

GBV CASE IN NATIONAL CAPITAL REGION

The victim who is a member of LGBTQIA+ Community suffered physical and verbal violence from the former's intimate partner. According to the report, the victim is originally from the Bicol Region and merely followed the victim's intimate partner in the National Capital Region. In April, the victim and the victim's intimate partner broke up but the former failed to leave because of the Enhanced Community Quarantine (ECQ). The victim has no work and thus dependent on the victim's boyfriend for support.

One night, victim's boyfriend was drinking with friends and had some flirting with women. The victim got insulted and hurt. When the victim confronted the victim's boyfriend, the latter shouted at the former, started throwing things at the former and threatened the former that the latter will punch the former in the victim's face and stomach. Consequently, the victim sought assistance from one of the former's friends and was able to do so. The victim was able to find temporary shelter in the same region. But still, the victim cannot leave as the region remains under MECQ.

Nevertheless, after CHR-GEWHRC arranged shelter and transportation support for the victim, the latter decided to give the latter's boyfriend another chance and chose not to leave. As to date, the Commission is arranging shelter support and currently coordinating with the local chief executive in the region in securing for the victim's travel authority to Region V.