



REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES
PHILIPPINE STATISTICS AUTHORITY BOARD

**PSA Board Resolution No. 01
Series of 2018**

**AMENDING PSA BOARD RESOLUTION NO. 03, SERIES OF 2017,
"RECONSTITUTING THE REGIONAL STATISTICS COMMITTEES (RSCs)"**

WHEREAS, Republic Act (RA) No. 10625, otherwise known as the "Philippine Statistical Act of 2013" created the Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA) Board as the highest policymaking body on statistical matters;

WHEREAS, one objective of the said RA is to support decentralization through the establishment of statistical infrastructures necessary to service the statistical needs of local development planning;

WHEREAS, the demand for data to support development planning, implementation and monitoring of programs and projects at the local level has increased in view of the decentralization thrust of the government;

WHEREAS, RA 10625 mandates the PSA to prescribe appropriate frameworks for the improvement of statistical coordination and establish mechanisms for statistical coordination at the regional and local government unit (LGU) levels;

WHEREAS, in view of the foregoing, the PSA Board issued Resolution No. 05, Series of 2015, which established the Regional Statistics Committees (RSCs) to:
(1) provide direction and guidance to regional/local statistical development activities; and,
(2) serve as venue for discussion and resolution of statistical issues at the local level;

WHEREAS, PSA Board Resolution No. 05, Series of 2015, prescribes the composition of the RSC, as follows:

Chair : Regional Director, National Economic and Development Authority (NEDA) / Executive Director, Regional Planning and Development Office (RPDO), Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao (ARMM)

Vice Chair : Regional Director, PSA

Members : Division Chiefs from the following agencies:

- (1) Department of Agriculture (DA)
- (2) Department of Budget and Management (DBM)
- (3) Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR)
- (4) Department of Education (DepEd)
- (5) Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG)
- (6) Department of Health (DOH)
- (7) Department of Labor and Employment (DOLE)

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- (8) Department of Tourism (DOT)
- (9) Department of Public Works and Highways (DPWH)
- (10) Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD)
- (11) Department of Trade and Industry (DTI)
- (12) Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas (BSP)
- (13) Commission on Higher Education (CHED)
- (14) Technical Education and Skills Development Authority (TESDA)

WHEREAS, the same Resolution also provides for representation from the Provincial Planning and Development Office (PPDO), Academe/State Universities and Colleges (SUCs), and the Private Sector, in the RSC, who shall all be appointed by the RSC Chair for a term of three (3) years, with possible reappointment;

WHEREAS, same Resolution likewise allows the RSC to modify its composition to provide flexibility in its operations;

WHEREAS, during the first RSC Summit held on 21 September 2016, at the Crowne Plaza Manila Galleria, a suggestion to amend the composition of the RSCs, i.e., members should be regional directors instead of division chiefs, was raised;

WHEREAS, having considered the above recommendation, the PSA undertook sufficient consultation and coordination with the RSCs;

WHEREAS, after thorough evaluation, the PSA recommended the reconstitution of the RSC based on the following considerations:

- (1) Members shall be those who can make decisions/commitments during RSC meetings;
- (2) The composition of the RSC shall have the Regional Director of NEDA as the Chair and Members shall likewise be the Regional Directors of the member agencies;

WHEREAS, in view of the foregoing, the PSA Board approved the PSA Board Resolution No. 03, Series of 2017, "Reconstituting the Regional Statistics Committees (RSCs)," which, for all intents and purposes, superseded PSA Board Resolution No. 05, Series of 2015;

WHEREAS, during the meeting with the PSA Regional Statistical Services Offices (RSSOs) held on 04 January 2018, the need to amend PSA Board Resolution No. 03, Series of 2017 was raised, specifically, to include provisions for the modification of the RSC composition and designation of the head of RSC Secretariat;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board approve the amendment to PSA Board Resolution No. 03, Series of 2017;

RESOLVED FURTHER, that the RSC shall have its composition, as follows:

- Chair : Regional Director, NEDA / Chairman, Metropolitan Manila Development Authority (MMDA) / Executive Director, RPDO ARMM
- Vice Chair : Regional Director, PSA
- Members : Regional Directors from the following agencies:

- (1) Bureau of Local Government Finance (BLGF)
- (2) DA
- (3) DBM
- (4) DENR
- (5) DepEd
- (6) DILG
- (7) DOH
- (8) DOLE
- (9) DOT
- (10) Department of Science and Technology (DOST)
- (11) DPWH
- (12) DSWD
- (13) DTI
- (14) BSP
- (15) CHED
- (16) TESDA

Representatives who shall all be appointed by the RSC Chair for a term of three (3) years, with possible reappointment, from:

- (1) the PPDO
- (2) Academe/SUCs
- (3) the Private Sector

RESOLVED FURTHER, that in exceptional cases where the regional agencies do not have Regional Directors, the member shall be the regional official with equivalent rank or the immediate next-in-rank official;

RESOLVED FURTHER, that:

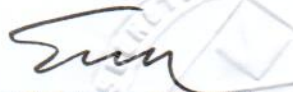
- each RSC may modify its composition to provide flexibility in its operations and to ensure that it continually caters to the statistical requirements of the region;
- the Division Chief of the Statistical Operations and Coordination Division (SOCD) of the PSA RSSO shall serve as the Head of the RSC Secretariat; and
- the RSCs shall provide guidance and directions in the formulation of their respective Regional Statistical Development Programs (RSDPs) which shall form part of the Local Statistical Development chapter of the Philippine Statistical Development Program (PSDP) 2018-2023.

RESOLVED FURTHER, that the powers and functions of the RSCs as provided in PSA Board Resolution No. 5, Series of 2015 and PSA Board Resolution No. 03, Series of 2017, shall be carried over *en toto*, as follows:

- (1) Oversee the implementation in the regions of policy decisions made by the PSA Board and the adoption of prescribed statistical standard methodologies and classification systems;
- (2) Formulate statistical policies designed to resolve local statistical issues and recommend workable schemes towards the improvement of local level statistics;
- (3) Institute measures to strengthen the statistical capability of the local statistical system including the personnel thereof;

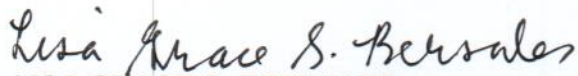
- (4) Elevate to the PSA Board, statistical matters which cannot be resolved at the local level;
- (5) Create interagency statistical working groups, as the need arises, that could attend to technical issues and problems and supervise the activities of these working groups;
- (6) Meet at least once a quarter, at such date, time and place it may decide; and
- (7) Submit periodic reports to the PSA.

Approved this 13th day of February 2018, in Pasig City.



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