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ADOPTION OF THE NEW BESRA IMPLEMENTATION ARRANGEMENT

To: Undersecretaries
Assistant Secretaries
Bureau Directors
Directors of Services, Centers and Heads of Units
Regional Directors
All Others Concerned

1. In order to continuously ensure the effective and efficient operationalization of the structures and mechanisms for the implementation of Basic Education Sector Reform Agenda (BESRA), and to sustain its gains and accelerate, strengthen and deepen its impact at all levels, the new BESRA implementation arrangement is hereby adopted.

2. The objectives of this adoption are as follows:

- a. to improve coordination and integration of reform efforts;
- b. to streamline decision-making processes;
- c. to ensure appropriate governance and consultative mechanisms, to limit number of focal areas;
- d. to transfer responsibility and accountability for implementation of reform to organic units; and
- e. to align assignment of reform implementation to the probable organic structures in the proposed Rationalization Plan.

3. The DepEd governance structures and processes such as Management Committee (ManCom), Finance Committee (FinCom), Program Committee (ProgCom) and Executive Committee (ExeCom) are strengthened in the new BESRA arrangement to serve as appropriate venues for policy consultation and management decision-making, including guidance for implementation of reform initiatives. Furthermore, the greater involvement of the Regional Offices (ROs) in the implementation of reform initiatives, monitoring of progress and results, and refinement of national policies are viewed as crucial.

4. The new BESRA Implementation Arrangement is herein specified and shall be enforced immediately:

A. Overall Direction of BESRA

- Accountability: Office of the Secretary (OSEC)
- Governance/Decision-Making: ExeCom



- Consultations
 - Internal: ManCom, ProgCom and FinCom
 - External: Senior Officials of Presidential Management Staff (PMS), National Economic Development Authority (NEDA), Department of Budget and Management (DBM), Department of Interior and Local Government (DILG), Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD) and Department of Health (DOH)

B. Overall Coordination and Integration of BESRA

- Accountability: OSEC
- Governance/Consultation/Advisory: Expanded ExeCom will involve key stakeholders and implementers as important informants in the coordination, integration and implementation of BESRA at the field level
- Consultations:
 - Internal: ManCom, ProgCom and FinCom
 - External: Department Officials of NEDA, DBM, Commission on Audit (COA), Civil Service Commission (CSC), DILG, DSWD and DOH
- Secretariat: Office of Planning Service (OPS)

C. Monitoring/Evaluation of BESRA and Policy Development and Review

- Accountability: OPS (with involvement of Regional Offices (ROs) aligned to their mandate for Quality Assurance (QA) and regional policy development)
- Governance and Decision-Making: ExeCom
- Consultations:
 - Internal: ManCom, ProgCom and FinCom
 - External: Representatives from NEDA and DBM
- Secretariat: OPS

D. BESRA Coordination and Focal Areas

Key Reform Thrust (KRT) 1: School Based Management (SBM) Technical Working Group (TWG)

- Assignment: Office of the Undersecretary for Regional Operations
- Chair: Undersecretary for Regional Operations
- Members: Representatives of Central Office (CO), Regional Office (RO), Division Office (DO) and Schools, National Educators Academy of the Philippines (NEAP), Educational Development Projects Implementing Task Force (EDPITAF) (in a

consultative role), Finance and Admin, external representatives and school management associations

- Secretariat: OPS

KRT 2: Teacher Education and Development (TED) TWG

- Assignment: Office of the Undersecretary for Programs and Projects
- Chair: Undersecretary for Programs and Projects
- Members: Representatives of Teachers Education Council (TEC), Professional Regulation Commission (PRC), CO and RO, Personnel Division, OPS, Teacher Education Institute (TEI) representatives and teachers associations
- Secretariat: NEAP

KRT 3: National Learning Strategies (NLS) TWG

- Assignment: Office of the Undersecretary for Programs and Projects (Priority Sub-Committee of ProgCom)
- Chair: Undersecretary for Programs and Projects
- Members: Representatives of Curricula areas, TEC, NEAP, IMCS, OPS and ROs, representatives of academic and learning research institutions
- Secretariat: Office of the Undersecretary for Programs and Projects

Sub-Groups:

a. Alternative Learning System (ALS) TWG

- Chair: Assistant Secretary for Programs and Projects
- Members:
 - Directors or permanent alternates of Bureau of Elementary Education (BEE), Bureau of Secondary Education (BSE), Bureau of Alternative Learning System (BALS), OPS, Instructional Materials Council Secretariat (IMCS) and TEC (based on DepED Order No. 16, s. 2008)
- Secretariat: Office of the Undersecretary for Programs and Projects

b. Indigenous Peoples/Muslim Education (IP/ME) TWG

- Chair: Assistant Secretary for Programs and Projects
- Members:
 - Regional Directors of Regions IV-B, X, XI and CAR
 - Directors or permanent alternates of BEE, BSE, BALS, OPS, IMCS, EDPITAF and TEC
 - Representatives from NEDA (based on DepED Order No. 16, s. 2008)
- Secretariat: Office of the Undersecretary for Programs and Projects

c. Livelihood/Technical and Vocational Education (LTVE) TWG

- Chair: Assistant Secretary for Programs and Projects
- Members:
 - Directors or permanent alternates of BEE, BSE, BALS and OPS
 - Division Chiefs or permanent alternates of Accounting and Budget Divisions;
 - Representatives from Association of DepED Directors (ADD), Philippine Association of School Superintendents, Inc. (PASS), Philippine Association of Education Supervisors, Inc. (PAES), and National Association of Public Secondary School Heads, Inc. (NAPSSHI)
 - Representatives from TESDA and NEDA (based on DepED Order No. 16, s. 2008)
- Secretariat: Office of the Undersecretary for Programs and Projects

KRT 4: Quality Assurance and Accountability/Monitoring and Evaluation (QAA/M&E) TWG

- Assignment: Office of the Undersecretary for Regional Operations
- Chair: Assistant Secretary for Planning
- Members:
 - Chairs of five (5) KRT Working Groups
 - Representatives of All ROs
 - Representatives of NEDA, DBM, COA and education research institutions
- Secretariat: OPS

KRT 5: Organizational Development (OD) TWG

- Assignment: ExeCom Working Group
- Chair: Undersecretary for Regional Operations
- Members:
 - Undersecretaries
 - Chairs of Other KRT Working Groups
- Secretariat: Management Division

Resource Mobilization and Management (RMM) TWG

- Assignment: Priority Sub-Committee of FinCom
- Chair: Undersecretary for Finance and Administration
- Members:
 - Chairs of Five (5) KRT Working Groups and OPS
- Secretariat: Office of the Undersecretary for Finance and Administration

**Information and Communication Technology (ICT)
Technical Committee**

- Subsumed as regular work of the Office of the Undersecretary for Finance and Administration

5. The Office of the Planning Service (OPS) shall provide most of the technical secretariat service aligned to their organizational mandate.
6. The Chairs of the different TWGs shall submit the names of their respective representatives to the BESRA Secretariat **on or before December 21, 2010**. Turn-over requirements should be effected within thirty (30) days from issuance of this Order. For more information, please contact the BESRA Secretariat at Telefax No. (02) 631-8380.
7. Immediate dissemination of and compliance with this Order is directed.


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Secretary 

Reference:

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To be indicated in the Perpetual Index
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