Philippines: 2018 Civil Registration Month Celebrations
Every year since 1991, the month of February is declared the Civil Registration Month (CRM) in the Philippines. For the month-long celebration, the Philippine Statistics Authority-Civil Registration Service (PSA-CRS) together with the other nationwide PSA offices organizes various activities highlighting the continuous commitment of the PSA to deliver relevant and reliable statistics and efficient civil registration services to its clients and stakeholders. A wide range of activities were conducted during the month such as blood donations and CRVS Concepts and Procedures Training (CRVS 101) for the Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao. A closing event with all stakeholders marked the end of the month's celebrations.

World Bank: New publications on civil registration
As part of the Identification for Development (ID4D) Initiative, the World Bank has released four new publications focusing on civil registration and vital statistics (CRVS). The reports address digital identification in the context of current and emerging technology trends, and with respect to healthcare management. Mechanisms for integrating unique identification numbers in civil registration are analyzed, and incentives for improving birth registration coverages are reviewed.

UNICEF: South Asia civil registration consultancy announcements
The UNICEF Regional Office for South Asia currently has two consultancy openings. Both openings require the preparation and presentation of 10-15 page papers among other tasks. One opening is on the relationship of cross border collaboration while the other is on the potential relationship between civil registration and civil identification. The deadline for application is 30th of March 2018.

The postings:
International Consultant - Child Protection, UNICEF Regional Office for South Asia, Kathmandu, Nepal
International Consultant - Cross Border collaboration, Child
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**Seminar on National/International CRVS Best Practices**
09 April 2018
Islamabad, Pakistan

**Training of Trainers Workshop on CRVS eLearning Course**
10-19 April 2018
Windhoek, Namibia

**74th Session of the Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific**
11-16 May 2018
Bangkok, Thailand

New resources available on www.getinthepicture.org

- Report on the Regional Steering Group for Civil Registration and Vital Statistics in Asia and the Pacific on its third meeting
- Fact Sheet: CRVS Systems as a foundation for human rights
- Civil registration systems and vital statistics: successes and missed opportunities
- Presentations from the workshop on the Operation of Civil Registration, Vital Statistics and Identity Management Systems for East Asian Countries
- Information note: Using CRVS systems for electoral registration
- New World Bank publications on civil registration

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