

- (i) Entrepreneurship and livelihood skills training applicable for both rural and urban setting;
- (j) Environmental awareness, including disaster awareness, preparedness and mitigation, environmental protection, conservation, and sustainability;
- (k) Human rights promotion, peace and security building, and crime prevention which shall include awareness of illicit drugs and substances;
- (l) Financial education, including basics of budgeting, savings, and investments;
- (m) Personal development that shall include building a successful career roadmap; and
- (n) Cultural awareness to foster culture-based empowerment, leadership, and governance among the youth.

SEC. 6. Assistance of Concerned Government Agencies, Organizations, and Instrumentalities. – The NYC, DILG, DTI, DOH, DICT, PSC, NCCA, DOT, and other concerned agencies, shall provide the necessary assistance to the SK for the effective implementation of the summer youth camp.

The SK may also consult nongovernmental organizations (NGOs) and civil society organizations (CSOs) accredited by the NYC in the development and implementation of the program.

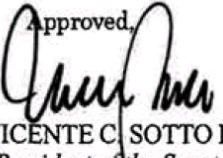
SEC. 7. Funding. – The budget for the summer youth camp shall be included in the annual appropriations of the SK of the respective local government units in accordance with Section 20(a) of Republic Act No. 10742, otherwise known as the "Sangguniang Kabataan Reform Act of 2015."

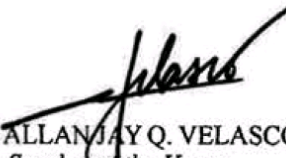
SEC. 8. Implementing Rules and Regulations. – The NYC, the DILG, and the SK representatives shall, in consultation with various youth organizations and youth-serving organizations, promulgate the rules and regulations to implement the provisions of this Act within sixty (60) days after its effectivity.

SEC. 9. Separability Clause. – If any part or provision of this Act is held invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions not affected shall remain in full force and effect.

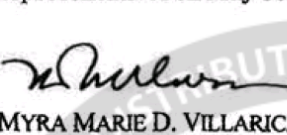
SEC. 10. Repealing Clause. – All laws, executive orders, issuances, decrees, rules and regulations, inconsistent with or contrary to the provisions of this Act are deemed amended, modified or repealed accordingly.


SEC. 11. Effectivity. – This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the *Official Gazette* or in a newspaper of general circulation.

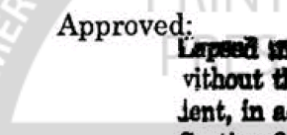
Approved: 
VICENTE C. SOTTO III
President of the Senate

Approved: 
LORD ALLAN JAY Q. VELASCO
Speaker of the House of Representatives

This Act which originated in the House of Representatives was passed by the House of Representatives on September 7, 2021, amended by the Senate of the Philippines on May 26, 2022, and which amendments were concurred in by the House of Representatives on May 30, 2022.

Approved: 
MYRA MARIE D. VILLARICA
Secretary of the Senate

Approved: 
MARK LLANING L. MENDOZA
Secretary General
House of Representatives

Approved: 
RODRIGO ROA DUTERTE
President of the Philippines

Lapsed into law on JUL 28 2022 without the signature of the President, in accordance with Article VI, Section 27, (1), of the Constitution.

S. No. 2503
H. No. 6456

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Fifteenth Congress
Third Regular Session

Begun and held in Metro Manila, on Monday, the twenty-sixth day of July, two thousand twenty-one.

[REPUBLIC ACT NO. 11913]

AN ACT DECLARING AUGUST 12 OF EVERY YEAR AS NATIONAL YOUTH DAY

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Philippines in Congress assembled:

SECTION 1. Short Title. – This Act shall be known as the "National Youth Day Act."

SEC. 2. Declaration of Policy. – The State recognizes the vital role of the youth in nation-building and which has led to measures such as Republic Act No. 8044 which created the National Youth Commission to be the leading government arm in harnessing the full potential of the youth as partners in nation building and Republic Act No. 10742 or the "Sangguniang Kabataan Reform Act of 2015" which provided a strong framework to encourage the youth not only to participate in governmental activities and public and civic affairs but to also develop a sense of leadership and patriotism.

SEC. 3. National Youth Day. – In observance of the International Youth Day, the twelfth (12th) day of August of every year is hereby declared as National Youth Day.

SEC. 4. Program of Activities. – To ensure the meaningful observance of National Youth Day, the National Youth Commission (NYC), in coordination with the Department of Education (DepEd), Commission on Higher Education (CHED), and Technical Education and Skills Development Authority (TESDA), Sangguniang Kabataan (SK), National Union of Students of the Philippines (NUSP), and other youth and youth-serving organizations shall prepare and implement an annual program of activities including, but not limited to, discussions and/or forums on career paths, sustainable development, environment preservation, gender equality, and mental health. For this purpose, the NYC may engage in partnerships with local and international youth organizations suitable to providing these discussions. The youth organizations and youth-serving organizations shall likewise support the NYC in its effort to promote and facilitate related activities in all public and private schools.

All schools, colleges, and universities are hereby enjoined to launch activities such as leadership training, youth empowerment, workshops, basic mass integration, and community immersion activities in celebration of National Youth Day: *Provided*, That the respective administration of schools, colleges, and universities shall extend their full support to all activities to be conducted by their students: *Provided, further*, That the specific activities shall be undertaken according to the education institutions' policies and guidelines.

All provincial and local youth development offices are likewise enjoined to prepare an annual program and conduct activities that shall provide holistic development and enrichment of the youth in their respective communities.

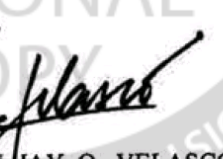
SEC. 5. Implementing Rules and Regulations. – The NYC, in coordination with DepEd, CHED, and TESDA, SK, NUSP and other youth and youth-serving organizations shall promulgate the rules and regulations to implement this Act within sixty (60) days after its effectivity.


SEC. 6. Appropriations. – The amounts necessary for the implementation of this Act shall be charged against the respective current year available appropriations of the NYC, DepEd, CHED and SK. Thereafter, the amounts necessary shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.

SEC. 7. Separability Clause. – If, for any reason or reasons, any part or parts of this Act shall be declared unconstitutional or invalid by any competent court, other sections or provisions hereof not affected thereby shall continue to be in full force and effect.


SEC. 8. Repealing Clause. – All laws, decrees, executive orders or rules and regulations contrary to or inconsistent with the provisions of this Act are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

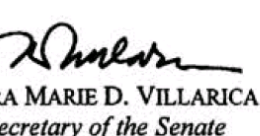
SEC. 9. Effectivity. – This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the *Official Gazette* or in any newspaper of general circulation.

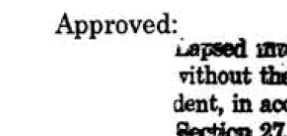
Approved: 
LORD ALLAN JAY Q. VELASCO
Speaker of the House of Representatives

Approved: 
VICENTE C. SOTTO III
President of the Senate

This Act was passed by the Senate of the Philippines as Senate Bill No. 2503 on May 26, 2022 and adopted by the House of Representatives as an amendment to House Bill No. 6456 on May 30, 2022.

Approved: 
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Secretary General
House of Representatives

Approved: 
MYRA MARIE D. VILLARICA
Secretary of the Senate

Approved: 
RODRIGO ROA DUTERTE
President of the Philippines

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[REPUBLIC ACT NO. 11914]

AN ACT CONVERTING THE PROVINCIAL SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY CENTER INTO THE PROVINCIAL SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY OFFICE AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Philippines in Congress assembled:

SECTION 1. Short Title. – This Act shall be known as the "Provincial Science and Technology Office Act".

SEC. 2. Declaration of Policy. – It is the policy and duty of the State to fast-track the transfer of relevant and appropriate technologies and services to the rural areas particularly in the enhancement and development of technology-based livelihood enterprises in the countryside.

SEC. 3. Provincial Science and Technology Offices (PSTOs). – The Provincial Science and Technology Centers (PSTCs) of the Department of Science and Technology (DOST) which are the principal instruments of technology transfer and development of technology-based enterprises of the government in the rural areas are converted into PSTOs: *Provided*, That the existing clustered area offices of the DOST in the National Capital Region (NCR) shall also serve as PSTO to be known as Clustered Area Science and Technology Offices (CASTOs), subject to the evaluation and approval of the Department of Budget and Management (DBM) and existing civil service rules and regulations.

SEC. 4. Functions of the PSTOs. – The PSTOs shall have the following functions:

- (a) Identify the needs and opportunities in Science and Technology (S&T) in the provinces;
- (b) Implement DOST programs and projects on technology promotion and transfer, S&T human resource development, S&T promotion and information dissemination, delivery of technical and consultancy services, and such other areas of concern that will benefit the people in the provinces;
- (c) Develop institutional linkages with provincial offices of other departments, local government units (LGUs), academe and nongovernmental offices for the effective implementation of S&T programs in the provinces; and
- (d) Perform other functions as may be determined by the DOST Secretary and the Regional Director.

SEC. 5. PSTO Head. – The PSTO shall be headed by a Chief Science Research Specialist with Salary Grade (SG) 24. For this purpose, the existing position of Senior Science Research Specialist with SG 19 which is currently held by the head of the PSTCs shall be reclassified as Chief Science Research Specialist.

SEC. 6. Duties and Responsibilities of the PSTO Head. – The PSTO Head shall have the following duties and responsibilities:

- (a) Formulate the Provincial S&T Plan as well as programs and projects designed to contribute to the development of the province/clustered area;
- (b) Implement and monitor the various technology promotion and commercialization programs such as, but not limited to, the Small Enterprise Technology Upgrading Program (SETUP) and the Community Empowerment through Science and Technology (CEST);
- (c) Promote the adoption of appropriate technologies by micro, small and medium enterprises (MSMEs) to improve their operational efficiency and increase productivity as well as to harness the results of scientific research and innovations to produce new and competitive products and services;
- (d) Disseminate S&T-related information and Research and Development (R&D) results through the conduct of trainings, technology fora and similar activities;
- (e) Maintain effective liaison with public and private academic institutions and other government agencies engaged in scientific and technological research, technology transfer and commercialization, education, and training;
- (f) Coordinate with LGUs and academic institutions for the promotion of scholarship programs aimed to attract science-oriented students to pursue basic and applied sciences to broaden the S&T human resource in the province/clustered area;
- (g) Coordinate with public and private organizations in the implementation of human resource and institutional development programs in the province/clustered area;
- (h) Promote science consciousness and appreciation among the people of the province/clustered area;
- (i) Serve as focal person for S&T inter-agency meetings, conferences, and similar activities in the province/clustered area;
- (j) Perform overall supervision of services and operations of the PSTO;
- (k) Ensure that appropriate quality management systems are properly implemented and maintained in accordance with international standards in all aspects of operations of the PSTO; and
- (l) Perform other related functions as may be assigned by higher authorities from time to time.

SEC. 7. Staffing Pattern. – The Secretary of the DOST shall determine the organizational structure and staffing pattern of the PSTO in accordance with civil service laws, rules, and regulations, subject to the review and approval of the DBM.

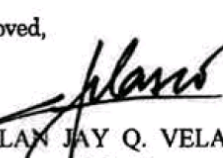
SEC. 8. Appropriations. – The initial amount for the implementation of this Act shall be charged against the current year's appropriations of the DOST. Thereafter, such amount shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.


SEC. 9. Implementing Rules and Regulations. – The DOST, in consultation with concerned agencies and stakeholders, shall promulgate the implementing rules and regulations of this Act within ninety (90) days from the effectivity of this Act.

SEC. 10. Separability Clause. – If any provision of this Act shall be held unconstitutional or invalid, the other provisions not otherwise affected shall remain in full force and effect.


SEC. 11. Repealing Clause. – All laws, or parts thereof which are inconsistent with this Act, are hereby amended, repealed, or modified accordingly.

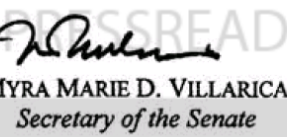
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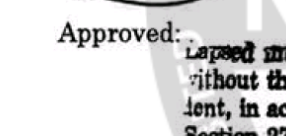
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Speaker of the House of Representatives

Approved: 
VICENTE C. SOTTO III
President of the Senate

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