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ANNUAL REPORT PSO ABRA



ABOUT THE COVER

The Philippine Statistics Authority's (PSA) 2024 Annual Report cover for Abra Provincial Statistical Office (PSO) showcases the agency's crucial role in data collection and good governance support. The prominent 2024 POPCEN-CBMS branding highlights the focus on Population Census (POPCEN) and Community-Based Monitoring System (CBMS) for the year. These initiatives gather vital demographic and socioeconomic data, enabling local and national governments to make informed decisions on development, resource allocation, and public services.

The design incorporates key visual elements that encapsulate the Philippine Statistics Authority's (PSA) multifaceted functions. Images of census workers engaging with citizens underscore the agency's hands-on approach to data collection. The inclusion of the Philippine Identification System (PhilSys) and civil registration documents, such as birth and death certificates, highlights the PSA's pivotal role in identity registration and vital documentation, facilitating efficient public service delivery. Additionally, illustrations of buildings, graphs, and analytics symbolize the agency's commitment to economic and demographic analysis, emphasizing its dedication to informing data-driven policy decisions.

The cover design effectively conveys the Philippine Statistics Authority's (PSA) mission to collect, manage, and analyze statistical data, underpinning informed governance and planning. The thoughtful integration of visual elements underscores the transformative impact of accurate statistical information on policy-making and program development, ultimately serving the greater good. Through flagship initiatives such as the 2024 POPCEN-CBMS, PhilSys, and Civil Registration, the PSA reaffirms its vital role in national development, championing data-driven decision-making to foster better governance, inclusivity, and progress.





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Chief Statistical Specialist Message

This Annual Report highlights the accomplishments and performance of the Philippine Statistics Authority - Abra Provincial Statistical Office for the Calendar Year of 2024.

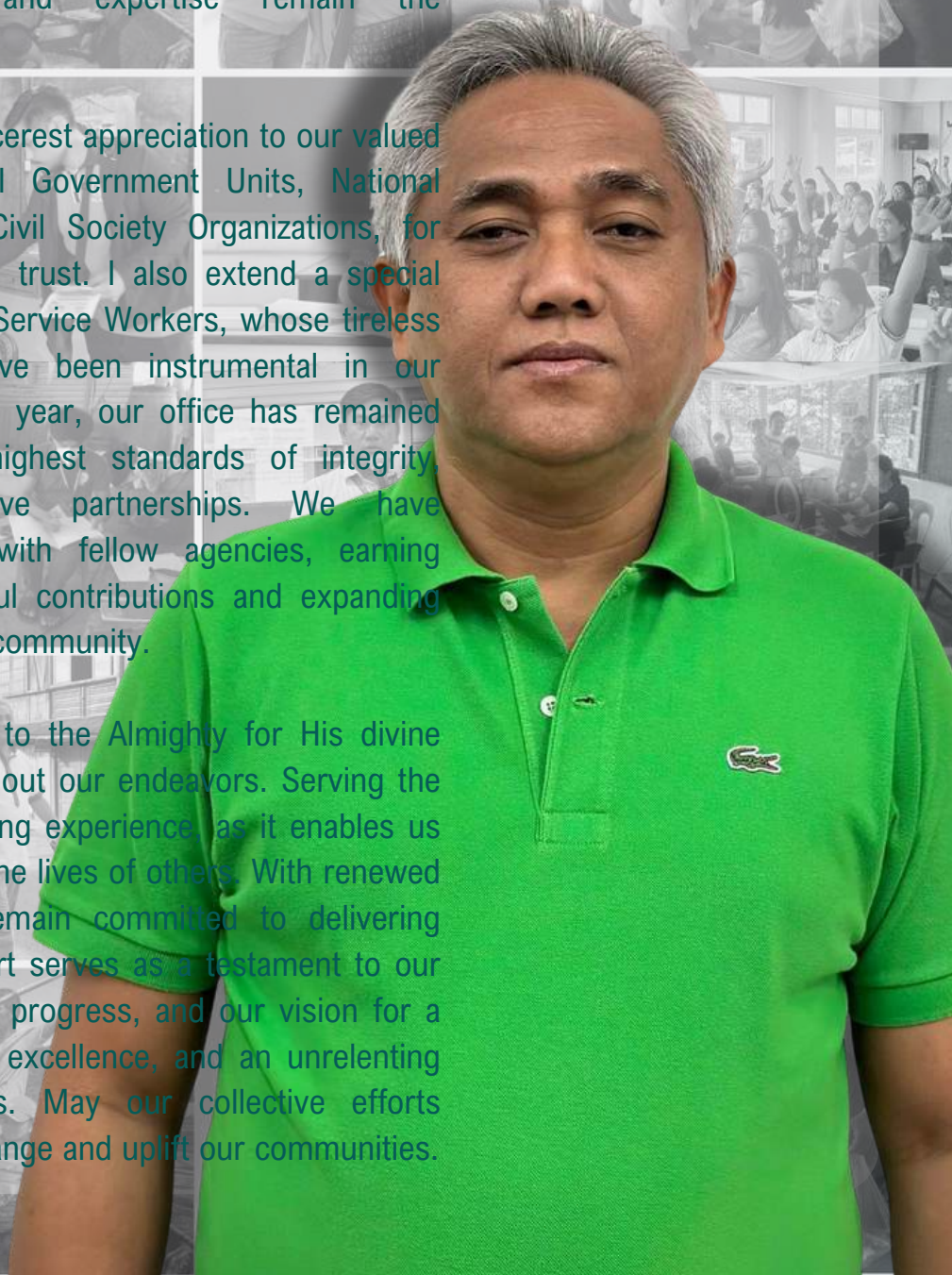
This report showcases the outstanding achievements of PSA Abra over the past year, marked by remarkable growth, collaborative spirit, and unwavering resilience. As we navigated uncharted challenges and embraced diverse viewpoints, our team flourished through mutual learning, enhanced competencies, and collective growth. We successfully bridged generational and skill gaps, leveraged new technologies, and managed competing demands, all while staying focused on our objectives. These accomplishments are a testament to the tireless dedication of our team members, whose unwavering commitment, adaptability, and expertise remain the cornerstone of our success.

I would like to express my sincerest appreciation to our valued stakeholders, including Local Government Units, National Government Agencies, and Civil Society Organizations, for their unwavering support and trust. I also extend a special thank you to our Contract of Service Workers, whose tireless efforts and commitment have been instrumental in our success. Throughout the past year, our office has remained resolute in upholding the highest standards of integrity, excellence, and collaborative partnerships. We have strengthened our alliances with fellow agencies, earning recognition for our meaningful contributions and expanding our positive impact within the community.

I offer my deepest gratitude to the Almighty for His divine guidance and wisdom throughout our endeavors. Serving the public is a profoundly rewarding experience, as it enables us to make a positive impact on the lives of others. With renewed passion and purpose, we remain committed to delivering exceptional service. This report serves as a testament to our accomplishments, our current progress, and our vision for a future characterized by unity, excellence, and an unrelenting dedication to serving others. May our collective efforts continue to inspire positive change and uplift our communities.

**CSS
Felixberto “
B. Perdido**

As we look forward to the future, we continue to serve with utmost dedication and integrity, keeping in mind the rules of conduct and ethical behavior in the civil service. We strive to do our best to serve as we fulfill our mandate.



ABOUT THE PSA MANDATE

The PSA shall primarily be responsible for the implementation of the objectives and provisions of RA 10625, RA 11055, and RA 11315. It shall plan, develop, prescribe, disseminate, and enforce policies, rules and regulations, and coordinate government-wide programs governing the production of official statistics, general-purpose statistics, civil registration services and inclusive identification system. It shall primarily responsible for all national censused and surveys, sectoral statistics, community-based statistics, consolidation of selected administrative recording systems, and compilation of national accounts.

VISION

Solid, responsive, and world-class authority on quality statistics, efficient civil registration and inclusive identification system.

MISSION

Deliver relevant and reliable statistics, efficient civil registration services and inclusive identification system for equitable development towards improved quality of life for all.



QUALITY POLICY

We, the Philippine Statistics Authority, commit to deliver relevant and reliable statistics and efficient civil registration services and inclusive identification system to our clients and stakeholders.

We adhere to the United Nations Fundamental Principles of official statistics in the production of quality general-purpose statistics.

We commit to deliver civil registration services and inclusive identification system in accordance with the laws, rules and regulations, and other statutory requirements.

We endeavor to live by the established core values of PSA and adapt the appropriate technology in the development of our products and delivery of services to ensure customer satisfaction.

We commit to continually improve effectiveness of our quality management system towards equitable development for improved quality of life for all.



CORE VALUES

INTEGRITY

We observe the highest standards of professional behavior by exemplifying impartiality and independence in everything we do. We stand firm with undue influence - ensuring integrity cuts across not only in the statistics we deliver, but more importantly, in our people.

TRANSPARENCY

We ensure transparency in all transactions and transactions to build and nurture trust inside and outside PSA. We strive for clear communication, shared knowledge, and informed, all inclusive decisions for cultivating mutual respect at all levels of the organization.

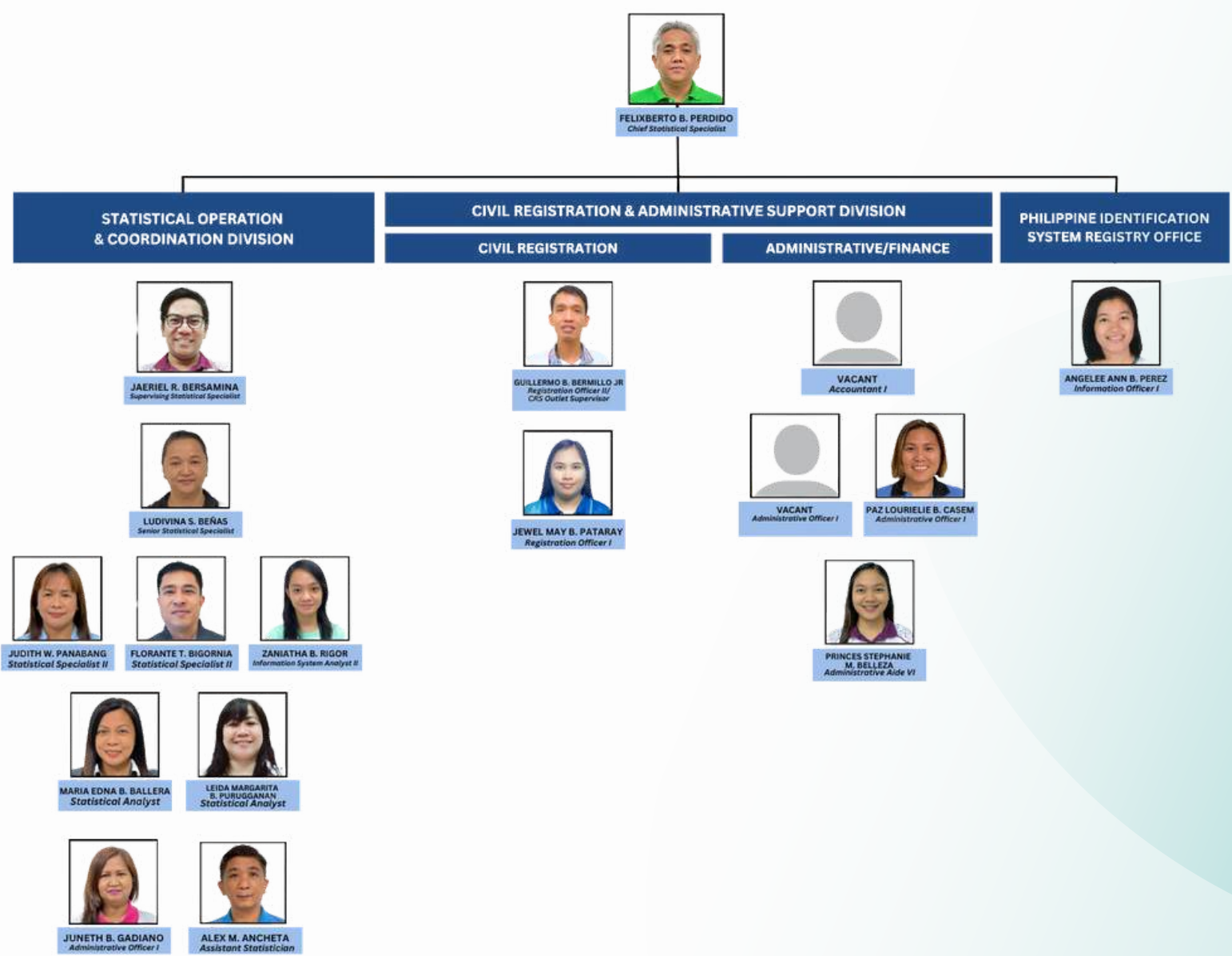
ADAPTABILITY

We respond to change with positive attitude and willingness to learn new ways to deliver our mandate. We stay on top of technical advancements and never give up in the face of challenges, instead finding them.

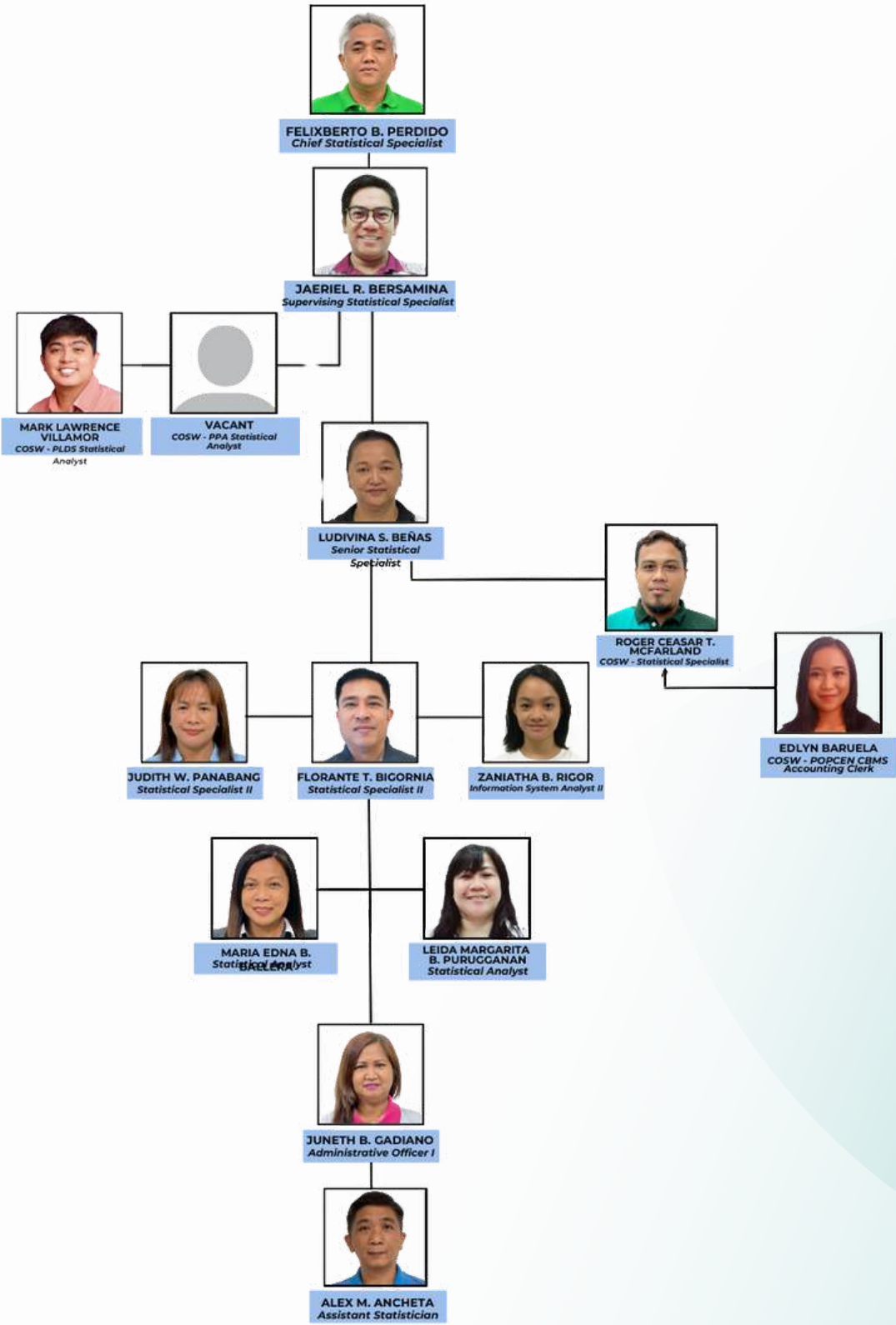


ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE

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Civil Registration and Administrative Unit



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Chief Statistical Specialist

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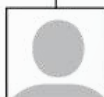


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Accountant I



VACANT
Administrative Officer I



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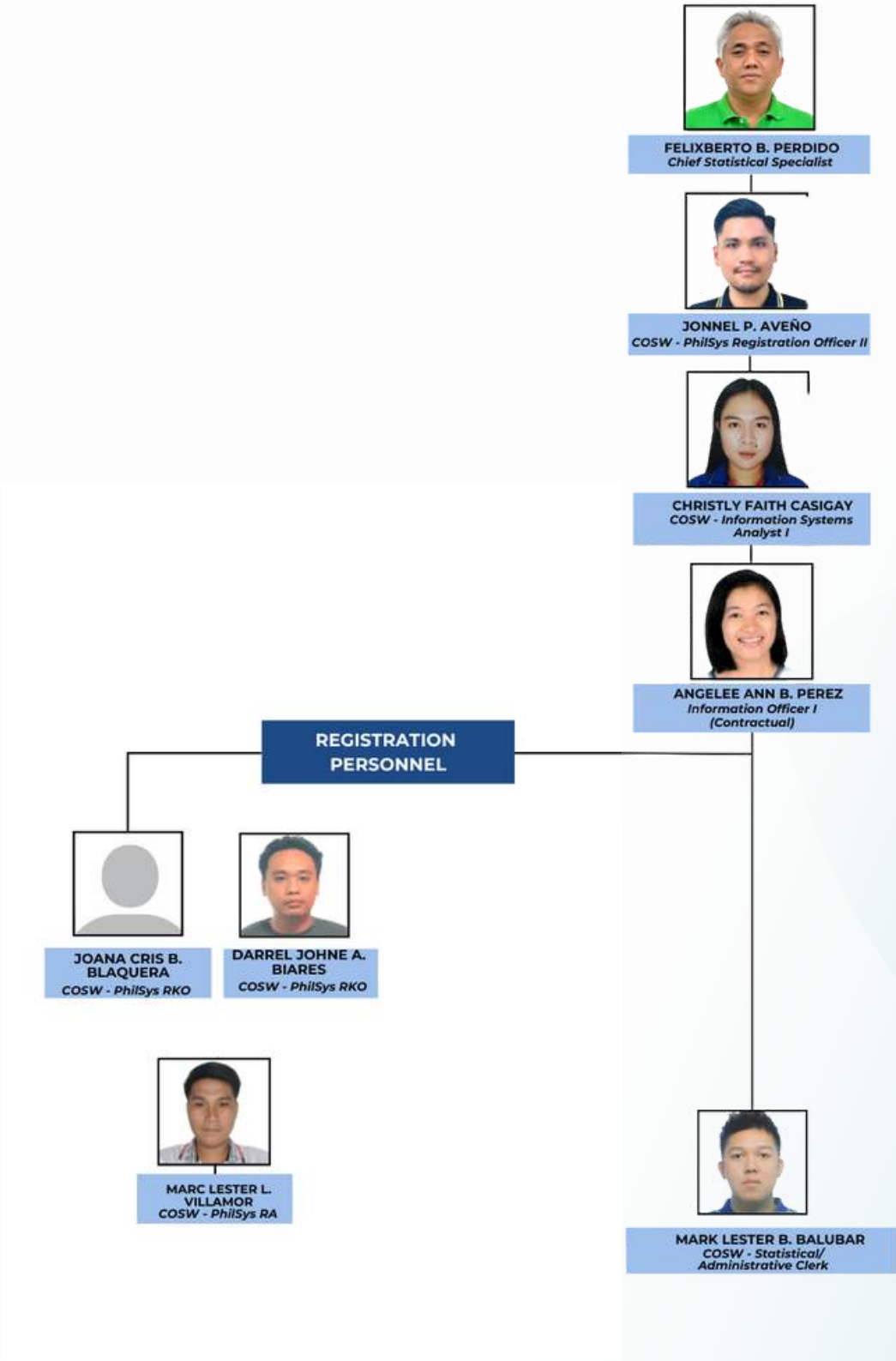
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COSW - Utility Worker



Philippine Identification System Unit



HIGHLIGHTS



January



February



March



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April



May



June



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July



August



September



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October



November



December





STATISTICAL ACTIVITIES

Labor Force Survey

The Labor Force Survey (LFS) is designed to collect information on the distribution of household population 15 years old and over, by employment status, sex, and age group; distribution of employed persons by major occupation group, major industry group, class of worker, number of hours worked, highest grade completed, nature of employment, and by sex; distribution of underemployed persons by total hours worked, major occupation group, class of worker, and by sex, and by distribution of unemployed persons by age group, highest grade completed, by number of weeks looking for work, job search method and by sex.

The monthly LFS aims to provide high-frequency statistical information on the Philippine labor market to better monitor and understand the current job situation and economy in the Philippines. Results of the monthly LFS serve as the basis for planning, formulation of policies, and implementing programs to create gainful employment and bolster livelihood opportunities for the Filipinos, particularly those who were adversely affected by different natural calamities.



Family and Income Expenditure Survey (FIES) – Visit 2

The Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA) conducted the FIES V2 operation in February 2024. The Family Income and Expenditure Survey (FIES) is the primary source of data on family income, expenditure, and related factors affecting income and spending patterns in the Philippines. The results provide insights into family income, income inequality among Filipino families, and household consumption and expenditures at the national, provincial, and highly urbanized city levels. These data serve as essential inputs for estimating the country's poverty threshold and incidence and form the basis for government policies and programs aimed at improving the socio-economic conditions of the Filipino people. A total of four machine processors were hired for the survey at the Ifugao Provincial Statistical Office.



2023 National Information and Communications Technology and Household Survey (NICTHS)

One of the current policy reform agenda of the government is to have a dynamic innovative ecosystem, digital transformation of government, and enhance digital connectivity where Information and Communications Technology (ICT) played a vital role. Statistics related to ICT will be useful in crafting evidence-based policies and programs to achieve these agenda. The 2023 NICTHS aims to provide data on household and individual indicators in the post-recovery period following the COVID-19 pandemic. The survey will generate updated benchmarks for key ICT indicators that have seen a surge during the pandemic, as accelerated use of ICTs has been widely observed by households, individuals, government, and the private sector.



Functional Literacy , Educational, and Mass Media Survey (FLEMMS)

The Functional Literacy, Education and Mass Media Survey (FLEMMS), was designed to provide a quantitative framework to guide the formulation of policies and programs aimed at improving education and literacy. It serves as a reliable baseline for these initiatives and functions as an essential advocacy tool in the development of national policies and plans. The survey collected data from individuals aged 5 years and above and households. The major data items collected included Basic and Functional Literacy, Digital Literacy, Education, Employment Characteristics, Demographic Characteristics, Housing Characteristics, and Exposure to Mass Media.



Consumer Price Index (CPI)

The Consumer Price Index (CPI) is one of the policy data produced by the agency being the main input in the computation of inflation rate and purchasing power of the peso. It provides an indicator for average price changes. Aside from the bi-monthly CPI price collection of price quotations, the office also conducted the Weekly Survey on Petroleum Products in five establishments.



Consumer Expectations Survey (CES)

This survey is a joint undertaking of the PSA and the Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas (BSP), with the latter as the funding agency, to collect comprehensive information on the business conditions of the country in the households sector. This survey aims to provide quick and regular assessments of consumer perceptions and expenditure plans as a tool for evaluating the consumer's own financial situation, key economic indicators and the economy's condition over a reference period. For this year, this survey was undertaken quarterly: January, April, July, and October.

Quarterly Survey of Philippine Business and Industry (QSPBI)

The 2023 Quarterly Survey of Philippine Business and Industry (QSPBI) aims to provide quarterly data on the identified leading industry major groups in all sectors of the economy, except those in agriculture, forestry and fishing sector as input in the generation of Quarterly National Accounts (QNA) which measure the performance of the Philippine Economy. These data will be used by government planners, policy makers, and administrators in formulating social and economic development plans, policies, and programs.

2024 Annual Survey of Philippine Business and Industry (ASPBI)

The Annual Survey of Philippine Business and Industry (ASPBI), one of the designated statistical activities of the Philippine Statistics Authority (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.



AGRICULTURAL STATISTICS

Rice and Corn Stock Survey (RCSS): Household & Commercial

The Rice and Corn Stocks Survey (RCSS: H & C) is a nationwide survey conducted monthly during the first five days of the reference month. This monthly activity is intended to generate the palay/rice and corn stocks households maintain at the beginning of each month.

Hired Statistical Researchers conducted enumeration and data collection of farming and non-farming households and barangays namely: Dangdangla in Bangued, Namitangan in Dolores, Laang and Laguiben in Lagangilang, Caoayan and Nalbuan in Licuan-Baay, Alinaya and Suyu in Pidigan, South Poblacion in San Juan, and Bagalay in Tayum.



Crops Production Survey (CrPS)

The Crops Production Survey (CrPS) is a quarterly survey that aims to generate basic production statistics for crops other than palay and corn. Collection of data and supervision is conducted every last 10 days of the reference quarter.

Backyard and Commercial Livestock and Poultry Surveys (BLPS/CLPS)

The Backyard and Commercial Livestock and Poultry Surveys (BLPS/CLPS) are two (2) major surveys which aim to generate primary data on supply and disposition of animals from backyard farms (small hold raisers) and commercial farms. The purpose of the survey is to be able to determine/ measure the performance of the livestock and poultry industry.



Palay Production Survey (PPS) and Corn Production Survey (CPS)

The Corn Production Survey (CPS) is a nationwide quarterly agricultural survey during the months of April, July, October and December. This survey is conducted simultaneously with the Palay Production Survey (PPS), and together, the two surveys are referred to as the Palay and Corn Production Survey (PCPS). The CPS aims to generate provincial estimates and forecasts on corn production, area and yield as inputs for government policies and programs on corn.



Quarterly Aquaculture Survey (QAqS)/ Quarterly Inland Municipal Fisheries Survey (QIFS)



Quarterly Aquaculture Survey (QAqS) is a non-probability survey on aqua farm that generates the volume and value of all species cultured by aqua farm type. Field staff interviews owner, operator, technician or caretaker of sample aquafarm. This survey gathers from the sample operators their production, price and area harvested during the current quarter and the same quarter of the previous year. Likewise, the Quarterly Inland Fisheries Survey (QIFS) collects data on Inland fishing households where there is one or more member/s engaged in inland fishing that generates volume and value of all species caught in rivers, lakes, swamps, creeks, dams, reservoirs and other bodies of water. Data collection is undertaken every third week of the last month of the reference quarter. Field staff interviews fisherman or any knowledgeable member of the sample household.



2024 CENSUS OF POPULATION AND COMMUNITY-BASED MONITORING SYSTEM (POPCEN-CBMS)

Convening of the Municipal Census Coordinating Board

Prior to the launch of the 2024 Census of Population and Community-Based Monitoring System (2024 POPCEN-CBMS), the designated project focal person and assigned personnel conducted a series of coordination meetings with partner offices within Local Government Units (LGUs). These meetings aimed to prepare for the upcoming enumeration and address key concerns, particularly the roles and responsibilities of LGUs during the 2024 POPCEN-CBMS enumeration process.



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Orientations on 2024 POPCEN-CBMS BPQ Data Collection and SFGP Listing

Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA) Abra Provincial Statistical Office (PSO) successfully concluded the five-day orientation on the 2024 Census of Population and Community-Based Monitoring System (POPCEN-CBMS) Barangay Profile Questionnaire (BPQ) Data Collection, Service Facilities and Government Project (SFGP) Listing, and Map Generation. The event was held at Lucky's Hotel and Restaurant on May 13, 2024, and at the Pastoral Center from May 14-17, 2024. The activity was led by Chief Statistical Specialist (CSS) Felixberto B. Perdido, along with Senior Statistical Specialist (SrSS) and CBMS Focal Person Ludivina S. Beñas, Information Systems Analyst II (ISA II) Zaniatha B. Rigor, and Statistical Specialist II (SS II) Roger T. McFarland. The orientation was attended by representatives from Local Government Units (LGUs) and Barangay Local Government Units (BLGUs).

CSS Perdido delivered welcome remarks to formally start each session, expressing gratitude to everyone and to the Local Chief Executives (LCEs) of each municipality for their support of the upcoming census. SrSS Beñas provided an overview of the 2024 POPCEN-CBMS. In addition to the overview, participants were instructed on the descriptions, definitions, contents of the POPCEN-CBMS Forms 5 (BPQ), 6 (BSFGP Listing) and 7 (MSFGP Listing) and on how to correctly fill out these forms. PSO Personnel emphasized that the BPQ Data Collection will help update the urban-rural classification of barangays, while the SFGP listing will serve as a reference for geotagging service facilities and government projects. This comprehensive data collection is crucial for making informed decisions on economic development and poverty alleviation.

This event is a key step towards improving data gathering efforts, ensuring that barangays are properly profiled and community needs are adequately documented.



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Training of Hired 2024 POPCEN-CBMS Personnel

Subsequent to the recruitment of personnel for the 2024 POPCEN-CBMS, PSA Abra, in partnership with the Head Census Area Supervisors (HCAS), conducted Municipal Level Training sessions for enumerators. This comprehensive training program, held from July 1-6, 2024, for gulf town municipalities, and July 8-13, 2024, for east coastal town municipalities, equipped newly hired staff with essential knowledge and skills necessary for effective implementation of the POPCEN-CBMS.



Data Collection and Supervision

The Population Census-Community Based Monitoring System (POPCEN-CBMS) is a comprehensive initiative designed to provide accurate and up-to-date population data, while also gathering valuable insights into community dynamics, challenges, and government interventions. The official enumeration for the 2024 POPCEN-CBMS kicked off on July 15th. Despite initial challenges related to the enumeration systems, prompt action was taken to resolve and address these issues, ensuring a seamless continuation of the enumeration process.



Map and Data Processing and Saturation



The Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA) has completed the 2024 Census on Population and Community-Based Monitoring System (POPCEN-CBMS) Data Collection in September 2024. To ensure the quality of the collected data, the PSA implemented rigorous measures, including close supervision and re-interviews conducted by PSA regular personnel prior to the conclusion of data collection. One of the key quality control measures also is the Map and Data Processing. This critical step ensures the precision of the collected data. As emphasized in Rule II of the Republic Act No. 11315, otherwise known as the “Community-Based Monitoring System Act”, Implementing Rules and Regulations (IRR), this procedure entails analyzing raw data and is essential for identifying and addressing potential errors, anomalies, and inconsistencies, ultimately enhancing the accuracy and utility of the community-level data. The Abra Provincial Statistical Office (PSO) hired six (6) Map Data Processors (MDP) and 14 Data Processors (DP). The 2024 Map and Data Processing commenced on September 11 until November 23, 2024. Another key measure that the PSO is implementing is the Saturation Field Drive. This strategy is initiated to verify the initial findings in the data collection. The PSO hired 18 Statistical Researches (SR), whose contracts started on October 22 - November 20, 2024.



35th NATIONAL STATISTICS MONTH

Statistical Exhibit

From October 3 to 29, the Statistical Exhibit was held at the provincial office of Abra, offering a comprehensive display of statistical data and information about Abra Province. The exhibit showcased various PSA products, providing the public with valuable insights and easy access to relevant data.



Poster-making and Slogan-making Contests



In celebration of the 35th National Statistics Month, the Philippine Statistics Office (PSO) Abra personnel organized a Poster Making Contest that showcased their creativity and statistical expertise. The contest, held as part of the month-long festivities, aimed to promote awareness and appreciation of the importance of statistics in nation-building. Participants designed innovative and informative posters that highlighted the theme of the celebration, with the winning entry earning recognition for its outstanding design and statistical content. The contest not only fostered camaraderie among PSO Abra personnel but also demonstrated their commitment to promoting statistical awareness and excellence.



28th Philippine Statistics Quiz (PSQ)

The Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA) Abra Provincial Statistical Office (PSO) recently hosted the 28th Philippine Statistics Quiz (PSQ) as part of the 2024 National Statistics Month celebrations, themed "Advancing Data Statistics Through Digital Transformation: A Road to an Empowered Nation". This exciting event, held on October 30, 2024, at the PSA Abra Data Processing Room in Bangued, Abra, aimed to find the country's young statistics whizzes. The PSQ is an annual contest that evaluates the statistical knowledge and skills of freshman college students. By organizing this quiz, the PSA and Philippine Statistical Association Inc. (PSAI) aim to assess the proficiency and competencies of students in the field of statistics. This year, participating colleges included: (1) Divine Word College of Bangued (DWCB); (2) Abra State Institute of Sciences and Technology (ASIST) - Main and Bangued Campuses; and (3) Data Center College of the Philippines (DCCP) – Bangued

The 28th PSQ provincial eliminations kicked off with the preliminary round, featuring welcome remarks by Chief Statistical Specialist Felixberto B. Perdido. He emphasized the quiz's purpose: (1) Assessing students' statistical skills acquired in secondary education; (2) Raising awareness of statistics' importance in planning and community engagement; and (3) Supporting government statistical activities. Supervising Statistical Specialist Jaeriel R. Bersamina acknowledged participants, outlined expectations, and wished them luck. Quizmaster Angelee Ann B. Perez explained the contest mechanics. The quiz consisted of three rounds (easy, medium, hard) with 10 questions each. After deliberation, the Board of Judges announced the winners:

- Champion: Alynna Kayzie M. Lumaog (Divine Word College of Bangued)
- Second Place: Lyndolf Raphael T. Rodriguez (Abra State Institute of Sciences and Technology - Main Campus)
- Third Place: Matthew Joseph M. Daya (Data Center College of the Philippines - Bangued)

The winners of the Philippine Statistics Quiz (PSQ) were rewarded with exciting cash prizes: Champion: P6,000, Second Place: P5,000, and Third Place: P4,000. And, it's not just the students who benefited - their coaches also received cash prizes. As for the other contestants, they took home PSA tokens.



PROVINCIAL PRODUC ACCOUNTS (PPA)

Provincial Data Dissemination Forum of the 2023 PPA in Abra

The Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA) Abra Provincial Statistical Office (PSO) recently hosted a dissemination forum on November 13, 2024, to share insights on Abra's economic performance in 2023. The event, held at the Social Hall, Provincial Capitol in Bangued, Abra, was led by Chief Statistical Specialist (CSS) Felixberto B. Perdido, Supervising Statistical Specialist (SSS) and Provincial Product Accounts (PPA) Provincial Focal Person Jaeriel R. Bersamina, and Provincial Planning Development Coordinator (PPDC) Santos B. Bernardez. Attendees included representatives from various line agencies, local government units, and relying parties, all gathered to discuss the Provincial Product Accounts (PPA) for 2023. This initiative is part of the PSA's efforts to provide accurate and timely statistics, supporting informed decision-making at the sub-regional level.

The recent forum on Abra's economic performance in 2023 kicked off with an invocation and the national anthem, setting a patriotic tone for the event. Senior Statistical Specialist Ludivina S. Beñas welcomed the participants, followed by messages from esteemed guests, including PSA RSSO CAR Regional Director Villafe P. Alibuyog and National Statistical and Civil Registration General Claire Dennis S. Mapa, which were delivered by SSS Bersamina and Statistical Specialist II Juan Jethro S. Ocbina of Macroeconomic Accounts Service - Production Accounts Division, respectively. Chief Statistical Specialist Felixberto B. Perdido presented the highlights of Abra's economic performance, revealing a notable boost in 2023. The province's Gross Domestic Product (GDP) reached P25.65 billion, a 4.4 percent increase from the previous year's P24.57 billion. Although this growth rate is slower than the 9.1 percent recorded in 2022 and 10.1 percent in 2021, it showcases the province's economic resilience. The CSS added that the fastest growth was recorded under the Transportation and Storage Industry and Accommodation and Food Service Activities. PPDC Bernardez provided insights into the factors contributing to these figures. The event concluded with an open forum, closing remarks by SSS Bersamina, and a photo opportunity with PSO personnel and attendees.

The PPA provides valuable data on the economic performance of provinces and highly urbanized cities, serving as a vital tool for monitoring development and progress. With the compilation of the 2023 PPA, stakeholders can expect to gain a deeper understanding of Abra's economic landscape, driving growth and development in the region.





CIVIL REGISTRATION SERVICES

34th Civil Registration Month

February 1st marked the commencement of the 34th Civil Registration Month, as mandated by Proclamation No. 682, issued on January 28, 1991. This annual observance aims to remind Filipinos of the importance of registering vital life events, such as births, marriages, and deaths, as well as decrees, legal documents, and judicial orders that impact their civil status. In celebration of this significant event, the Civil Registration and Administrative Support Division of PSA Abra organized various activities, aligning with the theme "CRVS: The Future of Seamless Services."

Series of Trainings

As part of the 34th Civil Registration Month celebrations, Registration Officer II Guillermo B. Bermillo Jr. conducted a series of trainings on civil registration, aiming to enhance the knowledge and skills of local registrars and other stakeholders. The comprehensive training sessions covered essential topics, including the proper registration of vital events, such as births, marriages, and deaths, as well as the issuance of civil registry documents. Through these trainings, Bermillo Jr. sought to promote awareness and adherence to civil registration laws and procedures, ultimately contributing to the improvement of civil registration services in the region.



34th CRM Kick-off

The 34th Civil Registration Month celebrations kicked off with a festive motorcade on February 1, 2024 and launch ceremony, held to raise awareness and promote the importance of civil registration among the public. The motorcade, participated in by various stakeholders, including local government officials, civil registry personnel, and community leaders, traversed major streets and thoroughfares, showcasing eye-catching banners and streamers bearing the theme "CRVS: The Future of Seamless Services." The kick-off activity, which drew significant attention and interest from the public, marked the beginning of a month-long series of events and activities aimed at promoting civil registration and vital statistics in the region.



Poster-making Contests

As part of the 34th Civil Registration Month celebrations, the Philippine Statistics Office (PSO) Abra conducted poster-making contests for students of Tabangao Integrated School and Boliney National High School. The contest, which aimed to promote awareness and appreciation of the importance of civil registration among the youth, encouraged students to express their creativity and knowledge on the theme "CRVS: The Future of Seamless Services." Through their vibrant and informative posters, the students demonstrated their understanding of the significance of civil registration in their lives and in the community, showcasing their artistic talents and statistical awareness.



Civil Registration Mobile Registration

In celebration of the 34th Civil Registration Month, the Philippine Statistics Office (PSO) Abra, in partnership with the Local Civil Registry Office, conducted a mobile registration activity, bringing civil registration services directly to the community. The Civil Registration and Birth Registration Assistance Program (BRAP) Mobile Registration event provided an opportunity for individuals to register vital events, such as births, marriages, and deaths, and to secure essential documents, including birth and marriage certificates. Through this initiative, the PSO Abra aimed to promote awareness and accessibility of civil registration services, particularly in remote and underserved areas, and to ensure that all individuals have access to these essential documents.

Participation to Civil Mass Wedding

As part of the 34th Civil Registration Month celebrations, CSS Perdido participated in the Civil Mass Wedding ceremony organized by the Local Government Unit (LGU) of Manabo. This event aimed to provide an opportunity for couples to formalize their unions and register their marriages, highlighting the importance of civil registration in legitimized relationships. By supporting this initiative, CSS Perdido helped promote the significance of civil registration and contributed to the LGU's efforts to provide accessible and convenient services to its constituents. The successful event not only strengthened the bonds of the newlywed couples but also underscored the value of civil registration in building stronger, more resilient communities.

Thanksgiving Mass

As part of the 34th Civil Registration Month celebrations, the Philippine Statistics Office (PSO) Abra personnel participated in a Quiz Bee, testing their knowledge and expertise on civil registration and vital statistics. The engaging competition aimed to enhance the personnel's understanding and awareness of civil registration laws, processes, and procedures, ultimately contributing to the improvement of civil registration services in the region. Through this interactive and educational activity, PSO Abra personnel demonstrated their commitment to excellence and their role as champions of civil registration, promoting a culture of accuracy, efficiency, and effectiveness in the delivery of civil registration services.

Awarding of SECPA copies to BRAP beneficiaries

In celebration of the 34th Civil Registration Month, the Philippine Statistics Office (PSO) Abra conducted an awarding ceremony, where copies of the Security Paper (SECPA) were distributed to beneficiaries of the Birth Registration Assistance Program (BRAP). This initiative aimed to provide marginalized and underserved communities with access to vital documents, promoting their rights and opportunities. By awarding SECPA copies to BRAP beneficiaries, PSO Abra reinforced its commitment to ensuring that all individuals, particularly the vulnerable and disadvantaged, have access to accurate and secure civil registration documents, ultimately contributing to their empowerment and social inclusion.



Quiz Bee on Civil Registration

As part of the 34th Civil Registration Month celebrations, the Philippine Statistics Office (PSO) Abra conducted an internal quiz bee on civil registration, exclusively for its personnel. The engaging competition aimed to assess and enhance the knowledge and expertise of PSO Abra staff on civil registration laws, processes, and procedures. By testing their understanding of vital statistics and civil registration concepts, the quiz bee promoted a culture of excellence and accuracy among PSO Abra personnel, ensuring they remain equipped to provide efficient and effective civil registration services to the public.



Monthly Meetings with Municipal Civil Registrars (MCRs)

The Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA) Abra conducted its regular monthly meeting with Municipal Civil Registrars (MCRs) from across the province. The meeting served as a platform for discussing updates, addressing concerns, and sharing best practices in civil registration. PSA Abra and the MCRs reviewed the current state of civil registration in their respective municipalities, discussed ways to improve the efficiency and accuracy of registration processes, and explored strategies to promote awareness and accessibility of civil registration services. Through these regular meetings, PSA Abra and the MCRs strengthened their collaboration and commitment to ensuring the integrity and reliability of civil registration data in Abra.



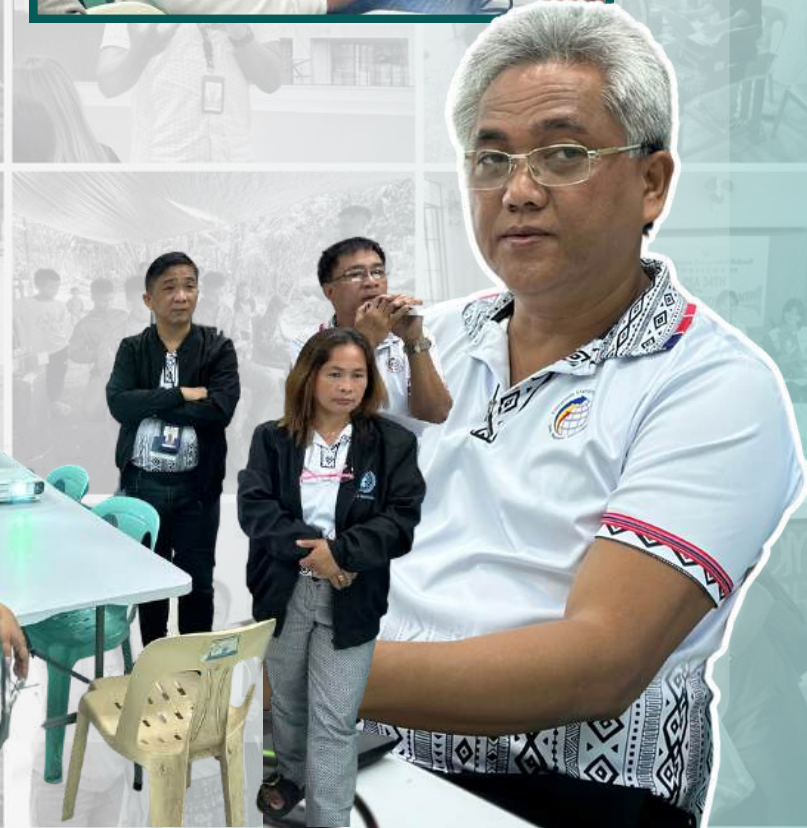


ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT FOR OPERATIONS

2024 Mid-Year Performance Review

In compliance with the office memorandum, the Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA) Abra conducted its 2024 Mid-Year Performance Review Session on July 22-23, 2024. The primary objective of the session was to assess the province's performance during the first semester of 2024, based on the 2024 Office Performance Commitment and Review (OPCR) and 2024 Work Program. Additionally, the review aimed to identify best practices, innovations, challenges, and concerns encountered during the implementation of programs, projects, and activities. By conducting this mid-year review, PSO Abra evaluated its progress toward achieving office goals, ultimately informing strategic adjustments to optimize performance in the second half of 2024.

Chief Statistical Specialist Felixberto B. Perdido expressed her sincere appreciation to all personnel for their dedicated service, optimistic that the team's accomplishments would continue to thrive until the end of the year. She emphasized the crucial role of the office in providing timely, relevant, and reliable statistics, efficient civil registration services, and an inclusive identification system. The two-day performance review session was successfully held at the PSA Abra, DZPA Bldg., Rizal St., Zone 6, Bangued, Abra providing a productive and scenic setting for the team's reflection and planning.



2025 Provincial Planning Workshop



The 2025 Provincial Planning Workshop took place from December 17-20, 2024 at West Loch Park Hotel, Vigan City, Ilocos Sur, bringing together the PSA Abra team to foster collaboration and strategic planning. The workshop achieved several key objectives, including streamlining the integration of PW Forms, recognizing the team's achievements in submitting high-quality reports on time, and addressing challenges that had emerged. This interactive platform enabled the team to brainstorm innovative solutions to overcome obstacles in implementing the PSA's mandates, while also strengthening team cohesion and camaraderie within the Abra Provincial Statistical Office.

The workshop yielded two key outcomes: the development of critical reports required for the finalization of strategic plans for 2025. Moreover, this workshop was instrumental in ensuring the accuracy and quality of reports to be submitted to the Regional Office, which will be consolidated, ultimately contributing to informed decision-making and effective regional planning.



National Women's Month

Haircut Training Session

As part of the 2024 National Women's Month celebration, the Philippine Statistics Office (PSO) Abra organized a unique and empowering activity - a Haircut Training session - exclusively for its personnel. This interactive and hands-on training aimed to equip participants with a new skill, promoting self-sufficiency and confidence. Beyond the practical benefits, the session also served as a bonding experience, fostering camaraderie and teamwork among PSO Abra personnel. By providing this opportunity, the office demonstrated its commitment to the holistic development and well-being of its employees, aligning with the National Women's Month theme of empowering women and promoting gender equality.



Free SECPA copies for Women Clients

In celebration of the 2024 National Women's Month, the Civil Registration System (CRS) Outlet in Abra conducted a special advocacy program, providing free issuance of Security Paper (SECPA) copies to women clients. This initiative aimed to empower women by ensuring their access to vital documents, promoting their rights, and enhancing their opportunities. By waiving the fees for SECPA copies, the CRS Outlet alleviated a significant financial burden for women, particularly those from marginalized and underserved communities. This gesture of support and solidarity underscored the office's commitment to advancing gender equality and women's empowerment, aligning with the National Women's Month theme.



Oath to Data Privacy

PSO Abra personnel took their Oath to Data Privacy on January 10, 2025, officiated by Regional Director Villafe P. Alibuyog. This significant ceremony underscores the office's commitment to upholding the Data Privacy Act of 2012, which aims to protect the fundamental human right of privacy and ensure the secure processing of personal information. By taking this oath, PSO Abra personnel reaffirm their dedication to handling sensitive data with utmost care and confidentiality, aligning with the Philippine Statistics Authority's mission to deliver quality service and promote equitable development. Regional Director Alibuyog's presence emphasizes the importance of data privacy within the organization and reinforces the office's adherence to the principles of transparency, accountability, and integrity.



Tree Planting Activity

On June 14, 2024, the Philippine Statistics Office (PSO) Abac conducted a meaningful Tree Planting Activity in Nagaparan, Danglas, Abra, as part of their environmental advocacy and corporate social responsibility. PSO Abra personnel actively participated in the event, planting trees and contributing to the preservation of the environment. This initiative not only helped to promote ecological balance and mitigate the effects of climate change but also fostered a sense of community and teamwork among the participants. By engaging in this environmentally conscious activity, PSO Abra demonstrated its commitment to sustainability and its role as a responsible steward of the environment.





Fire Safety Seminar

The Philippine Statistics Office (PSO) Abra conducted a Fire Safety Seminar for its personnel, aiming to enhance their knowledge and preparedness in responding to fire emergencies. The seminar, facilitated by experts in fire safety, covered essential topics such as fire prevention, emergency evacuation procedures, and the proper use of fire extinguishers. Through interactive discussions and hands-on demonstrations, PSO Abra personnel gained valuable insights and practical skills to ensure their safety and the security of office premises. By investing in fire safety awareness and training, PSO Abra demonstrated its commitment to providing a safe and healthy work environment for its employees.



Oath-taking of Newly-hired and Newly-promoted Personnel



**Statistical Specialist II
FLORANTE T. BIGORNIA**



**Administrative Aide VI
PRINCES STEPHANIE M. BELLEZA**



**Assistant Statistician
ALEX M. ANCHETA**



**Registration Officer I
JEWEL MAY B. PATARAY**

PSA 11th Anniversary

“Saritaan iti Abra” of PIA-Abra

As part of the Philippine Statistics Authority's (PSA) 11th anniversary celebration, the Philippine Information Agency (PIA) Abra hosted a special episode of "Saritaan iti Abra," a local radio program, on September 10, 2025, featuring Chief Statistical Specialist (CSS) Perdido as the guest speaker. During the program, CSS Perdido shared insights on the PSA's accomplishments, milestones, and contributions to the development of Abra province. The discussion also highlighted the importance of statistics in informed decision-making and the PSA's commitment to providing accurate and reliable data. Through this engaging platform, the PSA and PIA Abra collaborated to promote awareness and appreciation of the role of statistics in shaping the province's future.



PSA Exhibit

In celebration of the Philippine Statistics Authority's (PSA) 11th anniversary, the PSA Abra provincial office showcased an informative exhibit highlighting the agency's accomplishments, programs, and services. The exhibit, which was open to the public, featured engaging displays and interactive materials that illustrated the PSA's role in providing timely and reliable statistics, civil registration services, and national identification systems. The exhibit also showcased the PSA's commitment to data-driven decision-making, transparency, and public service. By sharing its achievements and initiatives, the PSA Abra exhibit aimed to promote awareness, appreciation, and understanding of the agency's vital contributions to the development of Abra province.



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“Laro ng Lahi”

As part of its 11th Anniversary celebration, the Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA) organized a fun-filled afternoon of "Laro ng Lahi" - traditional Filipino folk games. Employees and guests gathered at the PSA grounds to participate in classic games such as Tinikling, Sipa, and Luksong Tinik, among others. The event aimed to promote Filipino culture and heritage, while also fostering camaraderie and teamwork among PSA personnel. The lively atmosphere was filled with laughter and excitement, as participants of all ages showcased their skills and competitiveness in these timeless and iconic Filipino games.



“Adopt-a-Daycare” Program

In celebration of its 11th Anniversary, the Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA) conducted an Adopt-a-Daycare Program, a corporate social responsibility initiative that aimed to provide support and care to underprivileged children. PSA employees volunteered their time and resources to visit and interact with the children at the adopted daycare center, providing them with educational materials, toys, and basic necessities. The program also included fun-filled activities, such as storytelling, games, and arts and crafts, which brought joy and smiles to the faces of the children. Through this program, the PSA demonstrated its commitment to giving back to the community and making a positive impact on the lives of those in need.



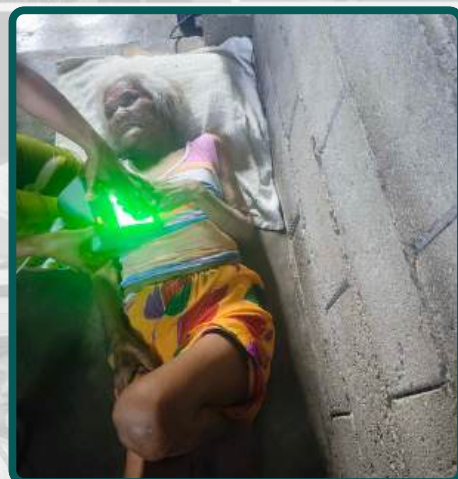


PHILIPPINE IDENTIFICATION SYSTEM

National ID Mobile Registration

Republic Act No. 11055, also known as the Philippine Identification System Act, seeks to create a unified national ID system for all Filipino citizens and resident aliens. This system, called PhilSys, aims to simplify transactions, promote efficient delivery of social services, and enhance financial inclusion. The PhilSys will provide a valid proof of identity, making it easier for individuals to access public and private services. As a digital ID system, it will revolutionize service delivery in the Philippines, paving the way for a digital economy characterized by paperless and cashless transactions. Some of the key objectives of the PhilSys include: - Simplifying Transactions: Providing a single, valid proof of identity to eliminate the need for multiple IDs. - Promoting Seamless Service Delivery: Enhancing the efficiency of social services and financial transactions. - Strengthening Financial Inclusion: Expanding access to financial services for all citizens and resident aliens. - Empowering Citizens: Giving individuals greater control over their personal data and promoting transparency and accountability.

CUMULATIVE TOTAL PHILSYS STEP 2 REGISTRATION OUTPUT			
Municipality	2020 CPH Population	Total Registered	Percentage of registered over 2020 population
	250,985	205,402	81.84%
Bangued	50,382	49,012	97.28%
Boliney	4,551	3,122	68.60%
Bucay	17,953	14,591	81.27%
Bucloc	2,395	2,128	88.85%
Daguiman	2,019	1,612	79.84%
Danglas	4,074	3,974	97.55%
Dolores	11,512	9,053	78.64%
La Paz	16,493	12,241	74.22%
Lacub	3,612	2,391	66.20%
Lagangilang	14,914	11,795	79.09%
Lagayan	4,488	3,901	86.92%
Langiden	3,576	2,937	82.13%
Baay	4,566	3,147	68.92%
Luba	6,518	6,061	92.99%
Malibcong	4,027	2,692	66.85%
Manabo	11,611	8,930	76.91%
Peñarrubia	6,951	5,525	79.48%
Pidigan	12,475	8,957	71.80%
Pilar	10,146	8,181	80.63%
Sallapadan	6,389	4,873	76.27%
San Isidro	4,745	4,270	89.99%
San Juan	10,688	9,011	84.31%
San Quintin	5,705	4,474	78.42%
Tayum	14,869	11,463	77.09%
Tineg	4,977	2,488	49.99%
Tubo	5,674	3,960	69.79%
Villaviciosa	5,675	4,613	81.29%







“Rehistro Bulilit” Campaign

The Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA), in collaboration with local government units and partner agencies, successfully conducted the PhilSys “Rehistro Bulilit” Campaign at Sitio Sabangan, Alaoa, Tineg, Abra on August 29, 2024. The campaign aimed to register children aged 0-4 years old in the Philippine Identification System (PhilSys), providing them with a PhilSys number and laying the groundwork for their future access to social services and benefits. Through the campaign, the PSA was able to reach and register young children from hard-to-reach areas, promoting inclusive and equitable access to identification and social services. The event was marked by enthusiastic participation from parents, guardians, and community leaders, demonstrating the community's strong support for the PhilSys program.



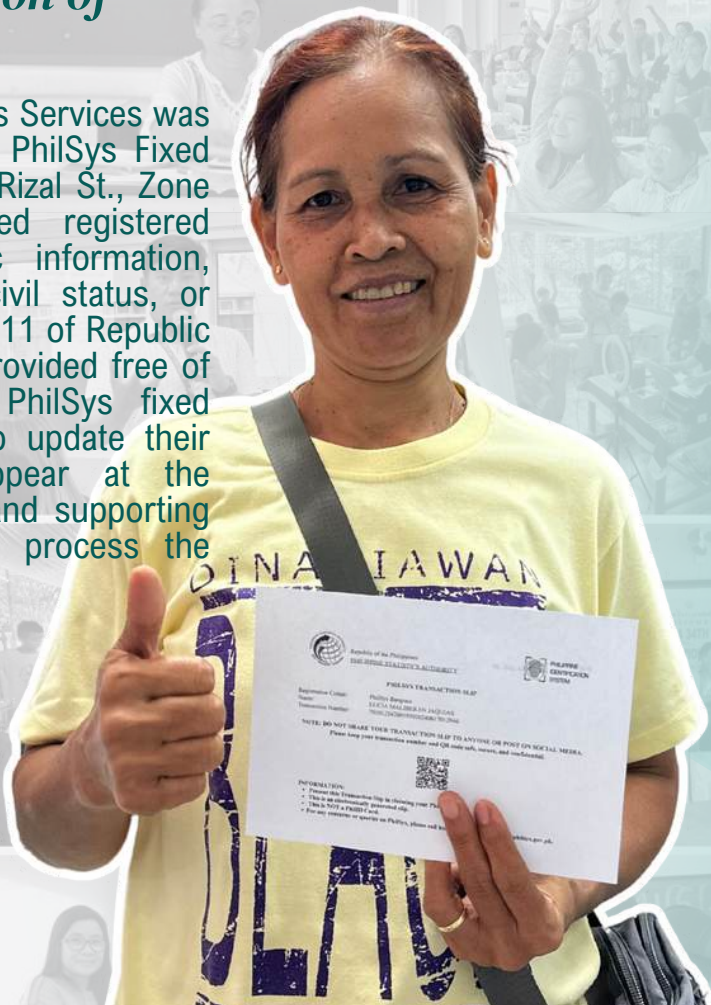
DSWD Co-locations

The Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA) Abra Provincial Statistical Office (PSO) successfully conducted a National ID Mobile Registration at DSWD SWAD Abra co-locations during Family Development Sessions. This initiative aimed to streamline the National ID registration process for Pantawid Pamilyang Pilipino Program (4Ps) beneficiaries, bringing the service closer to residents, especially in remote areas. Through this partnership, PSA Abra was able to register numerous beneficiaries, providing them with a PhilSys number and paving the way for easier access to social services and benefits. The collaboration demonstrated the government's commitment to social inclusion and improving the delivery of basic services to vulnerable sectors.



National ID Updating/Correction of Entries Services

The National ID Updating/Correction of Entries Services was launched in Abra on June 17, 2024 at the PhilSys Fixed Registration Center, PSA-Abra, DZPA Bldg., Rizal St., Zone 6, Bangued, Abra. This initiative allowed registered individuals to update their demographic information, including corrections to nationality, age, civil status, or family relationships, as mandated by Section 11 of Republic Act No. 11055. The updating services are provided free of charge and are available at designated PhilSys fixed registration centers across the country. To update their records, individuals must personally appear at the designated center, file the required forms and supporting documentation, and wait for the PSA to process the changes.



Information, Education, and Communication (IEC) Campaigns

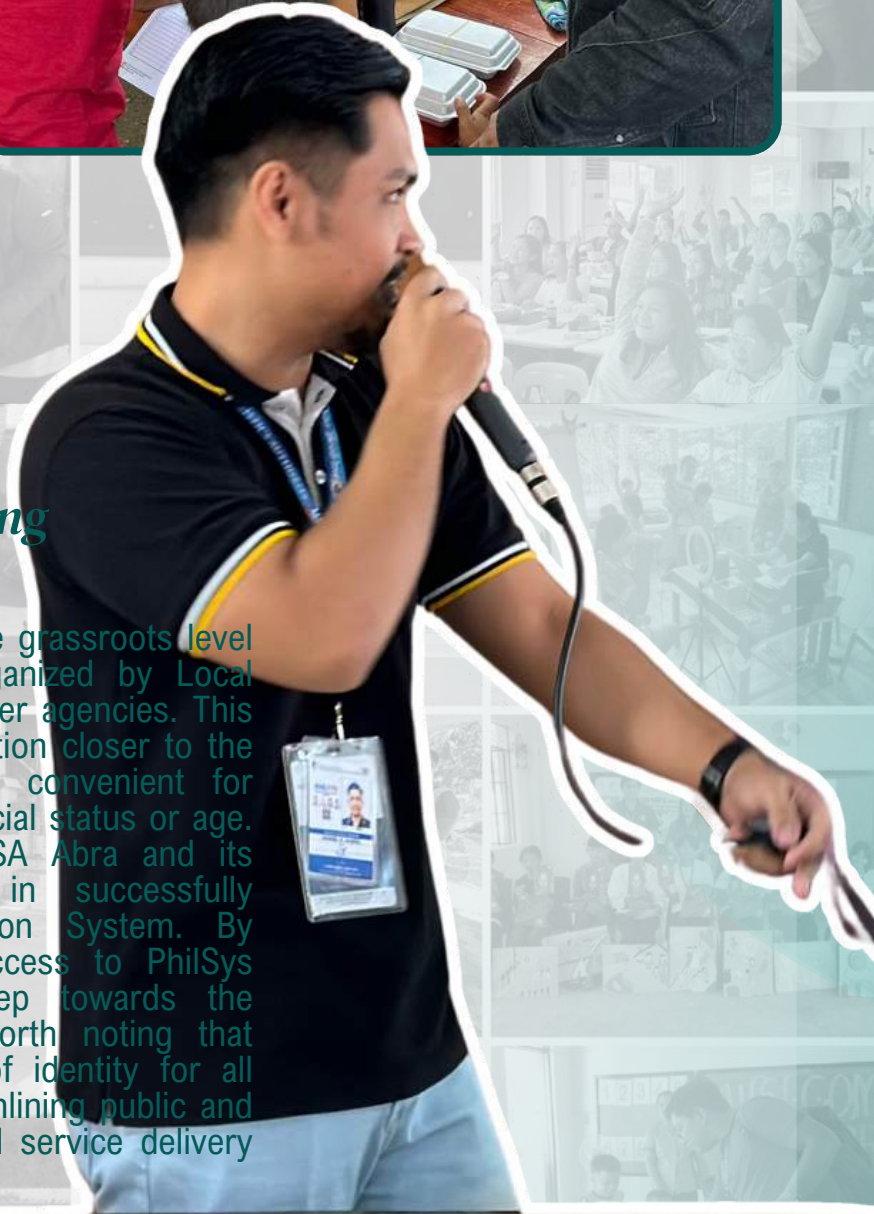
The Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA) Abra launched an engaging Information Awareness Campaign (IAC) to promote the Philippine Identification System (PhilSys). This dynamic campaign brought together various government agencies, fostering a collaborative environment to educate the community about the importance and benefits of PhilSys. Through this initiative, stakeholders were also updated on the latest developments and implementation progress of the National ID system, ensuring that everyone is informed and equipped to take advantage of its services.





National ID Registration during Caravans

PSA Abra is taking PhilSys services to the grassroots level by participating in service caravans organized by Local Government Units (LGUs) and other partner agencies. This collaborative effort brings PhilSys registration closer to the public, making it more accessible and convenient for Filipinos to register, regardless of their social status or age. The consistent coordination between PSA Abra and its partner agencies has been crucial in successfully implementing the Philippine Identification System. By working together, they're maximizing access to PhilSys registration, which is a significant step towards the government's goal of inclusivity. It's worth noting that PhilSys aims to provide a valid proof of identity for all Filipino citizens and resident aliens, streamlining public and private transactions, and promoting social service delivery and financial inclusion.





Launching of National ID Mobile Registration for all ages

The Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA) has officially launched the National ID registration for all ages, marking a significant milestone in the implementation of the Philippine Identification System (PhilSys). This development allows individuals of all ages, from infants to senior citizens, to register and obtain a valid proof of identity. The registration process involves the capture of demographic and biometric data, which will be stored in the PhilSys database. With the National ID, citizens can expect a more efficient and streamlined experience when accessing public and private services, including social welfare programs, financial transactions, and other government services.

School-based Registration

The Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA) Abra Provincial Statistical Office successfully conducted a National ID school-based registration program, targeting students and school personnel across the province. This initiative aimed to expedite the registration process for the Philippine Identification System (PhilSys) among the youth and education sector. PSA Abra personnel set up registration stations in various schools, where students and staff were assisted in filling out registration forms and undergoing biometric data capture. The school-based registration program not only facilitated the registration process but also promoted awareness and education about the benefits and importance of the National ID among the younger generation.



Institutional Registration

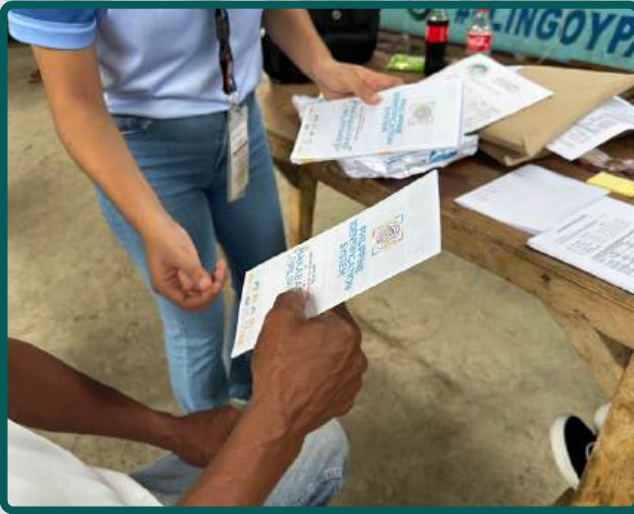
The Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA) Abra Provincial Statistical Office conducted a National ID institutional registration program, targeting various institutions and organizations across the province. This initiative aimed to expedite the registration process for the Philippine Identification System (PhilSys) among institutional members, such as government employees, healthcare workers, and personnel from private establishments. PSA Abra personnel collaborated with institutional administrators to facilitate the registration process, which included filling out registration forms and undergoing biometric data capture. The institutional registration program streamlined the registration process, promoting efficient and convenient registration for institutional members, while also fostering a culture of inclusivity and social protection among the registered individuals.



Coordination with Various Relying Parties

The Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA) Abra Provincial Statistical Office fostered strong partnerships with various stakeholders, including government agencies, local government units, and private institutions, to ensure the successful implementation of the National ID program. Through regular coordination and collaboration, the PSA Abra was able to tap into the resources and expertise of its partners, facilitating the registration process and promoting awareness about the benefits of the National ID. Relying parties, such as banks, telecommunications companies, and social welfare agencies, were also engaged to integrate the National ID into their systems, enabling citizens to access a wide range of services and transactions with ease and convenience.





Distribution of National ID stickers and flyers to general public, various LGUs, financial establishments, and NGAs

The Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA) Abra Provincial Statistical Office intensified its information, education, and communication (IEC) campaign for the National ID through the distribution of various campaign materials to local government units (LGUs), financial establishments, and national government agencies (NGAs). The distributed materials, which included posters, brochures, flyers, and stickers, aimed to promote awareness and educate the public about the benefits, features, and registration process of the Philippine Identification System (PhilSys). By strategically placing these materials in high-traffic areas, the PSA Abra sought to reach a wider audience, encourage citizen registration, and foster a culture of inclusivity and social protection.

