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Poverty Incidence of Families in Sultan Kudarat Province Drops to 23.8 Percent in 2021 from 24.3 Percent in 2018

Based on the preliminary estimates of the 2021 poverty statistics, poverty incidence of families in Sultan Kudarat Province dropped to 23.8 percent from 24.3 percent in 2018. With a per capita poverty threshold of Php 25,295.00 in 2021, about 46,930 families were considered poor or have no sufficient incomes to meet their minimum basic food and non-food needs.

Among population, poverty incidence in the province decreased to 30.2 percent in 2021 from 31.5 percent in 2018. This translates to a decrease of 3,170 individuals out from poverty from 264,140 individuals registered as poor in 2018. Poverty incidence among population is the proportion of poor individuals whose incomes are below the poverty threshold.

On the other hand, the proportion of food poor families also declined to 9.1 percent in 2021 from 9.4 percent in 2018. Annual per capita food threshold in 2021 was recorded at Php17, 633.00.

Furthermore, Sultan Kudarat Province recorded about 113,800 individuals considered as food poor in 2021. This translates to about 13 individuals for every 100 who lived below the subsistence level in the said reference year.

These sets of official statistics on poverty were generated from the results of the whole year-round Family Income and Expenditures Survey (FIES), conducted in 2021 by the Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA). The First Visit was conducted on July 8-31, 2021 with reference period of January to June 2021 and the Second Visit conducted on January 10-31, 2022 with reference period of July to December 2021.

More details of the data can be accessed through the PSA official website: <https://psa.gov.ph>.

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