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PSA QUEZON HAILS AS 3RD BEST PROVINCIAL STATISTICAL OFFICE

(First row) PSA National Statistician and Civil Registrar General Undersecretary Claire Dennis S. Mapa, Ph.D (left) and Officer-in-Charge Deputy National Statistician Fred S. Sollesta (right) awarded the Certificate of Recognition to Quezon Provincial Statistical Office headed by Provincial Statistics Officer Airene A. Pucyutan (middle) for garnering 3rd Place Best Provincial Statistical Office.

The Philippine Statistics Authority - Quezon Provincial Statistical Office under the leadership of Provincial Statistics Officer Airene A. Pucyutan was awarded 3rd Best Provincial Statistical Office among the 87 PSA Provincial Statistical Offices in the country in the recently concluded 2023 PSA Awards held last September 12, 2024 at PSA Headquarters, East Avenue, Diliman, Quezon City.

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PSA QUEZON ENJOINS SUPPORT FOR THE CONDUCT OF THE 2024 FUNCTIONAL LITERACY, EDUCATION AND MASS MEDIA SURVEY (2024 FLEMMS)

The Philippine Statistics Authority - Quezon Provincial Statistical Office headed by Provincial Statistics Officer Airene A. Pucyutan enjoins support for the conduct of the 2024 Functional Literacy, Education and Mass Media Survey (FLEMMS) in the province of Quezon.

FLEMMS is a nationwide household-based survey conducted by the Philippine Statistics Authority generally every five (5) years since 1989. This survey will implement the revised operational definition and methodology in estimating basic and functional literacy. Furthermore, the 2024 FLEMMS will pilot test new data items that are aligned with the Programme for the International Assessment of Adult Competencies, which is the recommended tool to measure the functional literacy endorsed by the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization.

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PSA Awards is an annual event aimed to recognize exemplary performances among PSA regional and provincial offices nationwide. It is intended to increase the PSA's visibility among its stakeholders and promote continued excellence in delivering quality outputs and fulfilling PSA's mandated activities.

Additionally, PSA-Quezon received top awards in the following categories:

- 3rd Place – Best in Partnership and Linkages
- 4th Place – Best in Information Dissemination
- 5th Place – Best in Philippine Identification System

PSA-Quezon is honored to be recognized as the 3rd Top Performing Provincial Statistical Office for the year 2023, and extends its deepest gratitude to all its stakeholders, partner agencies, and the hardworking men and women of PSA-Quezon who have consistently supported PSA initiatives and undertakings.

Danica O. Cabalsa

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PSA-Quezon's hired statistical researchers and team supervisors underwent a five-day third level training to focus on survey concepts, methodology, and use of tablet devices in preparation for the conduct of the 2024 FLEMMS field operations.

The 2024 FLEMMS will gather demographic and socio-economic characteristics of the population. Specifically, it seeks to achieve the following objectives: to estimate the proportion of the population 5 years old and over who are basically literate and those 10 - 64 years old who are functionally literate including their socio-economic characteristics; to determine the educational skills qualifications of the population in terms of formal

schooling and to determine the mass media exposure of the population.

This survey will utilize computer-aided personal interviewing system to collect data from approximately 2,593 sample households in Quezon province, including the City of Lucena. The interviews began on September 30 and will continue until October 22 of the same year. Only authorized PSA personnel will visit households to conduct personal interviews.

The conduct of FLEMMS was designated as a statistical activity under Executive Order No. 352 – Designation of Statistical Activities that will Generate Critical Data for Decision Making of the Government and the Private Sector.

Danica O. Cabalsa

INFLATION RATE IN QUEZON DECREASES TO 5.1 PERCENT IN AUGUST 2024

The headline inflation or overall inflation in Quezon eased to 5.1 percent in August 2024, from 5.7 percent in July 2024. This brings the average inflation rate of the province from January to August 2024 to 3.5 percent. In August 2023, inflation rate was lower at 2.9 percent.

The downtrend in the overall inflation was primarily brought about by the slower annual increment in the heavily-weighted food and non-alcoholic beverages at 6.7 percent during the month, from an annual increase of 9.7 percent in July 2024.

Emerose A. Dalwampo

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In Percent
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AREAS OUTSIDE NCR -AONCR				
Headline	5.2	4.6	3.6	3.8
CALABARZON				
Headline	5.5	4.0	3.2	3.3
QUEZON				
Headline	2.9	5.7	5.1	3.5

Source: Retail Price Survey of Commodities for the Generation of Consumer Price Index
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INFLATION RATE IN LUCENA CITY DECREASES TO 4.7 PERCENT IN AUGUST 2024

The headline inflation or overall inflation in Lucena City eased to 4.7 percent in August 2024, from 5.2 percent in July 2024. This brings the average inflation rate of the city from January to August 2024 to 3.8 percent. In August 2023, inflation rate was lower at 3.2 percent.

The downtrend in the overall inflation in August 2024 was

primarily brought about by the slower annual increment in the heavily-weighted food and non-alcoholic beverages at 3.9 percent during the month, from an annual increase of 8.1 percent in July 2024.

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