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PSA 6 held its Press Launch for the 2022 Census of Agriculture and Fisheries (CAF)

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The Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA) Region VI conducted a press launch on the 2022 Census of Agriculture and Fisheries (CAF) on 01 September 2023 at Days Hotel, Iloilo City. The PSA is set to carry out the 2022 CAF, a large-scale government undertaking geared towards the collection and compilation of basic information on agricultural and fishery sectors in the Philippines.

National Statistician and Civil Registrar General Claire Dennis S. Mapa said on his message that there is a need to update the information such as the number of hectares, farmlands, and average farm sizes all over the country, including the identification of stakeholders in the agriculture and fisheries sector. He added that there is a need to update to see the real situation on the ground.

Officer-in-Charge Nelida C. Amolar of PSA Region VI, Officer-in-Charge Jerry L. Dolutan of PSA Iloilo Provincial Office, and LGMED Chief Maricel M. Bechayda of the Department of Interior and Local Government (DILG), wherein DILG served as Vice Chair for 2022 CAF Task Force with PSA as Chair, served as members of the panel.

Officer-in-Charge Nelida C. Amolar emphasized during her introduction that a total of 326,804 households will be interviewed in Western Visayas using the Computer Assisted Personal Interviewing (CAPI) data collection method (Aklan-20,139; Antique-29,755; Capiz-39,790; Guimaras-25,605; Iloilo including Iloilo City-158,078 and Negros Occidental including Bacolod City-66,289).

The data to be collected in the census will serve as important bases of policies, plans, and programs for the country's socio-economic development. Moreover, this census marks the seventh occurrence of the decennial agricultural census and the sixth occurrence of the decennial fisheries census in the country since 1903.

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