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PSA Grants Clearance to the 2018 Study on the Employability of Technical and Vocational Educational Training (TVET) Graduates

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On 29 October 2018, the Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA) approved the conduct of the 2018 Study on the Employability of Technical and Vocational Educational Training (TVET) Graduates (SETG) of the Technical Education and Skills Development Authority (TESDA).

The results of the 2018 SETG will be used by the TESDA evaluate the relevance and effectiveness of TVET programs. Furthermore, the findings will be used as a tool in determining policy recommendations that will guide TESDA in its planning and policy making functions for the whole TVET sector.

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

- Employability of TVET graduates
- Profile of TVET graduates (nature, type, industry and occupational job title of the employed TVET graduates)
- Income/wage levels of employed graduates
- Length of job search
- Assessment and certification rates
- Skills utilization

The survey will collect data from 5,961 TVET Graduates of calendar year 2017 TVET Programs in all regions and provinces starting November 2018. The 2018 study will be done through telephone interview and e-mail. A total budget amounting to Php 3.0 million will be utilized to cover personal services, maintenance and other operating expenses (MOOE) such as travelling expenses, supplies and printing of materials.

Meanwhile, the 2017 SETG results with 2016 as reference year showed the following:

- Out of the 999,346 TVET graduates in the labor force as of 2015, 718,277 or 71.87 percent were employed at the time of the survey.
- 307,426 TVET graduates or 83.40 percent secured a job less than 6 months after the training.
- There were more employed female TVET graduates (368,358) than male TVET graduates (349,919).
- Male TVET graduates (72.23%) have higher employment rate than female TVET graduates (71.54).



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The results for 2018 SETG will be released in February 2019.

The approval of the 2018 SETG is pursuant to the Statistical Survey Review and Clearance System (SSRCS), a mechanism being implemented by the PSA by virtue of Rule 28 of the 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 2017 TVET Graduates to support the said survey.

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: ssd.staff@psa.gov.ph or ssdss.staff@gmail.com.

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