

STATUS OF MAJOR PROGRAMS/PROJECTS IMPLEMENTATION

2017 Fourth Quarter Report

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CONTINUING IMPACT ASSESSMENT OF PRC/PRB LAWS, REGULATIONS POLICIES AND PROCEDURES	<p>The program aims to assess the adequacy of the existing laws, regulations policies and procedures in view of the enactment of various laws and executive issuances affecting the practice and licensing of professions.</p> <p>To ensure that the same remain relevant and responsive to the needs of the time, impact assessment of their existing rules, regulations and policies shall be undertaken. The impact assessment will assist the Boards and the Commission to improve better regulation in accordance with regulatory best practices.</p>	Professionals and other stakeholders	<p>Continuous designation of Board Focal Persons for Special Temporary Permit (STP) Licensure Examination and SEC Endorsements</p> <p>Review of the Philippine-Malaysia (Management and Science University) Memorandum of Understanding for the Pharmacy profession</p> <p>Conduct of stakeholders' consultations on the IRR of the Agricultural and Biosystems Engineering Law</p> <p>Review of the proposed amendments to the PRC-DOH Joint Administrative Order on the Conduct of Residency Training for Foreign Medical Professionals in the Philippines</p> <p>Regulation on the Conduct of Regional Oath Taking of New Professionals</p> <p>Review of the proposed Memorandum of Agreement among TESDA, DA, PRC, PRB of Agricultural and Biosystems Engineering, Philippine Society of Agricultural Engineers and the Agricultural Machinery Manufacturers and Distributors Association on the development of Training Regulations (TRs) for agri-fishery machine operators</p>

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			<p>Adoption of the PEC for the Electrical Engineering profession</p> <p>Reconstitution of the Financial Reporting Standards Council (FRSC)</p> <p>Draft guidelines for the conduct of the PEE PECE and PME Oral Examination</p> <p>Finalized and submitted Radiologic Technology bill (for Committee Report-Senate)</p> <p>Finalized the guidelines and procedures on the designation of testing centers for the SPLE (for approval of the Commission)</p> <p>Conducted hearings and stakeholders' consultations on the proposed Environmental Engineering and Speech Language Pathology bills</p> <p>Review of the PRC Charter (latest draft already prepared by the PRC Charter Committee)</p> <p>Finalized the APO/AIPO accreditation guidelines (for approval of the Commission)</p> <p>Position paper/inputs on the draft 11th Regular Foreign Investment Negative List (RFINL)</p> <p>Draft Resolution on the implementation of the Grandfather Clause under the Real Estate Service Act (for approval of the Commission)</p>

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IMPROVEMENT ON THE USE OF TECHNOLOGY IN PRC PROCESSES, DATABASE	<p>The core programs/projects in the computerization of PRC processes are enhancement of online services: 1) Online Application System (OAS); 2) Online Registration (initial/renewal) System (ORRS); 3) Electronic Payment and Collection System (EPCS); and development of Information System Test Question Databank System (TQDS); Correction and Releasing System (CRS); Centralized Records Management Information System (CRMIS); Legal Management Information System (LMIS); and Continuing Professional Development Accreditation System (CPDAS).</p>	<p>Professionals and other stakeholders</p>	<p>Deployment of Electronic Payment and Collection System with LERIS Enhancement in Robinsons Santiago, Isabela on December 12, 2017. The said system was also used in the following venues for mobile services: a) Robinsons Novaliches; b) Starmills, Pampanga; c) Robinsons Las Piñas; d) University of Sto. Tomas; e) Philippine Normal University; f) Arellano University; and g) Kidapawan City.</p> <p><u>DEVELOPMENT OF INFORMATION SYSTEMS</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Test Questions Databank System – Pilot Tested (October 2017- Chemists Licensure Examination) 2. In-House Licensure Examination and Registration Information System – Ongoing Development <p>The Commission will enter into a Memorandum of Agreement with the Philippine International Trading Corporation for the procurement of said various IT projects.</p>
STRENGTHENING OF PRC PUBLIC ASSISTANCE AND INFORMATION SYSTEM	<p>The Commission, in adherence to and support of the principle of good governance and practices, and in compliance with Anti-Red Tape Act will continue to strengthen the Public Assistance/Information and Complaints Desk (PADC) in the Central and Regional Offices. It will continue to assign personnel as officer-of-the day,</p>		<p><u>72 HOURS COMPLIANCE</u></p> <p>Sustained 72 hours compliance on the eight (8) key frontline services namely application for examination, initial registration, renewal of professional identification card, certification of good standing, certification of board rating and passing,</p>

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	<p>and assistance officers in the DOLE hotline task to provide with the necessary information to callers and to receive complaints, comments or suggestions from the transacting public. The use of social media to communicate PRC services, policies, and guidelines, as well as matters of interest to the regulated professions will also be maximized.</p>		<p>authentication of professional identification card and board certificate, authentication of board rating and passing and processing of stateboard verification</p> <p><u>ONE-STOP SERVICE CENTER</u></p> <p>One-stop service centers are currently operational in POEA-Mandaluyong; Clark, Pampanga; Calamba, Laguna; Legazpi City; Cebu City; Tacloban City; Zamboanga City and in Koronadal City and served a total of 10,752 clients from October to December 2017, with breakdown of transactions, as follow:</p> <p>Application for exam – 941 Initial Registration – 251 Renewal of professional identification card – 9,466 Duplicate of professional identification card – 63 Certification and Authentication – 31</p> <p><u>PRC Hotline Service</u></p> <p>From October to December 2017, the Commission (Central and Regions) received a total of 7,021 calls. The transaction details are usually request for information such as renewal of Professional ID Card, CPD, examination schedule, process, procedure, requirements and directory.</p>

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			<p><u>PRC SERVICE CENTER</u></p> <p>The PRC Service Centers in Robinsons Malls in Manila; Ortigas, Quezon City; Santiago City, Isabela; Cebu City; Dumaguete City; Iloilo City; Bacolod City; and in General Santos City and served a total of 42,711 clients from October to December 2017, with breakdown of transactions, as follows:</p> <p>Application for exam – 15,904 Initial Registration – 2,704 Renewal of professional identification card – 15,087 Duplicate of professional identification card – 379 Certification and Authentication – 8,637</p>
<p>EXPEDITE RESOLUTION OF CASES FILED WITH THE PRC</p>	<p>With the commitment to resolve cases at the rate of four percent (4%) within three months, the Commission will adopt new rules governing administrative cases to further simplify requirements and expedite investigation, hearing and resolution of cases. The Peer Review Committee created by the Commission to review the quarterly reports submitted by Hearing Officers/Lawyers shall be strengthened to ensure that the year's targets are accomplished.</p>		<p>The Legal and Investigation Division conducted a total of 356 hearing of cases, and resolved cases at the rate of 7.7% within the 4th quarter.</p>

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STRENGTHEN PRL-MANDATED INSPECTION AND MONITORING	The PRBs are mandated to look into the conditions affecting the practice of the profession and, whenever necessary to adopt such measures as may be deemed appropriate for the enhancement or maintenance of high professional and ethical standards of the practice of profession.		<p>For the 4th quarter, the Commission, through Standards and Inspection (SID) and Regional Offices conducted 156 inspections in Metro Manila and in different provinces.</p> <p>Further, the SID processed a total of 818 certificates of accreditation for public practice, commercial and industrial, and accounting teachers.</p>
CONTINUING PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT (CPD)	Continuing Professional Development (CPD) is a lifelong, systematic and planned process to maintain and develop professional competence, creativity and innovation. The CPD will strengthen professional core competencies thus assuring availability of qualified and competent professionals for local industry and equip the Filipino professional for global competitiveness required by the liberalization of trade in services.	Registered Professionals of the 43 Regulated Professions	<p>The CPD Councils of various professions have accredited 173 CPD providers and 1,937 CPD Programs.</p> <p>A total of 208,055 professionals belonging to the professions of Accountancy, Aeronautical Engineering, Agricultural Engineering, Architecture, Chemical Engineering, Chemistry, Civil Engineering, Criminology, Customs Broker, Dentistry, Electrical Engineering, Electronics Engineering, Environmental Planning, Geodetic Engineering, Guidance and Counseling, Interior Design, Librarian, Master Plumbers, Mechanical Engineering, Medical Technology, Medicine, Midwifery, Nursing, Nutrition and Dietetics, Occupational Therapy, Optometry, Pharmacy, Physical Therapy, Professional Teachers, Psychology, Radiologic Technology, Real Estate Services, Sanitary Engineering and Social Worker have attended CPD programs conducted from October to December 2017 by various CPD providers.</p>

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			<p>To ensure compliance with the CPD guidelines pursuant to Section 22, Article III of PRC Resolution No. 2013-774, as amended by Resolution No. 2016-990, eight (8) CPD programs were monitored by the various CPD Councils.</p> <p>Issued Operation Guidelines on the CPD Implementation for Customs Broker, Environmental Planning and Nursing.</p>
MUTUAL RECOGNITION AGREEMENT/ MUTUAL RECOGNITION OF PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS (MRA/MRPQ)	<p>The objective of MRA and MRPQ is to promote and facilitate borderless practice for the regulated professions.</p> <p>For the year 2017, the professions identified to establish mutual recognition of professional qualifications are the following: Guidance and Counseling, Fishery Technology, Midwifery, Chemistry, Forestry, Social Workers, Radiologic Technology, Master Plumbers and Geology.</p>		<p>Status of the 9 professions to have MRPQ in 2017:</p> <p>Stage 1 (Research Phase) – 6 professions (Fisheries Technology, Chemistry, Social Workers, Radiologic Technology, Master Plumbers and Geology)</p> <p>Stage 2 (Consultation with Stakeholders) – 1 profession (Midwifery)</p> <p>Stage 3 (Meeting with foreign counterparts) – 1 profession (Foresters)</p> <p>Stage 4 (Approval/Signing of Instrument) – 1 profession (Guidance and Counseling)</p> <p>Thirty-four (34) applications for ASEAN Chartered Professional Engineers (ACPE) facilitated/evaluated:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Civil Engineer 2 • Electrical Engineer 15 • Mechanical Engineer 17 TOTAL 34

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			<p>Twenty-five (25) Registered ACPE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Civil Engineer 10 • Electrical Engineer 11 • Electronics Engineer 2 • Mechanical Engineer 2 TOTAL 25 <p>Five (5) applications for ASEAN Architect facilitated/evaluated</p> <p>Thirty-five (35) negotiations/meetings/and other related activities/for a participated/convened in various international agreements/cooperations.</p>
PRC REORGANIZATION	To enable the agency to effectively pursue its mandate and critical functions as provided by R.A. 8981 (PRC Modernization Act of 2000), a reorganization of its organizational structure and staffing pattern is necessary. The reorganization will enhance administrative capacity, delineate staff from line functions, promote decentralization, attract competent staff, and enhance linkages among Professional Regulatory Boards and stakeholders, and infuse knowledge management and client-focus into frontline operations. This will focus agency resources into mission-critical functions such as regulation of the practice of the professions through licensure, regulatory and developmental programs such as continuing	PRC Officials and employees	<p>Sixty-four (64) appointments for the Central Office promotion and filling-up of vacant positions transmitted to CSC for attestation.</p> <p>Seventy (70) appointments for NCR filling-up of vacant positions submitted to CSC for attestation.</p> <p>Ongoing preparation for examination for Regions 3 and 12 Regional Offices vacant positions.</p> <p>Ongoing request for publication of vacant positions for Regions 1, 4B and 13 Regional Offices.</p> <p>Creation of a Task force for the PRC Newly-Approved Regional Offices</p>

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	professional development, trade in services, research and development, and employment-facilitation.		
SPECIAL PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE BOARD EXAMINATION (SPLBE) FOR OVERSEAS FILIPINO WORKERS	Executive Order 835 dated October 2, 2009 institutionalizes the conduct of board examination in the Middle East. The Department of Labor and Employment through PRC, in coordination with the Department of Foreign Affairs through the Philippine Embassies and with the assistance of the Philippine Professional Organizations-Kingdom of Saudi Arabia (KSA), hold and conduct SPLBE for the qualified overseas Filipino workers in KSA, Qatar, United Arab Emirates, and other Middle East countries with whom the Philippines have diplomatic relations.		Conduct of the SPLBE is only once a year and is usually during the 3 rd quarter.
PHYSICAL INFRASTRUCTURE	Implementation of the approved outlay for the rehabilitation of the Central Office electrical system and renovation of PRC Central Office.	Professionals, other stakeholders and employees	<p>Award of Contract for the procurement of materials for the renovation by administration of PRC Central Office Building.</p> <p>Award of Contract for the renovation of PRC Central Office Building – waiting area, info, entry foyer, ground and second floor of Main Building.</p> <p>Award of Contract for the renovation of PRC Central Office Building – waiting area, kiosk, documentary stamp, security office, ground floor of annex building, bridge between main and annex building and roof of Rating Division.</p>

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			<p>(House of Representatives) - Microbiology, Quantity Surveying and PQF</p> <p>Ongoing consultation/meeting on the IRR of Agricultural and Biosystems Engineering, Chemical Engineering and Dentistry; and Code of Ethics of Dentistry</p> <p>Ongoing consultation/meeting on other policies: PRC-DOH Joint AO IRR (Medicine), Philippine Professional Nursing Practice Standards (PPNPS) (Nursing), Guidelines on Hazard Pay (Chemistry), and Moratorium (Respiratory Therapy)</p> <p>Ongoing meeting on the Procedures of Special Professional Licensure Examination Guidelines, Conduct of Professional Electrical Engineer/Professional Electronics Engineer/ Professional Mechanical Engineer Oral Examinations, Revised Oath Taking Guidelines, Special Temporary Permit Focal Person, Licensure Examination Focal Person and Securities and Exchange Focal Person</p>
IMPROVEMENT ON THE USE OF TECHNOLOGY IN PRC PROCESSES, DATABASE	<p>The core programs/projects in the computerization of PRC processes are enhancement of online services: 1) Online Application System (OAS); 2) Online Registration (initial/renewal) System (ORRS); 3) Electronic Payment and Collection System (EPCS); and development of Information System Test Question Databank System (TQDS); Correction and Releasing System (CRS);</p>	<p>Professionals and other stakeholders</p>	<p>Systems Development of CPDAS is completed and for final testing on October 9, 2017.</p> <p>The Terms of Reference for the Network Security Enhancement and LAN Improvement are already completed for submission to the Bids and Awards</p>

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	<p>Centralized Records Management Information System (CRMIS); Legal Management Information System (LMIS); and Continuing Professional Development Accreditation System (CPDAS).</p>		<p>Committee (BAC).</p> <p>The winning bidder (Asiagate) is currently gathering requirements for the development of the central/regional websites.</p> <p>The Asset Management Information System is for revision by ICTO due to the changes/inputs of Supply and Property Division after the dry run in July 2017.</p> <p>The Real Estate Salespersons/Medical Representatives Accreditation System is partially deployed.</p> <p>Deduping and Matching Application was already done with the Systems Orientation and staging. The Commission is waiting for DICT to provide schedule for the live implementation in October 2017.</p> <p>The Test Question Databank System is scheduled for pilot testing in the Licensure Examination for Chemists on October 10-11, 2017.</p> <p>The Correction and Releasing System will start after full deployment of the TQDB.</p> <p>Requirement elicitation on Human Resource Management System is done and for validation of HRMD.</p>

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			<p>Ongoing Development of Help Desk System.</p> <p>Approved ISSP 2018-2020 for endorsement of DICT.</p>
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			<p><u>PRC Hotline Service</u></p> <p>From July to September 2017, the Commission (Central and Regions) received a total of 20,638 calls. The transaction details are usually request for information such as renewal of Professional ID Card, CPD, examination schedule, process, procedure, requirements and directory.</p> <p><u>PRC SERVICE CENTER</u></p> <p>The PRC Service Centers in Robinsons Malls in Manila, Quezon City, Cebu City, General Santos City, Iloilo, Bacolod and Dumaguete served a total of 48,272 clients from July to September 2017, with breakdown of transactions, as follow:</p> <p>Application for exam – 37,899 Initial Registration – 1,066 Renewal of professional identification card – 5,356 Duplicate of professional identification card - 274 Certification and Authentication – 3,677</p>
EXPEDITE RESOLUTION OF CASES FILED WITH THE PRC	<p>With the commitment to resolve cases at the rate of four percent (4%) within three months, the Commission will adopt new rules governing administrative cases to further simplify requirements and expedite investigation, hearing and resolution of cases. The Peer Review Committee created by the Commission to review the quarterly reports submitted by Hearing Officers/Lawyers shall be</p>		<p>The Legal and Investigation Division conducted a total of 458 hearing of cases, and resolved cases at the rate of 6.2% within the 3rd quarter.</p>

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	strengthened to ensure that the year's targets are accomplished.		
STRENGTHEN PRL-MANDATED INSPECTION AND MONITORING	The PRBs are mandated to look into the conditions affecting the practice of the profession and, whenever necessary to adopt such measures as may be deemed appropriate for the enhancement or maintenance of high professional and ethical standards of the practice of profession.		<p>For the 3rd quarter, the Commission, through Standards and Inspection Division (SID) and Regional Offices conducted 224 inspections in Metro Manila and in different provinces.</p> <p>Further, the SID processed a total of 633 certificates of accreditation for public practice, commercial and industrial, and accounting teachers.</p>
CONTINUING PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT (CPD)	Continuing Professional Development (CPD) is a lifelong, systematic and planned process to maintain and develop professional competence, creativity and innovation. The CPD will strengthen professional core competencies thus assuring availability of qualified and competent professionals for local industry and equip the Filipino professional for global competitiveness required by the liberalization of trade in services.	Registered Professionals of the 43 Regulated Professions	<p>The CPD Councils of various professions have accredited 179 CPD Providers and 2,676 CPD Programs.</p> <p>A total of 167,984 professionals belonging to the professions of Accountancy, Architecture, Chemical Engineering, Civil Engineering, Criminology, Dentistry, Electrical Engineering, Electronics Engineering, Geodetic Engineering, Interior Design, Librarian, Master Plumbers, Medical Technology, Medicine, Midwifery, Nursing, Nutrition and Dietetics, Occupational Therapy, Optometry, Professional Teachers, Physical Therapy, Psychology, Radiologic Technology, Real Estate Services, Social Worker and have attended CPD programs conducted from July to September 2017 by various CPD providers.</p> <p>To ensure compliance with the CPD guidelines</p>

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			<p>pursuant to Section 22, Article III of PRC Resolution No. 2013-774, as amended by Resolution No. 2016-990, twenty (20) CPD programs were monitored by the various CPD Councils.</p> <p>Issued Operational Guidelines on the CPD Implementation for Professional Teachers, Electrical Engineering, Landscape Architecture, Accountancy, Agricultural Engineering, Architecture, Chemistry, Civil Engineering, Interior Design, Respiratory Therapy and Pharmacy.</p>
MUTUAL RECOGNITION AGREEMENT/ MUTUAL RECOGNITION OF PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS (MRA/MRPQ)	<p>The objective of MRA and MRPQ is to promote and facilitate borderless practice for the regulated professions.</p> <p>For the year 2017, the professions identified to establish mutual recognition of professional qualifications are the following: Guidance and Counseling, Fishery Technology, Midwifery, Chemistry, Forestry, Social Workers, Radiologic Technology, Master Plumbers and Geology.</p>		<p>On the assessment on the competitiveness of professional and mutual recognition of professional qualifications, the following were accomplished:</p> <p>Discussed with Professional Regulatory Boards of Customs Brokers and Criminology on the development of descriptors/learning outcomes relative to the PQF level descriptors</p> <p>Formulated descriptors/minutes/records of discussion for Professional Regulatory Boards of Customs Brokers and Criminology</p> <p>Status of the 9 professions to have MRPQ in 2017:</p> <p>Stage 1 (Research Phase) – 6 professions (Fisheries Technology, Chemistry, Social Workers,</p>

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			<p>Radiologic Technology, Master Plumbers and Geology)</p> <p>Stage 2 (Consultation with Stakeholders) – 1 profession (Midwifery)</p> <p>Stage 3 (Meeting with foreign counterparts) – 2 professions (Guidance and Counseling, Foresters)</p> <p>Forty-five (45) applications on ASEAN Chartered Professional Engineers (ACPE) facilitated/evaluated:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Electronics Engineer 14 • Civil Engineering 7 • Mechanical Engineer 3 • Electrical Engineer 20 • Sanitary Engineer 1 TOTAL 45 <p>Twenty-one (21) applications on ASEAN Architects (AA) facilitated/evaluated</p> <p>Twenty-nine (29) negotiations/meetings/and other related activities/for a participated/convened in various international agreements/cooperations.</p>

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SPECIAL PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE BOARD EXAMINATION (SPLBE) FOR OVERSEAS FILIPINO WORKERS	Executive Order 835 dated October 2, 2009 institutionalizes the conduct of board examination in the Middle East. The Department of Labor and Employment through PRC, in coordination with the Department of Foreign Affairs through the Philippine Embassies and with the assistance of the Philippine Professional Organizations-Kingdom of Saudi Arabia (KSA), hold and conduct SPLBE for the qualified overseas Filipino workers in KSA, Qatar, United Arab Emirates, and other Middle East countries with whom the Philippines have diplomatic relations.		A total of 4,889 examinees took the Special Professional Licensure Board Examination in Kuwait, Al Khobar, Israel, Qatar, Abu Dhabi, Riyadh Jeddah, Oman, Hongkong and Thailand
PHYSICAL INFRASTRUCTURE	Implementation of the approved outlay for the rehabilitation of the Central Office electrical system and renovation of PRC Central Office		BAC Resolution Recommending to the Chairman of the PRC, the approval of a change in the mode of procurement in the renovation of PRC Central Office Building from Public Bidding to By

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			<p>Administration was signed and docketed on August 1, 2017.</p> <p>The Terms of Reference (TOR) was submitted to BAC on August 29, 2017. Final bidding documents were posted at the websites of the Commission and PhilGEPS and the BAC bulletin board on September 8, 2017. Opening of Bids is scheduled on October 10, 2017. Target date to start the project is on October 23, 2017.</p> <p>Letter-request of Service Contract of the labors was forwarded to HRDD on September 22, 2017.</p>

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STRENGTHENING OF PRC PUBLIC ASSISTANCE AND INFORMATION SYSTEM	The Commission, in adherence to and support of the principle of good governance and practices, and in compliance with Anti-Red Tape Act will continue to strengthen the Public Assistance/Information and Complaints Desk (PADC) in the Central and Regional Offices. It will continue to assign personnel as officer-of-the day, and assistance officers in the DOLE hotline task to provide with the necessary information to callers and to receive complaints, comments or suggestions from the transacting public. The use of social media to communicate PRC services, policies, and guidelines, as well as matters of interest to the regulated professions will also be maximized.		<p><u>72 HOURS COMPLIANCE</u></p> <p>Eight (8) key frontline services namely application for examination, initial registration, renewal of professional identification card, certification of good standing, certification of board rating and passing, authentication of professional identification card and board certificate, authentication of board rating and passing and processing of stateboard verification are 72 hours compliant.</p> <p><u>ONE-STOP SERVICE CENTER</u></p> <p>One-stop service centers are currently operational in POEA-Mandaluyong,</p>

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			<p>Clark, Calamba, Legazpi, Cebu, Tacloban, Koronadal, Zamboanga and in Cagayan de Oro and served a total of 14,919 clients from April to June 2017, with breakdown of transactions, as follow:</p> <p>Application for exam – 1,556 Initial Registration – 43 Renewal of professional identification card – 12,835 Duplicate of professional identification card - 128 Certification and Authentication – 357</p> <p><u>PRC Hotline Service</u></p> <p>From April to June 2017, the Public Information and Media Relations Section received a total of 12,773 calls, with a daily average of 213. The transaction details are usually request for information such as examination schedule, process, procedure, requirements and directory.</p> <p><u>PRC SERVICE CENTER</u></p> <p>The PRC Service Centers in Robinsons Malls in Ortigas Center Quezon City, Manila, Cebu City, General Santos City, Iloilo City,</p>

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			<p>Bacolod City and Dumaguete City served a total of 49,788 clients from April to June 2017, with breakdown of transactions, as follow:</p> <p>Application for exam – 16,078 Initial Registration – 509 Renewal of professional identification card – 29,574 Duplicate of professional identification card - 305 Certification and Authentication – 3,322</p>
EXPEDITE RESOLUTION OF CASES FILED WITH THE PRC	<p>With the commitment to resolve cases at the rate of four percent (4%) within three months, the Commission will adopt new rules governing administrative cases to further simplify requirements and expedite investigation, hearing and resolution of cases. The Peer Review Committee created by the Commission to review the quarterly reports submitted by Hearing Officers/Lawyers shall be strengthened to ensure that the year's targets are accomplished.</p>		<p>The Legal and Investigation Division conducted a total of 466 hearing of cases, and resolved cases at the rate of 5.4% within the 2nd quarter.</p>
STRENGTHEN PRL-MANDATED INSPECTION AND MONITORING	<p>The PRBs are mandated to look into the conditions affecting the practice of the profession and, whenever necessary to adopt such measures as may be deemed appropriate for the enhancement or maintenance of high</p>		<p>For the 2nd quarter, the Commission, through the Standards and Inspection Division (SID) and Regional Offices conducted 311 inspections in Metro Manila and in different provinces by</p>

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	professional and ethical standards of the practice of profession.		<p>various Professional Regulatory Boards.</p> <p>Further, the SID processed a total of 418 certificates of accreditation for public practice, commercial and industrial, and accounting teachers.</p>
CONTINUING PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT (CPD)	Continuing Professional Development (CPD) is a lifelong, systematic and planned process to maintain and develop professional competence, creativity and innovation. The CPD will strengthen professional core competencies thus assuring availability of qualified and competent professionals for local industry and equip the Filipino professional for global competitiveness required by the liberalization of trade in services.	Registered Professionals of the 43 Regulated Professions	<p>The CPD Councils of various professions have accredited 218 CPD Providers and 1,771 CPD Programs.</p> <p>A total of 77,861 professionals belonging to the professions of Accountancy, Architecture, Chemical Engineering, Customs Broker, Dentistry, Electrical Engineering, Electronics Engineering, Guidance and Counseling, Interior Design, Librarian, Master Plumbers Mechanical Engineering, Medical Technology, Medicine, Midwifery, Nursing, Nutrition and Dietetics, Occupational Therapy, Optometry, Pharmacy, Professional Teachers, Physical Therapy, Psychology, Radiologic Technology, Real Estate Services, Sanitary Engineering, Social Worker and Veterinary Medicine have attended CPD programs conducted from April to June 2017 by various CPD providers.</p>

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			<p>To ensure compliance with the CPD guidelines pursuant to Section 22, Article III of PRC Resolution No. 2013-774, as amended by Resolution No. 2016-990, eighteen (18) CPD programs were monitored by the various CPD Councils.</p> <p>Issued Operational Guidelines on the CPD Implementation for Professional Teachers, Electrical Engineering, and Landscape Architecture.</p> <p>Benchmarked with Scottish Credit Qualifications Framework on May 22-24, 2017.</p>
MUTUAL RECOGNITION AGREEMENT/ MUTUAL RECOGNITION OF PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS (MRA/MRPQ)	<p>The objective of MRA and MRPQ is to promote and facilitate borderless practice for the regulated professions.</p> <p>For the year 2017, the professions identified to establish mutual recognition of professional qualifications are the following: Guidance and Counseling, Fishery Technology, Midwifery, Chemistry, Forestry, Social Workers, Radiologic Technology, Master Plumbers and Geology.</p>		<p>On the assessment on the competitiveness of professional and mutual recognition of professional qualifications, the following were accomplished:</p> <p>Discussed with PRBs of Psychology, Foresters, Landscape Architecture, Fisheries Technology, Master Plumbers, Pharmacy, Medical Technology, Professional Teachers, Guidance and Counseling, Midwifery, Social Workers, Librarians, Optometry</p>

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			<p>and Customs Brokers.</p> <p>Formulated descriptors/minutes/records of discussion for 13 professions (Psychology, Professional Teachers, Librarians, Medical Technology, Midwifery, Optometry, Guidance and Counseling, Pharmacy, Fisheries Technology, Forestry, Social Workers, Master Plumbers, and Landscape Architecture).</p> <p>Status of the 9 professions to have MRPQ in 2017:</p> <p>Stage 1 (Research Phase) – 6 professions (Fisheries Technology, Chemistry, Social Workers, Radiologic Technology, Master Plumbers and Geology)</p> <p>Stage 2 (Consultation with Stakeholders) – 1 profession (Midwifery)</p> <p>Stage 3 (Meeting with foreign counterparts) – 2 professions (Guidance and Counseling, Foresters)</p>

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			<p>Twenty (20) engineers are ready for conferment by the ASEAN Chartered Professional Engineer Coordinating Committee (ACPECC):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Electronics Engineer 1 • Civil Engineering 3 • Mechanical Engineer 1 • Electrical Engineer 14 • Sanitary Engineer 1 TOTAL 20 <p>Six (6) architects are ready for conferment as ASEAN Architect by the ASEAN Architect Council</p> <p>Sixty-three (63) negotiations/meetings/and other related activities/for a participated/convened in various international agreements/cooperations.</p>
PRC REORGANIZATION	To enable the agency to effectively pursue its mandate and critical functions as provided by R.A. 8981 (PRC Modernization Act of 2000), a reorganization of its organizational structure and staffing pattern is necessary. The reorganization will enhance administrative capacity, delineate staff	PRC Officials and employees	<p>Appointments under the new plantilla position were already forwarded to the CSC for attestation.</p> <p>Approval of the Creation of Offices in Central and Regional Offices.</p>

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	<p>from line functions, promote decentralization, attract competent staff, and enhance linkages among Professional Regulatory Boards and stakeholders, and infuse knowledge management and client-focus into frontline operations. This will focus agency resources into mission-critical functions such as regulation of the practice of the professions through licensure, regulatory and developmental programs such as continuing professional development, trade in services, research and development, and employment-facilitation.</p>		
<p>SPECIAL PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE BOARD EXAMINATION (SPLBE) FOR OVERSEAS FILIPINO WORKERS</p>	<p>Executive Order 835 dated October 2, 2009 institutionalizes the conduct of board examination in the Middle East. The Department of Labor and Employment through PRC, in coordination with the Department of Foreign Affairs through the Philippine Embassies and with the assistance of the Philippine Professional Organizations-Kingdom of Saudi Arabia (KSA), hold and conduct SPLBE for the qualified overseas Filipino workers in KSA, Qatar, United Arab Emirates, and other Middle East countries with whom the Philippines have diplomatic relations.</p>		<p>Processed 4,322 applications for Special Professional Licensure Board Examination</p>

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CONTINUING IMPACT ASSESSMENT OF PRC/PRB LAWS, REGULATIONS POLICIES AND PROCEDURES	<p>The Commission shall review the PRC Charter to assess its adequacy in view of the enactment of various laws and executive issuances affecting the practice and licensing of professions.</p> <p>The Professional Regulatory Boards perform regulatory functions in the full exercise of their regulatory powers as mandated by their respective laws. To ensure that the same remain relevant and responsive to the needs of the time, impact assessment of their existing rules, regulations and policies shall be undertaken. The impact assessment will assist the Boards and the Commission to improve better regulation in accordance with regulatory best practices.</p>	Professionals and other stakeholders	<p>A Charter Committee was created pursuant to Officer Order No. 2017-68 to review the adequacy of R.A. 8981 to respond to challenges in view of the enactment of various laws and executive issuances affecting the practice and licensing of professions, and to evaluate the Commission with respect to its governance practices, policies, and the performance of its mandates.</p> <p>Currently, there are several pending Professional Regulatory Bills in the 17th Philippine Congress which seek to strengthen, modernize and align professional practice with international standards.</p>
IMPROVEMENT ON THE USE OF TECHNOLOGY IN PRC PROCESSES, DATABASE,	The core programs/projects in the computerization of PRC processes are enhancement of online services: 1) Online Application System (OAS); 2) Online Registration (initial/renewal) System (ORRS);	Professionals and other stakeholders	<p><u>Enhanced Services</u></p> <p>The Electronic Payment and Collection System with LERIS Enhancements was deployed nationwide on February 25-26 and March 4-5, 2017.</p>

	3) Electronic Payment and Collection System (EPCS); and development of Information System: (Test Question Databank System (TQDS); Correction and Releasing System (CRS); Centralized Records Management Information System (CRMIS); Legal Management Information System (LMIS); and Continuing Professional Development Accreditation System (CPDAS).		<u>Development of Information Systems</u> The Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) on the development of the Test Question Databank System and Correction and Releasing System is currently reviewed by PRC and DBP-DCI.
STRENGTHENING OF PRC PUBLIC ASSISTANCE AND INFORMATION SYSTEM	The Commission, in adherence to and support of the principles of good governance and practices, and in compliance with Anti-Red Tape Act will continue to strengthen the Public Assistance/Information and Complaints Desk (PADC) in the Central and Regional offices. It will continue to assign personnel as officer-of-the day, and assistance officers in the DOLE hotline task to provide with the necessary information to callers and to receive complaints, comments or suggestions from the transacting public. The use of social media to communicate PRC services, policies and guidelines, as well as matters of interest to the regulated professions will also be maximized.		<u>72 HOURS COMPLIANCE</u> Eight (8) key frontline services namely application for examination, initial registration, renewal of license, certification, authentication, and processing of stateboard verification in the Central Office are 72 hours compliant. <u>ONE-STOP SHOP SERVICE CENTER</u> One-stop-shop service centers are currently operational in POEA-Mandaluyong, Clark, Calamba, Pacific Mall, Bicol, SM Cebu, Tacloban, Robinson's Iloilo OWWA Zamboanga City, and Cagayan De Oro. The service centers served a total of 11,160 clients from January to March 2017, with breakdown of transactions as follows: Application for examination - 681 Initial Registration - 264 Renewal of professional identification cards (PIC) - 10,014 Duplicate PIC-59

Certification and authentication -142

PRC Hotline Service

From January to March 2017, the Public Information and Media Relations Section received a total of 10,999 calls, with a daily average of 184. The transaction details are usually request for information such as examination schedule, process, procedure, requirements and directory.

Information on PRC Services can also be accesses through the Commission's website, Facebook account and Twitter Handles. Inquiries can also be coursed through these social media. Focal Persons in each of the 43 PRBs are also designated.

PRC SERVICE CENTER

The PRC Service Centers in Robinsons Ortigas, Manila, Cebu General Santos City served a total of 42,168 clients from January to March 2017 with breakdown of transactions as follows:

Application for examination - 14,683

Initial Registration - 2,364

Renewal of license - 19,154

Duplicate PIC-151

Certification and authentication - 5,807

Stateboard verification -9

			<p>Official turnover of the expanded area of Service Centers in Robinsons Place General Santos City and Cebu City was held on March 7, 2017 and March 17, 2017, respectively. These service centers have been fully operational in 2016 but occupying an interim space. Likewise, there is an ongoing construction of PRC Service Centers in Bacolod and Iloilo which is expected to be turned over to PRC on the first week of May this year.</p> <p>Presently, the Task Force for offsite delivery of services is evaluating additional prospective service centers in Robinsons Land Corp. and offers from LGUs to ensure that each regional office will have at least one service center.</p>
EXPEDITE RESOLUTION OF CASES FILED WITH THE PRC	<p>With the commitment to resolve cases at the rate of four percent (4%) within three months, the Commission will adopt new rules governing administrative cases to further simplify requirements and expedite investigation, hearing and resolution of cases. The Peer Review Committee created by the Commission to review the quarterly reports submitted by Hearing Officers/Lawyers shall be strengthened to ensure that the year's targets are accomplished.</p>		<p>The Legal and Investigation Division conducted a total of 412 hearing of cases, and resolved cases at the rate 3.40% within the first quarter.</p> <p>To ensure the speedy disposition of cases, the Commission designated authorized signatory of (i) interlocutory orders in appealed cases against professionals, (ii) interlocutory orders in cases against Professional Regulatory Board Chairpersons and Members, , and (iii) formal charge and interlocutory orders in cases against officials and employees of the Commission.</p>

			<p>Further, the Commission constituted an Appeals Committee pursuant to Rule XVI <i>Appeals</i> of the 2017 Revised Rules and Regulations to prepare decisions, orders. Minute resolutions and notices of decisions, for consideration of the Commission.</p> <p>The Commission issued the 2017 Revised Rules and Regulations in Administrative Investigations to achieve a more expeditious disposition of cases filed before the Commission and the Boards.</p>
STRENGTHEN PRL-MANDATED INSPECTION AND MONITORING	<p>The PRBs are mandated to look into the conditions affecting the practice of the profession and, whenever necessary, to adopt such measures as may be deemed appropriate for the enhancement or maintenance of high professional and ethical standards of the practice of the profession.</p>		<p>The Commission through the Standards and Inspection Division (SID) and regional offices committed this year to conduct 1,062 inspections of firms and establishment, including higher educational institutions. As of March 31, 2017, four hundred sixty-three (463) inspections were conducted in Metro Manila and various provinces by the Boards of Accountancy, Chemical Engineering, Midwifery, Mechanical Engineering, Nursing, ECE, Interior Design, Optometry in etc.</p> <p>For proper Coordination, the SID has already submitted to CHED the 2017 inspection schedule of the Boards on December 2, 2016.</p> <p>Further, the SID processed a total of 1,921 certificates of accreditation for public practice, commercial and industrial, and accounting teachers.</p>

<p>CONTINUING PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT (CPD)</p>	<p>Continuing Professional Development (CPD) is a lifelong, systematic and planned process to maintain and develop professional competence, creativity and innovation. The CPD will strengthen professional core competencies thus assuring availability of qualified and competent professionals for local industry and equip the Filipino professional for global competitiveness required by the liberalization of trade in services.</p>	<p>Registered Professionals of the 43 Regulated Professions</p>	<p>The Implementing Rules and Regulations (IRR) of the CPD were issued and published on February 28, 2017 in the Philippine Star. The IRR took effect on March 15, 2017, and in order to inform the public of the CPD units required for the renewal of professional identification card, and the period of implementation, the Commission issued an announcement for dissemination by the central and regional offices.</p> <p>The CPD Councils of various professions have accredited 188 CPD Providers and 1,497 CPD Programs.</p> <p>A total of 49,624 professionals belonging to the professions of Accountancy, Chemical Engineering, Criminology, Customs Broker, Dentistry, Electrical Engineering, Electronics Engineering, Guidance and Counseling, Interior Design, Mechanical Engineering, Medical Technology, Medicine, Midwifery, Nursing, Nutrition Dietetics, Optometry, Pharmacy, Professional Teacher, Physical Therapy, Psychology, Radiologic Technology, Real Estate Services and Social Worker have attended CPD programs conducted from January to March 2017 by various CPD providers.</p> <p>To ensure compliance with the CPD guidelines pursuant to Section 22, Article III of PRC Resolution No. 2013-774, as amended by</p>
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MUTUAL RECOGNITION AGREEMENT/ MUTUAL RECOGNITION OF PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS (MRA/MRPQ)	<p>The objective of MRA and MRPQ is to promote and facilitate borderless practice for the regulated professions.</p> <p>For year 2017, the professions identified to establish mutual recognition of professional qualifications are the following; Guidance and Counseling, Fishery Technology, Midwifery, Chemistry, Forestry, Social Workers, Radiologic Technology, Master Plumbers and Geology. Currently, all these professions are on Phase 1 (Research phase).</p>	<p>Filipino professionals</p> <p>Foreign professionals under reciprocity/mutual recognition agreement/arrangement</p>	<p>On the assessment on the competitiveness of professional and mutual recognition of professional qualifications, the following were accomplished:</p> <p>Discussed with 2 PRBs (Psychology and Forestry) on the development of descriptors/learning outcomes relative to the PQF level descriptors</p> <p>Formulated descriptors/minutes/ records of discussion for 2 PRBs (Psychology and Forestry</p> <p>Thirty five (35) engineers are now ready for conferment by the ASEAN Chartered Professional Engineer Coordinating Committee (ACPECC):</p> <table><tr><td>• Electronics Engineer</td><td>14</td></tr><tr><td>• Civil Engineer</td><td>7</td></tr><tr><td>• Mechanical Engineer</td><td>3</td></tr><tr><td>• Electrical Engineer</td><td>11</td></tr><tr><td>TOTAL</td><td>35</td></tr></table> <p>Forty-two (42) negotiations/meetings/and other related activities/for a participated/convened in various international agreements/cooperations.</p>	• Electronics Engineer	14	• Civil Engineer	7	• Mechanical Engineer	3	• Electrical Engineer	11	TOTAL	35
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<p>PRC REORGANIZATION</p>	<p>To enable the agency to effectively pursue its mandate and critical functions as provided by R.A. 8981 (PRC Modernization Act of 2000), a reorganization of its organizational structure and staffing pattern is necessary. The reorganization will enhance administrative capacity, delineate staff from line functions, promote decentralization, attract competent staff, and enhance linkages among Professional Regulatory Boards and stakeholders, and infuse knowledge management and client-focus into frontline operations. This will focus agency resources into mission-critical functions such as regulation of the practice of the professions through licensure, regulatory and developmental programs such as continuing professional development, trade in services, research and development, and employment-facilitation.</p>	<p>PRC officials and employees</p>	<p>The approved Organizational Structure and Staffing Pattern (OSSP) was posted on January 09, 2017 for the Commission employees' information. To orient the employees of the processes and rationale of the reorganization of PRC, pocket assemblies were conducted on January 10 and 11, with CSC-Field Office Director Noel V. Salumbides as the speaker. The rules and regulations for the implementation of the OSSP (IRR) was approved and signed by the Commissioners and the Commission Chairman on January 20, 2017, after reviews and revisions made by the Reorganization Placement Committee (RPC) members and the Civil Service Commission (CSC). The same was also circularized on January 24, 2017.</p> <p>The Position Description Forms (PDF) for the 325 items/positions to be applied for, per the Notice of Organization, Staffing and Compensation Action (NOSCA) from DBM, were circularized on January 07, 2017. A Memorandum providing instructions and guidance on the submission of Letters of Intent (LOI) on March 17-31, 2017, along with samples of the letters, for the first wave of personnel placement was also circularized on March 14, 2017. Two hundred fort-four eligible (244) eligibles out of 247 have submitted their LOIs.</p>
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Special Professional Licensure Board Examinations (SPLBE) for Overseas Filipino Workers	Executive Order 835 dated October 6, 2009 institutionalizes the conduct of board examination in the Middle East. The Department of Labor and Employment through the PRC, in coordination with the Department of Foreign Affairs through its Philippine Embassies and with the assistance from the Philippine Professional Organizations-Kingdom of Saudi Arabia (KSA), hold and conduct SPLBE for the qualified overseas Filipino workers in KSA, Qatar, United Arab Emirates, and other Middle East countries with whom the Philippines have diplomatic relations.	Overseas Filipino Workers	The Commission issued a revised guidelines on the conduct of Special Professional Licensure Board Examinations (SPLBE) for Overseas Filipino Workers in order to be more responsive to the needs of time, and to strengthen further the conduct of SPLBE to assuage any possible irregularity that would disrepute the integrity and inviolability of licensure examinations.