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PSA Cotabato attends the 46th Government Association of Certified Public Accountants in Public Practice Annual National Convention (GACPA - ANC)

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In photos are the Accountants of PSA – Region XII during the 46th GACPA-ANC and Seminar on May 20-23, 2025 at the M.I.C.E Center, Quezon City.

The Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA) – Cotabato with the leadership of its OIC-Chief Statistical Specialist, Norhayyah A. Tula proudly joins the 46th Annual National Convention and Seminar of the Government Association of Certified Public Accountants (GACPA), held on May 20-23, 2025 at the M.I.C.E Center, Quezon City.

This year's theme "Values Above All" is a powerful call to action for professionals – especially Certified Public Accountants – to place ethical principles at the heart of their work. It goes beyond technical competence and emphasizes that true excellence in public service is rooted in integrity, accountability, and moral courage.

The four-day event featured a comprehensive lineup of technical sessions addressing timely issues such as mental health in the public sector, ethical public service and CSC programs, gender and development, climate change preparedness, and cybersecurity issues. Notable sessions included discussions on the new Government Procurement Act (R.A. No. 12009) and a roundtable on emerging challenges facing government CPAs.



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Quezon City Mayor Joy Belmonte delivered the keynote address, highlighting the city's notable progress in transparent governance and the importance of fiscal integrity in public trust. Distinguished guests included GACPA President Ruby G. Manangu, PICPA National President Atty. Roland C. Pondoc, and representatives from the National Center for Medical Health, Civil Service Commission (CSC), Cooperative Development Authority (CDA), Commission on Audit (COA), Department of Information and Communications Technology (DICT), and the Office of the Civil Defense.

The participation of PSA Cotabato Province underscores its ongoing commitment to advancing financial management standards and ethical governance in line with national development goals. Delegate from the province actively joined technical sessions, panel discussions, and networking events designed to elevate competencies and encourage knowledge-sharing among public financial practitioners.

The 46th GACPA Convention not only serves as a hub for professional development, but also strengthens inter-agency collaboration in achieving good governance. PSA Cotabato Province continues to support these initiatives, echoing GACPA's mission of integrity and innovation in public service.

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