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ONLINE PALENGKE TO DECONGEST MARKET PLARIDEL, BULACAN

Plaridel, Bulacan launched an online palengke amid the enhanced community quarantine in Luzon.

The online palengke reduces the need to go outside as residents can simply order what they need online thru a Facebook group created by the local government.



While residents are allowed to go outside to buy food and other essentials under the measures to curb the spread of the coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) going out still poses a great risk.

The online palengke not just solve the problem of decongesting *palengkes* in Plaridel but also gave the opportunity for market vendors to sell their goods.

Source: <https://www.gmanetwork.com/news/lifestyle/hobbiesandactivities/731615/bulacan-town-launches-online-palengke-to-decongest-markets/story/>

MOBILE APP AIDED BATAAN HOUSEHOLD REGISTRATION PROVINCE OF BATAAN

The Provincial Government of Bataan launched the **BATAAN HOUSEHOLD TXT REGISTRATION** to aid the LGUs identifying the target beneficiaries of the LGUs and provide real time information to its constituents.

Due to the extension of the ECQ, the Provincial Government of Bataan continuously provide aid and assistance to different households including the vulnerable sector. The Province created an application to be able to access necessary information of their people, such as number of people per household and its corresponding address.

The **BATAAN HOUSEHOLD TXT** facilitates accurate allocation of relief goods, faster distribution of goods and also provides real-time announcement on schedule of distribution of goods for the citizens. **The app also promotes transparency and accountability as it informs the local government whether the individuals have received their goods.**

Source: <https://www.facebook.com/gov.abet/posts/10157740917106858/>

PARA SA MAAYOS NA SISTEMA NG PAGBIBIGAY NG AYUDA, MAGREGISTER SA

BATAAN HOUSEHOLD TXT REGISTRATION

Sundin ang format na ito:

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PENELCO o BAPA ACCT NO. / NO. OF
HOUSEHOLD MEMBERS / JOB /
HOUSE NO. / STREET / SITIO, PUROK o
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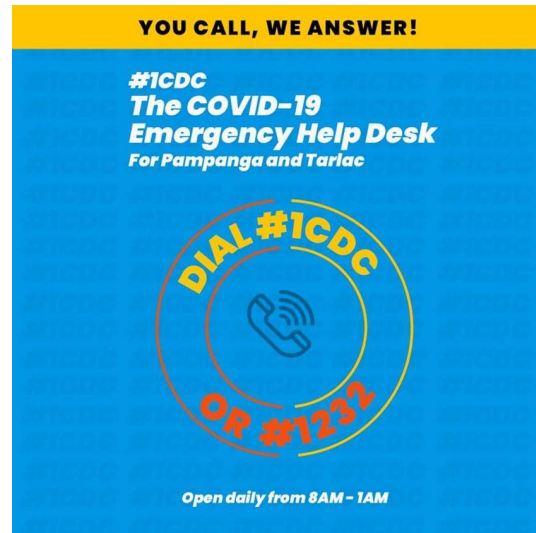
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VIRTUAL COVID-19 EMERGENCY HELP DESK PAMPANGA AND TARLAC

The Clark Freeport and Special Economic Zone officials launched a COVID-19 hotline, together with TaskUs to help addressing the different issues of the citizens.

This emergency hotline operates inquiries from 8 a.m to 1 a.m. daily, wherein callers will be received by hotline operators who are capable of answering basic inquiries on COVID-19. Callers can be easily directed to nurses and medical staff at Clark Development Corporation Health and Sanitation Division (CDC-HSD).



Citizens of Pampanga and Tarlac now have an avenue to easily communicate and raise their queries without leaving the comfort of their homes.

Source: <https://news.mb.com.ph/2020/04/08/pampanga-tarlac-residents-may-call-1232-for-covid-19-concerns/>

ADOPT-A-FAMILY PROJECT CANDABA, PAMPANGA

The COVID-19 Pandemic which thrown solid punches at the National Capitol Region first has now crept out on its neighboring places eventually taking over the whole country. With virus affecting the whole country specially the poor and marginalized, LGUs were urged to come up with ideas and measures how to dampen the effects of this health crisis especially on critically stricken areas.

Following the imposition of Luzon-wide Enhance Community Quarantine (ECQ), the Local Chief Executive of the Municipality of Candaba has formulated an advocacy campaign dubbed as “Adopt A Family” Project. This initiative of the LCE encourages the well-off families in Candaba to adopt indigent families and sustain their food and other necessities for the whole duration of the ECQ. It was quickly patronized by the well-to-do families in the municipality resulting to the adoption of a total of fifty-two (52) indigent families as of March 22, 2020.



On April 2, 2020 Mayor Rene E. Maglanque led the first pay-out of the financial assistance to the beneficiaries of the Adopt-A-Family Program. With the extension of the ECQ until April 30, 2020, Mayor Maglanque reminded his constituents to continue supporting the program with high hopes of more indigent families being adopted and be provided with their daily necessities until the community quarantine ends.

Mayor Rene E. Maglanque handing the financial assistance to Mrs. Rosalie Palo of Barangay Bahay Pare, Candaba, one of the first beneficiaries of the “Adopt-A-Family” project.

TARLAC OFFICIALS DONATE SALARY IN FIGHT VS COVID-19 PROVINCE OF TARLAC

TARLAC Governor Susan Yap donated her almost three-month salary to buy 500 units of Rapid Diagnostic Test Kits to be used in the province's fight against the Covid-19 [Coronavirus Disease-2019] pandemic.

The rapid test kits amounting to P375,000 will be used by the Tarlac Provincial Hospital [TPH] and other government hospitals in the province in testing probable Covid-19 cases.

Likewise, the entire salary of Vice Governor Carlito David and all the 13 Board Members that comprises the Sangguniang Panlalawigan [SP] of Tarlac donated their salaries for the month of April to help in the provincial government's fight against the dreaded Coronavirus Disease-2019 [Covid-19]. Their entire salaries for the month of April amounting to P1,222,828.36 as their collective effort to extend help and assistance to their constituents in the province to mitigate the impact of Covid-19.



Through video conferencing done on April 2, all the members of the provincial board voted to approve the resolution. The resolution likewise authorized Governor Susan Yap to utilize the amount for the provincial government's Covid-19 response measures.

The provincial government issued Executive Order No. 10 imposing a province-wide Extreme Enhance Community Quarantine that started on March 29.



MALUNGGAY TEA TO HELP BOOST IMMUNE SYSTEM DINGALAN, AURORA

Since the COVID-19 outbreak, ascorbic acid or vitamin C and other multi-vitamins have been scarce if not unavailable in local drug stores here in the municipality. Malunggay leaves is one of the indigenous produce that may be found in every household here in Dingalan. Its richness in vitamins and minerals is a very cheap way of strengthening one's immune system.

The Sangguniang Kabataan of Dingalan, Aurora has initially launched malunggay tea stations in their respective barangays and have promoted its health benefits to its constituents not only for the youth but for all ages.

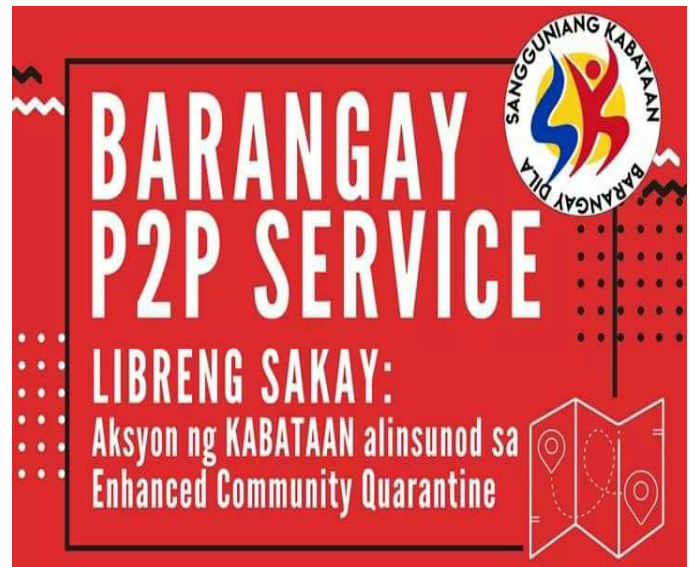


SK Municipal Federation President Ceejay Borreo personally prepared the malunggay tea and set up a drinking station that was made available in the barangay for frontliners and those in the barangay hall. [posted thru [fb.com/ceejay.borreo](https://www.facebook.com/ceejay.borreo) last March 30, 2020]

P2P SERVICE: AKSYON NG MGA KATAAN SA BARANGAY DILA, BAY, LAGUNA

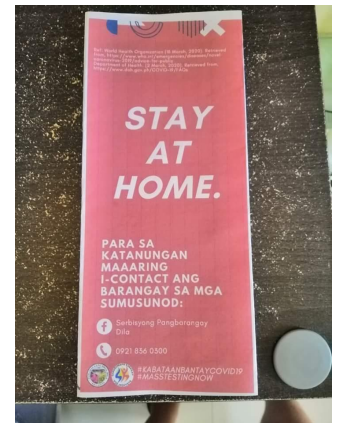
“Ang Kabataan ang Pag-Asa ng Bayan”. This adage is once again proved by a set of youth during the Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19) pandemic. The Sangguniang Kabataan and youth volunteers of Barangay Dila, Bay in the Province of Laguna initiated a free ride project named *Barangay P2P Service*.

Operation of public transport is prohibited during the Community Quarantine to mitigate the spread of the virus. This caused struggle to front liners as well as to those who need access to the market to buy food, medicine and other necessities. To remedy the inconvenience, *Barangay P2P Service* is provided to residents going to and from the public market.



The service traverses three (3) routes. The schedule of ride is every Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays from 6:00 in the morning to 12:00 noon. Before embarking, passengers are required to use sanitizers provided by SK Officials. Social distancing is observed inside the van. The 15-seater Nissan Urban only accommodates nine (9) passengers.

Aside from this, the SK Officials also do the initial information verification/ validation when it comes to ECQ issues concerning the Senior Citizens in their barangay, such as but not limited to relief packs distribution. The Barangay said that it is their way to give back to the elderly. In addition, they conduct information campaign about COVID-19 online and through printed leaflets.



Source: <https://mobile.facebook.com/SerbisyongPangbarangayDila>, Barangay Dila and DILG Calabarzon

LIVELIHOOD OPPORTUNITY AMID COVID-19 CITY OF BINAN, LAGUNA

Even before the COVID-19 crisis, there has been a high demand on face masks since the first month of Year 2020 due to the Volcanic Eruption of Taal. There is scarcity on the supply of masks in stores because the demand continuously increases as people buy out of panic caused by the pandemic.

The City of Binan in the Province of Laguna seized this opportunity to provide livelihood to their people as well as to supply for the front liners.

Started as souvenir items for 2020 Women's Month Celebration, Face Mask Project was initiated by Gender and Development (GAD) Office through Biñan Garments and Training Center. They were able to produce and distribute 5,000 reusable face masks in March. Afterwards, the City discovered facemask-making as an income opportunity for the community during the Enhanced Community Quarantine. Through social media, Mayor Walfredo Dimaguila, Jr. called for volunteer sewers for the mass production of face masks and Personal Protective Equipment (PPEs).



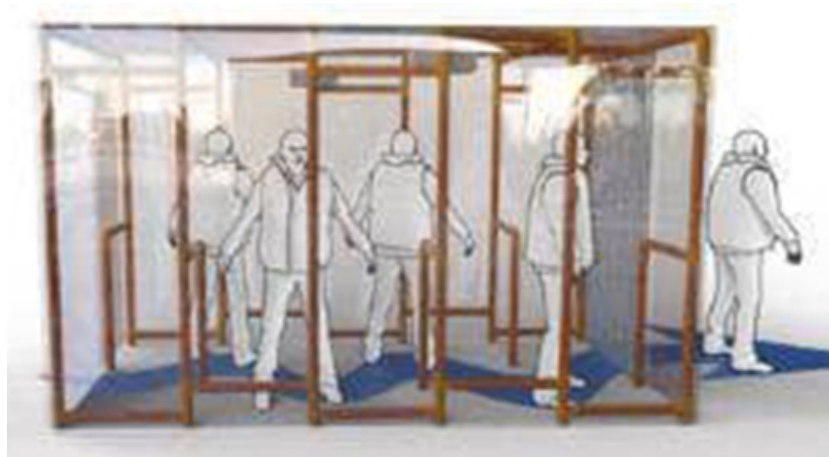
Currently, they have 12 in-house workers and 113 home-based sewers that can create 10,000 to 13,000 masks a day. They also have additional workforce for pattern making, cutting, washing, pressing and packing of face masks and PPEs. They have produced 250,821 reusable face masks in which at least two (2) will be given to each household; and two thousand 2,000 PPEs for Ospital ng Biñan (OsBin)

Source: <https://m.facebook.com/199405940103564>, City of Binan and DILG Calabarzon

CARMONA SETS UP DIY SANITATION TENTS CARMONA, CAVITE

The local government of Carmona Cavite produced a do-it-yourself improvised sanitation tents that could help in the sanitation of healthworkers, patients, and LGU employees before entering and leaving facilities such as hospitals or municipal hall. The design was provided by the UP Diliman-based volunteer group SaniTents PH.

Disinfection sessions were also conducted at all checkpoints across Carmona as part of the preventive measures and mitigation efforts being implemented by the local government to keep the community coronavirus-free. On Monday, March 23,



simultaneous disinfection sessions were also held at all barangays in the municipality. More disinfection sessions are scheduled to be conducted on the succeeding days.

The Carmona LGU continues to distribute disinfection machines to barangays in line with the preventive measures and mitigation efforts of the local government of Carmona against the coronavirus disease (COVID-19). Disinfection machines were distributed recently to Barangays 1 to 5. More disinfection sessions are scheduled to be conducted on the following days. Benjamin Chavez

Orders were taken and received by the residents of Carmona starting through the Bayan, May Libreng Delivery, which is an initiative of the Municipal Government of Carmona to provide free delivery service from the public market to the residents as a solution to the suspension of public transportation and implementation of social distancing due to the enactment of "Enhanced Community Quarantine" for the whole Luzon.

Source: <https://manilastandard.net/mobile/article/320319>

BACKYARD FARMING AND SUPPORT TO LOCAL FARMERS ODIONGAN, ROMBLON

The Local Government of Odiongan, Romblon promotes family food sufficiency by promoting backyard farming.

In times of crisis such as the COVID-19 crisis, Filipinos prove that we are resourceful in our unique ways, and we remarkably strive no matter what crisis we are in. During this time, most of the Filipinos probably depend on the food provided by the government since most of their jobs and source of income has been affected due to COVID-19.

The Local Government of Odiongan Romblon, through its Municipal Agriculture Office, promoted backyard gardening through the distribution of different varieties of seeds to their constituents including seeds of easy-to-grow vegetables such as string beans, okra, eggplant, pechay from the DA-RFO-MIMAROPA-High Value Crop Development Program.



Backyard farming does not just help the residents of Odiongan to have their own source of food during this time of crisis but this will minimize the spread of virus since they don't need to risk going to the market. This provides healthy and nutritious food for the family and also helps the families generate income if they sell some of their excess harvest.

The Municipal Government of Odiongan, Romblon also supported local farmers and fisherfolks. The Municipal Government procured agricultural products from their local farmers and fresh fish from local fisherfolks for the relief packages to their constituents.

This effort not only supports the livelihood of the farmers and fisherfolks but also provides that promotes good health among the residents of Odiongan.

Source: <https://www.facebook.com/OdionganPIO>

Photo: Odiongan Public Information Office

MOBILE TIANGGE SHOWCASES LOCAL HARVEST BOAC, MARINDUQUE

With the aim of helping the local farmers to still earn amid the Enhanced Community Quarantine (ECQ), the Local Government of Boac, Marinduque implements a 'Mobile Tiangge sa Barangay' wherein it sells variety of products produced by the locals of Boac to different barangays in town.

Agricultural products as well as fresh meat, chicken and fish and other necessary goods were sold on truck that moves around the different barangays.

This effort helped the farmers as well as other merchants in the town's public market to earn even under enhanced community quarantine. This project also gave convenience to the residents since public transportation has been suspended, and that going downtown requires time and effort especially residents living in distant barangays.

Additionally, this will help the community to strictly practice social distancing to stop the spread of the virus.

Source: <https://www.facebook.com/boacmunicipalinformationofficeLGU>

Photo: Boac Municipal Information Office



RICE RELIEF TO HELP LOCAL FARMERS, CASH ASSISTANCE TO KEEP ECONOMY ROLLING CITY OF BAYUGAN, AGUSAN DEL SUR

The Bayugan City Local Government started the city-wide aid to support its 26,000 households in 43 barangays by providing a full sack of rice for every household in the hinterlands and cash assistance for constituents settling in the urban areas of the city. The relief operation from April 7 to date already reached 13 out of 43 barangays---Taglibas, San Agustin, Montevista, Verdu, Sagmone, Katipunan, Marcelina, San Isidro, Bucac, Charito, Gamao, Saguma and Salvacion. The relief will continue until April 14

The City Mayor would like to provide its constituents no less than what they deserve that the City Government provided full sack of rice initially and cash assistance and assured its constituents that it will find a way to sustain the people for the whole duration of the localized quarantine.

A full sack of rice were provided to every household living in the rural areas to intend to help the city's farmers to earn amid the crisis while cash assistance provided in the urban barangays aims to keep the flow of economic activity in the city quarantine.



An estimated total of 27,000 sacks of homegrown rice were procured by the city from its local farmers to feed the constituents and a free vegetable delivery service were mobilized in the urban area to provide food to the residents

Bayugan City still maintain a zero COVID-19 positive case that is why a 24/7 Emergency Operations Center is established in its City Hall to monitor the strict implementation of the quarantine protocols.

Source: <https://mindanaodailynews.com/news/theregion/caraga-region/bayugan-city-army-to-aid-26000-households-in-covid-19-fight>

MOBILE LOUDSPEAKER OPERATION AND LEAFLETS DISTRIBUTION: THE BARANGAY MAHARLIKA, BISLIG CITY INTERVENTION

Informing the community of the correct information on how to avoid getting infected from COVID-19 will lessen their worries and fear. Thus, the 75th Infantry "Marauder" Battalion conducted mobile loudspeaker operation and leaflets distribution in Bislig City, Surigao del Sur on April 09, 2020.

In line with the declaration of ceasefire, the government focused its efforts and resources in addressing the pandemic crisis caused by the Coronavirus Disease 19 (COVID-19). The unit conducted loudspeaker operations to exploit the situation in favor of the government and advance the campaign against the Communist NPA Terrorists (CNTs) within the unit Area of Responsibility (AOR). Likewise, the troops distributed fifty (50) pieces of leaflets on Enhanced Comprehensive Local Integration Program (E-CLIP) of the government and 50 pcs leaflets information on how to prevent the spread of COVID-19.



Army's loudspeaker operation is instrumental as it conveys factual information reminding the people and the community regarding the importance of taking precautionary measures such as social distancing, staying at home, eating healthy foods, and proper hygiene and sanitation to avoid the spread of COVID-19

The loudspeaker operation was first employed during the Zamboanga siege and Super Typhoon Yolanda in 2013, and Marawi siege in 2017 aimed at providing correct information to the people, particularly during the time of crisis

Further, the loudspeaker operations with the recorded voice message of the former rebel, expressed out that we should all unite and cooperate with the government to overcome the global health crisis that we are facing right now, and to condemn the brutal activities perpetrated by the CNT's despite of the ceasefire



Source: <http://mindanaodailynews.com/news/the-region/caraga-region/army-conducts-loudspeaker-operations-and-leaflets-distribution-in-surigao-sur>

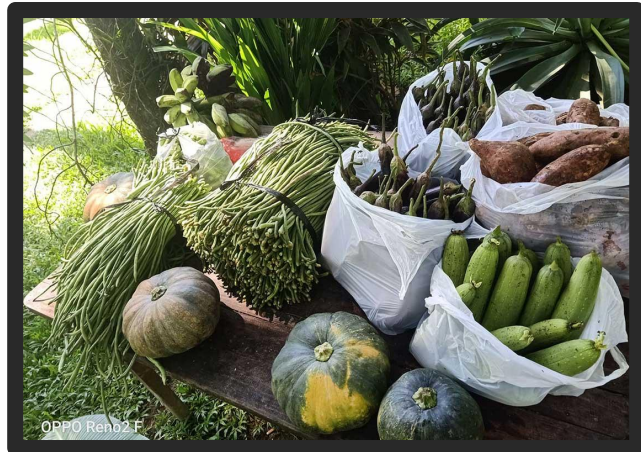
FROM CANNED GOODS TO HEALTHY COOKED VEGETABLES SAN FRANCISCO, AGUSAN DEL SUR

Instead of canned goods and instant noodles as relief packs for Covid-19 quarantined villagers, Barangay Prosperidad in San Francisco, Agusan del Sur have been distributing healthy cooked vegetables to its constituents.

The initiative draw the attention of a nurse of a government hospital and offered to donate a van load of vegetables from Esperanza town to continue the food sharing initiative.

The Barangay would like to continue distributing the vegetable dishes until the Covid-19 crisis will be over but that will depend the budget of the Barangay and some good Samaritans.

Through the provision of food packs to residents, the Barangay intends not just to help her constituents but also to provide a healthy and nutritious food as it could help strengthen immune system of constituents to help avoid the virus.



Source:

<http://mindanaodailynews.com/news/the-region/caraga-region/village-councilwoman-cooks-vegetable-to-quarantined-neighborhood>

Community-Based Monitoring System (CBMS): Determining Rightful Beneficiaries of COVID-19 Social Protection Programs

In the midst of the COVID-19 crisis, the importance of local governments knowing the so-called “faces in poverty” is underscored. The City of Tacurong utilized data generated from the Community-Based Monitoring System (CBMS) to map out and identify the 8,468 household beneficiaries of relief assistance provided by the city, funded from its Quick Response Fund (QRF).

Relief goods purchased from the available Php 9,000,000.00 QRF funds went to households (HHs) with a total monthly income of less than Php 8,800 a month – considered by the LGU as the minimum income sufficient to finance daily HH needs.

Data from CBMS allows generation of household profiles that proved valuable in prioritizing beneficiaries of LGU

assistance. The readily available data facilitated distribution of relief goods to beneficiaries in dire need of assistance.

Currently being institutionalized through Republic Act (RA) No. 11315, otherwise known as the CBMS Act, CBMS is a poverty diagnostic tool used for evidence-based planning; and, policy and program implementation and monitoring.

Tacurong's use of CBMS data not only facilitated rapid response but it also enabled effective management of scarce resources as it appropriately addressed the urgent needs of the most vulnerable individuals affected by the crisis.

Indeed, “*what gets measured gets managed.*”

Sources: LGU Tacurong (01 April 2020), “Sino ang mga prayoridad na Makakatanggap ng Food Packs” [Facebook Post] Retrieved from:

<https://www.facebook.com/photo?fbid=3413927525304038&set=pcb.3413932241970233>

Tapatan ni Toto Roncal Montilla (31 March 2020), “LGU Tacurong prioritizes distribution of relief goods to 8,468 poor families identified using CBMS Data” [Facebook Post]. Retrieved from: <https://www.facebook.com/photo?fbid=580182916189027&set=pcb.580183089522343>



Figure 1. City Mayor Montilla of Tacurong, Sultan Kudarat, with Barangay Chairpersons

Bagsak Presyo Market on Wheels to Supply Needs of Lockdown Barangay Labangan, Zamboanga del Sur

The municipality of Labangan, Zamboanga del Sur acts as “middlemen” to farmers of a locked down barangay as it provides municipal residents an alternative access to market produce through the *bagsak presyo* market on wheels.



Barangay Upper Labangan was placed under lockdown when a resident tested positive for COVID-19.

To prevent local transmission and mitigate spread of the virus, business establishments in the barangay were ordered closed and residents were prohibited from leaving their homes except for essential trips.

The municipal government launched the Market on Wheels to minimize movement of residents and to avoid congestion in public markets, Such innovation also sought to assist farmers residing in the locked-down barangay as the LGU directly buys their farm produce peddled around the municipality at farm-gate prices, cheaper than that sold in the public market. Such innovation benefits residents of the municipality and gives farmers the much needed support to market their produce constrained by the lockdown. .

Source: https://mindanaodailymirror.ph/Main/full_article/zambo-sur-town-buys-sells-farm-products-amid-covid-19-crisis6477

**Image lifted from the Article “Zambo Sur town buys, sells farm products amid COVID-19 crisis”, The Mindanao Daily Mirror, dated 2 April 2020*