



NEWS AT A GLANCE

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FROM: INFORMATION AND KNOWLEDGE MANAGEMENT DIVISION

Happy Tuesday! Take a peek and learn from last week's news articles, opinion pieces and latest developments on environment and climate change-related issues. Enjoy this **News At A Glance** from your IKM Division!

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ABC NEWS

[Pakistani FM says water receded 50% in flood-ravaged Sindh](#)

By: Munir Ahmed

ISLAMABAD -- Pakistan's foreign minister on Thursday said that about 50% of the water has receded in the country's worst-hit southern Sindh province, raising hopes that farmers will be able to sow wheat in a first step toward returning to a normal life.

ABS-CBN NEWS

[Food wasted by the tons while millions of Filipinos go hungry](#)

By: Wena Cos

Manila — Though millions of Filipinos go hungry, the amount of food waste generated by the Philippines remains staggeringly high. Some 2.9 million Filipinos experienced involuntary hunger in the second quarter of the year, according to a Social Weather Stations survey in September.

AL JAZEERA

[UN ups flood aid appeal as Pakistan enters 'second wave of death'](#)

By: Abid Hussain

Islamabad, Pakistan – The United Nations has increased its aid appeal for Pakistan, where more than five million people are facing a severe food crisis in the wake of recent catastrophic floods.

ARAB NEWS

[Typhoon havoc triggers calls for urgent climate action in Philippines](#)

By: Ellie Aben

Manila: When a massive typhoon barreled through the Philippines last month, it left behind casualties and destruction, triggering calls for urgent climate action in the cyclone-prone country, where extreme weather events are on the rise.

BBC NEWS

[How limitless green energy would change the world](#)

By: Adrienne Bernhard

Limitless renewable energy would offer tantalising benefits: emissions-free heating, greener fertiliser and electric transport. But overcoming the obstacles will not be easy. What would we do with an abundant, cheap, inexhaustible supply of renewables?

[Don't backtrack on climate, COP host Egypt tells Truss](#)

By Justin Rowlett

Egypt, which is hosting this year's COP27 UN climate summit in November, has warned the UK not to "backtrack" on the global climate agenda.

[King Charles will not attend climate summit on Truss advice](#)

King Charles will not attend the climate change conference COP27, which is due to be held in Egypt next month, Buckingham Palace has confirmed.

BLOOMBERG

[Climate Change Infused Hurricane Ian With 10% More Rain, Scientists Say](#)

By: Eric Roston

Climate change made Hurricane Ian's most extreme rainfall about 10% worse than it would have been without two centuries of greenhouse gas pollution, according to a first-take analysis of the storm by two US climate researchers. Their rapid analysis, which they shared on Twitter, looked only at rainfall, and not other critical climate metrics related to hurricanes, such as strength, intensification and sea-level rise.

BUSINESS MIRROR

[Fast-growing solar and wind are still concentrated in a handful of countries](#)

By: Nathaniel Bullar

There is a succinct way to describe the development of the global power sector over the past decade: more of almost everything. More plants under construction; more generation from those plants; more renewables everywhere—but also more coal and gas.

[\[Opinion\] Time to walk our talk](#)

By: Atty. Jose Ferdinand Rojas III

'Sustainable' has been a buzzword for quite some time now, but for many businesses, the ESG (environmental, social, and governance) framework is relatively recent. The two are related in that ESG features lead to sustainability. ESG features are guideposts that a company's management group and stakeholders use to make business decisions. The impact of these decisions on the world and environment is what makes them sustainable or not.

BUSINESS WORLD

[Germany working to expand PHL environment tech, RE footprint](#)

By: Alyssa Nicole Tan

Germany is encouraging business delegations to explore Philippine partnerships in renewable energy (RE) and environmental technology, the German Embassy in Manila said. In an e-mail, the embassy said other industries it deems promising for collaboration are consumer-related services and goods, and business process outsourcing.

[Marcos: Private help needed to 'green' economy](#)

By: Kyle Christopher Atienza

President Ferdinand R. Marcos, Jr. called on the private sector to help in the “greening” of the economy, calling the building of resiliency to climate change a top administration priority.

[\[Opinion\] EDCOM 2: Lifelong learning poverty crisis](#)

By: Federico Macaranas

The Philippines has a lifelong learning (LLL) poverty crisis — perhaps even worse than the widely discussed learning poverty gap at the primary school level. Both must be addressed now if we are to remain competitive and provide a “socially cohesive, fulfilling, inclusive and sustainable future for all” as the Marrakech Framework for Action for Adult Learning and Education (adopted on June 17 by UNESCO members) states.

CNBC

[Cities are largely to blame for climate change. Could they also be part of the solution?](#)

By: Karen Gilchrist

Some of the most extreme weather events on record took place in 2022, as climate change-induced wildfires and droughts ravaged parts of Europe, the U.S. and Africa, even as Asia battled disastrous floods and monsoon rains. Experts say this is just the beginning.

CNN

[Ecologically destructive projects, attacks continued in Marcos' first 100 days — groups](#)

By: Jelo Ritzhie Mantaring

President Ferdinand “Bongbong” Marcos Jr. has assured that climate change is on top of the national agenda, but environmental groups said “ecologically destructive projects and attacks against environment defenders” have continued in the past three months.

EURO NEWS

[COP27: Coca-Cola sponsorship 'undermines' climate objectives, campaigners say](#)

By: Rosie Frost

Climate activists have been left “baffled” by Coca-Cola’s sponsorship of the COP27 climate conference. This year’s talks will be held in Sharm el-Sheikh, Egypt and the country’s government announced the deal last week.

GMA NEWS

[Extreme weather shows time of climate change denial is over —Vatican](#)

By: Philip Pullella

Vatican City — Recent extreme weather events, such as the hurricane that devastated parts of Florida, show that the time for climate change denial and skepticism is over, a senior Vatican official said on Tuesday.

THE GUARDIAN

[‘The mountains protect us’: safeguards sought for Philippines’ Sierra Madre shield against typhoons](#)

Kaliwa dam project in the Sierra Madre would be disastrous for main island’s storm defences as well as biodiversity, say conservationists

[Young people demand climate justice in run-up to Cop27 UN talks](#)

Activists from global south demand recompense for damage from countries most responsible for crisis.

MALAYA BUSINESS INSIGHT

[Road to green economy long; water roadmap readied](#)

By: Jocelyn Montemayor

President Marcos Jr. yesterday reaffirmed his administration’s commitment to building the country’s resiliency and improving climate change adaptation and called for a more robust collaboration from all sectors in protecting the environment while pushing for the country’s development.

MANILA BULLETIN

[Marcos to DENR: Climate change agenda is top gov’t priority](#)

By Betheena Unite

The country’s resiliency and adaptation to the challenges pose by climate change will be on top of the administration’s national agenda, President Ferdinand “Bongbong” Marcos Jr. assured.

[Pasig-San Juan bike ride held to promote climate change awareness, transition to cycling](#)

By: Patrick Garcia

Two of Metro Manila’s most bike-friendly cities launched a bike ride on Sunday, Oct. 2, to boost climate change awareness and transition to 100 percent renewable energy through cycling.

THE MANILA TIMES

[Toward a sustainable future in the energy sector](#)

By: Tony Maghirang

Concerted efforts toward a sustainable future continue to generate significant strides as people and organizations become truly aware of its importance. Nowadays, for instance, more and more companies are joining the sustainability movement, heeding the call to embrace net zero. According to the United Nations, net zero means cutting greenhouse gas emissions to as close to zero as possible.

['Climate change made 2022 drought likelier'](#)

Paris: Human-caused climate change made this summer's drought across the Northern Hemisphere at least 20 times more likely, according to a rapid analysis released on Wednesday that warns such extreme dry periods would become increasingly common with global heating.

['Green' energy open to foreigners – DoJ](#)

By: Franco Jose Barona

Foreigners can own 100 percent of renewable or "green" energy projects in the Philippines, the Department of Justice (DoJ) said.

[\[Opinion\] Life during wartime](#)

By: Ben Kritz

THE orthodox version of climate change response is that between the two strategies to address — adaptation and mitigation — the latter must be prioritized. The reason for this is based on three assumptions: One, that it is still possible to keep global warming below a certain level (1.5 to 2.0 degrees Celsius) that avoids the most severe effects of it; two, it is absolutely necessary to do so because adapting to those effects, or even effects that are not as severe as those but simply worse than what would be experienced under the ideal 1.5-to-2.0 C level, would be completely unmanageable; and three, accepting that climate change effects are inevitable would discourage the world at large from trying to do anything at all to prevent them.

[RWE signs \\$6.8B US clean energy deal](#)

Berlin: German energy firm RWE AG said Saturday it had signed a purchase agreement for the Clean Energy Business affiliate of New York-based Con Edison, a deal valued at \$6.8 billion that would significantly boost its US renewables portfolio.

NEWSWEEK

[More Stink Bugs Will Invade the U.S. Amid Climate Change, Study Shows](#)

By Anna Skinner

A recent study found that climate change could make parts of America more palatable to brown marmorated stink bugs and lead to a sharp increase in the invasive pest.

NIKKEI ASIA

[Asics develops sneakers with world's smallest carbon footprint](#)

By: Rimi Inomata and Yuya Takasahi

Tokyo -- Japanese sports gear maker Asics has developed sneakers whose carbon footprint is less than half that of those formerly considered the low-emissions record holder.

NPR NEWS

[How glaciers melted 20,000 years ago may offer clues about climate change's effects](#)

By: Becky Sullivan

During Earth's ice ages, much of North America and northern Europe were covered in massive glaciers. About 20,000 years ago, those ice sheets began to melt rapidly, and the resulting water had to go somewhere — often, underneath the glaciers. Over time, massive valleys formed underneath the ice to drain the water away from the ice.

OPEN ACCESS GOVERNMENT (ASIA)

[The toll of climate change on mental health](#)

Although its health impacts vary between regions depending on geography, socio-economic status of affected communities, and political policies, climate change is the single greatest threat to human health.

PHILIPPINE DAILY INQUIRER

[\[Opinion\] Climate agenda](#)

It took only six hours for last month's Typhoon Karding to develop into a supertyphoon — showing how storms have become unpredictable due to climate change. Those who were in its path were not exactly unprepared — previous typhoons have taught them hard lessons — but they were still caught off guard by its intensity. This situation will prevail, with even worse consequences, if the government continues to romanticize Filipino resilience instead of being accountable — and this is as worse as denying that climate change exists.

[Manila Water flood-proofs sewage treatment plants near Marikina River](#)

By: Dennis Gutierrez

Manila, Philippines — As the Marikina River usually swells beyond its banks, especially during typhoon season, Manila Water has continued to improve the flood resiliency of its facilities near the river to ensure that flooding would not disrupt nor endanger its operations.

[PH most disaster-prone country in the world—study](#)

By: Cristina Eloisa Baclig

MANILA, Philippines—The Philippines, where Super Typhoon Karding (Noru) recently hit, was identified as the most disaster-prone country in the world due to its high risk, exposure, and vulnerability to disasters and calamities, an international report showed.

Climate change adaptation part of nat'l agenda — Bongbong Marcos

By: Daphne Galvez

Manila, Philippines — President Ferdinand “Bongbong” Marcos Jr. on Wednesday gave assurance that the country’s resiliency and adaptation to the new normals of climate change are on top of his administration’s national agenda.

PH children bear brunt of Karding, climate change hit

By: Cristina Eloisa Baclig

Over a million individuals were on the path of Super Typhoon Karding as it ravaged Luzon last month. Among those who suffered most were children who are being exposed to far more dangerous situations.

World at breaking point: Facing uncertainties

By: Selva Ramachandran

We are living in uncertain times. Extreme weather patterns are becoming usual occurrences around the world. The onslaught of recent Supertyphoons like “Odette” and “Karding” that swept parts of the Philippines clearly demonstrate the worsening climate crisis, greatly affecting those at the fringes of society.

World Bank unit launches \$6-B facility to bolster food security

By: Ronnel Domingo

International Finance Corp. (IFC) of the World Bank group has launched a \$6-billion financing facility intended to help support food production and strengthen the private sector’s ability to respond to surging levels of food insecurity across the globe.

PH’s move to fully open renewable energy industry to foreigners cheered

By: Alden Monzon

Allowing foreigners full ownership of renewable energy projects in the Philippines will help improve overall business sentiments and lure more investments into the country, according to business groups.

Research center in Chile’s Cape Horn serves as climate change ‘sentinel’

By Reuters

SANTIAGO — Located at the tip of South America, where the Pacific and Atlantic oceans meet, Cape Horn in Chile is the closest land mass to Antarctica and home to a unique ecosystem that scientists say is a natural laboratory to study climate change.

Foreigners can own 100% of renewable energy projects – DOJ

By: Jordeene B. Lagare

Manila, Philippines — The Marcos administration's aspiration of ramping up the use of more indigenous and renewable energy (RE) in the Philippines got a big boost after the Department of Justice (DOJ) opined that investments in this sector are not subject to the Constitution's foreign ownership restriction of 40 percent of businesses.

PHILIPPINE NEWS AGENCY

[Samal-Davao bridge project includes environmental protection](#)

By: Che Palicte

Samal City, Davao del Norte – The Samal Island – Davao City Connector (SIDC) bridge construction would push through as planned amid the suggestion of a resort owner for a deviation in the project.

[Karding-damaged houses now almost 100K: NDRRMC](#)

By: Priam Nepomuceno

The number of houses damaged by Super Typhoon Karding has climbed to 99,852 in five regions, the National Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Council (NDRRMC) reported Thursday.

[Climate change mitigation, adaptation top PBBM admin's agenda](#)

By: Ruth Abbey Gita-Carlos

President Ferdinand "Bongbong" Marcos Jr. on Wednesday guaranteed that the Philippines' resiliency and adaptation to the "new normals" of climate change are on top of his administration's national agenda.

[200 QC students trained on water conservation, climate change](#)

By: Perfecto Raymundo Jr.

Students from an elementary school in Quezon City on Monday received a lecture on water conservation and climate change.

[UN urges all COP27- bound countries to prioritize climate action](#)

By: Xinhua

UN Secretary-General Antonio Guterres on Monday called on all countries to make climate action the global priority.

THE PHILIPPINE STAR

[Climate change adaptation on top of Marcos agenda](#)

By: Helen Flores

Building the country's resilience to natural disasters and climate change adaptation are on top of the administration's agenda, President Marcos said yesterday.

POLITIKO

[Abby Binay flies to Germany for climate change policy forum](#)

The Makati mayor was among the leaders invited from all over the world to share and learn climate change mitigation and adaptation practices.

PTV

[Pres. Marcos: Environment, climate change among admin priorities](#)

President Ferdinand R. Marcos Jr. reiterated his administration's commitment in prioritizing the environment through climate change mitigation and adaptation initiatives as he called for cooperation among all stakeholders.

RAPPLER

[\[Opinion\] Small is beautiful: Ipil-ipil for a climate-challenged Philippines](#)

By: Kelvin S. Rodolfo

So much of my writing has criticized the nuclear effort of the first President Marcos, that it feels good to say something nice about another of his energy programs. It failed, but deserves a second effort, modified to serve a nation and people struggling with climate change.

[Marcos gets renewable energy push after DOJ opinion on foreign equity cap](#)

By: Ralf Rivas

Manila, Philippines – The Marcos administration has secured the legroom it needs to meet one of President Ferdinand Marcos Jr.'s campaign promises, after the Department of Justice (DOJ) issued a legal opinion that there are no foreign ownership restrictions on renewable energy projects.

RELIEF WEB

[UNIDO, Philippines to work on food security, innovation and climate change](#)

Manila, 29 September 2022 – Gerd Müller, Director General of the UN Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO), and Carlos D. Sorreta, Undersecretary for Multilateral and International Economic Relations at the Philippines Department of Foreign Affairs, met to discuss further strengthening of cooperation and sign a Joint Declaration.

REUTERS

[Europe must show 'far greater ambition' on climate -UN](#)

By Michele Kambas

Nicosia - Europe should show "far greater ambition" on climate change because its overall greenhouse gas emissions are still rising, and so countries must embrace recycling, tighten air quality and spend more on the environment, a UN report said yesterday.

[U.S. takes step to advance use of Cold War-era law for clean energy](#)

By: Timothy Gardner

Washington, Oct 3 (Reuters) - The U.S. Department of Energy on Monday took a step to advance use of a Cold War-era defense law for boosting the reliability of the electric power grid, deploying clean energy, and speeding domestic production of grid technologies such as transformers.

UNITED NATIONS NEWS

[Climate change heightens threats of violence against women and girls](#)

Presenting a report to the General Assembly on its causes and consequences, Reem Alsalem, UN Special Rapporteur on violence against women and girls described climate change as “the most consequential threat multiplier for women and girls, with far-reaching impacts on new and existing forms of gendered inequities”.

[Five ways media and journalists can support climate action while tackling misinformation](#)

According to the IPCC, this “shaping” power can usefully build public support to accelerate climate mitigation – the efforts to reduce or prevent the emission of the greenhouse gases that are heating our planet – but it can also be used to do exactly the opposite.

THE VISAYAN DAILY STAR

[\[Opinion\] Rising sea levels](#)

As the country with one of the world’s longest coastlines, stretching more than 36,000 kilometers, and 70 percent of municipalities facing large bodies of water, the Philippines should be preparing for the impact of rising sea levels, which the Philippine Atmospheric, Geophysical and Astronomical Services Administration has reported to be rising three times faster compared to global averages.

WIRED.COM

[Why ‘Carbon Emissions’ Are Now ‘Climate Pollution’](#)

By Kate Yoder

What do you think of when you hear the word pollution—a city smothered in smog, a beach strewn with trash, factories pumping out dark clouds?

CCC in the News

BUSINESS MIRROR

[Nestlé PHL partners with GMA to clean up coastal areas](#)

By Roderick Abad

Following the onslaught of Typhoon Karding (international name Noru) while marking the International Coastal Cleanup Day and its Second Plastic Neutrality Anniversary,

Nestlé Philippines has teamed up with GMA Network in cleaning up the shore of Las Piñas Parañaque Critical Habitat & Ecotourism Area (LPPCHEA).

MALAYA BUSINESS INSIGHT

[Time off to clean, protect the coasts](#)

By: Edison Joseph Gonzales

Nestlé Philippines and GMA Network have teamed up for the nationwide coastal cleanup at the Las Piñas-Parañaque Critical Habitat and Ecotourism Area (LPPCHEA) “to tackle the plastic waste crisis in the country.”

[Landbank ensures continuous access to climate finance](#)

The Land Bank of the Philippines (Landbank) assures local development stakeholders of continued access to climate finance under the Green Climate Fund (GCF), in support of projects for climate change adaptation and mitigation.

THE MANILA TIMES

[\[Opinion\] Revisiting climate change](#)

By: Herminia Jacinto

I MUST have written about climate change in previous columns, so why am I writing about it again? Recent events have made it a current topic and perhaps it will never be outdated since climate change is a perennial problem. Typhoon "Karding" had just passed our country and resulted in so much damage to property and lives. My heart goes out to the rescuers who died while trying to perform their tasks. The efforts exerted by both public and private sectors during the typhoon and the floods deserve a lot of commendation.

PHILIPPINE INFORMATION AGENCY

[LANDBANK assures available climate finance for adaptation, mitigation](#)

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THE PHILIPPINE STAR

[In first 100 days, Marcos talks climate change but action still on back burner](#)

By: Gaea Katreena Cabico

Manila, Philippines — President Ferdinand Marcos Jr. has frequently mentioned the need to address climate change in his speeches. He is, after all, leading the Philippines during the most crucial window to avoid or limit some of the worst effects of climate change.

SUNSTAR

[Siargao islanders rebuild lives after Typhoon Odette](#)

By Yasmin Arquiza, with reports from Daphne Padilla

With scientists warning of more frequent and stronger typhoons as a result of the climate crisis, Siargao's stakeholders are looking at nature-based solutions to deal with its impacts.

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