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PROVINCIAL STATISTICS COMMITTEE (PSC) OF NORTHERN SAMAR HOLDS FIRST ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

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The first Provincial Statistics Committee meeting took place on 28 September 2021 at the Ibabao Hall, Provincial Capitol Building. The meeting was headed by the Chairperson of the PSC, Engr. Romeo Cardenas, the Provincial Planning and Development Coordinator with the members of the council coming from various agencies in the province.



The meeting commenced with the preliminaries and declaration of a quorum. This was followed by the approval of the agenda which were the following:


1. Discussion and Approval of Executive Order No. 01-09-21
2. Designation of permanent and alternate representatives of the PSC Member
3. 32nd National Statistics Month
4. Overview on the Provincial Product Account
5. Overview on the Community-Based Monitoring System
6. Schedule of PSC Quarterly Meeting
7. Other Matters



The meeting centered on the preparation of the Provincial Product Account. This will help the province in assessing the data readiness and identifying the data gaps of the province. Mr. Lorenzo S. Mahinay, the Officer-in-Charge of the Provincial Agriculture Office asked the question about the *unique difference of the PPA compared to the basic measure used in the Gross Regional Domestic Product*. Mr. Julian E. Gallano, the Chief Statistical Specialist of the PSA and Vice Chairperson of the Council answered, *“PPA focused on the production of statistics in the province and contribute for the production of GRDP.”*

The members also voted that the quarterly meeting of the Provincial Statistics Committee shall happen every Thursday, 3rd week of the 2nd Month of Every Quarter.

The mission of the PSC is to further improve statistical planning, programming and coordination at the subnational level, ensure effective organization with the Provincial Statistical System (PrSS) and strengthen the Provincial data ecosystem (cited on the Guidelines on the Operations of the PSC)


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