

Marinduque PSO Marks Civil Registration Month with Fruitful Events and Initiatives



34th Civil Registration Month Kick-Off Activity: Opening of CRM Mini-Exhibit

The Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA) Marinduque Provincial Office celebrated the 34th Civil Registration Month (CRM) with meticulous planning and execution, aligning with the theme "CRVS: The Future of Seamless Services." Throughout February 2024, the PSA-Marinduque Provincial Statistical Office collaborated closely with the Municipal Civil Registrars of the six municipalities within Marinduque to reignite public consciousness regarding the vital obligation of registering life events and fostering a deeper appreciation for civil registry documents.

The kickoff activities included the unveiling of a prominent CRM streamer displayed outside the PSA Marindugue Provincial Office, alongside a comprehensive mini-exhibit showcasing achievements of the LCROs and key initiatives undertaken by PSA Marinduque. Information dissemination forums in barangays and schools served as

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#### 190,135 Marinduqueños Registered to PhilSys Step **2** Registration

As Step 2 Registration resumes on 03 January 2024, the cumulative output for the year 2024 was 2,817 registrants. (continued on page 3)

#### ePhillD issuance has reached 154,505

For January 2024, a total of 1,677 ePhilIDs were successfully issued, which is equivalent to 38.33 percent of the monthly target. (continued on page 3)

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The headline inflation rate at the provincial level further decreased to 1.8 percent in January 2024. (continued on page 3)

critical platforms to educate the public on various aspects of civil registration, including the legal framework and the Birth Registration Assistance Project (BRAP).

PSA-Marindugue PSO actively participated in community events such as "Munisipyo sa Barangay," demonstrating its commitment to collaboration with local government units. Social responsibility initiatives, including gift-giving activities for solo parents and participation in mass wedding ceremonies, reinforced the organization's commitment to serving the community.

The culmination of the CRM celebration was marked by a vibrant culminating activity, recognizing and appreciating the dedication of PSA-Marinduque PSO employees throughout the month-long celebration. Certificates of Participation and Appreciation were awarded to individuals who made significant contributions to the success of the CRM celebration.

Overall, the 34th Civil Registration Month celebration by PSA-Marinduque PS0 exemplified a holistic approach to promoting civil registration awareness and engagement, fostering greater awareness and appreciation for civil registration processes among the public while reaffirming its commitment to delivering efficient and accessible services. #

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### FEBRUARY 2024

### PSA-Marinduque PSO teams up with DSWD in bringing the PhilSys Services to DWSD 4Ps beneficiaries

The Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA) Marinduque Provincial Statistical Office (PSO) collaborates with the Department of Social Welfare and Development Provincial Operations Office (DSWD POO) to improve access to government services for 4Ps This partnership integrates the Philippine beneficiaries. Identification System (PhilSys) to simplify citizen identification processes. The focus is on providing PhilSys registration and authentication to all 4Ps beneficiaries within the province. three-day PhilSys Co-location activity held Α from February 21 to 23, 2024, aimed to extend PhilSys services directly to 4Ps communities through designated co-location sites.

During this initiative, 24 beneficiaries were successfully registered, and 459 were able to authenticate their PhilSys IDs. The collaboration between PSA and DSWD aims to streamline 4Ps program processes, emphasizing their commitment to ensuring authentication and registration for all beneficiaries. This partnership underscores a dedication to efficiency, inclusivity, and support for those in need, with ongoing efforts scheduled until June 2024. Individuals not yet registered with PhilSys are encouraged to visit nearby registration centers to complete their registration.#



PhilSys Registration Team conducts PhilSys registration for DSWD 4Ps Beneficiaries in Barangay Anapog-Sibucao, Mogpog

### PSA-Marinduque PSO conducts February 2024 Survey of Retail Prices of Selected Commodities and Services for the generation of Consumer Price Index (CPI)



PSA-Marinduque Statistical Researcher gathering prices of a specific basket of goods in sample outlet/establishment

The Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA) Marinduque Provincial Statistical Office (PSO) completed the February 2024 round of the Survey of Retail Prices of Selected Commodities and Services for the Generation of Consumer Price Index (CPI). The survey was conducted in two phases: the first from February 1-5, 2024, and the second from February 15-17, 2024.

The Retail Price Survey (RPS) is a nationwide monthly survey aimed at gathering data on retail prices and other pertinent marketing information at selected major trading centers throughout the province. The compiled survey outcomes serve as a valuable resource for policymakers, business leaders, and the public in making well-informed decisions.

The PSA-Marinduque PSO has employed six Statistical Researchers (SRs) to collect data on the prices of a particular range of goods and services. The SRs visited six designated outlets/establishments located throughout the province for this purpose.#

## **PSA-Marinduque PSO continues its distribution of PhilSys advocacy materials**

In line with the committed services of the agency, which ensures to deliver an inclusive and accessible national identification system for all, the Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA) Marinduque Provincial Statistical Office (PSO) has reiterated the significance of the Philippine Identification System, through the continuous roll-out of distribution of PhilSys advocacy materials, raising public awareness about its functionality, acceptance, and usage. PhilSys-Marinduque team visited multiple establishments in different municipalities in the province such as remittance centers, banks, and other institutions that cater identification processes to coordinate with and distribute stickers endorsing the acceptance of "PhilID and ePhilID" along with the demonstration of the use of "PhilSys Check", a tool that can verify the authenticity of the PhilID or ePhilID.

A total of 83 establishments have collaborated to facilitate and integrate support for PhilSys by accepting ePhilID and PhilID in their transactions. This collaborative effort among 83 establishments marks a significant step towards the seamless integration of support for PhilSys, contributing to the efficiency and accessibility of both private and public services for all individuals. This partnership creates a more inclusive and user-friendly environment, ensuring that the benefits of PhilSys reach a wider audience. As more establishments join this initiative, the impact will continue to grow, fostering a more connected and progressive society for the benefit of all.#



IO I Danica Gamara distributed PhilSys Stickers to SIM Insurance

## **January 2024 Inflation Report**

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It is equivalent to a change of -1.2 percentage points from the inflation rate in the previous month. In the same reference month of the previous year, it was posted at 9.2 percent. The downtrend of inflation in January 2024 was mainly driven by the combined deceleration in the indices for selected commodity groups such as food and non-alcoholic beverages at -0.2 percent, personal care, and miscellaneous goods and services at 4.9 percent, and transport at -0.3 percent.

To present the January 2024 inflation report of Marinduque, the PSA-Marinduque Provincial Statistical Office (PSO) held a press conference on 15 February 2024, at the Marinduque Provincial Statistical Office, Boac, Marinduque.

Ms. Gemma N. Opis, Chief Statistical Specialist, delivered a comprehensive presentation on the provincial inflation report, elucidating the specific commodity groupings influencing price fluctuations and highlighting key factors contributing to the province's inflation rate. Subsequently, attendees engaged in an interactive session, posing questions to clarify the presented information.

The press conference received support from various provincial departments in the province, including DILG-Marinduque, Provincial Budget Office, Marinduque Provincial Agriculture Office, Department of Trade and Industry, Department of Agrarian Reform, Philippine Information Agency, Philippine National Police, Radyo Natin FM Boac and Marinduque Provincial Engineers Office.

The press conference was livestreamed on the official Facebook pages of PSA Marinduque PSO and Marinduque News Network.#



ON AIR: Chief Statistical Specialist Gemma N. Opis presents the province's January 2024 inflation report at Marinduque Provincial Statistical Office, Boac, Marinduque.

# JANUARY 2024 CONSUMER PRICE INDEX (CPI) PhP 130.9

### JANUARY 2024 PURCHASING POWER OF PESO (PPP)

PhP 0.76

**PHILSYS UPDATES:** 

### 192,952 Marinduqueños Registered to PhilSys Step 2 Registration (continued from page 1)

This is equivalent to 32.19 percent of the total quarterly target. For the month of January, PhilSys Registration team registered a total of 1,020 registrants and 1,797 for the month of February.

On 28 June 2021, PhilSys started the Step 2 Registration in the province of Marinduque with a target of 215,350 registrants, all of which are five years old and above. By the beginning of 2024, the Marinduque Provincial Statistical Office has already registered a cumulative total of 192,952 Marinduqueños, which is equivalent to 89.60 percent of the target individuals set in 2021.#

## ePhillD issuance has reached 154,505

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Subsequently, in February 2024, there were 2,324 ePhilIDs issued, accounting for 53.14 percent of the monthly target.

As of 29 February 2024, the total number of issued ePhilIDs in the province of Marinduque has reached 154,505. Among all municipalities, the highest number of issued ePhilIDs was recorded in the Municipality of Santa Cruz, with a total of 40,390 ePhilIDs, followed by the Municipality of Boac with 29,720, and in the Municipality of Gasan with 23,909. In the Municipality of Mogpog, there were 22,290 ePhilIDs issued. Additionally, in the Municipalities of Torrijos and Buenavista, there were 21,390 and 16,724 ePhilIDs issued, respectively. Meanwhile there are 82 ePhilIDs that were issued to residents of other provinces.#

# Learn Something New Today (Series): CONSUMER PRICE INDEX

The Consumer Price Index (CPI) is a key economic indicator that tracks the average change in prices paid by consumers for a set basket of goods and services. This basket includes various household expenses like food, housing, transportation, healthcare, and education. The CPI calculates the percentage change in prices over time compared to a base period, with different items weighted based on their importance in consumer spending. An increase in CPI indicates inflation, while a decrease signals deflation. Policymakers use CPI data to inform decisions on interest rates and economic stability, while employers and labor unions adjust wages based on CPI changes.

Additionally, CPI influences cost-of-living adjustments for social benefits and informs investment decisions.#





### PSA-Marinduque PSO conducts First Quarter 2024 Commercial and Municipal Fisheries Surveys (QCFS/QMFS)



PSA-Marinduque SRs conducting interviews of sample qualified fisherfolks of First Quarter 2024 QCFS (left) and QMFS (right)

The Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA) Marinduque Provincial Statistical Office (PSO) is currently conducting the First Quarter 2024 Commercial Fisheries Survey (QCFS) and the First Quarter 2024 Municipal Fisheries Survey (QMFS) from January 2 to March 30, 2024. Mandated by Republic Act (RA) 10625, these surveys aim to gather comprehensive data on fishing operations, including the volume and price of species unloaded in marine waters. They serve to inform decision-making processes and policy formulation regarding the management and sustainability of the fisheries sector.

In Marinduque, traditional landing centers in Buenavista, Gasan, Mogpog, Santa Cruz, and Torrijos are visited. The PSO employs a total of nine Statistical Researchers (SRs) for QMFS and two SRs for QCFS, utilizing data from the September 2021 Listing of Marine Fish Landing Centers (LMFLC).#

### PARTNERSHIP & LINKAGES PSA-Marinduque PSO Spreads Love: Gift-Giving Activity Honors Solo Parents

The Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA) Marinduque Provincial Statistical Office (PSO) celebrated Valentine's Day with an act of kindness through a gift-giving activity. The aim of this event was to honor and recognize the love and sacrifices of exemplary solo parents, with Barangay Amoingon, Boac, Marinduque, as the chosen beneficiary community. A total of 20 solo parents were given gifts, including pre-loved clothing items and groceries provided by PSA-Marinduque PSO.

During the event, there was also an information dissemination session on civil registration conducted by RO I Mary Michelle M. Macutong. She provided explanations and insights into the various laws related to civil registration and its importance to everyone's life.#



PSA-Marinduque personnel, together with the solo parents and SB of Barangay Amoingon, Boac, Marinduque, posed with smiles, proudly displaying the gifts provided by PSA-Marinduque PSO

### PSA-Marinduque PSO joins Civil Registration Mobile Services in interior barangays of Boac

In February 2024, the PSA-Marinduque Provincial Statistical Office (PSO) collaborated with the Boac Local Government Unit (LGU), through the initiative of Boac LCRO, to conduct Civil Registration Mobile Services in four interior barangays of Boac. These services aimed to provide civil registration assistance and raise awareness about the importance of registering vital events.

Activities included leaflet distribution, registration assistance, and distribution of Certificates of Live Birth. The initiative emphasized the significance of civil registration and commemorated Civil Registration Month, reminding Filipinos of their responsibility to register vital events.

The barangays covered were Duyay, Tugos and Cawit on February 7, and, Bunganay on February 15.#



BRA Matining, together with Boac LCRO, conducted Information Dissemination on Civil Registration in Barngay Duyay, Boac

# **QOUTE OF THE MONTH**

"Great things in business are never done by one person. They're done by a team of people." - Steve Jobs

