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## PSA Clears the Conduct of the Monthly Palay and Corn Situation Reporting System

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The Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA) granted clearance on the conduct of the Monthly Palay and Corn Situation Reporting System (MPCRSRS). As a monitoring system of the growing conditions and actual plantings of palay and corn, the survey aims to provide the forecasts for the current quarter based on the current standing crop, and for the next quarter based on planting intentions, and to provide monthly updates on the area and production of palay and corn by stages of growth (i.e., vegetative, reproductive, and maturing). Updates on production and harvest area estimates of palay and corn are generated from the MPCRSRS which is conducted monthly in-between the Palay and Corn Production Survey rounds done by PSA. Monitoring is conducted in the months of February, March, May, June, August, September, and November.

The MPCRSRS will interview a total of 74,648 farming households, of which 43,757 respondents are palay farming households while 30,891 respondents are corn farming households. The survey will be undertaken during the first five days of every survey month, and results are scheduled to be released on the 15th day after the survey month. A budget amounting to PhP 12.5 million will be utilized for the survey.

The detailed results of the MPCRSRS as of November 2021 can be accessed at <https://psa.gov.ph/crops-special-releases/palay-and-corn/node/165664>.

The 2022 MPCRSRS 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 of Republic Act No. 10625 to:

- a. ensure sound design for data collection;



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- b. minimize the burden placed upon respondents;
- c. effect economy in statistical data collection;
- d. eliminate unnecessary duplication of statistical data collection efforts; and
- e. achieve better coordination of government statistical activities.

In line with this, the PSA enjoins the palay and corn farming households to support the 2022 MPCSRs by providing the required information to authorized PSA interviewers who will visit the sample palay and corn farming households to conduct a personal interview.

For further information on SSRCS, please contact the **Statistical Standards Division** of the **Standards Service** with telephone numbers (02) 8376-1928 and (02) 8376-1931, and email addresses [ssd.staff@psa.gov.ph](mailto:ssd.staff@psa.gov.ph) and [ssdss.staff@gmail.com](mailto:ssdss.staff@gmail.com).

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