

## Republic of the Philippines DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

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## CONDUCT OF THE 2020 1<sup>ST</sup> QUARTER NATIONAL SIMULTANEOUS EARTHQUAKE DRILL (NSED)

To: Assistant Schools Division Superintendent
Chief Education Supervisors, CID and SGOD
Public Schools District Supervisors
Public and Private Elementary and Secondary School Heads
All Concerned

- Pursuant to DepEd Memorandum dated January 20, 2020 entitled Reiteration on the Schedule for the conduct of the 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter National Simultaneous Earthquake Drill and other related issuances, all schools are enjoined to actively participate in the conduct of the First Quarter Nationwide Simultaneous Earthquake Drill (NSED) on March 12, 2020, 2:00 PM as scheduled by the National disaster Risk Reduction and Management Council (NDRRMC) through the Office of the Civil Defense (OCD).
- 2. The quarterly earthquake drill aims to
  - a. Evaluate the readiness and awareness of DepEd learners and personnel for earthquake;
  - b. Evaluate the evacuation procedur; and,
  - c. Evaluate the coordination and communication mechanisms during evacuation procedures and response operations.
- 3. Schools and offices must implement the following activities as part of the preparation for the earthquake drill:
  - a. Plan and organize the resources, both human and non-human, needed for the drill;
  - Coordinate with the Local DRRM Office for an orientation on earthquake to understand intensity and possible impacts, and discuss preparedness measures;
  - c. Map out personnel and learners/parents contact numbers;
  - d. Determine communication flow among offices/schools and overall command system;
  - e. Determine personnel and learners with special needs in case of an earthquake; assign
    focal person within each office and classroom to take charge of those personnel and
    learners with special needs;
  - f. Put up signage for evacuation routes and safe places to gather and/or evacuate to;
  - g. Ensure that everyone knows what to do during and after an earthquake;
  - h. Ensure family reunification protocol in the school; and,
  - i. Conduct post evaluation of the drill.

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- 4. Reports of the drill conducted must be submitted through the link that will be provided.
- All photos and videos that will be posted in the social media accounts shall use the official hashtag of the NDRRMC for earthquake drills #BidaAngHanda, #nsedkabankalan2020.
- 6. Immediate and widest dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.

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