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### **Intensifying Efforts to Register Young Filipinos: PSA Southern Leyte Onboards 5,417 Children Aged 1 to 4**

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The Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA) Southern Leyte Provincial Office has made significant strides in its initiative to register children aged 1 to 4 years old in the province. This endeavor, which commenced on February 13, 2024, aligns with PSA's goal of establishing an inclusive, secure, and sustainable national identification system.

As of May 2024, the PSA Southern Leyte office has successfully registered a total of 5,417 children within the target age group. This remarkable achievement was made possible through effective coordination with barangays and schools, as well as the deployment of mobile registration units across the province.



"The inclusion of our youngest citizens in the national identification system is a crucial step towards ensuring no one is left behind," said National Statistician and Civil Registrar General (NSCRG) Claire Dennis S. Mapa. "We are committed to facilitating this process and providing all Filipinos, regardless of age, with access to this essential service."



To be registered, a child must be accompanied by a parent or guardian who is already registered with PhilSys, the national ID system. The child's PhilSys Number (PSN), or permanent identification number, will be linked to the accompanying adult's PhilID card or ePhilID. Additionally, parents or guardians must present supporting documents, such as the child's birth certificate or passport, to verify their information and ensure accurate registration in the national database.

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The following supporting documents accepted in the registration:

1. Certificate of Live Birth issued by PSA or the Local Civil Registry Office (LCRO)
2. Report of Birth issued by PSA or Philippine Foreign Service Post (PFSP)
3. Certificate of Foundling issued by PSA
4. Certificate of Foundling or Certificate of Live Birth or Persons with No Known Parent/s issued by PSA
5. Philippine Passport or ePassport issued by the Department of Foreign Affairs (DFA)
6. Any document showing the full name of the child, date and place of birth, and the full names of the mother and father, if acknowledged.
7. Authorization letter from the Parent/s of the child (if accompanied by guardian)


This initiative underscores the importance of a comprehensive and accessible identification system for all Filipinos, including the youngest members of the community. The PSA remains committed to facilitating the PhilSys registration process and ensuring that every Filipino citizen is included in the national identification system.

For more information and updates on the registration process, please visit the PSA Southern Leyte office or contact your barangay.

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