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PSA, One in the Billion Rising Against VAW

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Philippine Statistics Authority joined in the One Billion Rising (OBR) movement last February 14, 2019 at the new Iloilo Freedom Grandstand.

Staff and employees of the PSA, celebrating in solidarity with the rest of the world with action and dancing to end violence against women (VAW), participated in the OBR revolution which is a global dance-strike demanding an end to the violence experienced by more than 1 billion women in the world. Different banners were hanged surrounding the stage to raise awareness to the public. Participants wore blouses in shades of fuchsia pink and or violet, and pink ribbons imprinted with 'One Billion Rising SOLIDARITY Philippines'.

Dr. Mary Barby Badayos-Jover, Ugsad RGRC coordinator, said that the biggest gain of the campaign, which is now on its seventh year, is people's heightened awareness against violence against women and children (VAWC). Through the years, according to her, there have been changes in the policy in the Philippines and in other countries when it comes to the VAW campaign. The event was also highlighted with the presentation and ceremonial signing of Ugsad Unity Statement on the lowering of the minimum age of criminal responsibility in the Philippines.

The half-day activity was spearheaded by the Ugsad RGRC and the Regional Inter-Agency Committees on Women and Children.


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