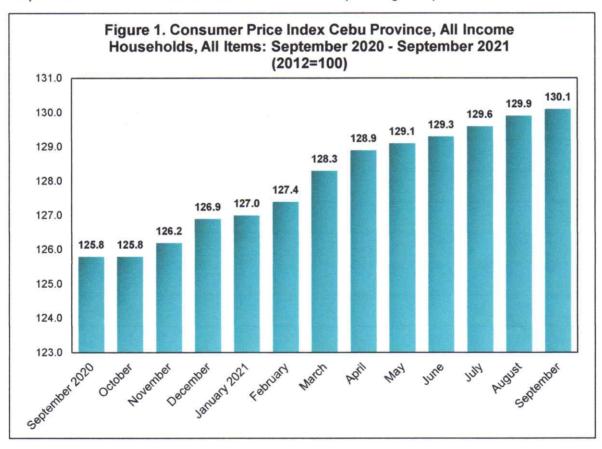
September 2021 Consumer Price Index (CPI), Inflation Rate (IR), and Purchasing Power of Peso (PPP) of Cebu Province

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### September 2021 CPI in Cebu province was recorded at 130.1

For the month of September 2021, Cebu province recorded a CPI of 130.1 in all items in all income households which was higher compared to the CPI in August 2021 at 129.9. An increasing trend in the movement of CPI was noted for the period September 2020 until September 2021 in which the month of September recorded the highest CPI while the month of September and October 2020 recorded the lowest. (See Figure 1)



#### Higher indices in all commodity groups

Higher indices were noted in all of the commodity groups from August to September 2021 compared to August to September in 2020, except for Education and Communication which posted a constant index. Commodity group Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco recorded the highest index in Cebu province of the same period while Communication recorded the lowest index among commodity group. (See Table 1.)

Table 1. Consumer Price Index for All Income Households, by Commodity Group,
Cebu Province, August to September 2020 and 2021
(2012=100)

| (  |   |       |       |        |       |  |  |  |  |
|----|---|-------|-------|--------|-------|--|--|--|--|
|    | COMMODITY CROUD   |       | MBER  | AUGUST |       |  |  |  |  |
|    | COMMODITY GROUP   | 2021  | 2020  | 2021   | 2020  |  |  |  |  |
|    | ALL ITEMS   | 130.1 | 125.8 | 129.9  | 126.4 |  |  |  |  |
| 1  | Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages                                      | 140.8 | 134.1 | 140.6  | 136.0 |  |  |  |  |
| 2  | Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco                                       | 231.9 | 219.1 | 230.6  | 218.7 |  |  |  |  |
| 3  | Clothing and Footwear   | 127.6 | 126.8 | 127.6  | 126.7 |  |  |  |  |
| 4  | Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels                      | 123.4 | 121.2 | 123.3  | 121.3 |  |  |  |  |
| 5  | Furnishings, Household Equipment and Routine Maintenance of the House | 148.8 | 136.9 | 148.8  | 136.9 |  |  |  |  |
| 6  | Health  | 121.1 | 117.1 | 120.8  | 117.1 |  |  |  |  |
| 7  | Transport   | 114.1 | 111.3 | 113.8  | 103.3 |  |  |  |  |
| 8  | Communication   | 102.0 | 102.0 | 102.0  | 102.0 |  |  |  |  |
| 9  | Recreation and Culture  | 103.4 | 103.3 | 103.4  | 103.3 |  |  |  |  |
| 10 | Education   | 126.1 | 126.1 | 126.1  | 126.1 |  |  |  |  |
| 11 | Restaurant and Miscellaneous Goods and Services                       | 112.4 | 110.9 | 112.3  | 110.5 |  |  |  |  |

#### Year on Year Inflation rate in Cebu Province was recorded at 3.4%

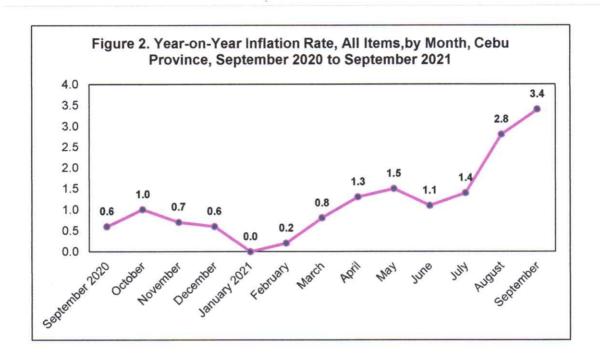
The inflation rate in Cebu Province further accelerated to 3.4% in September 2021 compared to 2.8% in August 2021. In September 2020, the inflation rate of Cebu province was at 0.6%. (See Table 2.)

Table 2. Year-on-year Inflation Rates, All Items, Cebu Province, (2012=100)

| Area          | September | August | September |
|---------------|-----------|--------|-----------|
|               | 2021      | 2021   | 2020      |
| Cebu Province | 3.4       | 2.8    | 0.6       |

#### Highest inflation recorded in the month of September 2021

The month of September 2021 generated the highest inflation for the period September 2020 to September 2021 while the month of January 2021 recorded the lowest inflation at 0% since the CPI of the January 2020 and 2021 are the same at 127. (See Figure 23.)



PPP in Cebu province remains constant at 0.77 in September 2021

Purchasing power of peso in Cebu province for the month of September 2021 remains constant at 0.77 compared to the month of August 2021. The PPP in Cebu province for the period September 2020 to September 2021 showed a decreasing trend from 0.79 in the months of September 2020 until January 2021 to 0.77 in the months of May to September 2021. (See Figure 3)



Source: Philippine Statistics Authority

Table 3. Consumer Price Index, Inflation Rate, Monthly Percent Change, and Purchasing Power of Peso in Cebu Province, September 2020 to September 2021 (2012=100)

|            |       | 10000          | Monthly  | Purchasing<br>Power of Peso |  |  |
|------------|-------|----------------|----------|-----------------------------|--|--|
| Year/Month | CPI   | Inflation Rate | % Change |                             |  |  |
| 2020       |       |                |          |                             |  |  |
| September  | 125.8 | 0.6            | -0.5     | 0.79                        |  |  |
| October    | 125.8 | 1.0            | 0.0      | 0.79                        |  |  |
| November   | 126.2 | 0.7            | 0.3      | 0.79                        |  |  |
| December   | 126.9 | 0.6            | 0.6      | 0.79                        |  |  |
| 2021       |       |                |          |                             |  |  |
| January    | 127.0 | 0.0            | 0.1      | 0.79                        |  |  |
| February   | 127.4 | 0.2            | 0.3      | 0.78                        |  |  |
| March      | 128.3 | 0.8            | 0.7      | 0.78                        |  |  |
| April      | 128.9 | 1.3            | 0.5      | 0.78                        |  |  |
| May        | 129.1 | 1.5            | 0.2      | 0.77                        |  |  |
| June       | 129.3 | 1.1            | 0.2      | 0.77                        |  |  |
| July       | 129.6 | 1.4            | 0.2      | 0.77                        |  |  |
| August     | 129.9 | 2.8            | 0.2      | 0.77                        |  |  |
| September  | 130.1 | 3.4            | 0.2      | 0.77                        |  |  |

Table 4. Consumer Price Index for All Income Households, by Commodity Group in Cebu Province January – September 2021

| COMMODITY GROUP  | Jan   | Feb   | Mar   | Apr   | May   | Jun   | Jul   | Aug   | Sep   |
|--|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| ALL ITEMS  | 127.0 | 127.4 | 128.3 | 128.9 | 129.1 | 129.3 | 129.6 | 129.9 | 130.1 |
| I. FOOD AND NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES                                      | 136.8 | 138.1 | 139.2 | 139.2 | 139.5 | 139.8 | 140.3 | 140.6 | 140.8 |
| II. ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES AND TOBACCO                                      | 219.1 | 219.1 | 222.7 | 224.3 | 230.5 | 230.5 | 230.6 | 230.6 | 231.9 |
| III. CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR   | 126.9 | 126.9 | 127.1 | 127.3 | 127.6 | 127.6 | 127.6 | 127.6 | 127.6 |
| IV. HOUSING, WATER, ELECTRICITY, GAS AND OTHER FUELS                     | 120.9 | 121.2 | 122.3 | 122.7 | 122.5 | 122.5 | 123.1 | 123.3 | 123.4 |
| V. FURNISHINGS, HOUSEHOLD EQUIPMENT AND ROUTINE MAINTENANCE OF THE HOUSE | 137.1 | 137.1 | 137.5 | 144.8 | 144.8 | 144.9 | 144.9 | 148.8 | 148.8 |
| VI. HEALTH   | 117.1 | 117.1 | 118.2 | 120.3 | 120.7 | 120.7 | 120.7 | 120.8 | 121.1 |
| VII. TRANSPORT   | 113.3 | 111.1 | 111.6 | 113.0 | 113.1 | 113.7 | 113.8 | 113.8 | 114.1 |
| VIII. COMMUNICATION  | 102.0 | 102.0 | 102.0 | 102.0 | 102.0 | 102.0 | 102.0 | 102.0 | 102.0 |
| IX. RECREATION AND CULTURE   | 103.4 | 103.4 | 103.4 | 103.4 | 103.4 | 103.4 | 103.4 | 103.4 | 103.4 |
| X. EDUCATION   | 126.1 | 126.1 | 126.1 | 126.1 | 126.1 | 126.1 | 126.1 | 126.1 | 126.1 |
| XI. RESTAURANT AND MISCELLANEOUS GOODS AND SERVICES                      | 111.0 | 111.0 | 112.0 | 112.0 | 112.2 | 112.2 | 112.2 | 112.3 | 112.4 |

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### **Technical Notes:**

The Philippine Statistics Authority generates and announces the monthly Consumer Price Index (CPI) based on a nationwide survey of prices for a given basket of goods and services. Two important indicators, the inflation rate and purchasing power of the peso (PPP), are derived from the CPI which are important in monitoring price stability and the value of the country's currency.

The Consumer Price Index (**CPI**) is an indicator of the change in the average retail prices of a fixed basket of goods and services commonly purchased by households relative to a base year.

**Base Period/Base Year** is the period, usually a year, at which the index number is set to 100. It is the reference point of the index number series.

**Inflation Rate (IR)** is equivalent to a decline in the purchasing power of the peso. It is the change in the CPI over a specific period of time (usually a month or a year). That is,

$$Inflation Rate = \frac{CPI_2 - CPI_1}{CPI_1} * 100$$

Where:

CPI<sub>1</sub> - is the CPI in the previous period

CPI2 - is the CPI in the current period

The **Purchasing Power of the Peso (PPP)** is a measure of the real value of the peso in a given period relative to a chosen reference period. It is computed by getting the reciprocal of the CPI and multiplying the result by 100. That is,

$$PPP = \frac{1}{CPI} * 100$$

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