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Libreng sakay from Southville to City Proper handog ni San Pedro Vice-Mayor Art Mercado and Alita Mercado.

DOST-FUNDED CSU LAB DEVELOPS INNOVATIVE FILTER FOR FACE MASK



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QUARANTINE FACILITY SA BIÑAN. Ayon sa post ng fb page ng Serbisyon Arman Dimaguila noong April 17 ay malapit ng matapos ang emergency



Sinimulan ng ipamahagi ng DSWD sa mamamayan ng Lungsod ng Imus ang SAP Payout na nagkakahalaga ng Php 6,500 sa mga benepisyaryo.

quarantine facility sa parking area ng Ospital ng Biñan na dedicated para sa mga COVID-19 suspects patients at COVID 19 positive patients. Ang naturang project ay donation ng Gardenia Bakeries Inc. at United Architect of the Philippines-Metro in cooperation with the City Government of Biñan through Coun. Rommel Dicdican. Di bababa sa 28 beds ang kapasidad nito at na nilagyan na ng air conditioning units na provided ng City Government ang naturang mga straktura. Ito po ay isa sa paraan upang malimitahan or mapigilan ang hawaan ng COVID-19 sa ating lungsod. Ang mga litratro ay kuha noong Wed, April 15, kaya siguradong ngayong araw ay mas marami ng improvements sa nasabing facility. Inaasahan itong matapos bukas at ma-ilipat na ang mga patients para na din makapag bukas na ang Ospital ng Biñan para sa mga iba pang may karamdaman at mapaglikuran ang mga kapatid nating kapus palad.

Coronavirus: Ipinamamahaging relief goods ng Bacoor City, may kasamang masusustansyang gulay mula Baguio

Bilang pagtulong sa mga magsasaka mula Baguio City ay naisip ng Pamahalaang Lungsod ng Bacoor na bumili ng mga gulay tulad ng carrots, beans, repolyo, patatas at wombok. Pinangunahan ang aktibidad na ito ni Bacoor City Mayor Lani Revilla para makapagbigay na rin ng relief goods sa



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mga Bacooreño. Tinatayang may kabuuang 24,000 kilos o 24 na toneladang gulay ang binili ng lungsod ng Bacoor para ipamahagi.

Personal na pumunta ang alkalde sa repacking station matapos nitong isailalim ang kaniyang sarili sa self-quarantine.

Ang pagbili ng mga gulay mula sa Baguio ay malaking tulong din sa mga magsasaka ng nasabing lungsod para hindi tuluyang mabulok at masayang lamang ang mga aning gulay dahil sa Luzon-wide Community Quarantine.

Kung matatandaan, isa ang agrikultura sa lubhang naapektuhan ng coronavirus outbreak na hinaharap ng Pilipinas.

Bukod sa makatulong sa mga magsasaka ay layunin din umano ni Mayor Revilla na makapagbigay ng masustansyang relief goods sa



kaniyang nasasakupan.

Ang ikalawang bugso naman ng delivery ng mga gulay ay dumating na sa Bacoor upang matiyak na kaagad itong mai-repack at ipamigay sa mga mamamayan ng lungsod.

Inaasahan na aabot ang 8,000 pamilya sa Bacoor ang mabibigyan ng masustansyang pag-

kain bukod pa sa mga

relief packs na ipinama-

mahagi rin ng pamaha-

laan.##

DEPED TAPS TELCO PARTNERS FOR FREE ACCESS TO DEPED COMMONS

Learners and teachers can now access the online learning plat-

form DepEd Commons without incurring data charges on their Globe or TM-powered smartphones as the Department of Education ties up with the local telecommunication company in ensuring educational continuity amidst the COVID-19 situation.

Education Secretary Leonor Magtolis Briones spearheaded the call for support from the telcos in providing free access to DepEd Commons (<https://commons.deped.gov.ph>), the Department's online education delivery platform designed as alternative mode for teaching-learning process during class suspensions and other similar circumstances.

"In this time of crisis, it is important that we make it possible to overcome this challenge with solid partnerships with the private sector. We are thankful on our partners' generosity in support of the continuity of public education by providing us free data for DepEd Commons access amid the COVID-19 situation,"

Secretary Briones said.

The Education chief also secured the support of the Department of Information and Communications Technology (DICT) and National Telecommunications Commission (NTC) in the initiative backing delivery of public education services through connectivity.

DepEd Commons contains online review materials and Open Educational Resources (OER) authored by public school teachers who are subject matter experts. Teachers can retain, reuse, revise, remix, and redistribute the content by blending it with a learning management system to deliver a distance learning modality.

Based on the latest data, DepEd Commons has 4,236,667 users accessing online learning materials at the height of the ECO. The number of users is projected to continue to rise in the coming days.

"We are facing many challenges in ensuring the continuity of education especially in

this extremely difficult situation that we are in. In partnership with Globe, DepEd is steadily moving forward in bringing educational resources to the teachers and the learners wherever they may be," DepEd Undersecretary for Administration Alain Del B. Pascua said.

The platform also integrates the Globe eLibrary, an online platform which features age-appropriate and engaging e-books ranging from storybooks for children and young adults to textbooks on core subjects such as Math, Science, English, Filipino, Music, Arts, among others.

"Even in this time of crisis where most of us, including the teachers and students have to stay at home, it is important that learning continue. We are happy to provide this service to DepEd in cooperation with the DICT and NTC," Globe Chief Sustainability Officer and SVP for Corporate Communications Yoly Crisanto said.

However, Globe is

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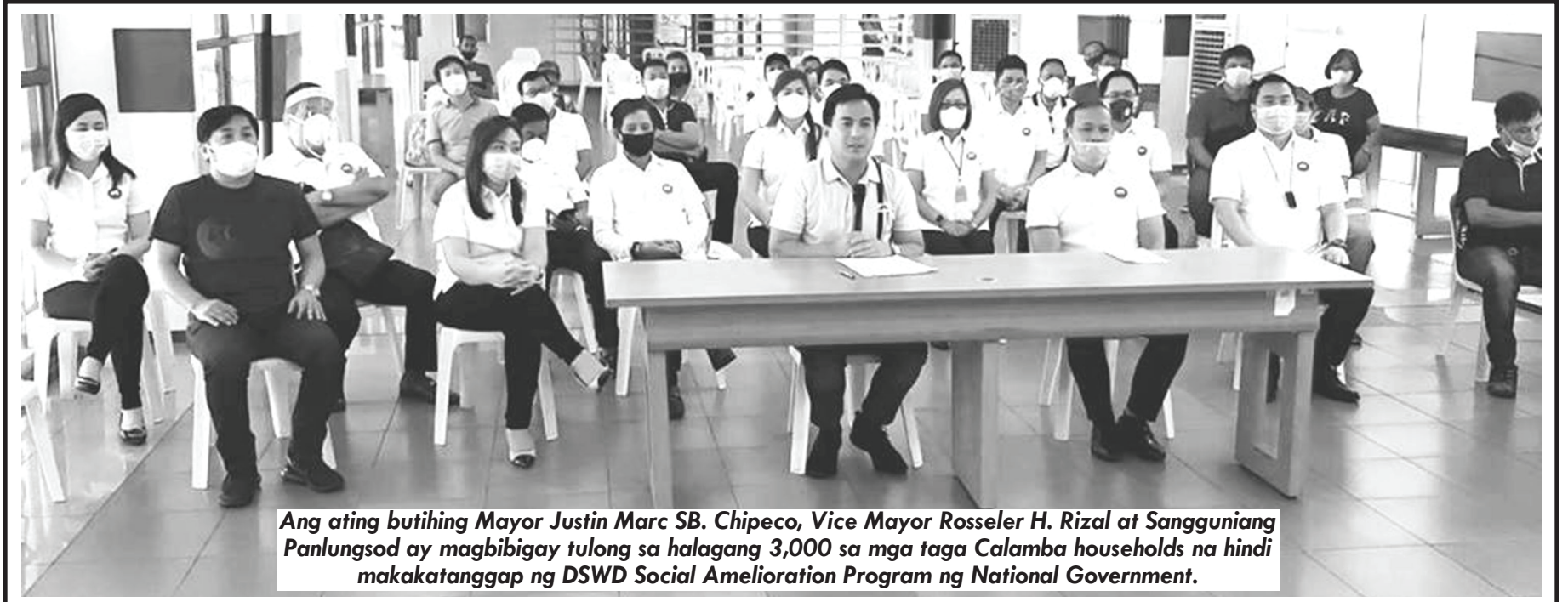
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Taste and see that the Lord is good; blessed is the one who takes refuge in him.



Ang ating butihing Mayor Justin Marc SB. Chipeco, Vice Mayor Rosseler H. Rizal at Sangguniang Panlungsod ay magbibigay tulong sa halagang 3,000 sa mga taga Calamba households na hindi makakatanggap ng DSWD Social Amelioration Program ng National Government.

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DENR calls for strong community cooperation to prevent forest fires in CALABARZON

Calamba City, Laguna – The grass fire incident that occurred on April 5, 2020 damaged the ten (10) hectare grassland portion of the National Greening Program Plantation within the 550-hectare property of the Provincial Government of Rizal. This prompted the Quick Response Team of the Provincial Environment and Natural Resources Officer (PENRO) - Rizal to immediately investigate the incident amidst the lockdown.

The team suspects-negligence of people engaged in upland activities, causing the 6-hour grassfire in the

area. Patrolling activities are now intensified together with the local communities, led by the Barangay Officials, the LGU, local fire protection office and the forest rangers.

According to Provincial Environment and Natural Resources Officer (PENRO) of Rizal, Isidro Mercado, the communities should recognize the importance of grassland for ecosystem succession, soil erosion control and water conservation. He also mentioned that despite the lockdown, LAWIN patrollers are mobilized for fast detection and prevention of similar concerns, and the office continuously

conducts public awareness campaigns thru various social media platforms.

DENR CALABARZON Regional Executive Director Gilbert Gonzales said, "The onset of the dry season signals heightened alert for similar risk areas. Grass and forest fires may impact adjacent protected areas and the communities that live nearby, which may lead to loss of life and property". He is also calling for stronger community and LGU cooperation to immediately address these concerns.

DENR CALABARZON is urging the public to report Environment and Natural Resources-related concerns



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COVID19 TESTING STATION SA NAIC



N oong April 17, 2020 ay nagtayo ang Provincial Health Office ng Covid 19 Testing Station sa Naic Covered Court. 13 out of 18 PUI's or Person Under Investigation po ang kinuhanan ng swab samples. Yung natirang 5 po na PUI ay magagaling na kung kayat hindi na pumunta para magpatest. Ang kanila pong swab samples ay dadalhin sa De La Salle Hospital sa Dasmariñas, Cavite at ang resulta ay lalabas sa loob ng 1-2 days po lamang. By schedule po ang testing at pagdating ng mga kawani ng Provincial Health Office sapagkat iniikot po nila ang lahat ng bayan sa Cavite. (mula kay Mayor Jun Dualan). (gocavite)

Ilang SM Stores sa Cavite, mayroon nang delivery service



H indi na kailangan pang lumabas ng bahay para makabili ng pangangailangan, dahil mayroon ng Delivery Service ang SM stores sa Cavite.

Maari nang mag-order sa SM City Dasmariñas, SM Bacoor, SM Rosario, SM Molino at SM Trece Martires, ng mga kakailanganin sa

loob ng tahanan mula Abril 17, 2020.

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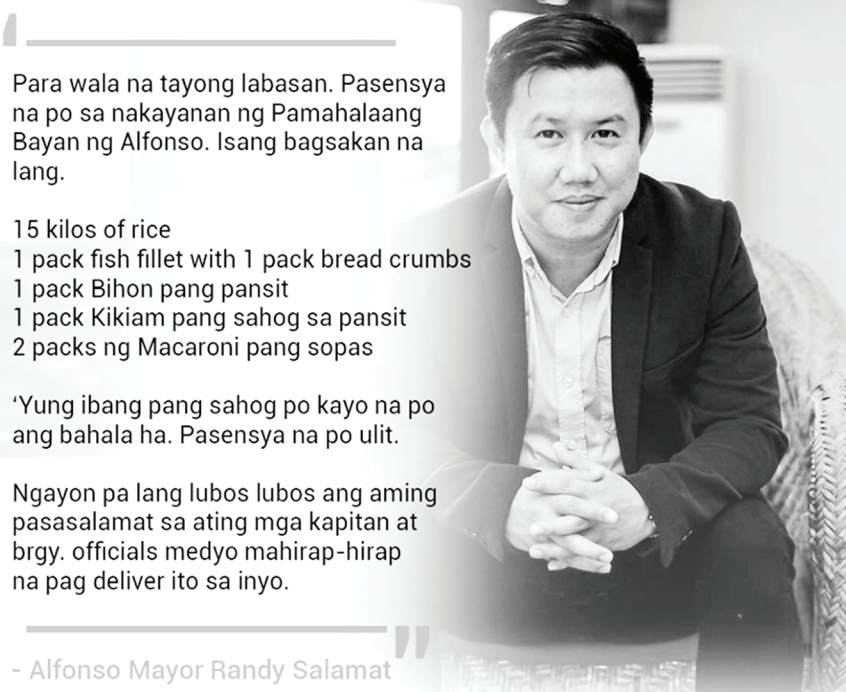
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tail any data charges, it does not cover the links outside the DepEd Commons domain.

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6th wave ng relief sa Alfonso, may kasamang 15 kilos ng bigas



Para wala na tayong labasan. Pasensya na po sa nakayanan ng Pamahalaang Bayan ng Alfonso. Isang bagsakan na lang.

15 kilos of rice
1 pack fish fillet with 1 pack bread crumbs
1 pack Bihon pang pansit
1 pack Kikiam pang sahog sa pansit
2 packs ng Macaroni pang sopas

'Yung ibang pang sahog po kayo na po ang bahala ha. Pasensya na po ulit.

Ngayon pa lang lubos lubos ang aming pasasalamat sa ating mga kapitan at brgy. officials medyo mahirap-hirap na pag deliver ito sa inyo.

- Alfonso Mayor Randy Salamat

N oong Lunes ng hapon ay nag-anunsyo si Alfonso Mayor Randy Salamat na ang 6th wave ng relief pack na ipapamahagi sa susunod na linggo sa munisipalidad ay kayang magtagal ng isang buong buwan. May kasamang 15 kgs ng bigas, 1 pack ng fish fillet, bihon, macaroni, at kikiam ang relief pack. (gocavite)

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Intensify mass testing prior lifting or modification of ECQ - Hontiveros urges DOH

Whether the enhanced community quarantine (ECQ) is extended or modified, we cannot proceed without devoting more efforts towards mass testing of Filipinos. Kung mabilis ang pagkalat ng

COVID-19, dapat ay mabilis ang pagtest at paggamot natin sa ating mga kababayan."

This was the remark of Senator Risa Hontiveros, who urged government anew to double its efforts towards mass testing for the 2019 novel coronavirus

(COVID-19), as the government considers modification or extension of the Luzon-wide ECQ.

"I hope the Department of Health (DOH) takes heed of the ever-growing calls of our health experts, advocates and local officials on the ground for urgent,

free and widespread testing in our communities. Quarantines and social distancing, while important, are clearly only part of the solution. We can only end this pandemic if we identify, isolate and treat every person infected with COVID-19," she said.

The senator made the statement after testing operations in Valenzuela City, and Sitio Zapatera in Cebu City, recently revealed that a number of individuals had been infected with COVID-19 but were 'asymptomatic,' or showed no symptoms of the disease. This has led local leaders like Valenzuela City Mayor Rex Gatchalian and Pasig City Mayor Vico Sotto to call for mass testing of all persons to improve government efforts against the pandemic.

Test asymptomatic cases, too

"Malinaw na hindi dapat limitado sa mga taong may malalang sintomas ng COVID-19 ang ginagawang testing ng pamahalaan para matigil ang pagkalat ng sakit na ito. Our testing protocols need to be updated to adapt to emerging realities on the ground, especially if the ECQ is extended to May. Our testing objectives must be expanded to service entire communities,



Senator Risa Hontiveros

frontliners, the elderly and immunocompromised persons," she said.

"Given what we now know, government should not be prevented from testing asymptomatic persons, since it is clear that even people without symptoms of COVID-19 can carry and spread the disease among their families and communities. We have to test as many people as we can, as soon as we can," she added.

At least 10,000 tests a day

To make mass testing possible, Hontiveros said she hopes that government is "inching closer" to its previously stated goal of conducting 10,000 tests per day by the end of April, since the DOH had announced last April 14 that it had been conducting 3,000 tests per day. "Mass testing requires ramped up local production of testing kits and capacitated regional testing centers in the Visayas and Mindanao," the Senator detailed.

Capacitate regional

testing centers

"Everyday, government should be expanding our testing capacity, especially our regional testing centers servicing suspected COVID-19 cases outside of Metro Manila. Now that more cases are being reported in the Visayas and Mindanao, we should prepare and anticipate the increased demand for tests," she further explained.

She also urged government to closely monitor, and test if possible, people in emerging "disease hotspots" such as prisons, markets and urban poor communities.

"Kapag nagkaroon ng kaso ng COVID-19 sa mga kulungan, palengke, masisikip at matataong lugar kung saan nakatira ang marami nating mahihirap na kababayan, mabilis ang pagkalat ng sakit dahil dikit-dikit ang mga tao. We should stop the disease at the onset by closing in on early cases so that they can be isolated and treated to prevent further transmission," she said.

NPA's Top-Spy in Southern Tagalog Falls

Roselle Aquino

CAMP CAPINPIN, Tanay, Rizal — The regional intelligence officer of the NPA's Southern Tagalog Regional Party Committee was apprehended in Barangay Bunducan of Nasugbu, Batangas by joint AFP-PNP forces who served a search warrant.

The suspect was identified by government forces as Lamberito Asinas alias Baste who will face charges for Illegal Possession of Firearms and Ammunition at Regional Trial Court Branch 27 of Sta Cruz, Laguna under Executive Judge Cynthia Marino-Ricablanca.

The troops were able to recover from the suspect's possession a Caliber .45 pistol, numerous ammunition, one hand grenade and subversive documents.

Col Alex Rillera, Commander of the 202nd Brigade which has operational jurisdiction over Region 4A, said that the combined security forces were able to locate the terrorists' safe house through reports from the neighborhood who observed suspicious activities over the past few weeks.

"We were able to confirm his identity through the help of several former rebels who worked with him before, one of whom was included in the mass surrender last March 29 during the NPA's 51st Anniversary," added Rillera.

He ended his statement by saying that fol-

lowing the mass declaration of the communist terrorists as Persona Non Grata in CALABARZON, "the NPAs no longer have a safe haven to stay in the region because the people are no longer afraid and no longer supportive of them as proven by this arrest" by virtue of legal document duly issued by a court of law.

Per the military's record, Batangas activated their Provincial Task Force to End Local Communist Armed Conflict or PTF ELCAC on September 9 last year which, as of the moment, resulted to 625 localities in the province issuing resolutions banning the presence of the terrorists in their areas.

According to Maj Gen Arnulfo Marcelo Burgos Jr, Commander of the Army's 2nd Infantry Division which covers Southern Tagalog, Asinas is the 11th NPA leader who is considered as high value target to be neutralized since 2019.

It can be recalled that 2ID was directly involved in the arrest of Jaime Padilla, alias Diego, the NPA's Southern Tagalog Regional Spokesman last November at the posh Cardinal Santos Medical Center as well as the killing of Armando Lazarte alias Pat Romano in Antipolo City last December.

Burgos lauded the involved soldiers and policemen for their "commitment and dedication to win the peace and ensure the safety

and security of our constituents while performing frontline duties in the 340 Quarantine Control Points established in our area to contain the spread of the deadly COVID-19 virus."

He assured the people that "despite the prevailing health crisis, RTF-ELCAC 4A will never waver in our sworn duty of ending local communist armed conflict as well as in the delivery of basic services to the grassroots of our society not only to defeat the corona virus, but more importantly, the deadlier NPA virus."

"The NPA terrorists are now running out of space, they no longer enjoy mass base support, and they are no longer relevant to the communities, thus, expect that they will be decimated soon which will pave the way for the much coveted peace, prosperity and development that every Filipino citizen truly deserve," ended Burgos as he called upon "the few remaining NPA terrorists to put down their arms, return to the folds of law and avail the benefits from E-CLIP because we will get them regardless whether they are dead or alive."

It can be recalled that three weeks ago, soldiers killed a certain Noel Levanta, a hardcore cadre of Metro Manila Regional Party Committee's Regional Education Bureau, during an encounter following an NPA ceasefire violation in Barangay Puray, Rodriguez, Rizal.

Isang frontliner volunteer, nataga sa Naic, Cavite

Sa post ni Anne Magsangcay, inilad niya kung paanong tinaga ng isang lalaki ang kaniyang bayaw na si Edwin Gonzales. Nangyari ang insidente noong Abril 17, sa Brgy. Halang, Naic, Cavite.

Nag-iikot lamang ang mga volunteers ng lugar, kasama si Edwin, upang paalalahanan ang lahat tungkol sa panaanat sa loob ng bahay dahil sa ipinatutupad na Enhanced Community

Quarantine (ECQ), nang bigla umanong hinabol ng taga ang biktima.

"Isang frontliner volunteer ang aking bayaw na si Edwin Pegollo Gonzales residente ng Barangay Halang Naic, Cavite na ngayoy naka-confine sa Lasalle Medical Center Dasma, Cavite. Isa po siya sa tinaga ng isang lalaki habang sila po ay nag-iikot upang sabihan ang mga tao sa kanilang lugar na 'wag mag sila-basan sa kanilang mga

bahay dahil sa banta ng Covid19. Kami po ay humihingi ng tulong para po maaksonan po ang nangyari ito sa kanya at sa 2 pa po niyang kasama" ani ni Anne.

Dagdag pa niya, construction worker lamang ang bayaw na ngayon ay walang trabaho, at mayroong 4 na anak. Humihingi sila ng tulong pinansyal sa gastos dahil inopera ang ulo ng biktima at hustisya para sa nangyari.

(gocavite)

DOST-funded CSU lab develops innovative filter for face mask

The problem of the lack of effective face masks motivated the team of Dr. Rey Capangpangan from Caraga State University (CSU) to develop the nanocellulose filter material which is sourced from waste materials to produce face masks that are now very important for frontliners battling COVID-19.

Cloth face masks are especially in demand now. But are the ordinary face masks really effective against coronavirus? Sadly, no. These cannot filter larger droplets containing the virus because of the large pores in the material. However, with the shortage of commercial masks like surgical and N95 masks, people opted to use washable cloth face masks.

This problem motivated the team of Dr. Rey Capangpangan from Caraga State University to develop a filter material that can be inserted in the cloth face mask to efficiently filter out contaminants – the nanocellulose film which is sourced from waste materials.

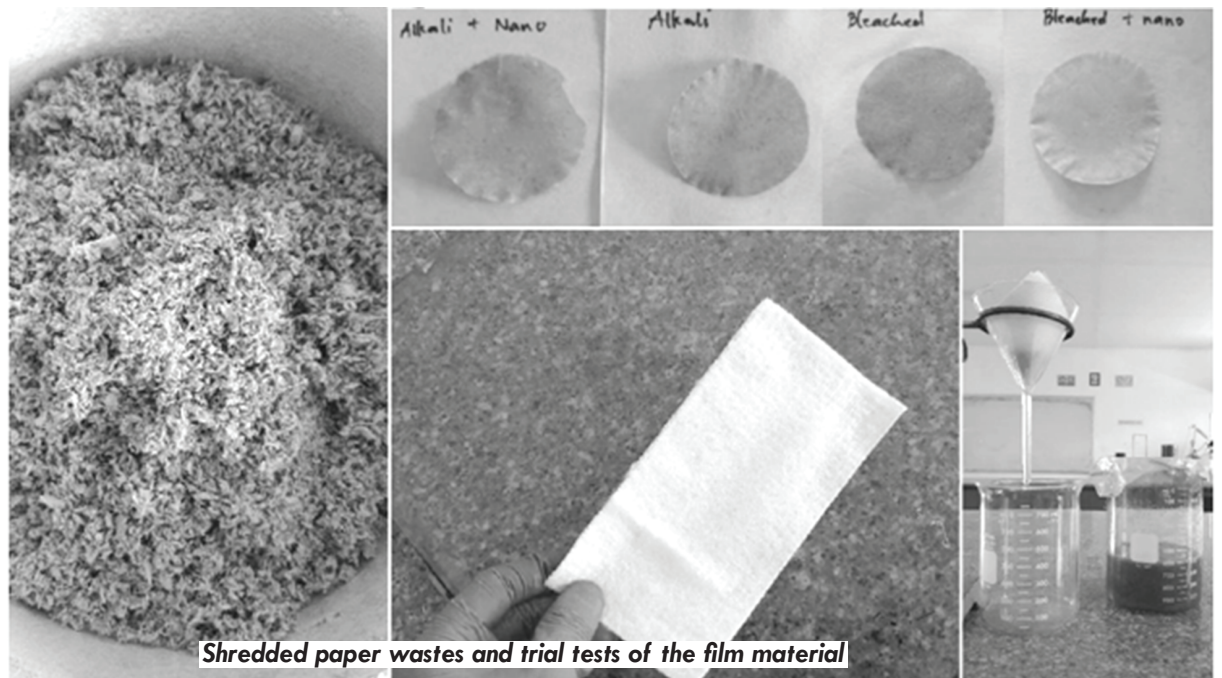
The team embarked on the research project last March 27, 2020 and developed the prototype at the Material Science and Polymer Chemistry Laboratory in CSU, a project funded by the DOST-Philippine Council for Industry, Energy and Emerging Technologies Research and Development (PCIEERD). The lab serves as a facility, not just for researchers who are into materials development, but also for local industries. The team's current work is on cellulose biopolymer where they saw the potential in developing a filter material from it while integrating nanotechnology.

The team used paper wastes, acid, base, and bleaching reagents to produce nanocrystals

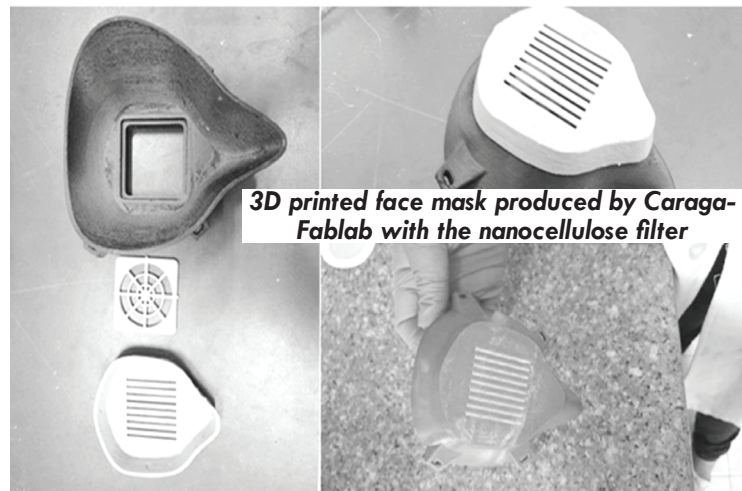
then integrated with nanocellulose film to increase the filtering capability of the product. According to Dr. Capangpangan, the nanocellulose crystals can also be extracted from agricultural wastes such as pineapple leaves and water hyacinth.

Shredded paper wastes and trial tests of the film material 3D printed face mask produced by CaragaFablab with the nanocellulose filter

The research is in collaboration with the College of Engineering and Geosciences (CEGS) and Caraga Fabrication



Shredded paper wastes and trial tests of the film material



3D printed face mask produced by Caraga-Fablab with the nanocellulose filter

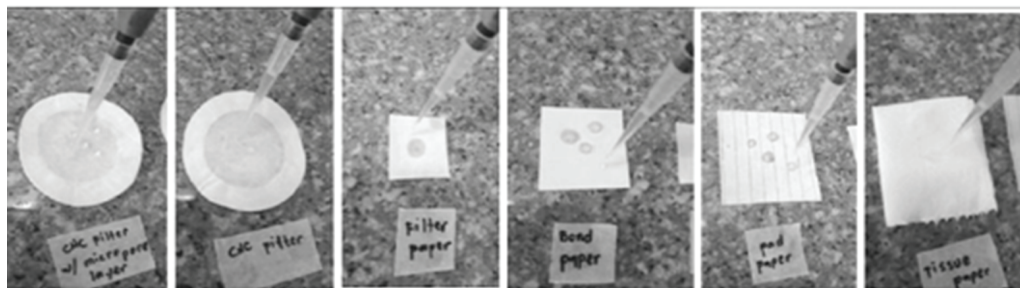


Research team testing the material with CSU President Dr. Anthony Penaso

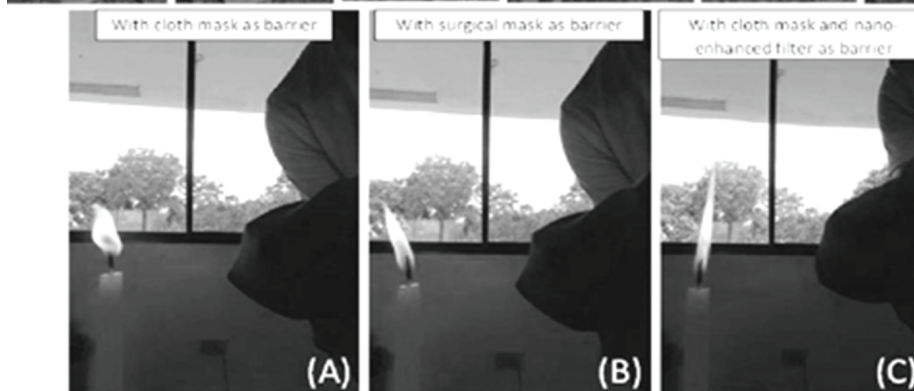
Laboratory in CSU in developing the 3D printed face masks. The lab also collaborated with Dr. Arnold Alguno from the Mindanao State University-Iligan Institute of Technology (MSU-IIT) for the nanocellulose extraction.

The nanocellulose filter will cost around Php15.00 per piece, while the 3D printed face mask will cost Php300.00 per piece. Costs can still be lowered if mass produced. The face mask can be reused while the filter material can be sun dried before reusing. The team continues to modify and test the product for its longevity.

Results from the flame and wettability tests show that the nanocellulose filter performs well as much as the commercial face masks. The team em-



Wettability Test



Flame Test

phasized that the research project does not aim to replace the masks used by health and medical practitioners but to provide innovation to effectively reduce contamination using wash-

able low cost nanocellulose films.

For now, the laboratory is in need of raw materials and reagents to continue its production. The team of researchers are appealing

for further assistance to manufacture more face masks. Interested parties who want to help can contact DOST-Caraga or the project leader, Dr. Rey Capangpangan at Caraga State Univer-

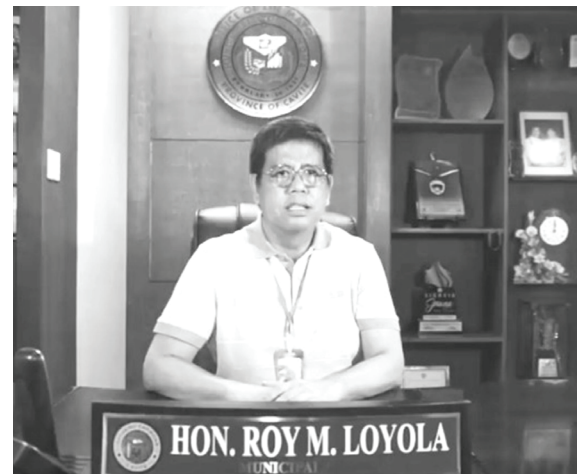
sity, Butuan City.

Incidentally, Dr. Capangpangan is an active member of the National Research Council of the Philippines (NRCP) of the Department of Science and Technology.



NGOs and companies continuously donate for Carmona frontliners and residents. On April 17, 2020, non-government organizations and companies continues to send donations to frontliners and residents in Carmona such as face shields, face masks, and personal protective equipment (PPEs).

Mayor Roy Loyola announces distribution of cash assistance for households not considered in DSWD's SAP. Municipal Mayor Roy Loyola announced on April 16, 2020 through a video posted on his official social media accounts that the local government would be distributing P 2,000 cash assistance for households in Carmona who weren't able to receive cash subsidy from the So-



cial Amelioration Program (SAP) of the Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD). This is to help and acknowledge every family and household in Carmona that are struggling during the enactment of the enhanced community quarantine in the whole Luzon to prevent the spread of the coronavirus disease (COVID-19). More details of the said assistance will be announced soon.

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Carmona LGU updates schedule for online version of D.A.H.L.I.A. The Municipal Government of Carmona announced on April 17, 2020 the new schedule of the online version of D.A.H.L.I.A. (Direct Access to Healthy Lifestyle, Intervention, and Advocacy) which will now be held every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday for zumba and aerobics exercises at 6:30 am through the official Facebook page of the Carmona Municipal Health Office (MHO). D.A.H.L.I.A. is an award-winning program of the Carmona MHO that aims to promote and encourage citizens to adapt a healthy lifestyle through regular exercise and balanced diet.

Bagong Schedule sa CARMONA PUBLIC MARKET simula sa April 20, 2020

Monday & Tuesday	No Operation
Wednesday	Barangay 1-8, at Maduya
Thursday	Cabilang Baybay, Mabuhay, at Milagrosa
Friday	Lantic at Bancal
Saturday	Barangay 1-8, at Maduya
Sunday	Cabilang Baybay, Mabuhay, Milagrosa, Lantic, at Bancal

Carmona LGU announces updated barangay schedule for Carmona Public Market. On April 17, 2020, the Municipal Government of Carmona released an updated barangay schedule at the Carmona Public Market which will start on April 20, 2020.

- This includes:
- * Monday & Tuesday: No Operation
 - * Wednesday: Barangays 1-8 and Maduya
 - * Thursday: Barangays Cabilang Baybay, Mabuhay, and Milagrosa
 - * Friday: Barangays Lantic and Bancal
 - * Saturday: Barangays 1-8 and Maduya
 - * Sunday: Barangays Cabilang Baybay, Mabuhay, Milagrosa, Lantic, and Bancal
- Carmona Public Market also continues to maintain a one-way flow inside the market to ensure that all needed commodities will be passed by and to properly observe social distancing. Operating hours is still from 5:30 am to 6:00 pm.



Carmona LGU delivers situation reports through drone shots. In line with the local government's mitigation efforts to prevent coronavirus disease (COVID-19) in the community, drone shots situation reports at Carmona Public Market and Hebron Street were released on April 17, 2020 for strict monitoring of the implementation of the local government's social distancing measures.

Carmona LGU distributes second batch of financial assistance to PWDs. The second batch of the distribution of financial assistance to persons with disability (PWDs) was conducted by the local government on April 17, 2020 at the Municipal Hall.



TULONG SA LAHAT - SEN. BONG REVILLA

Nanawagan si Sen. Ramon Bong Revilla, Jr. ngayon sa Ehekutibo na lawakan ang mga benepisyaryo ng COVID-19 Social Amelioration program ng gobyerno. "Mukhang kailangan mas lawakan pa sa unang projection na 18 million families lang," aniya. Matapos itong iutos ng pangulo kahapon sa Department of Finance na maghanap ng karagdagang pondo para masiguro na uma-

bot sa lahat ang tulong. "Matindi na ang epekto ng ECQ. Hindi na lang poorest of the poor ang kumakalam ang sikmura. Dapat lahat ng wala nang makain maabutan ng tulong," paliwanag ng Senador. Maganda sana na imbes na dalawang wave ng pag-release ng ayuda ang pinagpaplanuhan ngayon, gawin munang isang initial wave na makakarating sa kahuli-hulihang nangangailangan. "After nitong initial release, tsaka



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natin trabahuhin yung next wave," suhestiyon nito. "Mas marami kasi ang maaabot ng tulong. Roughly, doble ng bilang. Then, tsaka i-operationalize yung second wave." Ipinahayag din ni Revilla ang kanyang tiwala na mapopondohan ito ng Finance Department, na aniya na sa ilalim ng Bayanihan Act ay binigyan ang Execu-

tive ng kapangyarihan para dito. Ang Lehislatura naman, dagdag ng mambabatas, ay laging kaakibat sa paghahanap ng mga solusyon. "At kung kakailanganin na magkaroon ulit ng special session to amend the Bayanihan Act para maipatupad ito, tiyak ako na handa ang Kongreso at Senado," pagtatapos ni Revilla.

CLEANING AND PAMPERING YOUR HANDS WITH THE BODY SHOP

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Cleanse and pamper your hands with The Body Shop's moisturizing Hand Wash collection.

As communities around the world struggle with COVID-19, hand washing is consistently mentioned - even by World Health Organization guidelines - as one way to keep ourselves not only clean but safe and healthy.

Constantly washing our hands though comes at a price resulting in dry skin. Excessive washing can strip hands of moisture leaving your skin feeling dry and tight.

The good news is that The Body Shop has a range of moisturizing hand wash is the perfect addition to your bathroom and as protection to harmful bacteria. These 100% vegan hand washes lather up instantly and provide

extra moisture whilst keeping hands clean and fresh. Here's how you can pamper your hands from The Body Shop.

* Drench your hands with the dewy scent of roses with British Rose Hand Wash that leaves your skin feeling fresh and smelling florally fresh infused with the essence of Community Trade handpicked roses from England and Community Trade organic cane sugar from Paraguay.

* The conditioning and purifying properties of Tea Tree Hand Wash will help hands wash away bacteria and feel squeaky clean. This refreshing hand wash is enriched with Community Trade tea tree oil from Kenya.

* Get an uplifting burst every time you wash your hands with Pink Grapefruit Hand Wash. Wake up your senses with its zesty citrus scent that leaves skin cleansed and smelling irresistible enriched with Community Trade sugar from Paraguay.

For best results, simply follow along with the 10 steps for washing your hands the right way with The Body Shop's Hand Wash range:

1. First, wet your hands with warm water.
2. Apply 1-2 pumps of soap to cover your hands.
3. Lather up by rubbing the palms of your hands together.
4. Use the palm of one hand to rub the back of the other and clean in between the fingers. Repeat on the other hand.
5. Rub your hands together making sure you clean in between your fingers.
6. Rub the back of your fingers against your palms on both hand.
7. Don't forget your thumbs. Rub each one using your other hand.
8. Rub the tips of your fingers on the palm of your other hand.
9. Rinse your hands with running water.
10. Dry your hands completely with a clean

towel.

Join The Body Shop in lathering up to prevent and fight harmful bacteria and viruses. The Body Shop's Hand Wash collection is available in all The Body Shop stores. The Body Shop now accepts SM Advantage Card for points earning and redemption, SM and Sodexo premium pass in all The Body Shop stores nationwide.

The Body Shop self-care essentials are now available on Lazada, Shopee under The SM Store as well as ShopSM.

About The Body Shop

The Body Shop was founded in 1976 by Dame Anita Roddick in Little Hampton, England. The beauty brand pioneered corporate activism and was built



It is recommended to wash your hands for 20 seconds to effectively reduce the build-up of bacteria on your hands.

on a philosophy that business can be a force for good. With its brand expression, Beauty with Heart, the company continues to be focused on five core values: Against Animal Testing, Support Community Fair Trade, Activate Self Esteem, Defend Human Rights and Protect The Planet.

All products are created using the finest ingredients sourced from the four corners of the globe, which are not tested on animals and are 100% vegetarian. The Body Shop has been in the Philippine market for eighteen years with over 55 strategically located stores nationwide.



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