

# 2022 ANNUAL REPORT

**Professional Regulation Commission**

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## About the Professional Regulation Commission

### MANDATE

The Professional Regulation Commission (PRC) administers, implements and enforces the regulatory laws and policies of the country with respect to the regulation and licensing of the various professions and occupations under its jurisdiction, including the enhancement and maintenance of professional and occupational standards and ethics and the enforcement of the rules and regulations relative thereto.

### PRC QUALITY POLICY

The Professional Regulation Commission, the licensing and regulatory agency of the national government for the practice of the regulated professions, is committed to deliver service excellence to all its stakeholders with utmost:

**Professionalism** through efficient and effective quality management system by dedicated, competent, and dynamic personnel;

**Responsibility** and integrity in assuring the public is served by morally upright and highly ethical, and globally competitive Filipino professionals; and

**Credibility** in ensuring a trustworthy system of implementing the standards of practice of all professions.

The Commission further ensures the continuous quality improvement of its services.

### MISSION

To deliberately, scientifically and consistently determine the competence of professionals through the provision of professional standards and judicious issuance of professional license.

### VISION

The Professional Regulation Commission is the instrument of the Filipino people in securing for the nation a reliable, trustworthy, and progressive system of determining the competence of professionals by credible and valid licensure examinations and standards of professional practice that are globally recognized.

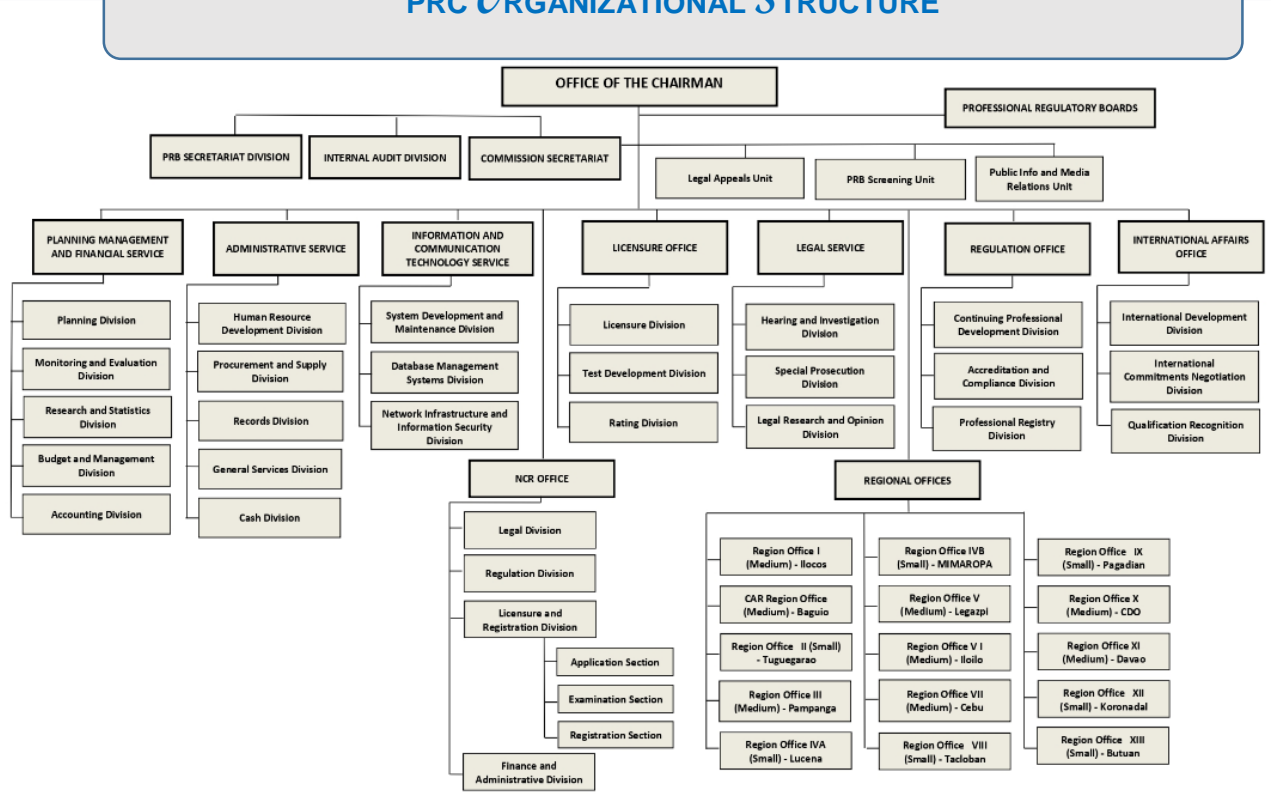
### CORE VALUES

P – rofessionalism and Integrity

R – esponsibility, Unity, and Accountability

C – ompetence and Excellence

## PRC ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE



## PROFFESIONAL REGULATORY BOARDS (PRBs)

## TECHNOLOGY

- AGRICULTURE
- ARCHITECTURE
- CHEMISTRY
- ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING
- FISHERIES
- FOOD TECHNOLOGY
- FORESTRY
- GEOLOGY
- INTERIOR DESIGN
- LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE
- MASTER PLUMBERS

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## HEALTH AND ALLIED

- DENTISTRY
- MEDICAL TECHNOLOGY
- MEDICINE
- MIDWIFERY
- NURSING
- NUTRITION AND DIETETICS
- OPTOMETRY
- PHARMACY
- PHYSICAL THERAPY
- OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY
- RADIOLOGIC TECHNOLOGY
- RESPIRATORY THERAPY
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## BUSINESS, EDUCATION AND SOCIAL

- ACCOUNTANCY
- CRIMINOLOGY
- CUSTOMS BROKERS
- GUIDANCE
- COUNSELING
- LIBRARIAN
- PROFESSIONAL  
TEACHERS
- PSYCHOLOGY
- REAL ESTATE SERVICES
- SOCIAL WORKERS

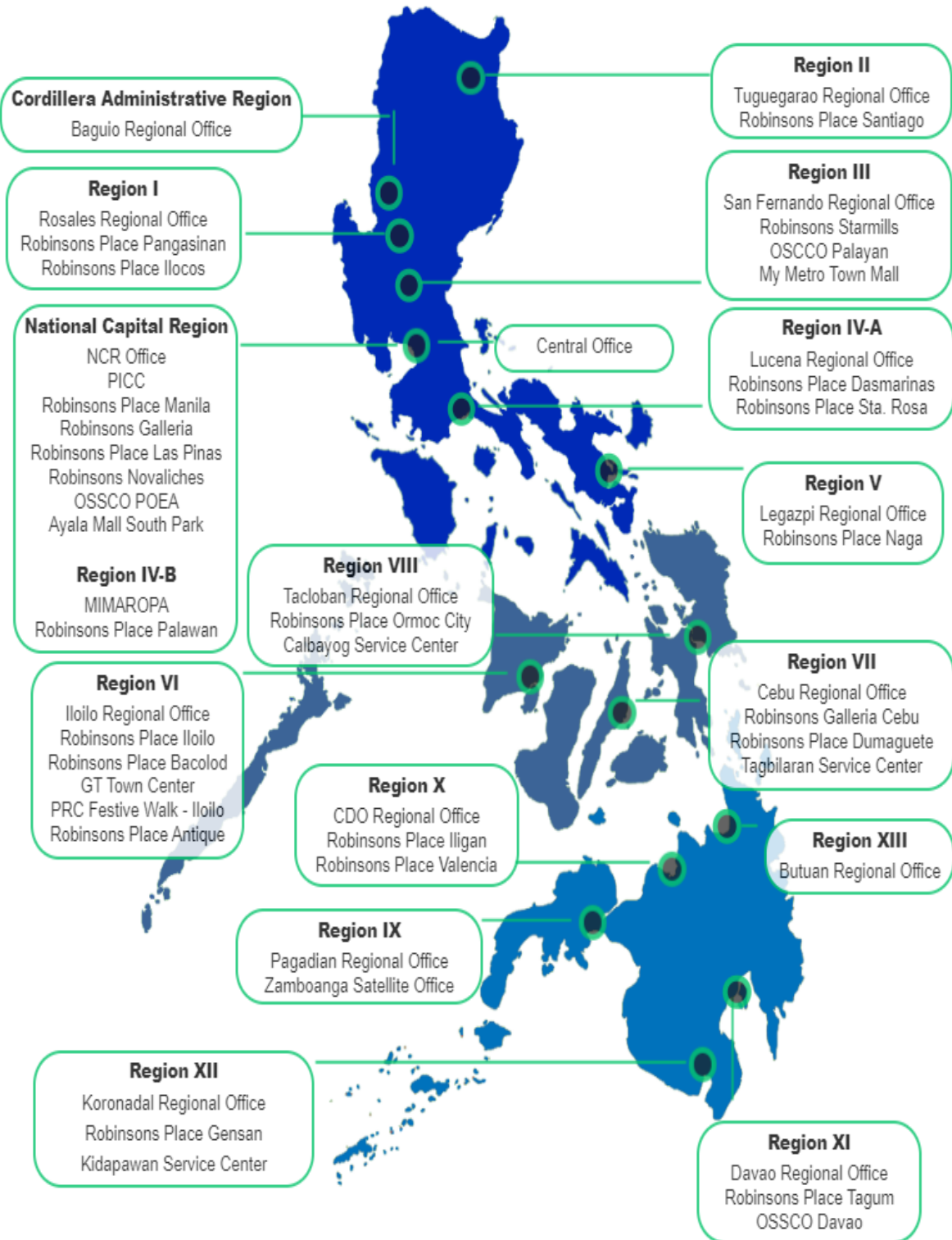
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## ENGINEERING

- AERONAUTICAL ENGINEERING
- AGRICULTURAL ENGINEERING
- CIVIL ENGINEERING
- CHEMICAL ENGINEERING
- ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING
- ELECTRONICS ENGINEERING
- GEODETIC ENGINEERING
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## PRC OFFICES AND SERVICE CENTERS



As of December 31, 2022

## PRC IN THE NEW NORMAL

The year 2022 was the year of recovery and renewed hope - *recovery* from previous years' challenges brought by the Covid-19 pandemic and *renewed hope* as we are rising and battling the aftermath of such.

Notably, FY 2022 was the Commission's momentous year as two (2) of the highest officials took their oath and joined the PRC family.

Atty. Charito A. Zamora, as the new Chairman of PRC, took her oath of office before Department of Labor and Employment (DOLE) Secretary Bienvenido E. Laguesma on September 27, 2022, while Atty. Erwin M. Enad took his oath as the new Commissioner on March 8, 2022, before former President Rodrigo Roa Duterte. Their outstanding background and broad experiences in public service will make a significant contribution to the implementation and execution of the ongoing and impending programs, projects, and activities aligned with the mandate of the Commission.



To distribute the general administration and supervision of agency operations, Office Order No. 974 (s.2022) or the Delineation of Functions and Delegation of Supervisory Jurisdiction was issued.

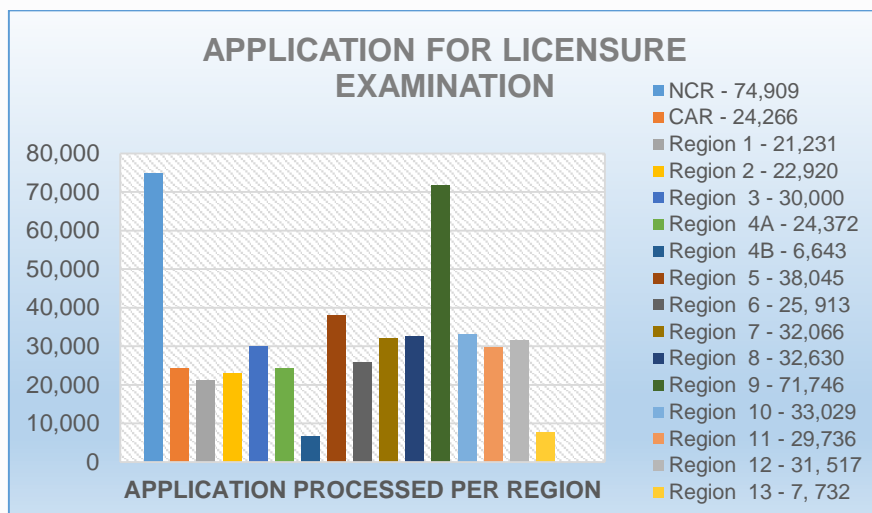
Further, to effectively and efficiently discharge the administrative, quasi-legislative, and quasi-judicial functions and responsibilities, the Commission constituted its Management Committee (MANCOM) and prescribed its composition and duties through Memorandum Order No. 64 (s.2022). The MANCOM being the collegial forum, shall review comprehensively and integrate inputs for all draft issuances on policies and programs, position papers, and resolution of issues affecting the operations of the Commission.

This annual report unveiled the progress, significant development, and efforts of the PRC in achieving its mandate to produce a corps of highly globally competitive professionals through an efficient and effective quality management system by dedicated, competent, and dynamic PRC personnel.



## APPLICATIONS FOR LICENSURE EXAMINATION

In 2022, the Commission, through the Application and Registration Division of the sixteen (16) Regional Offices (ROs) and offsite service centers processed and issued 506,755 applications for licensure examinations including applications for registration without examinations.



Taking into consideration that our country is still in a state of calamity due to the Covid-19 pandemic by Proclamation No. 57 (s. 2022), the Commission issued various resolutions extending the deadline for the filing of applications to give ample time to applicants in the preparation and submission of documentary requirements. Among the professions that extended the filing of applications were Dentistry, Respiratory Therapy, Professional Forestry, Mechanical Engineering, Aeronautical Engineering, and Customs Brokers.

Meanwhile, to address the uncontrolled generation of the Notice of Admission (NOA) through the Licensure Examination and Registration Information System – Online Application System (LERIS-OAS) by repeater applicants with incomplete uploading of documentary requirements, the Commission issued PRC Resolution No. 1495 (s. 2022) amending the revised guidelines in the filing and processing of applications for licensure examinations of repeater examinees/applicants. The repeater examinees/applicants shall no longer be required to apply personally and submit basic requirements such as copies of Transcript of Record and Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA) Birth Certificate, provided certain conditions were met.

The Professional Regulatory Board (PRB) for Professional Teachers issued the enhanced Table of Specifications (TOS) for the subjects of the Licensure Examination for Professional Teachers (LEPT) and approved the changes in the classification of majors. The enhanced TOS shall be applied to start March 2023 LEPT onwards. The New Descriptive Titles of the Subjects in Professional Education were also issued to ensure logical sequencing and orderly progression from theory to practical application for the required eighteen (18) units of Professional Education for non-Bachelor of Secondary Education (BSEd) graduates. The guidelines on the evaluation of the educational qualifications of applicants for the LEPT Secondary Level starting 2023 onwards to align with the new policies standards and guidelines (PSGs) under CHED Memorandum Order (CMO) Nos. 74 & 75, (s. 2017) was also issued.

The PRB of Criminology likewise issued Board Resolution No. 05 (s.2022) on the Adoption and Promulgation of the Revised TOS for the Subjects in the Licensure Examination for Criminologists. The existing TOS was amended in light of the changes in the titles of the curricular areas of Criminology and the latest trends or advancements in the practice of the profession, and the applicable qualification descriptors, taking into account the Philippine Qualifications Framework

(PQF) Standards. Subsequently, the Board issued the new schedule and title of the subjects and their relative weights for the December 4, 5, and 6, 2022 Licensure Examination for Criminologists.

Moreover, the PRBs for Social Workers, Food Technology, and Metallurgical Engineering adopted the enhanced TOS to appropriately incorporate the competencies covering topics, areas, or concepts and their sub-topics in the licensure examination subjects by providing the percentage weights and the number of items and not to mention the levels of difficulty.

The PRB of Electronics Engineering created a Special Committee to assist in the development of the syllabi and TOS for the Subjects of the Electronics Engineers and Electronics Technicians Licensure Examinations to conform with the technological and modern changes, to adapt to the latest developments in the curriculum and practice, and to align with the Philippine Qualifications Framework.

## ADMINISTRATION AND CONDUCT OF LICENSURE EXAMINATIONS

The Commission issued PRC Resolution No. 1439 (s.2021) for the approved licensure examinations for the Calendar Year 2022, including the target date of release of exam results. It also set forth Guidelines on the Printing of Test Questions inside the Confidential Printing Room for the 2022 Licensure Examination for Professional Teachers and Criminologists in all testing centers nationwide.

The Licensure Examination for Professional Teachers (LEPT) in FY 2022 was conducted in four (4) batches due to the postponement of examinations in FY 2021 and the large number of examinees. With the influx of examinees for the October 2022 LEPT, the Commission provided additional guidelines in the conduct of the October 2022 LEPT by allowing the assignment of volunteer personnel to assist in the conduct of the LEPT, observance of at least one-meter distance between and among examinees, and employment of two (2) proctors per room.

Moreover, the Commission approved the In-House Computer-Based Licensure Examination (CBLE) System and authorized its implementation through PRC Resolution No. 1536 (s.2022). In 2022, CBLEs were conducted in five (5) professions such as Psychologists, Sanitary Engineers, Qualifying Assessment for Foreign Medical Professionals, Naval Architects, and Geologists.

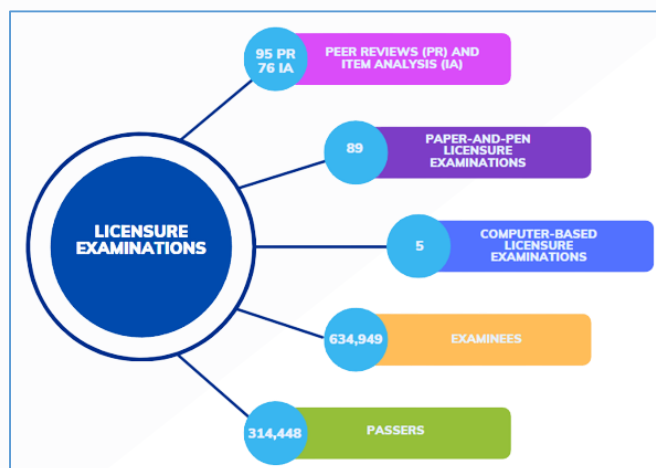
The PRBs endorsed to the Commission the approval of the requests from Local Government Units (LGUs) and prospective examinees for the inclusion of their respective provinces as testing centers. Thus, the following additional testing centers/venues for various licensure examinations were designated:

| LICENSURE EXAMINATION | ADDITIONAL TESTING CENTERS/VENUES  |
|-----------------------|--|
| Professional Teachers | Mati and Masbate (March)<br>Masbate, Bacolod City, Bayambang, Pangasinan, Kidapawan City, Digos, Mati and Tagum, Catarman, Calapan, Puerto Princesa, Boac, Romblon, and San Jose (September) |
| Criminologists        | Naga City (June)<br>Naga City, Legazpi, San Jose De Buenavista, Antique, San Jose Occidental Mindoro, Kidapawan City (December)  |
| Architects            | Tuguegarao City (June)   |
| Interior Designers    | Cebu City (July)   |
| Guidance Counselors   | Davao City (August)  |

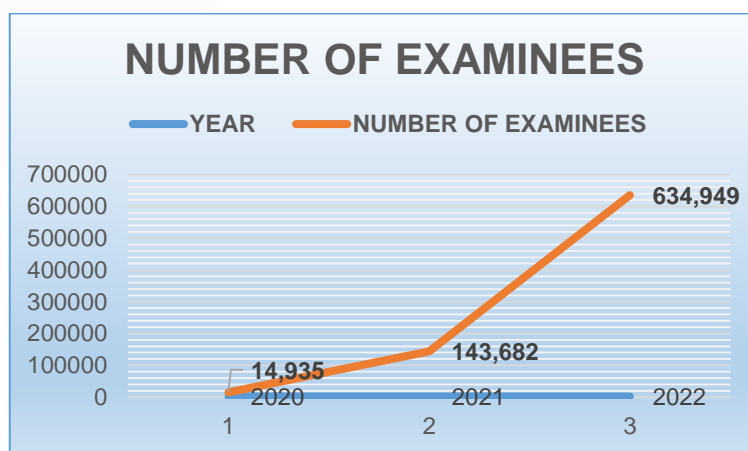


| LICENSURE EXAMINATION        | ADDITIONAL TESTING CENTERS/VENUES |
|------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Social Workers               | Butuan City(September)            |
| Librarians                   | Zamboanga City (September)        |
| Certified Public Accountants | Butuan City(October)              |
| Nurses                       | Butuan City (November)            |

Overall, ninety-five (95) Peer Reviews and seventy-six (76) Item Analyses meetings were conducted based on the Approved Annual Calendar of Meetings with Test Consultants and PRBs. Likewise, eighty-nine (89) traditional pen-and-paper licensure examinations and five (5) CBLEs totaling ninety-four (94) licensure examinations were conducted. Three hundred fourteen thousand four hundred forty-eight (314,448) of the 634,949 examinees passed the licensure examinations, and 100% of statistical data for monitoring of school performance was generated within one (1) day after the release of examination results.



The gradual lifting of health protocols amidst the pandemic in the conduct of various licensure examinations resulted in a relatively higher increase in the number of examinees compared to the last two (2) pandemic years.



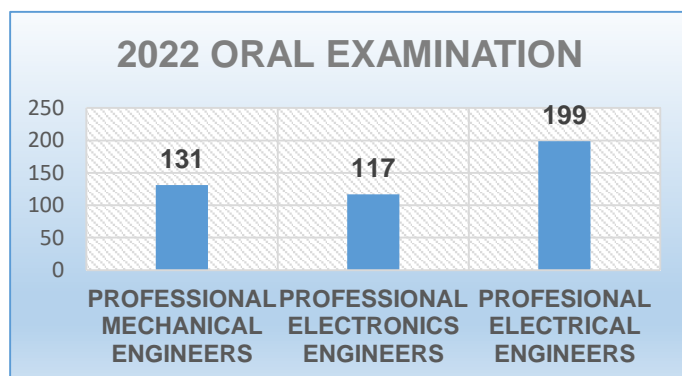
| 2022 LICENSURE EXAMINATIONS CONDUCTED |  |                  |                |
|---------------------------------------|--|------------------|----------------|
| #                                     | LICENSURE EXAMINATIONS                 | No. of Examinees | No. of Passers |
| <b>JANUARY</b>                        |  |                  |                |
| 1                                     | Real Estate Consultants (Revalidation) | 337              | 314            |
| 2                                     | Optometrists (practical)               | 246              | 226            |
| 3                                     | Dentists (written/complete)            | 1,530            | 731            |
| 4                                     | Dentists (Practical)                   | 130              |                |
| 5                                     | Medical Technologists                  | 2,619            | 1,307          |
| 6                                     | Architects                             | 2,205            | 1,370          |
| 7                                     | Professional Teachers                  | 38,150           | 20,811         |
| 8                                     | Sanitary Engineers                     | 177              | 89             |
| <b>FEBRUARY</b>                       |  |                  |                |

| #  | LICENSURE EXAMINATIONS   | No. of Examinees | No. of Passers |
|----|--|------------------|----------------|
| 9  | Respiratory Therapists   | 397              | 194            |
| 10 | Psychometrician  | 2,241            | 969            |
| 11 | Psychologists (CBLE)   | 303              | 226            |
| 12 | Master Plumbers  | 1,244            | 776            |
| 13 | Social Workers   | 1,211            | 533            |
| 14 | Mechanical Engineers   | 3,780            | 2,121          |
| 15 | Certified Plant Mechanic                                       | 95               | 52             |
|    | <b>MARCH</b>   |                  |                |
| 16 | Radiologic Technologists                                       | 112              | 36             |
| 17 | Geodetic Engineers   | 51               | 21             |
| 18 | Physicians   | 2,837            | 1,427          |
| 19 | Medical Technologists  | 2,752            | 1,268          |
| 20 | Professional Teachers  | 39,284           | 17,848         |
| 21 | Veterinarians  | 607              | 288            |
|    | <b>APRIL</b>   |                  |                |
| 22 | Pharmacists  | 1,870            | 678            |
| 23 | Midwives   | 1,559            | 733            |
| 24 | Real Estate Brokers  | 954              | 584            |
| 25 | Electronics Engineer   | 1,925            | 897            |
| 26 | Electronics Technician   | 1,337            | 1,139          |
| 27 | Registered Electrical Engineers                                | 5,567            | 3,029          |
| 28 | Registered Master Electricians                                 | 3,712            | 1,717          |
|    | <b>MAY</b>   |                  |                |
| 29 | Civil Engineers  | 13,779           | 5,836          |
| 30 | Dentists   | 1,472            | 683            |
| 31 | Dentists (Practical Only)                                      |                  |                |
| 32 | Chemical Engineers   | 1,032            | 585            |
| 33 | Certified Public Accountants                                   | 4,442            | 990            |
| 34 | Dental Hygienists (written)                                    | 20               | 11             |
| 35 | Dental Hygienists (practical)                                  |                  |                |
| 36 | Nurses   | 9,729            | 6,616          |
|    | <b>JUNE</b>  |                  |                |
| 37 | Physical Therapists  | 1,032            | 564            |
| 38 | Occupational Therapists  | 247              | 88             |
| 39 | Criminologists   | 41,913           | 12,698         |
| 40 | Architects   | 4,766            | 3,037          |
| 41 | Professional Teachers  | 37,340           | 18,860         |
|    | <b>JULY</b>  |                  |                |
| 42 | Interior Designers   | 405              | 266            |
| 43 | Master Plumbers  | 3,705            | 1,900          |
| 44 | Landscape Architects   | 114              | 74             |
| 45 | Environmental Planners   | 178              | 108            |
|    | <b>AUGUST</b>  |                  |                |
| 46 | Mechanical Engineers   | 5,880            | 3,184          |
| 47 | Certified Plant Mechanic                                       | 174              | 140            |
| 48 | Guidance Counselors  | 661              | 405            |
| 49 | Medical Technologist   | 3,582            | 1,796          |
| 50 | Sanitary Engineers (CBLE)                                      | 189              | 67             |
|    | <b>SEPTEMBER</b>   |                  |                |
| 51 | Registered Electrical Engineering                              | 4,914            | 2,433          |
| 52 | Registered Master Electricians                                 | 3,857            | 2,433          |
| 53 | Real Estate Appraiser  | 626              | 356            |
| 54 | Qualifying Assessment for Foreign Medical Professionals (CBLE) | 634              | 356            |
| 55 | Librarians   | 634              | 250            |
| 56 | Mining Engineers   | 389              | 253            |
| 57 | Agricultural and Biosystems Engineers                          | 1,968            | 832            |
| 58 | Social Workers   | 4,723            | 2,955          |
| 59 | Professional Teachers  | 231,002          | 120,863        |

| #  | LICENSURE EXAMINATIONS            | No. of Examinees | No. of Passers |
|----|-----------------------------------|------------------|----------------|
| 60 | Veterinarians                     | 928              | 335            |
|    | <b>OCTOBER</b>                    |                  |                |
| 61 | Metallurgical Engineers           | 47               | 31             |
| 62 | Naval Architects (CBLE)           | 116              | 48             |
| 63 | Geodetic Engineers                | 1,142            | 602            |
| 64 | Fisheries                         | 1,966            | 716            |
| 65 | Electronics Engineers             | 2,644            | 785            |
| 66 | Electronics Technicians           | 2,005            | 1,546          |
| 67 | Chemical Engineers                | 1,036            | 531            |
| 68 | Certified Public Accountants      | 6,665            | 1,722          |
| 69 | Chemists                          | 731              | 284            |
| 70 | Chemical Technicians              | 2,588            | 2,204          |
| 71 | Physicians                        | 5,958            | 3,826          |
| 72 | Optometrists (written)            | 284              | 179            |
| 73 | Optometrists (practical)          | 1                |                |
| 74 | Ocular Pharmacologists            | 14               | 12             |
| 75 | Foresters                         | 2,034            | 1,116          |
| 76 | Nutritionists-Dietitians          | 1,114            | 719            |
|    | <b>NOVEMBER</b>                   |                  |                |
| 77 | Customs Brokers                   | 1,879            | 873            |
| 78 | Midwives                          | 3,472            | 1,768          |
| 79 | Pharmacists                       | 3,828            | 2,390          |
| 80 | Nurses                            | 24,903           | 18,529         |
| 81 | Geologists (CBLE)                 | 306              | 154            |
| 82 | Civil Engineers                   | 20,407           | 8,029          |
| 83 | Agriculturists                    | 11,673           | 4,035          |
| 84 | Dentists (written)                | 2,341            | 1,431          |
|    | <b>DECEMBER</b>                   |                  |                |
| 85 | Physical Therapists               | 1,981            | 1,186          |
| 86 | Occupational Therapists           | 484              | 241            |
| 87 | Dentists (Practical)              | 1                | 0              |
| 88 | Criminologists                    | 33,489           | 11,098         |
| 89 | Real Estate Consultants (written) | 17               | 1              |
| 90 | Dental Technologists (written)    | 16               | 10             |
| 91 | Dental Technologists (Practical)  | 0                | 0              |
| 92 | Aeronautical Engineers            | 843              | 351            |
| 93 | Radiologic Technologists          | 3,759            | 1,515          |
| 94 | X-ray Technologists               | 263              | 49             |
|    | <b>TOTAL</b>                      | <b>634,949</b>   | <b>314,018</b> |

The Commission authorized the conduct of face-to-face and online oral examinations for upgrading the licenses of Professional Mechanical Engineering, Professional Electrical Engineers (PEE), and Professional Electronics Engineers (PECE). A total of 447 professional engineers passed the 2022 oral examinations.

All approved schedule of online oral examinations were conducted at PRC Regional Offices or approved facility abroad nearest to the foreign-based applicant .



## SPECIAL PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE EXAMINATION (SPLE)

The Commission and the PRB for Professional Teachers approved the conduct of the Special Licensure Examination for Professional Teachers (SLEPT) in Bangkok, Thailand through PRC Resolution Nos. 1522 & 1556 (s.2022).

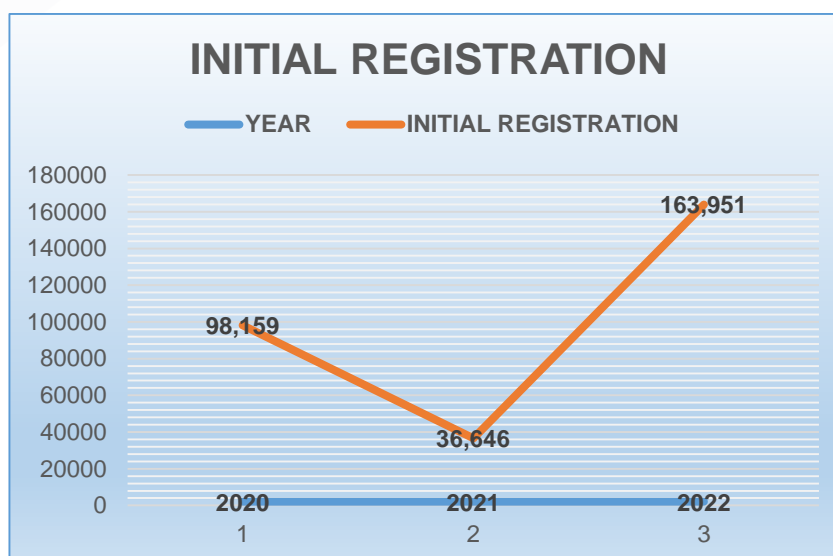
Two hundred thirty-three (233) elementary level and 618 secondary level, totaling 851 examinees, participated in the October 2022 SLEPT.

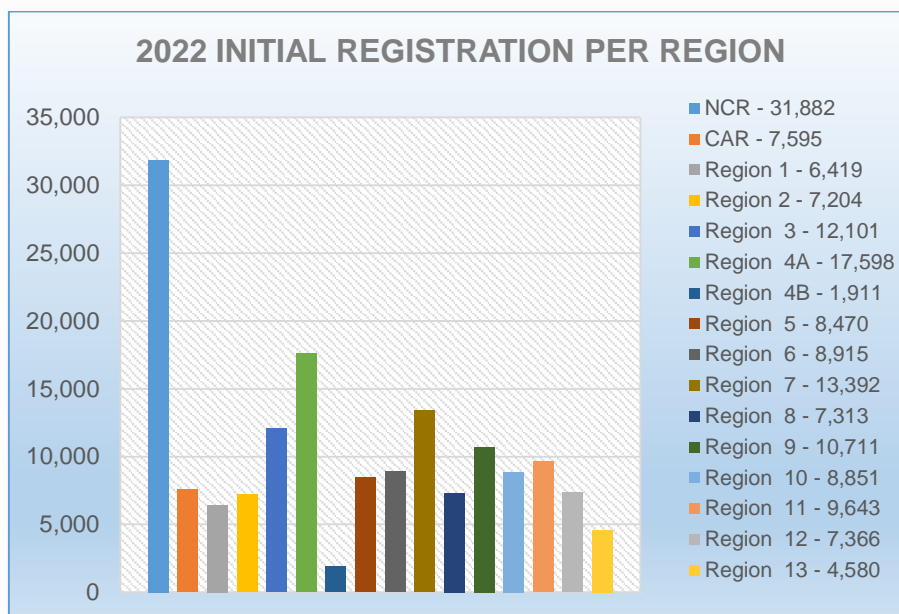
On the other hand, the scheduled thirteen (13) SPLEs in the Middle East and Singapore were postponed pursuant to Resolution No. 1492 (s.2022) due to the global uncertainties caused by the Covid-19 crisis and examinees in the frontline professions may not be prepared. Further, the examination schedule coincided with the preparation for the Absentee Voting for Overseas Filipino Workers.



## INITIAL REGISTRATION

The Commission, through the Registration Section of various Regional Offices and offsite service centers processed and issued a total of 163,951 registration of new professionals. The number of registrants was relatively higher compared to the number of registrants in the last two (2) years.





In FY 2022, the Commission approved the PRB of Food Technology Board Resolution No. 01 (s. 2022) on the Adoption, Issuance, and Promulgation of the Code of Professional Conduct for Professional Food Technologists which defined and prescribed the rules of professional conduct for the proper observance by all Professional Food Technologists in the country. The Operational Guidelines on the Registration without Examination of Professional Food Technologists were also issued and implemented on June 9, 2022. The acceptance of applications for Registration without Examination will be accepted only until June 10, 2024, pursuant to Food Technology Board Resolution No. 09 (s. 2022). Meanwhile, the Implementing Rules and Regulations of Republic Act (RA) No. 11052 (An Act Regulating the Practice of Food Technology in the Philippines or the Philippine Food Technology Act) was issued on October 7, 2022.

## OATH TAKING OF NEW PASSERS

The PRB Secretariat Division, Information and Communication Technology Service (ICTS), and Regional Offices assisted the PRBs in administering the conduct of oath-taking through face-to-face, virtual and hybrid to newly passed professionals.

The Commission issued Resolution No. 1567 (s.2022) Prescribing the New Guidelines on the Face-to-Face Oath-taking of New Professionals, Adopting for Such Purpose the Online Confirmation System, and the Rules for its Implementation vis-a-vis Online Oath-taking. The guidelines covered all mass and special oath-taking of new professionals to be conducted



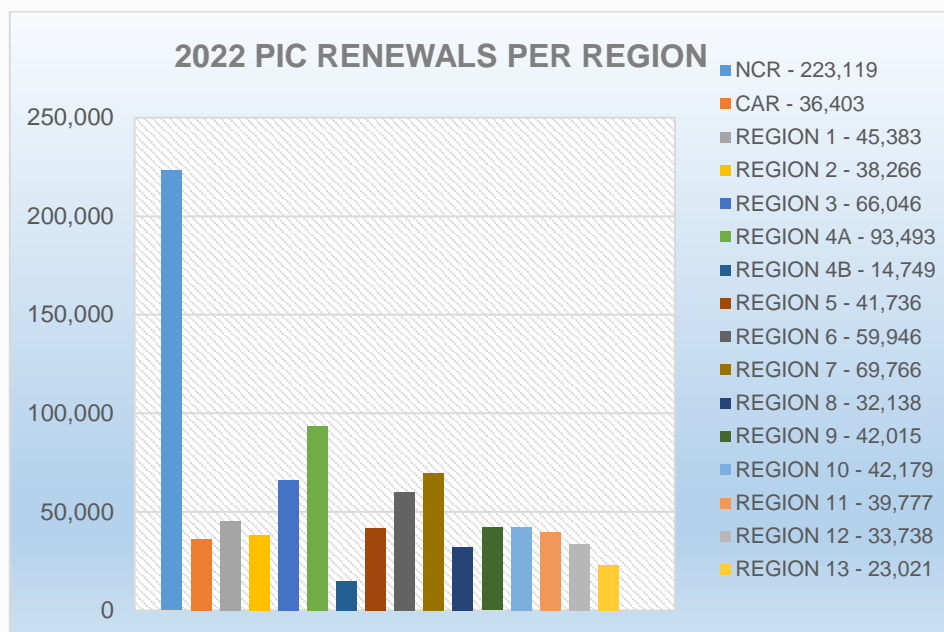
FACE-TO-FACE OATH TAKING OF NEW PHYSICIANS AT PICC, ROXAS BOULEVARD, PASAY CITY

face-to-face or in-person anywhere in the Philippines. As of this year, ninety-nine (99) mass oath takings and eighty-six (86) special (face-to-face and virtual) oath takings were conducted.



## RENEWAL OF PROFESSIONAL IDENTIFICATION CARDS (PICs)

A total of 901,775 renewals of PICs by various professionals were processed and issued in 2022 through the online appointment system. The professionals have the option to have their renewed PIC delivered to their homes or delivery addresses at their convenience via courier service. The graph below shows the number of PIC renewals processed and issued by the regional offices:



In conformity with the customer focus thrust of the Commission in recognizing the Overseas Filipino Professionals' (OFP) valuable contribution to national economic growth, and upholding the high standards of professional practice by all Filipino Professionals in the international fora, a Special Online Service (SOS) for the application and release of renewal services for OFP was provided, and guidelines governing the process was issued pursuant to PRC Resolution No. 1488 (s.2022).

Meanwhile, the Commission and the PRB of Geology approved Resolution No. 04 (s.2022) which required the submission of the Certificate of Membership in Good Standing from the Accredited Integrated Professional Organization (AIPO) for the renewal of PICs of all registered and licensed Geologists pursuant to Section 35, Article IV of Republic Act (R.A.) No. 10166, known as the "Geology Profession Act of 2012."

Further, the PRB of Guidance and Counseling directed all Regional Offices to accept and verify the authenticity of the submitted electronically-generated Certificate of Good Standing (eCOGS) issued by the registered AIPO (Philippine Guidance and Counseling Association, Inc.) as a requirement for the renewal of the PICs.

## ISSUANCE OF CERTIFICATION, AUTHENTICATION, AND STATEBOARD VERIFICATION

Pending the implementation of the accreditation of Liaison Officer (LO), the interim guidelines on the processing of applications filed through bunch/batch by the authorized representative and/or designated LO in accordance with Memorandum Order (MO) No. 58 (s. 2022), and further amended by MO No. 93 (s.2022), was issued to respond to the issues and concerns raised in the implementation of MO No. 58.

The Commission, through the Online Certification System and Online Appointment System for Authentications of various PRC documents, processed, approved, and issued a total of 751,782 and 1,539,051 requests for Certifications and Authentications respectively. Likewise, a total of 50,553 Stateboard Verification documents were processed in 2022.

The table below shows the number of issued certifications and authentication by the regional offices:

| NUMBER OF APPLICATIONS FOR CERTIFICATION, AUTHENTICATION, AND STATEBOARD VERIFICATION PROCESSED |                  |                |                  |                         |
|---|------------------|----------------|------------------|-------------------------|
| #   | REGIONAL OFFICES | CERTIFICATION  | AUTHENTICATION   | STATEBOARD VERIFICATION |
| 1   | NCR              | 84,426         | 199,899          | 24,451                  |
| 2   | CAR              | 27,940         | 48,636           | 3,591                   |
| 3   | REGION 1         | 32,621         | 81,965           | 2,408                   |
| 4   | REGION 2         | 29,096         | 88,444           | 967                     |
| 5   | REGION 3         | 45,492         | 109,554          | 2,276                   |
| 6   | REGION 4A        | 49,135         | 112,723          | 1,330                   |
| 7   | REGION 4B        | 12,308         | 38,144           | 419                     |
| 8   | REGION 5         | 100,769        | 103,601          | 1,024                   |
| 9   | REGION 6         | 40,106         | 96,744           | 2,881                   |
| 10  | REGION 7         | 45,993         | 76,712           | 4,813                   |
| 11  | REGION 8         | 81,302         | 147,125          | 601                     |
| 12  | REGION 9         | 47,114         | 133,504          | 1,068                   |
| 13  | REGION 10        | 46,353         | 88,943           | 1,588                   |
| 14  | REGION 11        | 46,837         | 89,856           | 2,377                   |
| 15  | REGION 12        | 27,147         | 73,728           | 352                     |
| 16  | REGION 13        | 35,143         | 49,473           | 407                     |
|   |                  | <b>751,782</b> | <b>1,539,051</b> | <b>50,553</b>           |

## INSPECTION AND MONITORING

Due to the COVID-19 health crisis encountered in the last two (2) years, and as a result of the new PRC organizational structure, the Commission issued PRC Resolution Nos. 1471 & 1471A (s.2022) on the Revised Guidelines on the Conduct of Inspection and Monitoring of Educational Institutions and Establishments to update the inspection guidelines, as well as to provide other modes of conducting inspection and monitoring other than through physical mode. The annual schedule or calendar of inspection and monitoring activities of the various PRBs for the year 2022 was also issued.

For this year, 373 Higher Education Institutions (HEIs) and 640 Firms and Establishments, totaling 1,013, were monitored and inspected in Metro Manila and various provinces nationwide.

The table below shows the number of inspections conducted per board.

| INSPECTIONS CONDUCTED PER PROFESSION (2022) |   |                |     |                           |                |
|---|---|----------------|-----|---------------------------|----------------|
| No.   | PRB                                     | ACCOMPLISHMENT | No. | PRB                       | ACCOMPLISHMENT |
| 1   | Accountancy                             | 54             | 24  | Master Plumbing           | 0              |
| 2   | Aeronautical Engineering                | 4              | 25  | Mechanical Engineering    | 0              |
| 3   | Agricultural and Biosystems Engineering | 0              | 26  | Medical Technology        | 32             |
| 4   | Agriculture                             | 12             | 27  | Medicine                  | 22             |
| 5   | Architecture                            | 3              | 28  | Metallurgical Engineering | 3              |
| 6   | Chemical Engineering                    | 17             | 29  | Midwifery                 | 5              |
| 7   | Chemistry                               | 267            | 30  | Mining Engineering        | 3              |
| 8   | Civil Engineering                       | 11             | 31  | Naval Architecture        | 5              |
| 9   | Criminology                             | 35             | 32  | Nursing                   | 10             |
| 10  | Customs Broker                          | 23             | 33  | Nutrition and Dietetics   | 15             |
| 11  | Dentistry                               | 7              | 34  | Occupational Therapy      | 8              |
| 12  | Electrical Engineering                  | 6              | 35  | Optometry                 | 65             |
| 13  | Electronics Engineering                 | 2              | 36  | Pharmacy                  | 13             |
| 14  | Environmental Planning                  | 2              | 37  | Physical Therapy          | 15             |
| 15  | Fisheries                               | 4              | 38  | Professional Teachers     | 0              |
| 16  | Food Technology                         | 44             | 39  | Psychology                | 41             |
| 17  | Foresters                               | 8              | 40  | Radiologic Technology     | 53             |
| 18  | Geodetic Engineering                    | 14             | 41  | Real Estate Service       | 57             |
| 19  | Geology                                 | 7              | 42  | Respiratory Therapy       | 26             |
| 20  | Guidance and Counseling                 | 4              | 43  | Sanitary Engineering      | 0              |
| 21  | Interior Design                         | 9              | 44  | Social Workers            | 15             |
| 22  | Landscape Architecture                  | 27             | 45  | Speech-Language Pathology | 0              |
| 23  | Librarianship                           | 26             | 46  | Veterinary Medicine       | 39             |
| TOTAL                                       |   |                |     |                           | 1,013          |

## ISSUANCE OF CERTIFICATE OF ACCREDITATION, COMPLIANCE, REGISTRATION, AND AUTHORITY TO OPERATE

For the year 2022, the Commission and the PRBs, through the Accreditation and Compliance Division (ACD), processed and issued 1,283 Certificates of Accreditation of Individual/Firm/Partnership/, 6 Certificates of Registration, 344 Certificates of Compliance, and 113 Certificates of Authority to Operate.

The table below shows the number of certificates issued:

| NUMBER OF CERTIFICATES ISSUED IN 2022 |       |
|---------------------------------------|-------|
| CERTIFICATE OF ACCREDITATION          |       |
| Accountancy                           | 1,270 |
| Dentistry                             | 1     |

| NUMBER OF CERTIFICATES ISSUED IN 2022 |              |
|---------------------------------------|--------------|
| Pharmacy                              | 64           |
| Real Estate Services                  | 232          |
| APO/AIPO Accreditation                | 16           |
| <b>CERTIFICATE OF REGISTRATION</b>    |              |
| Architecture                          | 3            |
| Civil Engineering                     | 1            |
| Environmental Planning                | 2            |
| <b>CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE</b>      |              |
| Electrical Engineering                | 37           |
| Mechanical Engineering                | 307          |
| <b>AUTHORITY TO OPERATE</b>           |              |
| Chemistry                             | 113          |
| <b>TOTAL</b>                          | <b>2,046</b> |

Meanwhile, the ACD submitted to the Information and Communication Technology Service (ICTS) the system requirements for the development of the Accreditation and Compliance Online Application System (ACOAS) for accreditation, registration, compliance, and authority to operate.

## IMPLEMENTATION OF CONTINUING PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT (CPD)

In view of the continued threats of Covid-19 that might still hamper compliance with CPD requirements of professionals, the Commission issued PRC Resolution No. 1577 (s. 2022) extending further the acceptance of CPD Undertaking for the renewal of PIC until December 2023. The execution of undertakings, however, shall not constitute as a waiver of the CPD compliance, and such compliance shall be completed on the next renewal cycle.

For effective implementation of CPD, the Commission issued PRC Resolution No.1520 (s. 2022) on the Supplemental Guidelines on the Determination of CPD Providers' Seminar/Registration Fee, and Memorandum Order No. 36(A) (s. 2022) on the Internal Procedure in the Processing of Requests for CPD Accreditation of Learning Activities/ Programs Initiated or Endorsed by the Professional Regulatory Boards, CPD Councils, Central Office, Regional Offices, and/or the Commission.

For the year 2022, the CPD Councils conducted 906 regular/special and consultative meetings and 18 capacity buildings. A total of 420 Providers, 15,836 Programs, and 19,831 Other Activities were accredited. Also, 402 Certificates of Accreditation for approved providers and 13,387 Certificates of Accreditation for approved programs were issued, 724 CPD programs and



activities were monitored, and 1,169,840 professionals were able to attend accredited CPD Programs.

Due to voluminous applications for accreditation of CPD programs and providers and applications under Self-Directed and/or Lifelong learning, the Commission approved the recommendation of the PRBs of Interior Design and Medicine for the issuance of Resolutions Designating Additional CPD Council Alternates, Evaluators, and Monitors. To date, there were 23 CPD Councils that designated additional CPD program monitors.

The existing modules and processes of the Continuing Professional Development Accreditation System (CPDAS) were also enhanced by including features such as the additional source of information filed in self-directed learning (SDL) application, modified professional's display table of attended accredited programs, improved public list view of applications, and among others. CPD applicants can now pay online and the professionals can now view his/her SDL applications regardless of multiple accounts used while the accredited provider can now request program cancellation through the system.

Numerous orientations, stakeholders' consultations, and information dissemination were conducted nationwide to keep abreast not only the professionals but also the providers on various ways of implementing the CPD.

## RESOLUTION OF CASES

The Commission maintained the implementation of Memorandum Order No. 32 (s. 2020) on the Guidelines on the Filing of Pleadings and Conduct of Hearings and Other Legal Proceedings affected by the Community Quarantine and Memorandum Order No. 34 (s. 2021) on the Interim Guidelines on the Conduct of Hearings and Administrative Proceedings via Videoconferencing, and Other Processes Incidental Thereto to ensure continuity of the conduct of hearings and resolve pending cases.

For this year, the Commission, through the Legal Service and Regional Offices, resolved a total of 604 cases, decided and dismissed 245 cases, and mediated 988 cases.

As a rejoinder to the issue raised in the House of Representatives during the Budget Hearing and in support of the government's priority to streamline systems and procedures to ensure the effective delivery of government services to the general public, the PRC issued Resolution No. 1558 (s. 2022) suspending the Implementation of Memorandum Order No. 44 or the Guidelines on the Tagging and Untagging of Professionals with Administrative Case. However, the suspension of the said rules shall not apply to those professionals whose authority to practice was suspended or revoked through a final and executory order, decision, or resolution of the Board or the Commission, to protect the interest of the general public against the unauthorized practice of the profession.

## MUTUAL RECOGNITION ARRANGEMENT AND MUTUAL RECOGNITION OF PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS

With the collaborative engagements for establishing instruments for mutual recognition of professional qualifications, the Commission with the PRBs and stakeholders facilitated and managed the conduct of the following conferment:



- 12<sup>th</sup> ASEAN Chartered Professional Engineers (ACPE) Conferment Ceremony held on August 02, 2022;
- 13<sup>th</sup> ASEAN Chartered Professional Engineers (ACPE) Conferment Ceremony held on December 12, 2022;
- 8th ASEAN Architect (AA) Conferment Ceremony held on November 29, 2022



This year marked a 6.21% increase in the number of professionals registered under various mutual recognition arrangements within ASEAN and other countries including international trade agreements where the Philippines is a signatory. A total of 86 Filipino engineers registered as ACPE, 25 Filipino accountants as ASEAN CPA, and 4 Filipino architects as AA.

Meanwhile, 372 Special Temporary Permits (STP) were issued to Foreigners who intend to practice their profession in the Philippines, and 3 Temporary Training Permits (TTT) for Foreign Medical Professionals who intend to undertake residency/fellowship training programs.

Likewise, the Commission continued to actively participate in negotiations and review of bilateral/multilateral arrangements to promote and facilitate the borderless practice of the profession by managing and facilitating the conduct of the following international conferences under the International Commitment Fund (ICF) for 2022:

- PRB of Dentistry - Country Representatives General Meeting (Executive Council Meeting) on 25-27 August 2022
- 102nd ASEAN Coordinating Committee on Services (CCS) and Related Meetings held last 26-30 September 2022
- PRB of Landscape Architecture –Leadership in Education and Practice 3 (LEaP 3): Academic Alignment and Program Recognition on 03-05 November 2022
- PRB of Psychology – International Psychology Summit on Regulation, Professional Mobility and the Challenges of Industry 4.0 & 5.0 on 20-23 November 2022
- PRB of Guidance and Counseling – First International Conference for ASEAN Guidance Counselors on 23-25 November 2022
- PRB of Interior Design - First Conference with Indonesia for the Mutual Recognition of Professional Qualifications on 01-04 December 2022
- PRB for Professional Teachers - First Southeast Asian Conference of Teachers and Teacher Educators on 06-09 December 2022
- PRB for Librarians - 2nd Southeast Asian Librarians Leadership Convergence: Towards Mutual Recognition Arrangement Among ASEAN Countries on 13-15 December 2022

Further, the Commission and the Philippine Overseas Construction Board (POCB), together with the DTI, agreed to collaborate towards Filipino ASEAN and APEC Architects promotion through a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) on February 12, 2022, during the UAP - Dubai International Conference held in Dubai, United Arab Emirates.

As one of the country's representatives, the PRC together with the Department of Trade and Industry (DTI)'s delegation team, graced the ASEAN Economic Community Fact-Finding Mission (AEC-FFM) held in Dili, Timor Leste, on June 17-23, 2022. The said fact-finding Committee assessed the readiness of Timor Leste in complying with AEC commitments and its interest in joining the ASEAN from an economic perspective.



Aside from being a member of AEC-FFM, the PRC, through the International Affairs Office, joined the Knowledge Sharing Program on the Interim Reporting and Policy Practitioner's seminar from June 26 to July 1, 2022, in South Korea. The Republic of Korea imparted its development experience through intellectual property and endeavors to support the Philippines' human resource development (HRD) to achieve sustainable growth.



The APEC Architect Monitoring Committee of the Philippines (AAMCOP) successfully held its virtual handover ceremony of the APEC Architect Central Council Chairmanship to the Architect Council of Thailand (ACT). The said event was spearheaded by then PRC and AAMCOP

Chairman Teofilo S. Pilando, Jr, United Architects of the Philippines (UAP), FUAP, CHED, and PRB of Architecture on August 5, 2022.

The Commission met with the Saudi Council of Engineers (SCE) along with representatives from the Department of Migrant Workers, DFA and the Philippine Council of Engineers and Architects on November 29, 2022, and discussed the standardization of the validation processes of the credentials for Filipino engineers and architects living and employed in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia (KSA) to improve the facilitation of the mobility of Filipino Engineers and Architects including the upcoming Special Licensure Examination (SPLE) to be administered in KSA.



The PRC and the Professional Regulatory Board of Nursing met on December 1, 2023, with the representatives of the Ministry of Health of the Government of Saskatchewan, Canada, and discussed the possible integration of more Filipino Healthcare Workers (HCW) within Saskatchewan and strengthening their skills both in the academic and professional setting. Parties also exchanged views and information on the current nursing education curriculum being at par with the international curriculum without the need for bridging and agreed to strengthen future collaboration regarding the nursing profession.



## CAREER PROGRESSION AND SPECIALIZATION PROGRAM, AND CREDIT ACCUMULATION AND TRANSFER SYSTEM (CPSP-CATS)

For this year, four (4) PRBs have constituted CPSP-CATS Committees pursuant to PRC Resolution No. 1262, (s. 2020) on the Creation of the CPSP-CATS Committee for Each of the Regulated Profession to operationalize the provisions of the laws and to identify the employee or professional specific training standards and qualifications aligned with industry standards, totaling 21 PRBs with their respective CPSP-CATS Committees.

- Respiratory Therapy (Resolution No. 1486, s. 2022)
- Electronics Engineering (Resolution No. 1527, s. 2022)
- Medicine (Resolution No. 1559, s. 2022)
- Real Estate (Resolution No. 1570, s. 2022)

To effectively implement and discharge duties and responsibilities as CPSP-CATS Committee, 44 additional members from seven (7) various CPSP-CATS Committee took their oath for this year.

Further, the Commission and the CPSP-CATS Committees prescribed guidelines on the Accreditation of Specialty Society/Organization and Other Specialty Categories Providing Structured Training Programs for Professionals through the issuance of PRC Resolution No. 1591 (s.2022).

The CPSP-CATS Program Management Committee, CPSP-CATS Clearing House Committee, and the CPSP-CATS Review Committee were also reconstituted and tasked to review issuances, policies, and guidelines relevant to the implementation of CPSP-CATS.



## CONTINUING IMPACT ASSESSMENT OF PRC/PRB RULES AND PROCEDURES

The Commission and the PRBs continued the review of existing policies, rules, and regulations to ensure that the same remain relevant and responsive to the new normal. In line with these, the following issuances, guidelines, policies, and procedures were issued:

- Rules on the Issuance of Provisional Accreditation to Professional Organizations and Integrated Professional Organizations During the State of Calamity Brought About by the Corona Virus Disease (COVID-19)
- Amending The Revised Guidelines in The Filing and Processing of Applications for Licensure Examination of Repeater Examinees/Applicants
- Revised Guidelines and Procedures on the Designation of Additional Testing Centers for Local Licensure Examination
- Guidelines on the Commission's Energy Efficiency and Conservation Program

- Internal Procedure in the Processing of Requests for CPD Accreditation of Learning Activities/ Programs Initiated or Endorsed by the Professional Regulatory Boards, CPD Councils, Central Office, Regional Offices, and/or the Commission
- Extending the Acceptance of the Undertaking for the Renewal of the Identification Card until 31 December 2023
- Prescribing the New Guidelines on the Face-to-Face Oathtaking of New Professionals, Adopting for such Purpose the Online Confirmation System and the Rules for its Implementation vis-a-vis the Online Oathtaking
- Policies and Guidelines for Flexible Work Arrangement
- Approving the LERIS Certificate of Registration Printing Module and Authorizing the Implementation Thereof
- Guidelines on the Accreditation of Specialty Society/Organization and other Specialty Categories Providing Structured Training Programs for Professionals
- Interim Guidelines on the Adjustments in the Post-Activities for Licensure Examinations
- Approving the Special Online Service for Overseas Filipino Professionals and Prescribing the Guidelines thereof
- Guidelines on the Accreditation of Speakers/Lecturers for Real Estate Training and Seminars, Continuing Professional Development (CPD), and Career Progression and Specialization (CPS) Programs
- Use and allocation of the Motor Vehicle Units for PRC Personnel and Professional Regulatory Boards
- Revised Guidelines for Meal Expenses Incurred during Official Meetings/Trainings and Consultative Workshops
- New Prescriptive Periods for CPD Transactions
- Suspending the Implementation of Memorandum Order No. 44 or the Guidelines on the Tagging and Untagging of Professionals with Administrative Case
- Supplemental Guidelines on the Determination of CPD Providers' Seminar/Registration Fee
- Adoption, Issuance, and Promulgation of the Code of Professional Conduct for Professional Food Technologists

## DEVELOPMENT, IMPLEMENTATION, AND DEPLOYMENT OF NEW SYSTEMS, AND STRENGTHENING OF NETWORK INFRASTRUCTURE

As the Commission find ways to improve its online services and made them more feasible and user-friendly to the transacting public, the Licensure Examination and Registration Information System (LERIS), was upgraded to include the following features in the system:

1. Same Appointment Date for Multiple Transactions
2. Enhanced Online Application System for Repeater Applicants
3. Enhanced LERIS Back-end (Certificate of Registration photo/Image printing and Room Assignment)
4. Online Registration Module for Face-to-Face Oathtaking
5. OTP Verification
6. Inclusion of Dual Citizenship
7. Merged Visa and Wallet transactions for SPLE transactions
8. Shipping transactions for PRC ROIV-B
9. QR code generation and attendance tagging for face-to-face oathtaking
10. Room Assignment for differently-abled persons and added to list examinees
11. Continuing Professional Development Accreditation System (CPDAS)-LERIS linkage

An additional LERIS module for the system generation and printing of Certificate of Registration (COR) was included to streamline the processing, printing, and releasing of COR.

The Correction and Releasing System, a secured and protected windows-based application system that allows the immediate checking and releasing of various licensure examinations, was pilot implemented in the October 2022 Naval Architect and November 2022 Geologist CBLE.

## **PRC REORGANIZATION AND CAPACITY BUILDING**

The Commission continued the filling up of vacant positions under the approved Organization Structure and Staffing Pattern. Out of 1,068 plantilla positions, 900 were filled and 168 were unfilled. It has appointed 44 new personnel, promoted 98 employees, and regularized 22 employees.

To review the present Organizational Structure and Staffing Pattern (OSSP), Functional Statements, and Work Processes of the Commission, the Rightsizing Technical Working Group (RTWG) was constituted through Office Order No. 839 (s.2022). The RTWG conducted Organizational Performance Assessment in three (3) Regional Offices: NCR, Tuguegarao, and CAR.

To study the current Reorganization Plan of the Commission, the following Rightsizing Technical Working Groups - Special Study Teams were also constituted:

- Administrative Decentralization
- Salary Grade Upgrading
- Regional Categorization
- Updating/Review/Finalization of the Draft PRC Competency Standards
- Financial Decentralization

## **DECENTRALIZATION OF THE FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT SYSTEM**

For the year 2022, the ROs' Budget Officers and Accountants attended the DBM Action Document Releasing System (ADRS) capacity-building session on February 14, 2022, to view the release of Special Allotment Release Order (SARO)/Notice of Cash Allocation (NCA) through authorized users.

Further, online training on the Enhanced Electronic New Government Accounting System (eNGAS) and Electronic Budget (eBUDGET) System was conducted on July 4-19, 2022 for all ROs' accounting, budget, and IT officers. The Commission issued Guidelines on the Nationwide Implementation of eNGAS through Memorandum Order No. 56 (s.2022), to guide all regional accountants in the Bookkeeping and Financial Reporting functions.

Representatives from the Central Office and ROs attended the ADRS capacity-building session for Forward Obligation Authority (FOA), Multi-Year Contractual Authority (MYCA), Cash Disbursement Ceiling (CDC), and Non-Cash Availment Authority (NCAA) on November 3, 2022.

To eliminate cash advances from bonded employees, the PRC-NCR, in cooperation with Overseas Filipino Bank (OFBank), implemented the first-ever cashless payment of honoraria to all its examination personnel which started in January 2022 during the licensure examination for Professional Teachers.



## PRC PUBLIC ASSISTANCE AND INFORMATION DISSEMINATION

In support of the Commission's thrust in delivering service excellence to all its stakeholders, and to extend public assistance and information dissemination activities, the Commission, through its Public Information and Media Relations Unit (PIMRU), promptly responded to 2,861 public queries and concerns through emails, 9,268 through its Facebook page, 659 on its Twitter Handle, and 313 Phone Calls.

Also, PIMRU published a total of 346 announcements, 108 advisories, and 58 news articles on existing and new programs, projects, activities, services, and procedures/protocols thru the PRC website, PRC Official Facebook Page, and PRC Twitter Handle. The official Facebook page of PRC Central obtained 249,625 new likes, 9,141 new followers on the PRC's Twitter handle, and 139 new subscribers.

A total of 733 complaints lodged through Hotline 8888 of the Office of the President, Presidential Complaint Center (PCC), Contact Center ng Bayan (CCB), and Anti-Red Tape Authority (ARTA) were all resolved. Accordingly, the Commission was awarded a Certificate of Recognition by the Civil Service Commission-Contact Center ng Bayan (CSC-CCB) as one of the top agencies with the highest resolution rate of resolved public concerns and queries for FY2012 – FY2022. With the given recognition, the Commission would continuously improve its key services including public assistance and information program.



In addition, the Commission was awarded with the Excellence in Digital Public Service by Globe Fintech Innovations, Inc. through GCash for assisting more Filipinos using digital financial platforms, and a recipient of the Security and Exchange Commission (SEC) Ease of Doing Business Award for its commitment and compliance in supporting SEC's strategic initiative for FY 2022.

It was also in the same year that PRC ROII (Tuguegarao) launched its Service Quality Improvement Program (SQIP) podcast with the tagline "Sa PRC DOS-ure Ka" to increase the awareness of transacting public on the step-by-step process of online application, payment of fees and issuance of documents. The said podcast run twice a week and was uploaded to their official Facebook page and client's waiting area.

Meanwhile, PRC ROIII (Pampanga) has reached out and partnered with San Fernando Elementary School for the production of informational videos on PRC services such as the authentication of professional documents and renewal of PRC ID, and the procedures for creating a PRC LERIS account.



## PHYSICAL INFRASTRUCTURE

Another significant milestone for this year was the completion of the PRC ROIX Regional Office building in Pagadian City. This was made possible through joint coordination with DPWH ROIX and LGU-Pagadian. The soft opening of the two-story regional office building was successfully held on July 19, 2022.



The occasion was graced by respected government officials, Hon. Silvestre Bello III, Chairman of the Manila Economic and Cultural Office, formerly known as the DOLE Secretary, as the guest of honor, former DOLE Undersecretary Renato Ebarle, Honorable Marianito Roque, and PRC's top officials, Hon. Chairman Teofilo S. Pilando Jr., and Hon. Commissioner Erwin M. Enad who officiated the unveiling of the building's marker and dedication.

It was also on September 24, 2022, that the Ceremonial Signing of the Certificate of Acceptance of the building and unveiling of the marker for the PRC ROI building were held. PRC ROI is now the legal owner of the building necessary in undertaking its management and operations.



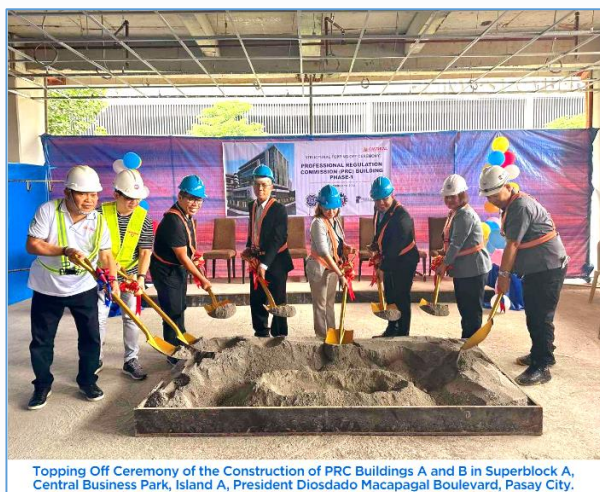
The unveiling of the marker was participated by PRC officials and employees along with Rosales Mayor William Cezar, former San Nicolas Mayor Rebecca Saldivar representing Governor Ramon Guico III, and some officials of the different national line agencies



Ceremonial signing of the certificate of turn-over and acceptance of the building from DPWH Pangasinan 3rd District Engineering Office represented by Engineer Maria Venus Torio to Commissioner Jose Y. Cueto Jr. on behalf of PRC witnessed by Engr. Jose Wilson Manongsong of the DPWH and Commissioner Erwin M. Enad



Meanwhile, the construction of PRC CPD and Examination Buildings in Pasay City that started in FY 2019 is now at 68.60% accomplished for Buildings A & B.



Topping Off Ceremony of the Construction of PRC Buildings A and B in Superblock A, Central Business Park, Island A, President Diosdado Macapagal Boulevard, Pasay City.



The Groundbreaking Ceremony for the PRC ROII Testing Center Building and the unveiling of the marker on the 2nd Floor of the Office Building were held in August 2022. The Testing Center will soon house the Computer-Based Licensure Examinations (CBLE) with 180 to 200 workstations for the examinees. The project was made possible in collaboration with DPWH-City of Tuguegarao District Engineering Office (CTDEO) Region 2.

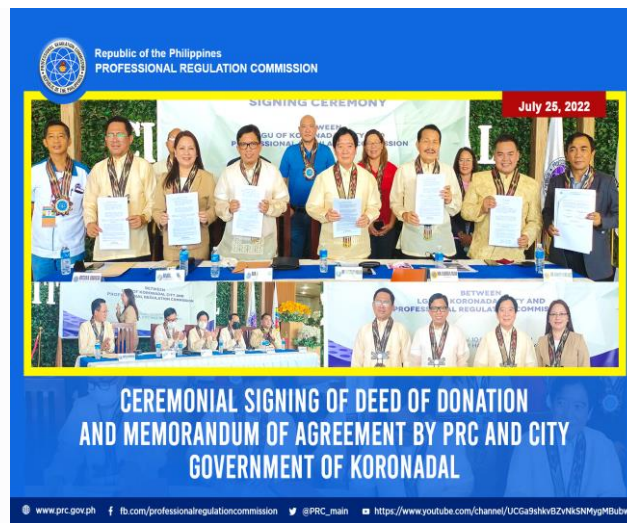
Ceremonial Groundbreaking for the PRC Regional Office II (PRC RO2) Testing Center Building on August 14, 2022, in Tuguegarao City. The event was attended by then PRC Chairman, Teofilo S. Pilando, Jr., PRC Commissioner Erwin M. Enad, and Dir. Rodrigo F. Balaqui, Jr. The capsule laying was participated by Engr. Esmeralda De Guzman, Assistant District Engineer of Cagayan Third District Engineering Office (CTDEO), DPWH RO2, Dir. Joel M. Gonzales of DOLE RO2 and Hon. Congressman Joseph "Jojo" L. Lara as the Guest of Honor and Speaker.

The Ceremonial Signing of Deed of Usufruct between the Commission, through the PRC RO 13 and LGU of Butuan was held on August 16, 2022. A parcel of land located at the D.O. Plaza Regional Center, Barangay Tiniwisan, Butuan City would serve as the RO 13 four-storey building and could accommodate 200 examinees.



Ceremonial Signing of Deed of Usufruct between the Professional Regulation Commission- Regional Office XIII (PRC-ROXIII) and the Local Government Unit (LGU) of Butuan held at the Hotel Oasis, Butuan City on August 16, 2022. Present during the Ceremonial Signing were PRC officials, City Vice-Mayor Lawrence Lemuel H. Fortun, City Legal Officer Atty. Cisco Franz Maclang, District Officer Atty. William dela Cruz (representing 1st District Congressman Jose S. Aquino II), Department of Labor and Employment-Caraga OIC-ARD Raymond Fel Sajor, the Butuan City Sanguniang Panlungsod Members and various Barangay Officers.

Likewise, the ceremonial signing of the Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) and Deed of Donation between the PRC and the City of Koronadal took place on July 25, 2022. A seven-storey multi-purpose building and testing center of PRC ROXII will be built within 1,000 sqm. piece of land donated by the City of Koronadal located at the Prime Regional Center.



The City Government of Koronadal and the Professional Regulation Commission signed a Deed of Donation and Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) on July 25 at the City Hall Lobby. PRC Chairman Teofilo S. Pilando and Commissioner Erwin M. Enad represented the Commission while Koronadal City Mayor Hon. Eliordo Ogena along with other Local Government Unit officials attended and witnessed the momentous ceremonial signing.

The construction of a covered pathway from PRC Legazpi Main Building to its testing center dedicated to PWDs, pregnant women, senior citizens, and OFWs was now 95% completed. The said project was funded and made possible by the DPWH ROV.



It was also this year that the Commission accepted the donated property from the Green Land Housing and Real Estate Development Inc. located at Barangay Indangan, Davao City with 6,000 sq.m. for the construction of a Multi-Purpose Building. The signing of the Deed of Donation and MOA was held on August 8, 2022, with DPWH-Davao City District Engineering Office (DCDEO) as the implementing agency for the construction of the Multi-Purpose Building.

The PRC-Tacloban transferred to its new building situated in Liceo del Verbo Divino (LVD) - College of Law Building and occupied a total area of 1,113 sqm, more than doubled the size of its previous building. This significant move helped maximize the functionality of each division and accommodated a higher volume of clients. Apart from the new site of PRC-Tacloban, the budget for the construction of the proposed 4-storey permanent office building with a roof deck in Palo, Leyte was approved

under the FY2023 General Appropriation Act and the construction is expected to commence by the second quarter of FY2023.

Moreover, as a response to Republic Act No. 11285 or the Energy Efficiency and Conservation Act (EEC Act) and the Inter-Agency Energy Efficiency and Conservation Committee (IAEECC) Resolution No. 5 (s. 2022) directing all government entities to observe the approved Government Energy Management Plan (GEMP), the Commission issued Memorandum Order No. 31 (s. 2022) or the Guidelines on the Commission's Energy Efficiency and Conservation Program and likewise submitted reports on the electricity and fuel consumption to the Department of Energy (DOE).

## OFFSITE SERVICE CENTERS (OSC) AND ONE-STOP SERVICE CENTERS FOR OFWs (OSSCO)

In 2022, the Task Force for Offsite Delivery of Services was reconstituted through Office Order No. 659 (s. 2022). The Task Force is responsible to develop policies and promulgate uniform guidelines prescribing rules and regulations for the efficient organization, administration, and operation of Service Centers, and to review and recommend alternative sites and processes to facilitate better access of the public to PRC services. Three (3) additional Offsite Service Centers were officially opened in Calbayog City, Samar, Robinsons Antique, and Robinsons Place Valencia, Bukidnon thus making it a total of thirty (30) operational service centers with 1,330,603 clients served nationwide.

| FY 2022 OFFSITE SERVICE CENTERS TRANSACTIONS |             |   |                    |
|--|-------------|---|--------------------|
| No.  | REGIONS     | OFFSITE SERVICE CENTERS                           | TOTAL TRANSACTIONS |
| 1  | NCR         | Philippine International Convention Center (PICC) | 76,054             |
| 2  |             | Robinsons Galleria Ortigas, Quezon City           | 50,182             |
| 3  |             | Robinsons Place Ermita, Manila                    | 51,741             |
| 4  |             | Robinsons Place Las Piñas City                    | 44,448             |
| 5  |             | Robinsons Galleria Novaliches, Quezon City        | 58,783             |
| 6  |             | Ayala Mall South Park, Alabang, Muntinlupa City   | 34,678             |
| 7  | Region I    | Robinsons Place Calasiao, Pangasinan              | 62,961             |
| 8  |             | Robinsons Place San Nicolas, Ilocos Norte         | 48,227             |
| 9  | Region II   | Robinsons Place Santiago, Isabela                 | 65,596             |
| 10   | Region III  | Robinsons Starmills, San Fernando City            | 73,712             |
| 11   |             | My Metro Town Mall, Tarlac City                   | 42,826             |
| 12   | Region IVA  | Robinsons Place Dasmariñas, Cavite                | 48,072             |
| 13   |             | Robinsons Sta. Rosa, Laguna                       | 52,589             |
| 14   | Region IVB  | Robinsons Place Palawan, Puerto Princesa City     | 40,756             |
| 15   | Region V    | Robinsons Place Naga                              | 96,807             |
| 16   | Region VI   | Robinsons Place Bacolod                           | 59,663             |
| 17   |             | Robinsons Place Iloilo, Iloilo City               | 21,536             |
| 18   |             | GT Town Center Mall Pavia, Iloilo                 | 9,992              |
| 19   |             | Festive Walk Mall, Iloilo City                    | 33,077             |
| 20   |             | Robinsons Place Antique                           | 3,707              |
| 21   | Region VII  | Robinsons Galleria Cebu, Cebu City                | 34,775             |
| 22   |             | Robinsons Place Dumaguete, Dumaguete City         | 47,597             |
| 23   |             | Tagbilaran Bohol, LGU                             | 34,154             |
| 24   | Region VIII | Robinsons Place Ormoc, Ormoc City                 | 50,333             |
| 25   |             | Calbayog City Offsite Service Center              | 12,080             |
| 26   | Region X    | Robinsons Place Iligan, Iligan City               | 13,792             |
| 27   |             | Robinsons Place Valencia, Bukidnon                | 11,041             |



## FY 2022 OFFSITE SERVICE CENTERS TRANSACTIONS

| No. | REGIONS    | OFFSITE SERVICE CENTERS           | TOTAL TRANSACTIONS |
|-----|------------|-----------------------------------|--------------------|
| 28  | Region XI  | Robinsons Place Tagum, Tagum City | 58,519             |
| 29  | Region XII | Robinsons Place GenSan            | 52,166             |
| 30  |            | Kidapawan, LGU                    | 40,809             |
|     |            | <b>TOTAL</b>                      | <b>1,330,603</b>   |



Commissioner Erwin M. Enad, PRC Region VIII Director Armond M. Englis, and Calbayog City Mayor Raymund C. Uy officially opened the PRC new Offsite Office in Calbayog City, Samar last September 9, 2022



PRC VALENCIA OFFSITE SERVICE CENTER INAUGURATED

Gracing the event were PRC Chairperson, Hon. Charito A. Zamora; PRC Commissioner, Hon. Erwin M. Enad; PRC Region X Director, Ms. Julie L. Sabalza, Bukidnon Fourth District Congresswoman Hon. Laarni L. Roque, and Robinsons Mall Mindanao Regional Head, Mr. Danny Camat

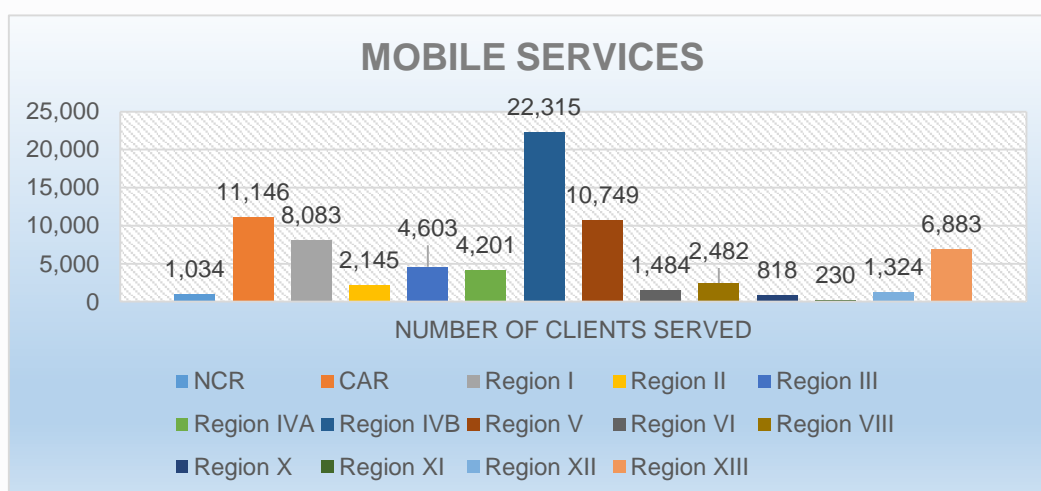


PRC OPENS NEW SERVICE CENTER IN ROBINSONS ANTIQUE

The ceremonial ribbon-cutting which signifies the opening of PRC Robinsons Antique was led by Commissioner Enad and was assisted by Mayor Elmer C. Untaran of San Jose de Buenavista, Antique, SP Member Alfie Jay O. Niquia of the Province of Antique, Dir. Romel Balisang Mr. Joseph Sian, Robinsons Operations Director for Western Visayas and Mindanao and Ms. Rhoda Borbon-Avelino, Regional Operations Manager of Robinsons Roxas and Antique

## MOBILE SERVICES

As the government issued more relaxed guidelines at this time of the pandemic, placing the country to Alert Level 1, the Commission, through the Regional Offices, conducted mobile services with the following number of clients served:



## ISO CERTIFICATION

For the year 2022, the Commission continued to work toward the establishment and implementation of the Quality Management System (QMS) based on ISO 9001:2015 requirements. The Quality Procedures Manual and Quality Forms were updated.

The Regional Offices of Legazpi, Lucena, Iloilo, CAR, Tacloban, and Cagayan de Oro once again passed and maintained ISO 9001:2015 Certification.

Moreover, the PRC supported and participated in the 2022 Citizen Satisfaction Survey (CitSat) on Frontline Government Services implemented by the Development Academy of the Philippines (DAP) through the Government Quality Management Program (GQMP) by virtue of Executive Order No. 605 (s.2007). The survey endeavored to find out citizens' level of satisfaction and expectations of frontline government service under the new normal. The survey period started from November 7 to 25, 2022.

## INTERACTIVE ARCHIVAL STORAGE AND RETRIEVAL OF RECORD SYSTEM (IASRRS) - DIGITIZATION PROJECT

Noting the increasing demand for online access, the Digitization Project continued this year. The Digitalization and Digitization Project Teams were reconstituted to develop and manage programs and projects, review and evaluate the implementation status of the project, and recommend policies and programs to implement and support the digitalization process towards digital transformation.

For this year, the Digitization Project Team is now at 28.48% or 3,188,705 overall documents scanned vs. 11,195,090 documents for scanning. The following records were digitized in 2022:

- 352,204 pages of active and inactive 201 files
- 322,473 pages of active and inactive case folders

- 228,275 pages of Masterlist and TOR
- 976,047 pages of the approved letter for Change of Status
- 16,603 pages of Board Order for Change of Name and Change of Date of Birth

## SUPPORT MECHANISMS AND EMPLOYEE BENEFITS

Joining the ranks with fellow government institutions in promoting sustainable and equal opportunities and improving the work-life balance of all employees, the Commission adhered to and adopted the CSC Memorandum Circular No. 6 (s. 2022) on the Policies on Flexible Work Arrangements in the Government through PRC Memorandum No. 85 (s. 2022). The employees of the Commission, regardless of appointment status, may opt to choose between a four-day workweek (compressed) or a combination of a four-day workweek and 1day work-from-home (WFH).

The Commission issued Memorandum Order No. 68 (s.2022) on the Mental Health Program (MHP) in support of Republic Act No. 11036 and its Implementing Rules and Regulations or the Mental Health Act of 2018 and in adherence to Civil Service Commission Memorandum Circular No. 04 (s. 2019) regarding Mental Health Program in the Public Sector.

To protect the employees from various online fraudulent schemes, the Commission supported the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) and Office of the Press Secretary's nationwide webinar on "How to Spot and Avoid Investment Scams" in relation to 2022 Investor Protection Week.

## GENDER AND DEVELOPMENT (GAD)



For this year's celebration of Women's Month with the sub-theme, "Agenda ng Kababaihan, Tungo sa Kaunlaran", the PRC - GAD conducted activities such as the Serbisyo para kay Juana by giving tokens of appreciation to all female officials and employees for their invaluable contributions as public servants, and the #PurpleTuesdays that allowed female employees to wear anything purple in support of women's empowerment and gender equality. PRC has also distributed brochures of the VAWC Law or RA 9262 to its clientele.

GAD-related activities were also conducted such as Father's Day and Mother's Day Celebrations to give due recognition to the working fathers and mothers who were indispensable in the pursuit of strong, sustained, and inclusive growth to the Commission and the society.

In addition, the Medical Clinic in the Central Office was improved and upgraded, and lactating corner and waiting area were provided and made comfortable for the transacting public.



To strengthen PRC's efforts in mainstreaming gender and development programs, activities, and projects, the Commission reconstituted its GAD Focal Point System through Office Order No. 1225 (s. 2022).

## OUTSTANDING PROFESSIONALS

The Commission in partnership with the Foundation of Outstanding Professionals Incorporated (FOP), PAPRB, and the Philippine Federation of Professional Associations (PFPA), organized and conducted the 2022 Awards held on July 29, 2022, with the theme "PRC@49: Forging ahead towards Professionalism, Resiliency, and Competitiveness" at the Fiesta Pavilion, Manila Hotel and via zoom platform.



This year's hybrid ceremony was graced by Department of Labor and Employment Secretary Bienvenido E. Laguesma who expressed his appreciation and support to all outstanding professionals who made significant contributions in and outside the country.

The Philippine Medical Association was conferred as Outstanding Accredited Professional Organization under Category A, the United Architect of the Philippines under Category B, and the Philippine Guidance and Counseling Association, Incorporated under Category C.

In addition to the above, the Board of Radiologic Technology was awarded as the Outstanding Professional Regulatory Board.

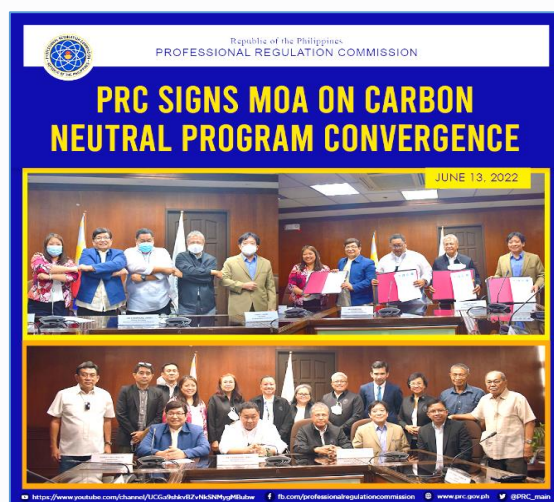
The event recognized and honored thirty-seven (37) outstanding professionals who excelled in their given fields. The most prestigious award, the Eric C. Nubla Excellence Award was awarded to Dr. Cecilia C. Carlos from the Medicine industry.

## COMMISSION SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY (CSR)

This year's celebration of PRC's founding anniversary and PRC Week was even made worthy with the conduct of health and wellness activities, livelihood programs, and team-building activities for all employees and their families, and clients. The said activities were spearheaded by PRBs in collaboration with their APOs/AIPOs.

Also, as part of the said celebration was the conduct of nationwide tree planting and growing activity. The said activity was closely participated by PRC officials and employees in Central and Regional Offices, AIPOs/APOs, LGUs, NGOs, and private and public individuals.

The Commission, together with the Society of Filipino Foresters, Incorporated (SFFI), Climate Change Commission (CCC), and Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) entered into a Memorandum of Agreement formalizing their convergence on the Carbon Neutral Program (CNP) that aims to facilitate scientific forestation initiatives to address the climate crisis.



The PRB of Radiologic Technology, through its “Radiating Rays of Touch through KINDNESS in a Box”, showed its gratitude and appreciation to Radiologic Technologists Frontliners who performed critical roles and tasks during this COVID-19 pandemic. The “Kindness in a Box”, now in its second year, contained a Covid-19 kit, a mug, packets of coffee/oats/cookies, and a pen. Recipients were Radiologic Technologist frontliners in Davao del Sur and Bicol.

The PRBs of Optometry, Dentistry, Medicine, and Medical Technology, in partnership with their respective AIPOs/APOs, participated in the DOLE’s Medical Mission and Wellness Program for Padyak Drivers. Some of the services offered were eye examination, dental and health services, and even donated frames and laboratory fees of eyeglasses were dispensed to the beneficiaries.

The Commission donated used computers, office chairs and tables, cabinets, water dispensers, nursery chairs, tables and nursery books, orbit fans, and serviceable items to various elementary and secondary schools, barangays, and police stations.

Meanwhile, PRC ROX and ROXII participated in the bloodletting activity of the Philippine Red Cross on June 20, 2022, while the PRC CAR collaborated with DOLE-CAR and other agencies for the medical and dental mission during the “TURISMO, TRABAHO, ASENSO: ANG PONY BOYS ACTIVITY”, and PRC ROI joined in the Municipal Wide Clean-Up Drive Activity.

## OTHER PRC ACTIVITIES

The Commission conducted its FY 2022 Year-End Planning Assessment (YEPA) and 2023 Planning Conference at New Coast Hotel Manila on February 27-28, 2023. The activity aimed to gauge and evaluate the Commission’s overall physical and financial performance of the previous year, and to discuss the strategy, direction, plans, programs, and projects as well as allocation of its resources for FY 2023 to further strengthen its operations – ensuring that a whole-of-government approach is employed (by the Commission) with its employees, the Professional Regulatory Boards, and the stakeholders.

To define the Commission’s strategy or direction for the next six (6) years, it also held its Strategic Planning on October 6-7, 2022 at New Coast Hotel





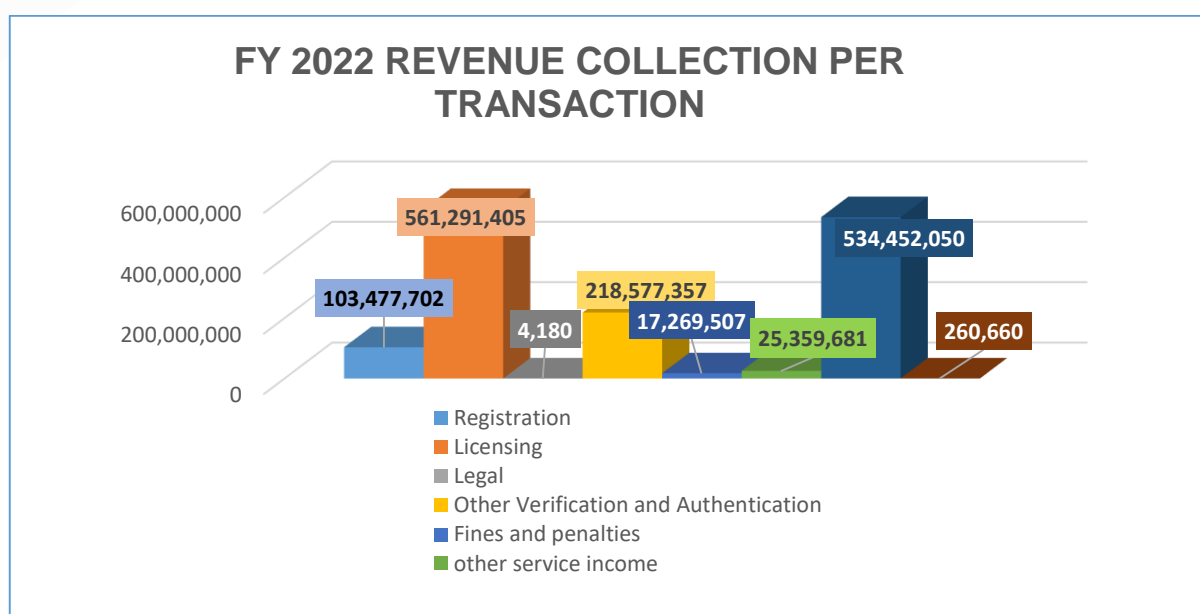
Manila. For this activity, a Strategic Planning Steering Committee was created to serve as the governing body to provide strategic direction and guidance to the overall implementation of PRC's Strategic Plan. Workshops were conducted focusing on the Operationalization of the Strategic Plan, crafting of key performance indicators, setting a timetable for implementation, and monitoring and evaluation of program implementation.

Further, the Commission celebrated its 49th Founding Anniversary with the theme "PRC@49: Forging Ahead Towards Professionalism, Resiliency and Competitiveness". Despite the challenges, it remained steadfast to fulfill its mandate of good governance and excellent service to the public. The PRC conducted face-to-face and virtual week-long activities in celebration of the PRC week, participated by PRC employees and PRBs, Foundation for Outstanding Professionals, Inc. FOP, and the Philippine Federation of Professional Associations (PFPA).



## REVENUE COLLECTION

A total of Php 1,460,692,541.96 fees were collected from all transactions in the Central and Regional Offices for FY 2022. The graph below illustrates that among the transactions catered by the Commission, the licensing fees for the renewal of PICs had the most revenue collection, followed by the examination fees from the applications for licensure examinations.



Below is the breakdown of fees collected from Central and Regional Offices:

| FEES COLLECTED PER PRC OFFICE |                         |
|-------------------------------|-------------------------|
| REGIONAL OFFICE               | COLLECTION              |
| Central Office                | 1,416,159,930.70        |
| NCR                           | 17,480,852.75           |
| CAR                           | 1,234,041.05            |
| Region I                      | 1,388,713.21            |
| Region II                     | 3,718,187.84            |
| Region III                    | 1,641,449.50            |
| Region IVA                    | 1,158,034.13            |
| Region V                      | 1,602,147.33            |
| Region VI                     | 2,363,959.55            |
| Region VII                    | 3,106,692.74            |
| Region VIII                   | 1,579,793.93            |
| Region IX                     | 1,480,247.58            |
| Region X                      | 1,483,655.00            |
| Region XI                     | 1,685,877.65            |
| Region XII                    | 666,695.00              |
| Region XIII                   | 3,942,264.00            |
| <b>TOTAL</b>                  | <b>1,460,692,541.96</b> |

The Commission will continue to strive and provide quality and client-centered services through decentralization, transformation, and digitalization in accordance with its principle of accountability, professionalism, and excellence in the delivery of service.