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## PhilSys Siquijor registers 82,288 Siquijodnons for National ID

Over 82,288 Siquijodnons completed the Step 2 Registration process for the National ID which involves capturing of biometric information such as iris scan, fingerprints, and front-facing photograph. This is around 85 percent of the 96,411 targeted population for the Philippine Identification System (PhilSys) in the Province of Siquijor from June 2021 to December 2022.

The Philippine Statistics Authority, Siquijor Provincial Statistical Office (PSA Siquijor-PSO), has partnered with other national and local agencies and offices, private and public schools, private firms, and cooperatives, with the continued support and confidence from the Local Government Units (LGUs). The PhilSys Registration Team (PRT) facilitated Step 2 Registration, or the verification of demographic data and collection of biometric data from the target population, as part of this collaborative endeavor.

Figure 1. Province of Siquijor Step 2 Registrants by Municipality

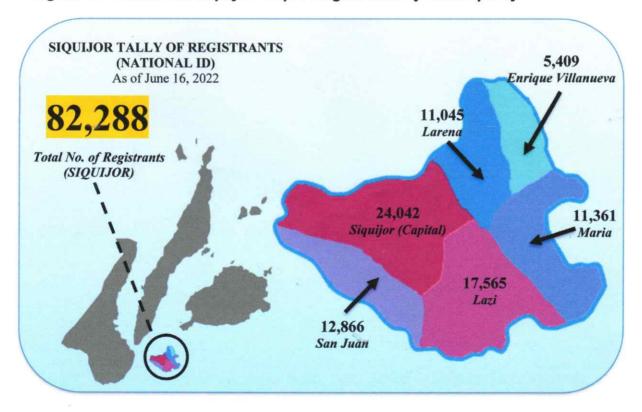
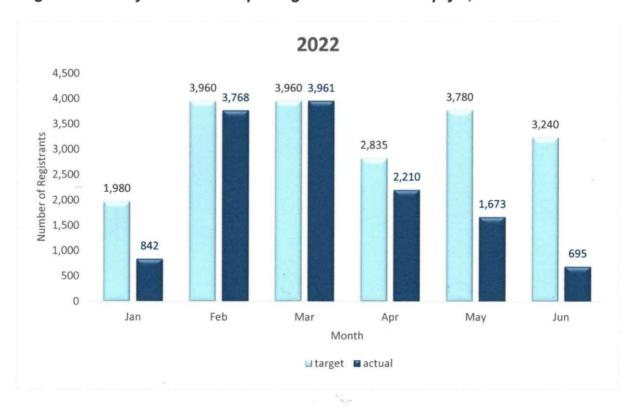


Figure 2: Number of Step 2 Registration per Municipality



The Municipality of Siquijor recorded the highest number of registrants (24,042) among the six (6) municipalities in the Province of Siquijor who completed Step 2 Registration (biometric capture), followed by Lazi (17,565), San Juan (12,866), Maria (11,361), Larena (11,045), and then Enrique Villanueva (5,409).

Figure 3: Monthly Trends for Step 2 Registration Count: Siquijor, Jan - Dec 2022



The figure above displays the number of registrants who finished Step 2 Registration between January to June 2022. As presented in the graph, there is a low registration in January 2022, but there is an evident upward trend in the month of

February at 3,768 and March 2022 at 3,961, wherein most registrants are children 5 years old. However, the registered individuals slowed down in April to June to 2,210, 1,673 and 695 respectively.

PSA Siquijor continues to conduct mobile registration with the goal of bringing PhilSys closer to the most vulnerable groups, such as the underprivileged, those who reside in geographically remote and underserved areas, indigenous people, and persons with disabilities (PWDs), in order to provide them with a legitimate form of identification that can be both physically and digitally verified.

As of April 15, 2022, as per report from Landbank Siquijor Branch, 7,642 people had opened LBP savings accounts as a result of successful registration during Step 2 Registration (biometric capture) and as part of PSA's colocation strategy and to promote its financial inclusion.

In continued partnership with the Philippine Postal Corporation (PHLPost), the official courier of the National ID, a total of 5,711 PhilID cards has been successfully delivered as of 15 April 2022. PHLPost delivers the PhilID for free to the registered address provided by the registrant.

## **Technical Notes**

Republic Act No. 11055, otherwise known as the Philippine Identification System Act, aims to establish a single national identification system for all citizens and resident aliens of the Republic of the Philippines. This was signed into law on August 2018 by President Rodrigo Roa Duterte. This I.D. shall serve as a valid proof of identity as a means of simplifying public and private transactions and shall be an economic and social platform that promotes seamless social delivery for both public and private services.

The PhilSys project emphasizes inclusive coverage, enabling access to the most vulnerable groups such as the poor people living in geographically isolated and disadvantage areas, indigenous peoples, and persons with disabilities. Specifically, it aims to (1) make services more accessible, (2) promote ease of doing business, (3) enhance the integrity of services and reduce fraud, (4) enable and promote participation and trust in digital government and the digital economy, and (5) empower Filipinos with greater control over their personal data.

## Concept/s and Definition:

**Mobile Registration Center** – is a transportable registration center set up inside or outside the premises of PSA or other partner agencies to conduct registration services for a temporary period of time less than twelve (12) months

**Personal Information** – refers to any information whether recorded in a material form or not, from which the identity of an individual is apparent or can be reasonably and directly ascertained by the entity holding the information, or when put together with other information would directly and certainly identify an individual

**Partner Agency** – a government agency that is mandated by RA 11055 to act as a registration center for PhilSys and other institutions designated by PSA

**Pre-registration** – refers to the process where the applicant fills out the PhilSys Registration Form through the PhilSys web portal and selects his/her preferred registration date and PhilSys Registration Center through appointment system. This process shall generate the accomplished PhilSys Registration Form with a transaction number and barcode which must be printed and presented to the screener together with his/her supporting documents to continue with the registration process

**Registration Center** – refers to the necessary facilities to capture both demographic and biometric information, required for PhilSys as provided in Section 8 (A) of the IRR. PhilSys related services such as data updates and changes, credential distribution and grievance redressal shall also be made available

Resident Alien – refers to an individual who is not a citizen of the Philippines but has the appropriate immigrant visa or established residence in the Philippines for an aggregate period of more than one hundred eighty (180) days

**Step 1 Registration** – involves the collection of demographic data such as name, permanent address, date and place of birth, and blood type of the target registrant and set schedule of appointment for the Step 2 Registration

**Step 2 Registration** – involves the validation of demographic data and capture of biometric information such as iris scan, fingerprints, and front-facing photograph of target registrants

**Step 3 Registration** - involves the issuance of PhilSys Numbers (PSNs) and physical IDs to the registrants

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