STOCK MARKET		ASIAN MARKETS	WORLD MARKETS	PESO-DOLLAR RATES	ASIAN MONIES-US\$ RATE	WORLD CURRENCIES	DUBAI CRUDE OIL	
	6760 PSEi	OCTOBER 10, 2022 CLOSE NET %	OCTOBER 7, 2022 CLOSE NET	55.40 FX	OCTOBER 10, 2022 LATEST BID (0900GMT) PREVIOUS	OCTOBER 10, 2022 CLOSE PREVIOUS	FUTURES PRICE ON NEAREST MONTH OF DELIVERY 107.00 \$94.35/BBL	
	6408 OPEN: 5,898.83 6056 HIGH: 5,898.83 5704 LOW: 5,832.58 CLOSE: 5,832.58 99.61 PTS. 5000 1,67% VOL: 0.326 B	JAPAN (NIKKEI 225) * 27,116.11	Dow Jones 29,296.790 ▼ -630.150 NASDAQ 10,652.405 ▼ -420.906 S&P 500 3,639.660 ▼ -104.860 FTSE 100 6,991.090 ▼ -6.180 EURO STOXX50 3,378.480 ▼ -22.830	56.60 OPEN P58.980 HIGH P58.950 LOW P59.980 CLOSE P59.000 0.20 W.AVE. P58.999 61.40 8.00 CWS VOL. \$402.00 M	S. Korea (won) 1,428.280 V 1,415.510 Singapore (dollar) 1.436 V 1.433	US\$/UK POUND 1.1071 ▼ 1.1084 US\$/EURO 0.9703 ▼ 0.9741 \$/AUST DOLLAR 0.6317 ▼ 0.6368 CANADA DOLLAR/US\$ 1.3728 ▼ 1.3737 SWISS FRANC/US\$ 0.9971 ▲ 0.9942	99.80 92.80 85.40 78.20 \$1.09	
	30 DAYS TO OCTOBER 10, 2022 VAL(P): 2.527 B	MALAYSIA (KLSE COMPOSITE) * 1,406.00 ▼ -14.43 -1.02 * CLOSING PRICES AS OF OCTOBER 7, 2022		30 DAYS TO OCTOBER 10, 2022 SOURCE : BAP	Malaysia (ringgit) 4.648 — 4.648		30 DAYS TO OCTOBER 7, 2022	

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PP P92.950 ALL P23.000 AC P610.000 BDO P111.100 SCC P40.250 SMPH P31.150 EMI P19.720 CNVRG P12.200 ICT P177.500

BPI	P92.950	ALI	P23.000	AC	P610.000	BDO	P111.100	SCC	P40.250	SMPH	P31.150	EMI	P19.720	CNVRG	P12.200	ICT	P177.500	GTCAP	P390.000
Value	P146,447,676	Value	P138,828,060	Value	P122,834,140	Value	P118,132,198	Value	P110,620,96	Value	P110,380,940	Value	P102,234,718	Value	P97,148,562	Value	P91,872,015	Value	P90,872,760
-P0.050	▼ -0.054%	-P0.400	▼ -1.709 %	-P20.000	→ -3.175 %	-P1.300	▼ -1.157 %	-P0.150	▼ -0.371 %	-P0.300	▼ -0.954 %	P0.000	— 0.000 %	-P0.800	▼ -6.154%	-P0.100	▼ -0.056%	-P10.000	▼ -2.500 %

FDI inflows slump to 14-month low

FOREIGN DIRECT investment (FDI) net inflows declined for a third straight month in July, slumping to the lowest level in 14 months as investors remained cautious amid elevated inflation and slowing global growth.

Data released by the Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas (BSP) on Monday showed FDI net inflows fell by 64.4% to \$460 million in July from \$1.29 billion a year earlier.

This was the lowest monthly FDI inflow recorded since the \$455 million posted in May 2021.

Month on month, FDI net inflows dropped by 2.3% from \$471 million in June.

"In July 2022, FDI net inflows decreased due largely to the lower non-residents' net investments in debt instruments of their local affiliates. This decrease more than offset the growth in their net investments in equity capital," the BSP said in a statement.

By component, non-residents' net investments in debt instruments of local affiliates plunged by 80.6% to \$213 million in July, from \$1.093 billion a year ago.

In contrast, investments in equity and investment fund shares rose by 24 7% in July to \$248 million

FDIs in equity capital (other than reinvestment of earnings) surged by 268.2% to \$137 million in July from \$37 million in the same month last year.

Broken down, equity capital placements jumped by 63.5% annually to \$155 million, while withdrawals dropped by 69.1% to \$18 million.

For the month, equity placements were mainly from Singapore, Japan, and the United States. These were placed mostly in construction, manufacturing, and real estate industries.

Reinvestment of earnings dropped by 31.4% to \$111 million year on year in July, from the \$162 million in 2021.

The latest FDI data reflected worries over an expected global recession as many economies are expected to slow down next year, China Banking Corp. Chief Economist Domini S. Velasquez said in a Viber message.

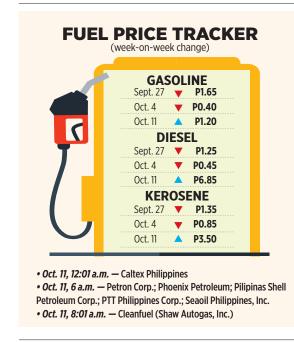
"Tighter financial conditions in major source countries could have contributed to lower FDI. A rising interest rate environment, more pessimistic business environment, and higher cost may refrain foreign companies from investing in the near term," she said.

Heightened market volatility may have also contributed to the drop in FDI inflows in July, when the US Federal Reserve delivered another large rate hike, Rizal Commercial Banking Corp. Chief Economist Michael L. Ricafort said in an e-mail note.

"(FDI) was also partly weighed (down) by higher inflation and interest rates that are drags to new investments/FDIs globally and locally," Mr. Ricafort added.

In an off-cycle move, the BSP raised its benchmark interest rate by 75 bps in July, bringing it to 3.25% in an attempt to curb inflation.

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Meralco rates drop in October

HOUSEHOLDS in Metro Manila can expect lower electricity bills this month, with typical households set to see a P15 reduction, the Philippine capital's largest power distribution utility said on Monday.

In a statement, Manila Electric Co. (Meralco) said the overall electricity rate dropped by P0.0737 per kilowatt-hour (kWh) to P9.8628 in October from P9.9365 per kWh in September due to the reduction in the feed-in-tariff allowance (FIT-All).

"For a residential customer consuming 200 kWh, the reduction is equivalent to a decrease of almost P15 in their total electricity bill," Meralco said.

Those using 300 kWh, 400 kWh and 500 kWh can expect their monthly bills to go down by P22, P29 and P36, respectively.

Meralco Vice-President and Head of Corporate Communications Joe R. Zaldarriaga said the October rate was lower due to the P0.0619 per kWh cut in the FIT-All and the drop in generation charge.

The Energy Regulatory Commission (ERC) had approved the collection of a FIT-All of P0.0364 per kWh starting this October billing period. This is lower than the previous rate of P0.0983 per kWh.

Generation charge also slipped by P0.0201 to P6.9192 per kWh in October, from P6.9393 per kWh last month "on the back of lower costs from Meralco's supply contracts."

Mr. Zaldarriaga said charges from independent power producers (IPPs) and power supply agreements (PSAs) slipped by P0.5073 and P0.0702 per kWh, respectively.

"The reduced use of more expensive alternative fuel by the First Gas-Sta. Rita and San Lorenzo plants and increased plant utilization of IPPs and PSAs more than offset the impact of the steep depreciation of the peso in September," Meralco said, noting that dollar-denominated costs made up 98% of IPP and 38% of PSA charges.

The peso closed at P58.625 per dollar on Sept. 30, weakening by P2.48 or 4.4% from its Aug. 31 close of P56.145.

Meralco said the lower IPP and PSA charges offset the higher rates from the Wholesale Electricity Spot Market (WESM), which went up P4.8128 to P11.9990 per kWh amid tighter supply in the Luzon grid.

"Both demand and capacity on outage increased, and the grid was placed on Red Alert on Sept. 12," Meralco said, adding that it sourced 4% of its power requirement from WESM compared with 10% in September.

Transmission, taxes, and other charges for residential customers increased by P0.0083 per kWh.

Meanwhile, Meralco said South Premiere Power Corp. (SPPC) and San Miguel Energy Corp. (SMEC), the administrators of the Ilijan and Sual power plants, continued to supply power at ERC-approved rates "under protest."

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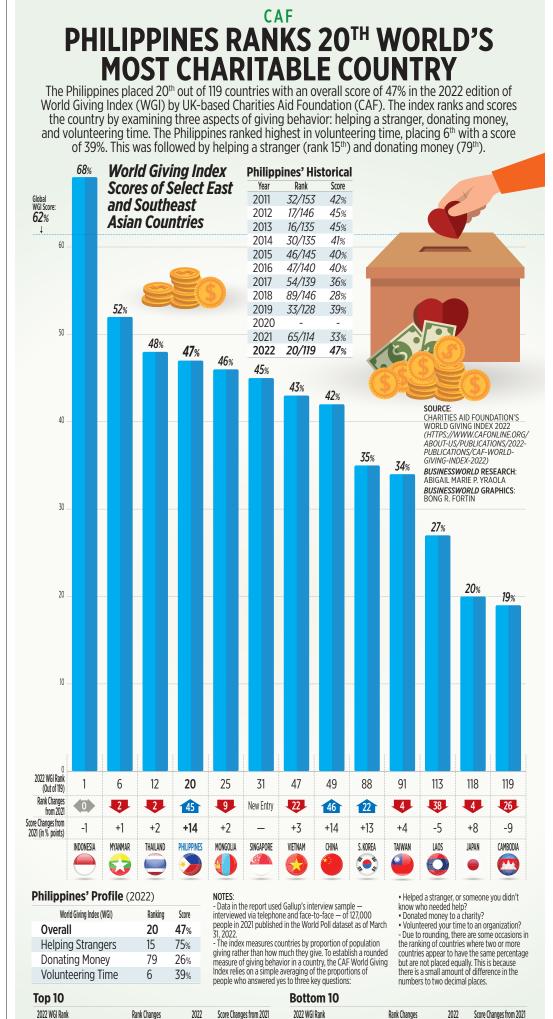
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Congress vows to approve Marcos' legislative priorities

LEADERS OF CONGRESS on Monday agreed to approve 30 bills identified as priorities of the Marcos administration, including the amendments to the Build-Operate-Transfer (BOT) Law and the National Government rightsizing program.

President Ferdinand R. Marcos, Jr. on Monday convened the 20-member Legislative-Executive Development Advisory Council (LEDAC) for the first time under his administration.

During Monday's meeting, the LEDAC listed 32 bills under the common legislative agenda, which includes 20 priority measures earlier mentioned by Mr. Marcos during his State of the Nation Address in July.

Twelve measures were added by Congress leaders including the SIM Registration Act, which was signed into law on Monday, and the postponement of the Barangay and Sangguniang Kabataan elections.

In a statement, Senate President Juan Miguel F. Zubiri said the Senate and House agreed to approve six of the 30 measures by yearend, namely the amendments to the BOT Law, Medical Reserve Corps, National Disease Prevention Management Authority/ Center for Disease Prevention and Control, Virology Science and Technology Institute of the Philippines, mandatory Reserve Officers' Training Corps and National Service Training Program (ROTC/NSTP), and Condonation of Unpaid Amortization and Interest on Loans of Agrarian Reform Beneficiaries.

House Speaker Martin G. Romualdez said in a separate statement that legislators will give the "utmost priority" to the remaining 30 bills under the common legislative agenda.

"The House is in full support of the President's entire legislative agenda, including the key priority measures for legislation he has asked Congress to consider. We will act on these with dispatch," Mr. Romualdez said.

Aside from the six measures earlier mentioned, Mr. Marcos' legislative agenda includes the National Government Rightsizing Program, amendments to the Electric Power Industry Reform Act (EPIRA), the Real Property Valuation Reform Bill, Passive Income and Financial Intermediary Taxation Act, E-Governance Act, E-Government Act, Internet Transaction Act, Government Financial Institutions Unified Initiatives to Distressed Enterprises for Economic Recovery (GUIDE) Bill, Unified System of Separation, Retirement and Pension Bill, Department of Water Resources Bill, National Land Use Act, Budget Modernization Bill, National Defense Act, and the Enabling Law for the Natural Gas Industry.

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