nasa national government din naman.

Noong Linggo, napaulat na aabot sa mahigit 4,000 indibidwal ang nagtungo sa dolomite beach.

Source: <https://www.bomboradyo.com/mga-opisyal-ng-denr-pinakakasuhan-ni-mayor-isko-dahil-sa-overcrowding-sa-dolomite-beach/>



Crowding at dolomite beach fuels controversy

By [Krisitina Maralit](#), [Eireene Jairee Gomez](#) and [Catherine S. Valente](#)

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MANILA Mayor [Francisco "Isko Moreno" Domagoso](#) on Tuesday asked the national pandemic task force to press charges against officials of the [Department of Environment and Natural Resources](#) (DENR) who approved the reopening of the Manila Baywalk dolomite beach for disregarding rules limiting crowd numbers.

Domagoso also said the strip of artificial white sand was reopened without consulting with the city government.

"Binuksan nila; hindi naman kami ininform (They opened it, but we weren't informed)," he said in a television interview, referring to the [Manila Bay Coordinating Office](#) (MBCO), an agency directly under the office of the DENR secretary.

"Sila [ang](#) nagpapatupad, sila din ang lumalabag (They are the enforcers, but they are also the violators)," he added.

On Sunday, almost 70,000 bayside promenaders flocked to the 1.2-hectare beachfront, which can accommodate only 5,000 people at a time.

"I am calling on the IATF ([Inter-Agency Task Force](#) for the Management of Emerging Infectious Diseases). Charge those people in DENR of violating...the rules. Pinahirapan natin ang taumbayan pero ang unang naglalabag, eh, tayo ring mga nasa national government (We require the people to follow the rules, but the national government itself is the first to violate them)," Domagoso said.

He warned that the steady stream of people at the dolomite beach could "become a superspreader" of Covid-19.

In a press conference on Tuesday, [Jonas Leones](#), DENR Undersecretary for Environment and [International Environment Affairs](#), said only 4,000 to 5,000 visitors would be allowed daily to the dolomite beach starting October 26.

To observe social distancing, a rotational or cinema approach will be adopted, where visitors will only be given about two hours to stay in the site before they are asked to leave to give way to the next batch, Leones said.

Children below 12 years old will not be allowed to enter the area.

When the DENR opened the dolomite beach to the public on October 17, there were only 8,000 visitors, according to [Jacob Meimban Jr.](#), MBCO deputy executive director.



The number ballooned to 63,047 last Saturday.

On Sunday morning, there were 68,420 visitors, Meimban said. There was no problem because the people came and went.

The crowd was reduced to 53,234 by evening, but they stayed longer, he said.

The dolomite beach will be closed for one day every week for maintenance, Meimban said. It will also be closed from Oct. 29 to Nov. 3, 2021 in observance of All Saints' Day and All Souls' Day.

Leones said the DENR will continue coordinating with the Philippine [National Police](#), Philippine Coast Guard, [Metropolitan Manila Development Authority](#), and local government of Manila to discuss crowd control measures.

Palace spokesman [Harry Roque Jr.](#) said in a briefing Tuesday Malacañang would leave it up to the Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG) to take up Domagoso's complaint.

In the same briefing, Environment Undersecretary [Benny Antiporda](#) said the DENR received a letter from Domagoso on Monday night "asking us about our plans and what the strategies we're using in trying to control the crowd."

"Very supportive pa ho 'yung letter niya and the letter started from the words na, 'We are in full support of the project of the DENR (His letter was even very supportive and it started with, 'We are in full support of the project of the DENR),' Antiporda said.

He said they "immediately" addressed the reported violation of social distancing measures at the dolomite beach by enforcing the 5-minute rule.

"Since magkakaroon na po ng pila sa labas, ang ginagawa po namin, immediately pinapakiusapan namin after 5 minutes, pagbigyan po natin iyong next batch (Since lines will form outside, what we do we is we immediately ask them after 5 minutes if they could give way to the next batch)," Antiporda said.

"Hindi po natin puwedeng sabihin na hindi tayo nagkulang. Nagkulang nang kaunti, pero naagapan po (We cannot say that we were remiss in our duties. We fell short a bit, but we quickly made amends)," he added.

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The DOH reminded the public not to be complacent despite the decline in COVID-19 cases in the country.

“Bagama’t bumababa ang mga kaso ng COVID-19 na naiulat nitong mga nakaraang araw, hindi tayo dapat maging kampangante. Bagkus, ipagpatuloy ang tamang pagsunod sa minimum public health standards at agad magpabakuna (Although the number of COVID-19 cases reported in recent days has been declining, we should not be complacent. Instead, continue to properly adhere to minimum public health standards and get vaccinated immediately),” it said.

The DOH emphasized the importance of wearing face masks and face shields, proper handwashing, and maintaining physical distancing.

“Iwasan ang mga pagtitipon-tipon. Hangga’t maaari, limitahan ito sa mga miyembro lang ng inyong tahanan (Avoid gatherings. If possible, limit it to members of your household),” the DOH said.

“Huwag nang lumabas at makisalamuha sa ibang tao kung mayroong nararamdamang sintomas (Don’t go out and socialize with other people if you already have symptoms),” it added.

The DOH urged the public to monitor themselves if they are experiencing symptoms of COVID-19. It added that an individual with symptoms of COVID-19 should immediately self-isolate and contact their barangay health emergency response teams.



Binay bats for temporary closure of dolomite beach

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Senator Nancy Binay on Tuesday urged authorities to consider temporarily closing Manila City's dolomite beach to ensure the safety of the public and to prevent a possibility of a "super spreader" event.

Binay said the place should be temporarily closed until such time the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) is able to come up with a mechanism or rules and regulations for visitors.

"Mas maganda siguro kung pansamantala munang isara ang dolomite beach habang wala pang regulasyon at sistema ang DENR sa area (I think its better if we temporarily close the dolomite beach while the DENR has not yet released a regulation or system within the area)," Binay said in a statement.

Police authorities on Monday limited the number and length of stay of people going to the beach after a number of visitors trooped to the area of attraction last Sunday prompting the DENR to order the beach's temporary closure.

The senator pointed out the country's health sector frontliners are doing every necessary intervention in controlling the spread of new COVID-19 variants and yet "there are also those who organize events or offer unnecessary attractions, yet failed to manage the crowds resulting in rapid community transmissions."

"From the point of view of health and wellness, what we also need to acknowledge here is the public's desire to spend time in open spaces," she said.

"Siguro, yung nakikita nating pagdagsa ng tao sa (Maybe, after seeing the number of people that trooped to) Manila Bay area and parks can be a good step forward for the national and local governments to rethink how green and open spaces will work best in the new normal context," the lawmaker stressed.

She also said a well-thought out urban planning alongside health protocols will play a big part in creating the best environment in or outside the cities which will make sense from a public health perspective.



Dolomite Beach isara muna – Binay

By [Gemma Garcia](#)(Pilipino Star Ngayon) - October 27, 2021 - 12:00am



Iminungkahi naman ni Sen. Nancy Binay na dapat kapulutan ng leksyon ng national at local government units (LGUs) ang pagdagsa ng mga tao sa Dolomite beach.
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MANILA, Philippines — Habang wala pang malinaw na regulasyon ang Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR), iginiit ni Sen. Nancy Binay ang pagpapasara ng Dolomite beach sa Manila Bay.

Ayon kay Binay, ito ay habang walang maliwanag na sistema ang DENR para sa mga taong nagtutungo sa naturang lugar.

Iginiit pa ng senador na nagsisikap ang mga frontliner sa health sector para makontrol ang hawaan ng COVID-19 at ng sumusulpot na variants nito, kaya kakatwa na may mga okasyon o lugar kung saan hinihikayat ang pagtitipon o kumpulan ng maraming tao.

Iminungkahi naman ni Binay na dapat kapulutan ng leksyon ng national at local government units (LGUs) ang pagdagsa ng mga tao sa Dolomite beach.

Dahil ibig sabihin umano nito ay kailangan nang isama sa urban planning ang mga bukas na lugar na mapupuntahan ng mga tao sa ilalim ng new normal na bunsod ng ekonomiya.



TEMPORARY CLOSURE NG DOLOMITE BEACH, HINILING NI SEN. BINAY

written by [Jennelyn Valencia-Burgos](#) October 26, 2021



Iminungkahi ni Sen. Nancy Binay na pansamantalang ipasara muna ang Dolomite Beach habang wala pang maayos na regulasyon at sistema ang DENR.

Ayon kay Senator Binay, nakakagulat lang na habang ang ating mga frontliner sa health sector ay ginagawa ang lahat ng paraan para makontrol ang hawaan sa COVID variant, mayroon namang nag-oorganisa ng ganitong event o naghihikayat na pasyalan ng publiko pero bigo namang pangasiwaan ang pagdagsa ng tao bagay na maaaring magresulta sa mabilis na community transmission.

Ang pagdagsa anya ng publiko sa Dolomite Beach at mga park ay maaaring gamiting basehan ng National at Local Government para pag-isipan kung paano magkakaroon ng green at open spaces na angkop mapasyalan ng publiko sa ilalim ng new normal

Ang isang pinag-isipan umano na urban planning para sa green at open spaces na may kaakibat na health protocol ay mahalaga sa paglikha ng magandang kapaligiran sa loob at labas ng siyudad at makatutulong sa pagsusulong at kapakanan ng public health.—**mula sa ulat ni Cely Bueno (Patrol 19)**



IATF hinamon na isara dolomite beach, kasuhan DENR

By Abante Tonite — Last updated: Oct 26, 2021

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Nanawagan si Senador Nancy Binay na isara muna ang dolomite beach sa Manila Baywalk kasunod ng napaulat na mga paglabag sa health protocol mula nang buksan ito sa publiko.

Ayon kay Binay, chairperson ng Senate committee on tourism, kailangan munang magkaroon ng sistema ang Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) bago muling buksan sa tao ang dolomite beach.

"Mas maganda siguro kung pansamantala munang isara ang dolomite beach habang wala pang regulasyon at sistema ang DENR sa area," sabi ni Binay.

Matatandaang binuksan ang dolomite beach, isang proyekto ng DENR, sa publiko kasabay ng pagbaba sa alert level 3 sa Metro Manila.

"Siguro, yung nakikita nating pagdagsa ng tao sa Manila Bay area at parks can be a good step forward for the national and local governments to rethink how green and open spaces will work best in the new normal context," ayon pa kay Binay.

Samantala, pinakakasuhan ni Mayor Isko Moreno sa Inter Agency Task Force for the Management of Emerging Infectious Diseases ang mga opisyal ng DENR dahil sa pagbubukas sa dolomite beach sa publiko nang hindi umano ipinaalam sa lokal na pamahalaan ng Maynila.

Pacquiao eyes probe into Manila Bay dolomite beach

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People flock to the parcel of land on Roxas Boulevard covered with sand on the reopening of the Manila Bay Dolomite Beach on October 16, 2021. *Jonathan Cellona, ABS-CBN News/File*

MANILA - Presidential candidate Sen. Manny Pacquiao on Tuesday said he wants to investigate the controversial dolomite beach in Manila Bay.

During his visit to Benguet, he said many issues concerning the dolomite beach, a project of the Department of Environment and Natural Resources, need looking into.

"I-imbestigahan din natin 'yang dolomite. Bakit? Kasi hindi lang 'yang dolomite ang project diyen. May mga makina pa dapat 'yan sa ilalim tapos hindi na nila inilagay. Marami pa tayong dapat imbestigahan diyen," said Pacquiao, chairman of the Senate public works and highways committee.

(We will investigate that dolomite. Why? Because the dolomite itself is not only the project there. There are also types of machinery under that but they did not list them. We need to investigate a lot of things regarding that.)

Manila Mayor Isko Moreno Domagoso, another presidential contender, earlier challenged the national task force overseeing the COVID-19 pandemic response to file cases against DENR officials for opening the beach filled with artificial white sand.

The Manila Bay Coordinating Office earlier said it recorded "tens of thousands" of people visiting the 1.2-hectare artificial beach over the weekend. The influx of people to the man-made beach along Manila Bay "can be a super spreader" of the virus, Domagoso told ANC's Headstart.

The DENR and the Department of Public Works and Highways have defended their decision to dump crushed dolomite along the Manila Bay shore, saying it serves as an "enhancer" for the beautification project in the area.

The dolomite beach was part of a P389-million project to rehabilitate the area.

— Report from Sherrie Ann Torres, ABS-CBN News

Source: <https://news.abs-cbn.com/news/10/26/21/pacquiao-eyes-probe-into-manila-bay-dolomite-beach?fbclid=IwAR2j0NGvhnc5H-LnSfOXhb4NzU6QpETW2W75pOsYL-80CJO-XFZAY2vPikA>



EDITORIAL - Super spreader on the beach

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Coinciding with the easing of the National Capital Region to a more relaxed Alert Level 3, the government recently opened the Manila Baywalk Dolomite Beach to the public. And then, as people arrived in droves to the only stretch of white beach in the NCR, even if manmade, the government threw up its hands in surrender, saying crowd control had become too complicated.

The crush of people could have been anticipated, considering the crowds that had previously visited the beach during its soft opening. This was before continued work on the artificial “Boracay in Manila” and the COVID surge prompted a return to lockdowns and the closure of the beach.

True enough, as restrictions were eased and tourist attractions were reopened in Metro Manila, the artificial beach drew the largest crowds. Even in heavy rain spawned by a low-pressure area, visitors simply opened umbrellas and refused to leave the beach. Authorities had to extend the visiting hours because many people wanted to watch the famous Manila Bay sunset from the beach.

Seeing images of the beach crowd, the Department of Health expressed dismay over the failure to impose crowd control. Manila Mayor Isko Moreno also expressed concern that the beach was turning into a COVID super spreader site. Malacañang aired the same concern and reminded the public that children are allowed outdoors only for essential purposes.

In reaction, the Department of Environment and Natural Resources announced that children ages 12 and younger would no longer be allowed on the beach. Visits will also be limited to just 15 minutes, according to DENR officials.

Shouldn't the rules have been drawn up before the opening? And how hard is it to control the crowd at a site with one entrance? Many tourist destinations enforce carrying capacities for crowd control. Fort Santiago occupies a much larger area than the dolomite beach, but the fort can enforce a carrying capacity to ensure physical distancing in the time of COVID. The number of people allowed to enter is regulated even in Rizal Park.

Authorities are now scrambling to correct the deficiencies. Efficient crowd control can't come sooner. The dolomite beach is starting to look like a microcosm of the chaotic pandemic response.

Source: <https://www.philstar.com/opinion/2021/10/27/2136927/editorial-super-spreader-beach>



Villar to file MR on SC Ok for Manila Bay reclamation in Las Pinas, Paranaque

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Sen. Cynthia Villar

Senator Cynthia Villar yesterday said she will file a Motion for Reconsideration (MR) before the Supreme Court (SC) over its “go-signal” to reclaim the Manila Bay areas In Las Pinas and Paranaque as she urged the High Court to take a “different and fresh appreciation” of the environmental impact assessment (EIA) rules.

She has been asserting that any reclamation project in the areas would impede the flow of the six (6) rivers exiting in Manila Bay, which would cause massive flooding, namely:

1. Imus River in Imus City,
2. Bacoor River in Bacoor City
3. Molino River in Bacoor City
4. Zapote River between Bacoor and Las Piñas cities
5. Las Pinas River in Las Piñas City
6. Parañaque River in Paranaque City.

Infact, the damage in Imus River cause the filing of case by Atty. Antonio Oposa- Ramon Magsaysay Awardee for Environmental Law, which resulted the issuance of Mandamus of Manila Bay by the Supreme Court.

As we mark the first year of the UN Decade for Ecological Restoration, the senator called on the court magistrates to revisit its ruling which favored Alltech Contractors proposed projects to develop hectares of land in Las Piñas and Parañaque, both along the coastline of Manila Bay, which has been given up and declared illegal and the ECC has expired.

“This and the Declaration by Congress of the existence of a Climate Crisis, and the two reports of the Nobel-Laureate group Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change, have long since rendered any decisions of the DENR made in 2012 irrelevant,” stressed Villar.

With due respect, Villar said the SC can also take judicial notice of the Expanded National Integrated Protected Areas System (E NIPAS) Act or RA 11038 which was passed in 2018.

“This legislated the now renamed Las Piñas Parañaque Wetland Park (formerly LPPCHEA) into a protected area, said Villar, noting that this was included in the Ramsar Convention list of Wetlands of International Importance, in 2013. The legislated protected area, Las Piñas-Parañaque Wetland is entitled to a buffer zone in Manila Bay which cannot be reclaimed.

She related that the DENR is also determining the extent of buffer zone needed for the conservation of the protected wetland park.



“The DENR’s procedures on EIA should take into consideration all these 94 newly established Protected Areas (PAs),” said Villar, chairperson of the Senate Environmental committee.

“We have long imagined that the ecological services like the flood drainage mechanisms and the filtering capacity of the soil will be there forever. But without proper care, and paying the costs of that care, these services will dissipate. The EIA system must account for this degeneration,” she added.

The SC recently affirmed a Court of Appeals (CA) decision denying the petition for a Writ of Kalikasan filed by Villar and 315,000 petitioners to stop a reclamation that is beside the said international important wetland.

According to Villar, the SC issued the decision eight years after the CA junked her petition to stop any reclamation project in the area.

She likewise emphasized the DENR’s decision to allow the reclamation has long since been overtaken by multiple studies, many scientific and valuation findings, most of which were not in the case file.

“Worse, any environmental decision taken in an application for an Environmental Compliance Certificate (**ECC**) only has a 5 year validity, considering the changes in the surrounding environment and new scientific findings that may happen,” related the senator.

She also pointed out that the ECC of Alltech, despite this SC Decision, has long since expired, and the failure to start up the project was not caused by this case.

She also said if the Supreme Court says the DENR currently has sufficient technical capacity to make a determination in this case of all the factors that need to be taken into account, then why is our environment still on the decline.



Rehabilitasyon ng Boracay, makukumpleto na bago ang June 2022

By [RadyoMaN Manila](#) -Oct. 26, 2021 at 5:40am



Posibleng makumpleto na ang rehabilitasyon ng isla ng Boracay bago ang June 2022.

Ayon kay Environment Secretary Roy Cimatu, head ng Boracay Inter-Agency Task Force (BIATF), sapat ang ibinigay na term extension ni Pangulong Rodrigo Duterte upang matapos ang lahat ng kanilang trabaho.

Tiniyak naman ng kalihim na kasado na ang lahat ng kailangan sa pagbubukas isla para sa publiko.

Matatandaang noong 2020 pa dapat natapos ang termino ng BIATF base sa Executive Order 53.

Gayunman, pinalawig ito ng Punong Ehekutibo hanggang May 2021.

Source: <https://rmn.ph/rehabilitasyon-ng-boracay-makukumpleto-na-bago-ang-june-2022/?fbclid=IwAR2vx8CTfMwbV6pDsHO4KPa6OwqLv1Lm1RiyMhsLztsVgIk2Pe4EE58CpP8>



Central Luzon communities get huge boost

Community plantree is inspired by the community pantry movement, but instead of free food, fruit-tree seedlings were provided to the communities

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CITY OF SAN FERNANDO, Pampanga — The Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) in Region 3 provided more than 100,000 seedlings of various vegetables and fruits to local communities in Central Luzon to address the food shortage brought by the coronavirus disease 2019 (Covid-19) pandemic.

DENR executive director Paquito Moreno Jr. disclosed that the 100,000 seedlings were distributed since July this year as part of their thrust to secure food for local communities and promote urban forestry.

“This pandemic has greatly affected our communities and many of our people lost their jobs. We came up with this strategy to reach out and somehow ease the economic impact of this health crisis,” said Moreno.

He added that the agency is in close coordination with the Department of Agriculture (DA) and the Inter-Agency Task Force, citing that the agency has activated its Modern Mechanized Forest Nursery (MMFN) in Tarlac to produce various vegetables seedlings like string beans, pechay, okra and eggplant.

“Although it was intended primarily to produce seedlings for our country’s reforestation programs, we saw the potential of the MMFN to provide much-needed help to our citizenry in the face of the pandemic,” Moreno said.

The agency has also set up various “community plantree” in the region and gave away over 90,000 seedlings of various forest and fruit-bearing trees, including kasoy, avocado, sampaloc, duhat, mangga, rambutan, guyabano, bignai, narra, fire tree, molave and bitaog to promote urban greening and environmental stability.

Community plantree is inspired by the community pantry movement in the country but instead of free foods, fruit-tree seedlings were provided to the communities.



Lauan, yakal trees abound in Biliran



Photo from DENR-Eastern Visayas

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LAUAN and yakal trees have been growing abundantly in Biliran province, following the established seed source known as Individual Plus Trees (IPT) of the Provincial Environment and Natural Resources Office (Penro).

“The presence of IPT project in the province is a living proof of our diverse forest resources,” said Berlina Corzon, forester and coordinator of National Greening Program (NGP) of Penro-Biliran.

“The establishment of IPT is intended for the production of quality seeds and seedlings as planting materials for plantation as well as for distribution to interested groups and individuals,” Corzon added.

The IPT in the province is dominated by lauan and yakal species with around 634 trees based on the recent validation by the personnel from the Ecosystems Research and Development Bureau-Coastal Resources and Ecotourism, Research, Development and Extension Center.

The 21.06-hectare IPT of Penro-Biliran is located in Sitio Palayan, Barangay Caucab, Almeria town.

The results identified by the validators include more than 1,000 potential plus trees, 65 species based on local names, 22 unknown species in terms of scientific and family names and 96 unidentified individual trees, according to the regional environment and natural resources office.

The enhanced NGP remains to be one of the priority programs of the Department of Environment and Natural Resources.

The program seeks to rehabilitate denuded forest lands nationwide and to maintain and protect existing forests. **(SunStar Philippines)**

Source: <https://www.sunstar.com.ph/article/1911368/Tacloban/Local-News/Lauan-yakal-trees-abound-in-Biliran>



COP26: More ambitious climate target urged as global temperatures continue to rise

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MANILA— House Deputy Speaker Loren Legarda urged government agencies on Tuesday to implement various environmental laws, noting that the proposed national budget supposedly does not show efforts in reducing greenhouse gases.

In a virtual forum ahead of the forthcoming United Nations 26th Conference of Parties (COP26) Legarda, an environmentalist, said she does not see the country's commitment to reduce greenhouse gases reflected in the over [P5-trillion national budget for 2021](#).

As part of its National Determined Contribution (NDC), the Philippines has committed to reduce greenhouse gases by 75 percent by 2030 for the sectors of agriculture, wastes, industry, transport, and energy.

Of this number, 2.71 percent is unconditional, or measures using nationally mobilized resources, and 72.29 percent is conditional, or policies and measures which require support or the means of implementation under the Paris Agreement.

"I do not see a reflection of our NDC in our National Expenditure Program in the national budget that Congress is deliberating now. It is a business as usual budget. I don't even see it as a pandemic recovery budget," Legarda explained.

"I would like to see a pandemic recovery budget that is aligned and attuned to the climate pathway that mainstreams ecological integrity," she said.

Legarda added that all government programs should be aligned with existing environmental laws in the country, including the Clean Water Act, Clean Air Act, Ecological Solid Waste Management Act, and laws on environmental education awareness.

Aside from these, the country's projects should also take into consideration policies on renewable energy, the Climate Change Act, the establishment of the people's survival fund, and the National Integrated Protected Areas System, among others.

"It must not be just one government agency or a commission or a few agencies where people believe climate or environment affect its operations. Every aspect in the budgetary process and all programs of governments must be aligned with all environmental laws already existing, which I authored way back in 1998," said Legarda.

"We will be helping ourselves by making the whole budget be climate adaptive, climate proof, climate sensitive," she added.

Legarda stressed that while countries most affected by climate change should demand that industrialized countries deliver on their commitments under the Paris Agreement's means of implementation, including climate finance, technology transfer, and capacity building, the Philippines should also do its part to mitigate climate change effects.

"If you look at transport and energy and agriculture, we are doing a business-as-usual scenario so what I would like to see from agencies and government is to see what we declare in the NDC and the budgets they put in their NEP, how does it align (with) this so-called ambitious NDC which to my mind and in my heart, I know, it is not an ambitious NDC as we want it to be," the lawmaker stressed.



"An NDC is not cast in stone and we know that in the coming year, I would like to be able to speak to each and every department, especially agriculture, transport, energy and environment perhaps so that we can even scale up our climate ambition," she explained.

"We must not say just because we are a non-emitter in the world that we can do a business-as-usual scenario although we must command and request and demand the industrialized nations that caused it all to comply with Paris accord."

SUPPORT

The United Kingdom and Italy, meanwhile, expressed support to the Philippines' efforts to achieve its commitment and hopes that the country would allow a long-term strategy for a net zero carbon emission by 2050.

The goal will align the country with other countries in Asia.

The UK has also committed to assist the Philippines to build resilience and accelerate transition to a low-carbon economy towards achieving the Nationally Determined Contribution under the Paris Agreement through its official development assistance (ODA) that supports a wide-range of interventions related to energy, low-carbon and urban development, including transport, green finance, and environment.

The ODA includes the International Climate Fund, its Green Climate Fund contribution, Prosperity Fund, the Newton Agham Programme, and the Darwin Initiative Fund/Illegal Wildlife Trade Fund.

"The UK and Italy are committed to continuing to support the Philippines in delivery of these ambitions. We are very proud of the strong partnership that we have built in this space," UK Ambassador to Manila Laure Beaufils said.

RAISING CLIMATE TARGETS SOUGHT

French Ambassador to Manila Michèle Boccoz also called for the raising of climate targets and strengthening of commitments to reduce greenhouse gas emissions as she cited a United Nations report still showing warming temperatures.

Boccoz pointed out that despite "a brief dip" in carbon dioxide emissions caused by the COVID-19 pandemic, the world is "still heading for a temperature rise in excess of 3°C this century – far beyond the Paris Agreement goals of limiting global warming to well below 2°C and pursuing 1.5°C."

"Today, we are calling for the strengthening of our commitments and the raising of our ambitions. The urgency to act has never been as important as it is today," Boccoz said in a video message at a virtual event organized by the British Embassy.

"Climate change knows no borders. It is our belief that multilateral cooperation, together with a shared sense of responsibility, is key to ensuring a better future. It is not too late to act," the French official added.

The Philippines is sending a delegation of 19 members to attend the COP26 in Scotland, headed by Finance Secretary Sonny Dominguez and Foreign Affairs Secretary Teodoro Locsin, Jr.

Finance Assistance Secretary Paola Alvarez said the delegation would also include representatives from the DENR, Department of Foreign Affairs, Office of the President, Department of Energy, and the Department of Finance.



“We want to keep it as lean as possible because Glasgow and UK and UN organizers also suggest that we limit the number of people to attend due to the COVID restrictions as well,” Alvarez said.

Legarda expects the Philippines to “bring forward its commitments and deliver on them during COP26 and beyond” in implementing its NDC.

“We emphasize the importance of scale, predictability, and sustainability in climate finance in this endeavor—since our ambitious NDC also requires significant amounts of financing and resources from developed countries,” Legarda said.

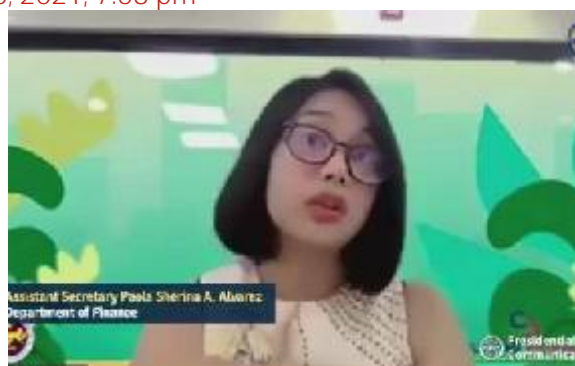
Legarda added that she is looking forward to action of the Parties on calls for a five-year timeframe for the NDC and to accelerate climate action and ambition, the delivery of a Climate Emergency Pact to rebuild confidence in international climate action, and stronger capacity development to enable immediate adaptation action in vulnerable developing countries.

She also sought for “putting the brakes’ on a warming planet to limit global warming to 1.5°C.



PH starts capacity building, foundations vs. climate change

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Finance Assistant Secretary Paola Alvarez (File photo)

MANILA – The proposed annual USD100 billion climate change financing to developing countries will not be available until 2023 but the Philippine government has started capacity building and policy foundations to easily implement its programs.

In a virtual pre-26th United Nations Climate Change Conference of the Parties (COP26) briefing on Tuesday, Finance Assistant Secretary Paola Alvarez said the government has started working with the private sector regarding climate change mitigation and adaptation strategies.

She said especially in developed countries, it is the big companies such as Amazon and e-Bay that have big greenhouse gas emissions compared to developing countries.

“So, if they actually start implementing climate mitigation and adaptation strategies it would actually make a bigger dent. And at the same time how we respond to disasters and resiliency efforts would be greatly affected as well,” she said.

Alvarez also highlighted the need to capacitate the local communities and the local governments to implement climate change-related measures.

These moves, she said, need a lot of funding, thus, the importance to ensure that developed countries provide the needed financing.

The Philippine delegates will be presenting these concerns during the COP26 in Glasgow, Scotland from Oct. 31 to Nov. 12, 2021, she said.

“We will champion climate change justice and we will push that developed countries actually pay up in terms of financing,” she said.

Finance Secretary Carlos G. Dominguez III and Foreign Affairs Secretary Teodoro Locsin will lead the Philippine delegation to COP26, which also includes representatives from the Department of Environment and Natural Resources, the Office of the President, and the Department of Energy.

Alvarez said the team will be pushing for the adoption of viable transparency and a reporting mechanism that will not be stringent for developing countries to comply with. **(PNA)**

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Pit mining protest

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Environmental advocates on Tuesday hold a protest rally in front of the Department of Environment and Natural Resources office in Quezon City, in a bid to stop the agency from issuing a reported draft ban on open pit mining.



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Bike enthusiasts and environmental advocates troop to Department of Environment and Natural Resources office in Quezon City to oppose the impending issuance of a draft department administrative order lifting the ban on open pit mining. | 📺 via

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Environmental groups renew calls opposing WTE project



Environmental groups renew calls opposing WTE project (Photo credit to Idis)

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Environmental groups in Davao City continue to call for an urgent resolution to various local environmental issues in the city, including rejecting the waste-to-energy (WTE) incineration.

Rara Ada of the Philippine Movement for Climate Justice told SunStar Davao in a phone interview that they are still lobbying for the city government to drop the incineration project in solving the waste problems, and instead, look for alternative means in addressing it.

Ada said they are continuously urging the local government to reconsider the WTE project as this is not a solution for the city's looming generated wastes.

"Instead of solving the garbage or waste problem, it caused another problem," she said, adding that some countries who piloted the WTE incineration failed to address their waste problem.

Interfacing Development Interventions for Sustainability (Idis) executive director Mark Peñalver also said in a recent interview that the WTE project only provides a "bandaid solution" to the city's looming solid waste problem.

"It is unfortunate that despite scientific evidence and legal implications on the WTE incineration, the city government continues to push such environmentally and health-threatening projects. I'm not sure what's holding back the city from rejecting the project," Peñalver said.

Davao City Mayor Sara Duterte-Carpio said in a previous radio interview that the city will push through with the WTE project despite continuous opposition from environmental groups.

"For us here in the City Government of Davao, we already crossed that bridge a long time ago when we purchased the property for the WTE plant in Davao City. It's been decided already that there is a direction for WTE, and that we bought a property specifically for that purpose," Duterte-Carpio said in an interview in early August this year.

The mayor urged them to raise their concerns to the Regional Development Council-Davao. However, she emphasized that the project has support from the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR)-Davao.



The city is planning to construct a WTE project in a 10-hectare property in Biao Escuela, Tugbok District.

The WTE project has been identified as among the programs and campaigns that her administration is undertaking to achieve a “cleaner and greener city.”

Opposing the WTE project is one of the concerns raised by environmental groups during the Bike Action for Climate activity on Sunday, October 24.

Almost 60 bikers from different groups and organizations in Davao City are demanding those responsible for the climate crisis to do urgent and responsive climate action towards keeping global temperature rise below 1.5 Celsius.

Alongside the national and international call, Davao groups also aims to raise awareness on various local envi issues in the city such as plastic pollution, deterioration of our watersheds, decreasing urban green spaces, the plan to establish WTE incineration, among others.

“Kini pagpaghatag og pressure sa mga world leaders nga unta naay (This would give pressure to our world leaders to make) immediate or drastic action para i-address ang epekto sa (to address the effects of) climate change. Wala naman gud tay time nga i-talk lang ni. Ato panawagan is [to] walk the talk (We don;t have enough time to just talk about it. We are calling on them to walk the talk),” Ada said.

The organizers aim to raise awareness on various local environmental issues in the city such as plastic pollution, deterioration of our watersheds, decreasing urban green spaces, among others.

Overall, Ada said the local government is “walking the talk” in protecting the environment. Although she hopes that the city could do more by rejecting the WTE project.

The Davao City Government on September 21, 2021 formed Davao City Climate Change Committee (DCCC), which is tasked to implement the Local Climate Change Action Plan.

Mayor Sara Duterte-Carpio issued Executive Order (EO) 47 on September 21, 2021, creating the DCCC, adding the city is not exempted from the worsening climate emergency with extreme weather events, rising temperatures, sea-level rise, heavy rainfall, and drought being experienced in other parts of the country. **(RGL)**



Green group hit for airing support to railway project

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A PROMINENT businessman in Angeles City has lambasted the Abacan River and Angeles Watershed Advocacy Council Inc. (Araw-ACI) after the group expressed support to the Subic Clark Railway Project (SCRP).

Ruperto Cruz, owner of the Royal Garden Golf and Country Club and Grand Palazzo Royale event center, said the environment group does not know the real issues and concerns of the residents and businessmen against the SCRП.

Cruz, who is also the head of the Pinoy Gumising Ka Movement (PGKM), opposed the railway project after the government allegedly deviated from the SCRП's original design previously aligned along the Subic Clark Tarlac Expressway (SCTEX).

The businessman claimed that numerous residential, commercial, and industrial and tourism-related properties, including his business estate, will be affected if the project pushes through on its new alignment.

"We already forged agreement with our investors and the Department of Transportation and other government agencies are implementing the project without public consultation," Cruz said.

According to the PGKM head, Araw-ACI failed to consult the real stakeholders that will be affected by the SCRП.

Cruz dared the environment group to be consistent in their advocacy.

"They should have opposed and stopped the massive exploitation of watershed and forest areas in Clark and its subzones by locators and investors," he said.

"Where are the trees you promised to plant and grow along the Abacan river and the Sapangbato watershed several years ago?" he asked the group.

The SCRП should have been diverted to Northern Luzon so that vegetables and fruits from Baguio City and Benguet province can be transported easily to Metro Manila and Central Luzon, according to Cruz.

Araw-ACI earlier cited importance of Subic-Clark freight railway to the development of Central Luzon through expanded services for transportation.

In a resolution signed by the Araw-ACI board, the group recognized the importance of the project as a component of the Luzon Railway System.

The SCRП is a 71-kilometer freight railway connecting the Subic Bay Freeport Zone (SBFZ) and Clark Freeport providing a link between the Port of Subic Bay and Clark International Airport (CRK).



“Whereas, the SCRP is designed to support the current industrial activities and potential demand for freight and future passenger services along the Subic-Clark Corridor. The SCRP will work as an alternative transportation for businesses and industries needing freight services considering that the movement of logistics from Clark Freeport Zone to Subic or Manila and vice versa is currently being done via trucking shipments through the Subic-Clark-Tarlac Expressway (SCTEx) and North Luzon Expressway (NLEEx),” the Araw-ACI board added in its board resolution 1, series of 2021.

Renato “Abong” Tayag Jr., president of Araw-ACI, said a railway system for freight services has been long overdue for Central Luzon.

“The business sector and the investors eyeing urban centers in Luzon have been waiting for transportation infrastructure that will support the economic activities here,” Tayag said.

Tayag added that Araw-ACI also recognizes the initiatives of the National Government to decongest traffic in Metro Manila, especially port traffic at Manila Port.

“We need alternative transportation systems that would complement the growing demand for logistics services. The business sector groups in Pampanga and Angeles City understand this need. And in our future plans for sustainable development, we also take into consideration the balance between the needed infrastructure and the sustainability of our resources for energy, food, and most importantly, water,” he said.

“Thus, we want to emphasize that as we support the SCRP, we are also willing to monitor its construction and development. We are aware that the national government proponents secured an Environmental Compliance Certificate (ECC) and there is an environmental management plan that shall provide guidelines in implementing mitigation measures to lessen the impact of the project to the environment,” Tayag said.

Araw-ACI is a non-stock, non-profit corporation registered at the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC).

The group is known for its advocacy for the rehabilitation of the 560-hectare Angeles Watershed in Sapangbato, Angeles.

The advocacy group is an umbrella of private sector groups and businesses supporting the Angeles Watershed Rehabilitation Program.

Source: <https://www.sunstar.com.ph/article/1911320/Pampanga/Local-News/Green-group-hit-for-airing-support-to-railway-project>



'LIP SERVICE' | Top plastic polluting companies in country must be held accountable, says group

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By Beatrice Puentes

(October 26, 2021) – Multinational firms must be held to account for exacerbating plastic pollution all around the world due to their unsustainable business practices, an environmental group said on Tuesday.

Greenpeace Philippines, in a statement, criticized big corporations for sticking to their harmful practices despite having enough resources to shift to a more sustainable business model. While it is not surprising, the organization said the system remains disappointing.

“(They) have not learned from our experiences during the COVID-19 pandemic as they still continue business-as-usual practices that harm our planet, our environment, and our communities,” said Greenpeace Philippines campaigner Jefferson Chua.

Coca-Cola, Unilever, and Nestlé were the [top three plastic polluters in the country this year](#), according to a [brand audit report by Break Free from Plastic](#). Coca-Cola was also named the world’s worst plastic polluter after it produced over 19,800 plastics across 39 countries while Unilever came in third with 6,079 plastics.

“It is doubly worrying that these are the same companies that spend millions or billions in an attempt to fool the public through their false claims on ‘plastic neutrality’ and lip-service commitments on combating the climate crisis,” added Chua.

Break Free from Plastic pointed out the need to closely examine plastic production since it’s a “significant contributor” to the climate crisis. It also stressed that ending plastic pollution can’t happen if the large corporations won’t stop producing these harmful materials.

“Enough is enough,” the group said in its report. “The ‘convenience’ of today will cause chaos tomorrow. Unless corporations act now, young people will inherit a world in climate turmoil fueled by short-term, profit-driven reliance on single-use plastics.”

The House of Representatives unanimously approved last July a bill banning single-use plastics. It will cover packaging, sticks, drinking straws, stirrers, cutlery, and the like but the phase-out process will be done in stages.

Small businesses could face a fine worth P50,000 to P500,000 for violations while big businesses could pay as much as P1 million.

If signed into law, the Department of Environment and Natural Resources will be assigned as the lead agency to carry out the policy. But it remains unclear if the country would see this proposal pass before the 2022 elections as its counterpart measure remains pending in the Senate.

Various organizations have called on senators to immediately pass the bill to avoid starting all over again in the next Congress.

Chua urged lawmakers to look into the brand audit report to ensure that the legislation would respond to the country’s needs.



“The report sends a clear message that these actions provide little to no benefit in the people’s fight against the plastic crisis,” said Chua. “It is critical that we are able to see through these false solutions by listening to and working with the communities who are disproportionately affected by this excessive plastic pollution.”

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Greenhouse gas levels reach record high amid COP26 worries

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Waves lap ashore near condo buildings on the day the United Nations released a report with a dire warning for humanity on August 09, 2021 in Sunny Isles, Florida. The information from a U.N. climate panel said, among other things, that humans are "unequivocally" to blame for climate change and that rapid action to cut greenhouse gas emissions could limit some of the impacts. In the future, Miami-Dade County could be one of the most susceptible places to rising sea levels due to global warming.

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GENEVA, Switzerland — Greenhouse gas concentrations in the atmosphere reached record levels last year, the United Nations said Monday, in a stark warning as Britain's Boris Johnson admitted being "very worried" about the COP26 summit going awry.

The UN's blunt report on rising global warming comes as Prime Minister Johnson, the COP26 host, said it was "very, very far from clear that we'll get the progress that we need".

"I'm very worried because it might go wrong... it's touch and go," Johnson said, though he remained hopeful a deal can be done at the 12-day climate talks to reduce carbon emissions and limit future temperature rises.

Highlighting the difficulties ahead, coal-intensive Australia on Monday unveiled a long-awaited 2050 target to reach net zero emissions — while dismissing any upgrade to its 2030 goals.

"We want our heavy industries, like mining, to stay open, remain competitive and adapt, so they remain viable for as long as global demand allows," conservative Prime Minister Scott Morrison said.

COP26, the UN Climate Change Conference, is being held in Glasgow from October 31 to November 12.

The UN's World Meteorological Organization said that continued rising greenhouse gas emissions would result in more extreme weather and wide-ranging impacts on the environment, the economy and humanity.

The WMO said the economic slowdown caused by the Covid-19 pandemic triggered a temporary decline in new emissions, but had no discernible impact on the atmospheric levels of greenhouse gases and their growth rates.

The organisation's Greenhouse Gas Bulletin said the annual rate of increase last year was above the yearly average between 2011 and 2020 — and the trend continued in 2021.

'Way off track'

The WMO said that as long as emissions continue, global temperatures will continue to rise.



And given the long life of carbon dioxide (CO₂), the temperature levels already observed will persist for several decades even if emissions are rapidly reduced to net zero.

"The Greenhouse Gas Bulletin contains a stark, scientific message for climate change negotiators at COP26," said WMO chief Petteri Taalas.

"At the current rate of increase in greenhouse gas concentrations, we will see a temperature increase by the end of this century far in excess of the Paris Agreement targets of 1.5 to two degrees Celsius above pre-industrial levels," he warned.

"We are way off track."

The WMO said that with continued rising greenhouse gas emissions, alongside rising temperatures, the planet could expect more extreme weather.

"We need to revisit our industrial, energy and transport systems and whole way of life. The needed changes are economically affordable and technically possible," said Taalas. "There is no time to lose."

The WMO also said that alarmingly, the southeast part of the Amazon rainforest, long a carbon sink, has now become a source of carbon emissions due to deforestation.

'The disaster gets closer'

The three major greenhouse gases are CO₂, methane and nitrous oxide. CO₂ is the most important, accounting for around 66 percent of the warming effect on the climate.

CO₂ concentrations reached 413.2 parts per million (ppm) in 2020, up 2.5 ppm, and is at 149 percent of the pre-industrial level in 1750, the WMO said.

Methane averages reached a new high of 1,889 parts per billion in 2020, up 11 ppb on the year before, and is at 262 percent of the pre-industrial benchmark.

Nitrous oxide averages reached 333.2 ppb, up 1.2 ppb, and is now at 123 percent of 1750 levels.

Euan Nisbet, from the University of London's Greenhouse Gas Group, compared the greenhouse gas measurements to "skidding into a car crash."

"The disaster gets closer and closer but you can't stop it. You can clearly see the crash ahead, and all you can do is howl."

Dave Reay, director of the Edinburgh Climate Change Institute, said the report provided a "brutally frank" assessment of COP achievements so far: "An epic fail."

Meanwhile, a decade-old target for rich countries to contribute \$100 billion a year to help poorer ones fight climate change should be attainable in 2023, according to analysis by the Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development.

The target was meant to have been reached last year, and the failure of developed nations to do so has become a key point of contention heading into Glasgow.



Saudi Arabia's de facto ruler pledged more than \$1 billion for new environmental initiatives on Monday, taking further steps to bolster the environmental credentials of the world's top oil exporter.

And two days after targeting carbon neutrality by 2060, Crown Prince Mohammed bin Salman promised to contribute 15 percent of \$10.4 billion to fund the "circular carbon economy" and provide "clean fuel" to help feed 750 million people worldwide.



Bagong record high sa lebel ng greenhouse gas naitala – UN



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MANILA, Philippines – Umakyat na naman sa record high levels ang greenhouse gases na naitala noong 2020.

Ito ang sinabi ng United Nations ngayong Lunes, Oktubre 25 na nakababahala lalo pa nalalapit na ang COP26 summit.

Ayon sa Greenhouse Gas Bulletin mula sa UN World Meteorological Organization, ang annual rate ng increase noong nakaraang taon ay mas mataas sa yearly average na naitatala sa pagitan ng 2011 at 2020, at nagpapatuloy pa ang pagtaas nito ngayong taon.

Bagamat nabawasan ng COVID-19 pandemic ang new emissions sa polusyon, hindi umano ito sapat at walang naging epekto sa atmospheric level ng greenhouse gases at sa growth rate nito.

Dahil dito, sigurado umanong magkakaroon ito ng epekto sa global temperatures na patuloy ring tataas.

Nakatakdang isagawa ang UN Climate Change Conference o COP26 sa Glasgow simula Oktubre 31 hanggang Nobyembre 12.

“The Greenhouse Gas Bulletin contains a stark, scientific message for climate change negotiators at COP26,” ani WMO chief Petteri Taalas.

“At the current rate of increase in greenhouse gas concentrations, we will see a temperature increase by the end of this century far in excess of the Paris Agreement targets of 1.5 to 2 degrees Celsius above pre-industrial levels,” dagdag pa niya. **RNT**

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Philippines' COVID count by up 4,393 new cases

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Workers from the City Environmental Management Office in Marikina City conduct a cleanup of the Barangka Public Cemetery on Oct. 17, 2021. A temporary closure of cemeteries and columbaries both public and private is expected in Metro Manila in order to prevent mass gatherings.

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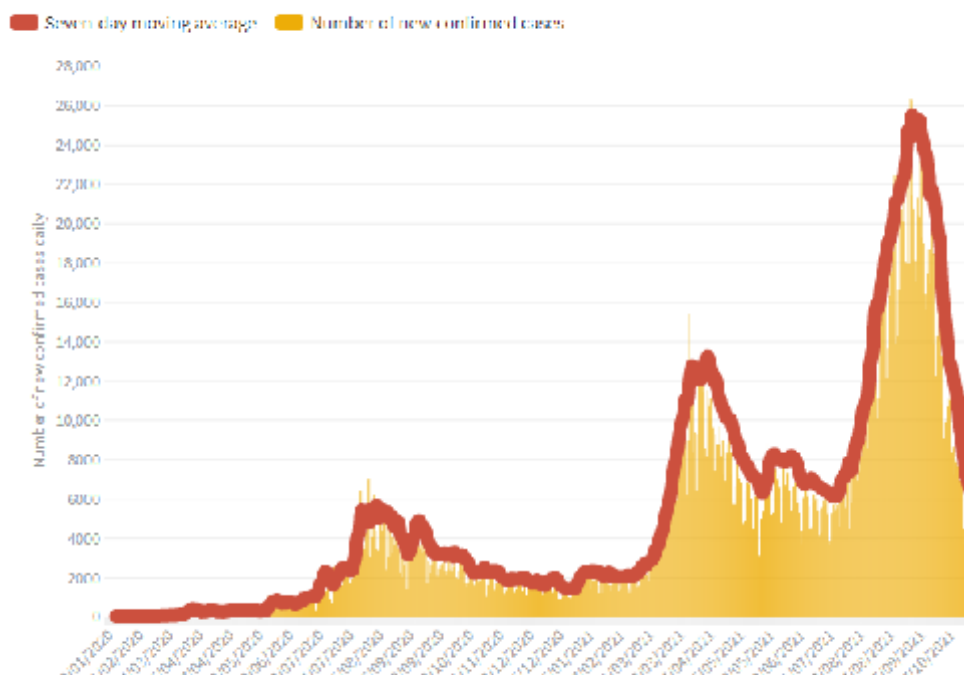
MANILA, Philippines — The Department of Health on Tuesday reported 4,393 more coronavirus cases to bring the country's overall count to 2,765,672.

Today's figures saw active cases down by 4,121 from the 57,763 on October 25.

DOH said five laboratories did not submit screening results. "The relatively low cases today is due to lower laboratory output last Sunday, October 24," the agency added.

- **Active cases:** 53,642 or 1.9% of the total
- **Deaths:** 135, pushing the count to 42,077
- **Recoveries:** 8,470 bringing the number to 2,669,953

COVID-19 cases in the Philippines



Source: Department of Health - As of October 26, 2021, 4 p.m.



'Low risk' COVID-19 assessment for NCR

- OCTA Research said Metro Manila can now be considered as "[low risk](#)" for COVID-19 citing a continued improving picture in the capital region.
- The Department of Environment and Natural Resources said [kids 12 and below](#) would be prohibited entry from the Manila Baywalk Dolomite Beach following guidelines from the pandemic task force.

- Baguio City Mayor Benjamin Magalong said they will now allow the [entry of fully-vaccinated travelers](#) to the city. He said he hopes it would spur economic activity, months since the city was placed on strict curbs due to rising COVID-19 cases.
- The Department of Transportation said it would defend its recommendation to increase passenger capacity in public transportation before the pandemic task force in its meeting this week.



NCR, 'low risk' na rin sa COVID-19

By [Danilo Garcia](#) (Pilipino Star Ngayon) - October 27, 2021 - 12:00am



Ayon kay OCTA Research Group member Dr. Guido David sa kanyang Twitter account, ang positivity rate sa NCR ay bumaba pa sa 6% habang ang average daily attack rate ay nasa 6.36 na lamang o -7 per 100,000 population.

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MANILA, Philippines — Nailagay na rin sa 'low risk classification' ang National Capital Region (NCR) dahil sa patuloy na pagbaba ng mga naitatalang kaso sa rehiyon.

Ayon kay OCTA Research Group member Dr. Guido David sa kanyang Twitter account, ang positivity rate sa NCR ay bumaba pa sa 6% habang ang average daily attack rate ay nasa 6.36 na lamang o -7 per 100,000 population.

Ang anunsyo ng OCTA ay isang araw makaraang ihayag naman ng Department of Health (DOH) na nasa 'low risk classification' na ang buong Pilipinas. Labis na bumaba rin ang 'seven-day average' sa 901 mula sa 1,405 noong nakaraang linggo.

Bumaba rin ang healthcare utilization sa 35% habang ang intensive care unit occupancy rate ay bumaba na sa 46%. Tanging ang siyudad ng Mandaluyong, San Juan, at Valenzuela na lamang ang nananatiling nasa moderate risk sa COVID-19 sa rehiyon dahil sa ADAR ng mga ito ay mas mataas pa sa 10. Ang natitira pang ibang lokal na pamahalaan ay pawang nasa low-risk na rin.

"Classified as low risk are: NCR, Navotas, Malabon, Caloocan, Pateros, Muntinlupa, Las Piñas, Manila, Quezon City, Taguig, Marikina, Makati, Pasay, Parañaque, Pasig. Positivity rate in NCR down to just 6%," ayon pa sa Tweet ni David.



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DOH COVID-19 CASE BULLETIN # 591

OKTUBRE 26, 2021

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PORSYENTO NG AKTIBONG KASO

1.9%

TOTAL NG AKTIBONG KASO
53,642

PORSYENTO NG GUMALING

96.5%

TOTAL NG GUMALING
2,669,953

PORSYENTO NG NAMATAY

1.52%

TOTAL NG NAMATAY
42,077

MGA BAGONG KASO **4,393**

MGA BAGONG GUMALING **8,470**

MGA BAGONG NAMATAY **135**

KABUANG BILANG NG KASO **2,765,672**

MGA NAGPOSITIBO HULING OKTUBRE 24

DATOS NGAYONG OKTUBRE 26
AYON SA REPORTS NOONG OKTUBRE 24

8.5%

PORSYENTO NG MGA
NAGPOSITIBO

35,265

BILANG NG
TINEST

HALOS

81.4%

ANG MILD AT
ASYMPTOMATIC
NA KASO!

D UMISTANSYA NG
ISANG METRO AT LIMITAHAN
ANG PISIKAL NA
INTERAKSYON SA IBA

KABUANG PILIPINAS

PUNO NA BA ANG ATING MGA OSPITAL?

ICU BEDS (4.2K TOTAL BEDS)

53% Utilized

ISOLATION BEDS (20.8K TOTAL BEDS)

40% Utilized

WARD BEDS (14.7K TOTAL BEDS)

37% Utilized

VENTILATORS (3.2K TOTAL VENTILATORS)

35% Utilized

NATIONAL CAPITAL REGION

PUNO NA BA ANG ATING MGA OSPITAL?

ICU BEDS (1.5K TOTAL BEDS)

47% Utilized

ISOLATION BEDS (4.8K TOTAL BEDS)

34% Utilized

WARD BEDS (4.2K TOTAL BEDS)

32% Utilized

VENTILATORS (1.0K TOTAL VENTILATORS)

32% Utilized

KALAGAYAN NG MGA AKTIBONG KASO

Mild 74.8%

6.7% Asymptomatic

2.4% Critical

5.8% Severe

10.37% Moderate



UPDATE AND MESSAGE OF THE DAY

Kaakibat ng nakikita nating patuloy na pagbaba ng kaso ng COVID-19 infections sa bansa ay ang responsibilidad ng bawat isa atin ng tamang pagsunod sa **Minimum Public Health Standards** at agarang pagbabakuna para sa mga hindi pa nababakunahan. Kasabay nito, agad na makipag-ugnayan sa **BHERTS** o sa **One COVID Referral Center** sa oras na makaramdam ng anumang sintomas. Maabot ang One COVID Referral Center sa **1555, (02)886-505-00, 0915-777-7777, o 0919-977-3333**.

Para sa iba pang pangangailangang medikal, puntahan ang <http://bit.ly/DOHTelemedicine> upang malaman kung papaano maabot ang serbisyo ng ating **Telemedicine Service Providers**, at ang <http://bit.ly/DOHHospitalHotlines> para maabot ang ating mga ospital sa lalong mabilis na panahon.



Ihahanap ka namin ng lugar para mag-isolate o magpagamot, tumawag lang sa sumusunod:

SMART: 0919 977 3333
GLOBE: 0915 777 7777
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May tanong ukol sa COVID-19?

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


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


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