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Welcome Message

The Department of Transportation's (DOTr) hosting of the High-Level 16th Regional Environmentally Sustainable Transport Forum in Asia attests to the agency's steadfast commitment to advancing sustainable urban mobility. This gathering brings together thought leaders, innovators, and advocates to address the pressing challenges of modern urbanization. It is a call to enhance our cities and transport systems to ensure they serve as engines of growth while preserving the delicate balance with nature—a global decarbonization effect.

As we stand at the crossroads of transport-system innovation, let this forum be an opportunity for transformative dialogue and decisive action. May the shared expertise and collaboration among nations inspire solutions that foster inclusivity, reduce environmental footprints, and drive economic resilience. Let this event stand as a beacon of progress, where aspirations take form of policies, partnerships, and innovations that benefit not just the present but the generations yet to come.

In our shared journey towards the Bagong Pilipinas, let us champion sustainable urban mobility not only as a necessity but as moral imperative. Let us forge partnerships that transcend borders, uplift lives, and craft policies that harmonize progress with environmental preservation. By empowering our cities and communities, we pave the way to a future where every Filipino—and every citizen in Asia—can look forward to a greener, more resilient tomorrow.

I wish you a meaningful and productive gathering.


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