



The participants during the hands-on exercise on decontamination

PSA RSSO VII actively participates the DRU Training

Relative to the surge of requests for decontamination in view of the COVID-19 pandemic, the Regional Task Force COVID-19 headed by the Office of Civil Defense conducted a Two-day Decontamination Ready Unit (DRU) Training on 13-14 June 2020 at the 3rd Floor, North Wing Training Room, DPWH Regional Office, South Road Properties, Cebu City. Two participants from PSA RSSO VII attended the said training.

The training geared towards the preparation for the transition to new normal. This is to enhance the capacity and formulate action plan on decontamination, in order to institutionalize the ("Decontamination Procedures") that will provide focus and direction to help and assist the organization/NGAs/LGUs attain its decontamination targets through DRU focus training.

Mr. Joseph Jim Abadingo and Peter Enfestan, representing PSA RSSO VII, actively participated the said training.

On the last day of the training, the participants undergone the hands-on exercise on how decontamination should be done. *(P. Enfestan)*

PSA RSSO VII joins the Workplace Safety and Health Seminar



Dr. Joseph Al Alesna discusses on Understanding COVID-19

The Office of Civil Defense conducted a "1-Day Orientation Seminar on Workplace Safety and Health" on 29 May 2020 at the DPWH Regional Office, 3rd Floor North Wing Training Room, South Road Properties, Cebu City. PSA RSSO VII was invited of the said orientation seminar represented by Peter E. Enfestan.

The objective of the orientation is to inform the participants from government agencies or private companies on the safety and health guidelines for COVID-19 set by the National Government. Further, it also aimed for the participants to apply the knowledge acquired in their respective workplace. *(P. Enfestan)*

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Construction Statistics of Central Visayas from Approved Building Permits for the Year 2019 (Preliminary Results)

Central Visayas: 2019 and 2018			
(Details may not add up to total due to rounding)			
Type of Construction	2019	2018	Growth Rate (%)
TOTAL			
Number	19,826	20,397	(2.8)
Floor Area (sq.m.)	4,704,322	4,078,074	15.4
Value (PHP '000)	52,334,397	51,134,923	2.3
RESIDENTIAL			
Number	15,350	16,831	(8.8)
Floor Area (sq.m.)	1,770,546	2,246,693	(21.2)
Value (PHP '000)	17,524,432	26,449,084	(33.7)
NON-RESIDENTIAL			
Number	3,031	2,522	20.2
Floor Area (sq.m.)	2,874,726	1,802,837	59.5
Value (PHP '000)	31,418,648	22,481,142	39.8
ADDITIONS			
Number	121	127	(4.7)
Floor Area (sq.m.)	59,050	28,544	106.9
Value (PHP '000)	893,363	284,652	213.8
ALTERATION AND REPAIR			
Number	1,324	917	44.4
Value (PHP '000)	2,497,954	1,920,045	30.1

Number of constructions drop by 2.8 percent in 2019

The total number of constructions from approved building permits issued by the Local Building Officials (LBOs) for the year 2019 reached 19,826. This number is lower by 2.8 percent from the 20,397 constructions recorded in 2018. (Table A)

By type of construction, residential had the highest number at 15,350 or 77.4 percent of the total number of constructions. The number of residential constructions posted an 8.8 percent decrease from the 16,831 residential constructions reported in 2018.

Majority or 91.6 percent of the total residential construction were single-type houses. Construction of residential condominiums posted the least share of 0.1 percent to the total residential construction. (Figure 1)

The total number of non-residential constructions reached 3,031 which accounted for 15.3 percent of the total construction. This was 20.2 percent higher than the 2,552 non-residential constructions recorded in 2018. Among the types of non-residential construction, commercial building contributed the highest share of 66.9 percent. (Tables A and A.1, and Figure 1)

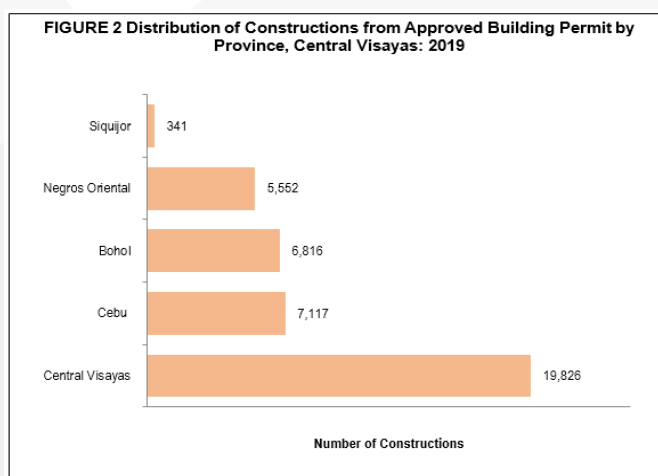
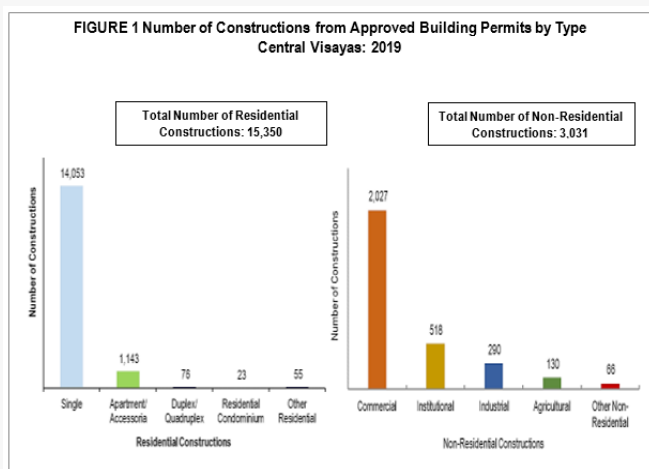
The number of constructions for addition to existing structures at 121 declined by 4.7 percent than the previous year's count of 127. On the other hand, the combined construction for alteration and repair of existing structure at 1,324 was higher by 44.4 percent, from the 917 projects recorded in 2018.

Among provinces in terms of number of constructions, Cebu had 7,117 constructions (35.9%), Bohol had 6,816 constructions (34.4%), Negros Oriental had 5,552 constructions (28.0%) and Siquijor had 341 constructions (1.7) percent.

Total value of construction increases by 2.3 percent

In 2019, the total value of construction amounted to PhP52.3 billion. This value increased by 2.3 percent from the PhP51.1 billion value of construction in 2018. (Table A)

Residential building construction, valued at PhP17.5 billion, accounted for 33.7 percent of the total value. This shows a decrease from the PhP26.4 billion construction value posted in 2018. (Tables A and A.1, and Figure 3)



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Construction value of non-residential buildings amounted to PhP31.4 billion (60.0%), a 39.8 percent increase from the PhP22.5 billion value of construction of the previous year.

Moreover, construction value of addition to existing structures, which amounted to PhP0.9 billion or 1.7 percent of the total, increased by 213.8 percent, from the PhP0.3 billion in 2018. Similarly, combined construction of alteration and repair of existing structures at PhP2.5 billion (4.8%) increased by 30.1 percent, from the PhP1.9 billion construction value recorded in the previous year. (Table A.1)

Of the PhP52.3 billion value of construction in Central Visayas, the following contributions of the provinces were: (Figure 4)

Cebu, PhP39.9 billion (76.2%)

Bohol, PhP8.1 billion (15.4%)

Negros Oriental, PhP3.9 billion (7.5%)

Siquijor PhP0.5 billion (0.9%)

Average cost per square meter of residential building constructions decreases by 15.9 percent

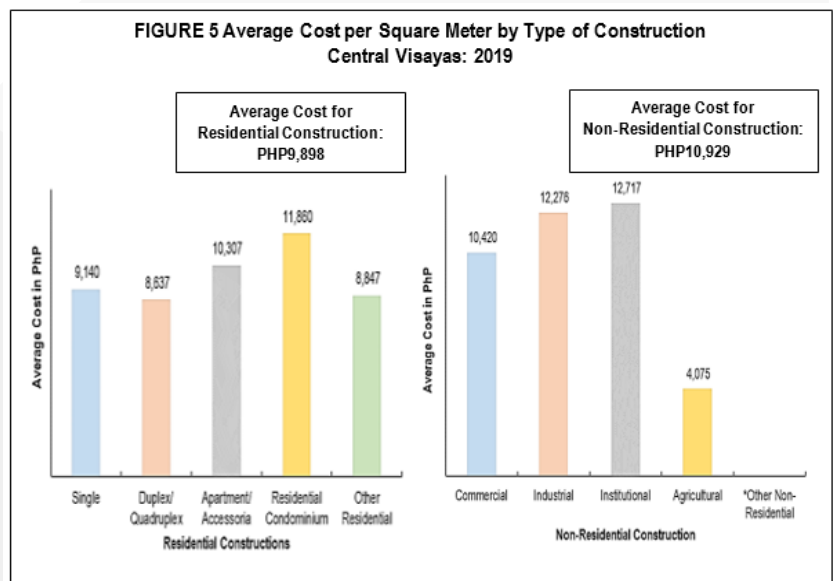
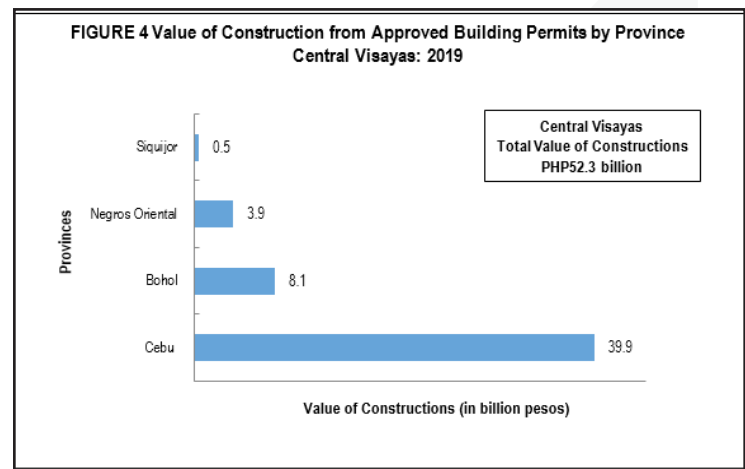
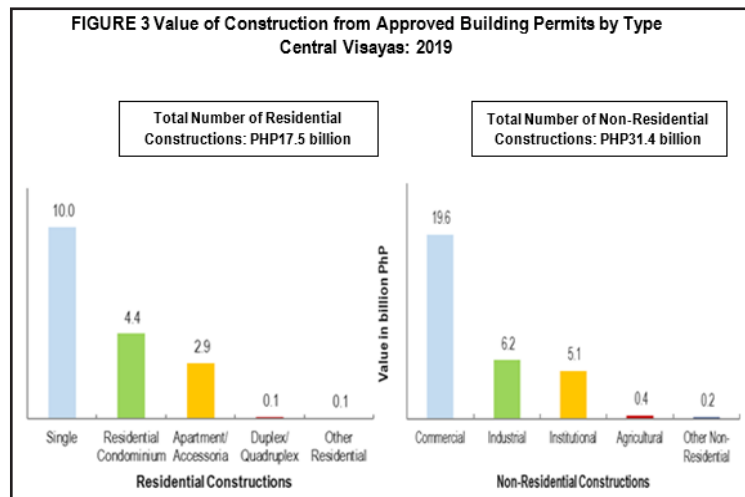
Residential building constructions for the year 2019 had an average cost of PhP9,898 per square meter and an average floor area of 115.3 square meters per building. The average cost per square meter showed a decrease of 15.9 percent from the average cost of PhP11,772 per square meter in 2018. (Figure 5 and Table A.1)

Among residential constructions, residential condominiums posted the highest average cost of PhP11,860 per square meter. This type of residential construction had an average floor area of 16,289.1 square meters per building.

Average cost per square meter of non-residential building constructions decreases by 12.4 percent

Non-residential building constructions had an average cost of PhP10,929 per square meter and an average floor area of 948.4 square meters per building. The average cost was 12.4 percent lower than the PhP12,470 average cost per square meter registered 2018. (Figure 5 and Table A.1)

Institutional-type building construction reported the highest average cost of PhP12,717 per square meter with an average floor area of 773.4 square meters per building. Agricultural-type building construction recorded the lowest average cost of PhP4,075 per square meter with an average floor area of 681.6 square meters per building. (*J. Villacensio*)



Note: * No available data for other non-residential constructions.

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Statistics on Deaths in Central Visayas, year 2018

Place of Usual Residence of the Deceased

At national level, a total of 590,709 registered deaths were reported for the year 2018. Central Visayas contributed to about 8.2 percent of registered deaths in the country. The region ranked fifth in terms of highest number of deaths recorded. (See Figure 1).

More male registered deaths than female in Region VII

In 2018, there were more male registered deaths with 26,508 or 55.7 percent compared to female deaths with 21,061 or 44.3 percent of the total registered deaths in the region. It was noticed that highest number of registered deaths recorded between ages 85 and over with 5,444 or 11 percent of the total deaths in the region. Higher proportions of female deaths with 3,514 or 7.4 percent were observed in the older age groups, which is indicative of higher survival rates of females than male deaths with 1,930 or 4.1 percent only. (See Figure 2.)

Almost half of the registered deaths in Central Visayas were not medically attended

Out of 47,569 registered deaths in Central Visayas, 23,992 or 50.4 percent were medically attended while the remaining 23,577 or 49.6 percent were not attended. Attendant refers to a medical doctor or any other allied healthcare provider who provided medical attendance to the deceased. (See Figure 3.)

Figure 1. Number and Percentage Distribution of Registered Deaths by Place of Usual Residence, Philippines 2018

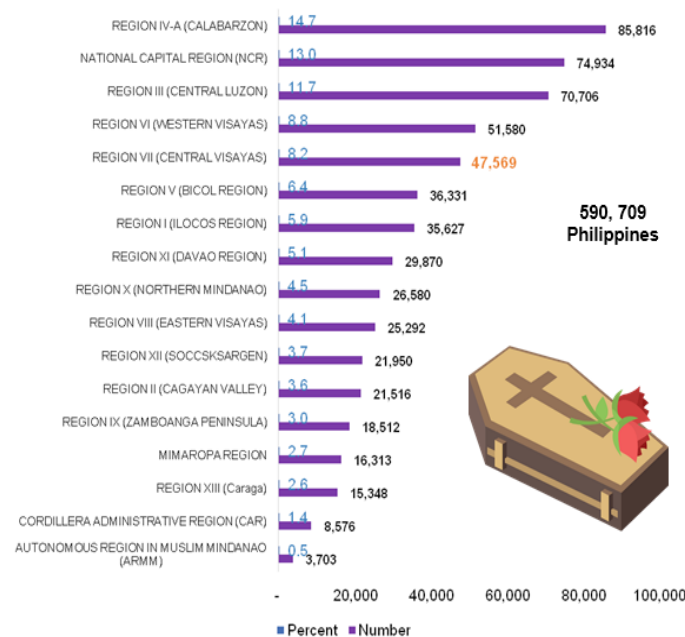
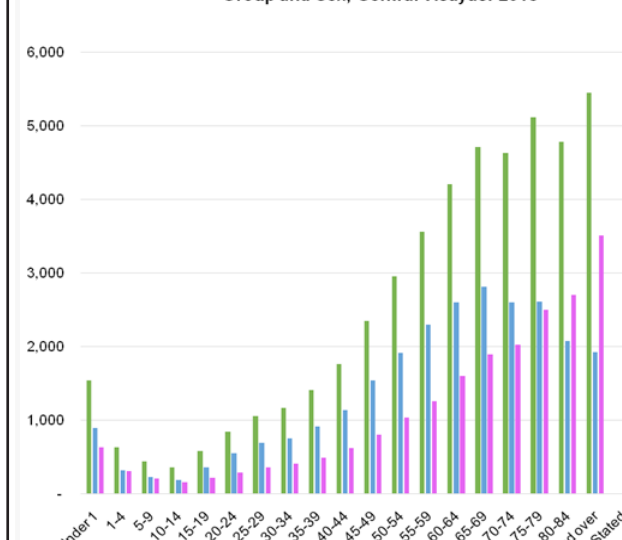


Figure 2. Number of Registered Deaths by Usual Residence by Group and Sex, Central Visayas: 2018



Present proportion of registered deaths medically attended by province/HUCs

The Province of Cebu registered the highest number of not attended deaths in the year 2018, with 10,497 or 22 percent of the total deaths in the region. Second on the list was Negros Oriental with 5,033 or 10.6 percent, followed by Bohol with 4,767 or 10 percent deaths occurrence. Meanwhile, Siquijor had the lowest number of unattended deaths with 474 or 1 percent only. However, among the four provinces Cebu revealed the highest number of 8,122 or 17.1 percent were medically attended deaths in the region. On the other hand, for highly urbanized cities, Cebu City recorded the highest number of attended deaths with 4,892 or 10.3 percent, Lapu-Lapu City was second with 1,497 or 3.1 percent while Mandaue City had only 1,079 or 2.3 percent of the total deaths were medically attended. Moreover, the combined share of this cities was 15.7 percent of the total attended deaths in the region. (See Figure 4) (*E. Patriarca*)

Figure 3. Percent Distribution of Deaths by Usual Place of Residence Whether Attended or Not Attended, Central Visayas 2018

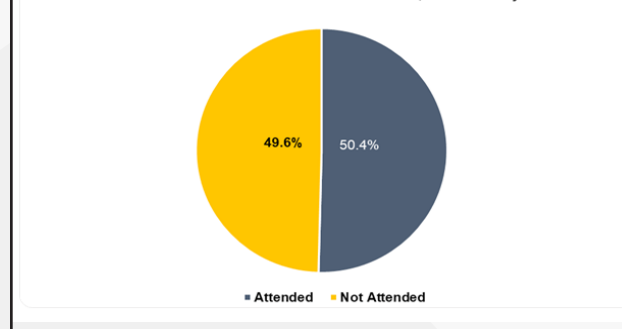
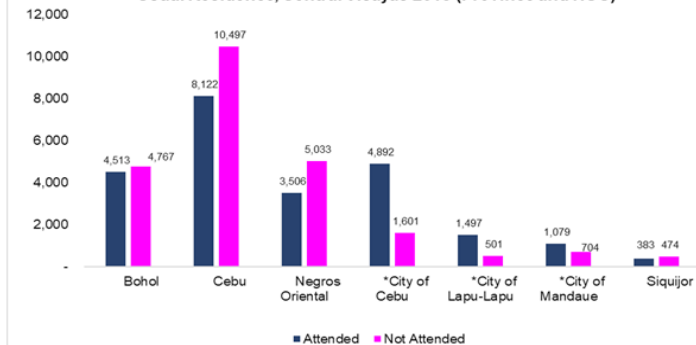


Figure 4. Number of Attended and Not Attended Deaths by Place of Usual Residence, Central Visayas 2018 (Province and HUC)



*Cebu Excluding Highly Urbanized Cities
*Highly Urbanized Cities

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