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Ms. Ma. Rebecca T. Bautista, Registration Officer II from the Local Civil Registry Office (LCRO) of Tagkawayan, Quezon won the first prize in the recently concluded 2024 Civil Registration Quiz (CRQ) - Quezon Provincial Elimination last February 7, 2024, at the Activity Center of Pacific Mall, Lucena City. Thirty-five (35) contestants from different Local Civil Registry Offices in Quezon joined the quiz.

The second placer was Ms. Nessilda N. Manuba, Registration Officer II from the LCRO of Mauban, Quezon. Contestant from the City Civil Registry Office (CCRO) of City of Tayabas, Mr. Vincent C. Jaballa, landed on the third place. The top three (3) winners stand for Quezon province in the 4th Regional Civil Registration and Vital Statistics Quiz Bee last February 13, 2024 in Lipa City, Batangas.

The CRQ is an annual provincial-wide contest designed to test the knowledge on civil registration and vital statistics of staffs from the LCROs in the province. The 2024 CRQ is part of the 34th Civil Registration Month celebration with this year's theme, "CRVS: The Future of Seamless Services".

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## 2022 COMMUNITY-BASED MONITORING SYSTEM (CBMS) DATA TURNOVER CEREMONY OF LGU CITY OF TAYABAS, QUEZON

The Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA) successfully turned over the data from the Community-Based Monitoring System (CBMS) to the local government of the City of Tayabas, Quezon. The City of Tayabas was among the LGUs who joined the CBMS roll-out in 2022. The ceremonial activity was held last February 16, 2024 at the Atrium, New City Hall, City of Tayabas, Quezon. This noteworthy event was made possible



Photo opportunity with the PSA and the City of Tayabas, Quezon Officials during the Data Turnover Ceremony of the 2022 Community-Based Monitoring System. (Photo credits: CICRO Tayabas)

and realized as a result of the collaborative efforts of the PSA and the local government of the City of Tayabas and constituents.

Attending officials included the following: City Mayor of Tayabas, Honorable Maria Lourdes Reynoso-Pontioso, CPDO EnP Gino Carlo C. Zaporteza, RSSO 4A Regional Director Charito C. Armonia, and Provincial Statistics Officer Airene A. Pucyutan. Also in attendance were the Department Heads of the City of Tayabas, Quezon and other PSA and LGU personnel.

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### **PSA QUEZON LAUNCH THE 2023 NICTHS**

PSA Quezon conducted the 2023 National Information and Communications Technology Household Survey (2023 NICTHS) in February 2024. The survey aims to track key household and individual ICT indicators to help monitor the broad development impact of ICT in the country.

NICTHS was first conducted by the Department of Information and Communications Technology (DICT) in 2019 through the Philippine Statistical Research and Training Institute (PSRTI). The PSA, being the central statistical authority of the Philippine government on primary data collection, implemented the 2023 NICTHS.

The 2023 NICTHS aims to generate updated benchmarks for key ICT indicators. Data to be gathered in this survey includes ICT use and access, ICT skills, Digital Economy, Technology Enabled Incidents, E-waste, SIM Card Registration, and others. These data will be used to provide policymakers and stakeholders with accurate and up-to-date information on ICT access and use among households in the Philippines and measure the impact of the ICT sector in the country's social and economic development. Moreover, ICT statistics are critical in identifying strategies for improving egovernment services and its policy development, planning and monitoring process.

There were 641 sample households/housing units in Quezon covered in this survey, adopting the 2023 Geo-Enabled Master Sample. These were located in seventeen (17) sample municipalities and one city of the province. With this, PSA Quezon hired eight (8) Statistical Researchers (SRs) to the conduct of the said survey that run from February 5 until March 6, 2024. Also, Computer Assisted Personal Interviewing (CAPI) data collection method was employed for this survey using android tablets.

Provincial Statistics Officer Airene A. Pucyutan of PSA - Quezon enjoins everyone, especially the sample households to support this statistical activity by providing accurate and complete information to the authorized data collectors of PSA. The information collected shall be treated with utmost confidentiality as mandated under Section 26 of the Republic Act 10625.

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## **PSC QUEZON CONDUCTS 1ST QUARTERLY MEETING FOR 2024**



PSC Vice-Chairperson Airene A. Pucyutan providing the committee more details on the timetable and activities to be conducted in relation to the 2024 Community-Based Monitoring System

The Provincial Statistics Committee of Quezon (PSCQ) conducted its 1st Quarterly Meeting on 20 February 2024 at Queen Margarette Hotel, Barangay Domoit, Lucena City. Ms. Airene A. Pucyutan, PSA Quezon Provincial Statistics Officer (PSO) and PSC Vice-Chairperson presided over the meeting. It was participated in by PSC members from different government agencies, academe and representatives from the private sectors.

The main activity conducted was the convening of the 2024 Provincial Community-Based Monitoring System (CBMS) Coordinating Board. Other business matters tackled were the following:

- 2023 PSC Quezon Accomplishment Report; and
- Tourism Satellite Accounts (TSA) Data Collection.

The committee passed and approved three different resolutions in support to the successful conduct of the above activities.

Different member agencies presented various data and indicators showing the economic situation of the province and shared the ongoing and upcoming projects and programs of their respective offices.

Updates on Philippine Identification System (PhilSys) Registration and activities related to the celebration of the 2024 Civil Registration Month were also discussed during the meeting.

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# **NEWS INSIDER**



PSA Quezon in partnership with the Local Civil Registry Offices (LCROs) of Quezon kicks off the celebration of the 34th Civil Registration Month (CRM) with a motorcade on February 08, 2024. This year's celebration is bannered with the theme, "CRVS: The Future of Seamless Services".

CRM celebration aims to raise public awareness on the importance of civil registration and vital statistics. It also reminds the Filipino people of their responsibility to register vital life events and appreciate the legal and administrative value of civil registry documents and the statistics derived from them.



The motorcade was participated by the forty-one LCROs of Quezon province. It was also joined by DFA Lucena, Radyo Pilipinas, Pacific Mall and other government agencies traversing the main roads within Lucena City.

The annual celebration of the Civil Registration Month (CRM) is pursuant to Proclamation No. 682 "Declaring the Month of February of every year as Civil Registration Month signed by the then President Corazon C. Aquino.

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# 2022 COMMUNITY-BASED MONITORING SYSTEM (CBMS) DATA TURNOVER CEREMONY OF LGU CITY OF TAYABAS, QUEZON

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There were 27,081 responding households with a total of 106,905 individuals covered in the CBMS. Senior Statistical Specialist Margarita G. Cada presented the highlights of the results from the Household and Barangay Profile Questionnaires which included the basic services such as electricity, internet, water, toilet facilities, safety, food insecurity, and disaster preparedness, among others. The LGU can now use the data derived from the CBMS for program planning and policy formulation, according to SrSS Cada.

Mayor Reynoso-Pontioso, in her acceptance message, said "... Malugod ko pong tinatanggap, maraming salamat po, at ang Tayabas ay isa sa nahirang sa napakaraming naghahangad na magkaroon ng ganitong magkaroon ng ganitong klase ng survey, maraming maraming salamat po...Ito pong mga nakita nating data sa harap ay pasilip lamang, mas marami pa pong kasama sa ating nai-turnover at napakahalaga po ng data nito, bakit? Sapagkat ito po ang magiging giya ng inyong lingkod, ng ating mga department heads, at lahat po ng bumubuo ng lokal na pamahalaan ng Lungsod ng Tayabas, para mas maging maayos, mas maging komprehensibo, mas maging napapanahon ang mga programa at proyekto na ating gagawin para sa ating lungsod. Napakahalaga po nito dahil nais po nating tugunan ang tunay na kalalagayan sa ating mga barangay. Kaya sa lahat ng mga naging bahagi



Chief Statistical Specialist Airene A. Pucyutan, Regional Director Charito C. Armonia, Hon. Mayor Maria Lourdes Reynoso-Pontioso, City Administrator Diego V. Narzabal, CPDO EnP. Gino Carlo C. Zaporteza, and DPO Atty. Catalino R. Cabriga during the signing of the CBMS Data Turnover Agreement. (Photo credits: CICRO Tayabas)

noong 2022 CBMS, maraming salamat po, at sa mga magiging bahagi pa nitong 2024 roll-out, napakahalaga po na magkaroon tayo ng tamang impormasyon para sa atin pong panunungkulan dito sa pamahalaan ay naaayon din po ang ating mga plano, sapagkat tayo po ay nagpaplano in advance. Malalaman po natin sa ating barangay sino ba ang dapat nating bigyan ng priyoridad? Ano ba ang ating magiging priyoridad sa mga susunod na taon? Ano ba yung tunay na pangangailangan ng mga Tayabasin? Kaya po sa puntong ito ako po ay nagpapasalamat sapagkat hindi na po ako maliligaw. At sabi ko nga po, ito (CBMS data), kayo, ang aking magiging tanglaw. Maraming salamat po".

Ma. Del Z. Rosales