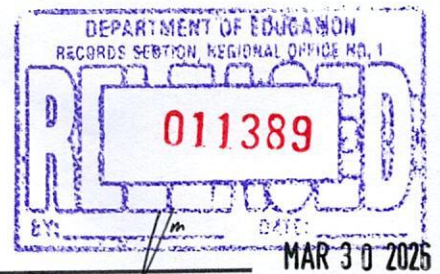




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REGIONAL MEMORANDUM

No. 395 s. 2026



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**CONDUCT AND SUBMISSION OF THE INITIAL PERFORMANCE ASSESSMENT
 OF QUALITY MANAGEMENT SYSTEM (QMS) IMPLEMENTATION
 FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026**

To: Schools Division Superintendents
 SDO-Quality Management Representative
 SDO-Internal Quality Audit Team
 All Others Concerned

1. Relative to Regional Memorandum No. 1715, s. 2025, titled "Two-Year Plan to Support the Quality Management System (QMS) Journey of Schools Division Offices in Region I (2026-2027)," this Office hereby directs the conduct and submission of the Initial Performance Assessment of QMS Implementation for Fiscal Year 2026.
2. This activity aims to gather baseline data on the implementation of the Quality Management System (QMS) under the One DepEd, One QMS initiative in the Schools Division Offices (SDOs). It also seeks to identify strengths and areas for improvement in QMS processes, which shall serve as a basis for the provision of technical guidance and capacity-building initiatives in preparation for ISO 9001:2015 Certification.
3. The Quality Management Representative (QMR) and the Internal Quality Audit Team (IQAT) shall determine the status and administer the Initial Performance Assessment of QMS implementation by evaluating their respective office processes, practices, documents, and related systems. The assessment shall be conducted using the prescribed Initial Performance Assessment Tool accessible through this link: <https://tinyurl.com/IPAQMS>. Upon completion, the results of the Initial Performance Assessment shall also be uploaded through the same link. However, it is hereby emphasized that the four (4) Schools Division Offices already declared as "Certainly Certifiable" are no longer required to submit their Initial Performance Assessment.
4. For more information and/or clarification, please contact the Quality Assurance Division at telephone number (072) 682-2324 local 117 or Dr. Oliver F. Gutierrez, Education Program Supervisor / Lead, Internal Quality Audit Team through email address at qad.region1@deped.gov.ph or mobile number 09958921777.



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5. Immediate dissemination and strict compliance with this Memorandum is desired.


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Encl.: None
Reference: None

To be indicated in the Perpetual Index

Under the following subjects:

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