

## QC confident to meet 60-day deadline

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The Quezon City government has expressed confidence that it will meet the 60-day deadline imposed by the Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG) to clear main thoroughfares and important secondary routes.

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Ariel Inton, city traffic czar, said over 70 percent of main thoroughfares and important secondary roads that the city developed are already cleared, expressing confidence that they will beat the deadline.

Inton admitted that the size of Quezon City poses a huge challenge to their clean-up operations.

The city makes up almost 25 percent of Metro Manila's total land area with 166.20 square kilometers of space. Caloocan City and Manila have 53.33 and 42.88 square kilometers of land area, respectively.

He emphasized that the other cities, which already completed their respective clean-up drives, are smaller compared to Quezon City.

These are Makati (27.36 square kilometers), Marikina (22.64), Malabon (15.96), Navotas (11.51), Pasay (18.31), San Juan (5.87) and Valenzuela (47.02) and the municipality of Pateros (10.40).

"We are not competing with other cities or local government units, but we are competing against time here," the official stressed.

Inton was appointed by Mayor Joy Belmonte to head the Task Force on Transport and Traffic Management, which is responsible for the traffic aspect of "Task Force 60 Days," which was created in accordance with President Duterte's order to clear major roads and secondary roads.