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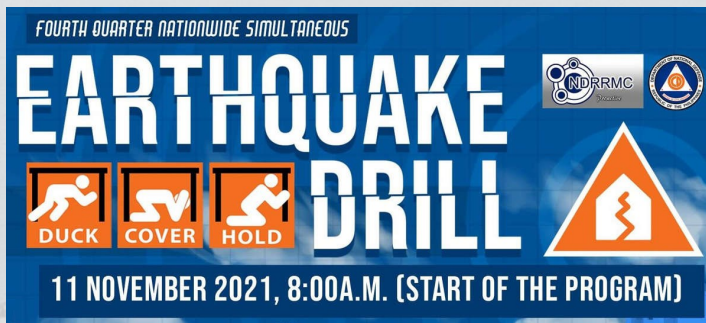


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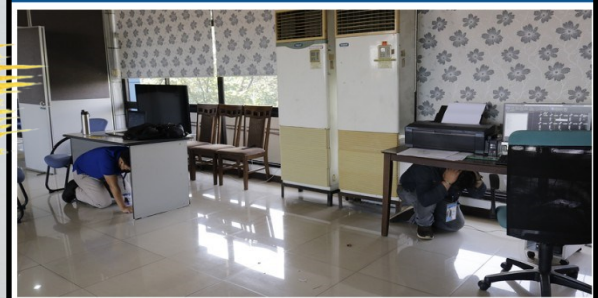


PPA joins 4th Quarter Nationwide Simultaneous Drill 2021

In line with the policy frameworks in the National Disaster Preparedness Plan that includes the continuing promotion of regular disaster preparedness, response and recovery exercises, the fourth quarter Nationwide Simultaneous Earthquake Drill (NSED) was conducted on 11 November.

This year's last NSED was participated by office employees, port workers, force multipliers, and personnel of maritime agencies stationed at the Port of Cagayan de Oro, Balingoan, Camiguin and Opol. The participants, especially those in the offices tuned in to the online program and the ceremonial pressing of the button organized by NDRRMC.

The drill commenced at exactly 9:00 in the morning signaled by the siren of the fire alarm system in ports. The participants executed the "Duck, Cover, and Hold" for a minute. As part of the minimum public health protocols, all were reminded to comply with the minimum public health standards throughout the drill including those in the operational area, while those who were inside the buildings need to stay in their respective workstations instead of evacuating to avoid mass gathering at the designated evacuation areas.



The Command Center (COMCen), the central communication hub of the Port of Cagayan de Oro, managed by the Port Police Division, conducted a net call to all stations for emergency reporting and other security protocols as part of the communications drill during emergencies. The Oroport Cargohandling Inc. at CDO Port dispatched their fire truck and ambulance around the port as part of their emergency response drill to exercise operations for fire and medical emergencies as aftermath of an earthquake.





TMO Balingoan organizes Fire Fighting Seminar-training for Port Personnel

The Terminal Management Office of Balingoan organized a Fire Fighting seminar-training on 11 November 2021 at Balingoan Port, in partnership with the Bureau of Fire Protection (BFP)-Balingoan.

This activity is aimed to equip the port personnel with the basic knowledge on the causes of fire, and prevention and fire fighting techniques in the event of fire or similar emergency.



There were twenty-five (25) attendees in the seminar-training, composed of personnel from the TMO and cargo handling operator. The resource speakers from the BFP first conducted a lecture to the participants followed by hands-on training on how to operate a fire extinguisher and fire fighting hose.

The BFP also conducts quarterly fire safety inspection at Balingoan Port to ensure that the port facility and building are compliant to the Fire Code of the Philippines, including the availability of fire fighting equipment to use to immediately respond to fire emergencies at ports.



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PPA retains Green Port Award for CDO Port



The Philippine Ports Authority (PPA) received another Green Port Award for its Cagayan de Oro Port, a testament that the agency remains critical on achieving sustainable port operations.

PPA said the award was a culmination of group efforts in its CDO Port, under the Port Management Office of Misamis Oriental/Cagayan de Oro, to maintain an efficient operating processes while maintaining a high-level of balance with the environment.

The Cagayan De Oro port is dubbed as the Global Gateway to Mindanao for its strategic location at the Northern Coast of Mindanao within Macajalar Bay. The port serves as the entry and exit point of passengers and goods to and from the adjacent urban cities and provinces and other parts of the Philippine archipelago. It also links conveyances to countries such as Vietnam, China, Australia and the United States, among others.

In a letter sent to PPA by the APEC Port Services Network signed by its Secretary General Jia Dashan dated 11 October 2021, it was stressed that the CDO port has satisfactorily complied with the scorecard laid out by experts in its Green Port Award System or GPAS.

“The GPAS Evaluation Committee has reviewed and evaluated all the applications for GPAS 2021 and scored each applicant according to its compliance to the various indicators,” Dashan explained in the letter.

“The score of your application has reached the criteria of GPAS, and I am very pleased and honored to advise you that the Port of Cagayan de Oro is again awarded the GPAS 2021,” Dashan revealed.

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PPA retains Green Port Award for its CDO Port, remains critical on achieving sustainable port operations

The recipients of this year's GPAS Award were announced on 16 of November 2021 during the APEC Smart Port Development Forum in Qingdao, China through virtual process which was attended by PPA officials and Port Managers, among other invited delegates from international organizations and other stakeholders in the Asia-Pacific region. The CDO Port is conferred with GPAS Certificate and Badge.

The GPAS program, meanwhile, is a green evaluation system for ports in the APEC region. The program is intended to improve environmental awareness as well as increase the understanding of green port development strategy, with the aim of achieving a balance between economic development and environmental protection in the APEC ports community; promote the sustainable development of ports in the APEC region and protect the port environment for the benefit of the entire APEC community; contribute to the harmonization of regulations and improve the interoperability of green port systems in the APEC region; establish an APEC green port performance benchmark based on this program, share best practices and encourage mutual assistance among APEC ports.

PPA General Manager Jay Daniel R. Santiago is both honored and happy upon learning of the award stating that the additional environmental protection measures will be implemented in the future in order to achieve its commitment of reducing the carbon footprint in its port operations.

"PPA is committed heavily in the adoption of measures to fully protect the environment and reduce the carbon footprint of ports in the continuing fight against Climate Change," Santiago said.



PMO MO/C Port Manager Isidro V. Butaslac, Jr. plants mangrove seedling during Maritime Week

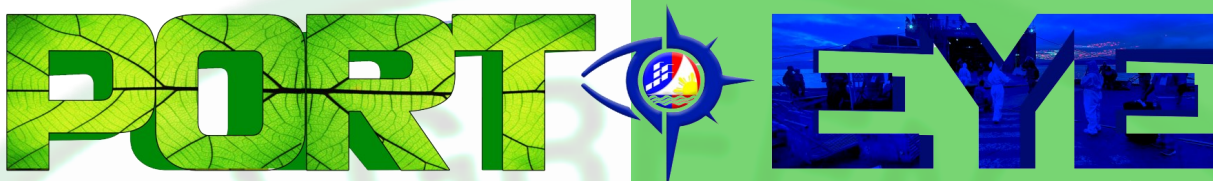


"This award is a big boost to PPA particularly now that we are in the midst of preparing and developing the PPA Port Environmental Code, which will define the priorities of the PPA in terms of environmental protection.," Santiago explained.

Aside from the CDO Port—a multiple GPAS awardee, Batangas Port was also given the same recognition a couple of years ago. The two ports also maintain an the Integrated Management System fusing in three international standards, namely: ISO 9001:2015 for Quality Management System, ISO 14001:2015 for Environmental Management System, and BS OHSAS 18001:2007 for Occupational Health and Safety Management, to further solidify its quality, safety, health and environmental policies, and commitment for the protection of the environment, provision of safe and healthy working conditions and improved quality of port operations and services.

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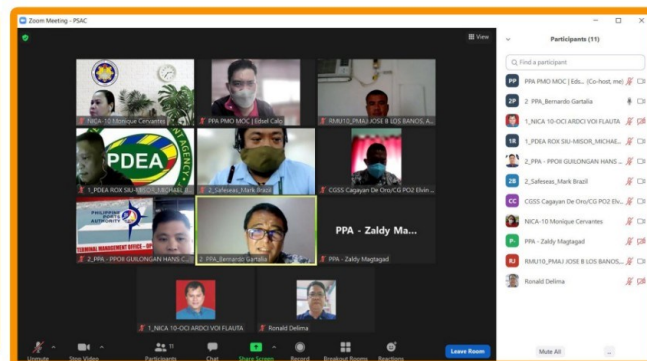
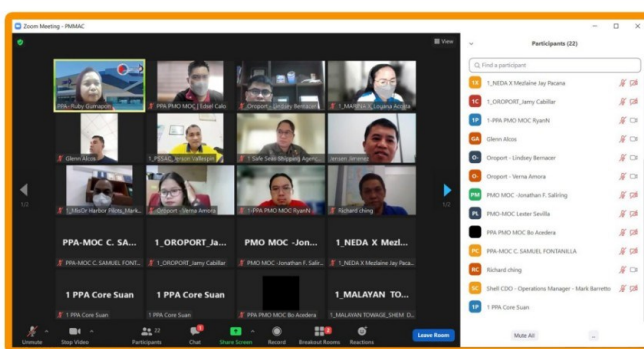
4th Quarter Joint PMMAC & PSAC e-meeting: Vaccination updates and preparation for the holiday season via OPLAN Pasko and New Year 2022

Members of the Port and Maritime Management Council (PMMAC) and Port Security Advisory Council (PSAC) together with invited agencies virtually convened on December 14, 2021, for port security, health, and other updates for the last quarter of the current year.

The PMO MO/C, through its Engineering Services Division and Port Police Division, presented the updates on the status of various port infrastructure projects and general information on port security, respectively. Vaccination status of the PMO personnel and the Oroport Cargohandling Inc., the cargo handling operator at CDO Port, was also presented by the PMO's COVID-19 Response Emergency Core Team chaired by the port's Station Commander. As of 14 December 2021, 99% of the PMO's human resource have already been inoculated. For Oroport, 58% of their personnel are fully vaccinated, 21% already had their first dose, and the rest are unvaccinat-

The Maritime Industry Authority (MARINA) presented the updates on the implementation of the Passenger e-Manifest System. This system serves as a tool to replace the pen-and-paper manifest of all ships calling at the Port of Cagayan de Oro and for a more efficient and digitized contact tracing of passengers.

During the virtual breakout session, the respective members of the PMMAC and PSAC discussed the measures and activities to implement or carry-out in ports under the Operational Plan (OPLAN) Pasko 2021 and New Year 2022 that will run from 16 December 2021 to 05 January 2022 to provide utmost safety, security, and convenience to the seagoing public during the holiday season.



With the expected influx of passengers as travel restrictions have been easing up in many provinces nationwide, the attendees discussed the provision of standby medical team, helpdesk, among others, in ports to provide prompt assistance to the passengers. Additionally, to have an immediate response team for any emergency cases during legal and declared non-working holidays in December, the deployment of a skeletal workforce was also considered.

The PMO MO/C expressed gratitude to all the attendees for their commitment and contributions during the Quarterly meetings this year.

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PMO MO/C facilitates PH Navy ships on Patrol Mission



The Port Management Office of Misamis Oriental/Cagayan de Oro welcomed in the Port of Cagayan de Oro the two offshore patrol and oceanographic research ships of the Philippine Navy tasked to conduct a Patrol mission in Mindanao on 29 October 2021.

With advance communication and coordination from the Naval Installation and Facilities Eastern Mindanao, the PMO MO/C has readily accommodated BRP GREGORIO VELASQUEZ (AGR702) and BRP ANDRES BONIFACION (PS17) vessels at the Baseport. The PMO has allocated berths for these vessels and also afforded them with rewatering services. The said ships docked at the port also for the purpose of reprovision before proceeding to their place of destination. The AGR702 vessel's captain, CDR ROMEO D. MOSUELA, PN along with LT V I C M M O N - TALLANA, PN made a short courtesy call with Port Manager Isidro V. Butaslac Jr. on even date.



Earlier this year, the PMO also facilitated a Navy vessel, Ship BRP TARLAC (LD601) in CDO Port that unloaded medical supplies and goods for distribution to target provinces in Visayas and Mindanao. The PMO likewise extended assistance such as berth allocation and tugboat services. The PH Navy team headed by CAPT NORMAN A MUTIA, PN (GSC), Commanding Officer, LD601 similarly made a courtesy call with the Port Manager on 28 January 2021.

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In line with its initiatives in maintaining sustainable and environment-friendly port operations, the Port Management Office of Misamis Oriental/Cagayan de Oro organized a Belen Making Contest with the theme “Pasko ng Pamilyang Pilipino - #GreenPort, #HealthyPilipinas”, as part of its activities for the Year-end Assessment and Thanksgiving held on 17 Decem-

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A total of 14 entries were submitted by all the divisions and units of PMO MO/C, including the Terminal Management Offices of Opol, Balingoan, and Camiguin. Participants were instructed to create a replica of the nativity scene from the Bible using locally available materials such as indigenous woven textile, dried leaves, and bamboo sticks among others.



The highlight of this activity was the creativity of the divisions and port terminals and their ability to strategically craft their Belen in relation to the theme. All the participants used similar materials such as *abaca*, *guinith*, and *landay*, but differed in how they conceptualized the artistry of their entries.

The organizers invited Architect Maria Linda Escaba, a member of the United Architects of the Philippines with a Masters' degree in Architecture, as the judge for the contest on December 15, 2021. The entries were critiqued based on their craftsmanship, overall appearance, and relevance to the theme.

The Port Terminals of Balingoan, Opol, and Camiguin were judged via Zoom videoconference, with the Terminal Managers presenting the concepts for their entries.

Winners for the contest were announced during the virtual Year-end Assessment, with TMO Opol awarded as the first place and the Port Services Division (Building 1) and Office of the Port Manager in second and third place, respectively.

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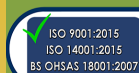
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