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LAUNCHING OF THE FOURTH BATCH OF LIBRARY HUBS

To: Undersecretaries
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1. The Department of Education (DepED) Central Office, through the Office of Undersecretary for Finance and Administration is now accepting project proposals from schools divisions nationwide for the fourth batch of Library Hubs. The Project targets to set-up another 30-35 reading Hubs in 2009.
2. The Library Hub is an innovative project aimed at developing love and habit of reading among pupils and students in public elementary and secondary schools through building "warehouse" libraries provided with DepED-approved Supplementary Reading Materials. (SRM).
3. Library Hubs are warehouse libraries exclusively servicing public schools within the division and provided with Supplementary Reading Materials (SRM) packed in roll-away plastic containers and bundled by grade/year level and subject/theme.
4. The Project has the following components: 1) strategic sourcing; 2) infrastructure development and provision of furniture and equipment; 3) selection and distribution of SRM; 4) project orientation; and 5) monitoring and evaluation .
5. Under the project, all schools divisions are encouraged to have one or two Library Hubs; medium divisions may have two or three Hubs; and four to six Hubs in large division; and extra-large divisions.

6. Interested school divisions may submit a project proposal, including pictures of possible Hub sites preferably a government infrastructure near the Division Office or any secured building located in strategic and accessible area. The infrastructure must have at least 300 square meters floor area, preferably ground floor and along the road. Deadline of submission is on August 15, 2008.
7. As part of its cost-sharing scheme, the DepED Central Office will provide financial subsidy for renovation/rehabilitation of the infrastructure. The Supplementary Reading Materials will also be provided. Additional expenses for major renovation and/or construction and other requirements of the Hub will be funded by a sponsor of the school divisions. Sponsors are either local government units, non-government organizations, or private companies and individuals. The cost-sharing agreement will be covered by a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA).
8. Project proposals may be forwarded to the Office of Undersecretary for Finance and Administration, Hon. Ted C. Sangil, Jr., Attn: Library Hub Project Team; Department of Education Central Office, Meralco Ave., Pasig City. Further inquiries may be forwarded to Beverly Gonda-Berame or Herman Belles at telephone numbers (02) 6339342 or (02) 631-9640 (telefax).
9. Immediate and wide dissemination of this Memorandum is earnestly desired.


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