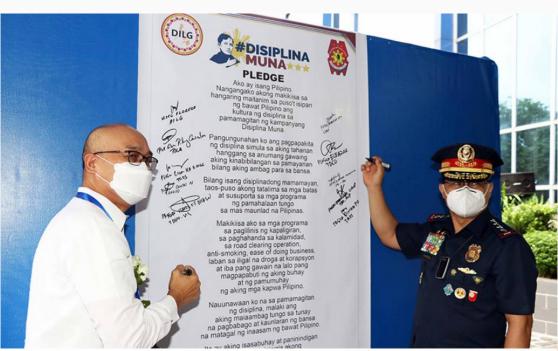


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DILG Undersecretary Bernardo Florece, Jr. (left) and PNP Chief, Police General Archie Francisco Gamboa sign the Disiplina Muna pledge at the PNP National Headquarters in Camp Crame, signifying the PNP's adoption of the DILG-led Disiplina Muna campaign. Disiplina Muna, which calls for rebuilding the culture of discipline among Filipinos, urges police personnel as frontliners to exemplify discipline at all times.

DILG urges LGUs to enact ordinances making discipline as new normal; PNP adopts Disiplina Muna campaign nationwide

DILG Secretary Eduardo M. Año is prodding local government units (LGUs) to enact ordinances that would make discipline as the new normal as a non-medical measure to fight COVID-19 as part of the Department's broader Disiplina Muna campaign.

"Now that the government is easing quarantine restrictions to balance public health with the need to reopen the economy, we must institute measures to promote discipline and individual responsibility among our people through local legislation," he said Tuesday.

The DILG Chief said these ordinances that prescribe discipline includes following health safety protocols like wearing a face mask in public, sanitizing hands, doing at least one-meter physical distancing, observing cough etiquette, and staying at home for children and senior citizens.

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"Police can't do it alone in making sure that all continue to follow health safety practices. Every Filipino must do his responsibility. If there's an ordinance, it imposes a duty to obey, involves a sanction, promotes order, and benefits all."

-DILG Secretary Eduardo M. Año



# DILG to LGUs: Ensure dentists in your areas wear PPE, follow health safety standards in their clinics

To ensure that dental health professionals and their patients are not exposed to the risk of contracting COVID-19, the DILG enjoins all local government units (LGUs) to see to it that dentists within their areas or jurisdiction wear personal protective equipment (PPE) and that their clinics follow all the health and safety standards prescribed by the Department of Health.

"The nature of dental operation requires close proximity of a dentist and a patient. Kaya lalong dapat magsuot ng PPE ang mga dentist para sa kanilang kaligtasan at ng kanilang mga pasyente," DILG Secretary Eduardo M. Año said.

The DILG Chief said that the dynamics of the dental treatments and services and the inevitability of close exposure to human orifices, namely the nose and the mouth, expose dentists to high risk of infection.



DILG: Another motorcycle barrier design for backriding couples approved by NTF

DILG Secretary Eduardo M. Año today said that the National Task Force (NTF) for COVID-19 chaired by Secretary Delfin Lorenza has approved another design of the motorcycle barrier or shield which can now be used by back-riding couples in addition to the earlier design of Governor Art Yap of Bohol which was approved last week.

DILG Secretary Eduardo M. Año said that the two designs are among the several proposals submitted to the NTF chaired by Sec. Lorenzana, and both complied with the minimum health standards set by the Inter-Agency Task Force for the Management of Emerging Infectious Diseases (IATF-MEID). He said that both barriers will maintain the requirement for physical distancing in the transportation sector.

"We encourage the motorcycle-riding public to utilize these two prototypes na inaprubahan na din naman ng NTF kaya inaasahan natin na ang ating mga kababayan ay makikiisa at

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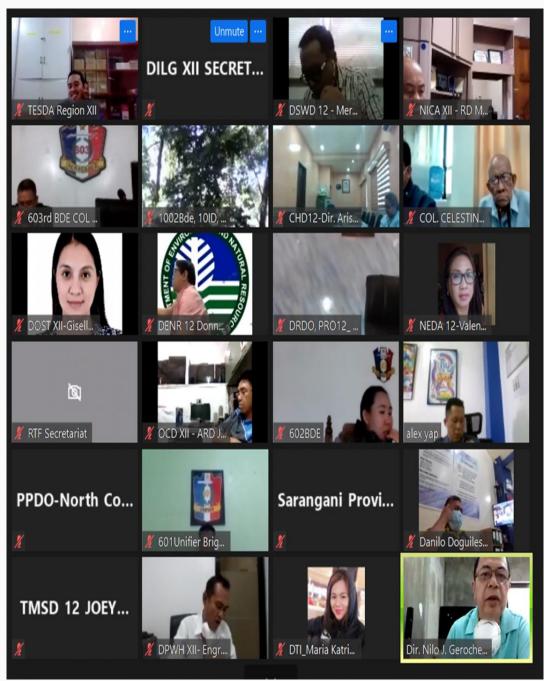
DILG Aurora supports PNP's #DisiplinaMuna National Campaign Launch

DILG Aurora Program Manager LGOO V Mary Joyce T. Bautista served as guest during the Aurora Provincial Police Office launching of the #DisiplinaMuna National Advocacy Campaign on July 13, 2020 at Camp Captain Ravina Brgy. Sabang Baler, Aurora.

The national campaign ambitions to activate the real concept of governance where the citizenry is aware of their roles and responsibilities and are practicing active citizen participation in nation building as a Filipino people from where the sovereignty resides and from where all government authority emanates from.

The campaign is anchored on the Philippine Development Plan (2017-2020) which aims to lay down the foundation for inclusive growth and a high-trust society by ensuring people-centered governance towards Ambisyon Natin 2040 that envisions a matatag, maginhawa at panatag na buhay para sa lahat. It is in line with the whole-of-nation approach espoused by the Duterte administration.

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**DILG XII extends assistance to IPEACE** 

DILG XII Regional Director Josephine Cabrido-Leysa, CESO III vouched the Department's full support in the implementation of the Indigenous People Empowered as Agripreneurs towards a Collective End (IPEACE).

A project led by the Technical Education and Skills Development Authority (TESDA) XII, IPEACE aims to ensure food sustainability in IP communities and help end local communist armed conflict in the region.

Technical and financial assistance will be extended by DILG XII through its Retooled Community Support Program (RCSP), Director Leysa revealed during the recent virtual meeting of the Regional Task Force on Ending Local Communist Armed Conflict XII-Technical Working Group (RTF-ELCAC XII TWG).

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# NEWS FROM ATTACHED AGENCIES

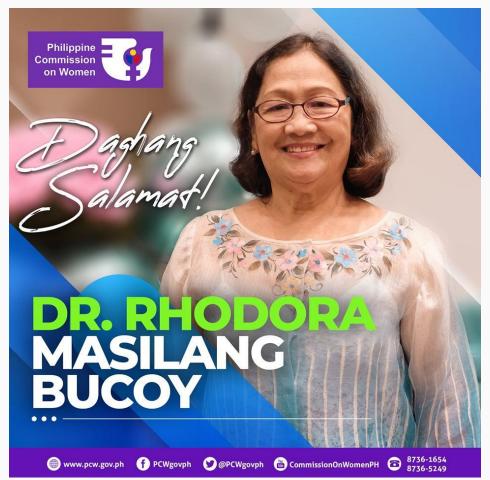
## Four cops wounded vs NPA attackers in Misamis Occidental; hot pursuit underway

Police and military security forces are in hot pursuit of fleeing communist rebels that attacked police frontliners at a quarantine control point in Misamis Occcidental yesterday morning. At least four (4) police frontliners manning a quarantine control point were wounded in an attack by armed men believed to be communist insurgents today in Concepcion town.

In a report from Police Regional Office 10 reaching the PNP Command Center in Camp Crame, personnel of Concepcion Municipal Police Station were manning an Advance Command Post in Barangay Putongan when NPA insurgents belonging to Guerilla Front "Sendong" opened fire at the Quarantine Control Point at 7:50 AM.

Although wounded in the initial volley of enemy fire, four PNP personnel on duty at the QCP, namely, PCPL Marvin Inton, PSSg Larry Millan, PCPL Leo Gumisad and Pat Ritchel Tañola took defensive positions and held their ground killing one of the attackers in the ensuing firefight.

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# PCW honors former Chair Bucoy, lauds her accomplishments

The Philippine Commission on Women (PCW) honors Dr. Rhodora Masilang-Bucoy who recently resigned from her post as Chairperson of the agency, for her remarkable service and leadership in promoting women's rights and pursuing gender equality and women's empowerment (GEWE) locally and internationally.

Chair Bucoy, or Lola Chair as how we call her sometimes, is truly the epitome of an empowered woman who empowers women.

She is a retired Associate Professor 7 of Political Science and Development and Gender Studies at the University of the Philippines Cebu. In the same University, she proved herself as a leader being the Chair of the Social Sciences Division (now College of Social Sciences) and the Gender and Development (GAD) office and key academic committees like Extension Program, GE committee, Curriculum Committee, and UP Cebu Autonomy, among others.

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