## DSWD FO III starts Listahanan second round of validation

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(City of San Fernando, Pampanga) The Department of Social Welfare and Development Field Office III (DSWD FO III) has started the Listahanan second round of validation and finalization phase this November.

Lalaine R. De Leon, Policy and Plans Division OIC-Chief who led the training held recently in this city said, "Validation phase aims to come up with an accurate, credible, and final list that will be generated after a thorough review with the communities and their Local Government Units (LGUs).

The validation phase will provide opportunity for the review of the preliminary list of poor and non-poor households generated. It will also facilitate the identification of erroneous entries; inclusion of households not assessed; and will accommodate changes based on merit.

On the first day, Czar Cornelius David, National Household Targeting Unit (NHTU) Regional Field Coordinator discussed with 130 Area Supervisors the strategies to be used for interviews. It also highlighted with the question and answer (Q&A) on the importance of work ethics and handling of difficult situations encountered in the field.

On the second day, Enumerators (EN) were included in the orientation with topics on Grievances/complaints that may be filed. The participants presented this in the form of skit. The day ended by distributing laptops to the AS for their use in the validation.

The assessment will update the current list of poor families or the Listahanan Central Database. Listahanan is the Department's targeting mechanism of identifying who and where the poor are and it will be the basis of targeting potential beneficiaries for government's social protection programs. ### (FTSanga, Jr-SMU)