4 QC villages cleared of ASF

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The Quezon City government reported that four barangays in the city are now cleared of African swine fever (ASF) following the intensified culling campaign of hogs afflicted with the disease.

Mayor Joy Belmonte said Barangays Bagong Silangan, Tatalon, Tandang Sora and Pasong Tamo are now ASF-cleared.

On Wednesday, Barangay Bagong Silangan became the latest to be cleared of ASF after the culling of the last batch of pigs on the same day.

However, Belmonte noted that Barangay Payatas has not yet been cleared of the ASF disease where there is still a need to cull more hogs.

Reports from the field also broke out that 2,000 more pigs need to be culled.

Belmonte said that the problem with regards to financial assistance to the affected hog raisers has remained a challenge as the city government awaits aid from the national government.

Quezon City has allocated ₱3,000 per pig as financial assistance to hog raisers.