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PSA pilots identity verification through biometrics via PhilSys; results show 'close to 100 percent successful'

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The Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA) successfully pilot-tested biometric authentication through the Philippine Identification System (PhilSys) at the Civil Registry System (CRS) central outlet.

The activity, which involved PhilID and ePhilID holders processing their civil registry documents, enabled identity verification through scanning of the fingerprint through biometric authentication devices for the real-time matching process of information to the PhilSys Registry.



A PhilSys-registered individual undergoes biometric authentication for identity verification while processing civil registry documents at the CRS central outlet.

Since it began in April 2023, the pilot test showed 'promising results, with close to 100 percent successful authentication', as mentioned by PSA Undersecretary Claire Dennis S. Mapa, PhD, National Statistician and Civil Registrar General, in a speech during the 2nd Philippine Identity







Summit and 3rd National Convention on Civil Registration and Vital Statistics (NCCRVS) in Bacolod City, Negros Occidental.

Out of the 10,883 total authentication transactions as of 03 November 2023, 10,719 or 98.5 percent were recorded as 'successful authentication'.

"As a responsible agency for implementing the Republic Act No. 11055 or the PhilSys Act, our goal is to transform conventional transactions into innovative and digitized processes to simplify and promote ease of doing business with the government and private entities," PSA Usec. Mapa said.

In addition, Usec. Mapa expressed gratitude to PSA's partners in their efforts to help achieve the common goal of 'a truly inclusive and efficient government service system.'

"We are fueled by your dedication and commitment to the fulfillment of the mission and vision that the PSA stands for. Together, we can be the driving force behind a truly inclusive and efficient government service system that embodies the value of integrity, transparency, accessibility, and genuine care for the Filipinos that we serve," he added.

## Quick Links:

- Website: https://philsys.gov.ph
- Facebook page: https://facebook.com/PSAPhilSysOfficial
- ePhilID appointment: https://appt.philsys.gov.ph
- PhilID/ePhilID authentication: https://verify.philsys.gov.ph

- PhilSys Registry Office

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