Getting Every Filipino in the Picture

CRVS in the Philippines

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Outline

• Asian and Pacific CRVS Decade 2015-2014
• Legal Frameworks for CRVS in the Philippines
• Coordination
• Partnerships
• Modernising ICT Infrastructure for CRVS
• Advocacy Campaigns and Information Dissemination
• Capacity Building
• Challenges
Asian and Pacific CRVS Decade 2015-2024

Ministerial Declaration

Civil Registration and Vital Statistics in Asia and the Pacific

Philippines (the)

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Key Indicators

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<td>Population Growth Rate</td>
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<td>Teenage Fertility Rate</td>
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## Implementation Status

### National CRVS Coordination Mechanism
- Inequality Assessment
- Comprehensive Assessment
- National Targets
- Monitoring and reporting plan

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## National Targets

### Goal 1
- Target 1A
- Target 1B
- Target 1C
- Target 1D
- Target 1E

### Goal 2
- Target 2A
- Target 2B

### Goal 3
- Target 3A
- Target 3B
- Target 3C
- Target 3D
- Target 3E
- Target 3F
- Target 3G
- Target 3H
Regional Action Framework on civil registration and vital statistics in Asia and the Pacific

Through Commission resolution 69/15, countries in Asia and the Pacific requested that further regional action be taken to support the improvement of civil registration and vital statistics (CRVS) systems. The regional action framework responds to that request as a catalyst for Governments and development partners to focus and accelerate their efforts to realize a shared vision and the three CRVS goals outlined in this document during the proposed civil registration and vital statistics decade for Asia and the Pacific (2015 to 2024).
Legal Frameworks for CRVS in the Philippines

• Civil Registry Law of 1931, established the system of civil registration in the Philippines

• Philippine Statistical Act of 2013, mandated the PSA to carry out civil registration functions by the 1931 Act, otherwise known as the Civil Registry Law with the National Statistician serving as Civil Registrar General
• PROCLAMATION NO. 682 in 1991 declared February of every year as the Civil Registration Month

• The Local Government Code of 1991, created local civil registration offices and required permanent civil registrars at the municipality/city level
Proclamation No. 1106 issued by His Excellency, Pres. Benigno Simeon C. Aquino Declaring the years 2015 to 2024 as Civil Registration and Vital Statistics Decade on 20 August 2015
• NSDS update approved by Philippine Statistics Authority Board in December 2015
Coordination

• Regional Steering Group and Focal Persons for Asian and Pacific CRVS Decade
• Philippine Inter-Agency Committee on Civil Registration and Vital Statistics
• Local Civil Registrars
• Solemnizing Officers
Partnerships

• International partners
  • UN ESCAP Project on Preparatory Activities for the Implementation of the CRVS Decade Plan
  • Bloomberg Data for Health Initiative (D4HI) Project
  • WHO with ministry of health on various initiatives including the Philippine investment plan for CRVS
  • UNHCR and Initiatives for Dialogue and Empowerment through Alternative Legal Services (IDEALS) on civil registration in disasters

• Academe
  • University of the Philippines College of Law on review and possible amendment to civil registration and statistics laws
Modernizing ICT Infrastructure for CRVS

• Done through Public-Private Partnership

• Civil registry system IT project Phase 2 now undergoing bidding
Advocacy Campaigns and Information Dissemination

• PARIS21 audio visual presentation on CRVS
• Facebook fan page “PSA_Civil Registration and Vital Statistics” launched in February 2015 (800 fans to date)
• PSA Field Offices launched ceremony for CRVS Decade in their areas
• Sessions with Philippine consular offices (Dubai, Hongkong, Macau, Milan, Rome in 2015)
• Song for CRVS selected in February 2016
• Mobile registration in schools, hard-to-reach areas, for special groups (e.g., Muslims, Indigenous groups)
Capacity Building

• PSA staff
• Lawyers and judges with special sessions for those in Shari’a courts
• Health professionals on birth and death registration and ICD10
• Local civil registrars
Civil Registration and Vital Statistics Handbook for Health Workers
Challenges

• Modernizing ICT for local registrars still need more support
• Vital statistics publications need to be more timely
• Civil registration still needs to be harnessed to address data disaggregation requirements esp of SDGs
• Thank you very much!