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PSA Enjoins All Agencies to Participate in and Support the Celebration of the 33rd NSM and the Conduct of the 15th NCS

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The Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA) issues Memorandum Circular No. 2022-14 dated 06 July 2022 enjoining all agencies of the government, local government units, academic institutions, state universities and colleges, and the private sector at the national and subnational levels to actively participate in and support the celebration of the 33rd National Statistics Month (NSM) and the conduct of the 15th National Convention on Statistics (NCS) in October 2022.

The Memorandum Circular, signed by Socioeconomic Planning Secretary Arsenio M. Balisacan, Chairperson of the PSA Board, calls for submission of detailed list of agency-proposed NSM activities to be conducted in October 2022. Likewise, participating organizations, universities/colleges and units of the government are requested to display the 33rd NSM/15th NCS streamers/tarpaulin in conspicuous places within the office premises, such as the building façade, throughout the month of October 2022.

Pursuant to Presidential Proclamation No. 647, "Declaring the Month of October of Every Year as the National Statistics Month," the NSM is annually observed nationwide. The NSM aims to: 1) promote, enhance, and instill awareness and appreciation of the importance and value of statistics to the different sectors of the society; and 2) elicit the cooperation and support of the general public in upgrading the quality and standards of statistics in the country.



Meanwhile, pursuant to PSA Board Resolution No. 01, Series of 2017-073, "Approving the Conduct of the National Convention on Statistics Every Three Years," the NCS is conducted to: 1) provide a forum for exchanging ideas and experiences in the field of statistics and for discussing recent statistical developments and prevailing issues and problems of the Philippine Statistical System; and 2) elicit the cooperation and support of statisticians and professionals in related fields from the government, academe and private sector towards a more responsive statistical system.

In October 2022, the 33rd NSM and 15th NCS will carry the theme "Boosting the Country's Recovery with Informed Decisions, Better Policies" which signifies the importance of informed decisions and better policies in pump priming the country's socioeconomic recovery from the impact of the pandemic.

The PSS enjoins the general public to participate in the nationwide celebration of the 33rd NSM in October 2022. Statisticians and statistical practitioners from both the government and private sector, members of the academe, researchers, media, and development partners are encouraged to attend the 15th NCS on 03 to 05 October 2022.

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