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PSA - La Union conducts 1st Quarter 2021 Fisheries Surveys

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Statistical Researcher JM M. Aguinaldo interviews the respondent of 1st Quarter 2021 Fisheries Survey.

15 March 2021 - The Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA) – La Union Provincial Statistical Office carried out the 1st Quarter 2021 Fisheries Surveys on March 15-20, 2021 that aims to generate data on volume and value of production on fisheries, and aquaculture by aqua farm type.

The four surveys conducted were the Quarterly Commercial Fisheries Survey (QCFS), Quarterly Municipal Fisheries Survey (QMFS), Quarterly Inland Municipal Survey (QIFS) and Quarterly Aquaculture Survey (QAqS). The statistics that will be generated through the conduct of these surveys will serve as inputs in the compilation of national accounts, researches and studies, estimation of performance of agriculture, and policy making and program implementation on fisheries.

There were six Statistical Researchers (SRs) who visited the fish landing centers for commercial and municipal fisheries along with the selected sample aqua farm operators and inland fishing households to generate fisheries outputs. In coordination with the Local Government Units (LGUs), the SRs conducted the surveys with adherence to health and safety protocols like observance of social distancing, wearing of face mask/shield, and proper hygiene and sanitation.

Meanwhile, as follows are the key results of the 4th Quarter 2020 Fisheries Surveys in La Union:

- La Union ranked second among the provinces of Ilocos Region in terms of fisheries production in 4th quarter 2020. It contributed 3.77 percent to the total volume of fish production in the region.
- The total volume of fisheries production in La Union grew by 2.66 percent in 4th quarter 2020 with 3,013.73 metric tons from 2,935.54 metric tons total volume of fisheries production reported in 4th quarter 2019.
- By subsector, municipal fisheries became the main source of fisheries production in 4th quarter 2020 with 1,682.94 metric tons comprising 55.84 percent of the total fisheries production of the province. Marine municipal fisheries production contributed 83.10 percent to the total municipal fisheries production while inland fisheries shared 16.90 percent.
- The aggregated production from aquaculture in 4th quarter 2020 was recorded at 997.10 metric tons that accounted to 33.09 percent of the total fisheries production in the province.
- The volume of production in 4th quarter 2020 from commercial fisheries in La Union reached 333.69 metric tons or 11.07 percent of the total fisheries production of the province.

The PSA assures the public that all data and information collected from them are for statistical purposes only. Information obtained from the respondents shall be accorded strictly confidential as provided under Republic Act (RA) 10625. ###

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