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## PPA seeks 15-year operator for Pasig River port

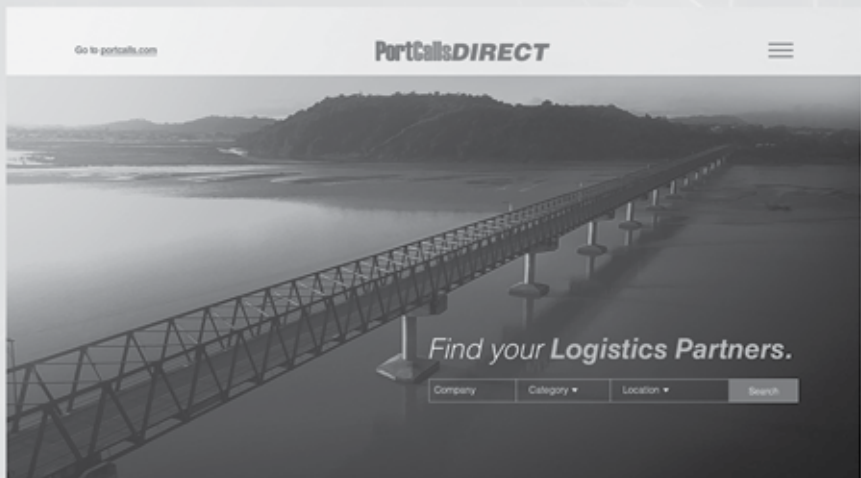
- PPA is inviting bids for a 15-year contract to operate and manage the terminal of Pasig River Port in Manila
- The concession contract covers management and operation of the cargo-handling, passenger, roll-on/roll-off, and other port-related services at the port
- The winning bidder will pay a minimum concession fee of P2.487 billion for 15 years, with a minimum concession fee of P165.787 million for the first year
- A pre-bid conference will be held on April 11 while the deadline for submission of bids and the opening of bids will be on April 25

THE Philippine Ports Authority (PPA) is bidding out a 15-year contract for the management of Pasig River Port terminal at the Port of Pasig River in Manila.

In an invitation to bid, PPA invited potential bidders to submit letters of intent for the concession contract of Pasig River port, covering the management and operation of the cargo-handling, passenger, roll-on/roll-off (RoRo) and other port-related services.

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## CAB requires anew DG training for airfreight forwarder applicants

- The Civil Aeronautics Board is once again requiring dangerous goods training for airfreight forwarder applicants
- From April 15, a Certificate of Training in Dangerous Cargo or a certificate of enrolment in a dangerous goods cargo training is needed when applying for a permit to operate as an international and/or domestic airfreight forwarder
- CAB will also implement a new procedure in issuing the annual certificate and certificate of authority

THE Civil Aeronautics Board (CAB) has restored a policy requiring dangerous goods training for airfreight forwarder applicants.

In a CAB advisory dated March 29, stakeholders must include starting April 15 a Certificate of Training in Dangerous Cargo or a certificate of enrolment in a dangerous goods cargo training, along with the corresponding official receipt, when applying for an authority to operate as an international and/or domestic airfreight forwarder.

Otherwise, CAB will not accept applications based on Memorandum Circular No. 2 series of 2019 (MC 2-2019). The circular states that only applications with complete and valid requirements will be received for processing, CAB executive director Carmelo Arcilla said in an advisory dated March 29.

Arcilla said CAB decided to restore the requirement with the declaration of

COVID-19 Alert Level 1. CAB suspended the requirement in June 2020 as the country banned mass gatherings during implementation of community quarantines to prevent the spread of COVID-19. Around 200 areas across the country are now under Alert Level 1, the lowest alert level, until April 15.

According to CAB's website, applications for new permits and for renewal of authority to operate as an airfreight forwarder require a Certificate of Training in Dangerous Cargo of at least one employee.

In the absence of such a certificate, the employee can submit a certificate of enrolment in the Dangerous Cargo Training Course and the original receipt of the enrolment fee, subject to submission of a certificate of completion within three

months from the date of issuance.

New procedure for issuing annual certificates

In a related development, CAB in an April 1 advisory said it is implementing a new procedure in issuing annual certificates and certificate of authority as part of its commitment to continuous improvement and as an added measure to ensure provision of quality public service.

The new procedure will require stakeholders to secure clearances from all concerned divisions before paying for their corresponding fees, and they must make the request for clearance online or via walk-in.

A more detailed set of guidelines will be issued, CAB said. – **Roumina Pablo**

## Underused Subic airport eyes role as alternate hub to NAIA, Clark

- Continuous upgrades are being carried out at Subic Bay International Airport to develop its potentials as a gateway
- The airport is eyed as an alternate hub to decongest NAIA; a logistics hub; and for aircraft maintenance, repair and overhaul operation
- Subic Bay Metropolitan Authority is exploring public-private partnership development of SBIA

UPGRADES at Subic Bay International Airport (SBIA) are continuing, with the Subic Bay Metropolitan Authority (SBMA) envisioning the facility as an alternate gateway to the country's main airports; a logistics hub; and an aircraft maintenance, repair, and overhaul (MRO) center.

SBMA seeks to redistribute excess traffic from congested airports in Luzon such as Ninoy Aquino International Airport

(NAIA) to the underutilized SBIA, SBMA Airport Department manager and SBIA manager Zharrex Santos said in a recent presentation at the SBMA 2022 Seaports Forecast webinar.

Santos noted there is overconcentration of passenger traffic, particularly at NAIA, which also translates to vehicular traffic along roads leading to the airport.

He said NAIA and Clark International Airport's (CRK) combined annual passenger capacity of 35.2 million has already been breached, with the facilities handling 52.1 million passengers in 2019.

Santos said SBIA has a capacity of six million passengers a year, adding that eight air traffic movements per hour can be transferred from NAIA to SBIA.

He said SBIA and SBMA will try to convince government offices and stakeholders to use SBIA, which he said can absorb and service excess traffic from NAIA and CRK.

While airport projects that can provide



SUBIC INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT

additional capacity are already in the pipeline, including Bulacan International Airport (BIA) and Sangley Point International Airport (SPIA), Santos noted the projects "will not come tomorrow."

BIA is scheduled for completion in 2024 while negotiations for SPIA have yet to be completed.

Santos said SBIA may absorb ex-

cess passenger traffic from Central and Northern Luzon. He said about 12 million passengers being serviced at NAIA come from these two areas.

Since its inception, SBIA has only handled chartered flights. Santos said the facility is ready to accommodate commercial flights, noting that SBIA handled

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## Binondo-Intramuros bridge set for Apr 5 opening

- The P3.39 billion Binondo-Intramuros Bridge is scheduled to be inaugurated on April 5
- The project consists of a four-lane, 70-meter-long and 21-meter-wide main bridge supported by two basket handle-tied steel arches
- It has a carriageway with a total length of 680 meters
- The bridge is expected to cut travel time between the districts of Intramuros and Binondo and benefit about 30,000 vehicles daily

THE Department of Public Works and Highways (DPWH) is inaugurating today, April 5, the P3.39-billion Binondo-Intramuros Bridge, which connects the busy districts of Binondo and Intramuros in Manila.

The project involves the construction of a four-lane, 70-meter-long and 21-meter-wide main bridge supported by a basket handle-tied steel arch. The bridge carriageway has a total length of 680 meters.

The bridge links Intramuros at Solana Street and Riverside Drive and Binondo at Rentas Street, Plaza del Conde Street and Muelle dela Industria, with a viaduct structure over Estero de Binondo.

The project features bike lanes with reflective thermoplastic road lines and protected sidewalks on both sides. It is part of DPWH's program to build safe infrastructure for non-motorized road users.

The bridge, one of two bridge pro-

jects financed by a grant aid from China, is expected to cut travel time between Intramuros and Binondo and benefit around 30,000 vehicles daily. The project contractor is Beijing-based China Road and Bridge Corp.

The design of the arch bridge conforms to new seismic design specifications and climate change considerations, DPWH noted. The bridge is seen to extend the life of the existing Jones, Delpan and MacArthur bridges by decongesting traffic, thus reducing bridge maintenance cost requirements.

The new bridge should have been completed by the end of 2021. DPWH had to push back the project timeframe to relocate public and private services and utilities in the area, as well as to wait for prefabricated steel arches and beams to arrive from China. The project was also affected by work suspension at the height of the COVID-19 pandemic.

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## BOC posts highest-ever monthly revenue of P70.7B in March

- The Bureau of Customs collected a record monthly high of P70.727 billion in March
- The collection surpassed the monthly target by 22.6%
- 14 of 17 collection districts hit their March 2022 goals
- For the first quarter, BOC took in P188.506 billion, representing 27.8% of its target for 2022



Batangas, Iloilo, Cebu, Cagayan de Oro, Zamboanga, Davao, Subic, Clark, Aparri, and Limay.

THE Bureau of Customs (BOC) collected P70.727 billion in March 2022 this year, its highest monthly collection in history. It is also 22.6% higher than the P57.69-billion revenue target for the month.

March was the third consecutive month this year that the BOC hit its monthly target, the bureau said in a statement.

And despite the pandemic, the customs bureau had been surpassing its annual revenue collection targets since 2020.

Based on a preliminary report from BOC's Financial Service, 14 of 17 collection districts hit their March 2022 targets: the ports of San Fernando, La Union; Port of Manila, Manila International Container Port, Ninoy Aquino International Airport,

BOC attributes the positive performance to improving volume of imports in the country, improved valuation, and intensified collection efforts of all districts.

From January to March, BOC collected P188.506 billion, representing 27.8% of its target of P679.226 billion for the entire 2022.

The 2022 goal is 10.1% higher than the P616.749-billion target for 2021 and 5.1% up from the P645.765 billion actual collection last year.

Customs commissioner Rey Leonardo Guerrero had said earlier BOC set a higher internal target of P699 billion since it is required to collect additional revenues for the value-added tax refund.

## CASCOR wins 15-year contract to operate Agusan del Norte port

- Concord Arrastre and Stevedoring Corp. won the contract to manage and operate Masao port in Agusan del Norte for the next 15 years
- Philippine Ports Authority awarded the contract to CASCOR for offering the highest bid at P687.365 million
- CASCOR bested two other companies during the opening of bids on March 14

THE Philippine Ports Authority (PPA) has awarded the 15-year port terminal management contract of Masao port in Agusan del Norte to Concord Arrastre and Stevedoring Corp. (CASCOR).

PPA issued a notice awarding the contract to CASCOR for proposing a concession fee of P687.365 million, the

highest offered by a bidder.

PPA's Bid and Awards Committee recommended in a resolution on March 28 the award of the contract to CASCOR. The company bested the bid proposals of Globalport Agusan Terminal Inc. and Adfil Corp. during the opening of bids on March 14.

CASCOR said it is the cargo-handling operator for all state-owned ports in Butuan City. It is currently the cargo-handling operator of Masao port under a hold-over authority from PPA.

The contract covers the management and operation of the cargo-handling, passenger, roll-on/roll-off (RoRo), and other port-related services at the port.

The projects involve stevedoring services, Ro-Ro cargo services, bagging services, container terminal management, passenger terminal management, porter-

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## How To Leverage Freight Data Effectively

By AMIT MAHESHWARI, CEO, Softlink Global



### IT IN LOGISTICS

MAKING sense of your data is both beneficial and necessary. Data gives you clues—clues from past transactions; clues on what's currently happening in your company; and even what to do when your plans don't work as expected.

If your company has not yet been able to make data work for you, don't fret. A recent survey shows only less than 20% of companies have fully utilized data analytics at scale.

Freight forwarding is naturally a data-rich industry. For starters, every customer's shipment booking, frequency, and shipment value can tell you a lot about the customer's behavior.

On the flip side, not all forwarders realize the gold mine of data they pos-

sess. With freight software, your company can generate insights that translate into actions.

There are multiple ways you can leverage data to your company's advantage. We'll discuss them in the following space.

### Data insights must answer your questions

The approach to using data to your benefit is being able to resolve some of your hindrances and queries. Say, you want to understand your company's revenue fluctuations. Data can capture your profits across a said period and present clear reports. By understanding the highs and lows of your profit movements, you can know the underlying triggers. To the question, "When are my revenues dwindling?", data responds with not just the trend but can also point you to the reasons causing them.

### Monitoring performance with KPIs

age services, storage management, waste and shore reception facility management, water distribution services, and ancillary and other related services.

The bidding was conducted through open competitive bidding procedures using non-discretionary pass/fail criterion as specified in PPA Administrative Order No. 12-2018, as amended.

AO 12-2018 provides guidelines for selecting and awarding contracts under PPA's Port Terminal Management Regulatory Framework (PTMRF), which outlines new rules for terminal management contracts.

PTMRF, provided under AO 03-2016, seeks to provide higher-quality port services by promoting private sector participation. Under this framework, investments in ports are to be categorized into six tiers, ranging from a fully private

concession to a fully PPA-managed port, to make it easier to determine investment arrangements of a port.

Masao port falls under Tier 3, which means the contractor's investments include above-ground fixtures and semi-fixtures, and mobile handling equipment.

Masao port handled 210,662 metric tons of domestic cargoes in 2021, up from 149,615 MT in 2020.

PPA since 2018 implemented various ports projects to rehabilitate Masao Port, including the extension of its pier, expansion of the port's back up area, repair and widening of the Ro-Ro ramp from 9 meters to 16 meters, construction of a new gate facility, and the refurbishment of its terminal office building. The project was completed in October 2019, allowing the port to become an alternate facility to

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Your company's progress is best measured with key performance indicators (KPIs). Was there an increase in this month's shipments from last month? Which routes are most profitable? How many leads were generated?

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### Putting freight data to use

Data unearths opportunities that may not be visible at first glance. Data-driven companies are more likely to acquire and retain customers and be more profitable. Use smart tools for freight data management to leverage complete data capabilities. Achieve measurable outcomes using KPIs and turn data insights into quick actions. With data, you can start delivering to your customers with absolute confidence.

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## UPS appoints new MD for Singapore, Malaysia

- Chika Imakita is the new UPS managing director for Singapore and Malaysia
- She previously served as marketing director for UPS in south Asia Pacific
- Imakita will also look to step up UPS's environmental, social and governance initiatives

UPS has announced the appointment of Chika Imakita as its managing director for Singapore and Malaysia.

Imakita, who has over 20 years of industry and supply chain management experience, will spearhead UPS's express delivery, logistics operations and strategic growth initiatives across both markets.

"I am excited by this opportunity to continue supporting the growth of our customers in Singapore and Malaysia, both of which are home to a huge number of small businesses looking for the tools and support they need to grow their business both regionally and globally," said Imakita.

"While the last couple of years have presented challenges that continue to evolve, there's also a tremendous amount of optimism and opportunity for business owners in both countries in areas such as cross-border e-commerce and intra-Asia trade. We're looking forward to helping our customers realize and then capitalize on those opportunities."

### ESG initiatives

A keen environmentalist with a passion for driving sustainable change in the industry, in her new role Imakita will also look to step up UPS's environmental, social and governance

(ESG) initiatives as the company moves towards an ambitious set of targets laid out in its 2020 sustainability report.

In Singapore, UPS has already introduced electric vehicles into its delivery fleet with the aim of having over 40% of the fleet electrified by 2026. The company is also exploring various alternative urban logistics solutions to complement cleaner modes of last-mile transportation and support the transition to zero-emission logistics.

Meanwhile, via its charitable arm The UPS Foundation, UPS continued its commitment to community building with donations totalling \$85,000 in Malaysia and Singapore in 2021. The funds will be used to provide educational opportunities to young people in underserved communities and to support local mental health and welfare organizations.

Imakita joined UPS as an intern at the company's global headquarters in Atlanta in 1999 and has since accumulated experience that spans international marketing, business planning, revenue management, pricing, product development, customer solutions, relationship management and communications in both Asia and the United States. Prior to her new role she served as marketing director for UPS in south Asia Pacific.

"Chika brings the ideal combination of leadership experience, creativity, and passion into her work, and she has a proven record of creating and managing high-performance teams that have delivered results and expanded UPS's service offering across multiple diverse markets," said Billie Tan, president of UPS in South Asia Pacific.

"She has significant experience developing and executing regional strategic growth plans, and I'm looking forward to her building on the great work we've done already and continuing to take these markets forward."

Imakita holds an MBA in Finance from the Georgia State University and a Bachelor's Degree in Economics from the University of Sydney.

She is a Volunteer Corp with the Singapore Armed Forces. A keen environmentalist with a passion for driving sustainable change in the industry, in her new role Chika Imakita will also look to step up UPS's environmental, social and governance initiatives as the company moves towards an ambitious set of targets laid out in its 2020 sustainability report. Photo from UPS.





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# PPA seeks 15-year operator for Pasig...

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The projects involve stevedoring services, Ro-Ro cargo services, bagging services, passenger terminal management, portage, storage management, waste and shore reception facility management, water distribution services, weighbridge facility, and ancillary and other related services.

The minimum concession fee for the project duration is P2.487 billion, with P165.787 million as minimum for the first year. The concession fee is exclusive of all taxes. Bids below the minimum concession fee will be automatically rejected.

Prospective bidders must not be engaged in any business activity, whether primarily or otherwise, which will prevent the winning bidder from discharging its contractual obligations properly and sufficiently under any port terminal management contract to be awarded. This prohibition covers entities engaged in maritime transportation.

The bidding will be conducted through open competitive bidding procedures using the non-discretionary pass/fail criterion as specified in PPA Administrative Order No. 12-2018, as amended.

AO 12-2018 provides guidelines for selecting and awarding contracts under PPA's Port Terminal Management Regulatory Framework (PTMRF), which outlines new rules for terminal management contracts.

The guideline aims to ensure port services to be provided will meet global standards and that the selection of port terminal management contracts is competitive and transparent.

PTMRF, under AO 03-2016, seeks to provide higher-quality port service by promoting private sector participation. Under this framework, investments in ports are to be categorized into six tiers, ranging from a fully private concession to a fully PPA-managed port, for easier determination of investment arrangements of a port.

Pasig River port falls under Tier 3, which means the contractor's investments include above-ground fixtures and semi-fixtures, and mobile handling equipment.

According to bid documents, Pasig River port encompasses an area of 43,247.07 square meters. PPA noted that 1,194.05 sqm of the concession area on the north and south banks of the river is occupied by informal settlers.

The terminal management office of Pasig River, under the port management of PPA NCR-South, handled 848,960 metric tons of domestic cargo and 9,595 passengers in 2021.

The pre-bid conference will be held on April 11. The deadline of submission of bids and the opening of bids is on April 25.

PPA had earlier opened the bidding for the port terminal management contracts of Puerto Princesa, Ormoc, Tabaco, Legazpi, Zamboanga, Iligan, Ozamiz, Calapan, Tacloban, Nasipit, Matnog, Fort San Pedro, Pulupandan, Surigao, Masao, Tagbilaran, and Pagadian ports.

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ages. Including previous ones already bid out, Santiago said the target is a total of 25 port terminal management contracts to be offered before the Duterte administration's term expires this year.

Completed wharf widening project of TMO Pasig Wharf in 2020. Screenshot from PPA Port Construction and Maintenance Department's video.



## Cebu Pacific resumes Manila-HK flights



- Cebu Pacific resumed its Manila-Hong Kong flights on April 1
- This is after the Hong Kong government lifted the ban on entry of passengers from nine countries, including the Philippines
- Only certain types of passengers will be allowed to board flights, including Overseas Filipino workers with Hong Kong work visa
- Non-Hong Kong residents will not be accepted on Manila-Hong Kong flights

CEBU PACIFIC has resumed its Manila-Hong Kong flights on April 1 after the Hong Kong government lifted the ban on entry of passengers from nine countries, including the Philippines.

Only the following passengers from Manila bound for Hong Kong will be allowed entry into Hong Kong: Hong Kong residents, holders of Hong Kong passport or British National (overseas) passport (with right of abode in Hong Kong), and individuals with Hong Kong Document of Identity.

Overseas Filipino workers with Hong Kong work visa are considered Hong Kong residents. Non-residents will not be accepted for the flight.

Passengers exempt from the entry restrictions are those travelling from Mainland China, Taiwan or Macau, and have not been to other countries/regions in the past 14 days; diplomatic/official passport holders (subject to prevailing visa requirements); spouse and children of Hong Kong residents; local government personnel performing official duties; passenger holding new entry visa to work, study, establish or join in any business, or take up residence in Hong Kong; and personnel approved by the Hong Kong government to carry out anti-epidemic work.

The Hong Kong government in January implemented a ban on incoming flights from eight countries—Australia, Britain, Canada, France, India, Nepal, Pakistan, the Philippines, and the United States—and tightened coronavirus restrictions after detecting cases of the Omicron variant. It added Nepal to the list in February. The flight ban was lifted starting April 1 as the country eased its anti-COVID-19 measures.

Cebu Pacific has been gradually resuming international and domestic flights as travel restrictions ease. The airline recently said it expects to hit 100% of its pre-pandemic domestic capacity in April after it ramped up its network with the easing of pandemic travel restrictions.

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GSL MERCER	0015S	05/02	05/07	AL ZUBARA	0018W	05/12	06/02	06/05	06/07	06/11

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CNC SATURN	0012N	04/29	05/02	05/05					
MOUNT BUTLER	0107N	05/06	05/09	05/12					
NORLEOPARD	0031N	05/12	05/15	05/19					

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## Underused Subic airport eyes role as alternate hub...

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Philippine Airlines' 82 repatriation flights with more than 20,000 passengers from July 2021 to February 2022.

SBMA senior deputy administrator for operations Ronnie Yambao, during the same webinar, said PAL sent a letter to SBMA chairman and administrator Rolan Paulino Sr. last March saying the airline will continue evaluating the possibility of serving Subic via regional or domestic flights in the future, "whether with charter services or eventual regular schedules."

### Logistics, MRO hub

Other opportunities for SBIA include as a logistics and as aircraft MRO hub.

Santos said Subic is an ideal location for logistics operations. SBMA, he added, will tap courier and logistics service providers to locate their sorting facilities in the Freeport zone.

SBMA has also been marketing SBIA as an MRO hub for business aviation since 2019 following the opening of an MRO service facility at the airport.

Another niche market for SBIA is Visiting Forces Agreement (VFA)-related exercises. Currently, Subic is hosting US troops participating in the joint military exercise with Filipino forces on the West Philippine Sea.

Santos said SBIA is being used as an entry and exit point for US troops and the airport has already accommodated

52 flights and 2,349 incoming passengers.

In addition, SBMA is looking to capitalize on the cruise ship industry and Subic port's proximity to SBIA by becoming the access airport for cruise ship and super yacht passengers.

The opening of a bike park at Subic and conducting a biking race in which SBIA can be the entry point for participants is also being explored.

Completed upgrades at SBIA include the installation of automated weather observation system, airfield ground lighting, and area navigation approach.

Ongoing are the installation of the new Doppler very high frequency omnidirectional range with distance measuring equipment, and a new air-ground communication equipment.

SBMA has allocated P112.987 million for the procurement of aircraft rescue firefighting vehicles and P103.125 million for new boarding bridges.

A budget of P61 million is also allotted for procurement of new movement area guidance signs and various airfield lighting components and P46 million for the new automatic dependent surveillance broadcast ground station.

Aside from upgrading projects, Santos said SBMA is looking into tapping private partners and is exploring the possibility of a public-private partnership development for SBIA. — **Roumina Pablo**

## Binondo-Intramuros bridge...

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The project is part of the Metro Manila Logistics Improvement Program to address the long-time traffic gridlocks on major roads by building new bridges across the Pasig and Marikina Rivers, and the Manggahan Floodway.

Of the 12 bridges under the program, three have been completed, five are under procurement (two under Japan International Cooperation Agency and three under Asian Development Bank funding), three under financing negotiation with China, and one to be funded through a private initiative.

## CASCOR wins 15-year contract to operate...

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decongest Nasipit port also in Agusan del Norte.

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