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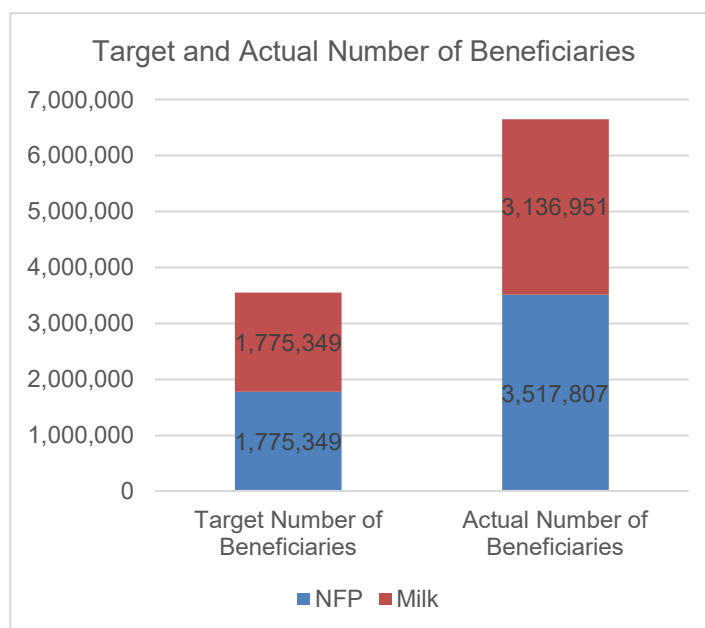
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## **SCHOOL-BASED FEEDING PROGRAM 2021 UPDATE**

The Department of Education (DepEd) has continued the implementation of the School-Based Feeding Program (SBFP), noting its relevance in the midst of the COVID-19 pandemic and the challenges it has presented.

- **3,517,807 pupils** from Kindergarten to Grade 6 nationwide were the beneficiaries of the SBFP's Nutritious Food Products (NFP) component; and
- **3,136,951 pupils** were provided milk through the SBFP's milk component.

These numbers represent a 205.9% achievement for NFP and 176.69% for milk of the 1,775,349 beneficiaries (See **Figure 1: Target and Actual Number of Beneficiaries**)



*Figure 1: Target and Actual Number of Beneficiaries*



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The SBFP consists of the provision of nutritious food products and fresh or sterilized milk with a total fund allocation of P5.97 Billion for school year 2020-2021 (See **Table 1** for fund allocation and regional distribution). It aims to:

- (i) address hunger and encourage learners to enroll;
- (ii) contribute to the improvement of their nutritional status;
- (iii) provide nourishment for their growth and development and help boost their immune system, and
- (iv) enhance and improve their health and nutrition values.

The program is in compliance with RA 11037, otherwise known as the *Masustansyang Pagkain para sa Batang Pilipino Act* signed by Pres. Rodrigo Duterte on June 20, 2018. The law provides for the inclusion of fresh milk or fresh milk-based products in the SBFP as additional component to hot meals. The Bayanihan to Heal as One Act also provides for the augmentation of the SBFP budget for school year 2020.

For the fresh milk component, DepEd has partnered with the Philippine Carabao Center (PCC) and the National Dairy Authority (NDA) along with the support of various cooperatives and small and medium enterprises (SMEs) engaged in dairy business. This is pursuant to the mandates of RA No. 11037 and in accordance with Republic Act No. 8172, otherwise known as the "Philippine Food Fortification Act of 2000", utilizing, as far as practicable, locally produced milk in order to enhance its nutritional content and, at the same time, help boost livelihood opportunities for local dairy farmers and local dairy industry. More than 80% of fresh milk requirement were supplied thru PCC and NDA while 20% were from commercial sources and through donations from the private sector. (see **Figure 2: Sources of Fresh/ Sterilized Milk**)

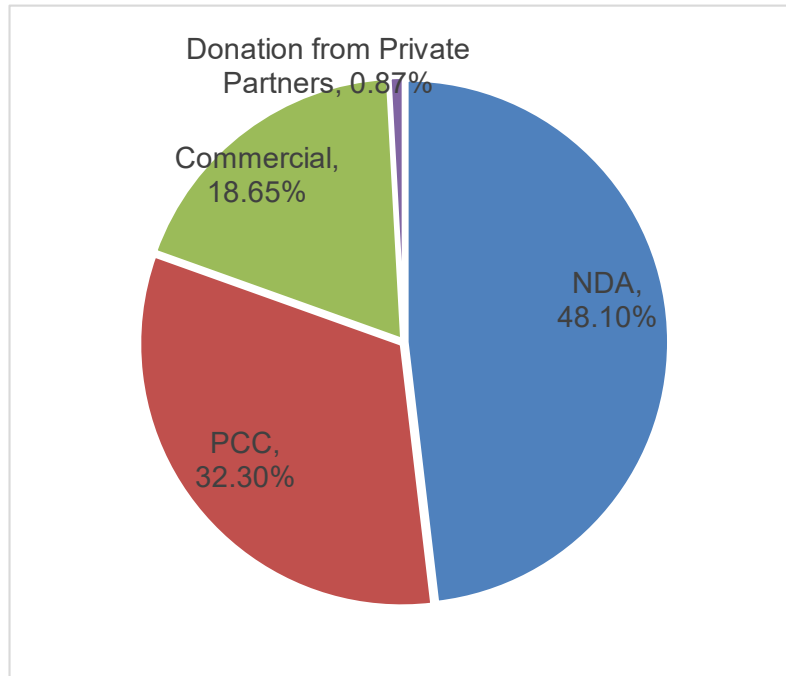
Likewise, DepEd has also tapped cooperatives and small and medium enterpris (SME) producers of nutritious food products, particularly those assisted and accredited by the Food and Nutrition Research Institute (FNRI) of the Department of Science and Technology (DOST).

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*Figure 2: Sources of Fresh/Sterilized Milk*

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For school year 2021-2022, DepEd will sustain the implementation of the program with another **P6B allocation**.

To further strengthen institutional arrangements for the implementation of SBFP, DepEd will continue partnering with concerned national government agencies (e.g. PCC, NDA, NNC, FNRI) and local government units. Moreover, DepEd will tap more farmers cooperatives and SMEs to supply the nutritious food and fresh milk. DepEd will continuously promote SBFP's objectives, especially its contribution to the national campaign against hunger and poverty, and support local dairy industries and local food processing in the country.

Under the new normal and the blended distance learning mode, DepEd intensified its partnership and collaboration with the local government units in the distribution of nutritious food and milk packs directly to the homes of the learners. In areas where parents and/or guardians go to schools to pick up self learning modules and/or to



submit accomplished work sheets of their children, food and milk ration for one week are also distributed to them.

**Table 1: Fund Allocation and Regional Distribution**

Region	Number Target of Beneficiaries for Milk Feeding SY 2020-21	Number Target Beneficiaries for NFP SY 2020-21	NFP Funds	Milk Funds	PSF	Additional Funds	Budget
<b>CO-SHD</b>					15,030,497		15,030,497
<b>Region I</b>	76,197	152,394	182,872,800	68,577,300	4,123,203	10,158,920	265,732,223
<b>Region II</b>	38,256	76,512	91,814,400	34,430,400	2,119,917	5,136,017	133,500,734
<b>Region III</b>	151,517	303,034	363,640,800	136,365,300	8,100,095	21,113,945	529,220,140
<b>Region IV-A</b>	252,512	505,024	606,028,800	227,260,800	13,432,633	33,303,142	880,025,375
<b>Region IV-B</b>	85,186	170,372	204,446,400	76,667,400	4,597,820	11,265,720	296,977,340
<b>Region V</b>	177,267	354,534	425,440,800	159,540,300	9,459,698	22,370,578	616,811,376
<b>Region VI</b>	165,500	331,000	397,200,000	148,950,000	8,838,399	21,975,148	576,963,547
<b>Region VII</b>	121,015	242,030	290,436,000	108,913,500	6,489,591	16,504,495	422,343,586
<b>Region VIII</b>	89,114	178,228	213,873,600	80,202,600	4,805,220	11,983,278	310,864,698
<b>Region IX</b>	68,627	137,254	164,704,800	61,764,300	3,723,505	8,936,315	239,128,920
<b>Region X</b>	87,038	174,076	208,891,200	78,334,200	4,695,606	13,393,510	305,314,516
<b>Region XI</b>	75,674	151,348	181,617,600	68,106,600	4,095,588	10,178,826	263,998,614
<b>Region XII</b>	102,103	204,206	245,047,200	91,892,700	5,491,040	13,732,854	356,163,794
<b>CARAGA</b>	57,792	115,584	138,700,800	52,012,800	3,151,417	8,035,299	201,900,316
<b>CAR</b>	10,433	20,866	25,039,200	9,389,700	650,862	1,403,239	36,483,001
<b>NCR</b>	150,261	300,522	360,626,400	135,234,900	8,033,783	20,164,240	524,059,323
<b>Grand Total</b>	1,708,492	3,416,984	4,100,380,800	1,537,642,800	106,838,874	229,655,526	5,974,518,000

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