The Philippines affirms labor as a primary social economic force. It shall protect the rights of workers and promote their welfare.

The Philippine Constitution mandates the State to afford full protection to labor, local and overseas, organized and unorganized, and promote full employment and equality of employment opportunities for all; to guarantee the rights of all workers to self-organization, collective bargaining and negotiations, and peaceful concerted activities, including the right to strike in accordance with law. They shall be entitled to security of tenure, humane conditions of work, and a living wage.

The Philippines grants rights and privileges for disabled persons to:

- a. Be part of the Philippine society by improving the well-being and integrating disabled persons into the mainstream of society;
- b. Be provided the same rights as other people to take their proper place in society; and
- c. Be rehabilitated in order to foster their capability to attain more meaningful, productive and satisfying life.

The Philippines recognizes that discrimination constitutes a violation of human rights enunciated by the Universal Declaration of Human Rights.

Article 27 Issue	DOLE Response							
36(a). Please inform the	The Ph	The Philippine Constitution guarantees the rights of <u>all workers</u> to security of tenure, humane						
Committee of the average	conditio	ns of work ar	nd living wage.	It is a state pol	licy to rationali	ze the fixing o	f minimum wa	ges and
earnings of workers with	to prom	ote productiv	ity-improvemen	t and gain-sha	ring measures	to ensure a dec	cent standard o	of living
disabilities, as compared	for the v	workers and th	neir families. ¹ Th	ne statutory mi	nimum wage ² f	ixed by the Re	gional Tripartit	e Wage
with the national average.	and Pro	and Productivity Board is composed as follows:						
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36(b). Please also provide		Region	Wage Order	Date of	Non-	Agric	ulture	
information on the			No. / Date of	Effectivity	Agriculture	Plantation	Non-	
proportion of workers with			Issuance				Plantation	
disabilities who receive the		NCR	21 -	10/05/2017	₱475.00-	₱475.00	₱475.00	
statutory minimum income.		NCR	09/14/2017	10/03/2017	₱ 512.00	P4/3.00	P4/3.00	
		CAD	18 -	06/05/2017	₱270.00-	₱270.00-	₱270.00-	
		CAR	04/26/2017	00/03/2017	₱300.00	₱300.00	₱300.00	

¹ Republic Act No. 6727 (An Act To Rationalize Wage Policy Determination By Establishing The Mechanism And Proper Standards Therefor, Amending For The Purpose Article 99 Of, And Incorporating Articles 120, 121, 122, 123, 124, 126 And 127 Into, Presidential Decree No. 442, As Amended, Otherwise Known As The Labor Code Of The Philippines, Fixing New Wage Rates, Providing Wage Incentives For Industrial Dispersal To The Countryside, And For Other Purposes)

² http://www.nwpc.dole.gov.ph/pages/statistics/stat_current_regional.html

I	19 - 11/24/2017	01/25/2018	₱256.00- ₱310.00	₱265.00	₱256.00	
II	18 - 08/11/2017	09/25/2017	₱340	₱320	₱320	
III	20 -	05/01/2017	₱329.00-	₱314.00-	₱302.00-	
	03/28/2017	00/01/201/	₱380.00	₱350.00	₱334.00	
IV-A	18 -	04/28/2017	₱317.00-	₱303.00-	₱303.00-	
1 V - / A	02/28/2018	04/20/2017	₱400.00	₱372.00	₱352.00	
IV-B	08 -	09/24/2017	₱259.00-	₱259.00-	₱259.00-	
IV-D	09/05/2017	09/24/2017	₱300.00	₱300.00	₱300.00	
3.7	18 -	06/02/2017	₱280.00-	₱280.00-	₱280.00-	
V	04/25/2017	06/02/2017	₱ 290.00	₱ 290.00	₱ 290.00	
3.77	23 -	02/16/0017	₱271.50-	P 201.50	P071 50	
VI	12/16/2016	03/16/2017	₱323.50	₱281.50	₱271.50	
X 7TT	20 –	00/10/0017	₱308.00-	₱288.00-	₱288.00-	
VII	02/13/2017	03/10/2017	₱366.00	₱348.00	₱348.00	
VIII	20 – 05/17/2018	06/25/2018	₱305.00	₱275.00	₱275.00	
IX	19 – 08/15/2016	10/01/2016	₱296.00	₱283.00	₱283.00	
***	19 –	07/1/2/0017	₱316.00-	₱304.00-	₱304.00-	
X	05/23/2017	07/16/2017	₱338.00	₱326.00	₱326.00	
XI	19 – 11/04/2016	12/16/2016	₱340.00	₱335.00	₱335.00	
XII	20 - 04/13/2018	05/11/2018	₱311.00	₱290.00	₱290.00	
CARAGA	15 – 11/10/2017	12/08/2017	₱300.00	₱300.00	₱300.00	
ARMM	17 – 04/23/2018	06/15/2018	₱280.00	₱ 270.00	₱ 270.00	

As of date, no disaggregated data regarding the earnings of workers with disabilities vis-à-vis the national average is available, as they may be included in the computation of the national average. Given

this, the table below shows the average daily basic pay of wage and salary workers by major industry group from 2015 - 2016:

TABLE 18 - Average Daily Basic Pay of Wage and Salary Workers by Major Industry Group, Philippines: 2015 - January 2017

(in Pesos)

MAJOR INDUSTRY GROUP		2016	2017
		Ave	Jan
ALL INDUSTRIES	378.71	400.95	414.64
Agriculture	194.38	209.32	210.13
Agriculture, Hunting and Forestry	192.99	208.25	210.21
Fishing and Aquaculture	218.48	225.95	208.58
Non-Agriculture	408.37	430.21	441.44
Industry	355.09	376.40	382.10
Mining and Quarying	330.82	356.11	306.07
Manufacturing	358.66	383.65	373.64
Electricity, Gas, Steam and Air Conditioning	665.33	742.32	821.61
Supply			
Water Supply; Sewerage, Waste Management	465.14	443.19	407.26
and Remediation Activities			
Construction	341.03	360.22	379.50
Services	432.15	455.70	468.56
Wholesale and Retail Trade; Repair of Motor	314.33	330.50	334.57
Vehicles and Motorcycles			
Transportation and Storage	395.60	438.81	424.69
Accommodation and Food Service Activities	325.97	338.58	346.15
Information and Communication	601.15	661.83	688.77
Financial and Insurance Activities	600.37	679.29	659.53
Real Estate Activities	523.13	730.98	586.70
Professional, Scientific and Technical Activities	707.53	713.22	682.59
Administrative and Support Service Activities	547.66	582.86	567.40

Public Administration and Defense; Compulsory	582.19	609.89	639.61
Social Security			
Education	760.88	783.11	801.00
Human Health and Social Work Activities	558.70	597.05	653.27
Arts, Entertainment and Recreation	442.20	456.77	496.69
Other Service Activites	196.22	203.82	220.06
Activities of Households as Employers; Undifferent	entiated (Goods	
and Services-producing Activities of	a	a	a
Households for Own Use			
Activities of Extraterritorial Organizations and	785.83	829.12	696.22
Bodies			

- Notes: 1. Excludes those paid on commission basis, honorarium and boundary as in the case of jeepney/bus/tricycle drivers.
- 2. The province of Leyte was not covered in January and April 2015 LFS. Data for July 2015 and onwards already include the province of Leyte.
- 3. Annualized data for 2015 refer to the average of the four survey rounds that exclude Leyte. These should not be compared with the 2014 annualized data as the latter exclude the January round. The use of the four survey rounds for the
- 2015 annualized data was based on the results of a referendum conducted among members of the IAC on Labor and Productivity Statistics.
- 4. Starting April 2016 round, the Labor Force Survey (LFS) adopted the 2013 Master Sample Design as well as the population projections based on the 2010 Census of Population and Housing (2010 CPH) while previous survey rounds were derived using the

2000 CPH population projections.

- 5. Annualized data for 2016 was computed as the average of the four survey rounds using January 2016 rounds figures that was based on the 2010 CPH population projections.
- a Starting July 2015 LFS data, Activities of Households as Employers; Undifferentiated Goods and Services-producing Activities of Households

for Own Use is included in Other Service Activities.

Source of basic data: Philippine Statistics Authority, Labor Force Survey, Public Use Files.

Definition:

Basic Pay - pay for normal time prior to deduction of social security contributions, withholding taxes, etc. It excludes allowances, bonuses, commissions, overtime pay, benefits in kind, etc.

37. Please provide data on the effectiveness of the 5 per cent quota system for employment as it applies to different types of impairment, together with data on the employment/unemployment of persons with disabilities disaggregated by sex, age, ethnicity, type of disability and educational level.

The 5% quota system for employment of persons with disabilities stipulated in Republic Act No. 7277³ has been amended by Republic Act No. 10524⁴ where Section 5 now reads as: "At least one percent (1%) of all positions in all government agencies, offices or corporations shall be reserved for persons with disability: Provided, That private corporations with more than one hundred (100) employees are **encouraged to reserve at least one percent (1%) of all positions for persons with disability**."

Pursuant to Article 27.1(g) of the Convention, the Philippine Government employs persons with disabilities. As of August 2017, there are 7,250 PWD (3,973 males and 3,277 females) workers out of the 2.42 million personnel in the Philippine bureaucracy that was recorded. In terms of geographical distribution, Region 6 has the highest number of employed PWDs followed by the National Capital Region and Region 5 with 1,638, 1,398, and 779, respectively.

Pursuant to Article 27.1(h) of the Convention, the private sector employs 3,504 PWD workers out of the estimated 4.38 million establishments employing 20 or more workers across the three major industries as of June 2016. Majority of the employed PWDs work in the services sector (56%), industry (42%), and agriculture (2%).⁵

Incentives⁶ are also provided to private corporations which employ PWD entitling them to an additional deduction, from their gross income, equivalent to twenty five percent (25%) of the total amount paid as

³ An Act Providing For The Rehabilitation, Self-Development And Self-Reliance Of Disabled Persons And Their Integration Into The Mainstream Of Society And For Other Purposes.

⁴ An Act Expanding The Positions Reserved For Persons With Disability, Amending For The Purpose Republic Act No. 7277, As Amended, Otherwise Known As The Magna Carta For Persons With Disability.

⁵ https://www.psa.gov.ph/content/20152016-integrated-survey-labor-and-employment-part-i-modules-employment-occupational

⁶ As provided under Section 8(a) and (b) of Republic Act No. 7277

salaries and wages to PWDs, subject to necessary clearances and certifications from National Government Agencies. **NCDA Issues** Programs and services to With the intention to support the PWDs to be productive members of the society, DOLE provides interventions through various programs. In 2016, DOLE reached out to 5,531 PWD beneficiaries by promote employment opportunities and career providing livelihood assistance through the Tulong Alalay para sa Taong may Kapansanan (TULAY) advancement for persons program. TULAY is a self-employment program which provides PWDs technical and financial assistance to venture into self-employment projects either individually or as a group. with disabilities in the labor market, as well as assistance in finding. Another notable program which promotes employment opportunity to PWD is Job Fairs. With warm support from the Local Government Units and private companies, PWDs are encouraged to participate obtaining, maintaining and to help them acquire proper employment. Actual monitoring of various job fairs conducted in NCR are returning to employment. as follows: Valenzuela City Inner Lobby, Venue SM Fairview. Convention Quezon City Quezon City Center Hall August 20, June 10, 2016 July 21, 2017 Date 2015 237 15 **Participating** 11 **Employers** Job Vacancies 2000 800 Registered 127 84 **PWD** 62 **Applicants** Qualified 78 40 27 **Applicants** Hired on the spot 0 7 4 Programs and services to The Philippine Government, through the Department of Labor and Employment, has been promote employment of implementing programs that promote decent employment not just to regular jobseekers but also to PWDs. In fact, various positions in the private sector which accepts PWD applicants are posted in the persons with disabilities in Philipbnet, the official job portal of the Philippine Government. In 2017, 27 job vacancies from 19 the private sector.

	private companies were posted (refer to Table B). As of 13 June 2018, job postings have increased to 39 job vacancies from 24 participating companies (refer to Table A).			
Job fairs should have a PWD desk	Pursuant to the Implementing Rules and Regulations of RA 10524 or the Magna Carta for Persons with Disability, a designated area has been allocated to accommodate PWD applicants during job fairs.			
Programs and services provided for persons with disabilities	Program (DILP) or livelihood for the w livelihood projects/u	Kabuhayan Pro orking poor, vu ndertakings.	g the priority beneficiaries of the gram. The DILP is a grant assistant linerable and marginalized workers a provided with livelihood assistant	ance for capacity building on either for individual or group
	ionows:	Year	No. of Beneficiaries Assisted	7
		2008	1,863	-
		2009	1,697	1
		2010	1,286	-
		2011	1,660	
		2012	1,769	
		2013	1,788	
		2014	2,235	1
		2015	1,755	1
		2016	1,536	
		2017	1,768	1
		TOTAL	17,357	1
	with various stakeho	vernment, throug	the IRR for the implementation of lities. A summary of the IRR are as	Republic Act No. 10524 or the
	a. General	Policies, Objecti	ves and Coverage basis with others and to work fully in	

- > To provide PWDs equal opportunity for employment and equal remuneration for work of equal value
- > This act covers all government agencies and participating private organizations.

b. Reserved Positions

- For government Agencies at least one percent (1%) of all positions in all government agencies, offices or corporations shall be reserved for persons with disability.
- For non-government agencies private corporations with more than one hundred (100) employees are encouraged to reserve at least one percent (1%) of all positions for persons with disability.

Another program is the Katulong at Gabay sa Manggagawang may Kapansanan (KAGABAY) Program which is a rehabilitation (with physical/medical components) and economic assistance program which aims to facilitate the reintegration of the persons with work-related disabilities (PWRDs) into the economic mainstream through the provision of free vocational or entrepreneurial trainings in coordination with training organizations nationwide. To assist the PWDs in setting up micro enterprises or home-based business, free starter kits are also provided which range from Php 20,000 to 30,000.

On the other hand, the physical/medical component provides a balanced program of remedial treatment, vocational assessment and preparation designed to meet the individual needs of the PWDs to restore them to suitable employment and to develop their mental, vocational or social potential. Rehabilitation services may come in the form of medical-surgical management, hospitalization, appliance and supplies; physical restoration, psychosocial counseling, psychiatric evaluation, skills training, hearing and visual impairment rehabilitation. The program also provides free rehabilitation appliances to PWDs.

A Quick Response Program (QRP) extends assistance to public and private sector workers or their dependents in the event of work-related contingencies. The program provides assistance to workers in the form of psychosocial counseling and assistance in the filing of EC claims with the Systems.

Programs and services provided for OFWs with disabilities, and number of OFWs who received The Department, through the Overseas Workers and Welfare Administration (OWWA), provides Death and Disability Benefit which is a self-administered Insurance Benefit Program for OWWA members. The death benefit, burial gratuity and disability assistance are integrated into one package of financial benefits.

disability benefits.

The components of the program are the following:

- Death Benefit insurance benefit to survivors of deceased OFWs who were active OWWA members at the time of death. The beneficiary is entitled to Php100,000.00 for deaths due to natural causes and Php200,000.00 for accidental death. / Implemented since 1998
- **2. Burial Gratuity** in addition to the death benefit, a funeral grant of **Php20,000.00** is given to the beneficiaries of the deceased OFW to assist them for the decent burial of their loved ones. / *Implemented since 1998*
- **3. Disability Benefit** this could be availed of by the OFWs for any accident-related disabilities ranging from Php2,500.00 Php25,000.00 for partial disability and from Php50,000.00 Php100,000.00 for total/permanent disability. / Implemented since 1998

The Department also provides the Supplemental Medical Assistance Program for OFWs (MED plus). MED plus is designed to provide supplemental medical relief for active OWWA and PhilHealth member-OFWs who are afflicted with dreaded diseases and were hospitalized, either at the jobsites or in the Philippines. It is a financial assistance aimed to provide eligible availees with relief in the payment of their hospital/medical bills that is equivalent to the PhilHealth benefits under its case rate system, but not to exceed **Fifty Thousand Pesos (Php50,000.00)** per member. / Implemented since April 2017

Finally, a Workers Assistance Program is extended to OWWA members, active or non-active, and/or families, who are not eligible under any of the existing OWWA social benefit programs and services. It seek s to provide disability assistance for OWWA members who were victims of crimes or accidents with disability/dismemberment coverage from **Php10,000.00** to **Php20,000.00** and **Php5,000.00** to **Php10,000.00** for active and non-active OWWA members respectively. / *Implemented since May* 8, 2017

A summary of the program availments are as follows:

PROGRAM	2017	January-May 2018	TOTAL
Disability Benefit	995	381	1,376

	Medplus	138	120	258	
	WAP-disability assistance	61	394	455	
		l.			J
Number of workers with disabilities regularized, if any.		mber of work	ers with disabilities reş	gularized.	
Programs and services to ensure that persons with disabilities are able to exercise their labor and union rights on an equal basis with others.	bargaining and negotiations, and peacefu belief, political inclination, social class expression, civil status, disability, HIV St	l concerted ac s, sex, gende atus and other icipate in poli	ctivities, regardless of er, sexual orientation, r medical condition. Fu	ethnicity, race gender ider arther, it provi	e, religion or ntity, gender des that they
	Specific to persons with disabilities, the labor organizations. It is worthy to note Associations (WAs) nationwide that are for usually formed by group of ambulant, if without definite employers (workers in the of its members or for any legitimate purposition).	e that at prese ormed and con intermittent, so e informal sec	ent, there are more the mposed by persons with elf-employed, rural we ctor), are organized for	an 60 registe th disabilities. orkers and th	red Workers These WAs, lose workers
	As to participation in policy and decision Industrial Peace Council, Regional Tripar – were expanded to include representative women, migrant, public, and informal seconcerns of workers in all sectors will representatives to the existing venues of p	tite Industrial yes not only f ector. This is be promoted	Peace Councils and Infrom the formal sector to ensure that the right and protected by it	ndustry Tripar , but also from ghts, interests	tite Councils m the youth, and special

Table A – Job Vacancies for PWD as of June 13, 2018

JOB VACANCIES FOR PERSON WITH DISABILITY (PWD)

As of 13 June 2018

	COMPANY NAME	As of 13 June 2018 JOB VACANCY
-		
	Agility International Logistics, Inc. Gahfea Café and Bistro	HR Specialist
		Barista
	Credibuild Development Corp.	Geodetic Engineer
	Hinduja Global Solutions	Healthcare Associate
	Concentrix	Customer Service Representative
	3M Global Service Center	Webmethods Developer
	Emperador Distillers, Inc.	Auditor
8	Bangko Kabayan Inc.	Community Development Specialist
		Credit Analyst
9	Simplexinternet Philippines, Inc.	Senior Web Developer
		Web Developer Trainer
10	Statlab Medical and Diagnostic Inc.	Quality Management Representative
l		Radiologic Technologist
l		Medical Receptionist
l		Marketing Officer
l		Clinic Nurse
11	SC Reserevaions (Philippines), Inc.	Reservations Sales Specialist
12	Convergys Philippines	Customer Service Representative
13	Colonnade Supermarket	Management Trainee
l	·	Scaler
14	TRADELINK	Company Driver
l		Sales Executive
15	Ryder and Sparks Prime Corporation	Aircon Technician
16	Quess Phil. Corp	Customer Service Representative
17	House of IT	Accounts Executive
18	PeoplePlusTech	Human Resource Officer
l	•	Remote Desktop Specialist - Japanese Language Expert
l		Level 2 (L2) Software Engineer
l		Japanese Linguistic and Culture Expert
l		Senior Backup and Storage Administrator/Manager
l		UNIX Senior Storage Engineer
I		Payroll Assistant
19	Sta. Clara International Corporation	Business Development Officer
	RMS Collect Philippines Inc.	Customer Service Representative
21	Manulife Business Processing Services	Customer Service Representative
	Open Look Business Solutions, Inc.	Audience Development Specialist
	Gan Advanced Osseointegration Center Inc.	Dentist
[23	oan / lavancea obsconnegration center inc.	Dental Technician
24	ClientCom Inc.	Writing Consultant/Online English Writing Tutor
24	Cherredoni Inci	Triang Constituting Office English Writing 1000

Source: PhilJobNet

Table B – Job Vacancies for PWD as of July 11, 2017

PhilJobNet Job Postings as of 11 July 2017

COMPANY NAME	JOB VACANCY
Idealcar Inc.	Technician
O IE DITE	Call Center Agents
Qualfon Philippines	Chat Support Agents
Medical Center Trading Corporation	Certified Public Accountant
Sterling BPO Philippines Inc.	Verifications Specialist (Employment
	Screening)
GlobalSign Philippines	Technical Support Specialist (Spanish)
HCL Technologies	Customer Service Executive
Investors Assurance Corporation	Customer Service Representative
-	Paralegal
Commsec Inc.	Finance/Claims Officer
V-Call Center Link (VCC Link)	Hotel and Airlines Reservation – Cebu City
Cushman & Wakefield Philippines	Lease Administration Account Manager
Inc.	Lease Analyst
AEB Inc. Manila Branch	Receptionist/HR Assistant (Reliever)
The Philippine Daily Inquirer, Inc.	Reporter 2
Celebes Coconut Corporation	Accounting Supervisor
	Zoologist III
Research Institute for Tropical	Science Research Analyst
Medicine Tropical	Nurse III
Wedene	Entomologist II
	Chief Science Research Specialist
Floretta Land, Inc.	Property Engineer
,	Building Technicians
Demmie Foodshop	Service Crew
Ammex Isupport International	Inside Sales Leader
Corporation	
Sunrise Search & Support	Accounting Staff
V-Call Center Link (VCC Link)	Hotel and Airlines Reservation – Cebu City