

# Hinulugang Taktak visit now charged by DENR

Published April 4, 2017, 10:01 PM

*By Nel B. Andrade*

Antipolo City, Rizal — Pilgrims who are planning to make a sidetrip to Hinulugang Taktak should bring extra money if they want to enter the rehabilitated park that used to be an icon of tourism in this part of the province, aside from the Shrine of the Our Lady of Peace and Good Voyage.

This came as the public are now required by the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) to pay fees for entrance and use of the park facilities starting April 1.

In an announcement posted by the Antipolo City Government in its official social media account, the local government said the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR), which has co-jurisdiction over the management of the national park, has issued Department Administrative Order No. 2016-24 recently that mandates the collection of fees for visitors entering the park, which is classified as a protected landscape.

Local visitors, whether residents of this city or not, should pay a P30 entrance fee.

Students are given a discount and should pay P15 but foreigners will have to shell out P100 to enter.

Visitors who may want to use the swimming pool must also pay P50 per head while the use of the cottages are P500 per hour. The picnic tables are priced at P50 per hour.

The basketball court can be rented at P100 per hour in the day time while it costs double at night time with lights.

Vehicles are now also required to pay parking fees ranging from P20 to P150 for every 2 hours with additional fees of between P5 and P30 for every succeeding hour.

In 2013, the provincial and city government, through the initiative of Governor Rebecca Ynares and City Mayor Casimiro “Junjun” Ynares jointly started the rehabilitation projects in the park and opened it to the public for free until the DENR imposed its new administrative order last month.

<http://news.mb.com.ph/2017/04/04/hinulugang-taktak-visit-now-charged-by-denr/>