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PSA Approves the Conduct of the Pipol Konek: Free Public Wi-Fi Access User Feedback Survey

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On 18 March 2019, the Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA) granted clearance to the conduct of the Pipol Konek: Free Public Wi-Fi Access User Feedback Survey. The survey was proposed by the Department of Information and Communications Technology (DICT) and will be conducted by the Philippine Statistical Research and Training Institute (PSRTI).

## The survey aims to:

- know the demographic characteristics of the users of the Pipol Konek Free Public Wi-Fi and their usage behavior
- know the level of satisfaction of the users of the Pipol Konek Free Public Wi-Fi
- determine if the Pipol Konek Free Public Wi-Fi developed and increased their exposure on economic, social, and educational opportunities

The data items to be collected in the survey include the following:

- user information/demographic characteristics
- Pipol Konek usage/connection
- feedback and recommendations of project beneficiaries

A total budget of Php 1.1 million will be utilized for personal services, maintenance and other operating expenses (MOOE) such as travelling expenses, supplies and printing of materials and capital outlay.

Results of the survey are expected to be released in June 2019.

The survey was reviewed and cleared for conduct under the Statistical Survey Review and Clearance System (SSRCS), a mechanism being implemented by the PSA by virtue of Rule 28 of Implementing Rules and Regulations (IRR) of Republic Act (RA) No. 10625 to:

- ensure sound design for data collection;
- minimize the burden placed upon respondents;
- effect economy in statistical data collection;
- eliminate unnecessary duplication of statistical data collection efforts; and
- achieve better coordination of government statistical activities.



In line with this, the PSA enjoins the public to support the said survey. Meanwhile, the PSA would like to inform the general public that the PSA is only mandated to review and clear the survey materials through the SSRCS. In the event that the survey proponent hires a third-party entity to undertake the survey on their behalf, kindly note that the PSA does not have control over the agreement between the survey proponent and the third-party entity.

For further information on SSRCS, please contact the Statistical Standards Division (SSD) of the Standards Service (SS) with telephone numbers (02) 376-1928 and (02) 376-1931, and email address: <a href="mailto:ssd.staff@psa.gov.ph">ssd.staff@gmail.com</a>.

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