

# Metro Manila Office Briefing

Q1 2015



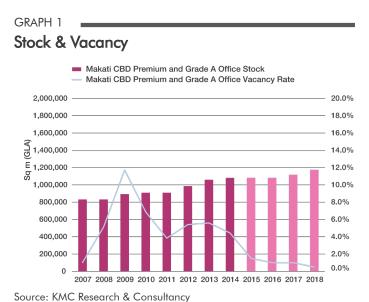
# THE FACTS AT A GLANCE

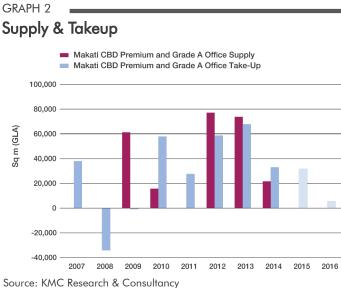
# Declining vacancies keep rental growth robust

- 7 The net take-up of Grade A office space in Metro Manila totaled to around 42,700 sq m for Q1/2015, being the lowest recorded quarterly take-up for five quarters.
- The low take-up is mainly explained by the supply figures as Q1/2015 was the first quarter since Q3/2011 when no new supply was introduced within the main CBDs, due to several completions being postponed to later this year. In total, the marketplace is waiting
- for 578,000 sq m of new office space to be completed this 2015.
- 7 The overall vacancy rate of CBD Grade A offices improved slightly from 4.6% in Q4/2014 to 3.4% in Q1/2015.
- On average, Grade A office rents rose by 0.9% quarteron-quarter to Php 802.0 per sq m/month across the main business districts.
- Capital values growth was also positive. Supported by

- the well-performing occupier market and positive future expectations, average capital values across submarkets rose by 1.1% QoQ to Php 133,329.5 per sq m.
- 7 We expect the increase of CBD Grade A office rents to continue well into 2015. However, some submarkets, mainly BGC and Alabang, are expected to see more modest growth as new supply will create downward pressure on rents.

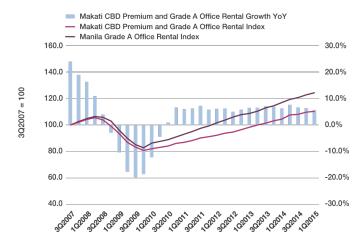
# Office Market Snapshot | Makati CBD





**GRAPH 3** 

#### **Rental Performance**



Source: KMC Research & Consultancy

# Key Figures - Premium and Grade A Office

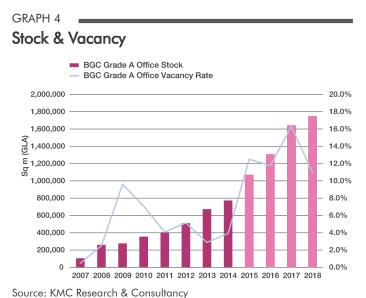
	Unit	Q1/2015
Average net rental rate	Php/sq m/month	957.7
Upper net rental rate	Php/sq m/month	1,400.0
Average capital value	Php/sq m	177,183.4
Equivalent yield	%	8.50
Vacancy rate	%	3.5
Current stock	sq m	1,080,863
Development pipeline 2015-2018	sq m	92,100

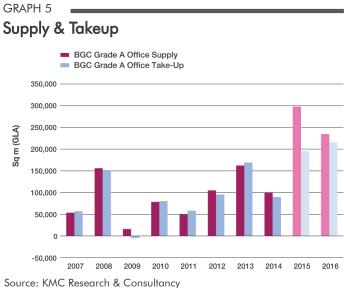
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## Makati CBD Market in Minutes

- Prime rents in Makati CBD rose by 5.6% YoY to Php 957.7 per sq m/month while vacancy remains low at 3.5%, decreasing by 95 basis points from Q4/2014.
- 7 Supply in the district remains scarce, which is favorable to the landlords, as it keeps the movement of rents in an upward motion.
- The future leasing activity is expected to be limited to small space lettings from 100-1,000 sq m, unless some 7 of the current occupiers opt to relocate.

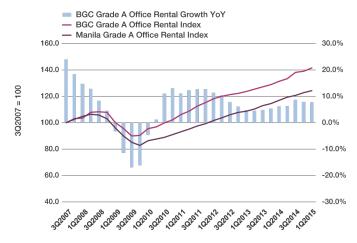
# Office Market Snapshot | Bonifacio Global City





GRAPH 6

# **Rental Performance**



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# Key Figures - Grade A Office

	Unit	Q1/2015
Average net rental rate	Php/sq m/month	849.7
Upper net rental rate	Php/sq m/month	1,100.0
Average capital value	Php/sq m	147,354.8
Equivalent yield	%	8.75
Vacancy rate	%	2.7
Current stock	sq m	773,362
Development pipeline 2015-2018	sq m	970,008

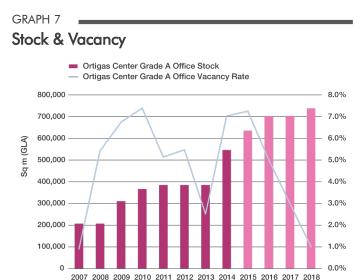
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## **BGC Market in Minutes**

- Prime rents in BGC rose by 7.7% YoY to Php 849.7 per sq m/month while the vacancy rate decreased by 123 basis points from Q4/2014 to 2.7%.
- 7 Despite the lower vacancy rate, vacancies are likely to increase towards the end of the year as a bulk of supply is scheduled for completion during the second half of 2015, giving the market a very short time to absorb all the new space.
- 7 Due to the rather large pipeline, the leasing activity is highly concentrated on pre-lettings. Around 970,000 sq m or 56.5% of the total pipeline in Metro Manila will rise in BGC within the next three years.

**GRAPH 8** 

# Office Market Snapshot | Ortigas Center



Supply & Takeup Ortigas Center Grade A Office Supply Ortigas Center Grade A Office Take-Up 160.000 120,000 100,000 60,000

Source: KMC Research & Consultancy

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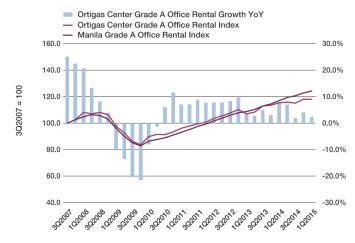
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**GRAPH 9** 

#### Rental Performance

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# Key Figures - Grade A Office

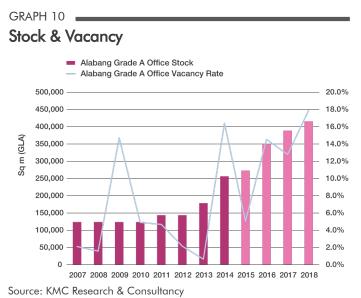
	Unit	Q1/2015
Average net rental rate	Php/sq m/month	599.2
Upper net rental rate	Php/sq m/month	750.0
Average capital value	Php/sq m	91,560.1
Equivalent yield	%	9.00
Vacancy rate	%	3.8
Current stock	sq m	546,199
Development pipeline 2015-2018	sq m	191,389

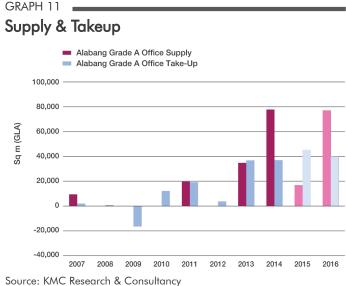
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# **Ortigas Center Market in Minutes**

- Ortigas Center's take-up sustained its momentum from last year, reaching 17,908 sq m in Q1/2015. Despite the solid office demand, prime rents slightly declined on a quarterly basis by 0.1% to Php 599.2 per sq m/month.
- The stagnating rents signal the healthy market dynamics as the landlords did not escalate the asking rates 7 before the new supply was taken up. As a result, vacancy rate dropped from 7.0% in Q4/2014 to 3.8% in Q1/2015.
- 7 Likewise, the new supply in Ortigas Center will be limited until late next year.

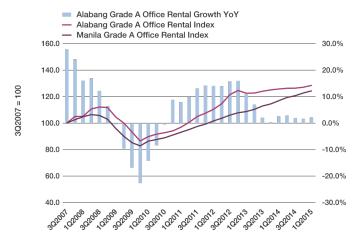
# Office Market Snapshot | Alabang





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## Rental Performance



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# Key Figures - Grade A Office

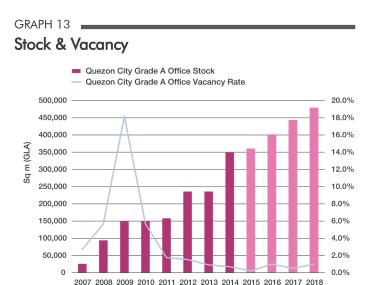
	Unit	Q1/2015
Average net rental rate	Php/sq m/month	611.6
Upper net rental rate	Php/sq m/month	650.0
Average capital value	Php/sq m	72,443.7
Equivalent yield	%	10.50
Vacancy rate	%	10.5
Current stock	sq m	256,110
Development pipeline 2015-2018	sq m	159,395

Source: KMC Research & Consultancy

# Alabang Market in Minutes

- 7 Alabang recorded a positive quarter in all indicators. The take-up reached 15,085 sq m, reducing the vacancy rate to 10.5% from 16.4% recorded in the previous quarter.
- 7 Supported by demand, prime rents experienced a 1.1% QoQ increase to Php 611.6 per sq m/month.
- 7 As there are still a number of available spaces, rental growth is expected to stay rather modest until the newly built space is fully absorbed.

# Office Market Snapshot | Quezon City

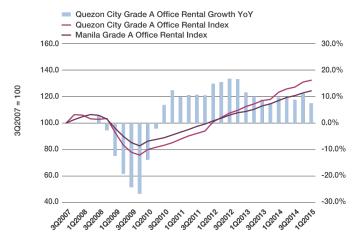


GRAPH 14 Supply & Takeup Quezon City Grade A Office Supply Quezon City Grade A Office Take-Up 120.000 (GLA) 80.000 60,000 40,000 20,000

GRAPH 15

## **Rental Performance**

Source: KMC Research & Consultancy



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# **Key Figures - Grade A Office**

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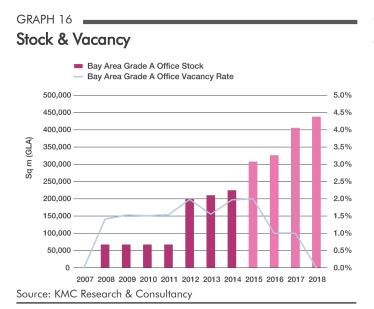
	Unit	Q1/2015
Average net rental rate	Php/sq m/month	671.7
Upper net rental rate	Php/sq m/month	700.0
Average capital value	Php/sq m	99,647.0
Equivalent yield	%	10.50
Vacancy rate	%	0.7
Current stock	sq m	350,405
Development pipeline 2015-2018	sq m	128,276

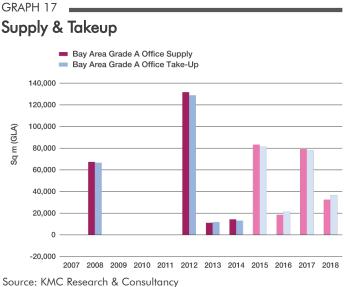
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# **Quezon City Market in Minutes**

- Quezon City remains to be preferred location for occupiers as the district currently has the lowest vacancy rate among the main business districts in Metro Manila at 0.7%.
- The prime rents rose by 7.4% YoY in Q1/2015 to Php 671.7 per sq m/month illustrating the positive market 7 performance that the submarket is currently experiencing.
- Quezon City is likely to continue on this track in the near future as the district has to wait until 2016 before 7 any new supply will be introduced to the market.

# Office Market Snapshot | Bay Area





GRAPH 18

#### Rental Performance

Bay Area Grade A Office Rental Growth YoY Bay Area Grade A Office Rental Rates 800.0 16.0% Php / Sq m / Month 600.0 12.0% 400.0 200.0 4.0% 0.0 0.0% 2011 2014 1Q2015

Source: KMC Research & Consultancy

# **Key Figures - Grade A Office**

	Unit	Q1/2015
Average net rental rate	Php/sq m/month	654.8
Upper net rental rate	Php/sq m/month	700.0
Average capital value	Php/sq m	97,515.3
Equivalent yield	%	10.50
Vacancy rate	%	2.2
Current stock	sq m	224,391
Development pipeline 2015-2018	sq m	213,244

Source: KMC Research & Consultancy

# **Bay Area Market in Minutes**

- Much like Quezon City, the Bay Area office market is also showing remarkable figures. Prime rents experienced a significant increase in Q1/2015 as the YoY growth was 19.3%, reaching Php 654.8 per sq m/month.
- 7 Vacancy rose slightly by 20 basis points but still remains relatively low at 2.2%.
- 7 This year, the market is waiting for the introduction of Five E-Com, already reported to be 55% pre-leased.

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