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Enforcement Intensifies around PITX against illegal drop off points, terminals



The Metro Manila Development Authority (MMDA), Land Transportation Office (LTO), and Inter-Agency Council on Traffic (IACT), deployed more than 50 personnel yesterday at the Parañaque Integrated Terminal Exchange (PITX) to prevent illegal drop off points and illegal terminals within the vicinity of the landport.

Jason Salvador, Corporate Affairs and Government Relations Head at PITX said, “we have observed in recent weeks that more PUVs are dropping off passengers in unauthorized areas, which revived colorum operations and has been prevalent much to the inconvenience and danger to the riding public.”

IACT Deputy Chief of Operations Eduardo Cayetano, led the briefing yesterday at the terminal. He deployed the enforcement personnel, along Macapagal, Roxas Boulevard, Pasay Rotonda, and Buendia Taft.



Salvador said, “aside from protecting the welfare of our passengers, the operation addresses adequate supply of PUVs to the terminal”. He continued, “the enforcement also coincides with the recent decision of the Supreme Court in imposing higher fines up to Php 1 million against operators of colorum vehicles.”

The Supreme Court deemed Joint Administrative Order 2014-01 constitutional to enhance public safety and welfare by charging higher fines against negligent drivers and public utility vehicle operators.

“To aggravate the already pernicious nature of the roads is the proliferation of colorum vehicles. As their continued conduct absent requisite authority immeasurably endanger the lives of the riding public, it is necessary for the State, pursuant to its police power devolving unto the DOTC and its agencies, to place reasonable restrictions in the form of higher fees and stricter penalties upon the operation of motor vehicles,” said the Supreme Court.

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