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DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE
BUREAU OF INTERNAL REVENUE
NATIONAL OFFICE
Quezon City

BAGONG PILIPINAS

September 3, 2025

REVENUE MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR NO. 083-2025

TO : All Internal Revenue Officials, Employees and Others Concerned

SUBJECT : Celebration of the 36th National Statistics Month

Pursuant to Presidential Proclamation No. 647 dated September 20, 1990, October is annually observed as the National Statistics Month (NSM). This year marks the **36th NSM**, which will be celebrated under the theme **"Accelerating the Sustainable Development Goals (SDG) Pace of Progress: Mobilizing Data for All"**, in alignment with the following objectives:

a) To promote, enhance, and instill nationwide awareness and appreciation of the importance and value of statistics to the different sectors of society; and,

b) To elicit the cooperation and support of the general public in upgrading the quality and standards of statistics in the country.

In participation to this year's NSM celebration, all Revenue Regional and District Offices of this Bureau are directed to produce their own NSM streamers and display them on the facade of their respective buildings throughout the month of October. Revenue personnel may coordinate with participating agencies in their respective areas regarding the specific activity(ies) in which they intend to be involved in.

Attached to this Circular are Philippine Statistics Authority Memorandum Circular No. 2025-08 (Annex A) and the NSM streamer format (Annex B), for the information and guidance of all concerned.

All Bureau offices are encouraged to actively participate in the celebration of NSM.

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ANNEX A

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Reference No. 25SS01-071

MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR NO. 2025- 08

TO : **THE HEADS OF DEPARTMENTS, BUREAUS, OFFICES, AND INSTRUMENTALITIES OF THE NATIONAL GOVERNMENT, GOVERNMENT-OWNED AND -CONTROLLED CORPORATIONS, STATE UNIVERSITIES AND COLLEGES, LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS, AND THE PRIVATE SECTOR**

SUBJECT : **Celebration of the 36th National Statistics Month and Conduct of the 16th National Convention on Statistics in October 2025**

DATE : 20 May 2025

1. Background/Purpose

This Memorandum Circular is issued to enjoin all agencies of the government, local government units (LGUs), academic institutions, state universities and colleges (SUCs), and the private sector at the national and subnational levels to actively participate in and support the celebration of the **36th National Statistics Month (NSM)** and conduct of the **16th National Convention on Statistics (NCS)** in **October 2025**.

The annual observance of the NSM is pursuant to Presidential Proclamation No. 647, "*Declaring the Month of October of Every Year as the National Statistics Month*," issued on 20 September 1990 by then President Corazon C. Aquino. Meanwhile, the conduct of the NCS is pursuant to Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA) Board Resolution No. 01 (s. 2017), "*Approving the Conduct of the National Convention on Statistics Every Three Years*".

PSA Board Resolution No. 11 (s. 2021), "*Enjoining and Institutionalizing Support to the Annual Celebration of the National Statistics Month*," enjoins all departments, agencies and instrumentalities of the national government, LGUs, government-owned or -controlled corporations, the private sector, and the public to continuously support and actively participate in the NSM celebration.

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2. Objectives

The NSM aims to: a) promote, enhance, and instill nationwide awareness and appreciation of the importance and value of statistics to the different sectors of society; and b) elicit the cooperation and support of the general public in upgrading the quality and standard of statistics in the country.

Coinciding with the 36th NSM celebration in October 2025, the 16th NCS will be conducted by the Philippine Statistical System (PSS) from 1 to 3 October 2025 to: a) provide a forum for exchanging ideas and experiences in the field of statistics and for discussing recent statistical developments and prevailing issues and problems of the PSS; and b) elicit the cooperation and support of statisticians and professionals in related fields from the government, academe, and the private sector toward a more responsive statistical system.

3. Theme

The theme of the 36th NSM and 16th NCS is:

"Accelerating the SDG Pace of Progress: Mobilizing Data for All"

The theme emphasizes the crucial role of data in assessing the country's progress in achieving Sustainable Development Goals (SDG) targets; in identifying fast- as well as slow-moving targets; and in providing sound bases for the crafting of programs and interventions for targets where these are most needed.

Data mobilization is an effective intervention in accelerating the SDG Pace of Progress. It transforms granular data into actionable insights that are crucial to crafting programs and evidence-based decision-making, allocating resources, and monitoring progress that can drive innovation in the development of new technologies and solutions to address SDG challenges. By improving the availability, accessibility, and use of data, we can likewise accelerate the Pace of Progress and ensure that no one shall be left behind.

This theme may be translated into other major Philippine languages and dialects. Depending on the focus and direction of its statistical activities, an agency or region may choose to have its own sub-theme.

4. Suggested activities

The observance of the NSM will be highlighted by a diverse range of month-long statistical activities. These activities may be in various formats including symposia, workshops, orientation seminars, exhibits, slide shows, webinars, conferences, podcasts, quizzes/contests (such as poster making, jingle making, *statiktok* and photography contest), outdoor activities (such as fun run, biking), audio-visual presentations, streamers, dashboards, and other digital display as well as publication of statistical reports, indicators, and other

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relevant information, among others, with particular emphasis on statistics, the theme and the agency's/region's sub-theme, if any.

The NSM celebration will be highlighted by interagency activities such as the 36th NSM Opening and Closing Ceremony, PSS Outreach Program, World Statistics Day, and the 16th NCS. Partner organizations, universities/colleges, and government units are strongly encouraged to participate in these interagency activities scheduled during the month-long celebration.

The conduct of the NCS will feature plenary sessions, panel discussions, exhibits, simultaneous scientific sessions, and trainings that highlight best practices, statistical methodologies, and data applications across different fields. Partner organizations, universities/colleges, and government units are invited to participate in the 16th NCS as registered participants, guests, speakers, presenters, session organizers/chairs, sponsors, or exhibitors.

To further amplify the visibility of this nationwide initiative, partners are requested to prominently display the official 36th NSM and 16th NCS streamer on their building façades prior to and throughout the month of October 2025. Moreover, organizations are urged to disseminate the 36th NSM calendar of activities, posters, and other standard promotional materials, provided by the 36th NSM and 16th NCS Secretariat, on their websites, social media platforms, and to their attached agencies/bureaus, respective stakeholders, and local government counterparts.

5. Coordination of activities at the national level

To oversee and coordinate the implementation of the various activities and programs to be undertaken during the month-long celebration, the Steering Committee for the 36th NSM and 16th NCS has been established, with composition as follows:

Chair:	Philippine Statistics Authority
Vice Chair:	Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas
Members:	Civil Service Commission
	Department of Agrarian Reform
	Department of Agriculture
	Department of Budget and Management
	Department of Economy, Planning, and Development
	Department of Education
	Department of Energy
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Department of National Defense
Department of Public Works and Highways
Department of Science and Technology
Department of Social Welfare and Development
Department of Tourism
Department of Trade and Industry
Department of Transportation
Governance Commission for GOCCs
Metropolitan Manila Development Authority
National Youth Commission
Philippine Commission on Women
Philippine Information Agency
Philippine Statistical Association, Inc.
Philippine Statistical Research and Training Institute
Senate Economic Planning Office
Technical Education and Skills Development Authority
Union of Local Authorities of the Philippines
University of the Philippines Los Baños, Institute of Statistics
University of the Philippines School of Statistics

Various subcommittees with specific terms of reference have also been established, with the PSA as Chair. The PSA shall provide secretariat support to the Steering Committee and subcommittees.

6. Coordination of activities at the local level

For the regional NSM celebration, the Regional Statistics Committees (RSCs) are hereby designated as the coordinating bodies for all NSM activities, to include spearheading the conduct of the Opening and Closing Ceremonies in collaboration with the identified host agencies. The PSA Regional Statistical Services Offices shall provide technical and administrative support to their respective RSCs.

Likewise, the RSCs are enjoined to support the conduct of NCS by encouraging participation from regional line agencies, LGUs, academic institutions, and the private sector. Furthermore, RSCs shall facilitate the dissemination of information about the NCS within their respective regions which involves distributing the call for papers, registration details, program schedules, and other relevant materials to potential participants.

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7. Funds for 36th NSM activities and 16th NCS

7.1 36th NSM Activities

Participating agencies shall provide funds for their NSM activities from their respective agency's/organization's budget. As may be necessary, agencies shall be requested to organize/host or share the costs with the PSA in the conduct of NSM interagency activities.

Per PSA Board Resolution No. 11 (s. 2021), identified host agencies shall provide funding for the conduct of NSM Opening and Closing Ceremonies. The conduct of the 36th NSM and 16th NCS Opening Ceremony at the national level shall be funded by the PSA while funds for the 36th NSM Closing Ceremony at the national and regional levels shall be provided by the BSP. Likewise, expenses for the activities implemented by the PSA, including the conduct of the NSM Awards and NSM Media Awards, contests and other related activities shall be borne by the PSA from its regular funds.

7.2 16th NCS

Other than as secretariat, guest, speaker or presenter, participation in the 16th NCS may take any or all of these forms: 1) registered participant/attendee; 2) sponsor; or 3) exhibitor. A trust account solely for NCS purposes will be opened and funds collected from sponsorships, exhibition, and registration/participation fees will be deposited in this account. The PSA is hereby designated to administer the NCS funds.

7.2.1 Participation in the 16th NCS as Registered Participant

Participation in the 16th NCS is a valuable opportunity for agencies to enhance the knowledge and skills of their personnel in the field of statistics and related fields. In support of this undertaking, the funding for the registration fees of official representatives from participating agencies may be sourced directly from the respective agency's funds.

7.2.2 Participation in the 16th NCS as Sponsor

Participating agencies/organizations are requested to sponsor plenary and/or breakout scientific sessions. The 16th NCS will feature a diverse range of sessions focusing on critical sectoral topics, providing a valuable platform for in-depth discussions and knowledge sharing. Sponsorship will not only provide crucial financial support for the Convention but also offers an opportunity for agencies and organizations to showcase their commitment to the advancement of statistics in specific sectors.

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7.2.3 Participation in the 16th NCS as Exhibitor

The 16th NCS will feature Statistical Information Management Exhibit. Participation in the 16th NCS as exhibitor offers organizations a valuable opportunity to showcase their statistical products, services, innovations and initiatives to wide audience of data users, producers, and decision-makers.

8. Conduct of agency activities

All concerned are hereby urged to cooperate in ensuring the attainment of the objectives of the 36th NSM and 16th NCS. National line agencies are enjoined to issue special orders/circulars to solicit the participation of their field/local offices/bureaus/attached agencies in the celebration of the NSM and NCS. Administrators of state universities and colleges are encouraged to issue announcements relating to the 36th NSM celebration and 16th NCS conduct to the faculty and students.

Private sector organizations, on the other hand, are encouraged to take part and cooperate in the conduct of the various interagency NSM activities and coordinate organization-wide activities aimed at improving statistical knowledge and awareness. Whenever necessary, the PSA Undersecretary shall issue additional guidelines for the successful conduct of the 36th NSM and 16th NCS.

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ANNEX B

BUREAU OF INTERNAL REVENUE
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36TH NATIONAL STATISTICS MONTH

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