

# ID WATCH

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identification systems in the Philippines**

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### **PSA to open website for PhilID verification**

PSA will soon roll out a website and offline mechanisms to enable relying parties to verify, using public-private key cryptography, the digital signature in the QR code of PhilIDs and confirm that the demographic information is accurate and has not been tampered with. **READ MORE →**

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### **PSA opens addt'l Step 2 reg sites for PhilSys ID in Luzon**

The PSA established new registration sites in six provinces in Luzon where online booking of appointment for Step 2 of the PhilSys registration can be accommodated. **READ MORE →**

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### **PhilID expected to provide accuracy in targeting aid beneficiaries: DSWD**

DSWD Secretary Rolando Bautista said a full digital experience on the distribution of aid will soon be realized through the PhilSys.

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### **State auditors red flag PCOO implementation of P419.94-M National ID info campaign**

COA has cited audit deficiencies in PCOO's handling of the P419M budget for the PhilSys information production and campaign.

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### **Comelec no longer issues voter IDs**

On December 20, 2017, the Comelec announced on its website that it would no longer be issuing voter ID cards in anticipation of the roll out of a national identification system. **READ MORE** →

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### **3.8M unbanked PhilSys registrants enters formal banking system**

The Landbank said the onboarded 3.8M applicants for transaction accounts comprise 47% of the 8M individuals who registered in the PhilSys. Landbank Agent Banking Cards are provided free-of-charge and with no initial deposit requirement to PhilSys applicants in areas where the Landbank has co-located with Philsys registration sites. **READ MORE** →

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### **Data-sharing among gov't agencies via PhilSys proposed**

ARTA eyes partnership with the PSA to streamline sharing and matching of data on bearth, death, and marriage with relevant government agencies through online platforms. **READ MORE** →



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