



CALAPAN CITYHOOD ANNIVERSARY

ANG ARAW NA ITO SA KASAYSAYAN NG LUNGSOD NG CALAPAN:

24 YEARS AGO, FEBRUARY 2, 1998, President Fidel V. Ramos signed into law Republic Act No. 8475 creating the City of Calapan. The principal author and father of the cityhood law is Rep. Renato V. Leviste (left of Pres. Ramos). Then Municipal Mayor Arnan C. Panaligan (standing behind Pres. Ramos), together with other local officials, witnessed the signing of the law in Malacanang Palace. In a plebiscite held on March 21, 1998, the people overwhelmingly ratified the creation of the City of Calapan. Mayor Arnan C. Panaligan earned a place in history by becoming the First City Mayor of the new City of Calapan.



VICTORIA ASSEMBLY OF BARANGAY OFFICIALS

Inimbitahan ni Victoria Mayor Lito Malabanan si City Mayor Arnan C. Panaligan sa pagpupulong ng mga barangay officials ng nasabing bayan na kanyang ipinatawag upang ipahayag ang kanyang pag-indorso sa kandidatura ni Mayor Panaligan sa Kongreso. Maraming salamat sa butihing Punumbayan ng Victoria sa kanyang suporta. Ang Bayan ng Victoria ay isa sa mga bayan ng Oriental Mindoro na may mabilis na pag-unlad. Ang Victoria rin ang itinuturing na fruit basket at isa sa mga rice granaries ng lalawigan.



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Galera resort owners: Discard antigen test

By Ire Joe Laurente
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CALAPAN CITY, Oriental Mindoro: Resort and establishment owners in the town of Puerto Galera are asking the provincial government to remove the requirement for negative rapid antigen test (RAT) results from vaccinated incoming tourists to the popular destination.

The Philippines Chamber of Commerce Inc. (PCCI) Puerto Galera chapter and the White Beach Business Owners Association (WBBOA) are gathering signatures to a petition addressed to Gov. Humerlito Dolor.

In the petition, which was posted on the social media page Balitang Puerto Galera, the resort and establishment owners claimed that the requirement of RAT results for tourists has caused many cancellations of prior bookings to the resort town. Resort owner and municipal councilor Harold Marquez said in the resort managed by his wife, out of the 100 rooms, they were lucky if ten rooms would be occupied after the restriction was imposed.

“In October last year until the month of December, although we still limit our tourist acceptance based on the IATF (Inter-Agency Task Force for the Management of Emerging Infectious Diseases) guidelines, the tourism industry slightly rebounded. But these latest guidelines from the provincial government sent us back again to minimal or even zero bookings,” Marquez said over the telephone on Sunday. He asked what is the use of vaccination if a negative antigen result would still be required from residents and tourists.

The petition of the PCCI and WBBOA said Puerto Galera is unique from other towns in the province as its economy primarily relies on tourism.

But since 97.5 percent of its target population to be vaccinated had been inoculated and 100 percent of its health frontliners are fully vaccinated, it added, the antigen test results requirement should be repealed, at least for those going to the resort town.

Municipal administrator Carmela Datinguino said in an interview with The Manila Times that the municipal government is supporting the clamor of the resort and establishment owners.

She added that the health department of the town was even recognized by the provincial government as one of the best towns in terms of the speed and number of its vaccine roll-out.

“While we respect the wisdom of the governor in issuing the executive order (EO) out of his concern for the people, we are asking that a consideration be extended to our town, which is highly dependent on tourism,” Datinguino said.

The governor issued EO 2 early this month after the province had seen a spike in the number of Covid-19 infections, which are suspected to be caused by the Omicron variant of the virus.

According to the Provincial Health Office in Oriental Mindoro, Puerto Galera remains as one of the towns that has the lowest number of active cases as of January 22, next only to San Teodoro and Pola out of the 14 municipalities and one city in the province. The Times sought the reactions of Dolor and provincial administrator Dr. Hubbert Dolor but as of this writing, they had not replied to our text and calls.

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Covid infections decline in Oriental Mindoro

By Ire Joe Laurente
January 31, 2022

CALAPAN CITY, Oriental Mindoro: The number of patients infected with the coronavirus had declined in the past week, according to data from the Covid-19 Tracker of Oriental Mindoro and the City Health and Sanitation Department. From a high of 682 active cases on January 22, the Oriental Mindoro Covid-19 Tracker recorded 532 active cases as of January 29, with Calapan City recording 140 active cases. Acting Provincial Health Officer (PHO) Dr. Cielo Ante, in a text message, said that there is a plateauing in the numbers, but still too early to say that they have contained the virus. She also added that they do not have the results yet of genome sequencing if the recent spike in the number of cases is caused by the Omicron variant of the virus. City Health Officer Dr. Lisa Llanto, in a separate text message, said that patients that are symptomatic are being tested and are immediately isolated, and contact tracing is undertaken so that close contacts are quarantined and monitored by the Barangay Health Emergency Response Team.

She also noted that there is good coordination with the PHO and surveillance officers of all hospitals within the city and they are able to monitor all the cases. Village officials are familiar with the protocols including the isolation/quarantine of patients, recovery at the hospital, and burial assistance if needed, she added. The health officer also said that there is also aid to those isolated or quarantined, and close monitoring of the status in the village through her department and the City Disaster Response and Risk Management Department in coordination with village chiefs. City Mayor Arnan Panaligan is also regularly updated on the status in the villages for any assistance that may be needed, Llanto also said.

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Mayor Arnan Panaligan visits with officials of various barangays in the city



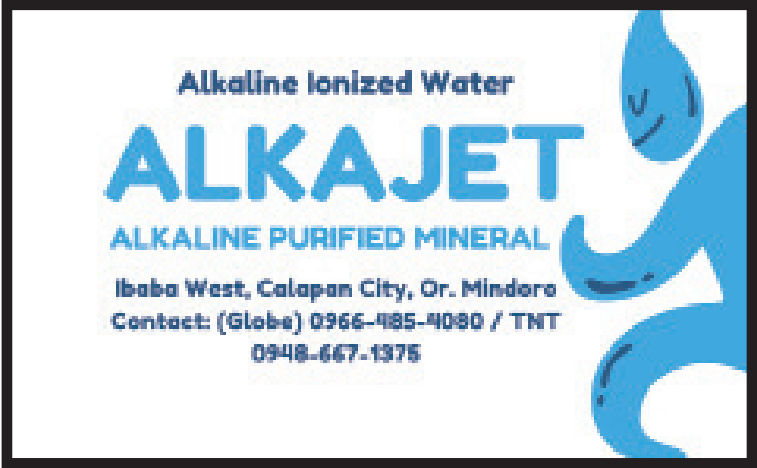
PAKIKIPAG-UGNAYAN NI CITY MAYOR ARNAN C. PANALIGAN sa mga barangay officials at mga kinatawan ng iba't-ibang sektor ng Bgy. Tawiran at Bgy. Masipit sa Lungsod ng Calapan. Kabilang sa mga proyektong naipatupad sa dalawang barangay noong mga nagdaang taon ang pagpapagawa ng multi-purpose buildings, covered courts, pagpapasemento ng kalsada at pagpapagawa ng drainage canal. Kasama sa ipapatupad na proyekto ang Phases 2 at 3 ng pagpapaluwang at pagpapasemento ng NIA Road mula sa Bgy. Balite, Bgy. Tawiran, Bgy. Masipit hanggang Bgy. Sta. Isabel (Ormeco area). Ang ginagawang Calapan City Coliseum ay nasa Bgy. Masipit at ang ginagawang Calapan City Convention Center ay nasa Bgy. Tawiran. Ang punong barangay ng Tawiran ay si Bgy. Chairman Alberto Yabut at ang punong barangay ng Masipit ay si Bgy. Chairman Carlos Jhocson.



MEETING WITH THE BARANGAY OFFICIALS AND SECTORAL REPRESENTATIVES OF BGY. BATINO AND BGY. GULOD IN CALAPAN CITY - nakipag-ugnayan si City Mayor Arnan C. Panaligan sa mga barangay officials at kinatawan ng iba't-ibang sektor ng Bgy. Batino at Bgy. Gulod upang iulat ang mga proyektong naipatupad ng City Government sa mga nasabing barangay noong mga nagdaang taon hanggang sa kasalukuyan kabilang ang mga public works projects. Ang Bgy. Batino ay pinamumunuan ni Bgy. Chairman Armando Espiritu at ang Bgy. Gulod ay pinamumunuan ni Bgy. Chairman Nanding Pesig.



MEETING WITH THE BARANGAY OFFICIALS AND SECTORAL REPRESENTATIVES OF BGY. MANAGPI, CALAPAN CITY : Nakipag-ugnayan si City Mayor Arnan C. Panaligan sa mga barangay officials at mga kinatawan ng iba't ibang sektor sa Bgy. Managpi tulad ng mga magbubukid, senior citizens, kabataan, samahan ng kababaihan, samahan ng PWD at 4Ps, Toda at mga barangay tanod, BHWs at BNS. Ang pagpupulong ay ginanap sa tahanan ni Bgy. Chairman Robert Sanchez. Iniulat ni Mayor Panaligan ang mga proyektong naipatupad ng City Government sa Bgy. Managpi mula noong 2019 hanggang sa kasalukuyan. Kabilang dito ang pagpapasemento ng mga kalsada sa sitio Ilaya, sitio Tahik, sitio Banaba at sitio Bibihan, pagpapagawa ng covered court, pagpapagawa ng mga multi-purpose solar drier, financial assistance para sa pagbili ng lupa na tatayuan ng evacuation center at iba pang proyekto tulad ng Gold Health Card para sa mga residente at tulong sa mga magsasaka sa barangay tulad ng mga binhi, patubig, makinarya at iba pang kagamitan.



Bar Examinations in Calapan City!



Venue preparations and checking for the Bar Exams



Venue security and security checks for the Bar Exams

BAR EXAMINATIONS 2022

City College of Calapan is one of the testing centers for the 2022 Bar Examinations, the first such examination in two years because of the pandemic. Sa kauna-unahang pagkakataon, ang Bar Examinations para sa mga naghahangad maging abogado ay gaganapin ngayong Pebrero 4 at 6 sa iba't ibang lugar sa bansa sa halip na sa isang lugar lamang sa Metro Manila tulad ng nakagawian dahil sa health protocol requirements. Ang City College of Calapan ang isa sa mga napiling testing center ng Supreme Court. Mayroong 45 na law graduates mula sa Calapan City at ibang bayan at mga probinsya sa Mimaropa Region ang kukuha ng Bar Examinations sa City College of Calapan. Binisita ni City Mayor Arnan C. Panaligan ang pagdadausan ng Bar Examinations kasama ang mga staff ng Supreme Court. Sa kauna-unahang pagkakataon din ang Bar Examinations ay isasagawa online at ang mga sagot ay isusumite rin online ng mga examinees.



Bar examinees' and their families after the exams