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REGION I



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REGIONAL MEMORANDUM

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PARTICIPATION IN THE CONSULTATIVE WORKSHOP ON THE DEVELOPMENT OF GUIDELINES FOR THE 2027 NATIONAL FESTIVAL OF TALENTS NFOT

To: Schools Division Superintendents

1. In line with the Department of Education's (DepEd) commitment to the continuous improvement of basic education programs, the Learning Systems Strand, through the Bureau of Learning Delivery–Student Inclusion Division (BLD-SID), will conduct the **Consultative Workshop on the Development of the Guidelines for the 2027 National Festival of Talents (NFOT) from June 29 to July 1, 2026, in Cebu City, Region VII**. The specific venue shall be announced through a separate advisory.
2. Specifically, the activity aims to:
 - a. Discuss the strengths, issues and concerns, and recommendations arising from the 2026 NFOT;
 - b. Collaboratively plan for the 2027 NFOT through the enhancement of the guidelines to ensure its effective and efficient implementation; and
 - c. Foster strong advocacy, partnerships, and a shared commitment to the success of the NFOT.
3. In this connection, this Office requests the following Division Education Program Supervisors to represent the Regional Education Program Supervisors in charge of the following learning areas and programs:

| Division | Learning Area/Programs | Participant |
|-------------------|--|-------------------------|
| Ilocos Sur | Math | Nestor Villaflor |
| Pangasinan I | Filipino | Melchora Viduya |
| La Union | Araling Panlipunan | Mario Paneda |
| Alaminos City | Science | Cynthia B. Tablang |
| San Fernando City | MAPEH | Marie S. Camille Hufana |
| Candon City | Special Needs Education (SNED) | Alexander Razo |
| San Fernando City | Madrasah Education Program (MEP) | Rowena Abad |
| Dagupan City | Alternative Learning System (ALS) | Edwin R. Ferrer |
| Pangasinan II | Special Program in Foreign Language (SPFL) | Juliet Estrada |

4. Accommodation Participants are advised to accomplish the online pre-registration on or before June 23, 2026, through this link: <https://tinyurl.com/OnlConfirmConsulNFOT2027>.

5. Participants are likewise reminded to submit a post-activity report and bring their laptop and extension cord during the activity. They are also required to attend all sessions and are expected to arrive at the venue on the first day of the activity. The first meal to be served will be breakfast on Day 1, while the last meal will be lunch on Day 3.

6. Accommodation, travel, and other incidental expenses shall be charged against the **2026 Basic Education Curriculum (BEC) Current Funds** and local funds, in case of deficiencies in the downloaded funds, subject to the usual government accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

7. For further inquiries and clarifications, please contact the BLD-SID through **Ms. Marites P. Romen, Supervising Education Program Specialist**, at telephone number **(02) 8637-4346** or through email at nfot.blidsid@deped.gov.ph.

8. Immediate dissemination of and compliance with this Memorandum are desired.


ESTELA P. LEON-CARIÑO EdD, CESO III
Director IV/Regional Director


Reference: Memorandum
Encl: as stated
To be indicated in the Perpetual Index
Under the following subjects:

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WORKSHOP

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TO : **ALL REGIONAL DIRECTORS**
MINISTER, MINISTRY OF BASIC, HIGHER, AND
TECHNICAL EDUCATION, BARMM

FROM : **CARMELA C. ORACION**
Undersecretary for Learning Systems

SUBJECT : **PARTICIPATION IN THE CONSULTATIVE WORKSHOP**
ON THE DEVELOPMENT OF GUIDELINES FOR THE
2027 NATIONAL FESTIVAL OF TALENTS (NFOT)

DATE : **MAY 25, 2026**

Janir T. Darukan
Assistant Secretary

JUN 08 2026

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Specifically, this activity aims for the participants to:

- A. Discuss the strengths, issues and concerns, and recommendations arising from the 2026 NFOT;
- B. Collaboratively plan for the 2027 NFOT through the improved guidelines to ensure its effective and efficient conduct; and
- C. Foster strong advocacy and partnerships and shared commitment to the success of the NFOT.

Participants in this activity are selected **Regional Focal Persons** for the following learning areas and programs: English, Mathematics, Science, Filipino, Araling Panlipunan, Technology and Livelihood Education (TLE)/Technical and Vocational Education (TVE), Music, Arts, Physical Education, and Health (MAPEH), Special Needs Education (SNED), Madrasah Education Program (MEP), Alternative Learning System (ALS), Indigenous Peoples Education (IPED), and Special Program in Foreign Language (SPFL) (See **Annex A**: Distribution of Participants per Region).

The list of identified participants per region, duly approved by the Regional Director, shall be submitted through email at **nfot.blidsid@deped.gov.ph** on or before June 23, 2026 (See **Annex B**: List of Identified Participants).



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Participants are advised to accomplish the online pre-registration on or before June 23, 2026, through this link: <https://tinyurl.com/OnlConfirmConsulNFOT2027> or by scanning this QR code:



Participants are likewise reminded to bring their laptop and extension cord during the activity and attend all sessions. To ensure judicious utilization of government resources, participants are advised to avail themselves the most economical and appropriate mode of transportation. They are expected to arrive at the venue on the first day of the activity. The first meal to be served is **breakfast on Day 1**, while the last meal will be **lunch on Day 3** (See **Annex C**: Indicative Program of Activities).

Accommodation, travel, and other incidental expenses shall be charged to the **2026 Basic Education Curriculum (BEC) Current Funds**, and **local funds** should there be deficiencies in the downloaded funds, subject to the usual government accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

Travel expenses of the participants from Bangsamoro Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao (BARMM) shall be charged against their **local funds**, subject to the usual government accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

For further inquiries or clarifications, please contact the BLD-SID, through Ms. Marites P. Romen, Supervising Education Program Specialist, through telephone number 8637-4346 or through email at nfot.blidsid@deped.gov.ph.

For immediate dissemination and compliance.

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Annex A: Distribution of Participants per Region

**CONSULTATIVE WORKSHOP CONFERENCE ON THE DEVELOPMENT OF
 GUIDELINES FOR THE 2027 NATIONAL FESTIVAL OF TALENTS (NFOT)**

June 29-July 1, 2026
 Cebu City, Region VII

DISTRIBUTION OF PARTICIPANTS PER REGION

| Region | Eng | Math | Fil | AP | Scie | MAPEH | TLE/ TVE | SNED | MEP | ALS | IPED | SPFL | TOTAL |
|--------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|----------|-----------|------------|
| I | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | | 1 | 11 |
| II | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | | 1 | 1 | 11 |
| III | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | | 1 | 11 |
| IV-A (CALA BARZON) | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | | 1 | 11 |
| IV-B (MIMA ROPA) | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | | 1 | 1 | 11 |
| CAR | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | | 1 | 1 | 11 |
| NCR | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | | 1 | 11 |
| V | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | | 1 | 1 | 11 |
| VI | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | | 1 | | 1 | 10 |
| NIR | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | | 1 | 1 | 11 |
| VII | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | | 1 | 1 | 11 |
| VIII | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | | 1 | 11 |
| IX | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | | 1 | 11 |
| X | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | | 1 | 1 | 11 |
| XI | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | | 1 | | 1 | 10 |
| XII | 1 | 1 | 1 | | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | | 1 | 1 | 10 |
| CARAGA | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | | 1 | 11 |
| BARMM | 1 | 1 | | 1 | 1 | | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | | | 8 |
| TOTAL | 18 | 18 | 17 | 17 | 18 | 17 | 18 | 18 | 16 | 10 | 8 | 17 | 192 |

Note: Participants are selected Regional Focal Persons in the different subject areas and programs.



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Annex C: Indicative Program of Activities

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June 29-July 1, 2026

Cebu City, Region VII

INDICATIVE PROGRAM OF ACTIVITIES

| DAY 1 (June 29, 2026, Monday) | | |
|--------------------------------------|--|---|
| TIME | ACTIVITY | PERSON IN-CHARGE |
| 5:00 AM - 7:00 AM | Arrival, Venue Check-in, and Registration | |
| 7:00 AM - 8:30 AM | <i>Breakfast</i> | |
| OPENING PROGRAM | | |
| 8:30 AM - 8:45 AM | Management of Learning | Program Management Team (PMT) |
| 8:45 AM - 9:30 AM | Inclusive Education Audio-Visual Presentation (AVP) | |
| | House Rules Audio-Visual Presentation (AV) | |
| | National Anthem | |
| | Prayer | |
| | Introduction of Participants | Nicanor M. San Gabriel Jr. <i>SVEPS, BLD-SID</i> |
| | Welcome Remarks | Gerson Marvin M. Abesamis <i>Director IV, BLD</i> |
| | Statement of Purpose | Rosalie E. Bongon <i>Chief, BLD-SID</i> |
| | Workshop Mechanics | Marites P. Romen <i>SVEPS, BLD-SID, NFOT Focal Person</i> |
| | Photo Opportunity | PMT and Participants |
| | Glimpse of the 2026 NFOT <i>(2026 NFOT Video Highlights)</i> | AVP |
| 9:30 AM - 10:00 AM | Region VI's Accomplishment Report on the Conduct of the 2026 NFOT | Athea V. Landar EPS, 2026 NFOT Focal Person DepEd Region VI |
| 10:00 AM - 10:15 AM | <i>Morning Break</i> | |
| PLENARY SESSION | | |
| 10:15 AM - 11:45 AM | Workshop 1: Revisiting the Overall Conduct of the 2026 NFOT <i>(including the Opening and Closing & Awarding Ceremonies and other aspects)</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Good Points/ Appreciation • Issues and Challenges | PMT and Participants |



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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Recommendations <p>*Participants shall be seated according to their region.</p> | |
| 11:45 AM - 12:00 PM | Presentation of Workshop 1 Outputs | PMT and Participants |
| 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM | <i>Lunch Break</i> | |
| BREAKOUT SESSIONS | | |
| 1:00 PM - 1:15 PM | Management of Learning | PMT |
| 1:15 PM - 2:15 PM | <p>Workshop 2: Revisiting the Conduct of the Specific Contests of the 2026 NFOT</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Good Points/ Appreciation • Issues and Challenges • Recommendations <p>*Participants shall be grouped as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Advocacy Pitch • Arabic Language Spelling • BakeCares • Cabin Craft • CineMunti • DokyuWento • Harf Touch • Literary Cup • Pop Quiz • Quar'an Reading • Savor D' Flavor • STEMazing • Stories in Silence • Techno Fusion • General Guidelines | PMT and Participants |
| 2:15 PM - 3:00 PM | Presentation of Workshop 2 Outputs | PMT and Participants |
| 3:00 PM - 3:15 PM | <i>Afternoon Break</i> | |
| 3:15 PM - 5:00 PM | <p>Workshop 3: Developing the Guidelines for the 2027 NFOT: Standards and Templates</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • General Guidelines and Suggested Theme • Contest Matrix, Guidelines, and Scoring Rubrics | <p>Denn Marc P. Alayon SVEPS, BLD-SID</p> <p>PMT and Participants</p> |





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| 5:00 PM - 5:30 PM | Open Forum | PMT and Participants |
| 5:30 PM - 6:00 PM | Debriefing | PMT |
| 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM | <i>Dinner</i> | |
| Emmanuel F. Del Rosario SEPS, BLD-SID <i>Master of Ceremonies/Facilitator</i> | | |

| DAY 2 (June 30, 2026, Tuesday) | | |
|---|---|--------------------------------|
| TIME | ACTIVITY | PERSON IN-CHARGE |
| 7:00 AM - 8:00 AM | <i>Breakfast</i> | |
| BREAKOUT SESSIONS | | |
| 8:00 AM - 8:30 AM | Management of Learning | PMT |
| 8:30 AM - 9:00 AM | Presentation of Workshop 3 Outputs | Assigned participant per group |
| 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM | Continuation of the Development of the Guidelines for the 2027 NFOT | PMT and Participants |
| 10:00 AM - 10:15 AM | <i>Morning Break</i> | |
| 10:15 AM - 12:00 PM | Continuation of the Development of the Guidelines for the 2027 NFOT | PMT and Participants |
| 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM | <i>Lunch Break</i> | |
| 1:00 PM - 1:15 PM | Management of Learning | PMT |
| 1:15 PM - 3:00 PM | Revision of the Draft Guidelines for the 2027 NFOT | PMT and Participants |
| 3:00 PM - 3:15 PM | <i>Afternoon Break</i> | |
| 3:15 PM - 5:00 PM | Continuation of the Revision of the Draft Guidelines for the 2027 NFOT | PMT and Participants |
| 5:00 PM - 5:30 PM | Open Forum | PMT and Participants |
| 5:30 PM - 6:00 PM | Debriefing | PMT |
| 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM | <i>Dinner</i> | |
| Florentino L. Varron Jr. SEPS, BLD-SID <i>Master of Ceremonies/Facilitator</i> | | |





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| DAY 3 (July 1, 2026, Wednesday) | | |
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| TIME | ACTIVITY | PERSON IN-CHARGE |
| 7:00 AM - 8:00 AM | <i>Breakfast</i> | |
| 8:00 AM - 8:30 AM | Management of Learning | PMT |
| PLENARY SESSIONS | | |
| 8:30 AM - 10:00 AM | Presentation of the Revised Guidelines for the 2027 NFOT | Assigned participant per group |
| 10:00 AM - 10:15 AM | <i>Morning Break</i> | |
| 10:15 AM - 11:15 AM | Continuation of the Presentation of the Revised Guidelines for the 2027 NFOT | Assigned participant per group |
| 11:15 AM - 11:25 AM | Signing and Submission of Printed and Digital Outputs | PMT and Participants |
| | Clearing House | |
| 11:25 AM - 12:00 PM | CLOSING PROGRAM | |
| 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM | <i>Lunch Break</i> | |
| 1:00 PM onwards | Venue Check-Out and Home Sweet Home | |
| Nicanor M. San Gabriel Jr. <i>SVEPS, BLD-SID</i> <i>Master of Ceremonies/ Facilitator</i> | | |



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