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Did you know that...

... incidence of poor families in Southern Mindanao rose in 2000?

The incidence of poor families in Southern Mindanao increased by 3.0 percentage points, from 38.2 percent in 1997 to 41.2 percent in 2000, as shown by the 2000 preliminary results of Philippine Poverty Statistics released by the National Statistical Coordination Board (NSCB). Further, the discrepancy between the incidence of poor families in the rural and urban areas widened to 21.4 percentage points, compared to the 19.3 percentage points difference in 1997.

Meanwhile, except for Region X, other regions in Mindanao also had an increase in poverty incidence. ARMM posted the highest increment of 11.5 percentage points, while Region IX and XII's figures rose by 6.4 and 0.9 percentage points, respectively.

The incidence of poor families in the region had always been higher than that of the nation's since 1988 until 2000. However, the incidence in both areas had continuously dropped from 1991-1997, and then increased in 2000. The same trend is observed in the incidence of poor population in the region.

The magnitude of poor families in Southern Mindanao climbed by 50.3 percent in the 15 year span, from 1985-2000, reaching 465,128. Most of the poor families in 2000, 71.8 percent, are still found in the rural areas as most of the economic activities and opportunities, like manufacturing, services, construction, etc, are concentrated in the urban areas. The highest proportion of poor families found in rural areas occurred in 1988, at 75.3 percent, while the lowest was recorded in 1991, at 57.4 percent.

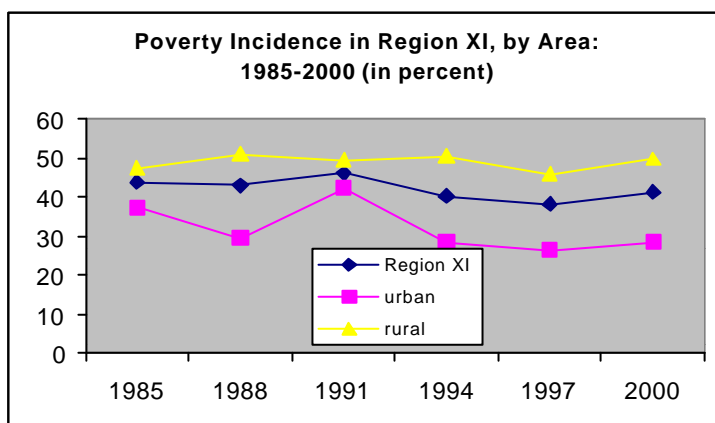
Meanwhile, Region XI has the 2nd highest annual per capita poverty threshold in Mindanao, at P12,546, next to ARMM's P14,017 in 2000. The threshold of the region has increased by 19.4 percent from 1997's figure of P10,503. However, the 2000 per capita threshold of Southern Mindanao is lower than the national figure of P13,916.

Poverty Threshold and Poverty Incidence, Philippines and Region XI: 1985-2000

INDICATOR	YEAR					
	1985	1988	1991	1994	1997	2000 p/
Annual per Capita Poverty Threshold (in pesos)						
Philippines	3,744	4,777	7,302	8,885	11,319	13,916
Region XI	3,645	4,876	6,544	8,201	10,503	12,546
<i>Urban</i>	4,217	5,667	7,528	8,851	11,704	13,886
<i>Rural</i>	3,342	4,445	5,678	7,644	9,762	11,606
Poverty Incidence (in percent)						
Families						
Philippines	44.2	40.2	39.9	35.5	31.8	34.2
Region XI	43.9	43.1	46.2	40.3	38.2	41.2
<i>Urban</i>	37.4	29.4	42.4	28.5	26.5	28.5
<i>Rural</i>	47.4	50.9	49.5	50.6	45.8	49.9
Population						
Philippines	49.3	49.5	45.3	40.6	36.8	40.0
Region XI	49.7	48.9	51.6	45.6	44.3	46.3
<i>Urban</i>	42.6	33.9	46.8	32.2	32.2	33.4
<i>Rural</i>	53.5	57.0	55.9	57.0	51.7	55.3

Note: p/ preliminary

Source: National Statistical Coordination Board



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MAGNITUDE OF POOR FAMILIES, ALL AREAS, REGION XI: 1985-2000

YEAR	1985	1988	1991	1994	1997	2000 p/
URBAN	92,102	78,447	163,415	118,044	103,518	131,198
RURAL	217,427	239,670	219,953	239,572	279,150	333,930
TOTAL POOR FAMILIES	309,529	318,117	383,368	357,616	382,668	465,128
PERCENTAGE OF URBAN POOR	29.8%	24.7%	42.6%	33.0%	27.0%	28.2%

Note: p/ preliminary

SOURCE: National Statistical Coordination Board

Poverty Threshold and Incidence of Poor Families, Mindanao Regions: 1997,2000

Region	Annual Per Capita Poverty Threshold (Pesos)		Incidence of Poor Families	
	1997	2000 p/	1997	2000 p/
Region IX	9,732	11,046	40.1	46.5
Region X	10,440	12,131	47.0	45.7
Region XI	10,503	12,546	38.2	41.2
Region XII	11,119	12,247	50.0	50.9
ARMM	11,134	14,017	57.3	68.8

Note: p/ preliminary

SOURCE: National Statistical Coordination Board