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Undersecretary TJ Batan has been with the Department of Transportation (DOTr) for 9 years, beginning as a Senior Project Development Officer in 2015, followed by his appointments as Assistant Secretary for Railways in 2017, Undersecretary for Railways in 2018, and Undersecretary for Planning and Project Development in 2022.

In the Railways Sector, he initiated the expansion of the Philippines' railway portfolio by implementing and catching up on decades-delayed rail projects, obtaining investment approvals and arranging official development financing, and fixing key operational assets such as the then ailing MRT3.

Now in Planning and Project Development, under the Build Better More or BBM Program of the Marcos Jr. Administration, and under the leadership of Secretary Jaime Bautista, Usec. TJ works on replicating the expansion and milestones of the Rail Sector across the DOTr's Aviation and Airports, Maritime and Seaports, and Road Sectors.