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Strengthening Data Sharing: PSA Orients Guimaras LGUs on PLDS and PSIC Updates

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July 17, 2025 - The Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA) Guimaras Provincial Statistical Office successfully conducted the Orientation on PSA-LGU Data Sharing (PLDS) and Philippine Standard Industrial Classification (PSIC) Code Updates for the Local Government of Guimaras on July 16, 2025.

The participants were from the Offices of the Municipal Treasurers and the Business Permits and Licensing of the five municipalities in the province.

The event was also graced by Mr. Vicente Alfred Aaron Andaya, LGOO V, from the Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG), highlighting the ongoing partnership between DILG and PSA in facilitating data access from LGUs and supporting the institutionalization of the PLDS and the Provincial Product Accounts (PPA).

(From left to right) Vicente Alfred Aaron Andaya - LGOO V, DILG Guimaras, together with Nelida B. Losare - Provincial Statistics Officer of PSO Guimaras

"*Through this special initiative under the PLDS, we aim to collect business register data from our municipal LGUs and match them with the PSA's List of Establishments,*" Provincial Statistics Officer Nelida B. Losare said. "*More importantly, this activity helps us strengthen our partnership with local government units by promoting collaboration through data sharing,*" she added.

Discussions during the orientation focused on providing an overview of the PSA-LGU Data Sharing on the Statistical Business Register (SBR), including its processes, expected outputs, and relevance to local development planning.

The session also covered the 2019 updates to the Philippine Standard Industrial Classification (PSIC) codes, which serve as a vital reference in classifying the economic activities of business establishments.

In her remarks, Losare emphasized the importance of the activity in improving the quality of local data and enhancing cooperation between the PSA and LGUs.

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Participants of the PLDS Orientation from the various municipalities of Guimaras coming from the respective offices of the Municipal Treasurer and the Business Permits and Licensing Office.

"This orientation is not just about data collection, it's about building stronger, data-informed partnerships between the PSA and our local government units," she said.

"Through the PLDS and updated PSIC codes, we are equipping LGUs with tools to better understand their local economies and contribute more effectively to national statistical development," Losare emphasized.

The event aimed to capacitate LGU focal persons in classifying business data according to their economic activity, align local business categories with national standards, and support the continual improvement of the country's business register system.

The PSA and the LGUs reaffirmed their commitment to collaboration and sustained support in advancing data sharing initiatives, promoting accurate and timely economic statistics that benefit local development planning and policymaking.

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