



PSA Memorandum Order No. 04
Series of 2022

**RECONSTITUTING THE TASK FORCE ON
BIG DATA FOR OFFICIAL STATISTICS**

WHEREAS, the Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA) Task Force on Big Data for Official Statistics (TFBDOS) was established through PSA Memorandum Order No. 07, Series of 2016, to lead in the formulation of rules, standards, and protocols, facilitate engagements with stakeholders involved, set up statistical quality standards and validation mechanism for Big Data for use in official statistics, and take advantage of the opportunity to push for enhanced Big Data literacy and capacity;

WHEREAS, the PSA TFBDOS was reconstituted and expanded through PSA Memorandum Order No. 05, Series of 2017, which aimed to help in the development of the use of Big Data in generating official statistics and Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) indicators;

WHEREAS, the TFBDOS is proposed to be reorganized and reconstituted, which aims to focus on the following topics: information and communications technology (ICT) and mobility data, satellite imagery and geospatial data, scanner and e-commerce data, data culture, and skills and capacity building;

NOW, THEREFORE, in view of the foregoing, the PSA TFBDOS is hereby reconstituted with the following composition;

Task Force on Big Data for Official Statistics (TFBDOS)

Chair : Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA)

Vice Chair: Department of Science and Technology - Advanced
Science and Technology Institute (DOST-ASTI)

Members : Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas (BSP)
Department of Finance (DOF)
Department of Information and Communications
Technology (DICT)



Department of Science and Technology - Philippine
Council for Industry, Energy and Emerging Technology
Research and Development (DOST-PCIEERD)
Department of Trade and Industry (DTI)
National Economic and Development Authority (NEDA)
National Telecommunications Technology (NTC)
Philippine Statistical Research and Training Institute
(PSRTI)
Asian Development Bank (ADB)
University of the Philippines School of Statistics
(UPSS)
Marketing and Opinion Research Society of the
Philippines (MORES)

Resource Persons from:

Congressional Policy and Budget Research
Department (CPBRD)
National Privacy Commission (NPC)
Senate Economic Planning Office (SEPO)
Globe Telecom, Inc.
Smart Communications, Inc.

Technical Working Groups

a. ICT and Human Mobility Data

1. DICT
2. Department of Tourism (DOT)
3. Department of Transportation (DOTr)
4. Metropolitan Manila Development Authority (MMDA)
5. NTC
6. PSA
7. BeepTM/AF Payments, Inc.
8. City/Provincial Bus Operators Association of the
Philippines
9. DITO Telecommunity Corporation
10. Globe Telecom, Inc.
11. Smart Communications, Inc.
12. Grab Holdings, Inc.

b. Scanner and Online Commerce Data

1. BSP
2. DTI
3. NEDA
4. PSA
5. GCash, Inc.
6. Lazada Philippines
7. MORES
8. Metromart Philippines
9. Maya Philippines
10. Philippine Retailers Association (PRA)
11. Shopee Philippines

c. Satellite Imagery and Geospatial Data

1. DOST – ASTI
2. Department of Agriculture (DA)
3. Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR)
4. DOST
5. National Mapping and Resource Information Authority (NAMRIA)
6. Philippine Rice and Research Institute
7. Philippine Space Agency (PhilSA)
8. PSA
9. Sugar Regulatory Administration (SRA)

d. Training, Skills, Data Culture, and Capacity Building Activities

1. Commission on Higher Education (CHED)
2. Technical Education and Skills Development Authority (TESDA)
3. DOST-PCIERRD
4. PSRTI
5. Philippine Statistical Association, Inc. (PSAI)
6. PSA
7. UPSS
8. Asian Institute of Management (AIM)
9. MORES

The Task Force (TF) is tasked to:

1. Provide recommendations towards a framework for measuring priority indicators that can be used in government-to-government projects and government-to-private sector projects that make use of various forms of Big Data;
2. Provide technical assistance and forge collaborations in the conduct of case studies that will boost interest and support the use of Big Data for official statistics; and
3. Develop policies and recommend standards and validation mechanisms on the utilization of Big Data for official statistics in the Philippine Statistical System, especially in support of monitoring the SDGs;

For effective conduct of meetings, the identified core group shall serve as basis for determining a quorum. Other resource persons are to be invited as the need arises. The Standards Service - Statistical Standards Division (SS-SSD) of the PSA shall provide technical and secretarial support to the TF. The TF is to render reports on its operations to the PSA.

NOW, THEREFORE, the composition of the aforementioned Task Force is hereby reconstituted.

This Memorandum Order takes effect on 18 August 2022.

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