

Travel



22 JUN 4:34 UTC Philippines Tactical: Pride parades slated from Tomas Morato Avenue, Matalino Street in Quezon, Metro Manila from 15:00 (local time) on June 22; allot for disruptions

Current Situation:

- LGBTQ+ groups have announced two pride parades in Quezon City in Metro Manila between 15:00-18:00 (local time) on June 22. The Quezon City Government also announced re-routing of several roads due to the slated marches on the same day.
- A pride march will start on Matalino Street, beginning at the corner of Malakas Street, heading towards East Avenue, then Elliptical Road, and entering Quezon Memorial Circle through the Commonwealth Avenue Gate.
- Another march will begin at Tomas Morato Avenue, proceed along Timog Avenue, Quezon Avenue, Elliptical Road, and will also enter Quezon Memorial Circle through the Commonwealth Avenue Gate.
- Per the Quezon City government, vehicles coming from <u>Mother Ignacia</u>, Sgt. Esguerra, EDSA, <u>East Avenue</u>, <u>Albano Street</u> and <u>Roces Avenue</u> to Timog Avenue will be diverted on June 22.
- The scheduled parades are part of an annual Philippines Pride Festival to celebrate the rights of LGBTQ+ members of the society.



Assessments & Forecast:

The turnout in the slated parades will likely range in the high hundreds to low thousands, based on precedent and estimates of the Quezon city government. The turnout may be elevated should likeminded groups extend their support. The authorities will bolster security measures in the vicinity of the aforementioned locations as part of a standard security protocol to monitor the crowds. Given precedent, the parades are likely to transpire peacefully. Heavy pedestrian and vehicular travel disruptions are expected in the vicinity of the aforementioned locations due to the anticipated turnout and related security measures during the parade hours on June 22.

Recommendations:

Those operating or residing in Metro Manila on June 22 are advised to allot for disruptions and seek alternative routes in the vicinity of the aforementioned locations due to the slated pride parades.