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PSA-Southern Leyte Conducts Media Forum in Celebration of the 35th Civil Registration Month

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In line with the 35th Civil Registration Month (CRM) celebration this February, the Philippine Statistics Authority – Southern Leyte (PSA-SL) successfully conducted a Media Forum with the theme, “Building a Resilient, Agile, and Future-fit Civil Registration and Vital Statistics System,” today, February 18, 2025.



The forum was actively participated in by representatives from Philippine Information Agency (PIA) - Southern Leyte, Radyo Pilipinas – Sogod, DYDM, and Southern Leyte Times. This engagement aimed to strengthen public awareness and media involvement in promoting the significance of civil registration and vital statistics (CRVS), and also PSA’s programs and initiatives.

Chief Statistical Specialist Eutemio A. Llevado Jr. delivered the welcome remarks, acknowledging the vital role of media in disseminating information. He emphasized the importance of civil registration and how this year’s CRM theme aligns with the government’s commitment to improving CRVS systems.

The forum featured key statistical updates from PSA-SL specialists:

- Supervising Statistical Specialist Elissa P. Carbonilla presented the 2023 Economic Performance of Southern Leyte and the 2023 Poverty Situation in the province.
- Statistical Specialist II Karrel Ann E. Lapac discussed the 2022 Community-Based Monitoring System (CBMS) Available Data.
- CSS Llevado provided an overview of the 2024 Civil Registration and Vital Statistics of Southern Leyte and various CRM activities lined up for the celebration.
- Registration Officer II Faith L. Genovana explained the Birth Registration Assistance Project (BRAP), highlighting efforts to ensure every citizen has legal identity documentation.
- National ID Registration Officer II Raylene R. Ricarte shared the latest National ID registration updates, underscoring the importance of a streamlined national identification system.



Following the presentations, an open forum allowed media participants to raise questions and seek clarifications. Issues such as fraudulent registrations involving foreigners were addressed, with CSS Llevado assuring that random audits on Local Civil Registrars are being conducted to prevent such cases.



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In his closing message, Senior Statistical Specialist Armando A. Nantes extended gratitude to the media partners for their participation and expressed optimism for future collaborations to enhance public awareness of PSA's programs and initiatives.

The PSA-Southern Leyte remains committed to promoting accurate, timely, and accessible civil registration and vital statistics to support governance, social services, and economic development.

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