

REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES PHILIPPINE STATISTICS AUTHORITY BOARD

PSA Resolution No. 05 Series of 2021

APPROVING THE REGULAR CONDUCT OF THE HOUSEHOLD SURVEY ON DOMESTIC VISITORS

WHEREAS, the Republic Act No. 9593 otherwise known as "Tourism Act of 2009" declares tourism as an indispensable element of the national economy and an industry of national interest and importance, which must be harnessed as an engine of socioeconomic growth and cultural affirmation to generate investment, foreign exchange and employment, and to continue to mold an enhanced sense of national pride for all Filipinos;

WHEREAS, specifically, Section 12(f) of the Tourism Act of 2009 stated the conduct of researches and studies, dissemination of all relevant data on tourism, monitoring and analyses on the socioeconomic impact of tourism upon affected local communities and the nation to maximize the benefits of tourism throughout affected local communities and to avoid or mitigate possible negative impacts of the industry;

WHEREAS, pursuant to the said declaration of policy it is hereby the objective to enhance the collection, analysis, and dissemination of data that accurately measure the economic contribution and social impact of tourism in the country to facilitate planning in the public and private sectors;

WHEREAS, the updated Philippine Development Plan (PDP) 2017-2022, to accelerate the recovery of the tourism and travel industry, included the strategy of strengthening of tourism data collection and management through the institutionalization of the Department of Tourism's (DOT) Local Tourism Statistics System;

WHEREAS, the Philippine Statistical Development Program (PSDP) 2018-2023 identified among other issues and challenges in the compilation, improvement, and dissemination of tourism statistics, the institutionalization of the

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Household Survey on Domestic Visitors (HSDV) as a response to PDP 2017-2022 strategy;

WHEREAS, HSDV was a joint project of the Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA) and DOT, the latter being the funding agency, in 2005, 2009, 2010, 2012, and 2016. Its primary objective is to gather updated household and individual level data on domestic and international visitors for policymaking purposes;

WHEREAS, HSDV results are used as data inputs in the compilation of the Philippine Tourism Satellite Accounts (PTSA) and national accounts, the estimates of which are used in the updating and monitoring of tourism-related indicators in the PDP Results Matrices, Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), and the Measurement of the Sustainability of Tourism (MST). It is also vital for the development of tourism plans and programs provided in the National Tourism Development Plan (NTDP) of DOT;

WHEREAS, by virtue of Republic Act No. 10625, otherwise known as the Philippine Statistical Act of 2013, the PSA is primarily responsible for the conduct of national censuses and surveys;

WHEREAS, the Interagency Committee on Tourism Statistics (IACTS) has endorsed the regular conduct of HSDV through IACTS Resolution No. 01, Series of 2021 for approval of the PSA Board;

WHEREAS, the improvement of the coverage, survey design and instrument, and other related concerns on the conduct of HSDV shall be a continuing activity of the PSA, DOT, and the IACTS;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the PSA Board approve the regular conduct of HSDV every three years starting 2021.

RESOLVED FURTHER, that the PSA shall:

- start the planning and preparatory activities for the next conduct of the HSDV for 2021 with reference period of 2020;
- ensure that the concepts and operational methodologies are aligned based on the 2008 International Recommendation on Tourism Statistics and 2008 Tourism Satellite Account: Recommended Methodological Framework;
- 3) include in its work program the budgetary requirement, the schedule of conduct, and the release of the survey; and

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4) formulate a communication plan and advocacy programs, particularly among users of the survey.

Approved this 11th day of May 2021, in Metro Manila.

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