

The Philippines

The People's Resistance to a Creeping Fascist Dictatorship

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The Filipino people
have historically
struggled against
colonialism and
fascism



Courtesy of BAYAN USA

U.S.-backed puppet dictators

Marcos-Reagan

Duterte-Trump



Courtesy of Reuters



The People's State of the Nation

8 REASONS TO UNITE FOR A PEOPLE'S SONA



Courtesy of Malaya Movement

CHA-CHA

Duterte's Charter Change is veiled under the guise of federalism. In reality, it is a move by Duterte and the ruling dynasties to extend their tyrannical rule and allow more foreign control over basic industries.

Without a significant change in the social structure of the Philippines, any change in the form of government or constitution will not benefit the people.

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TRAIN

The tax reform law--Tax Reform for Acceleration and Inclusion--
was implemented in January 2018 that

- reduces income tax by 25% for income in excess of P250K
- reduces corporate tax by 20%
- increases tax for commodities and services
- will fund 75+ *Build Build Build* infrastructure projects

	Bago ang TRAIN	TRAIN 2018	TRAIN 2019	TRAIN 2020
Diesel	Walang tax	P2.50/ litro	P4.50/Litro	P6.00/Litro
LPG	Walang tax	P1.00/Litro	P2.00/Litro	P3.00/Litro
Gasolina	P4.35/Litro	P7.00/Litro	P9.00/Litro	P10.00/Litro
Inuming gumagamit ng asukal	Walang Tax	P6.00/Litro		
Mga produktong softdrinks, juice, sweetened yogurt, canned fruits	Walang Tax	P12.00/Litro		
Produktong tabako at alcohol	SIN Tax + Tax sa TRAIN Law			

*It is a law that enriches
the rich and burdens the
majority!*

ENDO

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Contractualization or endo (end of contract) is a capitalist scheme to maximize profits by cutting down on labor costs and evading accountability. Workers are forced to work to the bone without job security, wage increase, benefits or safe working conditions. This exploitative labor practice is further reinforced by the state through its repressive laws and the police.

PRODUCTS OF NUTRIASIA


WHO OWNS NUTRIASIA?

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FAMILY NET WORTH (2017): \$650 MILLION

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(AS TOLD BY THE WORKERS)
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inside the work station
(bottling and packing)
 **substandard & inadequate**
safety gear and equipment
 **> 95°C**
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 **victims of work-related accidents**
2nd degree burns, bone fractures
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#BEEastMode
A Jollibee Day-Off Campaign in Solidarity with JFC Contractual Workers



A CALL FOR SUPPORT TO FILIPINOS HERE AND ABROAD TO TEMPORARILY NOT PATRONIZE ALL OF THE SUBSIDIARIES AND AFFILIATES OF JOLLIBEE FOODS CORPORATION (JFC) IN SUPPORT OF ITS WORKERS CALL FOR REGULARIZATION AND TO STOP THE SERIES OF MASS LAY-OFFS OF CONTRACTUAL WORKERS AND AGENCY CONTRACTS.

THE PHILIPPINE LABOR DEPARTMENT ALREADY ISSUED A COMPLIANCE ORDER MANDATING JFC TO REGULARIZE ITS CONTRACTUAL WORKERS. JFC ALSO TOPPED PHILIPPINE COMPANIES THAT PRACTICES ILLEGAL LABOR-ONLY CONTRACTING SCHEME.

SAMAHAN NG MANGGAGAWA SA JFC | DEFEND JOB PHILIPPINES

PROVINCE OF CHINA/ U.S. OUTPOST

The U.S. gives \$111M in military aid to fund counterinsurgency programs and the drug war to protect its interests in the Philippines. Even in the US, the PH Consulate parrots the lies of US immigration officials, as in the torture of Muslim human rights activist Jerome Aba.

China gives \$7.3M in military aid and is occupying Philippine islands. Further, Chinese firms have a \$322M contract to rebuild Marawi City.

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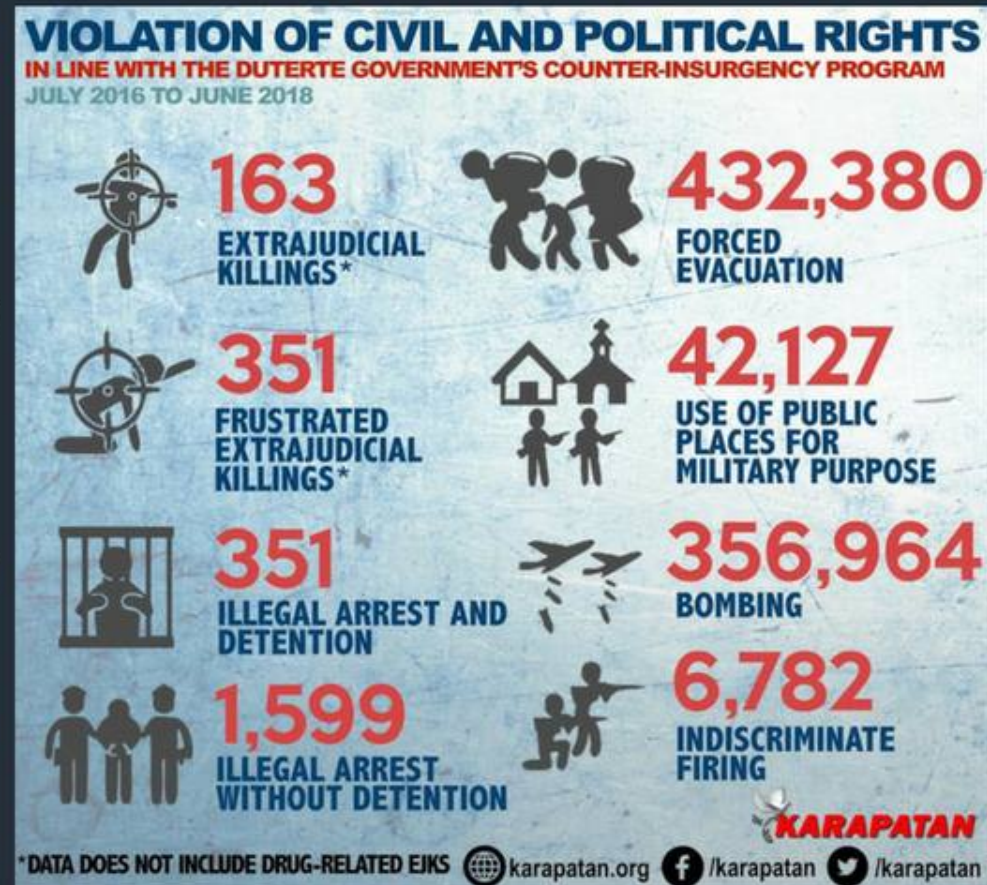
Duterte perpetuates a culture of misogyny through his blatant, incessant sexist jokes, gestures, speeches and actions. Duterte's regime inflicts violence against women through the drug war, his lack of support of the Divorce Bill, and the overall lack of social and economic reforms that deprive women of their social, political and economic rights.

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MARTIAL LAW, KILLINGS & HRVS

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Duterte's human rights violations surpasses Marcos': "war on drugs" is essentially a war on the poor that has killed more than 20,000 people. Martial Law in Mindanao resulted in death, destruction, and displacement. Oplan Kapayapaan has targeted and killed activists and human rights defenders.



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NEGLECT OF MIGRANTS

Filipino migrants in the U.S. suffer under Trump's racist, anti-migrant, anti-worker policies. Filipino migrants continue to suffer from human trafficking, discrimination and deportation. Despite our kababayans' contributions, the Philippine state neglects its responsibility to protect the rights and welfare of its people abroad. Further, the problems detailed above perpetuate the conditions that force Filipinos to leave the country at a rate of 6300 per day just to make a living for their families.



PEACE TALKS

Duterte has "wishes" that essentially are unjust pre-conditions hindering the resumption of formal talks between the GRP and the NDF. He wants to stage localized negotiations, which violate the joint agreement on Peace Negotiations to be hosted in a foreign neutral venue. These negotiations are "old discredited psywar tactic" that would turn out into staged peace talks between the government and "fake" NPA rebels. The Duterte administration does not want to implement real social and economic changes to the Philippines as outlined in the Comprehensive Agreement on Social & Economic Reform (CASER).

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The growing power of the trade union movement

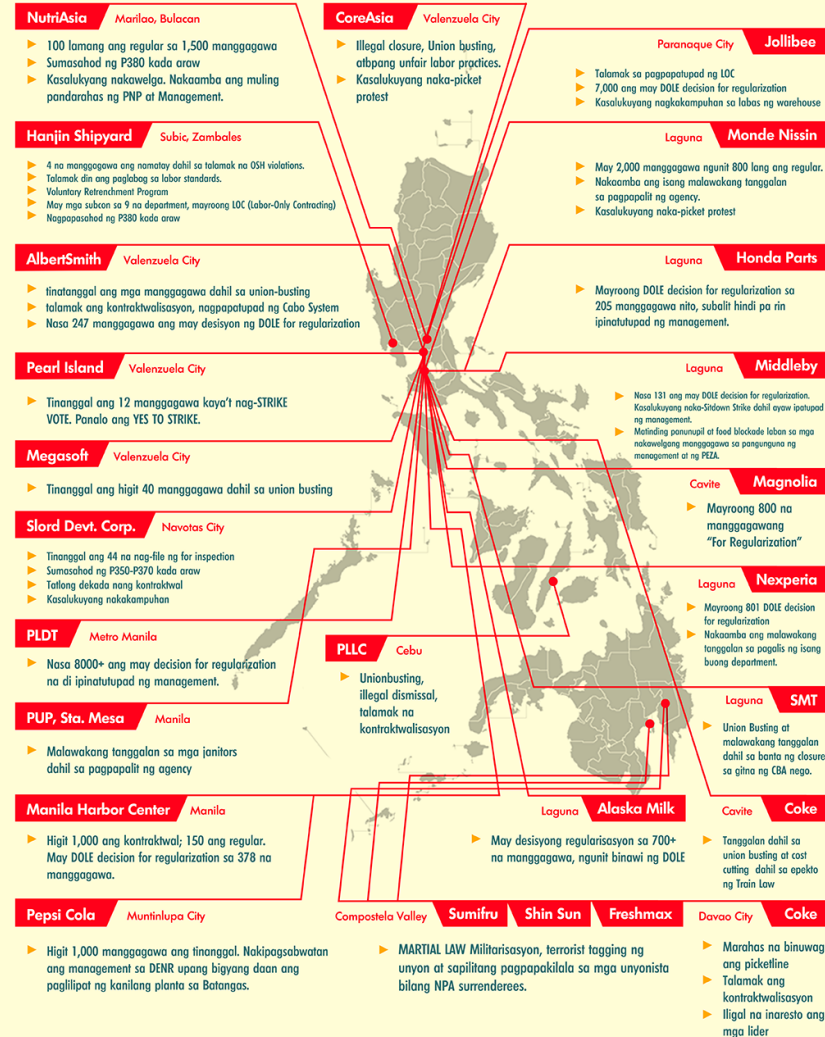


KILUSANG MAYO UNO

AKLASAN!

para sa regular na trabaho
at pambansang minimum
na sahod

SUPORTAHAN ANG MGA NAGPUPUTUKANG LABAN NG MANGGAGAWA SA BUONG BANSANG



Violent dispersal of NutriAsia workers on strike on July 30, 2018

Philippine National Police arrested 19 people
including journalists and two Filipino
Americans.

Workers calling for a boycott of the NutriAsia
brand.



#BoycottNutriAsia

tinyurl.com/SupportNutriAsiaStrike

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THE POLITICAL ECONOMY IN NUTRIASIA

12-16 hours
labor time per day

P380 wage
per day (8 hours)

NutriAsia earns **P 27 MILLION** daily per product line

13th month pay
Only P3,000 Christmas bonus after agency deductions

ONLY 5 MINUTES
per 12 hours of work is paid by NutriAsia

WHAT CAN WE DO?

Boycott NutriAsia products
One way to register our dissent against the oppression of NutriAsia is to stop supporting their products

Release statements of solidarity
A more powerful way to show support is to release solidarity statements and call for donations for the workers on our social media pages.

Donate to the workers of NutriAsia
The workers currently need more materials to stay in the picket line: used tarpaulins, food items, rice and water are heavily needed.

Integrate!
More than anything else, our presence within the ranks of workers is the most concrete form of showing our support for them.

Blood in our Condiments

EXPLORING NUTRIASIA'S EXPLOITATION TOWARDS WORKERS

The Case of Sister Patricia Fox

Red tagging, harassment, criminalization, and deportation of solidarity activists and church people.



The case of Moro activist Jerome Aba

Repression of Filipino activists on
U.S. soil





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