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CREATION OF A TASK TEAM FOR THE ASEAN PROJECT "PROMOTION OF DISASTER RISK MANAGEMENT EDUCATION IN SCHOOLS"

To: Assistant Secretaries
Bureau Directors
Directors of Services/Centers and Heads of Units
Regional Directors
Schools Division/City Superintendents
Heads, Public and Private Schools
All Others Concerned

- 1. The Philippines is one of the ASEAN countries chosen to implement the ASEAN Project entitled "Promotion of Disaster Risk Management Education in Schools". For this purpose, the 10-Member Countries were grouped into three, with indicative timelines of implementation. The project started last August 2008 in ASEAN countries belonging to Group 2 comprising of Brunei, Malaysia, Philippines and Thailand.
- 2. The objectives of the project are to:
 - a. establish sustainable disaster education training system for school teachers in elementary and high school levels;
 - build teachers' and children's capacity on disaster preparedness through the disaster risk reduction training using tailored materials and various kinds of teaching methodologies; and
 - c. foster the disaster resilience of community through involvement in school activities.

In order to realize the abovestated objectives and sustain project gains, a Task Team is hereby created who shall be responsible to:

- a. organize the Project Implementation Unit and mobilize educational officials and resources necessary for the smooth implementation of the project;
- b. conduct a regular monthly meeting to provide and update members on project development and provide solutions to problems encountered;
- c. compile reports on the current disaster-related situation and establish a data base as aid to policy formulation, resource mobilization and decision-making;

e. conduct training of teachers along with Japanese experts;

- f. improve and develop teaching materials (Modules on Disaster Risk Reduction with Teachers' Guide);
- g. organize seminars/workshops for elementary and secondary school teachers in pilot areas/districts;
- h. compile and report lessons learnt; good practices and experiences worth replication by other schools;
- i. formulate action plan and strategies to support the sustainability of disaster risk reduction education in schools;
- j. monitor and evaluate project implementation through questionnaire and survey forms;
- k. follow-up/retrieve and analyze data gathered through questionnaire and survey forms, and provide feedback mechanism for corrective measures and possible interventions.
- 3. The Task Team shall be composed of the Honorable Secretary of the Department of Education as the Chairman and Undersecretary Antonio A. Inocentes as Vice-Chairman. Members of the Task Team are representatives from relevant government agencies and DepED Bureaus, Centers, and Councils as follows:

Composition of the Task Team of the Promotion of Disaster Risk Management Education in Schools

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4. Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.

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None

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