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PSA Cotabato commemorates the 9th Anniversary of the Philippine Statistics Authority with a bang

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Photo taken during the team building activity at PSA Cotabato Office

Tree planting at Lapaan Water Shed in Brgy Perez, Kidapawan

Photo taken during the gift-giving at OND-WES, Kidapawan City



Photos taken during the News Conference and Data Dissemination Forum on the August 2022 Inflation at PSA Cotabato Conference Room

The Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA) marks its 9th Anniversary this September with a theme “Improving Implementation Strategies through Digital Transformation”, the PSA Cotabato, through Chief Statistical Specialist Engr. Belinda R. Penuela, commemorated the said engagement with its own style and way of showing the proudness beyond measure over the years. Being part of the institution is a great honor and forever be grateful for the achievements made. Attained visions and missions, demonstrating the personnel’s unity over the years.

PSA Cotabato joined the Central Office's online celebration on September 8, 2022, during which the PSA search for Ginoo and Binibini was held. The participants' talents and skills were displayed and showcased implying that PSA employees and staff are well-rounded individuals. The importance of unity can be seen in how the various offices supported their candidates. The event's winners were declared, but in our hearts, we believe they are all winners because we have seen the amount of time, energy, and passion that each person invested in making the event a success.

In the morning of September 12th, the office distributed personal protective equipment and gifts to its adoptive institution, the Oblates of Notre Dame Women Ecological Sanctuary (OND-WES). A brief program showcasing the talents of the residents was held. Seeing the residents' smiles is both priceless and immeasurable. The executive director, Sister Felicisima Casenia, OND, delivered a message expressing gratitude to PSA for their care and support of the institution. They teach children how to be productive and empowered, and their greatest gift to their donors is their future success.

In addition, an afternoon news conference and data dissemination about the province's inflation rate for the month of August took place at the PSA Conference Room. The activity was carried out in a hybrid manner. Planning officials from the province and the city as well as media representatives were invited by the office to participate on-site. Municipal Planning and Development Officers (MPDO) are among the online participants. This type of event was held for the first time at the office, and it will continue every month.

In honor of the occasion, PSA Cotabato chose ten (10) randomly chosen clients to receive free Birth, Marriage, and Death Certificate issuance, with the condition that only one client and one document would be provided. This kind of activity was done by the office every year.

Furthermore, PSA Cotabato employees took part in a team-building activity. The organization promotes unity among its employees. When everyone is working toward a common goal, they can put their differences aside and work together to achieve that goal. It is acknowledged and accepted that humans will have opposing points of view, but as long as the goal is shared, it is much easier to resolve such disagreements and reach an agreement. This improves the efficiency and productivity of the organization.

On the 13th of September, a tree planting activity is conducted in partnership with the Metro Kidapawan Water District (MKWD) at Barangay Perez, Kidapawan City. This activity is one way for us to demonstrate our social duty in ensuring that we live on a safe world. It shows our environmental care for Mother Earth's preservation, conservation, and protection.

Also, the employees of PSA Cotabato participated in a financial literacy activity on September 16 conducted by Sun Life. The staff members were very eager and focused during the said engagement. The importance of health was emphasized by the resource speaker. As the saying goes, "health is wealth," but if we are not healthy, wealth is nothing. By keeping good health, one can attain respectable wealth at any time; however, once good health is lost, it is impossible to get it back.

In conclusion, a number of events, including a Civil Service Commission-hosted seminar on stress management, were scheduled to take place in September. This anniversary is an opportunity for us to recognize the contributions that each of us made in helping our organization achieve its goals. A time to honor and value the contributions of the staff and employees. We provide statistics on things like inflation, but we also need to consider the efforts made just to complete the task at hand.



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