

PRESS RELEASE  
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## **MOL Magsaysay Maritime Academy Holds Graduation for Second Batch**

MOL Magsaysay Maritime Academy (MMMA) held its second graduation of cadets on Tuesday, February 18, at the MMMA Campus in Salitran IV, Dasmariñas, Cavite. A total of 80 Bachelor of Science in Marine Transportation (BS MT) and 72 Bachelor of Science in Marine Engineering (BS MarE) cadets received their diplomas. All graduates are guaranteed employment onboard ships with partner shipping companies Mitsui O.S.K. Lines (MOL) and MAGSAYSAY.

MMMA also underscored during the commencement exercises the recent accreditation and certification of Japan's Ministry of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism (MLIT) to the academy as an Authorized Seafarer Education Institution—a milestone for any maritime institution. MLIT's strict standards demonstrate the topnotch and long-term credibility of MMMA in terms of educational structure, state-of-the-art training facilities, and academic performance.

Former Senator Manny Pacquiao graced the graduation as the event's keynote speaker. "The world is watching. Every ship you step on, every journey you take, you carry the Filipino name. *Sikapin ninyong hindi lang maging mahusay—maging pinakamahusay. Maging marino na hindi lang naglalayag, kundi nag-iwan ng marka. Maging Pilipino na hindi lang nagtatrabaho, kundi nagbibigay ng inspirasyon,*" Pacquiao shared. *Hindi lang ito trabaho. Kayo ang bumubuhay sa ekonomiya, ang nagkokonekta sa mundo, at ang nagsisigurong ligtas ang paglalayag ng maraming bansa. Gawin ninyo ito nang may puso at sipag,*" he added.

Members of diplomatic corps from different countries, local government officers, Maritime Industry Authority (MARINA) and Commission on Higher Education (CHED) representatives, and invited representatives from the shipping industry also graced the graduation.

### **MMMA Class of 2025**

#### **Over the Horizon: Filipino Mariners Ready for the Brave New Maritime World**

Inaugurated in 2018, MMMA offers an extraordinary learning experience to accelerate cadets' careers in the global maritime industry.

MMMA's second batch completed three years of in-campus education and a year of onboard training on international vessels. The learning and training onboard advances cadets' technical and leadership skills and competencies to prepare them as world-class maritime

professionals. Work immersion plays a vital role in providing cadets with the opportunity to become familiar with their workplace—the international vessels.

Among the graduates, 11 were under full scholarships, a program made possible through the support of shipping companies, maritime organizations, and Homer Foundation Inc. (HFI).

For information on MMMA enrollment and scholarship program, you may contact the Administration Office at +63 46 481 4800 or email [admission@mma.edu.ph](mailto:admission@mma.edu.ph).

## **MAGSAYSAY and MOL Valued Partnership**

Committed to developing world-class Filipino maritime officers, the MAGSAYSAY and MOL founded MMMA to develop excellent Filipino seafarers and contribute to the development of the shipping industry and the Philippine community. The Academy aims to provide cadets with high-quality education, along with the leadership culture and values that are critical for safe operations and compliance with international regulations and environmental laws—all of which are needed in today's stringent global maritime environment.

### *About MOL*

*Mitsui O.S.K. Lines (MOL), headquartered in Tokyo, is a leading shipping company with the world's second-largest fleet of about 900 vessels and the largest LNG fleet globally. It is developing various social infrastructure businesses, technologies, and services centered on marine transport to meet the ever-changing needs of society, such as environmental protection. MOL's fleet includes dry bulkers, LNG carriers, car carriers, container ships, and tankers.*

*In addition to the traditional shipping business, it is also developing social infrastructure businesses such as container terminals, logistics, and offshore wind power, as well as well-being life businesses such as real property, cruises, and ferries.*

*[www.mol.co.jp](http://www.mol.co.jp)*

### *About MAGSAYSAY*

*Magsaysay Maritime Corporation (MMC) is a leading provider of quality seafarers and exemplary crewing services for the world's maritime and cruise industries. Headquartered in Manila, Philippines, and with affiliates and subsidiaries in Indonesia, China, and Croatia, MMC provides partner Principals around the world direct access to topnotch, well-trained, and excellent crew of various cultures and nationalities for both merchant marine vessels and cruise ships.*

*MMC's service is anchored on building a human resources pipeline and investing heavily in the sourcing, selection, training, and certification of seafarers and crew members for specific jobs they will perform onboard cruise ships and merchant marine vessels.*

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