

PEOPLE'S ORGANIZATION NA NA-DIS-AFFILIATE SA ANAKPAWIS, KINONDENA ANG CPP-NPA-NDF SA QUEZON

LAGUNA—Humigut kumulang sa 250 miyembro ng MARILQUE Business and Farmers Association na dating kilala bilang New Little Baguio Kamagong Chapter and Farmer Association na kaanib sa Anakpawis, na nangako sa goyo na ang kanilang suporta sa CPP-NPA-NDF ay aalis na, sinabi ito sa idinaos na rally sa Brgy Magsaysay, Infanta, Quezon.

Kabilang sa mga highlight ng mahalagang aktibidad ay ang pangako na hindi na makikipag ugnayan ang mga miyembro ng MABUFA sa Anakpawis, ang seremonyal na pagsunog ng watawat ng CPP-NPA-NDF bilang simbolo at manipestasyon ng kanilang grupo sa pag-alis ng suporta, at ang pam-

publikong deklarasyon na ang CPP-NPA-NDF bilang persona-non-grata.

Ang tema nito, "Nagkakaisang Pamayanan Para sa Kawayaan" upang ipakita ang kanilang pangkong suporta sa programa ng pamahalaan para sa kapayapaan at pagkakaisa.

Tiniyak naman ng mga kinatawan mula sa iba't ibang member-agencies ng Municipal Task Force to End Local Armed Conflict (MTF-ELCAC) ng Infanta, Quezon ang nabanggit na organisasyon ng kanilang mga pangako upang tungan ang mga pangunahing isyu at problema sa komunidad.

Ibinahagi ni Gng. Maribel Marquez, Pangulo ng MABUFA, ang kanyang patotoo at

karanasan matapos malinlang ng makakaliwang organisasyon. Ipinaabot niya ang kanyang pasasalamat sa pamahalaan para sa patuloy na kampanya ng kamalayan na humantong sa kanilang pag-alis ng suporta at pagiging miyembro mula sa organisasyong sektor ng CPP-NPA-NDF.

Sinabi pa niya na ang kanyang organisasyon ay ganap na tinuligsa ang karanasan at kinondena ang mga kalupitan na ginawa ng Communist Terrorist Groups (CTGs) at ng mga sectoral front organization nito.

Pinahahalagahan naman ni Brigadier General Cerilo Balaoro Jr., Commander, 202nd Infantry (Unifier) Brigade ang mensahe at desisyon ng MABUFA

na binigyang-diin ang kahalagahan ng Executive Order No. 70 o ang Whole-of-Nation Approach.

"Ang kanilang pag-alis sa Anakpawis at pag-alis ng suporta ay isang manipestasyon na ang kanilang mga miyembro ay hindi na naniniwala sa dahilan ng CPP-NPA. Gayundin, ang rally na ito ay isang pagpapahayag ng kanilang suporta at pakikipagtulungan sa pagsikap ng gobyerno na wakasan ang lokal na armadong labanan ng komunista.

Magtulungan tayo para makamit natin ang kapayapaan, seguridad at kaunlaran dahil ito ang ating hangad para sa ating bansa at sa mga susunod na generasyon," dagdag pa niya. (ROMMEL MADRIGAL)

public schools our principals or heads can't do anything. Education here in country is very confusing and unorganized. There is no uniformity in the public schools when it comes to giving the best for the students. Only the teachers are doing their best to still educate the learners. Despite the unavailability of resources, we teachers always find the solution. Even if this means to use our own hard earned money we never complained. (FLORENDO CACACTIN)

PREPARE OUR LEARNERS FOR THE FUTURE — BRIONES

Education Secretary Leonor Briones urged teachers to prepare learners for the future.

"The future cannot wait for us. When our children graduate, everything that we have taught them will become irrelevant because knowledge will have changed. Our teachers have to change along with our learners, and they will not be only teaching, but they will also be learning along with the students," Briones said.

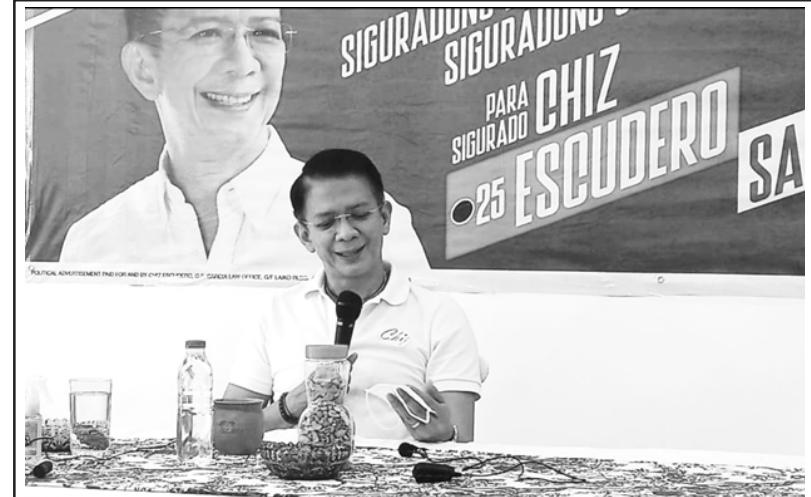
"We have to pre-

pare our learners for the future. We are already late but we should not be late for the future. We should never forget our history, what we are as a people, and how we look," she added.

Last year, DepEd created Education Futures Unit to integrate advancements in learning and teaching processes.

Briones also visited the Benguet Special Education Center to oversee the implementation of limited face-to-face classes.

(EFREN CHAVEZ)



PRESSCON NI CHIZ ESCUDERO—Lubhang hinangaan ng mga mamamahayag ang dating Senator at ngayon ay gobernador ng Sorsogon na si Gob. Chiz Escudero sa idinaos na Press Conference sa Calamba City. Hinangaan sya sa mga magagaling na sagot nito sa mga tanong ng mamamahayag kaugnay sa ibat-ibang issue sa ating bansa. Si Gov. Escudero ay naghahangad na muling maging senador na ayon sa mga mamamahayag kwalipikadong-kwalipikado at sinasabing malaki ang maiaambag nito sa mga batas ng pilipinas para sa kapakanan ng ating bansa. (ROMMEL MADRIGAL)

Hold Badoy accountable for relentless and reckless red-tagging! Abolish NTF-ELCAC!

Elmer "Ka Bong" Labog, Chairman of Kilusang Mayo Uno and MAKABAYAN Senatorial candidate, together with people's organizations, leads the filing of administrative complaints against NTF-ELCAC Spokesperson Usec. Lorraine Badoy before the Office of the Ombudsman today, March 30.

The complaint is based on Usec. Badoy's Facebook post, in her capacity as the spokesperson of the NTF-ELCAC, red-tagging Vice President Leni Robredo, her supporters, and people's organizations.

"Itong si Badoy at NTF-ELCAC ay nawili sa kakaredtag. Andami nang ikinulong at pinatay dahil sa red-tagging nila, pero hindi sila napaparusahan o napapanagot hinggil dito. Dapat na itong matigil at dapat silang maparusahan sa gina-gawa nilang pagpapahamak sa buhay at pagtakip sa kalayaan ng marami nating kababayan," said Labog.

"Sa hanay ng mga manggagawa, marami nang napahamak dahil

sa red-tagging. Si Danny Miguel, Pangulo ng Lakas ng Nagkakaisang Manggagawa ng Fuji Electric-OLALIA-KMU at Vice Chairperson ng Pamantik-KMU, ay niredtag bago sya patayin isang taon na ang nakakalipas (March 28, 2021). Si Manny Asuncion, lider-manggagawa ng Workers Assistance Center sa Cavite, ay niredtag din bago walang habas na patayin ng mga pulis. Kabilang sya sa 9 na pinaslang sa tinaguriang 'Bloody Sunday Massacre' noong Marso 7, 2021," continued Labog.

Even now, the NTF-ELCAC continues to sow fear by ceaselessly red-tagging unionists and labor leaders. Even VP Robredo and her supporters were not spared by the NTF's red-tagging spree. In fact, the arrest of several Anakpawis Party-list volunteers in Cavite last March 10 was preceded by red-tagging by the NTF. Elmer Forro, BAYAN-Panay Secretary-General and also a labor leader, has also been a victim of relentless red-tagging before his arrest on trumped-

up charges yesterday, March 29.

"With this case, we hope to hold Badoy and the NTF accountable for their actions. Their actions are and will never be acceptable, especially as public servants. We call on the Ombudsman to earnestly look into and swiftly resolve these cases. Time is a luxury we cannot afford as almost everyday activists are either being arrested or killed—and the perpetrators must be held to account!" Labog stated.

Labog then issued a challenge to his fellow candidates and other public officials: "Hinahamon ko ang mga kapwa ko kandidato na kundahanin ito at manawagan na itigil na ang red-tagging at panunupil sa mga manggagawa, mag-sasaka, maralita, at iba pang people's organization."

"Itaguyod natin ang karapatan at kagalingan ng mamamayang Pilipino! Dapat nang matigil ang ganitong kalakaran ng rehimeng Duterte. Dapat panagutin sila Badoy, NTF-ELCAC, at si Duterte mismo!" concluded Labog. (EFREN CHAVEZ)

"BE RESOURCEFUL" IS A FAMOUS TERM USED BY SCHOOL HEADS AND OFFICIALS OFTEN TO THEIR TEACHERS

"Be resourceful" is the term I always hear from my supervisors. It is the term they always tell their teachers when they refuse to buy their teacher's needs.

We already know from the very beginning that our public schools lack many things. This includes the necessary tools and equipment needed in skills development. Most of the time, TLE teachers are the ones who have the most number of requests.

In the past decades, "be resourceful" is the trend and it always does. Yet, in today's education set-up, this term is no longer accepted. As the years pass, the technology is also upgrading. So it turned out that the schools need to upgrade as well.

The traditional bookish system of learning that is teacher dominated now evolves. Today's education set-up is skill-based and student oriented. Students need to learn through discovery, experience and mastery.

The teachers are now the facilitators of learning. Well, because of this change the schools need more tools and equipment to help the students. The problem is, the public schools have limited budget and not all schools do receive a budget.

Most schools who received budgets from the MOOE are those big high schools. Small schools with small enrollment are still stuck with the "be resourceful" idea.

Most school principals or school in charge have MOOE but are not willing to spend the money. This is when they tell their teachers "be resourceful" and let teachers spend on their own.

An example of this is our school where the budget of MOOE in the junior high and senior high are separate. My co-teacher in TLE in the senior high wanted to request for equipment but it always remained a request. There is no action in the requested tools and equipment.

Our heads told us to "be resourceful" and boom, it's done. We never get to buy our needed equipment. As long as learning is concern the school principals should be the first one to check the necessity. Yet, in most