

LGUs hit for flouting environment laws

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Tacloban City – The Environmental Management Bureau (EMB) of the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) in Eastern Visayas has decried the continued violations of environmental laws by local government units in the region.

EMB Regional Director Leticia Maceda said they have sought the help the governors in the region to help persuade their mayors to strictly comply with environmental laws.

Maceda said majority of the municipalities in Leyte and Samar still do not have a sanitary landfill as required by law.

Many mayors in Leyte and Samar have in fact been investigated by the Office of the Ombudsman regarding compliance with the Solid Waste Management Act, Maceda told Manila Bulletin.

She said complaints of violations by the LGUs have reached the National Solid Waste Commission in Manila.

The social media has played a major role in reporting environmental violations, Maceda said.

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