The Philippine Statistics Authority – Regional Statistical Services Office II (PSA-RSSO II) formally launched on March 13, 2019 at Pulsar Premier Suites, Pulsar Commercial Plaza, Tuguegarao City, Cagayan its 78-paged book entitled **2018 Women and Men in Cagayan Valley**, a compilation of up-to-date available gender statistics in the region highlighting the important features of the sex disaggregated data presented through tables and charts with short explanatory texts and brief analyses.

Ms. Marilyn T. Estrada, Regional Director of PSA-RSSO II, warmly welcomed the guests and participants from the different Regional Line Agencies, Local Government Units (LGUs), Womens Group, members of the Regional
Statistics Committee 02 (RSC2), and representatives from the Academe in the region and expressed her wholehearted gratitude to everyone who find time and effort to attend one of the very significant event of PSA-RSSO II. She also acknowledged the presence of PSA Central Office Officials and Employees headed by the Deputy National Statistician of the Censuses and Technical Coordination Office (CTCO), ASEC Josie B. Perez, and the Regional Directors and Staff of PSA CAR, Region I, Region III, Region 4, MIMAROPA and Region V.

In her Inspirational Message, DNS Perez, stressed that the government must be able to come up with more types of social protection that will address various needs of women because of the vulnerability of the sector. She also said that gender does not only pertain on women.

Forthwith, Engr. Girme M. Bayucan, Chief of the Statistical Operations and Coordination Division (SOCD) presented the highlights of the 2018 Women and Men in Cagayan Valley including Issues and Concerns and the its Future Directions.

To gather inputs for the improvement of the succeeding WAM Issues, policies and program implications on the findings on Chapter 5 - Vital Health and Family Planning, Chapter 6 - Social Welfare and Development and Chapter 7 - Peace and Human Rights were delivered by speakers from the Department of Health (DOH) Region II, Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD) Region II and Philippine National Police (PNP) Region II, respectively.

Questions raised by the
For the first month of 2019, the Philippine Statistics Authority Region II officials and staff enthusiastically kicked-off its year with the conduct of January 2019 Labor Force Survey (LFS) and 2018 Family Income and Expenditure Survey (FIES-Visit 2) from January 9 to 14, 2019.

However, before the intense supervision and enumeration, a second level training for PSA officials and focal persons and third level training for the supervisors, statistical staff and hired Statistical Researchers (SR) were conducted to discuss the concepts and definitions used in the two surveys and know the procedures on the proper way to conduct an interview, the appropriate approach in asking questions and filling out questionnaires. The trainings were conducted on December 17-22, 2018 and January 3-8, 2019 respectively.

Statistical officers spearheaded by Regional Director Marilyn T. Estrada were immersed in the supervision of the field operations for the said surveys to ensure that the interviews are properly carried out. The RD together with the SOCD Chief Girme M. Bayucan, Provincial Statistical Officers (PSO), Regional Focal Person (RFP) and Provincial Focal Persons (PFO) work hand in hand in the supervision of the said surveys. From the highlands to the seas to the outskirts of Cagayan Valley, PSA 02 personnel work tirelessly to gather relevant information and help deduce consumer income and spending.

FIES is a nationwide survey of households, it is the main source of data on family income and expenditure, which include among others, levels of consumption by item of expenditure as well as sources of income in cash and in kind. The results of the survey are used to determine the economic status of households.

In his closing message, Engr. Bayucan thanked everyone for attending the launch of the publication. He said that the publication is an avenue to celebrate for it marks another accomplishment of PSA-RSSO II. He gratefully acknowledged the valuable contributions of various data sources for without them, the publication would not have been possible. He hoped that all concerned sectors would be able to utilize the publication in the crafting of effective plans, programs, and policies toward the advancement of women in the region and would inspire other government and non-government agencies to embrace PSA’s campaign in the compilation of quality gender statistics of the region.

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The Philippine Statistics Authority Regional Statistical Services Office II (PSA-RSSO II) hosted the regionwide dissemination forum of the 2017 Philippine Standard Classification of Education (PSCED) on March 13, 2018 at Pulsar Premier Suites, Tuguegarao City, Cagayan.

The 2017 PSCED is the latest edition of the country’s classification of education covering detailed classification of all educational levels in the Philippine educational system and aims to integrate the different classification schemes used by various government agencies, education and research institutions and international planning, labor market studies and other related activities.

In her welcome remarks, Regional Director Marilyn T. Estrada extended her warm greetings to the participants. She acknowledged the presence of PSA officials and employees led by Deputy National Statistician (DNS) for Census and Technical Coordination Office (CTCO) Assistant Secretary Josie B. Perez. She likewise recognized the presence of the PSA Regional Directors from regions CAR to Region V, representatives of the different Regional Line Agencies and the Regional Statistics Committee 2 (RSC2) members. RD Estrada expressed her heartfelt gratitude to Standard Service (SS) headed by Assistant National Statistician (ANS) Mr. Candido J. Crisologo, Jr. and the Standard Classification Division (SCD) for choosing Region II as the venue for the said forum. She went on to stressed the importance of PSCED by comparing it with environmental science. “In Biology, we have Taxonomy as a way of classifying and naming data for ecosystem and we have the Classification Standards as its counterpart. In our RSDP 2018-2023 one of the goals is to intensify our Regional Statistical System (RSS) by improving competencies and collaboration among data providers and this event is a way forward in realizing these goals,” RD Estrada added.

Representatives from the three major pillars of education namely the Department of Education (DepEd), Technical Education and Skills Development Authority (TESDA) and the Commission on Higher Education (CHED), were invited to deliver a message during the forum and conjointly expressed the importance of the PSCED in the educational system of the country on top of their praises on the initiatives of the PSA in updating the classification system for education.

Subsequently, ANS Candido J. Astrologo, Jr. enlightened the group about the forum topic in his presentation on the overview and highlights of PSCED including its major changes and developments.
For their part, SCD Chief Ms. Severa B. De Costo presented the application of the 2017 PSCED on the 2015 Census on Population (POPCEM) while Supervising Statistical Specialist (SSS), Mr. Emerson M. Aquino presented the PSA Enhanced Webpage on Standard Classification Systems. SSS Aquino informed the group on the improved PSA webpage for easier and more convenient searches and further introduced the e-classification application that contains PSCED and other classification systems.

In her closing remarks, DNS Josie B. Perez thanked the participants for actively participating in activity. She explained that a dissemination forum is actually a celebration because an important output has been completed after a long process of preparation, review and evaluation. She then thanked the speakers and discussants for sharing their time and knowledge and expertise despite their busy schedules and ensure them that the agency will continue to provide timely and relevant data classification system for the country “The PSA will continue to promote the use of standard classification data recording to ensure the harmonization comparability of our education statistics at the local, national and international levels,” Asec. Perez concluded.

Buoyed by the success of the forum, PSA Luzon Cluster group participated by the Regional Directors of the six regions and their SOCD Chief including technical staff of the whole PSA Provincial Offices in Region II actively discussed and threshed out some issues and concerns confronting the different standard classification systems in the country during the Training and Discussion Forum held the following day. The 2nd day activity consist of an overview of the other data classification systems and a deeper and broader presentation of the 2017 PSCED.

FIES provide information on the levels of living and disparities in income of Filipino families, as well as their spending patterns.

According to RD Estrada, supervising the conduct of FIES is very crucial in the attainment of providing accurate facts. “It is important to be hands-on in this field. We have to probe and check the consistency of answers given by our respondents because these data will eventually be of benefit for economic and social policy planning,” Estrada said. She also thanked the respondents for being kind and receptive during the interview. She assured them that no information relating to the respondents are given out in compliance of Data Privacy Act 2012.
FIES Visit 2 Survey Operation in PSA Batanes kicked-off with a third Level Training on January 3, 2019 at Batanes General Hospital Hall, Basco, Batanes and culminated on February 8, 2019 with a total completed interview of 188 priority household and 421 non-priority household. Manual Processing was also conducted and ended on March 20, 2019.

Successful people are always looking for opportunities to help others. Unsuccessful people are always asking, “What’s in it for me?”

- Brian Tracy
PSA Region II Celebrates 2019 CIVIL REGISTRATION MONTH


In line with the celebration, several activities were lined-up to remind the public of its responsibility to register vital events and instill public awareness on the importance of civil registry documents.

On February 1, 2019, PSA-RSSO II and Provincial Statistics Offices in the region displayed tarpaulin at the office façade to help raise public awareness on the celebration.

To formally open the month-long celebration, a motorcade was held in Isabela on February 1, 2019 in collaboration with the Isabela Civil Registrars Association (ICRA). Right after this, Regional Director Marilyn T. Estrada and Mr. Julius M. Emperador, Chief Statistical Specialist (CSS) of PSA-Isabela led the ceremonial cutting of ribbon for the Civil Registration Exhibit.

Moreover, in line with the celebration, the ICRA also held their monthly meeting. A lecture on the updates on Civil Registration Laws particularly Republic Act (RA) 9255 and the importance of civil registration in the Philippines was also conducted. Mr. Ryan Anthony D. Amad, Registration Officer II of the Civil Registry Department of PSA-Central Office was the resource person during the said lecture. It was participated by PSA employees and City/Municipal Civil Registrar (C/MCR) of the province of Isabela. A message was delivered by RD Estrada which mainly focused on the theme of the celebration.

On the same day, PSA–Quirino in partnership with the Philippine Association of Civil Registrars (PACR) - Quirino Chapter and provincial offices of the National Government Agencies commenced the long month celebration of the 2019 Civil Registration Month through an Information Dissemination activity.

During the event, Cabarroguis Municipal Civil Registrar Engr. Wilmer D. Dollaga gave his opening remarks and gladly welcomed the participants in his humble municipality. For the PSA part, Chief Statistical Specialist Engr. Cherry Grace D. Agustin of PSA Quirino delivered her inspirational message and discussed the importance of Civil Registration and gave emphasis on having the right and correct civil registry documents for the bright future of every citizen. Engr. Agustin also mentioned the planned activities for the month-long celebration and thanked all the participants who joined and supported the activity.
Registration Officers and Decentralized Vital Statistics System (DVSS) encoders of the five PSA-Provincial Statistics Offices of Region II attended the training on Medical Terminology last February 20-21, 2019 at PSA-RSSO II Conference Room. Ms. Ma. Corazon H. Guzman, Statistical Specialist II served as trainer.

The training was conducted to capacitate participants in analyzing components of medical terms, common rules for proper medical term formation and spelling and be able to explain terms and abbreviations, and in defining common causes of deaths.

Specifically, the training aimed to provide technical assistance in upgrading the quality of data in terms of coding for causes of death, train coders to understand, analyze and interpret medical terminologies and in assigning the appropriate International Classification of Diseases codes for difficult cases where IRIS, an automated coding software that allows death certificates to be coded, cannot provide code for underlying causes of death.

Further, the office, in response to the invitation of CORAMDEO Christian Church conducted trainings on Certificate of Registration of Authority to Solemnize Marriage (CRASM) last February 26, 2019 at CORAMDEO Christian Church, Tuguegarao City and on February 27 at Life in Christ Family Church Full Gospel in Gattaran, Cagayan.

The training included the discussions on the required documents, procedures and updates in the processing of requirements, duties and responsibilities of Solemnizing Officers and in the proper filling out of application form for CRASM. An open forum was also facilitated to address queries and questions regarding the topics discussed by Ms. Rose Q. Pacay, Registration Officer IV and Ms. Ma. Corazon H. Guzman, Statistical Specialist II who acted as speakers.

Additionally, Chief Statistical Specialist Julius M. Emperador, Statistical Specialist II Thelma G. Castillo and Registration Officer I Jose Marie P. Geronimo of PSA Isabela served as resource speakers during the Solemnizing Officer’s Training held Isabela Christian Ministerial Fellowship, Ed-Ann Bucag Bldg., District 1, Cauayan City, Isabela on February 26, 2019. The training was initiated by the group of Solemnizing Officers from the different religious sect in the province of Isabela to abreast their members on
PSA–RSSO II Conducted Various Trainings …..

their duties and obligations and on the latest updates on civil registration especially on marriage.

In concluding the long month CRM celebration, PSA-RSSO II conducted lectures on Civil Registration Updates and Business Rules last February 28, 2019 at the Regional Office. This is to brief the personnel and staff of the Regional office including Service Associates of the CRS Outlet on the updates and the business rules on the processing and issuances of Civil Registry Documents and the requirements needed in conformity with Data Privacy Act and PD 603.

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SB member Hon. Erwin P. Agbayani who represented Mayor Avelino N. Agustin Jr. of the municipality of Cabarruguis, delivered his short but meaningful message to the participants. Thereafter, Supervising Statistical Specialist Ms. Karen T. Fernandez discussed the salient features of Republic Act 9858 (RA 9858) or the law on legitimation of children born to parents below marrying age while Registration Officer II Ms. Marison S. Lomboy acknowledge and gave thanks to all the participating agencies and offices in her closing remarks.

Similarly, PSA-Cagayan in partnership with the Philippine Association of Civil Registrars (PACR) - Cagayan kicked-off its 2019 Civil Registration Month celebration on February 6, 2019. It started with a motorcade parade led by CSS Elena U. Rivera and staff with the support of RD Marilyn T. Estrada. The motorcade was participated by the Local Civil Registrars (LCRs) of Cagayan. The motorcade was assisted and convoyed by the Tuguegarao City Traffic Management Group. It started at the Tuguegarao City Hall, Carig Sur at exactly 7:30am and ended at PSA-Cagayan which was followed by a short program.

Thereafter, a meeting was held at PSA-Cagayan Conference Hall attended by the City / Municipal Civil Registrar’s of Cagayan. Stressed during the meeting was the theme of Civil Registration Month Celebration. PSA-Cagayan presented the lined-up activities for the celebration of the CR Month in collaboration with the Local Civil Registrars.
To boost public awareness on civil registration, Chief Administrative Officer Milagros C. Adduru and Registration Officer IV Rose Q. Pacay of the Civil Registration and Administrative Support Division (CRASD) of PSA RSSO II guested in the radio program “Dura Lex Sed lex” at Bombo Radyo Tuguegarao on February 17 and 24, 2019. The radio program was hosted by Mr. Marvin Cangcang every Sunday from 2:00 to 3:30 PM.

The radio appearance focused on the different activities for this year’s Civil Registration Month (CRM) celebration. Queries pertaining to CR concerns of on-spot callers and texters were also addressed by Ms. Adduru and Ms. Pacay during their two-day guesting.

The information campaign initiatives was also extended to the members of the Regional Statistics Committee 2 (RSC2) when the CRASD Chief Adduru took the podium to discussed activities of the long month celebration during the 14th regular business meeting of the RSC2.

Flyers on Civil Registration Laws were also distributed to thirty-five (35) member-participants during the said meeting last February 8, 2019 at Crown Pavilion, Tuguegarao City, Cagayan.

Meanwhile in the province of Quirino, Chief Statistical Specialist Engr. Cherry Grace D. Agustin guested in “I Love Quirino on Air”, a radio program of Infocen Manager Thelma C. Bicarme at 92.1 DWQP FM, Capitol Hills, Cabarroguis, Quirino on February 12, 2019.

CSS Agustin disseminated the importance of civil registry documents and discussed the processes in correcting clerical error/s and typographical error/s in the day and/or month of birth and sex of a person as provided for in RA 9048 and RA 10172.
Aside from radio guesting, PSA-Quirino headed by CSS Agustin also visited some elementary schools in Quirino to disseminate the importance of civil registration to the elementary pupils of selected elementary schools in the province. These activities were conducted at Sangbay and Dioryong Elementary School at Nagtipunan, Quirino on February 8 and 15, 2019, respectively, Caloocan Integrated School at Cabarroguis, Quirino on February 19, 2019 and at Cabaruan Integrated School, Maddela, Quirino on February 26, 2019.

As a highlight of their kick-off ceremony for the CRM celebration, PSA-Cagayan also conducted an Information Dissemination on Civil Registration to school heads and principals of the Tuguegarao City Division Office. CSS Elena U. Rivera of PSA Cagayan together with some of the Municipal Civil Registrars of the province joined together in facilitating and empowering the participants on the civil registration principles and processes. The event was graced by PSA Regional Director Marilyn T. Estrada who stressed on the theme of the long month celebration “Inclusive and Responsive CRVS: Working Smarter through Innovation” last February of 2019.

The activity ended with an open forum to give the participants the chance to clarify issues and problems related to civil registration specifically issues encountered in schools.

**PSA Region II Joins Barangay People’s Day and Mobile Registration Activities**

PSA-RSSO II is regularly invited by the City Government of Tuguegarao to join in the conduct of the Barangay People’s Day in the different barangays of the city. The office was represented by Ms. Ma. Corazon H. Guzman, the alternate Outlet Supervisor of the Civil Registration Service (CRS) Outlet.

Part of the activity is to remind the public of their duty to register vital events such as birth, marriage, death and other acts and events concerning status of a person and instil public awareness and importance of civil registry documents. Further emphasized is that civil registry documents are important references for employment and transacting business with the government such as securing passport, taking licensure examinations, claiming benefits among others.

Similarly, a mobile civil registration was also conducted in the different municipalities of Quirino after the conduct of the feeding...
The Philippine Statistics Authority, Isabela Provincial Statistics Office (PSA-Isabela PSO) opened the very first 2019 Civil Registration Exhibit to the public in support to the month-long celebration of the Civil Registration last February 1, 2019. The Exhibit showcased statistics on Births, Marriages and Death registrations for 2018 in the province of Isabela. Posters, slogans and pictures of previous CR celebrations and vital statistics publications were also displayed. The PSA CRVS jingle was played all throughout the event.

The evolution of Civil Registration recording of vital events can also be seen in the exhibit - from the use of typewriters to computers using the PhilCRIS Windows Based system.

On the other hand, PSA-Quirino launched its first Mini - Civil Registration Learning Center at its provincial office last February 26, 2019.

During the launching, Engr. Cherry Grace D. Agustin warmly welcomed the participants and thanked the Quirino State University - Cabarroguis campus for their unending support to PSA’s activities. She went on to discussed Civil Registration giving emphasis on the importance and salient features of various CR laws such as RA 9048, RA 10172, and RA 9858. She also emphasized the big role of birth certificate to the life of an individual.

The program ended with a photo opportunities at the photo booth organized by the fourth year Bachelor of Science in Business Administration (BSBA) students from QSU-Cabarroguis campus who are currently undergoing on-the-job training at the provincial office. The launching was participated by third year BSBA college students of QSU-Cabarroguis campus, FIES manual processors and PSA-Quirino provincial staff.
In fulfillment of its commitment to give service to the marginalized sector especially the less fortunate ones, PSA Region II Director Marilyn T. Estrada led the Regional Statistical Service Office II (RSSO II) staff in the conduct of a feeding program activity at Libag Elementary School (LES), brgy. Libag, Tuguegarao City last February 28, 2019. The activity was organized by the Civil Registration and Administrative Support Division (CRASD) of PSA RSSO II as part of its culminating activity for the celebration of the 2019 CR month.

Ms. Deotede D. Guiquing, LES principal, gave the go signal for the PSA’s provision of nutritious snacks to pupils of the LES who are less nourished and who needs special care and attention. The school principal expressed her gratitude to PSA and said that they are looking forward for more charitable activities in their school.

Earlier on February 22, 2019, PSA Batanes headed by its Chief Statistical Specialist, Mr. Ramil G. Abad also served nutritious snacks to day care pupils of Barangay Kayhuvokan Day Care Center at Basco, Batanes. The feeding activity cum distribution of school supplies was also conducted as part of their celebration of the 2019 Civil Registration Month. They were assisted by Day Care Teachers and staff, parents, the Barangay Chairman and the Barangay Nutrition Scholar. A total of thirty six (36) pupils benefited from the said activity.

On top of these efforts, PSA Quirino was more aggressive in fulfilling its social responsibility commitments when it extended its feeding activity to different day care centers and schools across municipalities in the province. In tandem with the different Municipal Civil Registrar’s Offices (MCRO’s) in the province, PSA Quirino was able to served two elementary schools and three day care centers where mobile registration and information dissemination were also conducted.

A simple program was conducted before the feeding activity to inform the parents and teacher on the importance of civil registration and important points of civil registration laws such as RA 9048, RA 9255 and RA 10172.

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| 3. Cabarroguis| Burgos Child Development Center  
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| 4. Nagtipunan | Dioryong Child Development Center  
Disimungal, Nagtipunan, Quirino | Feb. 15, 2019 |
| 5. Aglipay     | Ramos Child Development Center  
Ramos, Aglipay, Quirino | Feb. 19, 2019 |
As part of its annual celebration of CR month, the municipality of San Mateo, Isabela is regularly conducting Civil Registration and Statistics Quiz Bee to high school and college students from the different schools within the municipality. Since its inception in 2004, the CR and Statistics Quiz Bee became an traditional activity of LGU San Mateo in support to the CR Month Celebration to create and expand awareness on the importance of civil registration and encourages the youths to be an advocate on civil registration laws to their parents, relatives, friends and schoolmates.

This year, the activity was conducted on February 22, 2019 at the Municipal Conference Hall, San Mateo, Isabela.

Twenty-one selected Junior and Senior High School and College students from the different private and public schools in the municipality joined the quiz bee and hurdled for an scholarship grant sponsored by LGU San Mateo.

Mr. Julius Russel Q. Pilar of La Salette High School of San Mateo emerged as champion in the first division competition and was awarded a four-year scholarship grant. Meanwhile, Ms. Floriza Marie P. Gabayan of Isabela State University brought home the bacon in the second division and was also awarded a four-year scholarship grant. Certificates and cash prices were also given to all participants.

PSA RSSO II Supervising Statistical Specialist Ms. Mary Jane C. Cabauatan, together with Statistical Specialist II Ms. Ma. Corazon H. Guzman were joined by Ms. Marivic M. Garcia and Thelma Castillo, both Statistical Specialist II of PSA-Isabela in administering this years competition.

The activity was made possible through the initiative of the Municipal Civil Registrar (MCR), Charles A. Mendoza.

Meanwhile, 28 talented Senior High School students from public and private schools in Quirino dynamically competed for the 2019 Civil Registration Month Celebration Highlights: Oratorical, Essay Writing, Poster Making and Slogan Writing Contest while six artistic college students from Quirino State University – Diffun, Cabarroguis and Maddela Campuses competed for Poster-Making and Essay Writing Contests. Civil Registration Quiz was also conducted participated by four Municipal Civil Registrar’s Staff on February 28, 2019 at Pinaripad
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The participating schools were:

1. Diffun National High School (DNHS)
2. Quirino State University - Laboratory High School (QSU-LHS)
3. Saint Mary’s Academy (SMA)
4. Quirino General High School (QGHS)
5. Saguday National High School (SNHS)
6. Pinaripad National High School (PNHS)
7. Victoria High School (VHS)
8. Maddela Marvelous Grace Christian School Inc. (MMGCSI)
9. Maddela Comprehensive High School (MCHS)
10. Nagtipunan National High School (NNHS)


All winners were given tokens and cash prize of PhP 500.00 for the 1st place, PhP 300.00 for the 2nd place and PhP 200.00 for the 3rd place.

If you are invisible, you are vulnerable.
Birth Registration must be everyone's priority.
Let's make all children visible and let's give every child a birthday!

-Desmond Tutu
“KASALANG-BAYAN” Mania during Civil Registration Month

Mass Civil Wedding is one of the highlights of the celebration of the CR Month. The program is initiated by the Local Government Units (LGU) through the City/Municipal Civil Registrar’s Offices. During the year, Mass Civil Weddings were attended by the Regional Director and other PSA staff and acted as guest speakers. Talks of guest usually focused on the importance of marriage, civil registration and the theme of the Civil Registration Month.

In every message, RD Marilyn T. Estrada highlighted the importance of Civil Registration in every Filipinos. She gave emphasis on the benefits of securing these documents in the lives of each and every citizens.

For the Regional Office the following were the Mass weddings attended by the RD/Registration Officer:

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In Isabela, 14 mass weddings were conducted in the different municipalities of the province which was attended by the RD/CSS/PSA Provincial Staff with a total of 1,108 wed couples. Meanwhile, a total of 106 couples were wed in two municipalities of Quirino.
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CR Culminating Activities Held in PSA-Isabela and PSA-Batanes

As a culmination of the CR celebration, PSA Batanes conducted a tree planting activity on February 28, 2019 at Dibtung, Ivana, Batanes. A total 100 Arius trees were planted by the employees. The activity aimed to help in the preservation and protection of the environment. In the afternoon, Mr. Abad discussed the guidelines and basic information on Philippine ID System (PhilSys) in which the PSA is the primary implementer in partnership with other National Agencies. As a rider to the activity, Administrative Officer I and Designated HRMO of the provincial office, Ms. Ma. Jamila A. Calucag discussed the Manual on Working Hours, Workload, Record of Attendance, Leave, Monetization and Processing of Financial Documents for the Salaries of the Officials and Employees or Personnel on Regular/Permanent Employment Status of the Philippine Statistical Authority, Prescribing the Liabilities for Violations thereof, Mandating Application of Pertinent Provisions hereof to Contract of Service Workers (COSWS) and Job Order Workers (JOWS), and for other purposes. It orientation was attended by employees and Statistical Researchers of the Provincial Statistical Office of Batanes.

PASADA DOS

PSA-Isabela PSO in collaboration with the different High Schools in the City of Ilagan conducted its 2019 Civil Registration Month Culminating Activity on February 27, 2019 at PSA Isabela Provincial Office, LSP Bldg., Alibagu, City of Ilagan, Isabela.

The “4Ws and H” of Civil Registration was one of the highlights of the activity. Jose Marie John P. Geronimo, RO I toured the students and teachers of Alibagu National High School to the 2019 CR Exhibit and in the Civil Registration Unit. He explained the Innovation of Civil Registration products from a decade instrument to the newest Civil Registration Information System, the Philippine Civil Registration Information System or the PhilCRIS. He also explained the importance of the latest version of civil registry information system available in the Local Civil Registrar Office (LCROs) of the LGUs. The previous version Civil Registration Information System (CRIS) has been redesigned from the ground up to deliver civil registry information management in a new, more user friendly and efficient way.

The students learned the 4Ws & H of Civil Registration (What is Vital Statistics & Vital Statistics System? Who is responsible in the Registration of Vital Events? Where to Register the Vital Events? When to Register the Vital Events? and How to register the Vital Events?). DVSS 2011 and the processing of Civil Registry Documents (CRDs) at the Provincial Office were briefly discussed.
In 2017, the Philippine Commission on Women Board Members and Inter-Agency Technical Working Group identified the National Women’s Month Celebration theme “WE Make Change Work for Women”, which shall be used from 2017-2022. It highlights the empowerment of women as active contributors to and claimholders of development. This pursuit of development is also anchored on the commitment of “Malasakit at Pagbabago” or True Compassion and Real Change.

The 2019 National Women’s Month Celebration focus on strengthening efforts and track the progress of implementation of the Magna Carta of Women and other relevant laws and commitments to the international community.

PSA-Batanes conducted seminar on Republic Act 4136 (RA 4136) otherwise known as “An Act to Compile the Laws Relative to Land Transportation and Traffic Rules to Create a Land Transportation Commission and for Other Purposes”

In celebration of the 2019 National Women’s Month with the theme “We Make Change Work for Women”, PSA Batanes conducted a seminar on R.A. 4136 otherwise known as “An Act to Compile the Laws Relative to Land Transportation and Traffic Rules to Create a Land Transportation Commission and for Other Purposes” on March 20, 2019 at PSA-Batanes Provincial Statistical Office, Basco, Batanes. Mr. Jonathan B. Calvez, Administrative Aide VI of Land Transportation Office – Batanes District Office served as the Resource Speaker.

The activity was purposely endeavored to enhance awareness among its personnel on traffic rules and regulations and prevention of accidents, injuries and violations through careful and safe use of roads.

Mr. Calvez, Administrative Aide VI of LTO-Batanes District Office lectured R.A. 4136 to PSA Batanes Employees
PSA-Cagayan celebrates the 2019 National Women’s Month

PSA-Cagayan celebrated the 2019 National Women’s Month on 22 March 2019 at Las Palmas de San Jose Leisure Club, Tuguegarao City. It was participated by all staff of the office.

The celebration started with a Zumba exercise spearheaded by all women of the office to signify women empowerment. After which, the Chief Statistical Specialist, Engr. Elena U. Rivera delivered her welcome address.

Part of the program was a lecture of Ms. Jocelyn D. Tuscano, Ph.D, Professor VI of the Cagayan State University (CSU), Tuguegarao City, Cagayan. Her lecture focused mainly on Gender and Development, Gender Sensitivity and Gender Mainstreaming. The topic, Gender Mainstreaming Evaluation Framework (GMEF) was indeed very useful specifically in assessing the level of awareness of each employee pertaining Gender and Development.

Life doesn’t require that we be the best, only that we try our best.

- H. Jackson Brown, Jr.
Fun-filled Activities for Women’s Month at PSA-Isabela

The theme “think equal, build smart, innovate for change” focus on innovative ways in which we can advance gender equality and the empowerment of women, particularly in the areas of social protection systems, access to public services and sustainable infrastructure. PSA-Isabela celebrated the IWD on March 08, 2019 by putting their hands out and strike the #BalanceforBetter pose. They believe that the future is exciting by building a gender-balanced-world.

Aside from this, the women of PSA Isabela conducted “zumba” sessions on March 04 and 08 as part of the celebration to promote health and over all wellbeing and in support to the Moral Renewal Action Plan under Administrative Order No. 255.

Also, on March 21, 2019 the group shared a meal through a boodle fight. It symbolizes equality sharing the same food without regard to rank/position. To enhance social relations, increase the morale of the women of PSA Isabela also conducted a teambuilding. The facilitator asked the group to take off their shoes and put them in the huge pile in the middle. The participants get their handkerchief and let them be blindfolded. And then the facilitator let them find their own shoes. They explained their strategies and experiences on how they find their own shoes and how to relate it to their lives as women.

Moreover, Ms. Thelma G. Castillo, Statistical Specialist II discussed how to promote Good Physical Health and Wellbeing in the Work Place. Also discussed was the 50 Foods that are healthy for the body.

Topics on how to be physically, mentally and spiritually healthy were also tackled to be able to accomplish the role as women of PSA Isabela. Accordingly, Ms. Castillo said that the women of PSA Isabela will continue to serve, make a difference and be the woman of Proverbs 31: 28 (“Many women have done excellently but you surpass them all. Charm is deceitful, and beauty is vain, but a woman who fears the Lord is to be praised.”).
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