

QC detention facility best in NCR

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QUEZON City Mayor Maria Josefa “Joy” Belmonte on Wednesday hailed the QC male dormitory (QCMD) following its recognition by the Bureau of Jail Management and Penology–National Capital Region (BJMPNCR) as the best detention facility in the metropolis.

The BJMP–NCR recognized the QCMD during the bureau’s 31st anniversary celebration held at The Elements in Eton Centris, also in Quezon City last week.

It was the first recognition for the QCMD, said Supt. Michelle Ng Bonto, the first female head of the all-male detention facility.

“The city government[and I] are so proud of this achievement by QCMD being the best jail institution in Metro Manila.

This only shows the kind of good leadership of Superintendent Bonto and her subordinates in managing the high-risk facility,” Belmonte said.

“Let me congratulate the entire QCMD personnel led by Superintendent Bonto for such feat and rest assured that the city government will not cease from extending help and support so that they can further improve their system in attending to the needs of the detainees,” she added.

Belmonte said the local government was also thankful for the special award it received from BJMP for continuously supporting the institution and providing aid for persons deprived of liberty throughout the years. The city government has been closely coordinating with QCMD to provide the needs of their institution, including livelihood and health programs.

BJMP–QC Jail’s ‘Ligtas Covid Center and Quarantine Facility’ was also recognized as the Best Quarantine Facility in the NCR.

Bonto, in return, was gratified by the recognition given by BJMP–NCR director Chief Supt. Luisito Muñoz and the all-out support of the Belmonte administration to the city’s all-male jail facility.

“With this award, the entire QCMD personnel will be more inspired to do their duty to protect the detainees and give them the best care while they are under detention,” she told The Manila Times.

In May, the city government commended Bonto for enforcing Operation Greyhound in which contrabands such as bladed weapons, cash and drugs were discovered tucked away inside the walls and floorboards of jail premises and subsequently confiscated.