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Tick tock' goes the clock, but she wakes up every day to the beat of her biological alarm clock when it strikes at five. Upon opening her eyes, a whisper of morning prayer must be spoken thanking the Lord for a brand-new day. She gets out of bed to start her hygiene routine and beauty regimen, and spends the first hour with Paul Eugene in YouTube while following his power fitness workout. That may be one of her secrets in staying youthful at her age.

> She brews coffee and prepares oatmeal for breakfast to consume not at home but in the office because she wants to be an early bird at work. She's set to go to the office 30 minutes before the time. If there's one thing that she cannot leave the house without—it is an armor hidden in her pocket called rosary. She believes in what the Bible tells us: "If God is for us, who can be against us?" And this is how Madam Maria Linda "Lin" Roman Ventenilla, our CID Chief, starts a day in her life.

Her role as the chief of Curriculum Implementation Division begins with holding the broom to sweep up her own office when the keeper is not yet around. Before she sits on her throne, Ma'am Lin makes sure that everything is spick and span. Studies

show that keeping things organized and clean increases productivity. No wonder, we have a very productive chief! After sprucing up the workspace, things become serious and critical. First, Ma'am Lin reviews what she had accomplished the other day before she embarks on

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another tasks. She does this to identify the piece of work that she might have missed. Then, she pens on her "idea book" the list of important matters that must be done. She admitted that multitasking may hinder her from accomplishing everything in the checklist for the day, but she has formed this kind of habit to recognize what to prioritize.

In a broader sense, her job as the CID chief is summarized in directing the work of the CID team that will help manage curriculum implementation in the schools division and providing technical assistance to the schools in line with the curriculum and learning management.

On a typical day, the functions that take most her time include checking, interpreting and explaining memoranda, reading communication letters from the DepEd Regional and Central Offices, scrolling on the chatroom with the school heads to check the submitted school reports, supervisory plans, class observation reports and other professional concerns, responding to personal messages that are important to her profession, leading virtual meetings, attending conferences and webinars, and more of the same.

She pauses for a break from all these tasks at hand by taking a good sip of coffee or a cool drink of lemon water, playing brain exercises such as mobile scrabble, watering the plants, standing to do some stretching, and sharing 'hellos' and 'how are yous' with the people around her.

When asked how much she enjoys her job, she proudly uttered 9.9 over a scale of 10! Her disposition towards work with all things considered is undeniably admirable. She might have taken a greener pasture abroad, but she had rather followed her calling to be of service in her own country. For it's been her mantra that one must grow wherever he's planted.

Her day ends when most of the important tasks to accomplish are completed. Being the workhorse that she is, she brings home work more often than not especially when beating a deadline. Ma'am Lin normally leaves the workplace beyond the standard business hours to guarantee that every important matter is settled. Shifting from being a career woman to a loving wife and affectionate mother means going to the market to buy fresh goods and cooking a hearty dinner for her lovely family. Just as how she started her day, she and her family feed their souls on a daily divine mercy novena before hitting the sack. She rounds off

the day by closing her eyes knowing that she's wholeheartedly served what she was called for.

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