



*National Reintegration Center for OFWs*

*Harnessing Overseas Filipinos'  
Contributions to Philippine Society  
through the National Reintegration  
Program*

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# Migration Facts and Figures

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-  **Filipinos are in more than 200 countries living as permanent migrants or OFWs**
-  **More than one million OFWs leave the country every year (1.42 million in 2009)**
-  **Land-based workers dominate departing OFWs (1.09 million in 2009)**



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# Migration Facts and Figures

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-  **Number of deployed seafarers is largest in the world (0.33 million in 2009)**
-  **Middle East and Asia are top OFW destinations (Saudi Arabia, UAE, Hong Kong, Qatar, Singapore, Kuwait, Taiwan, Italy, Canada and Bahrain)**



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# Migration Facts and Figures



**OFWs came from all walks of occupations and skills**

**-Production and related workers (35.5% of total new hires for 2009)**

**-Service workers (41.7% of total new hires)**

**-Professional, technical and related workers (14.4% of total new hires.)**

**-Others (8.5% of total new hires)**



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**Over US\$ 17 billion remittances in 2009**

**- Bulk of remittances came from United States, Canada, Saudi Arabia, United Kingdom, Japan, Singapore, UAE, Italy, Germany and Norway**



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# Contributions of Overseas Filipino

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- *Reducing unemployment pressures*
- *Reducing poverty*
- *Spurring community growth*
- *Improving the country's fiscal position*
- *Generating savings and investment*



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# Contributions of Overseas Filipino

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-  *Providing occasion for skills and technology transfer*
-  *Stimulating sectoral growth*
-  *Providing occasion for population control*



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# Advocacy towards Linking Remittances to Development

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Use remittances towards improvement and provision of educational and health facilities

- *CGMA Project*



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# Advocacy towards Linking Remittances to Development



**Use remittances for establishing and managing business.**

**-Advocacy to utilize migrants' earnings for enterprise development**

**- OWWA's Enterprise Development Trainings**

**- NRCO's Business Counseling and Training Cum Production**



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# Advocacy towards Linking Remittances to Development

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- Use remittances for savings mobilization, investments, other aspects of financial literacy.  
  
-Pre-Departure Orientation Seminar as avenue for advocacy
- Management of remittances with the aid of business experts and institutions.



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# The Philippine Reintegration Program

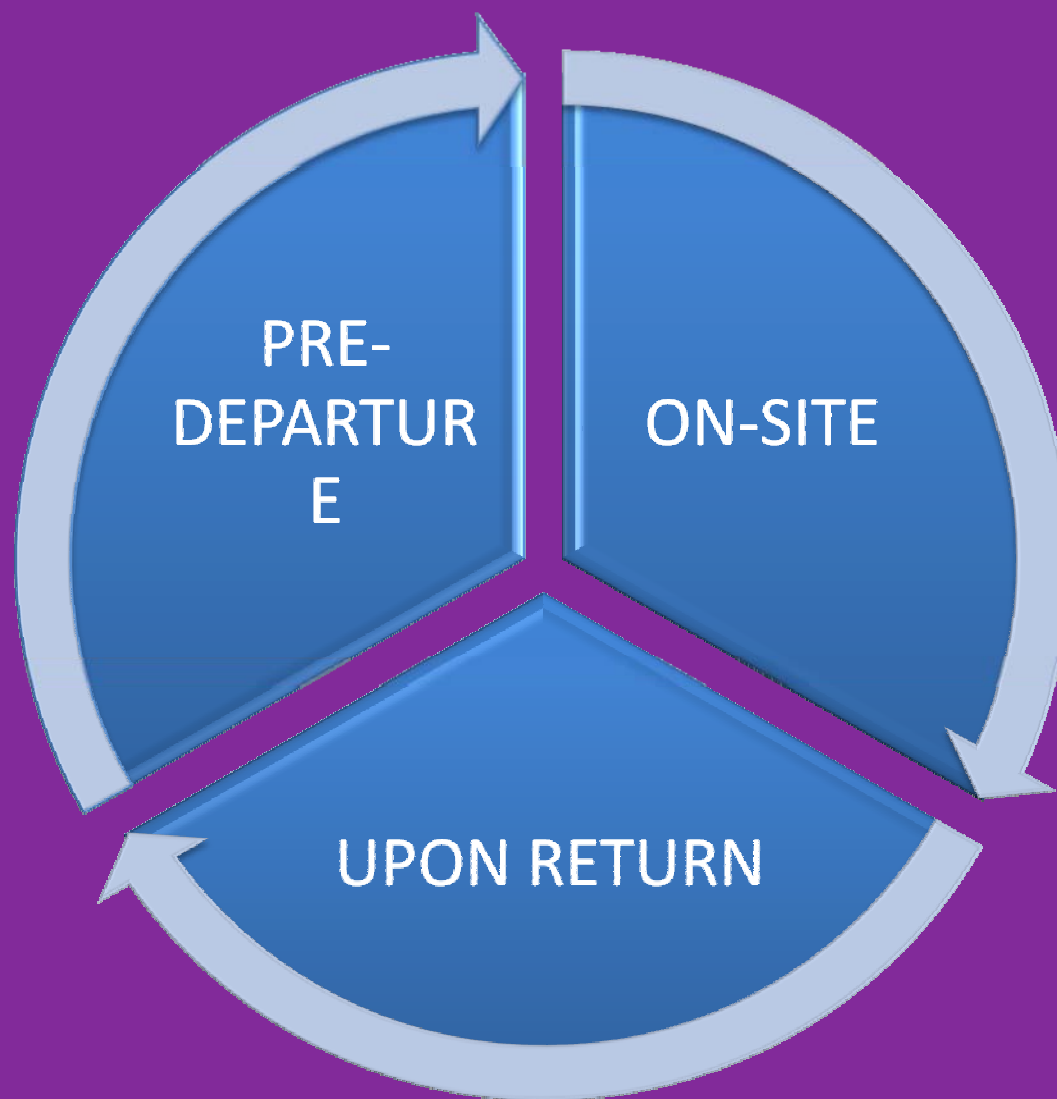
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-  **Mitigate social cost of migration.**
-  **Maximize gains of overseas migration.**
-  **Cushion impact of forced repatriation due to unexpected events.**



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# FULL – CYCLE REINTEGRATION PROGRAM



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# The Reintegration Program Framework

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**PERSONAL Reintegration**



**COMMUNITY Reintegration**



**ECONOMIC Reintegration**



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# ***CURRENT REINTEGRATION MEASURES***

NEED	PROGRAMS/ SERVICES DESCRIPTION
<b>Advocacy / Information</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>•Orientation, Seminar, Training &amp; Counseling (Psychosocial, Financial Literacy, Moral Values Reorientation, Philanthropic, Volunteerism &amp; Brain Gain, PDOS, PEOS, Micro-entrepreneurship Development, Career and Business Counseling)</li><li>•Development of Tri-Media Materials, AVP, DVD on success stories of Displaced OFWs with Business/ Micro-Enterprises</li><li>•Development of Post-Specific Reintegration Programs of OFWs on-site and their families</li></ul>
<b>Wage Employment</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>•Job search/ match assistance for local and overseas</li><li>•Referral to companies/ agencies</li></ul>

# ***CURRENT REINTEGRATION MEASURES***

NEED	PROGRAMS/ SERVICES DESCRIPTION
<b>Financial Literacy</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>•Conduct of Financial Literacy Orientation/ Briefings</li><li>•Referral to partners providing financial/ technical assistance thru identified focal persons</li></ul>
<b>Personal Assistance</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>•Conduct of Moral Values Reorientation Seminars</li></ul>
<b>Entrepreneurial Investment</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>•Referral to Stakeholders/ Service Providers providing Entrepreneurship Packages thru identified focal persons and Regional Implementors</li></ul>

# ***CURRENT REINTEGRATION MEASURES***

NEED	PROGRAMS/ SERVICES DESCRIPTION
<b>Money Claims and Legal / Welfare Assistance</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>•Provision of legal advice, and conciliation and mediation service</li><li>•Endorsement of welfare cases to POLO, OWWA RWO, PE/PCG</li></ul>
<b>Skills Training</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>•Issuance of TESDA Certificate of Commitment for skills upgrading , retooling and retraining (For Displaced OFWs only)</li><li>•Referral to other training institutions</li></ul>



# Challenges to Reintegration

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- Limited domestic economic opportunities.
- Lure of higher salaries abroad.
- Overdependence on OFW remittance.
- Limited government resources for OFW reintegration.
- Conversion of migrants' earnings into productive resources.



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# End of Presentation

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