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BSP Mandates Acceptance of All National ID Formats by Financial Institutions

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Distribution of "National ID Accepted here" stickers at Bangko Montañosa Carig Branch and Producers Bank, Carig, Branch

13 May 2025, Tuguegarao City, Cagayan — Engr. Girme M. Bayucan, Officer-in-Charge of the Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA) Region II, strongly encourages all financial institutions under the supervision of the Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas (BSP) in Region II to take full advantage of the National ID eVerify system. This includes using tools such as the National ID Check and onboarding to the National ID Authentication Services, enabling financial institutions to verify the identity of their clients more securely and add a double layer of authentication to their processes.

According to Engr. Bayucan, the use of these tools will not only strengthen security in financial transactions but also help institutions comply with national standards in identity verification—aligning with the national government's efforts to promote widespread and consistent use of the Philippine Identification System (PhilSys).

This call from PSA Region II is in support of the recently issued Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas (BSP) Memorandum No. 2025-012, which reminds all BSP-supervised financial institutions (BSFIs) nationwide to accept all formats of the National ID as valid and sufficient proof of identity in all financial transactions.



These formats include:

- National ID Card
- National ID in Paper Form
- Digital National ID

In line with Republic Act No. 11055 or the Philippine Identification System Act, BSFIs are also directed to:

Utilize the PSA's National ID Check (https://everify.gov.ph/check) to verify ID authenticity.

Integrate with the National ID Authentication Services through eVerify (https://everify.gov.ph/).

Ensure all branches prioritize and include all formats of the National ID in their list of accepted IDs.

Conduct regular staff training and policy alignment to ensure smooth and secure implementation.

This joint effort between BSP and PSA ensures that financial institutions across the country, including those in Region II, are well-equipped to serve their clients securely, consistently, and efficiently supporting national goals of financial inclusion and digital transformation.

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