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### **INSURANCE INDUSTRY NET INCOME ROSE BY 21.88% IN Q3**

The insurance industry in the Philippines, composed of the life insurance, non-life insurance and mutual benefit associations (MBA) sectors, continued to report good financial performance and remained in sound financial condition.

The insurance industry posted a growth of 21.88% year-on-year in terms of net income during the third quarter of this year, mainly due to the increase in underwriting and investment income of the life insurance sector.

Based on the preliminary data on the quarterly, Insurance Commission (IC) Commissioner Dennis B. Funa said that the country's insurance industry's net income jumped by 21.88% to P27.86 billion as of end of September 2017 from P22.85 billion reported during the same period last year.

According to Commissioner Funa, "While the non-life insurance sector experienced a 20.87% decline in its total net income for the third quarter of 2017 from P3.49 billion to P2.76 billion, the life insurance sector showed a strong performance in the penultimate quarter of this year, with a total net income of P21.96 billion up by 31.93% compared to the same period last year."

The MBA sector, on the other hand, posted an increase of 15.19% in its net surplus from P2.72 billion to P3.13 billion.

Based on the unaudited reports submitted to the IC, the total premiums collected increased by 9.41% from P169.56 billion to P185.51 billion.

The total premium of the life insurance sector grew by 8.08% from P133.85 billion to P144.63 billion.

According to Commissioner Funa, "The total premiums from variable life insurance products rose by 8.74% from P96.46 billion to P104.89 billion. Although it experienced a 5.81% decrease in premium income from single premium variable life insurance products compared to last year, this was offset by the impressive increase in its first year and renewal premium."

The first year and renewal premium of variable life insurance products increased by 12.28% and 34.43%, respectively.

Meanwhile, premiums from traditional life insurance products likewise showed a significant increase of 29.01% in single premium and 23.07% in first year premium compared to the previous year.

The non-life insurance sector, on the other hand, posted an increase of 14% in its total net premiums written.

Commissioner Funa said, "The non-life insurance sector posted a 14% increase in its total net premiums written for the third quarter which was registered at P34.31 billion from P30.10 billion during the same period last year."

He added, "The non-life insurance sector demonstrated continued momentum in the third quarter of this year through the sale of fire and motor insurance products as more than half of the total net premiums written by the sector were generated from these products."

Meanwhile, the MBA sector recorded a total contributions of P6.54 billion, up by 16.59% from P5.61 billion.

The insurance industry's total investments registered P1.3 trillion, up by 15.10% from P1.1 trillion billion last year with all the sectors posting significant growth.

The industry's total assets or resources likewise increased to P1.5 trillion, up by 16.28% year on year from P1.3 trillion. In terms of net worth, on the other hand, the industry posted an increase of 19.23% from P268.7 billion to P320.4 billion.

  
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