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# Presentation on Agricultural Statistics within National Statistics System in the Centralized System

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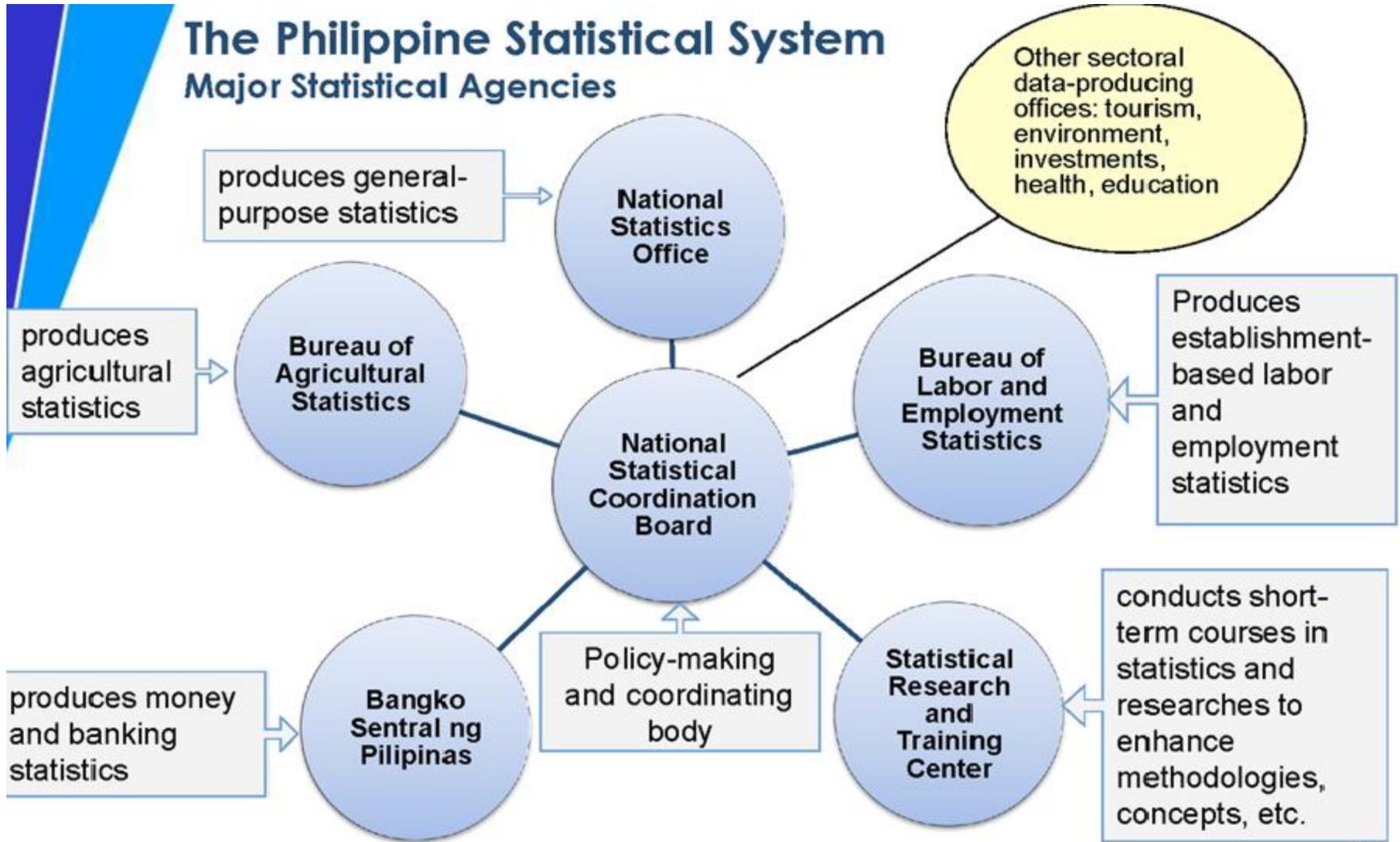


## Philippine Statistical System (PSS)

- The government-wide system of providing statistical information and services to the public
- Aims to provide timely, accurate and useful statistics for the government and the public, especially for planning and decision-making



## The Philippine Statistical System Major Statistical Agencies





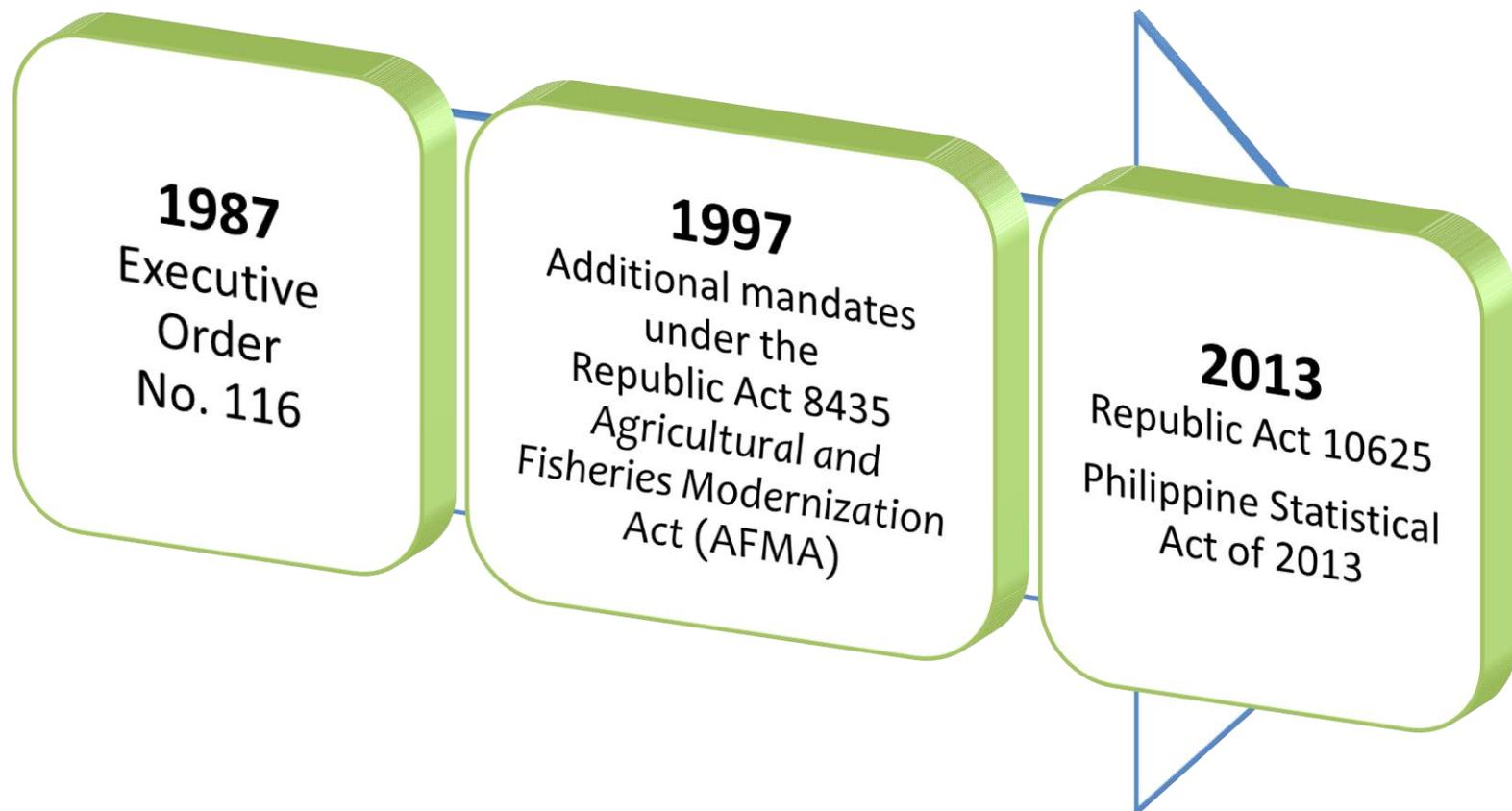
## Former Bureau of Agricultural Statistics

- Staff bureau under the Department of Agriculture
- The principal government agency for the efficient collection, processing, analysis and dissemination of official statistics on agriculture and fisheries as inputs to policy formulation and decision-making to support a sustainable agricultural development
- Data systems cover crops, livestock and poultry, fisheries, prices and marketing, farm economics, accounts and indicators





# Highlights of Transition in Mandates from BAS to PSA





## Philippine Statistical System (PSS)

Decentralized set-up

Consists of the statistical organizations at all administrative levels, the personnel therein and the national statistical program, as defined in Executive Order No. 121

## Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA)

Centralized set-up

Republic Act No. 10625  
An Act Reorganizing the Philippine Statistical System

September 12, 2013



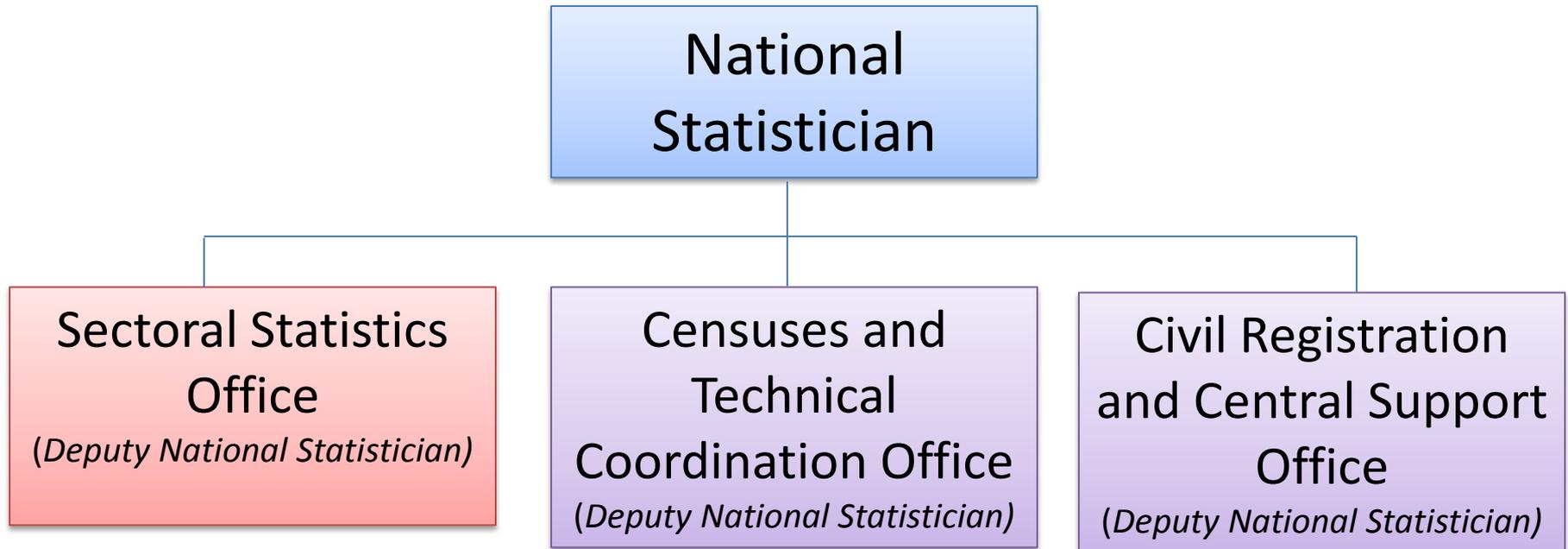


## Philippine Statistics Authority

- attached to the National Economic and Development Authority (NEDA) for purposes of policy coordination
- comprised of the PSA Board and offices on: *sectoral statistics, censuses and technical coordination, civil registration and central support and field statistical services.*
- primarily responsible for all national censuses and surveys, sectoral statistics, consolidation of selected administrative recording systems and compilation of the national accounts



# PSA Structure





**Sectoral Statistics Office**  
*(Deputy National Statistician)*

**Macroeconomic  
Accounts**  
*(Assistant National  
Statistician)*

**Economic Sector  
Statistics**  
*(Assistant National  
Statistician)*

**Social Sector  
Statistics**  
*(Assistant National  
Statistician)*



## Economic Sector Statistics

Services Statistics Division

Industry Statistics Division

Trade Statistics Division

Price Statistics Division

Crops Statistics Division

Livestock and Poultry  
Statistics Division

Fisheries Statistics Division

## Macroeconomic Accounts

Production Accounts Division

Expenditure Accounts Division

Income Accounts Division

Satellite Accounts Division

Farm Economic Statistics  
Division

Environment and Disaster Risk  
Reduction Statistics Division



## Roles and Responsibilities

- Agriculture and Fisheries Census: The Census Planning and Operations Division (a unit under the former National Statistics Office) was the responsible unit for the conduct of Census of Agriculture and Fisheries every 10 years, in tandem with the former Bureau of Agricultural Statistics (BAS). The last CAF was conducted in March 2013.
  - ***[Unit responsible in the PSA --- Agriculture & Fisheries Census Operation Division under the National Censuses Services (NCS) of the Censuses & Technical Coordination Office (CTCO)]***
- Surveys of Agriculture and Fisheries. Units from the former Bureau of Agricultural Statistics were the ones responsible for generating agricultural statistics for crops, livestock and poultry, fisheries and aquaculture.
  - ***[Units responsible in the PSA --- Divisions of the Sectoral Statistics Office (SSO)]***
- Survey of Forests. The Forest Management Bureau (FMB) of the Department of Environment and Natural Resources is the one responsible for forest-related statistics. (Reference:



## Philippine Statistical Development Program 2011-2017



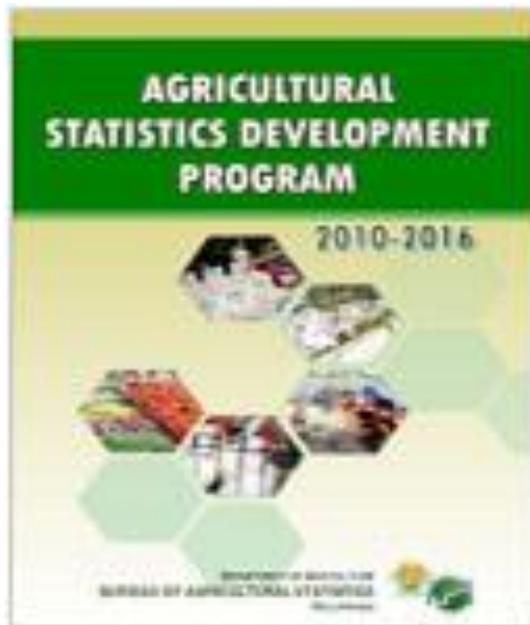
Defines priority statistical programs and activities designed to provide vital information support for Medium-Term Philippine Development Plan (MTPDP) as well as promote efficiency of statistical operations. Also, it is a tool for integrating and coordinating the statistical activities of the government and enjoins compliance and cooperation among various agencies.

The concerns of food and agriculture statistics can be found in all the parts and in most chapters of the PSDP. But, importantly, in Part 3, there is a chapter on agriculture and agrarian reform. Here the statistical development programs, specific to agriculture and agrarian reform are articulated.

### Chapter 7: Agriculture and Fisheries Statistics



## Agricultural Statistics Development Program 2010-2016



Long-term program that sets the directions and strategies for the generation and dissemination of agricultural statistics

Accounts for the current programs, projects and activities and those that can address the emerging information needs of the various clients and stakeholders in the agriculture sector



# **Legislative Provision**

## **Mandates and Functions of the PSA under Republic Act 10625**

### **RULE 4 Mandates**

#### **ART. 5.**

The PSA shall primarily be responsible for the implementation of the objectives and provisions of R.A. 10625.

It shall plan, develop, prescribe, disseminate and enforce policies, rules and regulations and coordinate government-wide programs governing the production of official statistics, general-purpose statistics, and civil registration services.

It shall primarily be responsible for all national censuses and surveys, sectoral statistics, consolidation of selected administrative recording systems and compilation of national accounts.



## **RULE 5**

### **Functions**

**ART. 6.** The PSA shall:

- a) serve as the central statistical authority of the Philippine government on primary data collection;
- b) prepare and conduct periodic censuses on population, housing, agriculture, fisheries, business, industry, and other sectors of the economy;
- c) collect, compile, analyze, abstract and publish statistical information relating to the country's economic, social, demographic and general activities and condition of the people;
- d) prepare and conduct statistical sample surveys on all aspects of socioeconomic life including agriculture, industry, trade, finance, prices and marketing information, income and expenditure, education, health, culture, and social situations for the use of the government and the public;



## **RULE 5**

### **Functions**

**ART. 6.** The PSA shall:

e) .....

f) collaborate with departments of the national government including GOCCs

and their subsidiaries in the collection, compilation, maintenance and publication of statistical information, including special statistical data derived from the activities of those departments, corporations and their subsidiaries;

g) .....

h) .....

i) coordinate with government departments and local government units (LGUs) on the promotion and adoption of statistical standards involving techniques, methodologies, concepts, definitions and classifications, and on the avoidance of duplication in the collection of statistical information:



# Mechanisms for AgStat Data Collection and Dissemination

- Membership to **inter-agency committees and technical committees or technical working groups** – regular interaction with producers and users in the public sector; thus promoting, among others, increasing use of administrative data, including exchange of data and generation of statistics through direct tabulation of administrative data
- **User-Producer Dialogue/Forum** - to present the role of agriculture and fishery statistics in the development of the economy. Through the Forum, improvements in the data systems are expected as a result of the assessment of the PSA products and services. To solicit feedback from clients, partners and stakeholders, consultative meetings and/or appreciation seminars were also organized to determine and address the emerging issues and changing needs of stakeholders.



## **Funding for AgStat Activities**

- Funding for agstat activities is integrated in the PSA budget starting 2015
- Supplemental budget in the form of Trust Funds to fund special/developmental projects from the Department of Agriculture



# Linkage between sectoral development and statistical development plans

- *Do sectoral development plans usually include statistical development as well?*
- *Do sectoral development plans also set the priorities for statistical developments either directly or indirectly?*

“The National Economic and Development Authority should include statistical development in its Medium Term Philippine Development Plan (MTPDP) – a step that would highlight the key role that statistics can play in smarter governance. This would be an important change; the current MTPDP does not mention statistics as an element in the plan but only considers statistics as a tool for monitoring plan realization. There needs to be more explicit recognition of the role of statistics in identifying issues and informing policy design.”

**\*Sourced from PSDP Assessment (WB,2010). There is need to examine the MTPDP for 2011-2016**



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# **Experience of strategic planning and implementation of plans for statistical development**



## Lessons Learned/Best Practices on Effective Coordination

- Optimizing the services of Inter-Agency Technical Working Groups, Task Forces, etc.
- Creation of inter-agency statistical committees (IACs) to coordinate and resolve agency and sectoral concerns on statistical matters. The IAC serves as a forum for discussion of the issues raised by concerned producers, users and other stakeholders of sectoral and agency-specific statistics.



# Inter-Agency Statistical Committees



1. Committee on Agriculture



2. Committee on Trade and Industry Statistics



3. Committee on Infrastructure



4. Committee on Financial Statistics



5. Committee on Social Statistics



-  6. Committee on Gender Statistics
-  7. Committee on Environment and Natural Resources
-  8. Committee on Information and Communication Technology
-  9. Committee on Science and Technology
-  10. Committee on Governance

-  11. Committee on Migration
-  12. Committee on Fiscal Matters
-  13. Committee on PSS Resources



# Lessons Learned/Best Practices on Effective Coordination

- **System of Designated Statistics** - a mechanism that identifies and generates the most critical and essential statistics required for social and economic planning/analysis based on approved criteria.
  - establishes priorities for data production and hence provides a means for more rational resource allocation among government statistical activities;
  - identifies the sources of official statistics;
  - defines the agency responsible, frequency of data production and schedule of data dissemination. It shall also indicate the major data items to be collected and the geographic level of disaggregation, among others.



# Lessons Learned/Best Practices on Effective Coordination

- **Statistical Survey Review and Clearance System (SSRCS)**

a mechanism which involves the process of evaluating the design and instruments of statistical surveys or censuses sponsored and/or to be conducted by government agencies including government corporations at the national and/or subnational level.



## Future Directions

- Pursue reorganization
- Update the Philippine Statistical Development Program (PSDP)