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Front of the Digital National ID (left photo) and Back of the Digital National ID (right photo)

The Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA), in partnership with the Department of Information and Communications Technology (DICT), launched the Digital National ID on 10 June 2024 at the PSA Headquarters at East Avenue in Diliman, Quezon City. Along with authentication platforms, National ID eVerify and National ID Check were also launched.

The Digital National ID is the official digital version of the National ID easily accessible through computers or smartphones with an internet connection. Like other formats such as the National ID and printed ePhilID, the Digital National ID is a valid proof of identification and age that can be presented in any government or private transactions. The digital National ID is one of the government’s efforts that allows National ID-registered citizens immediately enjoy the benefits of being a National ID holder. Registered citizens may also take a screenshot of their Digital National ID to obtain a personal copy.

To access and generate the Digital National ID, open the web browser and go to the link national-id.gov.ph or through the eGov PH application. Follow the transaction guide given in website or in application.

- J. de Guzman

Inflation Rate in Oriental Mindoro Increase to 4.3% in July 2024



Oriental Mindoro’s headline inflation or the overall inflation increased to 4.3 percent in July 2024 from 3.3 percent in June 2024. This brings the provincial average inflation from January to June 2024 at 3.1 percent. In July 2023, inflation rate in the province was higher at 6.5 percent.

The uptrend in the overall inflation in July 2024 was primarily influenced by the higher year-on-year increase in the index of housing, water, electricity, gas and other fuels at 6.8 percent during the month from 4.6 percent in June 2024. In addition, the faster annual growth rate of the heavily-weighted food and non-alcoholic beverages index at 3.2 percent in July 2024 from 1.8 percent in June 2024 also contributed to the uptrend of the overall inflation rate.

Moreover, higher inflation rates during the month were also noted in the indices of transport at 2.5 percent and education services at 3.2 percent from their respective inflation rates of 1.7 percent and 3.0 percent in the previous month.

- J. Ornedo

PSA Oriental Mindoro Conducts 2024 POPCEN-CBMS City/Municipal Level Training for Household Profile Questionnaire (HPQ) Data Collection and Geotagging



Provincial Statistics Office (PSO) Head Census Area Supervisors, Census Area Supervisors, Team Supervisors and Enumerators conducted the City/Municipal Level Training (C/MLT) for the 2024 Census of Population and Community-Based Monitoring System (2024 POPCEN-CBMS).

The Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA) Oriental Mindoro conducted the 2024 Census of Population and Community-Based Monitoring System (POPCEN-CBMS) Municipal Level Training for the Household Profile Questionnaire (HPQ) in two batches from 01 to 16 July 2024 and 08 to 13 July 2024. The six-day training was attended by 99 team supervisors and 610 enumerators from all municipalities of the province.

The training aims to capacitate the personnel involved on the concepts, definitions and operational procedures of geotagging and data collection in households and institutional living quarters (ILQ) in preparation for the upcoming nationwide census operation from 15 July to 10 September 2024.

The Census of Population (POPCEN) encompasses the comprehensive process of gathering, compiling, assessing, analyzing, publishing, and distributing demographic data concerning a nation's inhabitants. This involves enumerating and documenting the characteristics of every individual and institutional living quarter (ILQ) within a defined timeframe and geographic area.

Meanwhile, the Community-Based Monitoring System (CBMS) is a structured, technology-driven approach of collecting, processing, and verifying detailed data disaggregated at the local level. It serves as a tool for local planning, program execution, and impact assessment, focusing on enumerating all households within a community.

The primary objective of the 2024 POPCEN-CBMS is to supply government officials, policy makers, and planners with current population and housing data for all barangays nationwide. This initiative aims to ensure that social registries maintained by national government agencies and local government units are both comprehensive and up to date, thereby supporting evidence-based project development and program implementation.

The PSA is committed to delivering relevant and reliable statistics. Hence, the agency encourages the public, especially the sample households and establishments, to participate in the various censuses and surveys conducted by the PSA. The agency also assures everyone that all collected personal information is processed in accordance with the law and other issuances.

- H. Davalos

PSA Oriental Mindoro joins Serbisyong Tama para sa Barangay

The Provincial Statistical Office (PSO) of Philippine Statistics Authority – Oriental Mindoro joined the City Government of Calapan's Serbisyong TAMA Program para sa Barangay on 16 July 2024 at Biga Elementary School barangay Biga, Calapan City. Different agencies from the Local and National Government participated to the program to bring their services to the participants.

As one of the participating agencies, PSO Oriental Mindoro brought the Birth Registration Assistance Project (BRAP) to the barangay. The main objective of BRAP is to ensure that all births of Filipinos are registered in the Local Civil Registry Offices and that they will be enrolled with the PhilSys National Identification System, likewise to increase the level of civil registration especially in the marginalized communities such as those belonging to the Indigenous People, Muslim Filipinos and the poorest sector in the country and ensuring that they have their PhilIDs issued which is a gateway for them to claim their social benefits and legal identity.

- M. Cena