

FLOOD CONTROL PROJECTS: TO BE OR NOT TO BE?

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God has cared for these trees, saved them from drought, disease, avalanches, and a thousand tempest and floods, but he cannot save them from fools.

Geographically speaking, the location of the Philippines is surrounded by bodies of water, it is an archipelago. Luckily, we are not tsunamis spot even though we are surrounded by water.

As the years passed by, everything changed, carelessness of the people for our environment and its aftermath causes us big trouble. Inconsiderable life style neglect of the people continuously causes to worsen the effect of global warming.

The government claimed that there were more than 5500 flood control projects. People applauded to this statement, expecting that at last! Flood will be minimized!

The people were expecting that the said claim as, there were declogging, deepening of the rivers, building of stable and high dikes, cleaning of canals and rivers, planting more trees, prohibition of cutting of trees and most of all practicing self-discipline to all of us in segregating our waste.

After the statement of the said project, it was tested by the nature. Typhoon Carina tested the flood control if it was durable and effective. The people were shocked with the results, some areas in Metro Manila and other neighboring provinces like Bicol were covered with flood water.

It caused loss of lives, damaged to properties and root crops. It also caused big loss in our economy. The farmers started selling their rice fields to avoid bankruptcy. The supply and demand of primary food will be diminished if there are no farmers to plant for their crops.

The nature give us signal that we need to start the changes to our self. Even there are more than a thousand or a million flood control projects still, there is no use if there is no discipline coming from us. The root cause is coming from us as a consumer flooding and losses are still present.

In the school, the learners are continuously educating to be well informed and be independent to give their own insight to the problem and to engage their self to the reality of the situation to the sentiment of the problem. The learners are expecting voluntarily involve themselves to the different projects of controlling or minimizing the cause of it.

All we need is to have a strong drive all walks of life, to offer our ideas to do the right thing to protect the nature.

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