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# Where to report **OSEC**/online violence?



Philippines CSAM hotline – eProtectKids

ecpat.org.ph/report



- Philippine National Police Anti CyberCrime website
- Actionline Against Human Trafficking 1343 or website
- The Inter-Agency Council Against Child Pornography website



- National Bureau of Investigation (02) 523-8231 to 38 Local 3454 to 3455
- Bantay Bata: 163 helpline
- Department of Justice Office of Cybercrime: (02) 526-2747200
- The Women and Children **Protection Centre** Aleng Pulis (+63) 919 777 7377



- blockchildporn <space> URL Address and send to 0918-9122813
- DSWD <space> URL Address and send to 2327

## About PLAN INTERNATIONAL

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#### About PLCPD



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The Philippine Legislators' Committee on Population and Development Foundation, Inc. (PLCPD) was established in September 1989 by a group of forward-looking legislators as a non-stock, nonprofit, membership-type organization of legislators from the Senate and House of Representatives working together for the enactment of laws conducive to population and human development.

These legislators are united by a legislative agenda in the following areas: women's rights, sexual and reproductive health and rights and the prevention of violence against women and girls; children's rights; rural development; and tobacco control.

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Systems Approach For Ensuring **Online Safety and Empowerment** of Children and Young People



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## **About the Project**



Systems Approach For **Ensuring Online Safety and Empowerment of Children** and Young People (SAFE ONLINE) is a 3-year project, funded by the European Union.

The overall objective of the project is to contribute to the empowerment and protection of children and voung people against Online Sexual Exploitation of Children (OSEC) and online violence.

The project will be implemented in Manila, Cavite and Leyte in partnership with Philippine Legislators' Committee on Population and Development Foundation, Inc (PLCPD). This project is designed to empower children and young people, to become agents of change and to mobilize/influence child protection system actors to uphold strong protective measures and responses. Children and young people's empowerment and protection will be contributed to, based on below elaborated two (2) specific objectives: 1) Strengthening the capacity of children and young people to protect themselves and their peers and take collective action to influence policies and programs against OSEC and online violence; 2) To improve the protective environment for children and young people at risk/and victims of OSEC and online violence, by strengthening and influencing child protection system actors (including children, parents, communities and the government) and the private sector to uphold strong protective measures.

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# **OSEC** Situation in the Philippines





8/10 have received threats of sexual violence online ★

**99%** of girls and young women

#### 8/10 children in the Philippines were vulnerable to being victims of online sexual abuse or bullying. (UNICEF)

**20%** of internet-using children aged 12-17 in the Philippines were victims of grave instances of online sexual exploitation and abuse. This includes being blackmailed to engage in sexual activities, someone sharing their sexual images without permission, or being coerced to engage in sexual activities through promises of money or gifts." (Disrupting Harm in the Philippines -Evidence on online child sexual exploitation and abuse, 2022)



The study, entitled "Online Sexual Exploitation of Children in the Philippines: Analysis and Recommendations for Governments. Industry and Civil Society," also stated that the Philippines is a "global hotspot" for online sexual exploitation of children (OSEC).

Source: PLAN SOTWG: FREE TO BE ONLINE 2020

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## **Definition of OSEC**

#### **Online Child Sexual Exploitation –**

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includes all acts of a sexually exploitative nature carried out against a child that have, at some stage, a connection to the online environment. It includes any use of ICT that results in sexual exploitation or causes a child to be sexually exploited or that results in or causes images or other material documenting such sexual exploitation to be produced, bought, sold, possessed, distributed, or transmitted. (Source: Terminology Guidelines for the Protection of Children from Sexual Exploitation and Abuse)

## What the project will do?

The project will be working to empower children and young people with the support of strengthened CSOs, to protect themselves, their peers and to take collective action against OSEC and online violence.

Children and young people's protective environment will be improved by strengthening child protection system stakeholders to assess and mitigate risks and to effectively monitor and enforce policies and programs as well as to stimulate relevant private sector actors to develop and implement their safeguards to prevent and address OSEC/online violence.