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Evaluation of the Implementation of Crime Prevention Strategies of the Philippine National Police in Ormoc City, Leyte in the Context of the Covid-19 Pandemic

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ABSTRACT

The COVID-19 Pandemic had made the Philippines to face various expanding crime rates which became a valuable issue in the country. These wrongdoings had operationally pushed the Philippine National Police to see and assess different crime activities that had been concurring consistently. This made the PNP to established community public security which then is called to be crime prevention strategies. This confronts the transition of different conflicting state including actions that inflicts harm to the populace. However, the known implemented strategies were not observed whether these promotes consistent advantage security or implementation were not addressed properly. Therefore, this study aims to determine the evaluation of the implementation of crime prevention strategies of the Philippine National Police in Ormoc City, Leyte in the Context of the COVID-19 Pandemic. A descriptive quantitative was used in purposive sampling was employed to obtain the 125 respondents of the study mainly PNP personnel and barangay captain. A self-constructed questionnaire with 4-point Likert scale has undergone a pilot study among 25 known respondents wherein the actual run was done through online survey. The result had shown that indicators including the crime prevention activities as to prevention strategies shows no significant differences. However, sustainability of the strategies establishes

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relationship with the demographic profile. Therefore, the study had concluded that the null hypothesis must be accepted which pertains that the strategies of the PNP towards crime prevention is not highly significant with the demographic profile.

Keywords: COVID-19, Crime Prevention, Evaluation, Ormoc City, PNP, Strategies

Introduction

Rate status of wrongdoing volume over the nation went down by 46.66 percent since the starting of the COVID-19 broad negating claims by Generous bunches that passings from the government anti-drug campaign as far as anyone knows extended in the midst of the far reaching (DILG,2022). This explains that since financial works out were ceased in the midst of the wellbeing crisis, it underscored its effect on wrongdoing against property, which had the foremost critical rot among the wrongdoings recorded by the PNP. Subsequently, The PNP investigation Ormoc as the foremost secure city inside the country based on examinations conducted for the essential quarter of 2018. Not at all like other towns, have police officers in Ormoc City been getting a charge out of full back from the neighborhood government for fuel to supplies (Dejon, 2019).

Moreover, wrongdoing avoidance methodologies have been broadly utilized in this concept. It has been characterized as the point to protect the pivotal center of human lives from essential ubiquitous perils in a way that's consistent with long-term fulfillment. With this thought, the PNP as the cutting edge of value system within the authorization of law was more often than not on confirmation of life. The police have to be moved its attitude from its ordinary policing work of law requirement to a more noteworthy portion of being the known law masters and community pioneers. Most organizations with authentic orders to make observation systems do so fundamentally to recognize guilty parties as they are around to commit or commit wrongdoing (DOJ,2020). The precise use of pros and restriction might be a wrongdoing anticipation strategy, and talk about settlement may be a fundamental concern of police since talk about can increase

unpleasant violations. Police need to shift their mindset from being normal law enforcement to the more important part of law enforcement and being known as community pioneers. Police officers must use their abilities to the best of their abilities in their daily work and must remain aware of the role they can play in addressing important social issues, with particular attention to the potential threat posed by the growing dangers. violation rate. Police must not give up or cover up control of crime (Patalinghug, 2017). Therefore, this study had widely recognized the activities of PNP in Ormoc who has established reliable and efficient strategies that embraces changes and transition amid the COVID-19 Pandemic.

Methods

Descriptive Quantitative

Descriptive-quantitative indicators are controlled by subjects and are primarily measured to build bridges between factors and test populations (Noyes et al., 2019). This study used descriptive-quantitative analysis, which included information collection in response to questions related to the study topic.

Sampling Technique

A priori power analysis was used to determine alpha-adjusted sample size, effect size, and power using statistical software (SPSS). Researchers compiled respondents' demographic profiles consistent with their goals and assessments.

Sample Size

The study had employed purposive sampling to acquire the needed sample wherein a total of 25 has presented in the study accordingly. 110 were among the barangay captains in Ormoc and 15 are among the PNP personnel.

Survey Instrumentation

The main tool used by the researchers in this study was a self-made questionnaire to facilitate the data collection process. In this study, researchers reviewed articles, books, internet, journals, papers, and additional data for appropriate instrument design. Therefore, the survey questionnaire was based on primary and secondary data sources. Draft questionnaires were presented to supervisors several times for further analysis and clarification of the questions. This is subject to rigorous scrutiny by expert researchers. Researchers assured respondents that all information collected would be treated in strict confidence and used only for the purpose of this study. A 4-point scale based on the

Likert frequency scale was used to obtain the degree of respondent's response to the survey questions. Each item was assigned an

appropriate weight value, where 1 is the lowest and 4 is the highest.

Data Analysis

To free the consider from predisposition, expressive measurable investigation was performed. The measurable treatment was utilized to the crude information accumulated from the overview and displayed in unthinkable and graphical shape. Information were sorted, coded, and entered within the Measurable Bundle for the Social Sciences (SPSS) adaptation 23.0 for administration and investigation. A arrangement of Chi-squared tests were too utilized to decide critical relationship contrasts between certainty in online wellbeing media detailing and the pointers. The need level for measurable importance was set at $p < 0.05$.

Result and Discussion

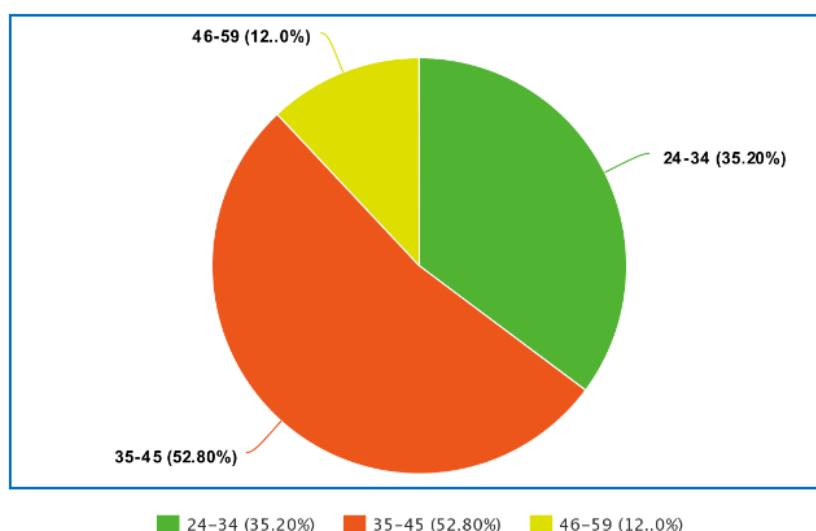


Figure 1. Profile of the Respondents as to Age

The result shows that the majority ages 35-45 years old with 52.80%, followed by 24-34 (35.20%). whilst, only 12% were ages 46-59. this entails that both barangay captain and PNP personnel were between 35-45 years of age

considered as adult. This also reflects that this age range were those that understand the implementation of crime prevention strategies by the PNP.

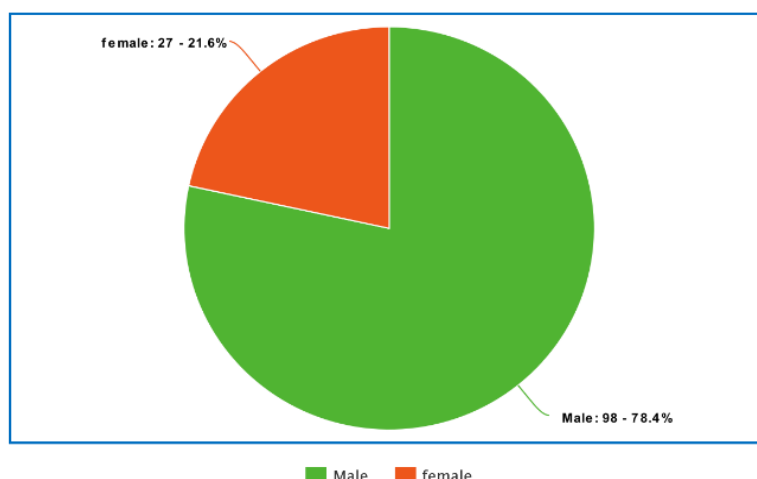


Figure 2. Profile of the Respondents as to Gender

The majority are from the male bunch garnering a total of 98 respondents or 78.4%. meanwhile only 27 were the female with a percentage of 21.6%. this explains that majority that implements and establishes crime

prevention strategies in Ormoc city were among the male bunch and thus this group are capable of recognizing strong hold of strategic regulation for the betterment of the stated city.

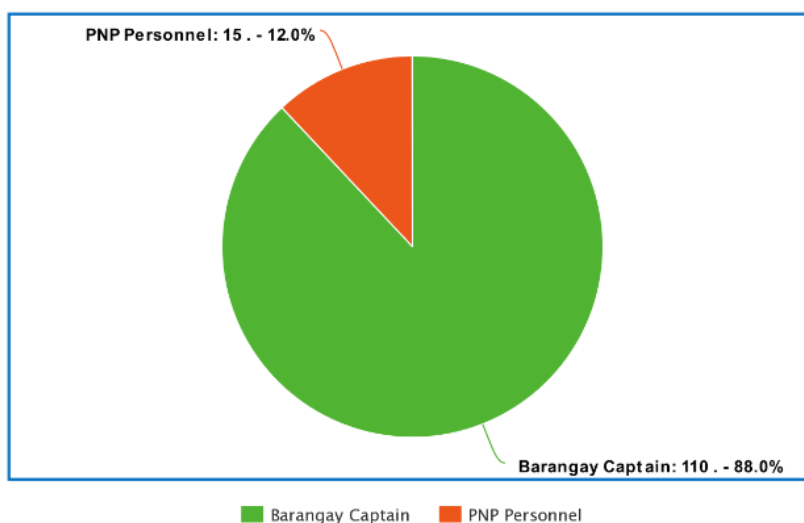


Figure 3. Profile of the Respondents as to Position

This expands the barangay captain were capable of identifying the level of crime prevention strategies implemented by the PNP to the whole populace. Thus, barangay captains see these strategies as exploration way of piloting the management of decreasing crimes in the city in today's time.

To clarify the statistical explanation, according to Kshirgan (2020) barangay captain or other governmental staff are regularly utilized for their particular aptitudes, which serve a specific part or extent.

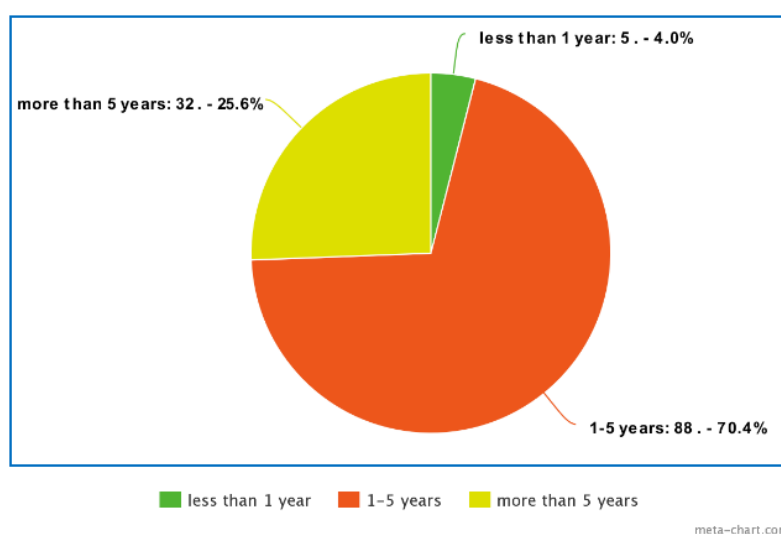


Figure 4. Profile of the Respondents as to Years in Service

This entails that majority were able to disclose 5 years in critical management of crime prevention strategies expanding their ability to understand changes of policing. Moreover, with the given percentage of employee with

less than one year in service, this still explains the acknowledgement of stressing the proper crime prevention strategies withhold by the PNP.

Table 1. Crime Prevention Activities: Cybercrime

Indicators	Weighted Mean	Interpretation
1. The PNP establishes security network that proposes prevention of illegal activities that engage identity theft	3.37	Often
2. Hacking has been identified in the city, thus, known hackers were given attention by providing daily repeated distribution of flyers	3.49	Often
3. The PNP establishes vulnerability is assessing security of the populace by investigating each residents' cyber activities.	3.37	Often
4. The PNP has a complete means of substantive procedural roles which emphasizes the complete list of locals that contributed offenses like cyber sex, in this way, attacks can be detected easily.	3.34	Often
Grand Mean	3.39	Often

The result reflects the duty of implemented strategies of the PNP in which publicizing of cybercrime activities through flyer has helped the community to address the occurrence of virtual

identification of recommended action by the PNP in order to protect the people of Ormoc to be recognized as critical threat to criminal opportunities.

Table 2. Crime Prevention Activities: Counterfeiting and Fraud

Indicators	Weighted Mean	Interpretation
1. The PNP establishes a securing track and trace that comprehends the availability of serialization to protect the seller and buyer	3.34	Often
2. The PNP promotes QR coding among seller in order to secure the identity of their product	3.24	Often
3. The PNP secures private information of the populace and never discloses it to other people in any form and level of living	3.24	Often
4. The PNP secures public risk fraud through internal controls of assessing visits like atm, loaning, auction. In this way, the PNP directly identifies unrealistic activities of the wrongdoer.	3.17	Often
Grand Mean	3.25	Often

The result explains that counterfeiting and fraud had been recognized by the PNP and several actions were made to prevent such crime. Whereas, securing track and the

implementation tracing serialization has been acknowledge by the community in order to release legit identified product.

Table 3. Crime Prevention Activities: Gender Violence

Indicators	Weighted Mean	Interpretation
1. The PNP implemented fines to those actuated gender violence including psychological harm	3.51	Always
2. Establishment of monitoring and investigative gender violence through community program has been implemented by the PNP	3.40	Often
3. Chief guidelines on the discrimination of any gender of any forms that contributes to the psychological harm to the community has been prioritized and managed by the PNP through monthly surveillance of public's awareness to gender violence	3.32	Often
4. Continuance gender violence threat is being prevented through development of notable human rights allowing the community to acknowledge fines and laws that maybe harm the populace	3.38	Often
Grand Means	3.40	Often

The result explains the gender violence has been acknowledged by the PNP and barangay captains wherein the PNP were able to withhold preventative measures towards these known crimes. Fine has been implemented by the PNP as a tool to comprehend with the situ-

ated gender violence that may occur in any setting in the community. This is because that psychological effector may rise among the populace that will exhibit decline of improvement acceptance among the community.

Table 4. Crime Prevention Activities: Street Crimes

Indicators	Weighted Mean	Interpretation
1. The PNP establishes fines to those who committed street crimes like robbery and assaults	3.46	Often
2. The wrongdoers of streetcrimes were listed accordingly by the PNP and publicized the bunch	3.39	Often
3. The PNP enforced policing of daily public street checking to see potential risk of harmful street wrongdoings	3.53	Always
4. The PNP eliminates adverse social condition by letting the general public acknowledge the current safety status of the community from robbery, assaults and rape	3.40	Often
Grand Mean	3.45	Often

The result explains that the PNP were able to identify the potential risk of street crimes in Ormoc city by consistent public street surveillance. This activity and crime prevention methodologies allows the PNP and the community to

determine other risk factors that may serve as a threat among the bunch therefore this will analyze the totality of potential social condition that significantly negatively affects the populace.

Table 5. Needs Assessment

Needs assessment	WM	VI
1 There is a quality of work in every implemented regulation of the PNP	3.41	Often
2 The PNP frequently checks and updates regulation and the implemented strategies whenever problem occurs	3.59	Always
3 There is a lead time in proposing changes and acknowledging success has been predominantly considered	3.37	Often
4 The PNP indicates observation of community's satisfaction towards safety of the implemented strategies	3.32	Often
5 There are implemented skill practice among the PNP policing and diagnosis on the frequent community wrong doings	3.44	Often
Grand mean	3.43	Often

The result shows that the majority agrees to the PNP frequent checking and update of the regulation whenever problems occur. Also, this allows the PNP policing to establish consistent observation of the communities' doing that may produce advantages or disadvantages to the community. the result clarifies that relationship with workmate is imperative and

essential in arrange to supply job fulfillment as required because it ought to be when PNP builds up needs evaluation towards the executed wrongdoing avoidance methodologies. This encourage infers that the extent of strength of the respondents and the complete environment is direct and a few of the markers required to be moved forward.

Table 6. Sustainability

Sustainability	WM	VI
1 The PNP were able to meet the needs of the community especially from the current preventative measures	3.41	Often
2 The PNP develops crime prevention strategies which allows the bunch to take full responsibility on the occurrence	3.45	Often

	Sustainability	WM	VI
3	There various externalization that PNP produces that helps considers the support changes of the barangay's needs	3.38	Often
4	There is present acknowledgement of diversity on the innovation and critical equity of the implemented strategies	3.24	Often
5	PNP were able to prevent discrimination of the implemented crime prevention strategies by establishing sustainable equality among diverse populace.	3.60	Always
Grand mean		3.42	Often

The data explains that in terms of the sustainability, the PNP were able to provide prevention on the possible strategy discrimination that were established by the PNP thus, quality

among the diverse populace has been shown. Also, this makes the PNP to establish strategic ways than enhances responsibility among the policy maker.

Table 7. Effectivity

	Effectivity	WM	VI
1	The implemented crime prevention of the PNP shows cooperation among the community and barangay captains which explains it's effectivity	3.05	Often
2	There is clear policies relating to crime prevention strategies which makes the community to understand the aim of prevention	3.09	Often
3	Satisfaction and effectiveness among the community has been recognized in regard with the known issues situated by the PNP	3.13	Often
4	Discipline had increased through the implemented crime prevention strategies of the PNP	3.03	Often
5	Extended community encouragement towards recognizing the implemented strategies were taught consistently among the populace	3.06	Often
Grand mean		3.07	Often

The result proved that benefits from the government were given equally especially the basic entitlements that the organization must distribute, allowing the majority to show satisfaction. Thus, policies are still implemented

upon the distribution of benefits including the loaning option and given bonuses. However, only few suggested and were satisfied that compensation reflects qualification.

Table 8. Attainability

	Attainability	WM	VI
1	All the PNP implemented crime prevention strategies is at high level of quality and is attainable	2.98	Often
2	The PNP has a good career planning and development which make it to be easily attained	2.95	Often
3	Advancement in crime prevention strategies has been pinpointed, thus, all PNP personnel shows cooperation to attain the objectives	2.86	Often
4	PNP Skillful education has been recognized which allows the bunch to consider evaluative changes	3.20	Often
5	high degree of opportunity to change revise and revisit problems in crime prevention strategies has been acknowledge making it attainable	3.21	Often
Grand Mean		3.04	Often

Subsequently, this state coming about from evaluating some work inclusion. It can be a multidisciplinary ponder affected by diverse inside and outside factors. Attainability gathers the establishment of social relations and affiliations between individuals at work. Interpersonal associations can be characterized as the

subjective experience of a specialist towards connection or partner with another person. Expressed by Chaudhari (2019) that interpersonal relationship insinuates to a strong connection among people working together within the same organization.

Table 9. 4. Significant Difference in the Implementation of crime Prevention and Demographic Profile

Profile Variables	$\lambda^2 c / U$	p-value	Interpretation
Age			
Needs Assessment	5.676	0.059	Not Significant
Sustainability	0.734	0.693	Not Significant
Effectivity	2.372	0.305	Not Significant
Attainability	1.030	0.597	Not Significant
Sex			
Needs Assessment	3311.000	0.875	Not Significant
Sustainability	2791.500	0.060	Not Significant
Effectivity	2807.000	0.067	Not Significant
Attainability	2968.500	0.193	Not Significant
Position			
Needs Assessment	3184.000	0.510	Not Significant
Sustainability	2201.000	0.000	Highly Significant
Effectivity	2983.500	0.187	Not Significant
Attainability	3342.000	0.894	Not Significant
Years in service			
Needs Assessment	1.353	0.717	Not Significant
Sustainability	17.573	0.001	Significant
Effectivity	0.363	0.948	Not Significant
Attainability	1.376	0.711	Not Significant

Legend: Significant at p-value<0.05

Only sustainability shows highly significant relationship or 0.000. Whilst, sustainability in years in service also is significant (0.001).

This conforms that sustainability gives impact on the crime prevention strategies of the PNP and this serves as an indicator to which it explains the evaluative response whether a certain policing is accepted or not.

Conclusion

The associated indicators that conform the crime prevention strategies of the PNP in Ormoc city shows no significant relationship with the respondent's demographic profile. Hence, sustainability contributes on how one establishes efficient and reliable strategy. Thus, the spread of the evidence-based knowledge allows the general public to accept and

determine the presented crime prevention strategies. Therefore, the researchers accept the null hypothesis

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