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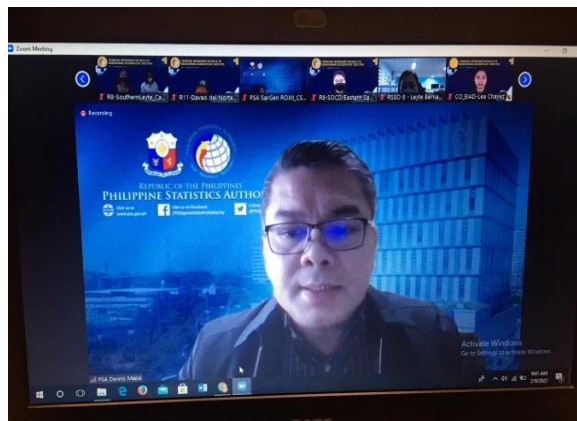
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## VIRTUAL TRAINING/WORKSHOP ON THE DATA TO BENCHMARK ACCOUNTS FOR THE STAFF OF THE SIX PILOT REGIONS OF THE PROVINCIAL PRODUCT ACCOUNTS FOR 2022



The Philippine Statistics Authority Region XII along with its Field Offices namely – Cotabato, Sultan Kudarat, South Cotabato and Sarangani Province attended the Virtual Training/Workshop on the Data to Benchmark Accounts of the Six Pilot Regions including its Provinces and HUCs namely Cordillera Administrative Region, CALABARZON, Western Visayas, Eastern Visayas, Davao Region, and SOCCSKSARGEN.



Despite the ongoing impact of the pandemic brought by the Coronavirus-19 (Covid-19), the Workshop on the Data to Benchmark Accounts (DBA) was successfully conducted last 9-11 of February 2022 via hybrid setup wherein PSA XII Regional Director Atty. Maqtahar L. Manulon, CESO V, Statistical Operations and Coordination Division (SOCD) Chief Ma. Eileen A. Berdeprado, Chief Statistical Specialists (CSS) of four provinces in SOCCSKSARGEN and selected regional staff and focal persons, hired COSWs in the region and provinces were gathered in one room and virtually joined in the zoom meeting.



The 3-day training and workshop aimed to capacitate the PPA focal persons from the RSSOs and PSOs on the data requirements, processing, generating, and analyzing the PPA benchmark estimates. Also, its objective is to understand and appreciate the concepts and methodologies in the compilation of PPA based on the framework set in the System of National Accounts, rationalize the data and determine the problem/issues of the data.



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The Data to Benchmark Accounts Training/Workshop was spearheaded ANS Vivian R. Ilarina of Macroeconomic Accounts Service (MAS). Assigned Subnational Economic Accounts Division (SEAD), Production Accounts Division (PAD) and Agriculture Accounts Division (AAD) staff presented and discussed the Data Benchmark Estimation Requirements, the Organized and Unorganized Industries, the Data and Data Sources including the major data sources which are coming from Census of Population and Housing (CPBI), Family Income and Expenditure Survey (FIES) and Agriculture Surveys.

Every participant actively participated and seriously did all the hands-on exercises and every query/question during the breakout and plenary sessions in regards with the concepts discussed, admin matters and with the proper syntax of transmuting the data to accounts were answered and patiently guided by assigned SEAD staff in every breakout rooms per region.

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