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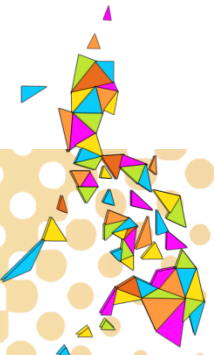
Special Consular Mission in Sabah

Session 4: Elevating Understanding Through the Lens of Registration Statistics

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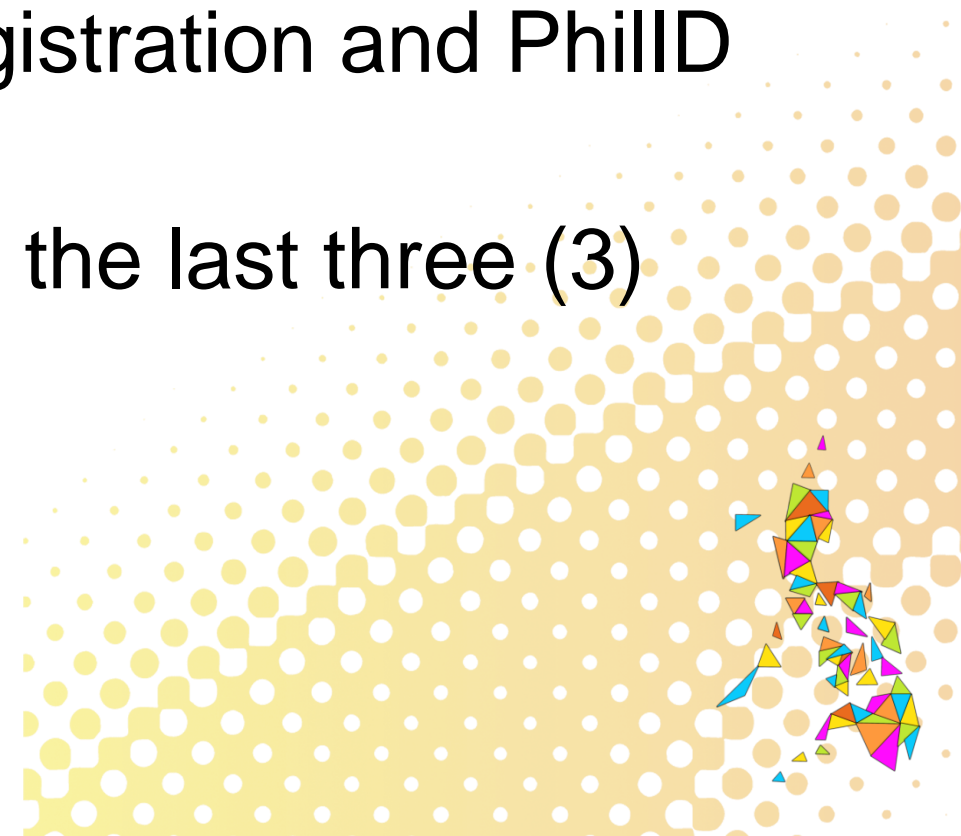
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Introduction

- Undocumented Filipinos in Sabah have been facing the problems on the risk of detention and deportation; unfair labor practices; and risk of becoming stateless.
- To address these issues, the Special Consular Mission to palm oil plantations in Sabah was launched to facilitate the documentation of undocumented Filipinos and regularize their employment status.
- It serves as a **One-Stop Shop where undocumented Filipinos can apply for birth certificates, passports, and national IDs.**
- Upon getting their identification documents, the plantation companies apply for their work permits so they can stay and work in Sabah without the threat of getting arrested and detained.

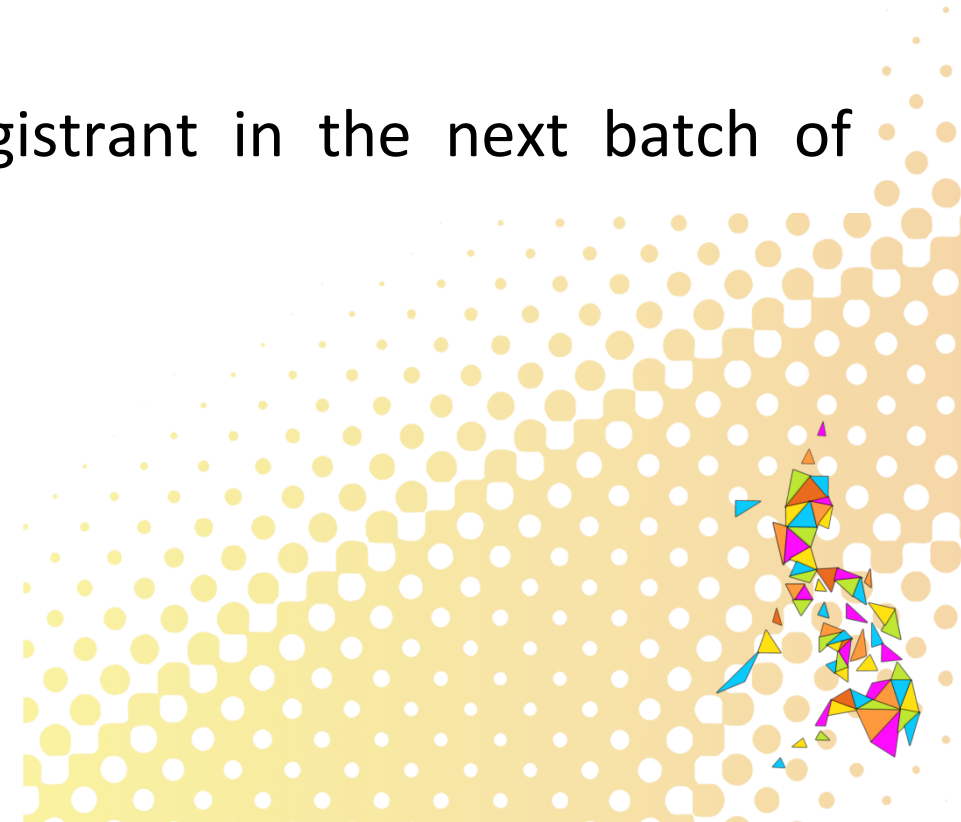


Procedures in the On-site Birth Registration (Memo Circular 2019-22)

- The Special Consular Mission is conducted in special locations hosted by the Palm Plantation owners, usually within a 10-day or more period including Saturday and Sunday operations.
- The PSA Mobile team consists of eight (8) members: six (6) for the birth registration and two (2) for the PhilID enrollment.
- The team for birth registration adopts the facilitation of the delayed registration of birth by family and then by individual to ensure consistency of entries in the preparation of the Certificates of Live Birth (COLBs)
- PSA conducts on-site verification for the existence of birth record in the PSA database prior to the interview of the applicant for preparation of the draft COLB. The details are based on the filled out form provided by the undocumented Filipinos.
- PSA prepares the four (4) copies of COLBs and transmit to the Chief Statistical Specialist of the concerned province who shall coordinate for the out-of-town delayed registration with the Local Civil Registry Office.

Philippine Identification System (Philsys) Enrollment

- Two (2) Registration Officers from the PhilSys Registry Office (PRO) participate in the on-site registration to capture Step 1 and Step 2- Registration of PhilSys.
- Printed PhilIDs are distributed to the KLPE/registrant in the next batch of Special Consular Mission.





Significant Accomplishments and Its Impact

PROGRAM/ACTIVITY/PROJECT	ACCOMPLISHMENTS	SIGNIFICANT IMPACT
A. Birth Registration Drive for Undocumented Filipinos In Sabah and Issuance of Reports of Birth (ROB) and Certificates Of Live Birth (COLB)	A total of 17,976 delayed birth registrations (including ROB and 2,005 COLBs by DFA) PSA : 11,461 COLBs DFA/KLPE: 4,510 ROB	Addresses the problem of statelessness. Beneficiaries saved on the following costs: (1) civil registration fees and (2) transportation cost from Sabah to their province of origin. (Php 96M or Php5,355 per copy)
B. Pilot Test for the Roll-out of the Philippine Identification System (National ID)	7,074 PhilIDs registered and 2,998 released to KLPE/document owner	A valid government ID is issued which can be used as an additional identification document that would simplify public and private transactions and access to social services. Estimating the travel cost at Php 5,000 (RM 500), the saved costs from the Team's National ID System pilot test were estimated at Php 21 Million.



Accomplishments within the last three (3) years

No.	Date	Place	Number of birth registrations facilitated
1	May 16-25, 2023	Lahad Datu, Sabah	1,477 COLBs 1,484 PhilIDs
2	Feb 14-23, 2023	Sandakan, Sabah	1,236 COLBs 1,323 PhilIDs
3	Nov 18-29, 2022	Sandakan, Sabah	1,301 COLBs 1,471 PhilIDs
4	Oct 21-30, 2022	Lahad Datu, Sabah	1,405 COLBs 1,634 PhilIDs
5	Aug 21-30, 2022	Sandakan, Sabah	1,146 COLBs 1,162 PhilIDs
6	Feb 15-24, 2022	Online	602 COLBs
7	Aug 06-22, 2019	Tawau, Sabah	739 COLBs
8	Aug 01-10, 2019	Sandakan, Sabah	1,103 COLBs
9	July 03-12, 2019	Lahad Datu, Sabah	1,141 COLBs
10	June 08-17, 2019	Lahad Datu, Sabah	1,311 COLBs

Total Birth Registrations: 17,976 (including ROBAs and 2,005 COLBs by DFA)

Total Certificate of Live Births (COLBs): 11,461 COLBs facilitated by PSA

Total Report of Births (facilitated by Philippine Embassy in Sabah): **4,510**

Total PhilIDs: 7,074 PhilID registered and **2,998** released to KLPE/document owner

RESULTS/OUTCOME

- With this project, the undocumented Filipinos were able to get valid identification documents to establish their identity and citizenship. They became eligible for the Sabah Regularization Program, where they were given valid permits to work and stay in Sabah.
- Consequently, their employers were required to comply with international labor standards, including fair wages and safe working conditions. These Filipinos now enjoy free housing, electricity, water supplies, and access to education and healthcare.

WAYS FORWARD

- Continuing collaboration with DFA and Philippine Embassy in Kuala Lumpur to monitor the influx of Filipinos and participation in the Special Consular Mission
- Request for support of additional budget for PSA for sustainability of the program

Special Consular Mission for Undocumented Filipinos in Sabah

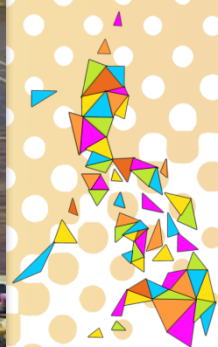
Date: 08 – 17 June 2019

Place: FELDA Residence Sahabat, Lahad Datu, Sabah



Date: 30 June – 14 July 2019

Place: Dewan Perdana, Lahad Datu, Sabah



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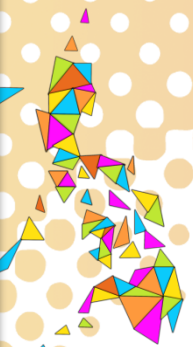
Date: 29 July – 12 August 2019

Place: KHB Bhode Estate, Sandakan Sabah



Date: 12 August – 22 August 2019

Place: KL Kepong Compound, Tawau, Sabah



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Date: 15 to 24 February 2022 (Online)



Date: 20 August – 01 September 2022

Place: Sandakan, Sabah



Special Consular Mission for Undocumented Filipinos in Sabah

Date: 20 October to 01 November 2022

Place: Lahad Datu, Sabah



Date: 18 to 29 November 2022

Place: Sandakan, Sabah



Special Consular Mission for Undocumented Filipinos in Sabah

Date: 14 to 23 February 2023

Place: Sandakan, Sabah



Date: 16 to 25 May 2023

Place: Lahad Datu, Sabah





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