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TANGGAPANG PANSANGAY NG MGA PAARALAN NG CATANDUANES

Office of the Schools Division Superintendent

May 23, 2025

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

No. 068, s. 2025

PARTICIPATION TO THE 9TH ABACA FESTIVAL ACTIVITIES

To: OIC – Assistant Schools Division Superintendent
Chief Education Supervisors
OSDS Section/ Unit Heads
All Others Concerned

1. In support to the celebration of Abaca Festival, the participation of SDO Catanduanes will be as follows:
 - a. Attendance to the Thanksgiving Mass at the Immaculate Conception Cathedral is voluntary. Mass Offering is also voluntary.
 - b. Participation to the parade is c/o the OSDS units. Other SDO Employees may also join. Attendance checking will be c/o the Office of the Admin. Officer V for Admin.
 - c. Participation in the Opening Program is c/o the CID and SGOD units. Attendance checking will be c/o the Office of the Admin. Officer V for Admin.
 - d. Employees joining the 6:30 a.m. parade are allowed to be off at 3:30 p.m. while employees joining the Opening Program at 8 a.m. will be off at 5 p.m.
 - e. After the parade/program, employees are requested to go back to the office to continue with office duties so that office services will not be hampered.
 - f. The Philippine Flag shall be raised by the Security Guard and General Services Personnel on duty following the Monday flag rituals.
2. A copy of the program of activities and order of the parade for the Abaca Festival is enclosed to this memorandum for reference purposes.
3. For information, guidance and compliance.

By Authority of the OIC –
Schools Division Superintendent

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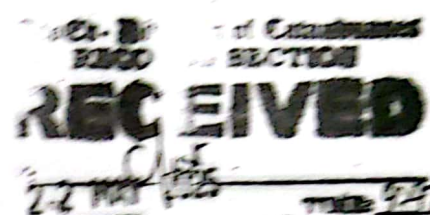
ABACA Festival



PARADA ABACA

May 26, 2025 - 8:30 AM

ORDER OF PARADE



- I. PDRMO Lead Car
- II. 8th Abaca Festival Banner
- III. CATANDUANES STATE UNIVERSITY LABORATORY SCHOOLS
DRUM AND LYRE CORPS (High School)
- IV. National Color, Provincial Color
- V. Parading Elements - Philippine National Police
- VI. Parading Elements - 42IB, 91D, Philippine Army
- VII. Parading Elements - Bureau of Jail Management and Penology
- VIII. Parading Elements - Bureau of Fire Protection
- IX. Parading Elements - Philippine Coast Guard

- X. Immaculate Conception Seminary Academy Drum and Lyre Corps

Provincial Governor's Office, Provincial Population and Development Office, Provincial Nutrition Office, Governor's Office - Information Unit, Provincial Human Resource Management Office, Provincial Employment Services Office, Provincial Youth Development Office, Provincial Cooperative Development Office, Provincial Administrator's Office, Provincial Legal Office, Provincial Tourism Office, Provincial Planning and Development Office, Provincial Budget Management Office, Provincial Accounting Office, Provincial Treasurer's Office, Provincial Vice-Governor's Office, Sangguniang Panlalawigan/ Offices of the Provincial Board Members, Office of the Sangguniang Panlalawigan Secretary

- XII. VIRAC CENTRAL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DRUM AND LYRE CORPS
- XIII. Provincial Social Welfare and Development Office, Provincial Internal Audit Services Office, Provincial Assessor's Office, Provincial Veterinary Office, Provincial Agricultural Services Office, Provincial Engineering Office, Provincial Equipment Pool Office, Provincial General Services Office, Provincial Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Office, Provincial Environment and Natural Resources Office
- XIV. TAYTAY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DRUM AND LYRE CORPS
- XV. Congressional District Office
TGP Partylist, Catanduanes Provincial Office
- XVI. Municipal Local Government Unit of Baras
Municipal Local Government Unit of Bato
Municipal Local Government Unit of Bagamanoc
Municipal Local Government Unit of Caramoran
Municipal Local Government Unit of Gigmoto
Municipal Local Government Unit of Pandan



- XVIII. Municipal Local Government Unit of Panganiban
Municipal Local Government Unit of San Andres
Municipal Local Government Unit of San Miguel
Municipal Local Government Unit of Viga
Municipal Local Government Unit of Virac

Department of Health, Provincial Health Office, Eastern Bicol Medical Center, Juan M. Alberto Memorial District Hospital, Bato Maternity and Children Hospital, Caramoran District Hospital, Pandan District Hospital, Viga District Hospital, Baras District Hospital, Gigmoto District Hospital

XIX. CHRISTIAN POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTE OF CATANDUANES DRUM AND LYRE CORPS

Commission on Audit, Commission on Elections, Civil Service Commission, Department of Interior & Local Government, Bureau of Internal Revenue, Bureau of Treasury, Department of Justice, Parole and Probation Office, Public Attorney's Office, Provincial Prosecutor's Office, Regional Trial Court Branch 42 and 43, Office of the Clerk of Court, Municipal Trial Court, Registry of Deeds, Department of Information and Communications Technology, Department of Labor & Employment, Department of Trade & Industry, Technical Education Skills Development Authority, Department of Agrarian Reform, Department of Agriculture - Research Outreach Station, Philippine Fiber Industry Development Authority, Bureau of Fisheries & Aquatic Resources, Department of Science & Technology, PAGASA, Department of Social Welfare and Development

XX. JUAN M. ALBERTO MEMORIAL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DRUM AND LYRE CORPS

Department of Education, Catanduanes State University, Department of Public Works and Highways, National Irrigation Administration, Land Transportation Office, Philippine Ports Authority, Civil Aviation Authority of the Philippines, Philippine Veterans Office, Philippine Statistics Authority, Philippine Postal Corporation, Philippine Health Insurance, Corp., PAGIBIG Field Office, GSIS Field Office, Social Security System, DENR-Provincial Environment & Natural Resources Office, Philippine Coconut Authority, Cooperative Development Authority, National Food Authority, Water District Offices

Philippine Information Agency, Radyo Pilipinas, Radyo Peryodiko, Radyo Natin Virac, Radyo Oragon, Bicol Star Teleradyo, Catanduanes Tribune, Girl Scout of the Philippines, Boy Scout of the Philippines, Development Bank of the Philippines, Land Bank of the Philippines, Philippine National Bank and all other government and commercial banks

XXI. Civil Society Organizations / Non-Government Organizations

ARDCI Microfinance, Inc.
The Fraternal Order of Eagles – Philippine Eagles Bicol Catanduanes Region 1
Junior Chamber International - Catanduanes
United Architects of the Philippines – Catanduanes Chapter

- XXII. Float - Misterys of Catanduanes

- XXIII. Float - Provincial Local Government Unit of Catanduanes

Calendar of Events



PRE-FESTIVAL

May 12, 2025 ABACAbataan Advocacy Music Video Making Competition

May 20-21, 2025 ABACANOBASYON YEAR 3: Transforming Impacts into New Directions and Opportunities for Growth (TINDOG) of ABACA San Miguel, Catanduanes

May 23-24, 2025 Sari Suki Negosyo Convention Virac Town Center

May 23-25, 2025 The Misterys of Catanduanes
 • Fashion for a Cause, Iconic Fashion Show, and Preliminary Competition
 May 24, 2025 | 7:00 PM | Virac Sports Complex

• Grand Coronation Night
 May 25, 2025 | 7:00 PM | Virac Sports Complex

May 24, 2025 ABACA Ultramarathon
 Virac - Bato - San Andres - Virac

MAY 26

5:30 AM Thanksgiving Mass
 Immaculate Conception Cathedral

6:30 AM Parada ABACA
 Virac Poblacion

9:00 AM Opening Ceremonies
 Capitol Grounds

Ribbon Cutting and Opening Reception
 9:30 AM 4th Arte Isla
 ABACA: Hibla ng Sining at Kultura
 Capitol Lobby

10:00 AM Tiendas sa Isla
 Agri, Trade and Tourism Fair
 Capitol Grounds

10:30 AM Happy Island Tourism Village
 Tourism Booth Competition
 Capitol Grounds

8:00 AM to 4:00 PM Trabaho para sa Catandungeño
 Virac Sports Center

MAY 26-30

8:00 AM to 5:00 PM 4th Arte Isla
 ABACA: Hibla ng Sining at Kultura
 Capitol Lobby

8:00 AM to 7:00 PM Tiendas sa Isla
 Agri, Trade and Tourism Fair
 Capitol Grounds

8:00 AM to 7:00 PM Kadiwa ng Pangulo
 Capitol Grounds

8:00 AM to 7:00 PM Happy Island Tourism Village
 Tourism Booth Competition
 Capitol Grounds

MAY 27

8:00 AM to 5:00 PM

Catandungan ABACA Festival
 Paaralistuhan Contests
 • Hand Stripping • Twine Making
 • Sug-ot Making • Abakantahan

Awarding of Mobile Portable ABACA
 Spindle Stripping Machine (MPASSM)
 Capitol Grounds

7:00 PM ABACAMusikahan
 Virac Town Center

MAY 28

8:00 AM to 5:00 PM

Farmers and Fisherfolks Month
 Celebration Culminating Activity

Annual Search for Outstanding
 ABACA Farm Family
 Provincial Capitol Dome

3:00 PM ABACA Baile
 Capitol Grounds - Virac Plaza Rizal

• Festival of Festivals/
 Street Dance Competition
 • Festival Queen Competition

7:00 PM VTC Summer Color Music Fest
 Virac Town Center

MAY 29

3:00 PM

Drum and Lyre Corps Competition
 Capitol Grounds - Virac Plaza Rizal

MAY 30

6:00 PM

Fellowship Night
 Capitol Grounds

POST-FESTIVAL PROPER

May 29 - June 1, 2025

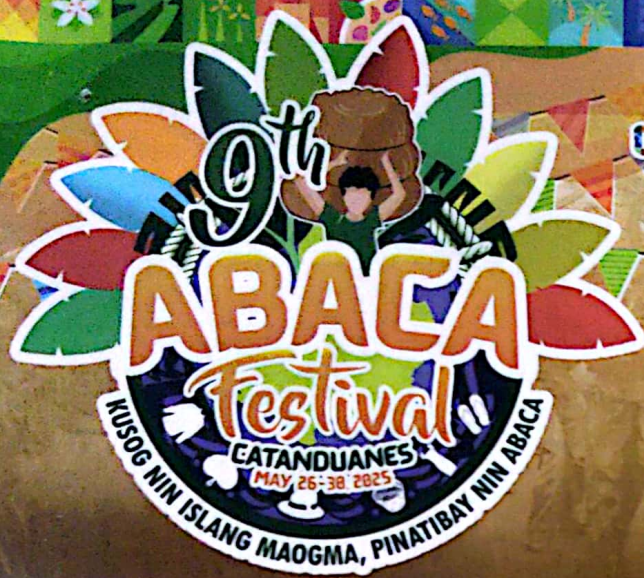
18th Mountaineering Federation
 of the Philippines, Inc (MFPI)
 Luzon Summit

• Basic Mountaineering Course
 • Basecamping
 • Happy Island 360
 • Hike to Mt. Pacogon, Mt. Lantad,
 Mt. Sadab, Binurong Point

May 31, 2025

Mr and Ms VTC Coronation Night
 Virac Town Center





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CATANDUANES
BICOL PHILIPPINES



Happy
Island



PETER C. CUA
Vice Governor

JOSEPH C. CUA
Governor

Woven in Time: **CATANDUANES CELEBRATES THE 9th ABACA FESTIVAL**

Through the centuries, a single fiber has shaped the destiny of an island – stronger than steel, yet as delicate as a whispering breeze. ABACA is the lifblood of the people of Catanduanes – a thread that binds generations to the land they proudly call home. Amidst the Pacific, where mountains cradle the sea, the island of Catanduanes stands as a guardian of this legacy – a heritage spun from the golden strands of abaca.

The 9th Abaca Festival brings to life the soul of the island's heritage. It is a tribute to resilience, and a celebration of the skilled hands that, for generations, have woven prosperity from nature's finest fibers. This vibrant gathering is a *fusion of art and tradition – a convergence of past and future* – where the island's spirit shines through the rhythmic cadence of abaca-inspired activities.

More than just a commodity, abaca is an identity. It echoes the voices of ancestors, honors the toil of farmers, and showcases the artistry of hands that transforms fiber into beauty and function. *It is the living thread that binds communities, livelihoods and dreams across time.*

In this moment of celebration, we honor something greater than ourselves – the enduring spirit of the Happy Island. It is a testament to what is possible when tradition and innovation are woven in harmony.

This year's festival invites everyone to witness, experience, and take part in a cultural celebration that carries the strength of the past into the possibilities of tomorrow.

Join the 9th Abaca Festival, where culture and craftsmanship meet the winds of progress.

Resilient in spirit, unwavering in legacy, eternally woven across time.