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Abstract: The main objective of this study was to determine the situations of female inmates as regards to their access, level of satisfaction and problems encountered to the programs and services provided by the local jails in Ilocos Norte.

It made use of descriptive method of research. Questionnaire checklist and informal interview were utilized in the collection of data.

Result of this study revealed that majority of the respondents are 21 to 30 years old, single, Roman Catholic, high school level, unemployed prior to incarceration, and most of them are charged in violation of R.A 9165 or otherwise known as the Comprehensive Dangerous Drugs Act of 2002.

As regards to the programs and services, provision of basic needs and religious services/ activities were considered as almost always provided, while, health and physical services, educational programs/ services, sports and recreational services/ activities among others were perceived as often provided.

With regards to the level of satisfaction to the programs and services, the respondents are very satisfied as to the provision of basic needs, religious services/ activities, and livelihood services/ activities, however, the respondents are moderately satisfied as to the health and physical services, educational programs/ services, sports and recreation activities among others. Lastly, the respondents are not at all satisfied with legal services.