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PSA Abra Implements PhilSys Step 1 Registration in the Province

The Philippine Statistics Authority-Abra Provincial Statistical Office took its first step on implementing the Philippine Identification System (PhilSys) registration in the province. A total of 43,345 Abreños from 54 barangays were registered from January 18 to March 31, 2021. The Step 1 Registration involves a house-to-house visit and collection of demographic data such as full name, sex, date and place of birth, blood type, permanent address, among others which were recorded using a digital tablet and directly sent to a secured PhilSys database.



Prior to the Step 1 Registration, Chief Statistical Specialist Felixberto Perdido, Provincial Focal Person Ludivina Beñas, Information System Analyst (ISA) I Jonnel Aveño and Statistical/Administrative Clerk Judith Bugtong conducted the provincial training on January 12-14, 2021 to two Supervisors and ten Data Collectors.



The commencement of PhilSys Registration is pursuant to Republic Act No. 11055, also known as the “Philippine Identification System Act”, signed into law by President Rodrigo Roa Duterte on August 6, 2018 which aims to establish a single national identification system for all citizens and resident aliens of the Philippines.

PhilSys hired Data Collectors registering Abreños during the Step 1 Registration in the province.

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PSA Abra Celebrates February 2021 Civil Registration Month (CRM)

The Philippine Statistics Authority - Abra Provincial Statistical Office celebrated the February 2021 Civil Registration Month (CRM) in the province with a webinar on Civil Registration Vital Statistics (CRVS) on February 10, 2021. The theme for this 31st CRM celebration is “Strengthening Civil Registration and Vital Statistics’ Digital Information: The Ways to Manage the New Normal”.

February of every year is CRM pursuant to Proclamation No. 682 issued by then President Corazon C. Aquino on January 28, 1991. It is aimed to increase awareness of the general public on the importance of recording vital events such as birth, marriage, death and other acts and events concerning status of persons and instill nationwide awareness and appreciation of the legal, administrative and statistical values of civil registry documents. Local Government Units (LGU) supported the CRM by hanging tarpaulins in front of the LGUs municipal buildings.



Display of the 2021 Civil Registration Month streamer in front of the PSA Abra rented building and in front of the municipal building of LGU Bangued

February 2021 Labor Force Survey (LFS) is the First Round of Monthly LFS

The February 2021 Labor Force Survey (LFS) is the first round of the conduct of monthly LFS based on the PSA Board Resolution No. 08, Series of 2020 – Approving to conduct of the monthly LFS, which will be undertaken from 08 to 24 February 2021. The Monthly Labor Force Survey (LFS) is a nationwide survey of households conducted by the Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA) to gather data on the demographic and socio-economic characteristics of the population.

The monthly LFS will be an abridged version of the quarterly or the regular LFS. It will utilize the core questions of the regular LFS with additional questions related to the COVID-19 pandemic to generate the core labor and employment indicators including relevant indicators for the COVID-19 recovery program.

PSA Abra Completes the Collection of 2019 Annual Survey of Philippine business Industry (ASPBI)/ 2019 Survey on Information and Communication Technology (SICT) Questionnaires

PSA Abra completed the collection of the 2019 Annual Survey of Philippine business Industry (ASPBI)/ 2019 Survey on Information and Communication Technology (SICT) questionnaires on January 15, 2021.

The ASPBI is one of the designated statistical activities if the PSA, generates essential statistics for economic planning and analysis. It is specifically designed to collect and generate information on the levels, structure, performance and trends of economic activities of the formal sector of the country’s economy.

40 ASPBI and 14 SICT questionnaires were collected from the sample establishments in the province; 100% manually processed, 85.9% encoded and 75% data validated.

PSA Abra Joins in the Celebration of the 2021 Women's Month & Fire Prevention Month in the Province

The Philippine Statistics Authority- Abra Provincial Statistical Office joined in the celebration of the 2021 National Women's Month with the theme "We Make Change Work for Women Juana, Laban sa Pandemya, Kaya! #WomenMakeChange" and the Fire Prevention Month with the theme "Sa Pag-iwas sa Sunog Di Ka Nag-iisa".

The 2021 National Women's Month Celebration (NWMC) serves as a tribute, a platform, and a call to action that highlights the extraordinary roles of ordinary Juanas in the society as trailblazers and harbingers of change. This celebration is also a venue to discuss and address the issues that women continue to face so empowerment can be fully achieved. The campaign is also a call for concrete, sustainable, and inclusive actions towards gender equality. As part of the celebration, the regular staff including two Job Orders were vaccinated with pneumococcal 13 on March 19, 2021. PSA Abra invited Dra. Marion Ariadne Burgos for a lecture on covid-19 and other related information on March 29, 2020. She also discussed the advantages and possible side effects of the covid-19 vaccine.

Meanwhile, by virtue of Presidential Proclamation No. 115-A, the month of March was declared as Fire Prevention Month because of the alarming increase of fire incidents happening across the country during this particular period. PSA Abra requested for a lecture from the Bureau of Fire Protection (BFP) Bangued on March 30, 2021. SFO1 Joseph Dacullo and FO1 Ace Aragon lectured on ways to prevent fire and other safety measures. They also checked the available fire extinguishers and how to use them in case of fire.



PSA Abra personnel with Dra. Burgos during the vaccine on pneumococcal 13 on March 19, 2021 and during lecture of covid-19 and other related information on March 29, 2021.



PSA Abra personnel with SFO1 Dacullo during lecture on fire prevention on March 30, 2021.

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AA VI Casem Conducts Ocular Inspection on CRASM Application

Administrative Aide VI Paz Lourelie Casem conducted an ocular inspection for the validation of the CRASM application of Pastor Enrique T. Tamo of Victory Christian Fellowship of Abra, Inc. located at 2F M. Valdez Bldg., Pratt St., Zone 4, Bangued, Abra on January 8, 2021 and Pastor Jephti J. Ampado of Life in Jesus Christ Christian Church, Inc. located at Poblacion, Dolores, Abra on January 22, 2021. Both pastors are new applicants.



Victory Christian Fellowship of Abra, Inc. located at 2F M. Valdez Bldg., Pratt St., Zone 4, Bangued, Abra

Other Events

CSS Perdido Attends Civil Mass Weddings in Dolores and Manabo

Chief Statistical Specialist Felixberto Perdido attended two civil mass weddings in celebration of Women's Month in Dolores and Manabo. He delivered a message to the grooms and brides during the wedding ceremony which were held at Old Legislative Hall, Dolores, Abra on March 8, 2021 and at Manabo Sports Pavilion, Manabo, Abra on March 18, 2021.



CSS Perdido delivering a message during the Civil Mass Wedding in Manabo (above) and Dolores (below)

CSS Perdido's Phone Interview

CSS Perdido was interviewed on February 3, 2021 through phone by Ave Bello of Abra Radio 103.7 Joy FM during the program Ronda Damdamag Morning edition. He discussed the different activities of the office in the province and the implementation of the Philippine Identification System (PhilSys) Step 1 Registration.



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Did you know Corner



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Table 2. CPI, Inflation Rate and Purchasing Power of Peso : 1st quarter 2021

Month	CPI	Inflation Rate	Purchasing Power of Peso
January	122.7	3.5	0.81
February	122.4	3.8	0.82
March	122.7	4.2	0.81

Table 3. Number of Requested and Released Documents at PSA-Abra : 1st Quarter 2021

Month	No. of Requested Documents	No. of Released Documents
January	1821	1456
February	1086	869
March	1805	1444

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