



REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES  
PHILIPPINE STATISTICS AUTHORITY

Memorandum Order No. 06  
Series of 2019

**RECONSTITUTING THE INTERAGENCY COMMITTEE  
ON TOURISM STATISTICS**

**WHEREAS**, PSA Board Resolution No. 4, Series of 2014 established the Committees on Statistics of the Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA), which includes the Interagency Committee on Tourism Statistics (IACTS);

**WHEREAS**, the IACTS will serve as a venue for discussion and resolution of issues, review current techniques/methodologies, and recommend policies and workable schemes towards the improvement of tourism and other related statistics;

**WHEREAS**, in view of the addition of member agency, it is imperative to reconstitute the IACTS to better avail of the expertise of the relevant sectoral agencies and to reaffirm the commitment of its member agencies in participating actively in the discussion and resolution of issues;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, the IACTS is reconstituted with the following composition and terms of reference:

Department of Tourism (DOT)  
Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA)  
Department of Interior and Local Government (DILG)  
National Economic and Development Authority (NEDA)  
Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas (BSP)  
Tourism Congress of the Philippines (TCP)  
AIM Scientific Research Foundation, Inc.

The Chairperson and Co-Chairperson of the Committee shall be elected from among its members. Resource persons may be invited to the meetings of the Committee as the need for them arises.

The specific functions of the Committee are as follows:

1. Serve as a forum for the exchange of views and expertise to resolve technical issues and problems arising from the production, dissemination, and use of tourism statistics;
2. Recommend to the Board appropriate measures and statistical policies for the improvement of statistics as well as the system of data generation, dissemination, and utilization of tourism statistics and all related indicators, including the corresponding statistical frameworks, methodologies and processes;
3. Recommend to the Board an efficient workable scheme for the allocation of agency responsibilities in the production, dissemination, and archiving of tourism statistics;



4. Recommend measures to address evolving and emerging statistical requirements of stakeholders in the Philippine Statistical System (PSS), such as prioritization of outputs required to carry out tourism and related programs set forth in the country's national development plans as well as in the corresponding national statistical development programs;
5. Review and enhance the concepts, techniques and methodologies used in the collection, processing and reporting of tourism statistics to ensure conformity with the prescribed statistical standards and classification system;
6. Recommend improvements in the methodology of compiling the Philippine Tourism Satellite Accounts (PTSA) and formulate appropriate measures to ensure that its data requirements are being generated by all concerned agencies.

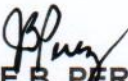
To enhance the effectiveness and efficiency of the IACTS, the PSA Technical Staff shall review its composition on an annual basis and recommend its reconstitution, if deemed necessary. For more effective conduct of meetings, the identified IACTS membership shall serve as basis for determining its quorum. The PSA and DOT Technical Staff shall provide technical, secretariat, and logistics support to the IACTS. It shall also monitor compliance to policies formulated and report periodically to the PSA Board.

The Committee may establish technical working groups (TWGs) and task forces (TFs), as the need arises, to assist in the exercise of its functions, subject to the approval of the PSA National Statistician. Technical, secretariat, and logistics support to the TWGs/TFs shall be provided by the concerned agencies as agreed upon by the concerned group. Other member-agencies are enjoined to give same support whenever deemed necessary by the Committee.

The Committee shall submit to the National Statistician its work program and shall report on the progress of its work, including the findings and recommendations on issues referred to it.

This Memorandum Order takes effect on 20 May 2019.

Attested by:

  
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