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Press Release

Bureau of the Treasury Raises P360 Billion in 26th Tranche of Retail Treasury Bonds

MANILA, Philippines, November 26, 2021 – The Bureau of the Treasury (BTr) concluded the offer period for the 26th tranche of the 5.5-year Retail Treasury Bonds (RTBs).

A total of P330.5 billion and P29.5 billion were raised in new money and through the bond exchange, respectively, of which P113.5 billion was raised in the RTB-26 auction last November 16, and an additional P217.0 billion throughout the offer period. The RTB-26 is set to be settled on December 2, 2021.

"The healthy macroeconomic environment, characterized by sufficient domestic market liquidity and downward trend in inflation supported our third retail issuance, or the second peso-denominated jumbo offering for the year," said National Treasurer Rosalia V. De Leon.

Over the two-week offer period, the BTr partnered with the Department of Foreign Affairs (DFA) to conduct webinars with Overseas Filipinos (OFs) to discuss the features and how to invest in RTBs. These financial literacy sessions for OFs were conducted in more than 50 cities and countries around the world, including those in East Africa, South America, and Europe.

The RTB-26 was made available for as low as P5,000 through the traditional Overthe-Counter placement in bank branches, as well as digital channels such as the BTr's RTB Online Ordering Facility, the Bonds.PH mobile application, the Overseas Filipino Bank Mobile Banking Application, and the Landbank Mobile Banking Application.

"With the digital platforms that we have introduced in the past years, we have also seen how more and more Filipinos are getting into the habit of investing their hardearned money to secure the future not only of themselves, but also of their loved ones. As such, we at the BTr will continue to introduce new products and channels in the future to allow our individual investors to diversify their personal portfolios, as well as reduce the friction costs and barriers to investing", De Leon added.

Proceeds from the issuance will help the country respond to the challenges posed by the pandemic and will support various programs for economic resiliency and recovery.

The Development Bank of the Philippines and Land Bank of the Philippines are the Joint Lead Issue Managers for the 26th RTB offering. They are joined by BDO Capital & Investment Corporation, BPI Capital Corporation, China Bank Capital Corporation, First Metro Investment Corporation, PNB Capital and Investment Corporation, RCBC Capital Corporation, and Union Bank of the Philippines as Joint Issue Managers.