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Republic of the Philippines
Department of Education
SOCCSKSARGEN REGION

14 Oct 2026

REGIONAL MEMORANDUM

CLMD-2026-226

**INVITATION TO THE CAPACITY BUILDING FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS
ON DEPED-DILG JOINT MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR NO. 1, S. 2024
(MINDANAO CLUSTER)**

To: Schools Division Superintendent
Sultan Kudarat, Sarangani, Kidapawan City, Koronadal City,
South Cotabato, and Cotabato

1. In reference to DM-OULS-2026-441 re: Invitation to the Capacity Building for Local Government Units on DepEd-DILG Joint Memorandum Circular No. 1, s. 2024 (Mindanao Cluster), the Department of Education (DepEd), through the Literacy Coordinating Council (LCC) will conduct the activity on **October 19-21, 2026**, at **Pinnacle Hotel, Davao City**.

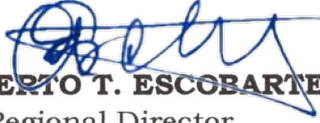
2. The identified participants from the region are as follows:

No.	Name	Position	Division/Office
1	Arnel Cipriano	Division ALS Focal Person	Kidapawan City
2	Jessa Grace Pasmala	Secretary	LGU-Norala, South Cotabato
3	Hon. Rosa Grace J. Achurra	Councilor	LGU-Banga, South Cotabato
4	Charlie Tuwa Fungan	Chief of Staff	LGU-Lake Sebu, South Cotabato
5	Rose Eden Flores	CSO	LGU-Surallah South Cotabato
6	Atty. Paolo Evangelista	Mayor	LGU-Kidapawan City
7	Lilibeth Salarda	Mayor	LGU-Alabel, Sarangani
8	Charmaine Joy Montehermoso	AO IV	LGU-Lebak, Sultan Kudarat
9	Mary Grace Macabadbad	AO IV	LGU-Kalamansig, Sultan Kudarat
10	Hon. Alma Labrador	SB Member	LGU-Bagumbayan, Sultan Kudarat
11	Hon. Bai Rihan Sakaluran	Mayor	LGU-Isulan, Sultan Kudarat
12	Atty. Ester Vega	Municipal Administrator	LGU-Makilala, Cotabato
13	Noel Antonio	Vice Mayor	LGU-Lutayan Sultan Kudarat



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3. The activity aims to:
 - a. Strengthen the capacity of LGUs to implement the JMC;
 - b. assist the LGUs in establishing and operationalizing functional LLCs and implementing effective community-based literacy programs; and
 - c. facilitate the sharing of good practices and implementation experiences on local literacy initiatives.
4. Expenses for meals, board and lodging, and traveling expenses from DepEd shall be charged to the LCC Fund downloaded to the region while participants from the LGU shall claim expenses from the local funds of their sponsoring LGU subject to the usual government accounting and auditing rules and procedures. Should transportation expenses exceed the funds, such remaining expenses shall be charged against any available local funds.
5. Please see attached enclosure 1 for the Indicative Activities for reference.
6. For any inquiries or clarifications, you may contact Cynthia G. Diaz, EPS-ALS, at cynthia.diaz@deped.gov.ph or Rodolf Salen M. Castro, TA II-ALS, at rodolfsalen.castro@deped.gov.ph.
7. Immediate dissemination of this memorandum is desired.


ATTY. ALBERTO T. ESCOBARTE, CESO II
Regional Director

Enclosure: As stated
Reference: DM-OULS-2026-441
Allotment: LCC Fund
To be indicated in the PERPETUAL INDEX
under the following subjects:

LITERACY COORDINATING COUNCIL
TRAINING

CGD/CLMD/RM-INVITATION TO THE CAPACITY BUILDING FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS ON DEPED-DILG JOINT
MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR NO. 1, S. 2024 (MINDANAO CLUSTER)
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Enclosure 1 to Regional Memorandum CLMD-2026-226

DAY 1 | OCTOBER 19, 2026

6:00 AM – 12:00 NN

TRAVEL TIME

12:00 NN – 1:00 PM

REGISTRATION AND BILLETING OF PARTICIPANTS

1:00 PM – 5:00 PM

Pre-work
LCC Secretariat & Participants

DAY 2 | OCTOBER 20, 2026

8:00 AM – 8:05 AM

Opening Program

- National Anthem
- Ecumenical Prayer

8:05 AM – 8:10 AM

Welcome Remarks

MARIA INES C. ASUNCION
Regional Director, DepEd Region XI

8:10 AM – 8:15 AM

Inspirational Message

CARMELA C. ORACION
Department of Education

8:15 AM – 8:20 AM

Statement of Purpose

JANIR T. DATUKAN
Department of Education

8:20 AM – 8:25 AM

House Norms (AVP)

8:25 AM – 8:30 AM

Introduction of Participants

JODI B. BERMUNDO
LCC Secretariat

8:30 AM – 9:00 AM

Levelling of Expectation

JASMINE D. RAFON
LCC Secretariat

9:00 AM – 9:45 AM

Overview of the LCC

ENRICO R. MENDOZA
LCC Secretariat

9:45 AM – 10:30 AM

The National Literacy Framework

DR. MARIA AZELA L. TAMAYO
Philippine Normal University



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DAY 2 | OCTOBER 20, 2026

10:30 AM–10:45 AM

HEALTH BREAK

10:45 AM–11:30 AM

Understanding DepEd–DILG JMC No. 1, s. 2024: Key Provisions and Next Steps

ANNA LIZA F. BONAGUA

Department of the Interior and Local Government

11:30 AM–12:00 PM

Open Forum

JOSEFINE L. BABARAN

Philippine Information Agency

12:00 PM–1:00 PM

LUNCH

1:00 PM–1:15 PM

Energizer

LORRAINE B. ANG

LCC Secretariat

1:15 PM–2:00 PM

LGU Playbook: Fixing the Foundations of Local Education

DR. KAROL MARK YEE

The Second Congressional Commission on Education (EDCOM II)

2:00 PM–2:45 PM

Amplifying Voices for Literacy Through Strategic Communication

MR. DARREL WINTHROP G. TORRES

Philippine Information Agency

2:45 PM–3:00 PM

HEALTH BREAK

3:00 PM–3:45 PM

Hearts on the Ground: NGOs as Community Literacy Movers

DR. MILWIDA M. GUEVARA

Synergeia Foundation

3:45 PM–4:30 PM

Championing Literacy: A Guide to Effective Community-Based Literacy Program Management

ENRICO R. MENDOZA

LCC Secretariat

4:30 PM–4:55 PM

Open Forum

JOSEFINE L. BABARAN

Philippine Information Agency

4:55 PM–5:00 PM

Announcements



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DAY 3 | OCTOBER 21, 2026

8:00 AM–8:15 AM

PRELIMINARIES

- Nationalistic Song (AVP)
- Ecumenical Prayer (AVP)

8:15 AM–8:30 AM

Management of Learning

CZARINA D. ABELLONAR
LCC Secretariat

8:30 AM–9:15 AM

**Sharing of Best Practices on LCC
Localization**

HON. LUCY MARIE TORRES-GOMEZ
Mayor
Ormoc City, Leyte

9:15 AM–10:00 AM

**Sharing of Best Practices on LCC
Localization**

HON. RUEL G. MOLINA
Mayor
Kumalarang, Zamboanga del Sur

10:00 AM–10:30 AM

Open Forum

JOSEPHINE L. BABARAN
Philippine Information Agency

10:30 AM–10:45 AM

HEALTH BREAK

10:45 AM–11:00 AM

Workshop: Action Planning

GEOMEL P. JETONZO
World Vision International,
South Asia and Pacific

11:00 AM–11:30 AM

Presentation of Workshop Outputs

Participants

11:30 AM–11:40 AM

Synthesis

11:40 AM–12:00 PM

Closing Program

12:00 PM – 1:00 PM

LUNCH

1:00 PM onwards

HOMEBOUND