

## Tree Top Adventure at Subic Bay

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In its effort to strengthen its thrust in attracting more foreign and local tourists here, the Subic Bay Metropolitan Authority (SBMA) will soon launch a new perspective in enjoying the wilderness with its newest attraction called Tree Top Adventure (TTA).

SBMA administrator Armand C. Arreza said their biggest tourism investment in Subic Bay is their rich biodiversity found inside the vast tropical forest areas.

"This serves as a habitat for a wide range of flora and fauna, and is what most local and foreign tourists enjoy while driving through the forest areas to different facilities within the Subic Bay Freeport," he said.

Arreza disclosed that through the Tree Top Adventure, tourists will be given a more breathtaking experience of walking from one treetop to another while marveling at the vast array of surrounding flora and fauna.

The TTA, which is gaining popularity worldwide, was patterned after the canopy tour or zip line tour developed in Costa Rica.

It was introduced in the Philippines by Tree Top Adventure Philippines, Inc. and is currently being established within the Extreme Adventure Park in JEST Camp, Cubi Point.

Tourists will experience the adventure of "virtually walking, flying and gliding" from one tree canopy to another at the height of 20 meters and above using cables of zip lines, suspension bridges and a motorized hoist for rappelling and platforms.

An observation post is also being built to monitor the safety and security of adventurists.

At the end of each zip line or after traversing each bridge, tourists can take a rest on the observation platforms and quench their thirst from drinking stations before continuing the tour.

Arreza added the Tree Top Adventure is expected to boost the eco-tourism industry of Subic Bay while promoting the importance of environmental conservation and protection.

"Tree Top will impart a discovery of mountain ecology that merges adventure and environmental education -an opportunity to experience being one with nature and being part of it through the zip lines," Tree Top Philippines President Mario Montejo said.

Montejo also boasted that the Tree Top Adventure will share fun, challenge and discovery with a beautiful feeling of being on top of the world and at the same time with the renewed feeling of caring for the environment.

Construction for Tree Top Adventure is currently underway.

More adventure tours will also be developed in other forest areas and these adventure tours will all be interlinked to form a web of extreme adventure parks in the Subic Bay Freeport. (PNA)

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