

QC hospitals get supplies, PPEs from INC

THE Iglesia Ni Cristo has started providing protective equipment as well as needed hospital supplies to key public hospitals in Quezon City in an effort to assist the local government and health authorities in the fight against the COVID-19 virus.

“We’re distributing these necessities to all public hospitals in Quezon City to address the urgent needs of our medical frontliners. We’re doing our own effort to lessen their vulnerability to the virus when they’re performing their tasks,” said INC General Auditor Glicerio B. Santos Jr.

Santos added that INC Executive Minister Brother Eduardo V. Manalo directed the church to be “all-out” in its aid and assistance efforts to prevent the spread of the virus, which has hit various areas in Quezon City as well as opening up the use of the Philippine Arena to be used by the government in fighting this disease.

“Ka Eduardo has told us that rather than face this threat with fear, we should confront it with action—and this is why the Church has chosen to help the gov-

ernment and our countrymen in any way we can,” stressed Santos.

Santos said the facility’s management has already discussed this with the Inter-Agency Task Force on the Management of Emerging Infectious Diseases (IATF-EID). On Friday, government representatives conducted a site visit and ocular inspection of the Philippine Arena, Philippine Sports Stadium and The Garden Suites, all inside Ciudad de Victoria in Bocaue, Bulacan.

According to Santos, “the government can already begin making preparations in order to ensure that it can handle a sudden rise in the number of COVID-19 cases.”

“Handa kaming tumulong. In this critical time we all need to work together to beat this virus. We are all affected, so we must all act.”

The Philippine Arena—located in Bocaue, Bulacan—is the largest indoor arena in the world. It can sit over 50,000 spectators and has a floor area of 99,000 square meters.