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## Ecija cops go online, set up own website

**CABANATUAN CITY** – The Nueva Ecija Police Office launched last week its website -- [www.nuevacejapolice.com](http://www.nuevacejapolice.com) -- believed to be the first of its kind created by a provincial command.

"The NEPPO site is a living proof that Mamang Pulis is truly going out of his way to be closer to the community that they have sworn to serve and protect," said provincial police chief Senior Supt. Napoleon C. Tass at the launching of the website here on April 21.

The website came as computerization of the PNP main command, its three police mobile groups and 32 city and municipal stations went full swing in coordination with Tass' "first 100 days program of action" for NEPPO.

Tass, who noted that a google search shows that it is the only PNP-maintained website at the provincial level, said that the new website is unique as it also features the province's scenic spots and other places of human interest aside from the traditional crime statistics and tips and other police-related stuff.

He said six professional photographers from the Society of Portrait Photographers of the Philippines (SPPP) headed by Boy Samson helped in providing

photos that could be posted in the NEPPO website.

Tass, who also designed the first Western Police District, now Manila PD, website way back in 1997, said Samson and company toured the province for three days to capture the beauty and serenity of a province that was once known for its violence.

Samson, SPPP president, said contrary to prevailing perception, "Nueva Ecija is one of the most peaceful and secured provinces to visit."

"All six of us went around unescorted in the municipalities of Bongabon, Rizal, Pantabangan, Gabaldon and Cabanatuan from April 18 to 20. These places offer some of the most picturesque locations that an amateur photographer would surely love to visit," said Samson.

He added: "Pantabangan Dam, for one, is a photog's paradise and three days are simply not enough to give justice to its beauty. I agree with PD Tass that Pantabangan is practically Tugaytay and Baguio put together. However, my group added that it could even be better considering that the Nueva Ecija is only around two hours away from Manila. We had a great time in Nueva Ecija and one thing is for

certain, we will surely come back to host photography seminars."

Tass said the website is still a "work in progress" and that they will soon be posting crime and directional maps, and more photos of interesting places in the province.

The police official added that as an added bonus to visitors to the site, people will get to hear the recently-released "Mamang Pulis" theme song.

He invites the public to visit the NEPPO website at [www.nuevacejapolice.com](http://www.nuevacejapolice.com), and e-mail any comments to [webmaster@nuevacejapolice.com](mailto:webmaster@nuevacejapolice.com).

Nixon A. Canlapan, provincial news editor of *People's tonight*, agreed yesterday that the website is one "sterling effort of the community police to reach out to the masses. He said he personally visited the website and found out that for a neophyte in the worldwide web, the site has already shown a good start.

He expressed his congratulations to the Nueva Ecija police and said that this move could set an example to other police units nationwide. He also congratulated the website for featuring not just police matters but the entire province as well.

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