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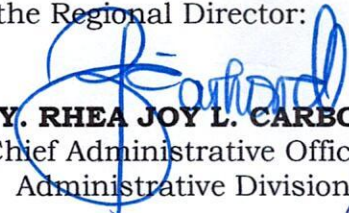
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**ORIENTATION AND ADMINISTRATION OF LANGUAGE IDENTIFICATION TOOL (LIT)**

To: Schools Division Superintendents

1. Relative to DM-OULS-2026-193 and in reference to DepEd Order No.35, s. 2025, titled "Guidelines on the Language Mapping Process for Key Stage 1," and following the National Orientation conducted for clustered regions, this Office reiterates the conduct of the Language Mapping Process (LMP) and administration of the Language Identification Tool for School Year 2026-2027.
2. To support the implementation of the LMP and LIT, expenses for orientation activities, reproduction of materials, administration of the tool, monitoring, and other related activities may be charged against local funds or School Maintenance and Other Operating Expenses (MOOE) for regular classes, subject to existing accounting and auditing rules and regulations. Expenses for Indigenous Peoples Education (IPED) classes may be charged against IPED funds.
3. School Heads shall oversee the implementation of the LMP and ensure the proper utilization of funds. Teachers shall administer the LIT and validate learner language information. Schools Division Offices (SDOs) shall provide technical assistance and monitoring support.
4. All schools shall submit the consolidated Language Mapping Report to their respective SDOs by the end of June 2026.
5. Immediate dissemination and compliance of this Memorandum is desired.

For the Regional Director:

  
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TO : REGIONAL DIRECTORS  
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FROM : *[Signature]* **JEROME T. BUENVIAJE**  
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Office of the Undersecretary for Learning Systems

SUBJECT : **ORIENTATION AND ADMINISTRATION OF LANGUAGE IDENTIFICATION TOOL (LIT)**

DATE : May 18, 2026

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