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Department of Education

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OBSERVANCE OF THE 2019 NATIONAL DISASTER RESILIENCE MONTH

To: Undersecretaries
Assistant Secretaries
Bureau and Service Directors
Regional Directors
Schools Division Superintendents
Public Elementary and Secondary School Heads
All Others Concerned

1. The Department of Education (DepEd), through the Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Service (DRRMS), enjoins all regional offices (ROs), schools division offices (SDOs), and schools to observe the **2019 National Disaster Resilience Month (NDRM)** in July. The celebration will shift its focus from Disaster Awareness Building to Disaster Resilience pursuant to Executive Order No. 29, 2017 entitled **Renaming the National Disaster Consciousness Month to National Disaster Resilience Month**.

2. In view of this, all ROs, SDOs, and schools are expected to undertake relevant activities that emphasize disaster risk reduction and management (DRRM) education covering the following four thematic areas:

- a. Disaster Prevention and Mitigation,
- b. Disaster Preparedness,
- c. Disaster Response, and
- d. Disaster Rehabilitation and Recovery.

3. Activities to be conducted may include but not necessarily be limited to:

- a. Symposium on DRRM;
- b. DRRM essay writing and slogan making contests;
- c. Exhibits and display of streamers indicating this year's NDRM theme;
- d. Orientation on hazards that may occur in the locality, including the corresponding preparedness measures;
- e. Multi-hazard drills and simulation exercises; and
- f. Other DRRM related activities that will increase awareness and consciousness of learners and DepEd personnel.

4. All offices and schools are encouraged to coordinate with their local DRRM councils and with other concerned agencies on conducting multi-hazard drills.

5. As reference for the DRRM activity, schools may use various DRRM related materials, such as the preparedness measures of the Department of Science and Technology-Philippine Atmospheric Geophysical and Astronomical Services Administration (DOST-PAGASA), the Disaster Preparedness Manual for City and Municipal LGUs of the Department of Interior and Local Government (DILG), and the Disaster Preparedness Measures for Schools of DepEd.

6. It is also reiterated that all schools are required to conduct the school watching and hazard mapping per DepEd Order (DO) No. 23, s. 2015 entitled **Student-Led School Watching and Hazard Mapping** and DO 27, s. 2015 entitled **Promoting Family Earthquake Preparedness**.

7. For more information, please contact the **Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Service**, 2nd Floor Mabini Building, Department of Education Central Office, DepEd Complex, Meralco Avenue, Pasig City through email at drmo@deped.gov.ph or telephone no. (02) 637-4933.

8. Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.



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Secretary

References:

DepEd Order: (Nos. 23 and 27, s. 2015)

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