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This Section showcases how the DTI-SCLG is driving change and delivering results. We highlight our ongoing work across our 8 Strategic Plays, including key projects and priorities in areas such as logistics infrastructure, supply chain efficiency, and sector development.

Speaking Out

This Section spotlights DTI-SCLG's participation in key events, where we share insights, spark dialogue, and champion progress in the logistics sector. Our goal is to be a catalyst for collaboration and meaningful change.

Supply Chain: Logistics on Location

This Section delivers firsthand accounts from our team's visits to various provinces across the Philippines. This section showcases DTI-SCLG collaboration with Regional Operations Group (ROG) in the implementation of key supply chain and logistics projects, stakeholder engagement, and regional initiatives, highlighting both the unique challenges and opportunities in each location.

SCLG Hold 1st Colloquium on DTI Supply Chain Interventions



Makati City, Philippines — The Department of Trade and Industry's Supply Chain and Logistics Group (DTI-SCLG), successfully held the 2025 Colloquium on Supply Chain and Logistics Interventions via Zoom on 28 July 2025, gathering more than 500 participants from regional and provincial offices nationwide to showcase regional initiatives and highlight innovations of DTI's field offices.

Undersecretary Mary Jean T. Pacheco, led the opening of the program, which underscored the importance of regional leadership and collaboration in strengthening supply chain resilience. The event featured exemplary project presentations from various regions, including Batanes' Consumer Protection Initiative: Securing Food Sufficiency through Efficient Logistics for BNPCs, -

Nueva Vizcaya Agricultural Terminal (NVAT), Inc. Digitalization and Market Linkage Initiative, Guimaras' ManGOES to the Metro, Cebu's Regional Logistics Services Philippines (LSPH), and Misamis Oriental's Project Silhig. Each presentation showcased how localized interventions can effectively enhance logistics operations and promote inclusive economic development.

Among these, DTI Nueva Vizcaya earned the Cobalt Award for Best Presentation through its NVAT, Inc. Digitalization and Market Linkage Initiative, which introduced the NVAT Fresh digital platform to connect farmers directly with institutional buyers, reduce logistics costs, and improve access to fair markets.



DTI-SCLG, Partners Sign Pact to Elevate Local Products and Empower Co-ops in National Procurement



The Procurement Service of the Department of Budget and Management (PS-DBM), represented by Executive Director (ED) Atty. Genmaries "Gen" Entredicho-Caong; the Department of Trade and Industry (DTI), represented by Undersecretary Mary Jean T. Pacheco; and the Cooperative Development Authority (CDA) represented by its Chairperson, Undersecretary Alexander Raquepo come together to push for inclusive governance as they enter into a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) to establish a working arrangement in -

assisting small-scale supply manufacturers and cooperatives in their bid to join government procurement opportunities—broadening market access for local businesses.

In a ceremonial signing on 12 August 2025 at the PS-DBM Main Office in Paco, Manila, the three agencies established a framework to empower community-based suppliers, including Micro, Small, and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs), that produce high quality -



cleaning and janitorial products as they participate in public procurement. The agreement also aims to include said items, including walis or brooms, in the list of Common-use Supplies and Equipment (CSE).

These CSE items, through the MOA, will be procured through community participation, through which PS-DBM acquires directly from the source—in this case, the local manufacturers formed as cooperatives who are registered with the CDA.

AISL Boosts DTI-SCLG Competence with Special Maritime Training

The Department of Trade and Industry - Supply Chain and Logistics Group (DTI-SCLG) participated in a specialized training on the shipping industry conducted by the Association of International Shipping Lines, Inc. (AISL) on September 2, 2025.

The training, facilitated by Mr. Joseph Collantes IV of RCL Philippines, Inc., aimed to enhance the participants' knowledge of shipping operations, industry processes, and current practices, allowing them to better understand the connection between trade facilitation and maritime logistics. The initiative also underscores the shared commitment of DTI-SCLG and AISL to strengthen collaboration between the government and the shipping industry, with the aim to ensure trade facilitation and shipping operations move in step with one another.

A total of 19 delegates from different functional groups of the DTI attended the -



training, including representatives from the Supply Chain and Logistics Group (DTI-SCLG), Bureau of Import Services, Board of Investments, Bureau of International Trade Relations, Bureau of Small and Medium Enterprise Development, Consumer Protection and Advocacy Bureau, and Export Marketing Bureau.

DTI-SCLG Spearheads Industry Support for Alagang OWWA eCard, Empowering Global Filipinos

The Department of Trade and Industry's Supply Chain and Logistics Group (DTI-SCLG) participated in the *Alagang OWWA eCard Launching* held in September 2025 at The Podium Mall, Mandaluyong City. The activity was spearheaded by the Overseas Workers Welfare Administration (OWWA) to strengthen its partnership network and provide enhanced benefits, discounts, and livelihood support to Overseas Filipino Workers (OFWs).

DTI-SCLG played a key role in linking OWWA with major retail and logistics industry -

partners that supported the rollout of the Alagang OWWA eCard. Several other companies have also expressed interest in joining the initiative and will be linked in the succeeding coordination meetings.

Through this collaboration, the DTI-SCLG helped bridge OWWA with private sector partners to facilitate the extension of loyalty benefits, logistics solutions, and service discounts for OFWs. The event underscores SCLG's continued efforts to foster strategic partnerships that strengthen market access and supply chain connectivity across industries.



8 Strategic Plays

#1 Supply Chain and Logistics Center

DTI-SCLG Partners with FedEx to Strengthen National Logistics Ecosystem



The Department of Trade and Industry Supply Chain and Logistics Group (DTI-SCLG), under the leadership of Undersecretary Mary Jean T. Pacheco, and Federal Express Pacific, LLC (FedEx) signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) on 16 September 2025 to strengthen the country's supply chain and logistics ecosystem, with a strong focus on supporting micro, small, and medium enterprises (MSMEs).

The ceremonial signing, held at One World Place, Bonifacio Global City, Taguig, was attended by DTI officials and the FedEx leadership team led by Ms. Maribeth Espinosa, Ms. Anne Liwag-Inawat, and Ms. Sonnielyn Tiu.

Through this MOU, FedEx will provide white glove services, special discounted rates, technical resources and expertise to enhance logistical efficiency and accessibility, while DTI-SCLG ensures coordination and an enabling environment that will directly benefit MSMEs and exporters.

"This MOU is not merely a document, it is a manifestation of our shared responsibility to bolster our MSMEs, strengthen logistics competitiveness, and further commit to building a stronger and more forward-thinking Philippine economy," said the Trade Undersecretary Mary Jean T. Pacheco.



DTI-SCLG Launches Center to Boost Taytay Garments Industry Growth



The Supply Chain and Logistics Group (DTI-SCLG) of the Department of Trade and Industry is planning to set up a supply chain and logistics center at the heart of Taytay, Rizal in partnership with the local government unit to support its promotion as the Garment Capital of the Philippines. Undersecretary Mary Jean Pacheco, head of the SCLG group, said this at the opening of "Shop Taytay", a trade fair featuring the local products of the province, particularly locally made garments.

With over 5,000 business owners and 25,000 stalls in Taytay, mostly engaged in garment manufacturing, Pacheco highlighted that DTI-SCLG is providing support to the promotion of Taytay's garment industry. "The local government of Taytay is responsible for the establishment of a trade center," she said.

Taytay, Rizal is known as a hub for cheap garments and is often called the "Garments Capital of the Philippines" due to its abundant and affordable clothing.



#2 Supply Chain Interventions

Agencies Unite, Accelerate Solutions for Occidental Mindoro's Logistics Constraints

The Department of Trade and Industry's Supply Chain and Logistics Group (DTI-SCLG), led by Usec. Mary Jean Pacheco, visited Occidental Mindoro on July 10-11, 2025, to assess logistics challenges and investment opportunities in key agri-fishery areas. The team met with local officials, cooperatives, and private partners in Mamburao and Sablayan and held a public consultation during the launch of the Occidental Mindoro Chamber of Commerce, engaging over 70 stakeholders.

Discussions highlighted issues such as salt oversupply from imports, high power and ice costs for tuna producers, onion price drops due to smuggling, and livestock losses from African Swine Fever (ASF). Other concerns included limited cold storage, port siltation, and poor connectivity between production areas.

DTI announced plans for cold storage facilities, shared service support, and stronger market linkages. The agency also reaffirmed its commitment to work with government and private partners to improve logistics, infrastructure, and market access in the province.



#3 Policy Development

Logistics Leaders Push PCCI Endorsement for IMTCA as Crucial Economic Reform

On 21 July 2025, the DTI-SCLG, along with private sector representatives from AISL, PMTLAI, PCCBI, and UP-NCPAG, met with the leadership of the Philippine Chamber of Commerce and Industry (PCCI) to seek formal support for the International Maritime Trade Competitiveness Act (IMTCA). Discussions centered on the bill's objective to regulate excessive surcharges imposed by international shipping lines, address long-standing cost transparency issues, and empower MARINA as the appropriate regulatory body. PCCI leaders expressed openness to endorsing the bill, recognizing its potential to reduce logistics costs, improve the country's trade competitiveness, and attract foreign investment. The meeting also emphasized the urgency of aligning messaging and lobbying efforts before the President's State of the Nation Address (SONA), with several stakeholders committing to release public statements and provide data to further strengthen the case for IMTCA's inclusion in the administration's legislative agenda.



#4 Market Linkage

DTI-SCLG-Backed Partnership Opens Direct Market Access for Nueva Vizcaya's Satsuma Citrus to reach Metro Manila Supermarkets



The Department of Trade and Industry - Supply Chain and Logistics Group (DTI-SCLG) and DTI-Region 2, successfully facilitated a whole-of-supply-chain partnership between the Nueva Vizcaya Agricultural Terminal, Inc. (NVAT, Inc.) and Robinsons Supermarket, marking the official launch of premium Satsuma Citrus on September 25, 2025, at Robinsons Place Manila.

The collaboration aims to reduce logistics costs, streamline supply chain processes, and deliver fresher and more affordable food to consumers, while ensuring that local producers receive fair value through direct market linkage. Even before the ceremonial launch, the initiative had already delivered 1,900 kilos of premium Satsuma citrus to Robinsons Supermarket branches in Manila, Magnolia, and other locations on September 17, 2025.

Robinsons Supermarket has also committed to sustaining its partnership with NVAT beyond the Satsuma season, with plans to source other Vizcaya citrus varieties such as Ponkan and Tancan, as well as staple vegetables including sayote, carrots, potatoes, and cucumbers. This partnership is expected to help stabilize retail prices and expand the market reach of Nueva Vizcaya farmers. NVAT, Inc. has likewise expressed its commitment to enhancing its digital tools and postharvest systems to meet institutional demand.

to encourage more students to pursue studies in logistics and related fields. DTI-SCLG's participation was part of its continuing effort to collaborate with academic institutions in promoting awareness of supply chain education and in strengthening industry-academe linkages.

The BS in Supply Chain Management program of Adamson University focuses on developing competencies in logistics, procurement, inventory management, and operations—areas essential to the growing supply chain sector.



NITB for Logistics Formed: TESDA Inks MOA with SCMAP and PEMAP

The Department of Trade and Industry's Supply Chain and Logistics Group (DTI-SCLG) joined LSPH Partners namely, the Private Express and Messengerial Association of the Philippines (PEMAP) and the Supply Chain Management Association of the Philippines (SCMAP), which have officially signed Memoranda of Agreement (MOAs) with the Technical Education and Skills Development Authority (TESDA) as members of the National Industry TVET Board (NITB) for the Transportation and Logistics Sector. The ceremonial MOA signing took place during the NITB Mass Signing Ceremony and the Launching of the Philippine Skills Framework (PSF) for the Semiconductor and Electronics Industry held on August 19, 2025 at the TESDA Auditorium in Taguig City.

Representing the DTI, Undersecretary Mary Jean T. Pacheco reaffirmed the agency's commitment to advancing logistics and workforce development through industry-government collaboration. SCMAP, led by Executive Director Corazon C. Curay, pledged to contribute industry expertise in supply chain efficiency and sustainable logistics management. Meanwhile, PEMAP, represented by President Alma L. Rias, will focus on professionalizing courier, messengerial, and e-commerce logistics services.

Through this partnership, DTI-SCLG continues to champion industry participation in shaping skills development, standards, and certification programs that reflect real-world logistics and transport demands. The recognition of PEMAP and SCMAP as TESDA's NITB partners reinforces the shared goal of building a skills-driven and competitive logistics ecosystem for the Philippines.



#6 Skills and Workforce Development

SCLG SCALE UP Program Scales Up: 56 Videos on Supply Chain and Logistics Available Online



Mandaluyong City, August 7, 2025 — The Department of Trade and Industry-Supply Chain and Logistics Group (DTI-SCLG) continued the filming of its Supply Chain Accelerated Learning and Upskilling (SCALE UP) Program at Bagong Pilipinas Studios, showcasing key industry partners who shared valuable insights on critical logistics and supply chain topics.

The August 7 filming day featured experts from the Cold Chain Association of the Philippines (CCAP), CRIF Philippines, Supply Chain Management Association of the Philippines (SCMAP), and San Miguel Yamamura Packaging Corporation, who each contributed to developing practical and accessible learning content for micro, small, and medium enterprises (MSMEs) and logistics service providers. The SCALE UP Program, spearheaded by DTI-SCLG, supports the Philippine Skills Framework for Logistics through modular training videos that enhance workforce capabilities in key logistics areas such as procurement, warehousing, transport operations, and financing.

Through this initiative, DTI-SCLG aims to empower MSMEs and logistics providers with the knowledge and skills needed to strengthen local supply chains and improve overall industry resilience.

Adamson University Highlights Supply Chain Management Degree in Promotional Filming to Attract Future Industry Leaders

August 7, 2025 — The Department of Trade and Industry's Supply Chain and Logistics Group (DTI-SCLG) assisted Adamson University in the filming of its Bachelor of Science in Supply Chain Management (BSSCM) promotional material held at Bagong -

Pilipinas Studios in Mandaluyong City.

The segment featured Mr. Mike Valdez of Adamson University, who presented the university's Supply Chain Management program as part of its initiative -

Speaking Out



DTI-SCLG Links Gingoog Co-op to National Market via Negotiated Procurement

Gingoog City, Misamis Oriental – July 14, 2025. The Department of Trade and Industry (DTI), through the Supply Chain and Logistics Group (SCLG), reaffirmed its commitment to advancing local enterprises during the 3rd Entrepreneur Summit held at the Grand Gaisano Mall Activity Center in Gingoog City.

With the theme “Elevating Global Commerce by Empowering Exceptional Commodities,” the summit showcased Gingoog’s homegrown products such as soft brooms, coco sugar, cacao, coffee, and abaca crafts—highlighting their potential for national and global markets.

DTI Undersecretary Mary Jean T. Pacheco commended Gingoog’s micro, small, and medium enterprises (MSMEs) for their resilience, creativity, and determination amid business challenges. She also recognized the City Government of Gingoog, led by Mayor Erick Cañosa and Vice Mayor Thaddeus “Tadoy” Lugod, along with local business councils and chambers, for their support to the city’s entrepreneurs.



DTI-SCLG Honors Occidental Mindoro MSMEs and Development Partners for Resilience and Innovation

Mamburao, Occidental Mindoro – July 10, 2025. The Department of Trade and Industry, through the Supply Chain and Logistics Group (DTI-SCLG), joined the MSMEs and Development Partners’ Appreciation Night organized by the Provincial Government of Occidental Mindoro at the Provincial Training Center in Mamburao. The event recognized the province’s micro, small, and medium enterprises (MSMEs) and partners for their outstanding contributions to local economic growth and resilience amid ongoing business challenges. –



DTI Undersecretary Mary Jean T. Pacheco graced the occasion alongside DTI Regional Director for MIMAROPA EnP. Amormio CJS Benter, CESE, DTI Provincial Director Noel Flores, Governor Eduardo Gadiano, Congressman Leody Tarriela, and members of the Sangguniang Panlalawigan led by Board Member Jose Franco Mendiola. Also in attendance were representatives from local chambers of commerce, development partners, and dozens of MSME owners and cooperatives from across the province. The gathering honored top taxpayers and outstanding MSMEs who demonstrated innovation, perseverance, and commitment to community development.

In her message, Usec. Pacheco emphasized that “real success is not just measured in income, but in impact,” encouraging MSMEs to mentor others, share their experiences, and build enterprises that create long-term community value.”



Supply Chain Resilience and Digital Transformation Take Center Stage at the 2025 Manila Tech Summit with DTI-SCLG as Key Panelist

August 26, 2025 – The Department of Trade and Industry’s Supply Chain and Logistics Group (DTI-SCLG) joined top leaders from government, business, and technology sectors at the Manila Tech Summit 2025, held at the Grand Ballroom of Shangri-La The Fort, Bonifacio Global City.

With the theme “Supply Chains in Crisis: Rethinking Global Trade Networks,” the Summit gathered over 1,300 delegates to discuss how the Philippines and its partners can strengthen global and regional supply chain resilience amid geopolitical tensions, climate risks, and digital disruptions. Undersecretary Pacheco, representing DTI-SCLG as a panelist, emphasized the government’s initiatives to modernize infrastructure, empower MSMEs, and advance logistics capabilities as key strategies for supply chain competitiveness. She also underscored the role of digital transformation and public-private collaboration in improving connectivity and strengthening the Philippines’ position as a strategic logistics hub in Southeast Asia.

The Manila Tech Summit 2025, organized by FinTech Alliance Philippines, also featured keynote speakers such as President Ferdinand R. Marcos Jr., Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas Governor Eli M. Remolona Jr., Pasig City Mayor Vico Sotto, and Baguio City Mayor Benjamin Magalong, who shared insights on digital governance, sustainable finance, and regional resilience.



The Block Lounge: Fireside Chats with Government Movers

Undersecretary Mary Jean T. Pacheco, who leads the Department of Trade and Industry's Supply Chain and Logistics Group (DTI-SCLG), was a guest on the pioneer episode of "The Block Lounge: Fireside Chats," a podcast series launched by the Blockchain Council of the Philippines. She shared DTI's insights and discussed how blockchain and digital technologies can support government initiatives, particularly in the logistics and supply chain sector. Her participation marked the Department's continued push to explore innovation in public service and promote collaboration with the private sector.



Supply Chain Resilience Defined by DTI-SCLG at the First Regional LPCC Summit

Undersecretary Mary Jean T. Pacheco of the DTI-Supply Chain and Logistics Group (DTI-SCLG) served as one of the resource speakers at the 1st Regional Local Price Coordinating Council (LPCC) Summit, held on September 11, 2025 at Summit Hotel, Tacloban City. She was invited by DTI-Region VIII Regional Director Celerina Bato.

In the presentation on "Operationalizing Supply Chain for Resilience," Usec. Pacheco underscored the importance of strengthening local government capacities, ensuring business continuity, and fostering a more resilient and responsive supply chain ecosystem.

Usec. Pacheco introduced the Supply Chain Resilience Framework and the Supply Chain and Logistics Toolkit, while also sharing practical use cases drawn from recent experiences, Super Typhoon Yolanda, the COVID-19 Pandemic, and the San Juanico Bridge Rehabilitation.



Transport and Logistics Forum 2025 Spotlights DTI-SCLG's 8 Strategic Plays for a Streamlined Supply Chain and Logistics

Undersecretary Mary Jean T. Pacheco of the Department of Trade and Industry's Supply Chain and Logistics Group (SCLG) was among the key speakers at the 2025 Transport and Logistics Forum held on September 17 at the World Trade Center in Pasay City. Her presentation, "Streamlining the Philippine Supply Chain: From Policy to Practice," showcased actual government interventions across Luzon, Visayas, and Mindanao. She emphasized the importance of translating national policy into real, localized solutions that benefit MSMEs, industry players, and the logistics ecosystem as a whole.

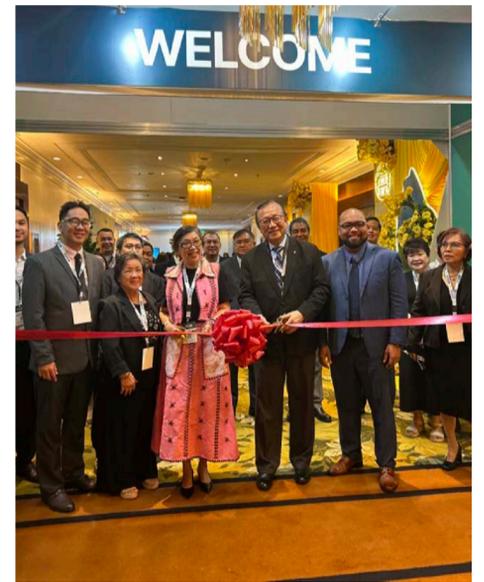


Breaking Barriers in Supply Chain: DTI-SCLG Champions Collaboration and Innovation at SCMAP Supply Chain Conference

The Department of Trade and Industry's Supply Chain and Logistics Group (DTI-SCLG), through Undersecretary Mary Jean T. Pacheco, joined key industry leaders and stakeholders at the SCMAP Supply Chain Conference (SCC) on 04 September 2025 at the Edsa Shangri-La Manila with the theme "One Supply Chain: Breaking Barriers."

Organized by the Supply Chain Management Association of the Philippines (SCMAP), the annual conference is recognized as the premier gathering of logistics and supply chain professionals in the country. It serves as a venue for the public and private sectors to discuss trends, challenges, and innovations shaping the future of supply chain management in the Philippines.

Representing the DTI-SCLG, Undersecretary Mary Jean T. Pacheco emphasized the Department's commitment to improving the country's logistics performance through strengthened collaboration, policy reform, and digital transformation. She highlighted the importance of aligning efforts among government agencies, industry associations, and logistics stakeholders to enhance connectivity and competitiveness in the supply chain sector.



Supply Chain: Logistics on Location



DTI-SCLG Drives Taytay Garment Growth Through Strategic Supply Chain Linkages

The Department of Trade and Industry's Supply Chain and Logistics Group (DTI-SCLG) convened a strategic follow-up meeting at DTI Rizal on 18 September 2025 to advance the Taytay garment supply chain initiative from planning to full implementation. The meeting brought together representatives from the local government, industry associations, and financing partners to address operational challenges, enhance logistics efficiency, and strengthen the competitiveness of Taytay's garment MSMEs within the national market. Discussions centered on supply chain interventions that promote industry resilience, support enterprise growth, and align local initiatives with national trade and logistics objectives.

As part of these efforts, DTI-SCLG finalized the new BAGPI stall logistics rate in coordination with the Taytay LGU and the BAGPI Association to regulate costs and improve affordability for garment vendors. The Group also partnered with ShopeePay and GoTyme to deliver digital payment, financial literacy, and e-commerce training sessions for MSMEs—ensuring that local enterprises are equipped with both the capability and tools necessary to participate in broader logistics networks and retail platforms. These coordinated interventions reflect DTI-SCLG's commitment to creating an enabling environment where MSMEs can thrive through efficient supply chain systems, reduced operational costs, and enhanced market connectivity.



Amandayehan Port Emerges as Strategic Alternative Amid San Juanico Bridge Rehab

On 12 September 2025, the Department of Trade and Industry's Supply Chain and Logistics Group (DTI-SCLG) conducted an on-site visit at Amandayehan Port in Basey, Samar, which is currently serving as a major diversion route for cargo trucks due to the ongoing rehabilitation of the San Juanico Bridge. The visit is a follow through after the tripartite dialogue was held where the port has emerged as a critical logistics node, mitigating potential disruptions in the transport of goods and services while the country's primary inter-island bridge undergoes maintenance.

During the visit, the DTI-SCLG team engaged directly with officials from the Philippine Ports Authority (PPA) and the Philippine Coast Guard (PCG) to validate concerns raised during previous private sector consultations. Key operational issues—including the presence of fixers, inadequate queuing and ticketing systems, and congestion caused by unregulated truck movements—were discussed with port authorities to determine immediate corrective actions. The engagement reflects DTI-SCLG's ongoing effort to implement supply chain interventions on the ground, improve port efficiency, and uphold fair and transparent logistics practices for industry stakeholders.

