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ACTIVITY REPORT

FEBRUARY 2025

1ST BCCI BOARD MEETING

February 6, 2025 | Max's Restaurant Kapitolyo

The BCCI's first Board meeting of the year took place on February 6, 2025, at Max's Restaurant in the City of Malolos, Bulacan. With eighteen members of the Board of Trustees, four outgoing trustees, Consultant, and members of the BCCI Secretariat present, the meeting served as both a reflection on the past and a forward-looking step for the organization. One of the key highlights was the Election of Officers who will serve for the Chamber Year 2025. Appreciation Rites were given to the outgoing trustees—Ms. Josie Santos, Ms. Tin Fontillas, Ms. Beth Alcaraz, Mr. Aristotle Cruz, and Mr. Pilipino Ramos—in recognition of their invaluable contributions to the Chamber.





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For the Executive Committee, Ms. Corina Tengco-Bautista was once again elected as President. The Vice Presidents for the various Committees will be appointed by the President and presented during the Annual Planning Workshop.

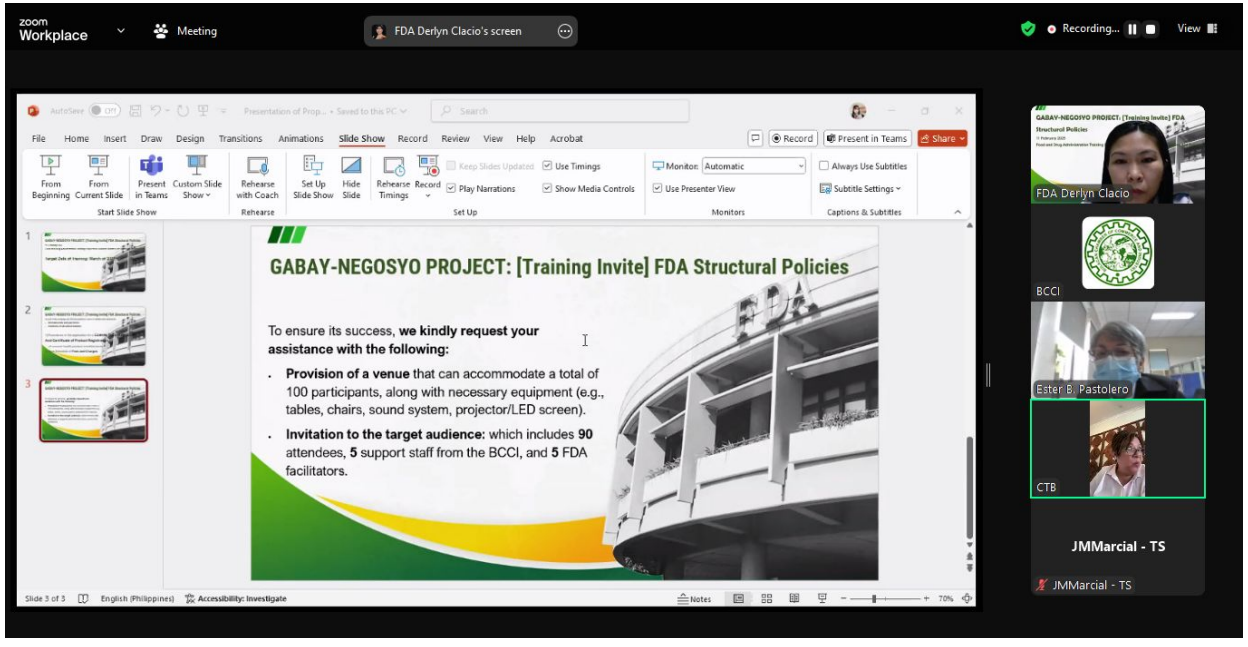
FDA PROPOSAL TO BCCI: TRAINING INVITE FOR FDA STRUCTURAL POLICIES

February 11, 2025 | via Zoom

The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) has released two new Structural Policies through Administrative Orders:

1. Administrative Order No. 2024-0015 (NEW): Prescribing the rules, requirements, and procedures for applying for a license to operate covered health product establishments with the FDA, repealing Administrative Order No. 2020-0017.
2. Administrative Order No. 2024-0016 (NEW): Implementing the new schedule of fees and charges for FDA services.

In line with these developments, the Policy Planning Service – Policy Dissemination and Training Division, Advocacy Section is reaching out to key stakeholders, including the food industry and cooperatives, to organize a series of training sessions. These sessions will cover the content, provisions, scope, and limitations of the new policies. The initiative aims to ensure a clear understanding of the purpose, requirements, and long-term benefits of these administrative orders. A virtual meeting with the BCCI was held last February 11, 2025, via Zoom, to discuss their initiatives. The meeting was attended by Estrellita B. Pastolero, Derlyn B. Clacio, and Jerome M. Marcial from the FDA, while BCCI President Ms. Corina Tengco-Bautista and Secretariat Staff Ms. Sharon D. Valerio represented the BCCI.



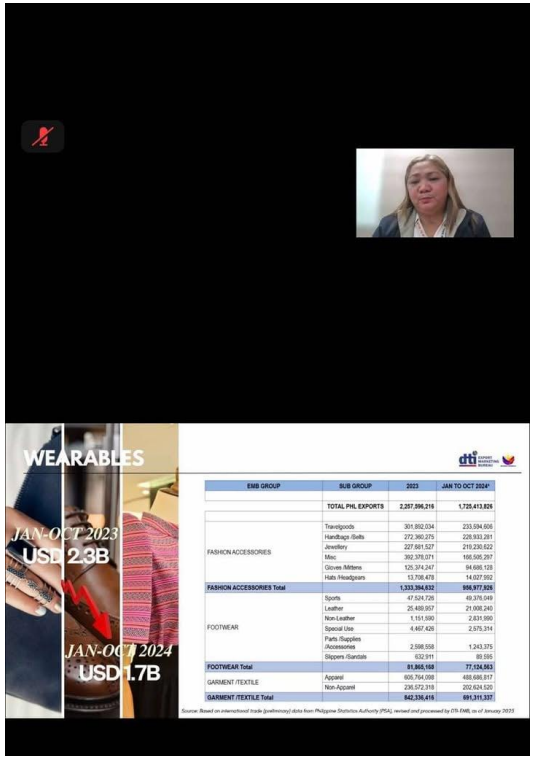


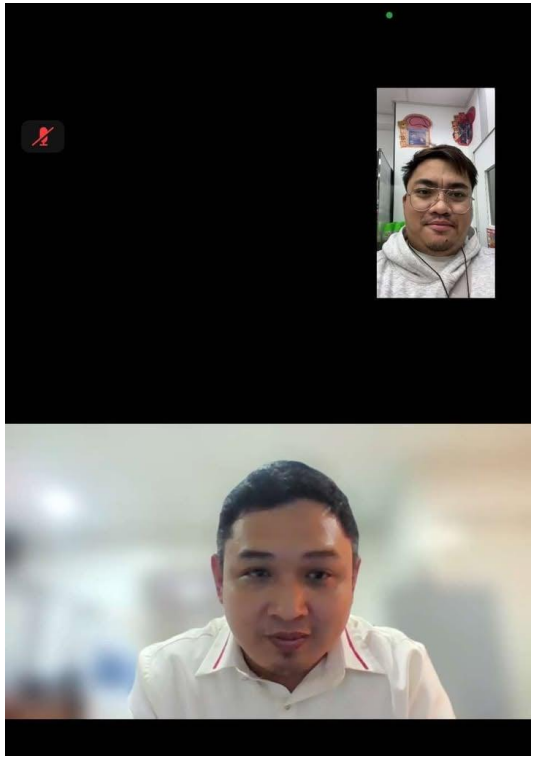
DTI: GLOBAL EXPORT OPPORTUNITIES FOR PHILIPPINE PRODUCTS WEBINAR

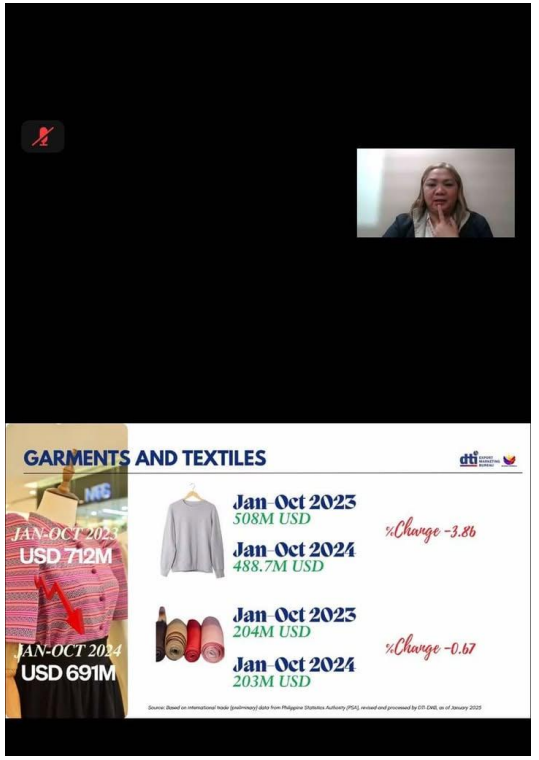
February 12, 2025 | Via Zoom

The Department of Trade and Industry (DTI) recently organized a webinar focused on Global Export Opportunities for Philippine Products. The webinar covered critical topics such as Export Opportunities and the Basic Export Requirements, providing valuable insights for businesses looking to expand internationally. Representatives from the Export Marketing Bureau (EMB) and the Center for International Trade Expositions and Missions (CITEM) shared their expertise, offering guidance on how Philippine businesses can tap into international markets. Trustee John Randolf O. Tingson attended the online event to represent the BCCI.









PSA BULACAN: PRESS CONFERENCE ON INFLATION IN THE PROVINCE OF BULACAN

February 14, 2025 | Via Zoom

The Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA), as mandated under Republic Act No. 10625, otherwise known as the "Philippine Statistical Act of 2013," is primarily responsible for all national censuses and surveys, sectoral statistics, community-based statistics, the consolidation of selected administrative recording systems, and the compilation of national accounts.The PSA Bulacan conducted a press conference on inflation in the Province of Bulacan, with a reference period of January 2025. The event was attended by representatives from provincial line agencies, the academe, media, private firms, and other government agencies. To represent the BCCI and to receive updates regarding inflation, BCCI President Corina Tengco-Bautista, Trustee John Randolf O. Tingson, and Secretariat Staff Sharon D. Valerio attended the virtual meeting.





BCCI PRE-PLANNING FOR ANNUAL PLANNING WORKSHOP

February 18, 2025 | Calle Jose Kapitolyo

In preparation for the BCCI Annual Planning Workshop to be held on February 28, 2025, BCCI President Corina Tengco-Bautista called a meeting to discuss the details and necessary preparations for the strategic planning workshop. BCCI Chairman Ofelia B. Mangulabnan, Treasurer Engr. Maria Cecilia G. Estinopo, Trustee Alexander John R. Torres, Consultant Mara T. Bautista, FAO Ruth C. Jimenez, and MSBDO Jonie Mangalonzo were also present. The initial proposal for activities in 2025 was discussed, focusing on strengthening membership, reviving the Kapihan sa BCCI activity, reviewing existing committees, and identifying relevant positions to align with BCCI's goals for the year.



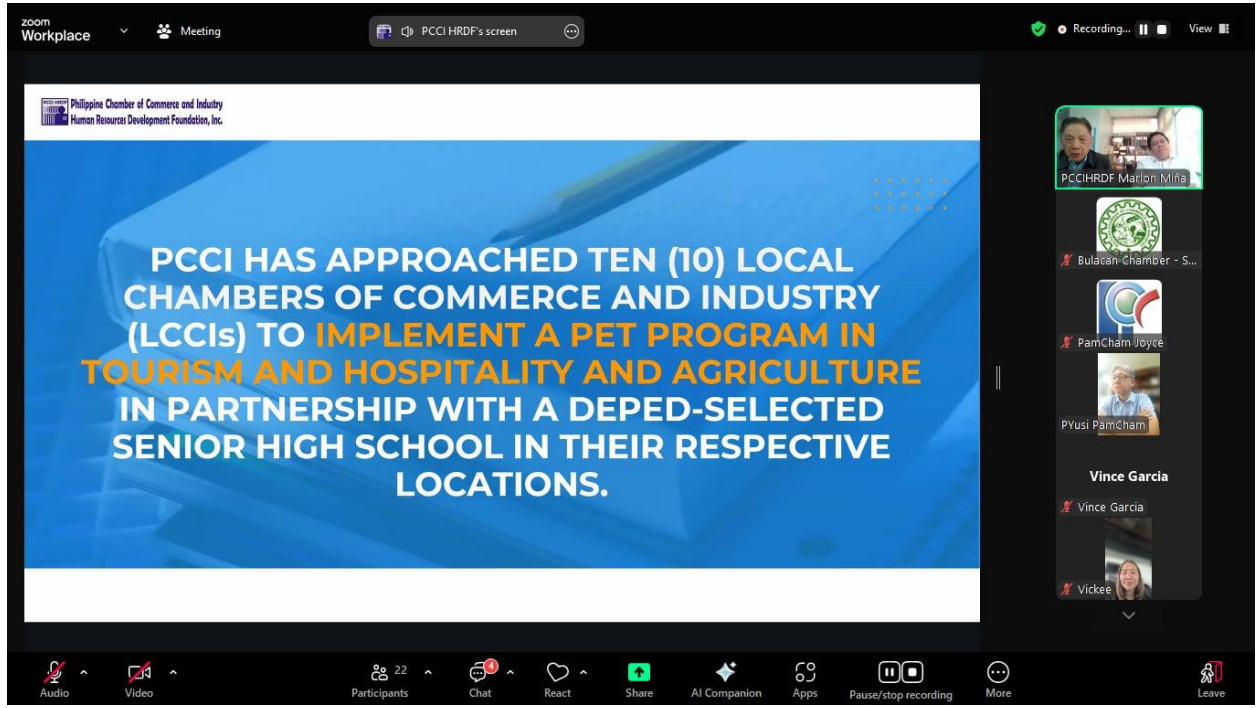


PCCI: COORDINATION MEETING ON THE PCCI EDUCATION & TRAINING (PET) SYSTEM

February 19, 2025 | Via Zoom

The PCCI, through the PCCI Human Resources Development Foundation, Inc., is rolling out the PET System starting in S.Y. 2025 - 2026. They are currently working with the Department of Education (DepEd) to integrate the PCCI Education and Training (PET) Program Manuals for Fruits and Vegetables Processing and Hotel and Restaurant Services Qualifications into the Senior High School (SHS) Curriculum. The PET System requires the Chambers to organize In-Company Training and Immersion for students to ensure hands-on industry experience. Representing the BCCI, President Corina Tengco-Bautista joined the discussions, accompanied by Secretariat Staff Sharon D. Valerio. President Corina expressed BCCI's support and commitment to the program.

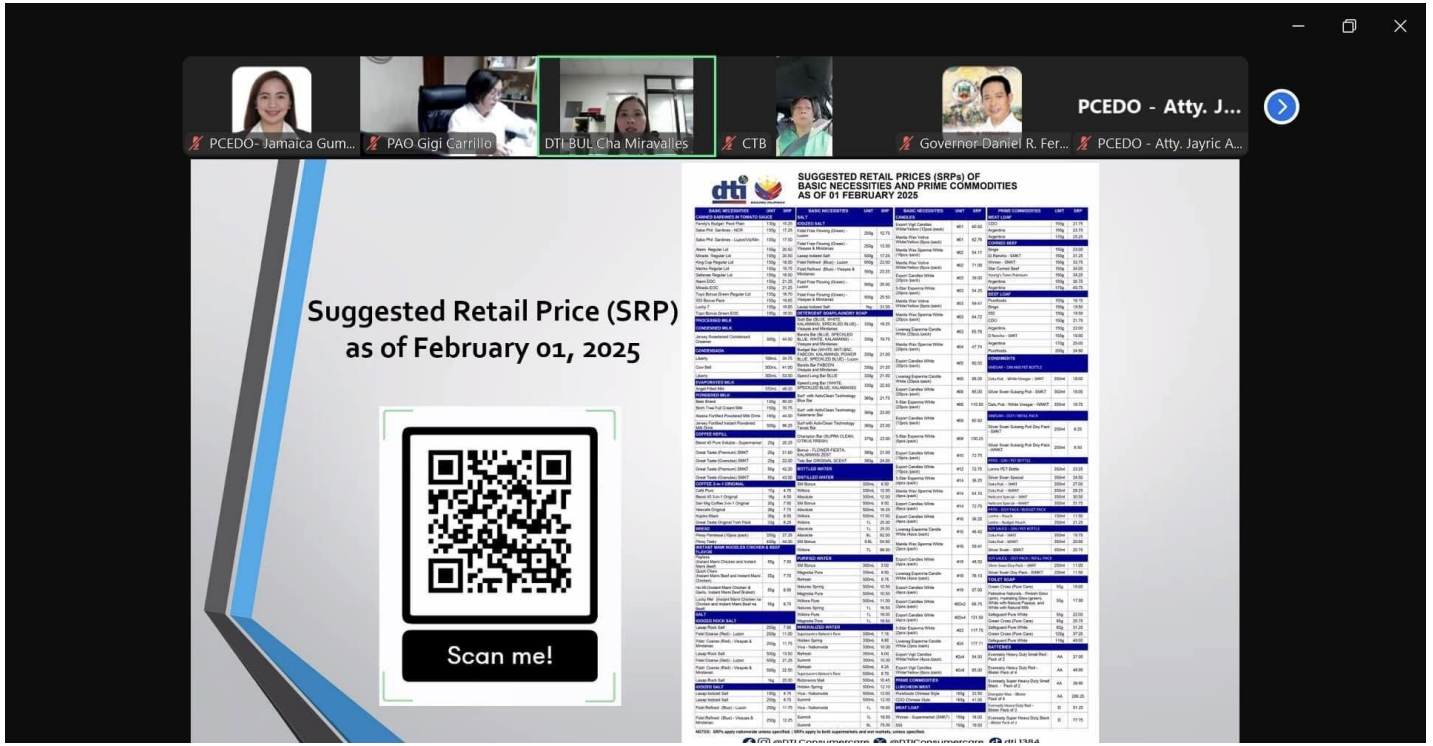




PCEDO: PROVINCIAL PRICE COORDINATING COUNCIL

February 24, 2025 | Via Zoom

Governor Daniel R. Fernando led the first quarterly meeting of the Bulacan Provincial Price Coordinating Council for the year via Zoom, focusing on the DTI's latest Suggested Retail Price (SRP), non-compliance with the Price Act and Price Tag Law, and local business support. The DTI Bulacan presented key updates on SRP and compliance with pricing laws. The governor urged PCEDO, PAO, and DTI Bulacan to assist *Sukang Paombong* producers in expanding their businesses and promoting Bulacan's tourism. BCCI President Corina Tengco-Bautista was present during the meeting.





TESDA: 1ST QUARTER MEETING OF THE PTESDC

February 25, 2025 | TESDA Bulacan Multipurpose Hall, RSDC Compound, Tabang, Guiguinto, Bulacan

The TESDA Bulacan Provincial Office organized the 1st Quarter meeting of the Provincial Technical Education and Skills Development Committee (PTESDC) on February 25, 2025, at the TESDA Bulacan Multipurpose Hall, RSDC Compound in Tabang, Guiguinto, Bulacan. The meeting primarily focused on updating the Provincial Skills Priorities (PSP) through granularization. This approach aims to ensure that the region's skills development initiatives are closely aligned with the evolving needs of the local industry. In addition, the committee discussed a proposal to increase the tuition, miscellaneous, and other school fees of the CCI Training Center, Inc. As the BCCI President and Industry Representative of the PTESDC, Ms. Corina Tengco-Bautista attended the meeting.





BCCI PRE-PLANNING SESSION

February 26, 2025 | BCCI Conference Room

On February 26, 2025, another pre-planning session was called by President Corina Bautista to ensure the success of the upcoming Annual Planning Workshop. The initial activities proposed during the first meeting held on February 18 were discussed, and training programs, flagship projects, and membership visitations were calendared. The program flow was meticulously planned under the guidance of Consultant Mara Bautista. A breakout session was planned to discuss the details of the proposed four (4) flagship projects: MOBB, BUFFEX, INVESTBULACAN SUMMIT, and CONCERT. Corporate Secretary Dr. Jehan Z. Echavez and Trustee John Randolf O. Tingson were also invited to provide important inputs to ensure the effectiveness of the workshop, joined by members of the Secretariat, FAO Ruth C. Jimenez, and MSBDO Jonie Mangalonzo.





BCCI ANNUAL PLANNING WORKSHOP

February 28, 2025 | Max's Restaurant Kapitolyo

The BCCI Annual Planning Workshop was successfully held on February 28, 2025. The program commenced with a solemn and heartfelt invocation through the singing of "Lead Me Lord," led by BCCI Auditor Yolly Rotap. Corporate Secretary Jehan Echavez called the roll and confirmed that a quorum was present, with fourteen (14) trustees in attendance. President Corina Bautista officially opened the workshop and presented BCCI's activities and projects planned for the year. She then announced the trustees appointed to various committee positions, who will oversee the implementation of the programs. The appointed trustees graciously accepted the responsibility. Resolutions approving the calendar of activities for the Chamber Year 2025 and the Executive Committee were adopted.





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Consultant Mara Bautista guided the Planning Workshop with her valuable insights, ensuring that the Chamber could effectively carry out its plans for the year. She also encouraged everyone present to visit BCCI's official website and Facebook page, urging them to help promote and increase BCCI's online presence.A breakout session was conducted and facilitated by Trustee John Randolf Tingson to discuss the preliminary details of BCCI's flagship projects, and the outcomes were presented afterward. Chairman of the Board Ofelia Mangulabnan closed the workshop with gratitude to all attendees and optimism that, through collective efforts, the year's initiatives would be a success.





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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

President	:	Corina Tengco-Bautista
Vice President – Operations	:	Alexander John R. Torres
Vice President – MSME Development	:	Cristina T. Fuentes
Vice President – Training & Dev't	:	John Randolf O. Tingson
Member	:	Carlito M. Geronimo
Vice President – Membership	:	John Horeb P. Dela Cruz
Members		Carmencita C. Uychoco
		Evangeline V. Villanueva
Vice President – Advocacy	:	Engr. Jose A. Francia
Member		Pinky L. Dy
Vice President – Ways and Means	:	Benjamin M. Eusebio
Member		Marisa J. Ramos
Consultants	:	Pacifico B. Aniag
		Ma. Asuncion T. Bautista

Thank you.