



REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES  
**PHILIPPINE STATISTICS AUTHORITY**

**PSA Memorandum Order No. 11**  
**Series of 2020**

**RECONSTITUTING THE INTERAGENCY COMMITTEE  
ON SOCIAL PROTECTION STATISTICS**

**WHEREAS**, in compliance with Section 10 of Republic Act No. 10625, "Philippine Statistical Act of 2013," which provides for the creation of inter-agency statistical committees (IACs) to coordinate and resolve agency and sectoral concerns on statistical matters, the Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA) Board established the IACs by virtue of PSA Board Resolution No. 04, s. 2014;

**WHEREAS**, one of the IACs created was the Interagency Committee on Social Protection Statistics (IACSPS) pursuant to PSA Memorandum Order No. 08, s. 2015 to serve as venue for discussion and resolution of issues, review of current techniques/methodologies, and recommendation of policies and workable schemes towards the improvement of social protection and other related statistics;

**WHEREAS**, the IACSPS was reconstituted through PSA Memorandum Order Nos. 03, s. 2016 and 10, s. 2017 to enhance consultation with and participation of stakeholders for effective resolution of current and emerging issues and concerns related to the development of Social Protection Statistics Framework and Social Protection Index;

**WHEREAS**, there is a need to reconstitute the Committee to better avail of the expertise of the relevant sectoral agencies and to reaffirm the commitment of its member agencies in participating actively in the discussion and resolution of issues. The National Youth Commission shall be included as a member of the IACSPS, in view of the high demand to further improve statistics on youth as regards social protection sectors;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, the IACSPS is reconstituted to be composed of the following members and terms of reference:

**1. Composition of Members**

The following are designated as members of the IACSPS:

Concurrent Head and Assistant Secretary  
Policy Development and Planning Bureau  
Policy and Plans  
Department of Social Welfare and Development



Director IV  
Social Development Staff  
National Economic and Development Authority

Assistant National Statistician  
Social Sector Statistics Service  
Philippine Statistics Authority

Development Management Officer V  
Policy and Planning Service  
National Anti-Poverty Commission

Director  
Planning Service  
Department of Labor and Employment

Senior Manager  
Corporate Planning Department  
Philippine Health Insurance Corporation

Department Manager III  
Corporate and Planning Department  
Social Security System

Manager  
Strategic Planning and Control Department  
Government Service Insurance System

Director  
Policy Development and Planning Service  
Office of Civil Defense

Co-Convenor  
Social Watch Philippines

Commissioner  
Office of the Commissioner Representing Visayas  
National Youth Commission

The Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson of the Committee shall be elected from among the members. The nominee for Chairperson or Vice-Chairperson who shall obtain the highest number of votes shall be elected Chairperson or Vice-Chairperson. In case of a deadlock, the presiding officer shall determine the winner for the position of Chairperson or Vice-Chairperson. Resource persons may be invited to the meetings of the Committee as the need for them arises.

## 2. Terms of Reference

The specific functions of the Committee are as follows:

1. Serve as forum for the exchange of views and expertise:
  - a. in resolving technical issues and problems arising from the production, dissemination, and use of social protection statistics; and
  - b. in the development, maintenance and compliance to statistical standards and classification systems;
2. Discuss and identify statistical development programs (SDPs) addressing emerging statistical issues and concerns (data revolution, open data, big data, PSS stakeholders' statistical requirements, etc.) and international commitments (ASEAN cooperation in statistics, Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), Cape Town Global Action Plan for Sustainable Development Data (CT-GAP), etc.) concerning the social protection sector for inclusion in the Philippine Statistical Development Program (PSDP);
3. Lead in all undertakings relative to the formulation, implementation and monitoring of the SDPs, particularly on social protection and related sectors;
4. Undertake/Lead in the prioritization of statistical requirements and situational assessments of social protection and related sectors;
5. Prepare statistical frameworks for social protection and related sectors;
6. Recommend to the PSA Board an efficient workable scheme for the allocation of agency responsibilities in the production, dissemination, and archiving of social protection statistics;
7. Recommend to the PSA Board appropriate measures for the improvement of statistics, statistical standards and classification systems, frameworks, methodologies and processes for the generation, dissemination, and use of social protection statistics; and
8. Perform such other functions as may be deemed necessary/critical for social protection and related sectors, or the PSS in general.

To enhance the effectiveness and efficiency of the IACSPS, the PSA shall review its composition on an annual basis and recommend its reconstitution, if deemed necessary. Meetings of IACSPS shall be conducted where a quorum is constituted. A quorum is constituted when a majority of the members are present in the meeting, provided that, members may opt to attend the meetings via online or teleconference. No resolution of the IACSPS shall be valid unless approved by a majority of the members present in the meeting where a quorum is constituted. The PSA shall continue to provide technical, secretariat, and logistics support to IACSPS. It shall also monitor compliance to policies formulated and report periodically to the PSA Board.

The Committee may establish technical working groups (TWGs) and task forces (TFs) as the need arises, to assist in the exercise of its functions, subject to the approval of the PSA National Statistician. Technical, secretariat and logistics support to the TWGs/TFs shall be provided by the PSA and the concerned agencies respectively. Other member agencies are enjoined to give the same support whenever needed by the Committee.

The Committee shall adhere to the PSA Guidelines for Interagency Committees, Technical Committees, Technical Working Groups, and Task Forces in the implementation of its activities and in the preparation of reports and recommendations. The Committee shall submit to the PSA National Statistician its work program and shall report on the progress of its work, including the findings and recommendations on issues referred to it.

This Memorandum Order takes effect on 07 Dec. 2020.

Attested by:



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Chairperson, PSA Board Secretariat

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