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QC named ‘most competitive’ city for fourth straight year

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For the fourth consecutive year, Quezon City has been recognized as the most competitive, highly urbanized city by the Department of Trade and Industry (DTI).

Quezon City got five awards, including the Overall Most Competitive Local Government Unit under the Highly Urbanized Category, in the 2024 Cities and Municipalities Competitiveness Index drawn up by the DTI.

It was also cited as the most competitive city in the Infrastructure category, and ranked second and third in Innovation and Resiliency categories, respectively.

Quezon City also received a special award from the Intellectual Property Office of the Philippines for having the most number of intellectual property filings.

Mayor Joy Belmonte personally received the awards in ceremonies at the Manila Hotel last week.

“These recognitions affirm the good work of the city government for the welfare of all QCitizens,” Belmonte said. “We dedicate these awards to our partners in service in the city government and to the QCitizens who continuously trust in the city’s ability to serve.”

The rankings were based on five indicators: economic dynamism, government efficiency, infrastructure, resiliency and innovation.

Quezon City ranked fourth among highly urbanized cities in economic dynamism and government efficiency.

Following Quezon City in the overall rankings for highly urbanized cities were Manila, Pasay, Muntinlupa, Iloilo, Cagayan de Oro, Davao, Makati, Pasig and Taguig.

The top 10 provinces were Rizal, Laguna, Davao del Norte, Davao del Sur, Cavite, Camiguin, La Union, Batangas, Albay and Bataan.

Naga City in Camarines Sur topped the list among component cities followed by Digos, Legazpi, Tagbilaran, Calapan, Calamba, Biñan, San Fernando in La Union and Tagum.

Cainta, Rizal ranked first among first to second class municipalities; Can-Avid in Eastern Samar among third to fourth class municipalities, and Kauswagan in Lanao del Norte among fifth to sixth class municipalities.