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OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT
COMMISSION ON HIGHER EDUCATION



MEMORANDUM FROM THE OFFICE OF THE CHAIRPERSON

TO : PRESIDENTS, HEADS, AND OFFICERS-IN-CHARGE OF PHILIPPINE HIGHER EDUCATION INSTITUTIONS (HEIs)

THROUGH : CHED CENTRAL AND REGIONAL OFFICE OFFICIALS AND STAFF

SUBJECT : INFORMATION DISSEMINATION AND PROMOTION FOR THE PHILIPPINE IDENTIFICATION SYSTEM (PHILSYS) REGISTRATION

DATE : 07 OCTOBER 2021

Recognizing the integral role of the youth in nation-building, the Commission on Higher Education (CHED) and Higher Education Institutions (HEIs) offices, schools, and personnel are **enjoined to participate in the nationwide promotion and registration in the National ID Program** or the **Philippine Identification System (PhilSys)**. The campaign, entitled "*PhilSys: Ang Digital ID para sa Makabagong Pilipinas*", envisions a sustainable, digital, and inclusive society where no Filipino is left behind.

Republic Act No. 11055, otherwise known as the Philippine Identification System Act, mandates the establishment of a central national identification system for all citizens and resident aliens in the Philippines. The PhilSys aims to provide free, valid, and centralized identification with the objective of accelerating financial inclusion, increased access to social and economic opportunities, and the transition to digital transactions that are secure, affordable, and efficient.

For 2021, the goal of the PhilSys program is to register 50 to 70 million individuals:

- The online Step 1 Registration, which includes the collection of demographic information and appointment setting, was made available in 2021. This procedure utilizes digital networks to ensure the health and safety of the registrants amid the COVID-19 pandemic;
- Consequently, Step 2 Registration will involve the validation of supporting documents and capture of biometric information, such as fingerprints, iris scans, and front-facing photographs at registration centers; and,
- Finally, Step 3 will involve the issuance of the PhilSys Number (PSN) and the physical ID (PhilID).

To attain the goal of the PhilSys program, all members of the Higher Education community, students, and faculty members are enjoined to register for the online Step 1 of the PhilSys by visiting <https://register.philsys.gov.ph>.

All students and Higher Education faculty, officials, and staff are likewise encouraged to urge and assist their families and friends to also register.


To promote public awareness about the program, suggested activities of participation include the following:

1. Uploading and/or sharing of their registration experiences on personal or organizational social media accounts;
2. Sharing of information, education, and communication materials on the PhilSys. The communication materials are accessible through this Google Drive link: <https://tinyurl.com/29a64jhf>; and,
3. Participating in the online campaign by uploading photos, news features, and other information relative to the PhilSys campaign using the hashtag #IDNatin.

For more information on the initiative, visit the PhilSys website at www.philsys.gov.ph and PhilSys social media accounts at <https://www.facebook.com/PSAPhilSysOfficial>.

For questions and concerns, please reach out to Assistant Secretary Rosalinda P. Bautista, Deputy National Statistician of the PhilSys Registry Office of the Philippine Statistics Authority with email address r.bautista@psa.gov.ph, or her Office through Ms. Noreen D. Pagkatipunan, Executive Assistant III, with email address n.pagkatipunan@psa.gov.ph.

Wide dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.



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