



## PSA Oriental Mindoro Celebrates the 2025 National Women's Month



PSA Oriental Mindoro personnel with Atty. Calderon during the 2025 National Women's Month Closing Ceremony

The Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA) – Oriental Mindoro joined the nation in celebrating the 2025 National Women's Month with the theme, “Babae sa Lahat ng Sektor, Aangat ang Bukas sa Bagong Pilipinas.” Spearheaded by the Philippine Commission on Women, the celebration aims to empower women, promote gender equality, and ensure equitable access to resources and opportunities.

As part of the celebration, PSA Oriental Mindoro organized a series of activities throughout March to promote gender awareness, women's rights, and equality. The month-long observance commenced on 06 March 2025 where the agency conducted a Kick-off ceremony in the ABC Hall, City Hall Complex, Calapan City.

On 08 March 2025, in partnership with Mindoro State University Calapan Campus, a lecture was held for Criminology students, focusing on key legislation that protects women's rights. These included Republic Act No. 7877 or the Anti-Sexual Harassment Act, RA 11313 or the Safe Spaces Act, and RA 9262 or the Anti-Violence Against Women and Their Children Act. The lecture highlighted the importance of sensitivity and knowledge of future law enforcers on gender-based violence and harassment. Subsequently, an On-the-Spot Photography Contest was also held in relation to the annual theme.

To close the month-long celebration, PSA Oriental Mindoro further reinforced women's legal rights and welfare by conducting an orientation for the employees on the Magna Carta for Women on 25 March 2025. This comprehensive session covered the salient features of Republic Act No. 9710, including its mandates for the protection and promotion of women's rights in various aspects of society.

Through these initiatives, PSA Oriental Mindoro remains committed in championing the contribution of women in nation-building - that women can fully take on multiple roles, sectors, and disciplines in all corners of the society, always.

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## 2025 NATIONAL WOMEN'S MONTH

**Babae sa Lahat ng Sektor,  
Aangat ang Bukas sa Bagong Pilipinas**

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## Oriental Mindoro's Inflation Slowed Down to 2.8% in March 2025

Table 1. Year-on-Year Inflation Rates (%) in the Philippines, MIMAROPA Region, and Oriental Mindoro Province, All Items (2018=100)

| Area             | March 2024 | February 2025 | March 2025 |
|------------------|------------|---------------|------------|
| Philippines      | 3.7        | 2.1           | 1.8        |
| MIMAROPA Region  | 3.9        | 2.1           | 2.1        |
| Oriental Mindoro | 3.1        | 3.4           | 2.8        |

Source: Philippine Statistics Authority, Retail Price Survey of Selected Commodities For the Generation of Consumer Price Index

Oriental Mindoro's headline inflation or overall inflation slowed down further to 2.8 percent in March 2025 from 3.4 percent in February 2025. This brings the provincial average inflation rate from January to March 2025 to 3.3 percent. Inflation in March 2024 was higher at 3.1 percent.

The downtrend in the overall inflation in March 2025 was primarily brought about by the slower annual increment in the index of food and non-alcoholic beverages at 3.0 percent in March 2025 from 4.2 percent in the previous month. Also contributed to the downtrend was the faster year-on-year decrease in the transport index at 2.3 percent during the month from a 0.7 percent annual drop in February 2025. In addition, a slower inflation rate was recorded for housing, water, electricity, gas and other fuels at 5.0 percent in March 2025 from 5.2 percent in the previous month.

Moreover, the top three commodity groups contributing to the March 2025 overall inflation of the province were the following:

- Food and non-alcoholic beverages with 45.6 percent share or 1.28 percentage points;
- Housing, water, electricity, gas and other fuels with 38.3 percentage share or 1.07 percentage points; and
- Restaurants and accommodation services, 7.9 percent share or 0.22 percentage point.

Additionally, food inflation in Oriental Mindoro eased to 3.0 percent in March 2025 from 4.3 percent in the previous month. In March 2024, food inflation was higher at 3.8 percent.

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## Women in Vital Statistics, Oriental Mindoro: 2023

In 2023, there were 6,078 babies born as females or 47.7 percent of the total babies born in Oriental Mindoro. For the year 2022, a total of 6,180 babies were born as female or 48.8 percent of the total babies born in the province. On the other hand, 6,657 males (52.3 percent) were born in 2023 and 6,484 males (51.2 percent) in 2022. There were 12,735 total live births registered in Oriental Mindoro in 2023 and 12,664 registered live births in 2022 by place of occurrence.

In the province, City of Calapan registered the most number of births with 5,352 babies, with 2,502 female babies (46.7 percent). This figures also represents 41.2 percent share of the total female babies born in the province. The second highest female births were recorded at the municipality of Pinamalayan with 1,131 births or 48.5 percent of the 2,331 births registered. It was followed by the municipality of Roxas with 1,675 total births, recording 791 female births or 47.2 percent of its total births.

Table 2. Number of Registered Live Births by Sex of the Child, and Usual Residence of Mother, Oriental Mindoro: 2023

| Province and City/Municipality | Both Sexes    | Male         | Female       |
|--------------------------------|---------------|--------------|--------------|
| <b>ORIENTAL MINDORO</b>        | <b>12,735</b> | <b>6,657</b> | <b>6,078</b> |
| Baco                           | 123           | 63           | 60           |
| Bansud                         | 110           | 56           | 54           |
| Bongabong                      | 627           | 323          | 304          |
| Bulalacao                      | 638           | 349          | 289          |
| City of Calapan (Capital)      | 5,352         | 2,850        | 2,502        |
| Gloria                         | 106           | 58           | 48           |
| Mansalay                       | 321           | 154          | 167          |
| Naujan                         | 307           | 144          | 163          |
| Pinamalayan                    | 2,331         | 1,200        | 1,131        |
| Pola                           | 30            | 13           | 17           |
| Puerto Galera                  | 197           | 107          | 90           |
| Roxas                          | 1,675         | 884          | 791          |
| San Teodoro                    | 77            | 27           | 50           |
| Socorro                        | 462           | 245          | 217          |
| Victoria                       | 379           | 184          | 195          |

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