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MALAYSIAN CONSUL AT REGIONAL LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY (RLA)

On 14th April, 2015, Consul Mohammad Khalil Ibrahim attended the session of 8th Regional Legislative assembly in Cotabato City. The Consul's visit was to discuss the details of Anti-Corruption Strategic Management Program and Malaysia's Anti-Corruption Academy (MAHA) under MTCP Program. Also present during the session were the assemblymen from 1st and 2nd District of Maguindanao, Lanao del Sur and Basilan, Sulu, and Tawi-Tawi (Basulta).

MOE VISIT FOR 1ST PHILIPPINES-MALAYSIA JOINT WORKING GROUP MEETING ON EDUCATION IN DAVAO CITY



CGM STAFFS AND PERSONNEL JOINS "VALOR DAY"

On 9th April, 2015, Consulate General of Malaysia staffs and personnel participates in the Valor Day in honor to the departed heroes and surviving war veterans in the Philippines who unreservedly gave their lives for freedom, country, and the people. Together with Consulate officers and local staffs, Consul General Abdullah led the wreath-laying ceremony held at the Veterans Memorial Monument in Ponciano Street, Davao City



On 16th April, 2015, Consul General Abdullah attended the 1st Philippines Malaysia Joint Working Group Meeting on Education at Marco Polo Hotel, Davao City. The Philippines side was headed by Education Secretary for Partnerships and External Linkages, Hon. Mario A. Deriquito while the Malaysian side was led by YBhg. Dato' Haji Raihan bin Sharif, Deputy Secretary General of the Ministry of Education accompanied by Dato' Haji Ahmad Tajudin bin Jab, and Deputy Director General and Mdm. Aidawaty of the Ministry of Education Malaysia.

HON. CG ABDULLAH ATTENDS THE COMMANDER, NAVAL FORCES EASTERN MINDANAO CHANGE OF COMMAND CEREMONY



On 5th May, 2015, Consul General Abdullah joined more than 200 participants included from the Indonesian Consulate General, Davao City Local Government, DSWD, PNP, NDRRMS, Philippine Army, Philippine Air Force at the Naval Forces Eastern Mindanao Change of Command Ceremony with VAdm Jesus C Millan AFP for the Outgoing Commander Commo Joel T. Dela Cruz AFP and the Incoming Commander Commo. Rafael G Mariano AFP.

COURTESY VISIT FROM JAPANESE CONSUL/DIRECTOR MS. TOMOKO DODO

On 8th May, 2015, Consul General Abdullah received an official visit from newly-appointed Japanese Consul/Director Ms. Tomoko Dodo at the Chancery. Ms. Tomoko's visit was part of her activities which aim to promote Consular and Diplomatic Relations and activities in Southern Philippines.

OFFICE VISITS



A VISIT FROM FORMER CONSUL



On 8th May, 2015, Consul General Abdullah received an official visit from former Consul Kamal Norfarid Kamarudin at the Chancery. Before visiting Davao City and Cotabato City, Mr. Kamal has been meeting with the Malaysian Embassy officials in Manila to discuss bilateral and security issues.

HON. CG ABDULLAH OUTREACH MUSLIM COMMUNITY AT TAGUM CITY

On 9th May, 2015, Consul General Abdullah met Malay-speaking Muslim Scholar Mufti Mualam at Barangay Patatan, Tagum City. During the meeting, Consul General Abdullah thanked Mufti Mualam for his help and support for the continuation of 30 Tahfiz students from Sulu, Basilan, Tawi-Tawi and Davao Region to study and recite Al-Quran since April, 2015.

Mufti Mualam has donated 3.5 hectares (7.5 acres) of his family land for waqf and the development of Madrasah and school.



Among those present were, Haji Norodin D. Panundo from Mati City, Davao Oriental and Islamic Preacher Haji Kumail Abdullah, Pandapan Barangay Captain and Masjid Imam.

OFFICE VISITS

DAVAO CITY CENTRAL 911 CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER VISITS CHANCERY

On 12th May, 2015, Consul General Abdullah met Central 911 Chief Operating Officer Mr. Emmanuel Jaldon at the Chancery. Mr. Jaldon's visit was to discuss the MTCP 2015 Training Course on Emergency Disaster Response and Recovery in Kuala Lumpur from 18 - 22 May, 2015 organised by Mercy Malaysia.



A VISIT FROM MAGUINDANAO PROVINCE CONSULTANT



On 29th May, 2015, CG Abdullah met Maguindanao Province Consultant Mr. Rey Espanola at Chancery. The meeting was to discuss the proposal of Maguindanao Province Governor Hon. Toto Esmael Magudadatu to invite NAZA Holdings Chairman and delegation to visit Maguindanao in June, 2015.



DAVAO CITY HOSTED PHILBEX 2015

On 14th May, 2015, Consul General Abdullah joins PhilBex Opening Ceremony at SMX Convention Center, SM Lanang, Davao City.

HON. CG ABDULLAH JOINS RELIGIOUS PEDAGOGIES DIA- LOGUE AND CEAP-NABEI MOC SIGNING CEREMONY

On 13th May, 2015, Consul General Abdullah joins Islamic/Catholic Pedagogies Dialogue and CEAP-NABEI MoC Signing ceremony at Ateneo de Davao University, Davao City.

This Dialogue aims at discussing new directions in Islamic Education, specifically the relationship between pedagogy and the formation of religious identities within Islamic Education settings that are based in minority and majority Muslim contexts. This Dialogue also seeks to understand the characteristics of Catholic pedagogy, emphasizing on its transformative role in the contemporary world.

Among those present were Fr. Joel Tabora President of Ateneo de Davao University, Prof. Magsaysay S. Werble from Mindanao State University-Tawi-Tawi, Dr. Umbra, President of NABEI, Dr. Abdul M. Lantong and Mdm. Maripaz C. Abas Mastura from Cotabato City State Polytechnic College.

Among those present were WSI Founding Chairman Mr. Joseph Ang, Davao City Councilor Hon. April Marie Dayao representing Davao City Mayor Honorable Rodrigo R. Duterte, OIC of DTI Region XI Ms. Ma. Belinda Ambi, Executive Director of the DCCCII Ms. Mary Antonette Doromal, Asst. Regional Director of DPWH region XI Engr. Tomas Rodriguez together with WSI Co-Founder Mrs. Levi Ang, WSI Executive Director Archt. Francisco Flameno Jr., WSI Managing Director Jill Ang and WSI Marketing Director Jon Richmond Ang.

Surpassing its own record, PhilBex Davao welcomed over 12,680 visitors during its 4 day run.



HON. CG ABDULLAH HOSTS OFFICIAL DINNER FOR IMT-M₁₀ HEAD OF MISSION AND DELEGATION IN DAVAO CITY



On 19th May, 2015, CG Abdullah hosted official dinner in conjunction with the official visit by International Monitoring Team (IMT-M₁₀) Head of Mission Major General Dato' Sheikh Mokhsin Sheikh Hassan, Ssgt Kamarudin Yusof and delegation to Davao City. Attending the dinner were prominent Malaysian Mr. C.K. Chang and spouse, Consul Khalil and spouse and Vice Consul Saifulnizam.

CG Abdulah has been meeting and working closely with IMT and its counterparts (AFP Eastmincom, AFP Westmincom, PNP, Air Force and Philippine Navy) in Mindanao.

CGM DAVAO CONDUCTS SAFETY AND DISASTER PREPAREDNESS SESSION FOR MALAYSIAN CITIZEN IN MINDANAO

On 24th May, 2015, Consulate General of Malaysia in Davao City and Agumil Philippines Inc. jointly conducts "*Safety and Disaster Preparedness Session for Malaysian Citizen in Mindanao*" at Auditorium 2B, Davao Medical School Foundation, Davao City.

Attending the session were 23 Malaysian citizens family members, Home-Based Staffs and family members, LRS and students.



The session was conducted in response to the earthquake alert and its potential as per announced by PHILVOCS in the local mass media.

Participants and attendees were provided with Malaysian foods for breakfast and lunch prepared by the Perwakilan Ladies of Davao City.

CGM DAVAO CITY CONDUCTS BADMINTON SESSION



On 29th May, 2015, CGM Davao City conducts badminton session with all Home-Based Staffs (HBS), family members and Local Recruited Staffs (LRS). The badminton session was part of the monthly event for the Consulate General to promote healthy lifestyle and team building. Among other session includes golf, bowling and morning coffee.

MILF DECOMMISSIONING CEREMONY IN COTABATO CITY ATTENDED BY CONSUL MOHAMMAD KHALIL



On 16th June, 2015, Consul Mohammad Khalil Ibrahim attended the initial decommissioning of 145 MILF combatants after they turned over their weapons to the Independent Decommissioning Body in a ceremonial event which took place in Sultan Kudarat, Maguindanao. The ceremony also marks transition to civilian life of the Bangsamoro Islamic Armed Forces, which considered as a significant and welcome step in the peace process.

President Benigno Aquino III also witnessed the first phase of the decommissioning processes as he became the keynote speaker during the ceremonial event. It was also attended by the Head of Mission (HOM) Maj Gen Dato' Sheikh Mokhsin bin Sheikh Hassan and members of the International Monitoring Team (IMT-10), as well as Malaysian Facilitator on GPH-MILF Peace Process, Tengku Datuk Abdul Ghafar Tengku Mohamed .

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Vice Consul Saifulnizam Wahid meeting the International Monitoring Team (IMT) M-10 officials in Zamboanga City.



Vice Consul Saifulnizam Wahid and wife visits the Site 4 of International Monitoring Team (IMT) - M10 in General Santos City



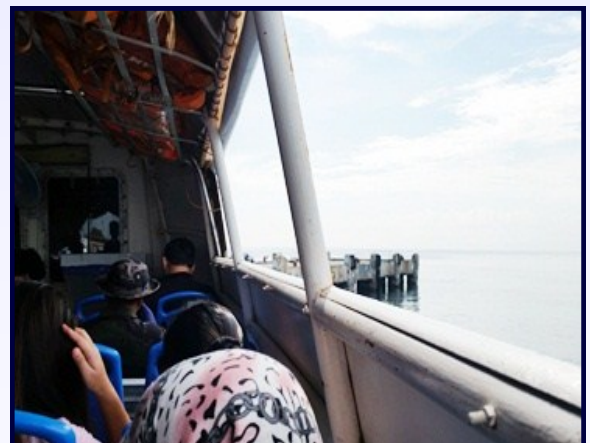
Vice Consul Saifulnizam Wahid with IMT-M10 Officer Col. Radzi, PNP Police Supt. Malayo and PNP Intelligence officers in Zamboanga City



San Ramon Penal Farm during Vice Consul's visit to meet Malaysian Citizen, Mr. Tan Ngee Foo in Zamboanga City



Vice Consul Saifulnizam Wahid talking to Malaysian Citizen, Munirah Ali Mohamed with her daughter at DSWD in Zamboanga City



Vice Consul Saifulnizam Wahid riding in the barge with the Malaysian Citizen, during his Consular visit to Basilan

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Naga City boundary during Vice Consul Saifulnizam Wahid's Consular Visit



Zamboanga International Airport during Vice Consul's arrival to Zamboanga City



Vice Consul Saifulnizam Wahid and Consulate driver, Mr. Delfin Pontillo on their way to Iligan City



Vice Consul Saifulnizam Wahid and Consulate driver, Mr. Delfin Pontillo bound to Iligan City



Vice Consul Saifulnizam Wahid and Mr. Delfin Pontillo with the former President, Fidel V. Ramos



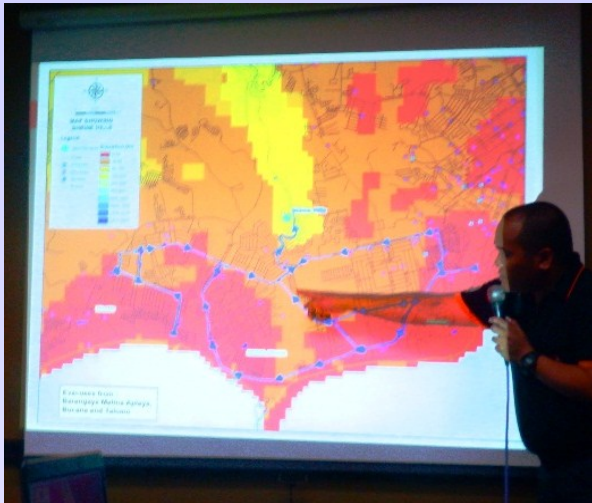
General Santos City Regional Trial Court during the Court hearing of Malaysian Citizen, Mr. Bakri Al Bat

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CONSULATE SAFETY AND CRISIS MANAGEMENT SEMINAR

CONSULATE Activities



On 15th May, 2015, Consulate General of Malaysia in Davao City conducts its 3-day Safety and Crisis Management Course at Waterfront Insular Hotel, Davao City.

The course, which was participated by Home-Based Staffs (HBS) and Local Recruited Staffs (LRS) aims to enhance knowledge, capacity, cooperation, and coordination among the Consulate personnel with the local government and Non-Governmental Agencies in the conduct of safety and crisis management in Southern Philippines.



The significant events that took place during the course include the creation of Disaster Action Team (DAT) for the Consulate General of Malaysia in Davao City.



Consulate officials and staffs during the First-Aid demo from Philippine Red Cross, Fire drill exercise and use of fire extinguisher from Bureau of Fire and Protection



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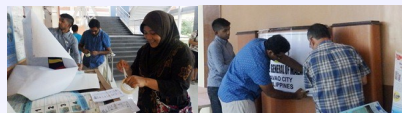
CONSULATE Activities



Consulate General of Malaysia officers and staffs during the 111th Philippine Independence Day (left) and 154th Birth Anniversary of Philippine National Hero, Dr. Jose P. Rizal (below)



PMRM ACTIVITIES



Consulate General of Malaysia and Agumil Philippines Inc. conducts "Safety and Disaster Preparedness Session for Malaysian citizen in Mindanao" at Davao Medical School Foundation (DMSF)

The seminar was attended by Malaysian students and citizens residing in Davao City. After the event, the participants enjoyed a sumptuous dinner prepared by Perwakilan Ladies.



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Consulate General of Malaysia Home Based Staffs during the visit of Ministry of Education (MOE) in Davao City on 15-18 April, 2015 (left) and Visit of International Monitoring Team (IMT-MIO) Head of Mission and delegation on 19th May 2015 (below).



AKIKAH OF VICE CONSUL'S NEWBORN DAUGHTER

Vice Consul Saifulnizam Wahid hosted Akikah for his newborn daughter on June 12, 2015. The Akikah was held at Wisdom Islamic School (WISHES) and was attended by Consul Mohammad Khalil Ibrahim, Mr. Ahmad Sharizal Abdull Seliban, Mercy Islamic Center Davao and covered by Mensahe TV.





IFTAR AND TARAWIH

CONSULATE Activities



In celebration of Ramadhan, The Consulate General of Malaysia in Davao City celebrated Iftar and Tarawih. Consul General Abdullah and Madam hosted a dinner during the first Saturday of Ramadan at the Official Residence. It was attended by Home Based Staffs (HBS) and spouses, as well as the members of Mindanao Islamic Chamber of Commerce and Industry (MICCI), Mrs. Marilou W. Ampuan, Deputy Mayor of Maranao, Mr. Randy Usman, President of Wisdom Islamic School (WISHES), Dr. Omar Mababaya, Local contacts, Mr. Yusop Usman and Mr. Omar Abangon, and Local Staff Mrs. Suad Pangilan and her husband.

On the second Saturday of Ramadhan, the Consul General hosted Iftar at Tambilawan Restaurant in General Santos City. The dinner was attended by officers from International Monitoring Team headed by the HOM Maj. Gen. Dato' Sheikh Mokhsin bin Sheikh Hassan, Mr. Badli Hisham from IMT Team Site 2 in Iligan, Brunei and Indonesian Officers from IMT Team Site 4 from Gensan and Consulate Home Based Staffs and spouses. During the dinner, the officers also discuss and exchanges issues in Mindanao.



FEATURED NEWS

Foods in Mindanao



KOPI ROTI. Enjoy a sip of their signature brewed coffee or try the homemade *teh tarik* matched with all their pastry specialties such as kopi bun, kaya toast and French toast. The coffee shop is located at Jacinto Extension, in downtown of Davao City.



ZABADANI CAFÉ (HALAL). This restaurant, located at the 4th level of Gaisano Mall of Davao, serves quite a selection of Middle Eastern cuisines as you dine with elegance in their semi-fine dining set up. All of the dishes are certified HALAL and offered in a reasonable



CHOOKS TO GO (HALAL). Try their famous oven-roasted chicken, enjoyed even without sauce or any gravy. This delicious, mouth watering chicken meal is certified Halal and can be bought at their food stalls located anywhere in Mindanao.

MARINA TUNA. This seafood restaurant is famous for their "Ten (10) ways of cooking tuna", which include dishes such as tuna tendon, crispy tuna tail, tuna sashimi, tuna kinilaw, tuna kare-kare (mixed in peanut sauce), tuna belly, tuna eye soup, tuna bihod (eggs), tuna jaw grilled, tuna bagaybay, and many more.

FEATURED NEWS

Foods in Mindanao



JO'S MANOKAN (HALAL). This restaurant is famous for their in-house specialty Chicken Barbeque meals deeply marinated in a mixture of spices either fried grilled over hot coals while basted with the marinade. It is best served with rice, spicy vinegar and soy sauce. Jo's Manokan is located at Cagayan de Oro city and General Santos City.

JAVA JIVE (HALAL). This is definitely the place where you could enjoy drinking coffee, teas, milk teas & frappes while listening to live acoustic music nightly from local artists of Davao City. As for the choices of food, rice meals are available aside from their delicious pastries.



TAMBILAWAN KAMAYAN RESTAURANT (HALAL). Just three (3) hours away from Davao City, guests often enjoyed eating here the chicken *inasal* (marinated grilled chicken) with rice served on banana leaves. Tambilawan is located at J.P. Laurel Street in General Santos City. The food extravaganza also includes beef sinigang, chicken and seafood soups, spicy chicken and many more.



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NO.	VISITS TO DAVAO CITY	DATE
1	MINISTRY OF EDUCATION VISIT FOR 1ST PHILIPPINES-MALAYSIA JOINT WORKING GROUP MEETING ON EDUCATION IN DAVAO CITY	16-18 JUNE 2015
2	VISIT OF INTERNATIONAL MONITORING TEAM (IMT-M10) HEAD OF MISSION AND DELEGATION IN DAVAO CITY	19 MAY 2015

CONSULATE GENERAL OF MALAYSIA PUBLIC HOLIDAYS YEAR 2015

01 JAN	NEW YEAR'S DAY
03 JAN	PROPHET MUHAMMAD'S BIRTHDAY
19 FEB	CHINESE NEW YEAR
02 APR	MAUNDY THURSDAY
03 APR	GOOD FRIDAY
01 MAY	LABOUR DAY
12 JUN	PHILIPPINE INDEPENDENCE DAY
17-18 JUL	HARI RAYA AIDIL FITRI
03 AUG	NINOY AQUINO DAY
31 AUG	MALAYSIAN INDEPENDENCE DAY
16 SEP	MALAYSIA DAY
24 SEP	HARI RAYA AIDIL ADHA
14 OCT	AWALMUHARAM
10 NOV	DEEPAVALI
30 NOV	BONIFACIO DAY
25 DEC	CHRISTMAS DAY
30 DEC	RIZAL DAY

UPCOMING EVENTS IN MINDANAO

