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MEMORANDUM

FOR : All Bureau Directors
All Heads of Attached Agencies
All Regional Executive Directors

All DENR Technical Committee Members
Statistical Concerns and Coordination

FROM : The Undersecretary
Finance, Information Systems and Climate Change

SUBJECT : CELEBRATION OF THE 33RD NATIONAL STATISTICS
MONTH AND INVITATION TO THE 15TH NATIONAL
CONVENTION ON STATISTICS

This refers to the celebration of the 33rd National Statistics Month (NSM) this October 2022 pursuant to the Presidential Proclamation No. 647 dated 20 September 1990 declaring the month of October as the National Statistics Month and Memorandum Circular No. 2022-14 issued by the Philippine Statistics Authority. This year's theme is "*Boosting the Country's Recovery with Informed Decisions, Better Policies*".

In conjunction with the 33rd NSM, the Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA) will be hosting the 15th National Convention on Statistics (NCS) to be held on October 3-5, 2022 at the Crowne Plaza Manila Galleria, Ortigas, Pasig City. This event is held every three years. It will highlight the NSM theme and provide a forum for exchanging ideas on statistical development and elicit cooperation and support of statisticians and professionals in related fields from the government, academe and private sectors, towards a responsive statistical system. The convention will be participated by the PSS members from the government and private sectors, statisticians and statistical practitioners, academicians, researchers and students, and will include plenary sessions, paper presentations, panel discussions, statistics trainings/seminars, posters and the Statistical Information Management Exhibit (SIMEx).

Statistics personnel and related statistics practitioners of the DENR are encouraged to attend the 15th NCS. The payment options for Registration Fees are as follows;

- A. Regular Rates (per participant): Php 8,500.00
- B. Discounted Rates (per participant):
 - Group of 5 - 9 Php 8,000.00
 - Group of 10 or more Php 7,500.00
- C. Payment Options
 - Option 1: Participants may also pay directly at the PSA Cashier prior to the Convention.
 - Option 2: Participants may pay during the Convention.

The group rate shall only be availed upon pre-registration as a group prior to the event. Accommodation is not included in the registration fee.

The participants to the NCS should be fully vaccinated against COVID-19 to conform to the minimum health and safety requirements, otherwise, participants not fully vaccinated are required to present negative antigen test result.

In this regard, kindly submit the names of personnel who will attend the convention to the Knowledge and Information Systems Service (KISS) through the Statistics and Data Resource Management Division (SDRMD) at sdrmd@denr.gov.ph on or before August 9, 2022. The list of personnel will be forwarded to PSA for their reference and will serve as the basis in the issuance of Special Order.

Attached is the PSA Memorandum Circular No. 2022-14 for your reference.

Should you have any further inquiries and concerns regarding the activities, you may contact Ms. Aura Venia Rayala and Ms. Kristialuz Beatrice Camat of the SDRMD at telephone number (02) 8925-8278 or VOIP 1194.



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PRESS RELEASE

PSA Enjoins All Agencies to Participate in and Support the Celebration of the 33rd NSM and the Conduct of the 15th NCS

Date of Release: 02 August 2022

Reference No. 2022-318

The Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA) issues Memorandum Circular No. 2022-14 dated 06 July 2022 enjoining all agencies of the government, local government units, academic institutions, state universities and colleges, and the private sector at the national and subnational levels to actively participate in and support the celebration of the 33rd National Statistics Month (NSM) and the conduct of the 15th National Convention on Statistics (NCS) in October 2022.

The Memorandum Circular, signed by Socioeconomic Planning Secretary Arsenio M. Balisacan, Chairperson of the PSA Board, calls for submission of detailed list of agency-proposed NSM activities to be conducted in October 2022. Likewise, participating organizations, universities/colleges and units of the government are requested to display the 33rd NSM/ 15th NCS streamers/tarpaulin in conspicuous places within the office premises, such as the building façade, throughout the month of October 2022.

Pursuant to Presidential Proclamation No. 647, "Declaring the Month of October of Every Year as the National Statistics Month," the NSM is annually observed nationwide. The NSM aims to: 1) promote, enhance, and instill awareness and appreciation of the importance and value of statistics to the different sectors of the society; and 2) elicit the cooperation and support of the general public in upgrading the quality and standards of statistics in the country.

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Meanwhile, pursuant to PSA Board Resolution No. 01, Series of 2017-073, "Approving the Conduct of the National Convention on Statistics Every Three Years," the NCS is conducted to: 1) provide a forum for exchanging ideas and experiences in the field of statistics and for discussing recent statistical developments and prevailing issues and problems of the Philippine Statistical System; and 2) elicit the cooperation and support of statisticians and professionals in related fields from the government, academe and private sector towards a more responsive statistical system.

In October 2022, the 33rd NSM and 15th NCS will carry the theme "Boosting the Country's Recovery with Informed Decisions, Better Policies" which signifies the importance of informed decisions and better policies in pump priming the country's socioeconomic recovery from the impact of the pandemic.

The PSS enjoins the general public to participate in the nationwide celebration of the 33rd NSM in October 2022. Statisticians and statistical practitioners from both the government and private sector, members of the academe, researchers, media, and development partners are encouraged to attend the 15th NCS on 03 to 05 October 2022.

For further information, you may contact the 33rd NSM/15th NCS Secretariat thru **Ms. Lotis I. Ira** and **Ms. Katherine Eve E. Ebue**, with telephone number **(02) 8376-1928** and email addresses **sppd.staff@psa.gov.ph** and **k.ebue@psa.gov.ph**, respectively.

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REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES
PHILIPPINE STATISTICS AUTHORITY

Reference No. 22SS01-108

MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR NO. 2022- 14

TO : THE HEADS OF DEPARTMENTS, BUREAUS, OFFICES, AND INSTRUMENTALITIES OF THE NATIONAL GOVERNMENT, GOVERNMENT-OWNED AND -CONTROLLED CORPORATIONS, STATE UNIVERSITIES AND COLLEGES, LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS, AND THE PRIVATE SECTOR

SUBJECT : Celebration of the 33rd National Statistics Month and Conduct of the 15th National Convention on Statistics in October 2022

DATE : 06 July 2022

1. Background/Purpose

This Memorandum Circular is issued to enjoin all agencies of the government, local government units (LGUs), academic institutions, state universities and colleges, and the private sector at the national and subnational levels to actively participate in and support the celebration of the **33rd National Statistics Month (NSM)** and the conduct of the **15th National Convention on Statistics (NCS)** in **October 2022**.

The annual observance of the NSM is pursuant to Presidential Proclamation No. 647, "*Declaring the Month of October of Every Year as the National Statistics Month*," issued on 20 September 1990 by then President Corazon C. Aquino. Meanwhile, the conduct of the NCS is pursuant to the Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA) Board Resolution No. 01, Series of 2017-073, "*Approving the Conduct of the National Convention on Statistics Every Three Years*."

PSA Board Resolution No. 11, series of 2021, "*Enjoining and Institutionalizing Support to the Annual Celebration of the National Statistics Month*," enjoins all departments, agencies and instrumentalities of the national government, LGUs, government owned or controlled corporations, the private sector, and the public to continuously support and actively participate in the NSM celebration.



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2. Objectives

The NSM aims to: a) promote, enhance, and instill nationwide awareness and appreciation of the importance and value of statistics to the different sectors of society; and b) elicit the cooperation and support of the general public in upgrading the quality and standards of statistics in the country.

In consonance with the 33rd NSM celebration, the NCS will be conducted by the Philippine Statistical System (PSS) to: (a) provide a forum for exchanging ideas and experiences in the field of statistics and for discussing recent statistical developments and prevailing issues and problems of the PSS; and (b) elicit the cooperation and support of statisticians and professionals in related fields from the government, academe, and private sector towards a more responsive statistical system.

3. Theme

The theme of the 33rd NSM/15th NCS this year is:

**“Boosting the Country’s Recovery
with Informed Decisions, Better Policies”**

This theme may be translated into other major Philippine languages and dialects. Depending on the focus and direction of its statistical activities, an agency or region may choose to have its own sub-theme.

4. Suggested activities

Activities in support of the NSM may be undertaken by an organization, university/college or a region in accordance with the capabilities of the participating units/regions with due consideration to the prevailing health and safety protocols and guidelines of the Interagency Task Force for the Management of Emerging Infectious Diseases (IATF-MEID) and LGU during such celebration. Activities that may be allowed can be in the form of symposia, workshops, orientation seminars, exhibits, slide shows, webinars, online conferences, online quizzes/contests, audio-visual presentations (AVPs), streamers, dashboards, and other digital display as well as publication of statistical reports, indicators, and other relevant information, among others, with particular emphasis on the theme and the agency's/region's sub-theme, if any.

Participating organizations, universities/colleges and units of the government are requested to display the 33rd NSM/15th NCS streamers/tarpaulin in their building facade throughout the month of October 2022 following the prescribed streamer format. Likewise, organizations, universities/colleges and units of the government are encouraged to distribute the 33rd NSM calendar of activities, 33rd NSM/15th NCS posters, and other promotional materials

provided by the 33rd NSM/15th NCS Secretariat on their respective websites. They are also encouraged to disseminate printed copies of such to their stakeholders and local official counterparts.

5. Coordination of activities at the national level

To oversee and coordinate the implementation of the various activities and programs to be undertaken during the month-long celebration, the Steering Committee for the 33rd NSM/15th NCS has been established. Its composition is as follows:

Chair: Philippine Statistics Authority
Vice-Chair: Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas
Members: Commission on Higher Education
Department of Education
Department of Environment and Natural Resources
Department of Foreign Affairs
Department of Health
Department of Information and Communications Technology
Department of Labor and Employment
Department of National Defense
Department of Science and Technology
Department of Social Welfare and Development
Department of the Interior and Local Government
Department of Tourism
Department of Transportation
Metropolitan Manila Development Authority
National Economic and Development Authority
Philippine Statistical Association, Inc.
Philippine Statistical Research and Training Institute
Senate Economic Planning Office
Technical Education and Skills Development Authority
University of the Philippines Los Baños, Institute of Statistics
University of the Philippines School of Statistics

Various subcommittees with specific terms of reference shall also be established, with the PSA as Chair. The PSA technical staff shall provide secretariat support to the Steering Committee and subcommittees.

6. Coordination of activities at the local level

For the regional NSM celebration, the Regional Statistics Committees (RSCs) are hereby designated as the coordinating bodies for all NSM activities. The PSA Regional Statistical Services Offices (RSSOs) shall provide technical and administrative support to their respective RSCs.

Likewise, the RSSOs are designated as focal points for the submission of application forms, abstracts and final manuscripts of NCS papers from the

regions. The Regional Directors and selected Statistical Operations and Coordination Division (SOCD) Chiefs shall serve as members for the Working Groups for Luzon, Visayas, and Mindanao which shall assist the 15th NCS Overall Secretariat in the coordination and preparation at the local level.

7. Funds for NSM activities

Participating agencies shall provide funds for their NSM activities from their respective agency/organization's budget. As may be necessary, agencies shall be requested to organize/host or share the costs with the PSA in the conduct of NSM interagency activities.

Per PSA Board Resolution No. 11, series of 2021, identified host agencies shall provide funding for the conduct of NSM Opening and Closing Ceremonies. The conduct of the Joint Opening Ceremony of the 33rd NSM and 15th NCS at the national level shall be funded by the PSA while funds for the 33rd NSM Closing Ceremony at the national level shall be provided by the BSP.

15th NCS Sponsorship

Participating agencies/organizations are requested to sponsor plenary and/or breakout/scientific sessions and the PSA is hereby designated to administer the NCS funds.

A trust account solely for NCS purpose will be opened and funds collected from sponsorships and registration/participation fees will be deposited in this account.

8. Conduct of agency activities

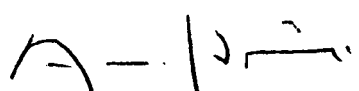

All concerned are hereby urged to cooperate in ensuring the attainment of the objectives of the NSM. National line agencies are enjoined to issue special orders/circulars to solicit the participation of their field/local offices/bureaus/attached agencies in the celebration of the NSM. Administrators of state universities and colleges are encouraged to issue announcements relating to the 33rd NSM celebration to the faculty and students.

Private sector organizations, on the other hand, are encouraged to take part and cooperate in the conduct of the various interagency NSM activities and coordinate organization-wide activities aiming at improving statistical knowledge and awareness. Whenever necessary, the PSA Undersecretary shall issue additional guidelines for the successful conduct of the NSM.



Reference No. 22SS01-108

Subject: Celebration of the 33rd National Statistics Month and Conduct of the 15th National Convention on Statistics in October 2022

Date: 06 July 2022


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Socioeconomic Planning Secretary
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Attested by:


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33rd NSM/15th NCS Steering Committee