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PRE-NEED INDUSTRY'S TOTAL PREMIUM INCOME UP BY 8.28% DURING 3RD QUARTER OF 2023

Total premium income collected by pre-need companies amounted to ₱16.70 billion as of the 3rd quarter of 2023, which is an 8.28% increase from the ₱15.43 billion premium collection during the same period last year.

The Insurance Commission attributed the increase in total premium income to the increase in the number of pre-need plans sold during the first three quarters of the year.

Data from the Insurance Commission indicated that pre-need companies sold close to 600,000 pre-need plans as of the 3rd quarter of this year, which is a 12.83% increase from the number of pre-need plans sold during the same nine-month period in 2022. Most of the pre-need plans sold are memorial plans.

Data as of the 3rd quarter also saw the pre-need industry go back to profitability with total net income of ₱1.79 billion, after suffering a net loss of ₱7.11 billion during the same period last year. The net loss suffered by the pre-need industry as of the 3rd quarter of last year was due to high net losses as a result of benefit payments for pre-need policies.

In terms of ability to service benefit claims under all the pre-need plans that they sold, pre-need companies also increased their surplus in trust funds.

As of the 3rd quarter, the investment in trust funds of pre-need companies amounted to ₱124,232.20 billion. On the other hand, pre-need reserves, or the amount reserved for benefit payments for all pre-need plans sold plus benefits already payable, only stood at ₱119,136.30 billion.

This amounts to a surplus in trust funds in the amount of ₱5.09 billion, which is 380% higher than the surplus in trust funds as of the 3rd quarter of 2022.

For easy reference, the following table shows the investments in trust funds, as against contingent liabilities of pre-need companies based on actuarial values:

Pre-Need Trust Funds vs. Reserves (In Million Pesos) as of 30 September 2023				
Investments in Trust Funds	Pre-Need Reserves (Contingent liabilities based on actuarial values plus benefits already payable but not yet claimed by planholders)	Surplus / (Deficit)		
₱ 124,232.2	₱ 119,136.3	₱ 5,095.9		

In terms of financial stability of pre-need companies, total net worth of the pre-need industry amounted to ₱21.65 billion, or an increase of 42.53% from total net worth as of the 3rd quarter last year.

Twelve pre-need companies reported increases in their net worth, with one pre-need company increasing its net worth by as much as 2,000%.

The increase in total net worth of the pre-need industry could be attributed to the 9.76% increase in total assets. As of the 3rd quarter of 2023, total assets grew to ₱147.86 billion, with four pre-need companies increasing their total assets by at least 10%.

For easy reference, the increase in total assets, liabilities, and net worth of the preneed industry are shown in the table below:

	Q3 2023 (Amount in Million Pesos)	Q3 2022 (Amount in Million Pesos)	% Increase / (Decrease)
Total Assets	₱ 147,859.8	₱ 134,713.8	9.76%
Total Liabilities	₱ 126,208.1	₱ 119,523.1	5.59%
Total Net Worth	₱ 21,651.7	₱ 15,190.7	42.53%

The Insurance Commission's figures on the pre-need industry for the 3rd quarter of 2023 were collated from the financial submissions of all of the eighteen (18) pre-need companies with either existing licenses or have pending applications for renewal of license, except for Caritas Financial Plans, Inc., which was already placed under conservatorship last July 2023.

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