

CY 2017 Second Quarter Regional Economic Situationer (RES)

a quarterly update on the economic performance of the Cagayan Valley Region

A quick glance at Cagayan Valley's economy during the second quarter of CY 2017:

• **Macroeconomy**

- ⇒ Inflation Rate at 3.5%
- ⇒ Unemployment Rate up to 3.2%
- ⇒ Underemployment rate up to 16%

• **Agriculture and Fishery**

- ⇒ Palay production up by 12.02%
- ⇒ Corn production up by 19.87%
- ⇒ Fruit production down by 15.40%
- ⇒ Vegetable and root crop production up by 5.54%
- ⇒ Non-food and Industrial Commercial Crop up by 28.38%
- ⇒ Livestock production down by 1.58%
- ⇒ Poultry production up by 2.24%
- ⇒ Fisheries production down by 3.63%

• **Others Sectors**

- ⇒ BNR investments up by 24.61%
- ⇒ LBP loans up by 22.05%
- ⇒ DBP loans up by 41.47%
- ⇒ Number of construction up by 24.31%
- ⇒ Value of construction down by 62.20%
- ⇒ Revenue collections up by 7.41%
- ⇒ Crime volume down by 22.12%

Brief Summary

The region experienced a more favorable economy during the second quarter of CY 2016 given positive performances in all sectors.

The agriculture sector has recovered during the second quarter displaying higher total productions in palay, corn, other crops and poultry. Cagayan Valley Region maintained its top rank in corn and second spot in palay contributing 28.42 percent and 21.42 percent, respectively of the total national output. On other crops, vegetables and root crops and non-food industrial commercial crops showed positive performances due to the continuous assistance of DA, sustained partnership with San Miguel Corporation through assistance to contract growers, and increase in area harvested given the recovery from the damages of Super Typhoons last year.

On Industry and Services sector, key indicators recorded continuous expansion during the period: DTI's Business Name Registration (BNR) posted higher number of firms registered reflecting higher investments and more jobs generated. The number of constructions activities in the region also increased. Indicators on development administration showed improved revenue collections and crime statistics as compared to the previous year.

On inflation, prices of basic goods and services picked up to 3.5 percent. Food

commodities inched up particularly on rice, corn, meat, fish, and fruits, among others., while most of non-food commodities experienced slower rates.

In terms of employment situation, the region displayed higher employment rate (96.8%), yet higher underemployment rate (16.1%) compared to the national level of 94.3 percent and 16.0 percent, respectively. However, there are still more to be done to improve the quality of jobs in the region.

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