FAMILY OUTMIGRATION IN ISLA VERDE, BATANGAS CITY

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ABSTRACT

This research work is a description of the causes and the process of outmigration undergone by the families of Isla Verde, Batangas City, Philippines. The study aims to (a) know the characteristics and conditions of the selected family before the outmigration process in terms of the following variables such as: (i)family composition, (ii) family structure, (iii) residence, (iv) educational attainment of parents, and (v) source of income, (b) determine socio-economic conditions both in Isla Verde and the place of destination that influenced migration, and (c) describe the dynamics and process of outmigration of selected families of Isla Verde. Case study and descriptive methods of research are used to describe the dynamics of outmigration process of selected families of Isla Verde. It likewise aimed to look into the historical events and the social conditions of Isla Verde which influenced decision of the families to settle to new places. It primarily uses in-depth-interview in the collection of data. Results show that the following are influential in the decisions of the family to migrate: (a) family factors characteristics such as size, status, proximity of residence to the sea, and education of parents, (b) socio-economic conditions in Isla Verde which include transportation and communication facilities, and educational and occupational opportunities, (c) the process of outmigration of the family members, and (d) other influence that attract family migrants to the place of destinations. It is conclusive that Isla Verde is affected by the social changes as a result of progress and development of the Philippines. The continuous flow of migrants bring about decrease in the population of the area under study and make the place not among the government priority in pursuing programs. Factors for outmigration include economic, educational, familial and geographical conditions and the capacity of the people to migrate depends on their socio-economic conditions

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