



Republic of the Philippines
Department of Education



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**2008 SECOND SEMI-ANNUAL CONSULTATIVE CONFERENCE
FOR ALTERNATIVE LEARNING SYSTEM (ALS)
CHIEFS AND ASSISTANT CHIEFS**

To: Undersecretaries
Assistant Secretaries
Bureau Directors
Regional Directors
Schools Division/City Superintendents

1. The demand for effective program implementation and strategies for the ALS remains increasing, thus, to appropriately respond to these demands and accelerate progress, there is a need for the Bureau of Alternative Learning System (BALS) to explore emerging new learning strategies, and system reforms, strong quality assurance in support to policy decisions.
2. Driven by its enabling theme "Deepening and Widening Alternative Learning System Towards Sustainable Future", the participants are expected to bring/share new and significant ideas, good practices and lessons learned from researches, Community Learning Center (CLC) activities and other ALS regional and locally-initiated projects and programs.
3. In collaboration with the regional Chiefs and Assistant Chiefs, the BALS Management will hold the 2008 Annual Consultative Conference at Puerto Galera, Oriental Mindoro on October 28-30, 2008.
4. The consultative conference aims to:
 - a. review current activities of ALS program/project implementation;
 - b. share successful locally-initiated projects/interventions for possible adoption and adaptation of concerned regions;
 - c. clarify/thresh out issues and concerns as well as propose solutions to improve policy directions for the implementation of ALS programs and projects; and
 - d. develop guidelines/policies to facilitate reforms and improve program/project delivery and ALS learners' outcomes.
5. Participants to the conference are thirty four (34) ALS Chiefs and Assistant Chiefs representing 17 regions and eleven (11) BALS key officials and



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selected staff. Arrival and check-in of the participants start at 1:00 p.m. on October 27, 2008 while departure will be in the morning of October 31, 2008.

6. A registration fee of Five Thousand Pesos (PhP5,000.00) only will be charged from each participant to cover board and lodging, kits, supplies and materials and other miscellaneous expenses. Payment shall be in the form of cash, payable to the Department of Education, Division of Oriental Mindoro. Travel expenses, per diem and other incidental expenses of participants shall be charged against local funds, subject to the usual accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

7. Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.

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Secretary

Reference:

DepED Memorandum: No. 190, s. 2007

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