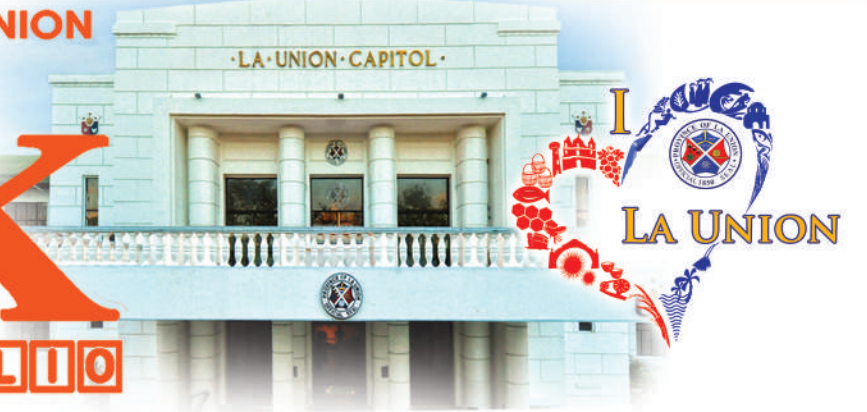


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# LA UNION BAGS SILVER AWARD IN 1ST NATIONAL ANTI-DRUG ABUSE COUNCIL

Editha A. Cardenas



Board Member Reynaldo Mosuela (8th from left) receives a Plaque of Recognition on behalf of Gov. Pacoy, from the Department of Interior and the Local Government for the Province of La Union being a 2018 National Anti-Drug Abuse Council Performance Silver Awardee on December 28, 2018 at the Manila Hotel, Manila. The Local Government Units of Aringay, Bacnotan, Bauang, Burgos, Caba, Luna, Naguilian, Rosario, City of San Fernando, San Juan, Santol, Sudipen and Tubao also received the same award while Agoo, Balaoan and San Gabriel were Gold Awardees.

The Province of La Union received the 1st National Anti-Drug Abuse Council (ADAC) Performance Silver Award conferred by the Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG) through the Anti-Drug Abuse Council – Project Management Office (ADAC-PMO) on December 28, 2018 at the Tent City, Manila Hotel, Metro Manila.

Out of 81 provinces, La Union is one of the 22 Awardees that garnered 85-100 points score or 27%. Out of the 1,715 Local Government Units (LGU) assessed

(81 provinces, 145 cities and 1,489 municipalities), only 241 or 14% got an adjectival rating of high functionality. Out of which, only 21 LGUs got a perfect score.

Board Member Reynaldo M. Mosuela received the award from USEC Martin Diño on behalf of Gov. Francisco Emmanuel “Pacoy” R. Ortega III. Also present in the awarding were DILG-1 Regional Dir. James F. Fadrilan, DILG-La Union Provincial Director Paulino G. Lalata, Jr., and Provincial Government of

La Union (PGLU) representatives Engr. Fe Jennifer V. Yaranon and Ms. Julie Ann A. Arciaga.

The PGLU garnered an average score of 95/100 points with an adjectival rating of Ideal (high functionality). The Silver Award was conferred to the PGLU in recognition of its exemplary efforts in the performance of its duties in complementing the National Government’s efforts in eradicating the country’s illegal drug problem.

La Union also got the highest

percentage of passers regionwide which is 80% of the 20 component LGUs in the province.

Other LGUs in the Province of La Union that received the Silver Award include the City of San Fernando, Aringay, Bacnotan, Bauang, Burgos, Caba, Luna, Naguilian, Rosario, San Juan, Santol, Sudipen and Tubao while Agoo Balaoan and San Gabriel bagged the Gold Award.



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# LA UNION YOUTH CONGRESS ON HUMAN RIGHTS CONDUCTED

Rhea Matilde A. Ballesteros



High school students signify their commitment to ending human rights abuses by stamping their handprints during the La Union Youth Congress on Human Rights on December 8-9, 2018 at the Diego Silang Hall, City of San Fernando, La Union.

In celebration of the 70th Universal Declaration of Human Rights, the Sangguniang Panlalawigan Committee on Justice and Human Rights chaired by SPM Nancy Corazon M. Bacurnay spearheaded the conduct of La Union Youth Congress on Human Rights on December 8-9, 2018 at the Diego Silang Hall, City of San Fernando, La Union.

High school students both from public and private schools in La Union attended the event. SPM Bacurnay, in her opening message, said that the seminar aims to educate the youth about their basic human rights.

Dr. Rowena C. Banzon, Schools Division Superintendent, DepEd - Division of La Union graced the event and said in her message that DepEd is very grateful to the Provincial Government of La Union (PGLU) for including the students in one of its priority programs. Likewise, she encouraged the students to not just memorize their human rights but also to put in their hearts whatever will be imparted to them in the seminar.

During the two-day seminar, resource speakers talked on various issues concerning the youth of today. Former SP Chair on Justice and Human Rights, Hon. Henry A. Bacurnay, Jr., explained one by one, the 30 Articles of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights.

Mr. Danilo T. Balino, Head Promotions

Division and Information Officer III of the Commission on Human Rights, Region I apprised the students on the human rights situation in the Philippines.

One of the most common problems in schools, which is bullying, was discussed by Atty. Jessamine Lynn Dale Chua of the Provincial Legal Office of the PGLU. She explained the salient features of the "Anti-Bullying Act," the different types of bullying and the procedures in handling bullying incidents in schools. The Juvenile Justice and Welfare Act was discussed by Atty. Jaime Gonzalez, Jr. as he enlightened the youth on the causes of delinquency, classification of delinquency and the common offenses of the youth. He said that the root cause of delinquency is family related or due to the lack of harmonious relationship existing among parents and children.

Aside from the lectures and workshops, team building activities were also conducted such as candle lighting in commemoration of human rights victim. "Let this light be our stepping stone to prove that we are not just youth, but we are youth with substance," uttered by Nikka Joy Abenoja, one of the participants in her human rights message. The students also stamped their hand prints which signified their commitment towards ending human rights abuses. "Breaking the Ice" was also done to encourage the youth to break

their silence and speak up for what is right while the "Web-Making" activity inculcated among the youth that even if they are different in color, race and belief, they are inter-connected and should look after each other's welfare in order for everyone to succeed.

"Your life lies in your hands," this was the message of the Honorable Vice Gov. Aureo Augusto Q. Nisce. On behalf of Gov. Francisco Emmanuel "Pacoy" R. Ortega III, Vice Gov. Nisce imparted the need to always have passion on what they do and fighting for in order to succeed in life. As a father, he also shared the value of listening and obeying their parents. He also said that PGLU has been giving the youth proper tools and mechanisms such as this seminar that they could make use of to empower and better themselves in order to have a better future.

The seminar was concluded by each of the participant's activity and commitment setting in celebration of the National Human Rights Consciousness Week in their respective schools. Among their commitments are re-echoing of the seminar, conduct of programs, seminars and symposia on human rights, posting of posters, quotes and small facts related to human rights and video presentation on human rights.

# CDH SPEARHEADS CHRISTMAS THANKSGIVING PARTY FOR ELDERLIES

Marlon C. Runas

As part of the vision of Caba District Hospital (CDH) to be the Center of H-ealthier and satisfied patients, O-utstanding and modern facilities, P-rofessional and compassionate personnel, E-quitabile and inclusive services (H.O.P.E), CDH headed by Gretchen F. Aromin spearheaded a Christmas Thanksgiving Party for the elderly on December 12, 2018 at Diego Silang Civic Center and Historical Plaza, Poblacion Norte, Caba, La Union.

Dr. Aromin opened the program with an inspirational Christmas message and expressed her appreciation for the participation of the Senior Citizens (SC) in the said occasion. She also presented the different services they can avail during the half-day Christmas event made for them.

668 SCs from the 17 Barangays of the Municipality of Caba actively participated in various activities which include Free Medical Consultation, Dental check-up, Wellness Program, Therapeutic Massage, issuance of free medicine, parlor games, raffle draw and dance contest.

From the 668 SCs, 177 were medically consulted and provided with free medicine, 20 benefited from the dental services conducted by Provincial Government of La Union-Provincial Health Office (PGLU-PHO), 41 were therapeutically massaged by the Scholars of the ABONO Party-List. All participants received a gift from PGLU-PHO, Department of Health (DOH), Mayor Philip Crispino and Sangguniang Bayan Members of the Municipality of Caba and other sponsors.

The highlight of the event was the "Kiss Me, Kiss Me" Dance Contest which was participated in by 11 barangays. They showcased their groove, gracefulness and creative Christmas costumes. Brgy. San Carlos was declared the Champion followed by Brgy. Poblacion Norte and San Cornelio as Second and Third place respectively.

Community Outreach Program for elderlies is an activity of CDH to reach out and to achieve the health goal of Gov. Francisco Emmanuel "Pacoy" R. Ortega III which is a Healthy La Union, Happy La Union by 2022.



Senior Citizens of the Municipality of Caba showcase their groove and energy as they participate in the "Kiss Me, Kiss Me" dance contest during the Caba District Hospital (CDH) Christmas Thanksgiving Party 2018 on December 12, 2018 at Diego Silang Civic Center and Historical Plaza, Poblacion Norte, Caba, La Union.



Gov. Pacoy administers the oath of Sudipen Sangguniang Bayan Member Ambrosio A. Abella, Jr. as new Sangguniang Bayan Member of the Municipality of Sudipen, La Union on December 3, 2018 at Sudipen, La Union.



Provincial Jail Warden Rimas G. Calixto discusses the La Union Provincial Jail By-Laws during the general assembly for the inmates on December 10, 2018 at the Provincial Jail, City of San Fernando, La Union.



# BAGULIN ALIGNS DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY TO PROVINCIAL AGRI-TOURISM VISION

Vanessa C. Badua

The Municipal Government of Bagulin strengthened its development strategy by aligning it to the La Union Agri-Tourism Vision through a Municipal Development Strategy (MDS) Workshop on December 4 and 5, 2018 at Lafaayette Suites Resort, Baccuit Norte, Bauang, La Union.

The workshop was attended by Gov. Francisco Emmanuel “Pacoy” R. Ortega III, Mayor Ferdinand Tumbaga, together with members of the Sangguniang Bayan, Barangay Captains, Department Heads, key personnel of the Local Government Unit (LGU) and NGOs. In his speech, Gov. Pacoy expressed his appreciation to Mayor Tumbaga and the rest of LGU Bagulin for reaching out and expressing their intent in anchoring on the province’s Agri-Tourism Vision. Furthermore, he emphasized the importance of the LGU’s role in ensuring the environmental sustainability amidst the continuous tourism developments within the Municipality. Gov. Pacoy also stated that PGLU shall support the LGU through



Gov. Pacoy presents the Agri-Tourism Vision of La Union to the Municipal Government of Bagulin, headed by Mayor Ferdinand Tumbaga, as they strengthen their development strategy by aligning it to the La Union Agri-Tourism Vision through a Municipal Development Strategy (MDS) Workshop held on December 4 to 5, 2018 at the Lafaayette Suites, Baccuit Sur, Bauang, La Union.

several interventions such as infrastructure development, tourism marketing, and technical assistance.

The participants underwent a series of modules and team building activities facilitated by Ms. Agnes Grace A. Cargamento, Governor’s Consultant, together with members of the Office for Provincial Strategy (OPS). Led by Mayor Tumbaga, the participants decided to focus its development strategies on its existing industrial strengths in Agriculture and Adventure.

Anchoring on the Agri-Tourism Vision, LGU Bagulin identified its new vision tagline, “By year 2020, Bagulin envisions to be a progressive and environmentally secured home of God loving and empowered citizens enjoying better quality of life.” In order for this to materialize, LGU Bagulin identified specific programs, projects, and activities which have direct impacts to the attainment of the vision.

# CDH CONDUCTS ADOLESCENT HEALTH PROGRAM

Marlon C. Runas

Caba District Hospital (CDH), led by Dr. Gretchen F. Aromin, conducted an Adolescent Health and Youth Development Community Outreach Program at San Gregorio National High School (SGNHS), San Gregorio, Caba, La Union on December 11, 2018.

A total of 241 students from Grade 7-12 of SGNHS actively participated in various activities such as lectures on Adolescent Development and Anti-Smoking Advocacy; Mobile Blood Donation; Infection prevention and control; handwashing lecture and demonstration; Anti-Rabies awareness; Antimicrobial Stewardship; HIV Awareness; Violence Against Women and Children; and presentation of the CDH’s Infection prevention and control campaign jingle. It concluded with the signing of the Pledge of Support to CDH’s Anti-Smoking Brigade Advocacy and Anti-Microbial Stewardship.

Dr. Aromin gave an inspirational message to the youth and introduced the hospital’s Adolescent Health and Youth Development Program. She emphasized to them that as the future leaders of the community, they should be

aware on the issues and challenges that the youth are facing today. She encouraged them to support the various programs of the hospital specifically the Adolescent Health and Youth Development Program to help the institution and the Province of La Union in achieving Gov. Francisco Emmanuel “Pacoy” R. Ortega III’s vision to become a Healthy and Happy La Union by 2022.

Highlights of the activity were the signing of the Pledge of Support to Anti-Smoking Brigade by the teachers of SGNHS, headed by their Officer-in-Charge Principal Mrs. Marian Castellones and the Pledge to promote the rational use of antimicrobials responsibly signed by the students.

CDH recognizes the vital role of all adolescents in the society now and in the future. Advocacy for their welfare includes physical, mental and social wellbeing, reproductive health rights awareness and provision of empowerment opportunities to prepare them to be productive member of the community.



PLEDGE OF SUPPORT FOR A SMOKE-FREE ENVIRONMENT. Gretchen F. Aromin, Chief of Hospital of Caba District Hospital (CDH), and Mrs. Marian Castellones, Officer-in-Charge Principal of San Gregorio National High School (SGNHS) sign their Pledge of Support to the Anti-Smoking Brigade Advocacy as witnessed by the CDH Staff together with teachers during the Adolescent Health and Youth Development Community Outreach Program at SGNHS, San Gregorio, Caba, La Union on December 11, 2018.

# DOT ACCLAIMS LA UNION’S EFFORTS FOR TOURISM DEVELOPMENT

Darlene Acosta



La Union Provincial Tourism Officer Mr. Adamor L. Dagang presents the highlights of the Local Tourism Development Planning Writeshop for Local Government Units during the Tourism Development Planning Year-End Assessment and Intervention Workshop on December 19, 2018 at Java Hotel, Laoag City, Ilocos Norte.

The Provincial Government of La Union (PGLU) presented its Tourism Development Plan to the Department of Tourism-Region 1 (DOT-R1) and to the core members of the provincial tourism planning committees of other provinces of Region 1 during the Tourism Development Planning Year-End Assessment and Intervention Workshop on December 18 to 19, 2018 at Java Hotel, Laoag City, Ilocos Norte.

The planning committees of the four provinces presented their accomplishment and utilization reports for the financial assistance provided for the plan formulation. La Union Provincial Tourism Officer, Mr. Adamor L. Dagang, presented the highlights of the Local Tourism Development Planning Writeshop for Local Government Units (LGUs) as well as the next steps to be undertaken to accomplish and implement future plans and projects for the development of the province.

The PGLU’s five Circuit Plans and the Provincial Tourism Master Plan were completed earlier this year. In La Union, four LGUs have already finished their LGU Master Plans, while three are nearing completion. 13 LGUs have produced drafts of their Tourism Plan.

For transparency, the year-end assessment activity aims to validate the actual status of plan preparation and to determine the technical assistance still needed by the provinces. The tourism key players work hand in hand for the development, promotion and sustainability of tourism in Region 1 which is also essential in positioning La Union as the Heart of Agri-Tourism in Northern Luzon by 2025.





Gov. Pacoy encourages all members of the Provincial Development Council (PDC) to continue with their developmental projects and innovate more for the year 2019 during the PDC Meeting on December 17, 2018 at the Diego Silang Hall, Provincial Capitol, City of San Fernando, La Union.



With around 80 attendees, Dr. Zenserly D. Pagaduan, Chief of Bacnotan District Hospital (BDH), orients the senior high school students of Bacnotan National High School about hospital policies and BDH health advocacies on December 3, 2018. This was followed by an HIV/AIDS Prevention lecture on December 4, 2018 by HIV Certified Counselor, Mr. Jeffrey B. Julian, nurse. This activity is one of BDH's strategic projects entitled "Education and Advocacy on Sexually-Transmitted Infections (STIs) and HIV Transmission Prevention among Locals, Tourism Workers, and Tourists in the Central Agri-Tourism Circuit; and Provision of HIV Counselling and Testing Services to Interested Individuals, Groups, Organizations, Institutions."



FOR A BETTER FUTURE. The Provincial Government of La Union, through the Provincial Treasurer's Office, distributes the stipend of 138 students of Sto. Rosario National High School, San Juan, La Union on December 7, 2018.



SECURING THE FUTURE OF THE YOUTH. Gov. Francisco Emmanuel "Pacoy" R. Ortega III gives checks to around 800 scholars of the Provincial Government of La Union on December 21, 2018 at the Diego Silang Hall, Provincial Capitol, City of San Fernando, La Union.



In line with the Social Services Program of Gov. Pacoy, Sangguniang Palalawigan Committee Chair on Social Services Board Member Bellarmin A. Flores II distributes medical and burial financial assistance to indigent beneficiaries in Rosario, La Union on December 20, 2018.



Cooperative Development Authority (CDA) Region 1 Director Josefina B. Bitonio turns over the key of the new CDA Building to Gov. Pacoy on December 20, 2018 at the Office of the Governor, Provincial Capitol, City of San Fernando, La Union. The building will be utilized by the Office of the Provincial Agriculturist to further facilitate their activities in support of the province's vision to be the Heart of Agri-Tourism in Northern Luzon by 2025.



Gov. Pacoy is receives a token from Police Director Noli G.Taliño during his courtesy visit on December 21, 2018 at the Office of the Governor, Provincial Capitol, City of San Fernando, La Union.



Gov. Pacoy signs the deed of conditional donation for the Provincial Government of La Union with the La Union Provincial Police Office represented by PSSUPT Ricardo Layug, Jr. for the conveyance of 23 motorcycles to the different Chiefs of Police of every Municipality of the Province of La Union on December 17, 2018 at the Provincial Capitol, City of San Fernando, La Union. Said motorcycles were immediately distributed thereafter.





Gov. Pacoy emphasizes that the achievement of the Seal of Good Local Governance 2017 by the Provincial Government of La Union (PGLU) was made possible because of the concerted efforts of all PGLU Officials and Employees in providing public service to the people of La Union during the First Monday Flag Raising Program on December 3, 2018 at the Provincial Capitol Grounds, City of San Fernando, La Union.



The technical staff of the Office of the Provincial Veterinarian conducts Rabies Information Education Campaign (IEC) to barangay captains of Bauang at the Session Hall of Municipality of Bauang, La Union on December 6, 2018. It is expected that each barangay captain will contribute to rabies awareness in their respective barangays.



TIME FOR A BREAK. Gov. Pacoy joins the merriment of the second district of La Union Market Vendors Association during their Christmas Program on December 5, 2018 at the Enfranio Eriguel Civic Center, Agoo, La Union. Also present in the event are 2nd District of La Union Representative Sandra Y. Eriguel, Agoo Mayor Stefanie Ann Y. Eriguel, and Pugo Mayor Priscilla M. Martin.



Dr. Maria Teresa B. Corpuz, surgeon, operates on one of the patients who is a beneficiary of the free surgical screening at Bacnotan District Hospital (BDH) on December 6, 2018. Free screening is regularly conducted every Monday, Wednesday and Friday for the whole month of December with the theme, "Goodbye cyst, bukol, at iba pa! Merry ang Christmas, Bright ang New Year!" This is to achieve the health goal of Gov. Pacoy which is "Healthy La Union, Happy La Union by 2022."



PASKO NG MGA ISKOLAR. Gov. Pacoy extends his congratulations to ABONO Party-List scholars for their achievements in their chosen courses during their Christmas Program on December 14, 2018 at the Ortega Gym, City of San Fernando, La Union.



Bacnotan District Hospital (BDH) Surgeon Dr. Maria Teresa B. Corpuz assesses a patient during the free surgical screening with the theme, "Goodbye cyst, bukol, at iba pa! Merry ang Christmas, Bright ang New Year!" on December 3, 2018. After the screening, subsequent operations will be scheduled upon completion of the necessary preparations. This is another step to achieve the health goal of Gov. Pacoy which is "Healthy La Union, Happy La Union by 2022."



CONSISTENCY IN GOOD LOCAL GOVERNANCE. Gov. Pacoy, Vice Gov. Aureo Augusto Q. Nisce, Sangguniang Panlalawigan Members, Department Heads, Chiefs of Hospitals and Employees of the Provincial Government of La Union accept the Seal of Good Local Governance 2017 plaque awarded by the Department of Interior and Local Government during the First Monday Flag Raising Program on December 3, 2018 at the Provincial Capitol Grounds, City of San Fernando, La Union.



In an effort to fast track the approval of the 10-year Solid Waste Management Plans of the component Local Government Units of the Province of La Union, the Provincial Government of La Union through the Environment and Natural Resources Unit conducts a workshop on the finalization of the plan on December 17, 2018 at the Villa Marand Resort and Spa, Bauang, La Union. Representatives from the Department of Environment and Natural Resources - Environmental Management Bureau Region 1 gave a lecture on the review and approval process of the plan as well as on the various components of the plan.



Gov. Pacoy inspires La Union Vibrant Women's Inc. members in his speech during the organization's Christmas Program on December 11, 2018 at the Diego Silang Hall, Provincial Capitol, City of San Fernando, La Union.



Bacnotan District Hospital (BDH) personnel, led by Dr. Zenserly D. Pagaduan and Mrs. Joan R. Cabatu, founder and president of In His Presence Unto All Nations, Inc. Ministry, hands over baby apparel to one of the admitted newborn patients at BDH on December 4, 2018. Mothers were also reminded to use various family planning methods during the distribution. Said church is a partner and donor of BDH since 2015 and is based in New Jersey, USA.



# LUMC'S BAC CONDUCTS ITS FIRST OPENING OF BIDS

Ariane Erin C. Amparo



Provincial Legal Officer Atty. Dominique Jose S. Puzon guides the first opening of bids for medical equipment and supplies for La Union Medical Center on December 19, 2018 at the Dr. Eufranio C. Eriguel Memorial Hall, Sangguniang Panlalawigan Building, Provincial Capitol, City of San Fernando, La Union.

The La Union Medical Center Bids and Awards Committee (BAC) conducted its first Opening of Bids on December 19, 2018 at the Dr. Eufranio "Franny" C. Eriguel Memorial Hall, Provincial Capitol, City of San Fernando, La Union.

A total of 36 companies joined the said activity for the procurement, supply and delivery of the following: Laboratory Supplies, X-Ray supplies, Drugs and Medicines (Regular & Retail), and Medical and Surgical Supplies (Regular & Retail).

Created and approved by LUMC's Board of Trustees on November 14, 2018, the BAC piloted a Pre-Bid Conference on December 9, 2018 at the Diego Silang Hall, Provincial Capitol, City of San Fernando, La Union through the assistance of Atty. Dominique Jose Puzon, Provincial BAC

Chairperson and Engr. Robert Lelina, Chairman of the Provincial BAC Secretariat.

"We've created the Bids and Awards Committee to hasten the procurement of drugs, medicines, X-ray, laboratory, surgical and all other supplies the hospital needs for its day to day operations," said Dr. Glenn Ernest M. Fonbuena, LUMC's Chief Executive Officer and BAC Chairperson during the Pre-Bid Conference.

Focused on making medical services more accessible to the people, this streamlined procurement process paves the way towards Gov. Francisco Emmanuel "Pacoy" R. Ortega III's goal for the province of a "Healthy La Union, Happy La Union by 2022."



ENDING THE YEAR STRONG. Gov. Francisco Emmanuel "Pacoy" R. Ortega III commends the joint effort of all Provincial Government of La Union (PGLU) officials and employees in achieving all recognitions and awards La Union received in 2018 during the PGLU Christmas Party on December 14, 2018 at the Provincial Capitol Grounds, City of San Fernando, La Union.



Representatives from the Provincial Government of La Union - Environment and Natural Resources Unit receive the resolution approving the 10-year solid waste management plan of the Province of La Union on December 6, 2018 at the Conference Hall of the Bureau of Soils and Water Management, Quezon City. Department of Environment and Natural Resources Undersecretary Benny D. Antiporda, undersecretary for solid waste management awarded the resolution to all Local Government Units that passed the deliberation of their plans by the National Solid Waste Management Commission ExeCom.



As part of the National Health Emergency Preparedness Day celebration, Bacnotan District Hospital (BDH) conducts a fire drill led by members of the Fire/Earthquake and Disaster Management Committee on December 6, 2018. Said activity involved BDH personnel, patients, and senior high school students of Bacnotan National High School.



Gov. Pacoy highlights the role played by Market Vendors Association in ensuring the rights of sellers during the First District of La Union Christmas Program on December 10, 2018 at the Diego Silang Hall, Provincial Capitol, City of San Fernando, La Union.



Caba District Hospital (CDH), headed by Gretchen F. Aromin, presents to Gov. Pacoy and the Sangguniang Panlalawigan Members the awards received by the hospital during the Philippine Hospital Association (PHA) 69th Annual National Convention "Hospitals' Best Practices in Infection Prevention and Control Awards Year 5" on December 3, 2018 at the Provincial Capitol, City of San Fernando, La Union. The awards are the Best in Antimicrobial Stewardship Awards, Best in Healthcare Waste- Management Award, Second Runner up Best Jingle in Infection Prevention & Control and DOH 30 Star Awards 2018.



The Provincial Government of La Union spreads the love to residents of Barangay Pias, City of San Fernando, La Union on December 19, 2018 by distributing Christmas gift packs. Provincial Disaster Risk Reduction Management Office Volunteer Rafy Ortega leads the distribution of goods to 285 beneficiaries.



PUBLIC SERVICE GUIDED BY FAITH. Gov. Pacoy distributes bibles to Provincial Government of La Union employees on December 10, 2018 at the Office of the Provincial Governor, Provincial Capitol, City of San Fernando, La Union to ensure that their work is guided by God's words.



# PGLU - FINANCIAL REPORT

## 4TH QUARTER, CY 2018


FDP Form 7 - 20% Component of the IRA Utilization


20% COMPONENT OF THE IRA UTILIZATION  
FOR THE 3rd QUARTER CY 2018

Province of LA Union

Programs/Projects/Activities	Location	Appropriation	Date Started	Target Completion Date	Project Status		No. of Extension, if any	Remarks
					% of Completion	Total Cost Incurred to date		
<b>SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT</b>								
Residential Care Facility (Baleg Pangamang)	La Union	10,000,000.00	1/31/2018	12/31/2018	100.00%	9,970,000.00		
Purchase of ambulance truck for Bacnotan District Hospital	La Union	7,000,000.00	1/31/2018	12/31/2018				
Purchase of ambulance truck for Balaoan District Hospital	La Union	7,000,000.00	1/31/2018	12/31/2018				
Purchase of ambulance truck for Caba District Hospital	La Union	7,000,000.00	1/31/2018	12/31/2018				
Purchase of ambulance truck for Naguilan District Hospital	La Union	7,000,000.00	1/31/2018	12/31/2018				
Purchase of ambulance truck for Rosario District Hospital	La Union	7,000,000.00	1/31/2018	12/31/2018				
Purchase of ambulance truck for La Union Medical Center	La Union	7,000,000.00	1/31/2018	12/31/2018				
Nephrology Center, Bacnotan District Hospital	La Union	5,000,000.00	1/31/2018	12/31/2018				
Construction of building for TB DOTs, Balaoan District Hospital	La Union	1,000,000.00	1/31/2018	12/31/2018				
Construction of Center for HOPE building (Maternal and Child Health Care) Balaoan District Hospital	La Union	5,000,000.00	1/31/2018	12/31/2018				
LED phototherapy system, Balaoan District Hospital	La Union	500,000.00	1/31/2018	12/31/2018				
Purchase of priority medical equipment for Senior Citizens, Caba District Hospital	La Union	266,000.00	1/31/2018	12/31/2018				
Clinical centrifuge 16 place, Naguilan District Hospital	La Union	2,000,000.00	1/31/2018	12/31/2018				
Plasma extractor, Naguilan District Hospital	La Union	2,000,000.00	1/31/2018	12/31/2018				
Glycohemoglobin reader machine, Rosario District Hospital	La Union	1,000,000.00	1/31/2018	12/31/2018				
Pulmonary function test, Rosario District Hospital	La Union	1,000,000.00	1/31/2018	12/31/2018				
Portable x-ray machine 350 MA, La Union Medical Center	La Union	3,500,000.00	1/31/2018	12/31/2018				
Oxygen gauge, La Union Medical Center	La Union	1,300,000.00	1/31/2018	12/31/2018				
Barangay Socio-Economic and Governance Outreach Program	La Union	30,000,000.00	1/31/2018	12/31/2018	9.52%	2,856,000.00		
- Assistance to requesting barangays for: a. Medical equipment b. Installation of street lights c. Rehabilitation of irrigation system d. Emergency and monitoring vehicles	La Union							
Multi-purpose Infrastructure (including evacuation centers, sports centers, health/day care centers)	La Union	37,000,000.00	1/31/2018	12/31/2018				
Construction of Special Drug Education Center (Rehabilitation Center)	La Union	10,000,000.00	1/31/2018	12/31/2018				
<b>ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT</b>								
Construction of Pasaklong Center	La Union	4,000,000.00	1/31/2018	12/31/2018				
Provision of farm machinery/equipment (Agricultural Farm Machinery Library)	La Union	10,000,000.00	1/31/2018	12/31/2018				
Construction of multi-purpose building (POBIM Operation Center)	La Union	42,667,314.00	1/31/2018	12/31/2018				
<b>ENVIRONMENT MANAGEMENT</b>								
Water Quality Management Program - Management of the river system - Water Quality Monitoring (Purchase of equipment)	La Union	3,500,000.00	1/31/2018	12/31/2018				
Conduct of Search for Cleanest, Greenest, Safest (GIG) in the Province (worth of projects)	La Union	10,250,000.00	1/31/2018	12/31/2018	4.88%	500,000.00		
Natural Resource Management and Climate Change Adaptation Support - Land, Air, Water	La Union	4,500,000.00	1/31/2018	12/31/2018				
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>226,483,314.00</b>				<b>13,326,000.00</b>		

We hereby certify that we have reviewed the contents and hereby attest to the veracity and correctness of the data or information contained in this document.

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FDP Form 9 - Statement of Cash Flow (COA Form)

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS  
For the Third Quarter Ended September 30, 2018  
Province: LA UNION

Cash Flows from Operating Activities:

Cash Inflows:

Collection from Taxpayers	20,288,382.70
Share from Internal Revenue Collections	283,141,833.00
Receipts from business/service income	41,277,220.34
Collection of Receivables	10,603,991.73
Receipt of Interest Income	8,687,098.72
Other Receipts	87,300,576.05
<b>Total Cash Inflow</b>	<b>451,299,102.54</b>

Cash Outflows:

Payment of Expenses	163,228,488.28
Payments to Suppliers/Creditors	81,206,132.14
Payments to Employees	10,893,428.93
Other Disbursements	137,419,394.86
<b>Total Cash Outflow</b>	<b>392,747,444.21</b>

Net Cash from Operating Activities 58,551,658.33

Cash Flows from Investing Activities:

Cash Inflows:

From Sale of Property, Plant and Equipment	-
From Sale of Debt Securities of Other Entities	-
From Collection of Principal on Loans to Other Entities	-
<b>Total Cash Inflow</b>	<b>-</b>

Cash Outflows:

To Purchase Property, Plant and Equipment	214,005,999.41
To Purchase Debt Securities of Other Entities	-
To Grant/Make Loans to Other Entities	-
<b>Total Cash Outflow</b>	<b>214,005,999.41</b>

Net Cash from Investing Activities (214,005,999.41)

Cash Flows from Financing Activities

Cash Inflows:

From Issuance of Debt Securities	-
From Acquisition of Loan	83,000,000.00
<b>Total Cash Inflow</b>	<b>83,000,000.00</b>

Cash Outflows:

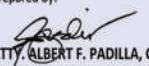
Payment of Loan Amortization	353,394.63
Interest Expense	459,026.30
Other Financial Charges	622,500.00
<b>Total Cash Outflow</b>	<b>1,434,920.93</b>

Net Cash from Financing Activities 81,565,079.07

Net Increase in Cash (73,889,262.01)

Cash at Beginning of the Period 2,046,650,171.93

Cash at the End of the Period 1,972,760,909.92


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FDP Form 8 - Local Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Fund Utilization (COA Form)

LOCAL DISASTER RISK REDUCTION AND MANAGEMENT FUND UTILIZATION  
For the Third Quarter, CY 2018  
Province: LA UNION

Particulars	Quick Response Fund (QRF) 30%	Mitigation Fund 70%	NDRMF	From Other LGUs	From Other Sources	Total
<b>A. Sources of Funds (Unutilized Balances)</b>						
Current Appropriations	18,731,743.10	41,501,644.35				60,233,387.45
Continuing Appropriations		1,142,921.53				1,142,921.53
Previous Year's Appropriations transferred to the Special Trust Fund		39,343,461.66				39,343,461.66
Transfer/Gifts						
<b>Total Funds Available</b>	<b>18,731,743.10</b>	<b>81,986,027.54</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>100,717,768.64</b>
<b>B. Utilization</b>						
Payment to Hotel Supreme Convention Plaza for the training venue with accommodation during the conduct of Mental Health & Psychosocial Support training Clinics, Emergency & Disaster at Baguio City CHM152877 JV-2018-07-010099		844,800.00				844,800.00
Payment to SBC I Library for the meals and snacks served during the First Aid and Basic Life Support Training last February 5 - March 2, 2018 CHM152908 JV-2018-07-010108		432,000.00				432,000.00
Payment of refilled oxygen tank used for rescue operation CHM151963 JV-2018-07-010068		880.00				880.00
Payment of repair of patrol boat and rescue vehicle SAA 2071 CHM151963 JV-2018-07-010068		300.00				300.00
Payment to Toyota La Union for the maintenance of SAA-450 of PDRMAD CHM151968 JV-2018-07-010052		10,668.51				10,668.51
Payment to Toyota La Union for the maintenance of SAA-2071 (A bulance) of PDRMAD CHM152880 JV-2018-07-010106		18,258.48				18,258.48
Payment to Jemah Savano et al. for the transportation, transportation of the OSMD Central Office QC during the Training on Mental Health and Psychosocial Support among LDRMCs on July 17-20 (1st Batch) and July 21-Aug 3, 2018 (2nd Batch) a Baguio City, RD 118 JV-2018-08-010281		52,000.00				52,000.00
Payment to Atty's Car-Road Trading for the upgrade of Hi-Lux for search and rescue operation CHM152058 JV-2018-08-011754		950,500.00				950,500.00
Payment of parts for the maintenance of rescue vehicle SFH 832 and maintenance of rescue equipment CHM152072 JV-2018-08-011753		1,783.00				1,783.00
Payment to Microvision Customized Printing Gen. Mde. for rescue uniforms for the use of PDRMAD CHM152112 JV-2018-09-013875		523,020.00				523,020.00
Payment to Car Brake Auto Supply for the maintenance of Rescue Patrol Boat of PDRMAD CHM152021 JV-2018-08-012242		23,850.00				23,850.00
Payment to Toyota La Union for 1 unit pick-up truck to be used as rescue vehicle of PDRMAD CHM1520767 JV-2018-09-012883		1,666,000.00				1,666,000.00
Payment to Saramon J Trading Corporation for the rescue equipments delivered CHM152111 JV-2018-09-012870		16,372,000.00				16,372,000.00
<b>Total Utilization</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>20,891,069.99</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>20,891,069.99</b>
<b>Unutilized Balance</b>	<b>18,731,743.10</b>	<b>61,094,957.55</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>79,826,698.65</b>

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FDP Form 11 - SEF Utilization (SEF Budget Accountability Form No. 3)

SEF UTILIZATION  
Third Quarter, CY 2018


Province - LA UNION


Receipt from SEF

Less: DISBURSEMENTS (broken down by expense class and by object of expenditure)

Personal Services	
Maintenance and Other Operating Expenses	9,722,000.00
Traveling Expenses	3,500,000.00
Drugs and Medicines Expenses	2,115,000.00
Telephone and Information Materials Expenses	4,811,800.00
Representation Expenses	12,867,288.68
Supplies	1,108,000.00
Capital Outlay	
Financial Expenses	
<b>Total Disbursements</b>	<b>26,964,138.68</b>
<b>Balance</b>	<b>45,038,073.05</b>

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FDP Form 13 - Manpower Complement


MANPOWER COMPLEMENT  
Republic of the Philippines  
Budget Year 2018  
Third Quarter

Nature of Appointment or Employment	Number	Compensation and Other Benefits		Total
		Salaries and Wages	Other Monetary Benefits	
I. Permanent	1,323	239,998,798.40	132,176,459.30	372,175,257.70
II. Contractual				
III. Job Order/Contract Service	374	28,264,969.13		28,264,969.13
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>1,697</b>	<b>268,263,767.53</b>	<b>132,176,459.30</b>	<b>400,440,226.83</b>

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Notes:  
1. Contractual personnel are those whose employment in the government is in accordance with a special contract to undertake a specific work or job, requiring special or technical skills not available in the employing agency, to be accomplished within a specific period, which in no case shall exceed one year, and perform or accomplish the specific work or job, under his own responsibility with a minimum of direction and supervision from the hiring agency. (Source: PRESIDENTIAL DECREE NO. 807 October 6, 1975)  
2. Contract of Services/Job Orders are employees whose services rendered are not considered governments services and do not enjoy the benefits enjoyed by government employees. The job order covers piece work or intermittent job of short duration not exceeding six months on a daily basis. (Source: Davao Rules Implementing Book V of E.O. No. 292 and Other Pertinent Civil Service Laws)

Note:  
Permanent Position - includes careerism but plantilla position; permanent casual but plantilla position  
Contractual - includes careerism, compensation from PS  
Job Order/Contract Service - includes Casual; compensation from MOOE; careerism but NOT plantilla position

FDP Form 12 - Unliquidated Cash Advances

UNLIQUIDATED CASH ADVANCES  
For the Third Quarter, CY 2018

Province, City or Municipality: LA UNION

Name of Debtor (in alphabetical order)	Amount Balance	Date Granted	Purpose	Amount Due				
				Current Less than 30 days	91-365 days	Over 1 year	Over 2 years	3 years and above
Abella, Floribel Ambros	30,367.44	08/22/18	Travel-Davao City on Aug 28-31, 2018	30,367.44				
Acosta, Darlene	22,480.00	09/27/18	Travel-Vigan City, September 27-28, 2018	22,480.00				
Aplado, Dexter Mark	6,154.99	9/18/2018	Travel-Manobo City, Sept 13-14, 2018	6,154.99				
Agrin, Rosita	28,240.00	8/24/2018	Travel-Davao City, August 29-31, 2018		28,240.00			
Bacmang, Gladys Mae	14,820.00	9/21/2018	Travel-Mankia, September 26-28, 2018		14,820.00			
Bacmay, Nancy Corason	36,757.00	9/21/2018	Travel-Davao City, September 20-22, 2018		36,757.00			
Balcita, Glo Ann	8,090.00	8/28/2018	Travel-Pang City, August 28-29, 2018		8,090.00			
Becart, Ferdinand	15,080.00	8/28/2018	Travel-Davao City, Aug 28-Sept 01, 2018		15,080.00			
Camacho, Arvin	59,840.00	9/21/2018	Travel-Bagui City, September 17-18, 2018		59,840.00			
Chan, Charie	122,680.00	08/16/18	Travel-Batangas, Laguna & Quezon, Aug 22-24, 2018		122,680.00			
Concepcion, Carlo Castor	30,330.52	9/18/2018	Travel-Davao City, September 20-22, 2018		30,330.52			
Concepcion, Carlo Castor	6,000.00	9/17/2018	Registration Seminar		6,000.00			
Cortes, Arthur	45,800.00	9/27/2018	Travel-Mankia, September 25-27, 2018		45,800.00			
Dugang, Adimor	75,600.00	8/24/2018	Travel-Pang City, Aug 30-Sept 03, 2018		75,600.00			
De Guzman, Maria Annabelle	33,078.92	9/18/2018	Travel-Davao City, Aug 28-September 20-22, 2018		33,078.92			
De la Cuesta, Elnora	62,940.00	7/12/2018	Travel-Palawan, October 30-14, 2018		62,940.00			
Defraddo, Michaela Louise	120,000.00	9/25/2018	Travel-Mankia City, September 20, 2018		120,000.00			
Flores, Bellarmine B.	45,760.00	9/18/2018	Travel-Davao City, September 20-22, 2018		45,760.00			
Guerrero, Joanna	50,000.00	7/5/2018	Travel-Tapayan City, July 18-19, 2018		50,000.00			
Guerrero, Joanna	89,770.00	8/28/2018	Travel-Laguna City, August 27-31, 2018		89,770.00			
Hernandez, Edna	51,160.00	8/28/2018	Travel-Davao City, Aug 28-Sept 01, 2018		51,160.00			
Huano, Joseito	25,320.00	9/18/2018	Travel-Bagui City, September 14-21, 2018		25,320.00			
Ipiac, Ramon	12,360.00	6/27/2018	TEV-Davao City on June 28-30, 2018		12,360.00			
Jarba, Diane	44,860.00	9/18/2018	Travel-Leyte, September 4-6, 2018		44,860.00			
Libong, Grace	19,720.00	9/21/2018	Travel-Laguna, September 19-20, 2018		19,720.00			
Masuri, Gemma	25,600.00	9/21/2018	Travel-Mankia City, September 20, 2018		25,600.00			
Maggi, Flor De Luz	15,985.04	9/25/2018	Travel-Davao City, October 3-6, 2018		15,985.04			
Mallari, Jonathan	6,000.00	9/18/2018	Registration Seminar		6,000.00			
Mangalat, Jennifer Joan	47,865.00	8/28/2018	Travel-Laguna City, August 27-31, 2018		47,865.00			
Marbella, Irish Joy	12,000.00	9/17/2018	Registration Seminar		12,000.00			
Mariano, Ma. Anna Josephine	14,620.00	9/25/2018	Travel-Mankia, Manila, September 25-28, 2018		14,620.00			
Mendoza, Evangeline	40,635.00	8/17/2018	Travel-Laguna City, August 27-31, 2018		40,635.00			
Mieses, Leny	550.20	8/13/2018	Travel-Davao City, Aug 28-Sept 1, 2018		550.20			
Mosuelo, Reynaldo	12,000.00	09/13/18	Registration Seminar		12,000.00			
Mosuelo, Reynaldo	35,160.00	09/18/18	Travel-Davao City, September 20-22, 2018		35,160.00			
Oros, Jonathan Justo	42,960.00	9/18/2018	Travel-Davao City, September 20-22, 2018		42,960.00			
Oros, Jonathan Justo	12,000.00	9/17/2018	Registration Seminar		12,000.00			
Ortega, Geraldine Jay	6,500.00	7/31/2018	Travel-Tapayan City, July 18, 2018		6,500.00			
Padilla, Jeanette	9,520.00	6/22/2018	TEV-Bagui City on June 25-27, 2018		9,520.00			
Papa, Armando	12,860.00	9/18/2018	Travel-Mankia & Laguna, Sept 13-14-15-20, 2018		12,860.00			
Pison, Gary	36,200.00	9/25/2018	Travel-Davao City, September 20-22, 2018		36,200.00			
Pison, Gary	24,000.00	9/25/2018	Registration Seminar					



# PGLU DONATES MEDICAL EQUIPMENT, MULTICAB VEHICLES TO SURFING CAPITAL OF THE NORTH

Francis Michael C. Eslava

The Provincial Government of La Union (PGLU), through Gov. Francisco Emmanuel "Pacoy" R. Ortega III, donated medical equipment and one unit of multicab vehicle each to the last batch of barangays of San Juan, La Union on December 20, 2018 at the Provincial Capitol Grounds, City of San Fernando, La Union in support of its increasing tourist arrivals.

After House Bill No. 6683 declaring La Union as the Surfing Capital of the North was passed in the Committee Hearing in the Senate on October 4, 2018, the PGLU saw the possible effects of increased tourist arrivals. Thus, the need to equip and prepare the Surfing Hub, San Juan in terms of emergency preparedness and security.

A total of 17 barangays including Barangays Allangigan, Aludaid, Bacsayan, Balballosa, Bambanay, Caarusipan, Cabugnayan, Catdungan, Dangdangla, Dinanum, Nagsabaran, Naguirangan, Oaqing, Pagdildilan, Quidem, Saracat and Sinapangan received the vehicles and medical equipment.

"Aside from the patrol for peace and order...it's for public safety and disaster management," said Gov. Pacoy during the turn over ceremony.

Barangay Chairpersons were presented with the terms and conditions



Gov. Pacoy hands over a key to one of the recipients of a multicab vehicle on December 20, 2018 at the Provincial Capitol Grounds, City of San Fernando, La Union. The turning over ceremony of the 17 vehicles completes the multi-purpose vehicles for all the 41 barangays in San Juan, La Union the Surfing Capital of the North.

of the Deed of Donation and the proper use of the vehicles facilitated by the Provincial Legal Officer, Atty. Dominique Jose S. Puzon at the Diego Silang Hall of the Provincial Capitol. Provincial Accountant Atty. Albert F. Padilla, led the blessing of the vehicles through a prayer.

Municipal Mayor of San Juan Hon. Arturo P. Valdriz, expressed his gratitude to the PGLU on behalf of the municipality. He highlighted that the vehicles will further capacitate first responders as the number tourists in the Surfing Capital of the North continues to increase.

During the turnover, Provincial General Services Officer Emelda P. Pascual mobilized her staff to assist in handing over the vehicle documents and the medical equipment to the barangay officials.

Aligned in the interest of public service, the conditional donation of the multicab vehicles with medical equipment aims to enhance the maintenance of peace and order and the provision of immediate medical attention and/or rescue in times of emergencies to the constituents of the barangay as stated in the Local Government Code of 1991.

The turning over ceremony completes the multi-purpose vehicles for all the 41 barangays in San Juan. The first batch was awarded on August 1, 2018 to the first 24 barangays.

## PGLU HONORS OUTSTANDING EMPLOYEES

Jane T. Flores

A high performing and outstanding organization is primarily due to its hardworking, committed and passionate employee-partners. The Provincial Government of La Union (PGLU), by virtue of SP Resolution 703-2018, conferred the Top 10 Provincial Public Servants during the Annual Recognition and PGLU Christmas Party Program 2018 held on December 14, 2018 at the Provincial Capitol Grounds, City of San Fernando, La Union.

After thorough review and rigid screening of the accomplishments of the nominees based from the criteria and personal interview, Engr. Robert L. Lelina, General Services Officer IV from the Office of the General Services; Ms. Rene N. Corpuz, Supervising Agriculturist, from the Office of the Provincial Agriculturist; Dr. Seves C. Corpuz, Medical Officer III of the Bacnotan District Hospital; Dr. Raquel P. Difuntorum, Agriculturist II of the Office of the Provincial Veterinarian; Mr. John Billy D. Marbella, Systems Administrator of the Office of the Sangguniang Panlalawigan; Ms. Mary Jane S. Balancio, Administrative Officer V of the Office of the Provincial Administrator; Mr. Marcelino G. Banera, Construction Maintenance Man from Rosario District Hospital; Mr. Rodrigo F. Dimayuga III,



The Provincial Government of La Union, headed by Gov. Pacoy, recognizes the Top 10 Outstanding Provincial Public Servants (TOPPS) for the year 2018 during the TOPPS Awarding Ceremony on December 14, 2018 at the Provincial Capitol Grounds, City of San Fernando, La Union.

Laborer (Utility Worker) from Naguilian District Hospital; Mr. Ronald P. Cabrillos, Project Development Officer II of the Office of the Provincial Planning and Development Coordinator; Ms. Joy Ann L.

Gurtiza, Administrative Aide VI from the Provincial Tourism Office; Mr. Marlon G. Madayag, Administrative Aide IV of the Office of the Provincial Accountant; Mr. Sylvester B. Flores, Administrative Aide

VI from OPG-Information and Communication Technology Unit; Ms. Shirley O. Munar, Administrative Aide I of the Office of the Provincial Assessor; and Ms. Marzel L. Hufana, Administrative Assistant II from the Office of the Provincial Treasurer were adjudged as awardees.

Nominees who tied on the seventh to tenth place were all considered based on the amended version of the ordinance. All awardees received a plaque, a personal copy of the resolution and a cash incentive of P10,000.00.

Mandated by a memorandum from Gov. Francisco Emmanuel "Pacoy" R. Ortega III, all PGLU departments and district hospitals submitted their respective nominees on or before November 26, 2018 and from the nominees, an interview was conducted on December 5, 2018 by the members of the Sangguniang Panlalawigan Committee on Civil Service, chaired by SP Member Jonathan Justo A. Orros.

"For me and my fellow awardees, the award means a lot. It's a recognition of our dedication and hard work, it's also a milestone in our careers," said Engr. Robert L. Lelina who gave the acceptance speech on behalf of all the awardees.



Provincial Health Officer Dr. Hector Beñas presents a Plaque to Gov. Pacoy recognizing La Union as Malaria-free in 2017 during their courtesy visit on December 3, 2018 at the Office of the Governor, Provincial Capitol, City of San Fernando, La Union.



Gov. Pacoy extends his congratulations and expresses his hopes to ABONO-scholar graduates in his speech during their Commencement Exercises at the Diego Silang Hall, City of San Fernando, La Union on December 6, 2018.