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PSA RSSO VI conducts 27th PSQ Regional Championship

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The Philippine Statistics Authority Regional Statistical Services Office VI (PSA RSSO VI) spearheaded the conduct of 27th Philippine Statistics Quiz (PSQ) Regional Championship of Western Visayas at District 21 Hotel, Iloilo City on 10 November 2023. The contest was held simultaneously in 16 other regions in the country.

The PSQ is a nationwide search for young statistics whizzes that began in 1992 pursuant to RA 10625. It is open to all Filipino first-time first-year students currently enrolled for the School Year 2023-2024 in any recognized tertiary academic institution in the country. It identifies and nurtures talents especially in the field of statistics and contributes to the advocacy on the use of statistics for evidence-based decision making. The competition aimed to assess the competency and skills of students in statistics as acquired from the secondary education curriculum; promote, enhance, and instill awareness and appreciation of the importance and value of statistics among students; and to generate public awareness on the importance of statistics in all development-planning activities and win overall support for all government statistical activities.

To ensure the success of the 27th PSQ, Western Visayas Steering Committee (WVSC) was created where PSA RSSO VI served as chair, Philippine Statistical Association Inc. Region VI Chapter (PSAI 6) as co-chair, and regional offices of National Economic and Development Authority (NEDA), Commission on Higher Education



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(CHED), and Department of Labor and Employment (DOLE) as members. The WVSC was in-charge of selecting the board of judges for the 27th PSQ Regional Championship.

The judges were Ms. Quennie Zairah F. Pueblo, Statistician II of DOLE VI, Mary Rose Artieda-Matucan, Project Development Officer of Provincial Planning and Development Office – Iloilo Provincial Government, and the chief judge was Ma. Goretti M. Novilla, Supervising Statistical Specialist of PSA RSSO VI. Also, Mr. Ryan Fresno, Statistical Specialist I of Price Statistics Division of PSA Central Office was assigned as the Technical Committee Representative.

Eighteen (18) students from different provinces of Western Visayas competed in the said event. After three (3) rounds, the judges and technical committee finalized the results. Ms. Jerriah Borreros of Aklan State University – Kalibo emerged as the Regional Champion with a final score of 35 points. She will represent the region in the National Finals on 07 December 2023 in Metro Manila. Meanwhile, Mr. Christian Roy A. Duran of Filamer Christian University and Mr. Joseph Mikhaeli A. Jalandoni of Iloilo Science and Technology University - Lapaz bagged the 2nd place and 3rd place, respectively.

The winners and their coaches received certificates of recognition, tokens, plaques, gift certificates and medals.



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