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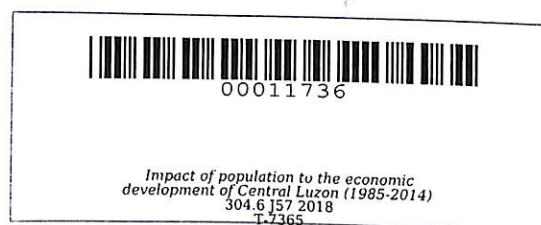
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## ABSTRACT

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The study was conducted to determine the impact of population to the economic development of Central Luzon Region from year 1985 to 2014. Specifically, this study aimed to determine (1) the trend of the selected demographic factors of the population, such as total population, population density, number of live births, and number of deaths in the Central Luzon from 1985 to 2014; (2) the trend of the selected development indicators, such as Gross Regional Domestic Products, per capita Gross Domestic Product, number of business establishments, labor force participation rate, number of public and private schools and bed capacity of public and private hospitals in Central Luzon from year 1985 to 2014; (3) the development index of Central Luzon Region from 1985 to 2014 in terms of Gross Regional Domestic Product, per capita Gross Regional Domestic Product, number of business establishments, Labor Force Participation Rate, number of public and private schools and bed capacity of public and private hospitals and (4) the effect of the selected demographic factors of population such as, total population, population density, number of live births and number of deaths to the development of Central Luzon from year 1985 to 2014.

Growth rate was used to analyze the trend of the selected demographic factors of population, the selected economic indicators and the development index of Central Luzon Region with the scope spanning between 1985 and 2014. Regression analysis using the Statistical Packages for Social Sciences (SPSS) was employed to determine the effect of the selected demographic factors of population such as total population,

population density, number of live births and number of deaths to the economic development of Central Luzon Region.

The study revealed that for 30 years, the selected demographic factors and the selected economic development indicators had an unstable trend causing it to be unpredictable.

In determining the impact of population to the economic development of Central Luzon Region, the total population, population density, number of live births and number of deaths were identified to have negative relationship with development at five percent level of significance.



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## **INTRODUCTION**

Region 3 or Central Luzon covers the provinces of Bulacan, Pampanga, Tarlac, Nueva Ecija, Bataan, and Zambales. It has a total land area of 2,215,752 hectares. The region is endowed with a balanced mix of environmental assets to value, maintain, develop and manage accordingly. It is composed of 494,533 hectares of forestland, 251,518 hectares of protected areas composed of watersheds and forest reserves, national parks, games refuge, bird sanctuary and wildlife area covering 13.8% of the region's land area. Forty one percent of its land area is composed of agricultural plains with rice as its main crop (PSA, 2000).

Central Luzon was the third biggest region in terms of population size among the 16 regions in the Philippines, contributing 10.50 percent to the 76.5 million population of the country as recorded in Census in year 2000. Central Luzon and two highly