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# LIBRARY UPDATE

## January – March 2025

### ACCOUNTABILITY OF PUBLIC OFFICERS AND INVESTIGATIONS

Kirby, Nikolas . author. (2024). *The Institutional Laundry: How the Public May Keep Their Hands Clean*. The Journal of Ethics; Dordrecht Vol. 27, Iss. 4, (Dec 2023): 539-560.

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### AGRICULTURE, FOOD AND AGRARIAN REFORM

Briones, Roehlano M., Helena Luz C. Pastolero, Ivory Myka R. Galang. 2024. Prospects for Widespread Adoption of Organic-Based Fertilizers in the Philippines: A Rapid Appraisal. Quezon City : Philippine Institute for Development Studies. (PIDS Discussion paper series no. 2024-30)

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Modern conventional agriculture has relied heavily on inorganic fertilizers to achieve higher crop yields. However, concerns have arisen regarding its ecological and economic sustainability due to its impact on soil health, pollutants off-site, and recent surges in fertilizer prices. This paper reports on a rapid appraisal of the current state and potential expansion of organic fertilizer utilization and availability in the Philippines. The study finds that combining inorganic and organic-based fertilizers allows for a balanced realization of the advantages of each type. Government policies and programs promote both organic agriculture and balanced fertilization, although the budget is heavily skewed toward incentivizing farmer purchases of inorganic fertilizers.

## **BANKS, FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS AND CURRENCIES**

Tabuga, Aubrey D., Ramonette B. Serafica, Madeleine Luoise S. Baino. 2024. Probing Sectoral Networks of Ownership in Publicly Listed Financial Companies in the Philippines. Quezon City : Philippine Institute for Development Studies. (PIDS Discussion paper series no. 2024-46)

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This paper aims to explore ownership networks of publicly listed financial institutions in the Philippines. It covers the second phase of a research project on financial networks and builds on the analyses conducted in Tabuga et al. (2024), which aims to provide an understanding of the underlying network structure that may influence financial sector development and stability in the Philippines. The current paper further expounds on the connections examined in the first paper—focusing on the extent of financial institutions’ networks in other sectors and assessing the roles of connections within the network. In this report, the network illustrating ownership and investment relationships has been expanded to include entities with relatively smaller shares, emphasizing the possible importance of weaker ties. By identifying the sectors and subsectors of nodes in the network, this paper aims to provide a deeper understanding of the extent of the network of the country’s publicly listed financial institutions. Furthermore, it seeks to draw insights that may be valuable for policy formulation and financial supervision/regulation.

## **BASIC EDUCATION**

Navarro, Adoracion M. 2024. School Infrastructure in the Philippines: Where Are We Now and Where Should We Be Heading? Quezon City : Philippine Institute for Development Studies. (PIDS Research paper series no. 2024-06)

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This study assesses the adequacy of school infrastructure in the Philippine basic education sector while benchmarking it against developmental targets and other countries’ performance. It finds that with

respect to classrooms, there has been progress in decongesting schools, but spatial inequality in the classroom-student ratio persists and requires attention

#### **CIVIL SERVICE, GOVERNMENT REORGANIZATION AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION**

Leslie, Kathleen, Sophia Myles, Abeer A. Alraja, Patrick Chiu, Catharine J. Schiller ; et al. authors. (2024).

***Professional regulation in the digital era: A qualitative case study of three professions in Ontario,***

Canada. PLoS One; San Francisco Vol. 19, Iss. 5 : e0303192.

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#### **CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS AND REVISION OF CODES**

Tsebelis, George & Edwin Atilano-Robles. Authors. (2024). ***Why Are Constitutional Amendments in Mexico so Frequent?*** Journal of Politics in Latin America; Hamburg Vol. 16, Iss. 3 : 300-324.

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#### **COOPERATIVES**

Qiu, Yutong, Yunli Bai, JiaojiaoWu, Jiaojiao; Zeng, Xuanye; Zhang, Linxiu.. authors. (2024). ***Impact of Farmer Cooperatives on Labor Employment: Evidence from Rural China.*** Land; Basel Vol. 13, Iss. 12 : 2242.

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#### CULTURAL COMMUNITIES AND MUSLIM AFFAIRS

Jiang, Shanshan & Khomkrich Karin. authors. (2025). ***Preservation and Transmission of Literacy Practices for the Zhuang Bronze Drum in Guangxi, China.*** International Journal of Education & Literacy Studies; Footscray Vol. 13, Iss. 1 : 40-47.

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#### CULTURE AND THE ARTS

Grazuleviciute-Vileniske, Indre & Diana Zmejauskaite. authors. (2024). ***'Archeology' of Hidden Values of Underutilized Historic Industrial Sites in Context of Urban Regeneration and Nature-Based Solutions.*** Buildings; Basel Vol. 15, Iss. 2 : 205.

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## ECONOMIC AFFAIRS

Rivera, John Paolo R., Mark Gerald Ruiz, Ramona Maria L. Miral. 2024. Macroeconomic Prospects of the Philippines in 2024–2025: Toward Upper Middle-Income Status. Quezon City : Philippine Institute for Development Studies. (PIDS Discussion paper series no. 2024-18)

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Examines the economic performance of the Philippines for 2023 and, at most, the third quarter of 2024. It presents the conditions driving global, regional, and national outlooks, projections on growth, consumer prices, and prospects coming into 2025—all of which are relevant to making informed household, enterprise, and policy decisions. As the economy moves towards a better normal, it faces challenges from persistent headwinds stemming from both internal and external factors.

## ELECTORAL REFORMS AND PEOPLE’S PARTICIPATION

Johnson, Kevin. author. (2024). ***Innovation in Democracy: Why America's Future Depends on it.*** The Fletcher Forum of World Affairs; Medford Vol. 48, Iss. 2 : 27-34.

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## ENERGY

Jonek-Kowalska, Izabela & Wieslaw Grebski. authors. (2024). ***Comparative Analysis of Domestic Production and Import of Hard Coal in Poland: Conclusions for Energy Policy and Competitiveness.*** Energies; Basel Vol. 17, Iss. 20 : 5157.

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## ENVIRONMENT, NATURAL RESOURCES AND CLIMATE CHANGE

Rivera, John Paolo R., Ramona Maria L. Miral, Mark Gerald C. Ruiz. 2024. Estimating the Impacts of Climate Change on Fiscal Health in the Philippines: Designing a Policy toward a Climate-Resilient Fiscal Sector. Quezon City : Philippine

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This paper explores the fiscal impacts of climate-related phenomena in the Philippines and policy recommendations for creating a climate-resilient economy. A three-pronged empirical approach (i.e., time series, panel data, and cross-section analyses) was employed to examine the nuanced interplay of climate shocks, fiscal health, and economic sustainability. Time series analysis highlighted how structural vulnerabilities, reliance on climate-sensitive sectors, and socio-economic inequalities exacerbate long-term scarring effects on growth. Panel data analysis emphasized the acute impact of temperature on government consumption expenditure, contrasting with the mixed fiscal effects of rainfall and storms, which are influenced by mitigation measures and fiscal structures. Cross-section analysis further elucidated how the fiscal resilience of local government units depends on external revenues, pre-allocated funds, and disaster severity.

## ETHICS AND PRIVILEGES

Baker, Zachary R. & Zarif L. Azher. authors. (2024). ***Simulating The U.S. Senate: An LLM-Driven Agent Approach to Modeling Legislative Behavior and Bipartisanship.*** arXiv.org; Ithaca.

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## FINANCE

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## FOREIGN RELATIONS

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## GAMES AND AMUSEMENT

Rodriguez, Raquel A. author. (2024). ***Taking a Gamble on Fantasy Sports, or Is It?*** The Judges' Journal; Chicago Vol. 63, Iss. 4 : 39-43.

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## GOVERNMENT CORPORATIONS AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES

Gatti, Matteo. author. (2024). ***Corporate Governing: Understanding Corporations as Agents of Socioeconomic Change.*** Journal of Corporation Law; Iowa City Vol. 50, Iss. 1 : 149-208.

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## HEALTH AND DEMOGRAPHY

Ruscio, Ayelet Meron, Madeleine Rassaby, Murray B. Stein, Dan J. Stein, Sergio Aguilar-Gaxiola, et al. authors. (2024). ***The case for eliminating excessive worry as a requirement for generalized anxiety disorder: a cross-national investigation.*** Psychological Medicine; Cambridge Vol. 54, Iss. 12 : 3447-3458.

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## HIGHER, TECHNICAL AND VOCATIONAL EDUCATION

Aldaba, Fernando, Joselito Sescon, Karl Eli Alconis. 2024. Strengthening CHED's Developmental and Regulatory Capacity. Quezon City : Philippine Institute for Development Studies. (PIDS Discussion paper series no. 2024-41).

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This study aims to propose recommendations for enhancing the regulatory and developmental mandate of the Commission on Higher Education (CHED). A brief review of CHED's strengths and weaknesses over the years regarding its regulatory and developmental mandates was conducted, along with an examination of other countries' higher education regulatory systems and good practices. The study also included key informant interviews with both public and private HEI administrators, CHED offices, and accreditation bodies to gather perspectives on strengthening CHED's regulatory and developmental mission

## JUSTICE AND HUMAN RIGHTS

Choi, Nakbum & Jaeseong Jang, authors. (2024). ***The effect of organizational justice on police officers' perception of procedural justice in the South Korea: the mediating roles of perceived discretion and responsiveness.*** Policing; Bradford Vol. 47, Iss. 2 : 321-336.

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## LABOR, EMPLOYMENT AND HUMAN RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT

Shen, Yang & Xiuwu Zhang. authors. (2024). ***The impact of artificial intelligence on employment: the role of virtual agglomeration.*** Humanities & Social Sciences Communications; London Vol. 11, Iss. 1 : 122.

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## LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Shoba, Muzi. author. (2024). ***Contemporary Issues in Local Government "Coexistence Strategy" And "Provincial Government Monitoring of Local Government": An Overview of Selected Case Studies in Kwasulu-Natal.*** Eurasian Journal of Social Sciences; Istanbul Vol. 12, Iss. 1 : 13-24.

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## MIGRANT WORKERS

Arifin, Saru. author. (2024). ***Strengthening Indonesia's Migrant Worker Legislation: Reality and Necessity***. University of Pécs (Hungary) ProQuest Dissertations & Theses. 31877759.  
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## NATIONAL DEFENSE AND SECURITY, PEACE, UNIFICATION AND RECONCILIATION

Darbaj, Au Kamel. author. (2024). ***The U.S. Recognition of Israeli Sovereignty over the Golan Heights: A Threat to International Peace***. Insight Turkey; Ankara Vol. 26, Iss. 2 : 117-137.

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## PUBLIC INFORMATION AND MASS MEDIA

Hongcharu, Boonchai. author. (2024). ***The changing roles of mass media amidst the growth of the digital media***. Cogent Social Sciences; Abingdon Vol. 10, Iss. 1.

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#### **PUBLIC ORDER AND DANGEROUS DRUGS**

Cheng, Vincent S. author. (2024). ***Coexisting with Drug Addiction: Strategies Used by Hong Kong's Older Mixed Users to Improve Their Perceived Quality of Life.*** Asian Journal of Law and Society; Cambridge Vol. 11, Iss. 1 : 23-36.

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#### **PUBLIC SERVICES**

Francisco, Kris A. 2025. Transport Infrastructure in the Philippines: From Plans to Actual Allocation. Quezon City : Philippine Institute for Development Studies. (PIDS Discussion paper series no. 2024-51)

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The Philippine government historically underinvested in transport infrastructure, but this began to change a few decades ago when the country's financial position became relatively more favorable. The immense need to fast-track transport infrastructure investments is driven mainly by two pressure points:

(1) the accumulated gap in transport infrastructure due to years of neglect and (2) the country's sustained economic growth, which has further increased the demand for public infrastructure. This study provides a characterization and analysis of the government's strategy to intensify its spending on transport infrastructure by examining relevant statistics and public documents. It traces the government's progress in addressing the public infrastructure backlog. The analysis covers the years 2000 to the present, during which administrations have vowed to intensify government spending on physical infrastructure.

## PUBLIC WORKS

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## SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

Ambatipudi, Srikanth, author. (2025). ***Machine Learning Based Intrusion Detection System for Cyberattacks on Corporate Networks***. The George Washington University ProQuest Dissertations & Theses, 31762891.

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## SOCIAL JUSTICE, WELFARE AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT

Albert, Jose Ramon G. [and eight others]. 2024. Measuring Poverty within Filipino Households: Examining of Resource Sharing and Economies of Scale. Quezon City : Philippine Institute for Development Studies. (PIDS Discussion paper series no. 2024-37).

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The Philippine government's long-term vision, AmBisyon Natin 2040, aims for a prosperous, predominantly middle-class society where no one is poor. The Philippine Development Plan 2023-2028 emphasizes strategies to develop and protect individual and family capabilities by reducing vulnerabilities and strengthening social protection. While official poverty statistics indicate progress in poverty reduction at the aggregate level, with poverty incidence declining to 16.4 percent in the first semester of 2023, standard measurement approaches may mask significant inequalities in resource allocation within households. This study examines household resource sharing in the Philippines using a collective household model to construct poverty indices that complement official poverty statistics.



## SPORTS

Lemes, Vanilson Batista, Anelise Reis Gaya, Jorge Mota, Caroline Brand, authors. (2025). ***Self-perceived physical fitness and occurrences of individual levels of autistic traits in adolescents: a cluster association study***. BMC Psychiatry; London Vol. 25 : 1-12.

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## SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS, INNOVATION AND FUTURES THINKING

Spadaro, Ilenia, Francesca, Pirlone, Fabrizio Bruno, Gianluca Saba, Barbara, Poggio, et al., authors. (2023). ***Stakeholder Participation in Planning of a Sustainable and Competitive Tourism Destination: The Genoa Integrated Action Plan Sustainability***. Basel Vol. 15, Iss. 6 : 5005.

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## TOURISM

***Coupling coordination and spatiotemporal dynamic evolution between culture and tourism industry in Japan***. Scientific Reports (Nature Publisher Group); London Vol. 15, Iss. 1 : 7777.

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## TRADE, COMMERCE AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP

Moreno, Neil Irwin S., author. (2024). ***The Role of Services in Global Value Chains: Assessing the Servicification of Philippine Manufacturing Industries***. Quezon City : Philippine Institute for Development Studies. (PIDS Discussion paper series no. 2024-39).

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The emergence of global value chains (GVCs) in recent years has highlighted the increasing reliance of manufacturing industries on services. Manufacturing firms have intensively used service inputs, performed in-house service activities, and sold services embedded in or bundled with goods. This study assessed the servicification of the Philippine manufacturing sector in the context of trade and GVCs.

## URBAN PLANNING, HOUSING AND RESETTLEMENT

Reyes, Eduardo T. III. author. (2024). ***Law on property and essentials of land registration : (with a special chapter on evolution of cases involving lands in Boracay and consequences of sale to foreigners)***. Manila : Rex Book Store.

Covers the fundamental legal frameworks governing property rights, including the processes involved in land registration, ownership transfers, and the legal protections afforded to property owners. It also features a chapter focusing on the evolving legal landscape of land ownership in Boracay. The case studies and jurisprudence surrounding land transactions in this popular tourist destination are critically examined, highlighting the implications of land sales to foreigners in areas subject to regulatory scrutiny. Reyes provides valuable insights into the legal consequences and challenges arising from such transactions, making this book particularly relevant in the context of the changing policies on foreign ownership in the Philippines.



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## WAYS AND MEANS

Didwania, Stephanie Holmes, author. (2025). ***Asset Forfeiture and Inequality***. Stanford Law Review; Stanford Vol. 77, Iss. 1 : 159-234.

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## WOMEN, CHILDREN, FAMILY RELATIONS AND GENDER EQUALITY

Rueda, Diana Gutierrez & Laire M. Eylla. authors, 2025. ***Gender, Micro entrepreneurship, Human Flourishing: Exploring the Experiences of Women Sari-sari Store Owners toward Inclusive Growth***. Quezon City : Philippine Institute for Development Studies. (PIDS Discussion paper series no. 2024-50)

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For years, women's involvement in entrepreneurial activities has been widely advocated as part of economic development agendas. This is evidenced by numerous initiatives, projects, and roadmaps that promote women's integration into economic activities through entrepreneurship. Underpinning these efforts is the assumption that women's active participation in economic activities leads to improved

well-being and empowerment. While this is an essential step toward improving women’s conditions, the realities are more complex. This study primarily addresses the question: “How does women’s engagement in micro-enterprising facilitate their own and their communities’ human flourishing and empowerment?” More specifically, it examines the critical role of sari-sari stores in the socio-economic landscape of the Philippines, with a particular focus on their contributions to community development and women's flourishing and empowerment.

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