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PSA RSSO VI Joins the Mass Wedding and Binyagan sa Barangay Celebrations in provinces of Iloilo

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Statistical Specialist II Jean Lito Esapol delivers his inspiring message to the newlywed couples during the mass wedding in the municipality of Leganes, Iloilo.

25 October 2023 - ILOILO CITY. Marriage is a lifetime commitment of man and woman. As the head agency that promotes stronger civil registration, the Philippine Statistics Authority Regional Statistical Service Office VI (PSA RSSO VI) joins the celebration of this significant event in different parts of the region. On 25 October 2023, a mass wedding was organized in the municipality of Leganes, Iloilo which was participated by twenty-nine (29) couples. This activity was headed by municipal mayor Vicente P. Jaen II with the office of the municipal registrar headed by MCR Jay-R G. Matutina. The municipal mayor was concerned with the number of couples that are living together but are not officially married; thus, this mass wedding was conducted for free. The couples who have been living together for several years without the benefit of marriage, are now given the opportunity to have a legal union and to legitimize their children. In this mass wedding, Mayor Jaen officiated the civil rites.

Statistical Specialist II Jean Lito N. Esapol of PSA RSSOVI was one of the guest speakers in this significant event. In his inspiring message, he advised the newly wed couples to put the Lord at the center of their lives, understand each other, love each other, and always ask for guidance and blessings from Above. He also pointed out the importance of marriage as it is sacred and needs to be preserved. On legal terms, marriage enables newly wed couples to process the legitimacy of their children. He also thanks the office of the local civil registrar of Leganes for their support for the PSA

and for inviting the agency when conducting their activity concerning civil registration in their municipality.



Statistical Specialist II Jean Lito N. Esapol delivered his inspiring message to the beneficiaries of Binyagan sa Barangay ni Mayor (BBM) in Passi City on 20 October 2023.

Furthermore, the City of Passi, Iloilo conducted the Binyagan sa Barangay ni Mayor on October 20, 2023 in Barangay Alimono, Passi City. This activity was initiated by the city government for free headed by city mayor Stephen A. Palmares in collaboration with the city civil registrar headed by Salome E. Arevalo. This event aims to baptize not only the infants but also the adolescents and senior citizens who have not received this holy sacrament since their birth.

In this sacred event, the parish priest, Rev. Fr. Warlito Provido, officiated the ceremony and baptized fifty (50) individuals from Passi City. Statistical Specialist II Jean Lito N. Esapol of PSA RSSO VI also graced the event where he delivered his inspiring message to the parents of the newly baptized infants, adolescents and senior citizens for their active participation. He also welcomed them to Christian life and wished them a lot of blessings from the Lord. He also thanked the support of city mayor Stephen A. Palmares, city civil registrar Salome E. Arevalo and punong barangay Ronilo A. Celiz for the success of this undertakings.

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