



Many provinces are under the encomienda system.

ENCOMIENDA

The noble title, *Adelantado*, given to Legazpi by the Spanish King, comes with the first *encomienda* (Cebu), a Royal Decree in 1570 that awards parcels of land with the native inhabitants along with their resources to Spaniards as their reward for their services to the Spanish Crown.

In 1576, Juan de Salcedo's successful exploration of the North Luzon, earns him the Ylocos.



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