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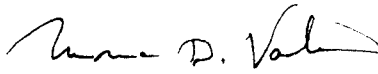
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**STRENGTHENING SCHOOL-BASED ALAY TANIM PROGRAM (SBATP) IN SCHOOLS**

**To:** Undersecretaries  
Assistant Secretaries  
Bureau Directors  
Directors of Services/ Centers and Head of Units  
Regional Directors  
School Division/City Superintendents  
Heads, Public Elementary and Secondary Schools  
All Others Concerned

1. Malnutrition is one of the major health problems that afflict the school children. Reports showed that 17% of the school children are undernourished (HNC Annual Report, 2009). This is also considered as one if not the main cause of high drop-out rate, and absenteeism that lead to poor academic performance in school.
2. The DepEd through the Health and Nutrition Center is strengthening the School-based Alay Tanim Program in support to elementary education by improving the nutritional status of the children. This is also a strategy to help promote school-based management. The SBATP aims to establish school gardens, school nurseries and vegetable production centers to sustain food production and have a ready source of vegetables to complement the supplementary feeding in schools. A full brief on the SBATP is enclosed as Inclosure No. 1
3. This SY 2010 – 2011, the SBATP shall prioritize schools located in the divisions covered by 4P's (Pantawid Familyang Pilipino Program), in compliance to the directive of the President to converge all hunger mitigation program initiatives to the one million poor families under 4Ps.
4. Financial Assistance for the establishment of school nurseries/vegetable seedling production centers shall be downloaded to the divisions estimated at Php 12,000 per school for a total of 7,000 elementary schools. Allotment shall be taken under the General Appropriation Act for FY 2010 under operations, A.III.b.2-School-Based Alay Tanim Program. Each division shall release the funds to recipient schools through cash advance, subject to the usual accounting and auditing rules and regulations. Inclosure No. 2 shows the breakdown on the allocation of funds by region. Liquidation reports on the utilization of funds shall be submitted to the division offices not exceeding 2 weeks upon conclusion of the activities, copy furnished the Health and Nutrition Center, 5<sup>th</sup> Floor Mabini Building, DepED Complex, Pasig City.

5. Regional Directors, Schools Division Superintendents and school heads are enjoined to support the implementation of the Program. Likewise, all health and nutrition personnel are encouraged to oversee and monitor the program.
6. Immediate and widest dissemination of this memorandum is desired.

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Encls.:  
As stated

Reference:  
None

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## **SCHOOL-BASED ALAY TANIM PROGRAM (SBATP)**

### **IMPLEMENTING GUIDELINES**

#### **I. RATIONALE**

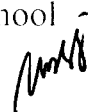
One of the thrusts of the DepED is to strengthen and intensify the implementation of the School-Based Alay Tanim Program (SBATP) in all public elementary and secondary schools to serve as food basket and have a ready source of vegetables for the schools supplementary feeding program.

In 2009, the DepED through the Health and Nutrition Center in collaboration with the DA- Bureau of Plant Industry and the National Nutrition Council (NNC) launched the “Gulayan sa Paaralan (GPP)” focusing on planting of malunggay trees in schools. A DepED Memo to this effect was issued to encourage schools to plant at least 50 malunggay trees inside the school premises.

In the same year, the DepED nutritionist-dietitians developed 40 malunggay recipes to be used by canteen teachers and home economic teachers as basis for menus to be served for their supplementary feeding program.

This SY 2010-2011, the SBATP is aligned with the Accelerated Hunger Mitigation Program of the government through the convergence of the beneficiaries with the 4Ps one million poor families as recipient of hunger mitigation initiatives.

It is in this context that the SBATP is strengthened to complement the other school initiatives in the promotion of optimal nutrition among the school children.



## II. OBJECTIVES

The program aims to:

- a. establish school gardens/nurseries/seedling production centers;
- b. improve the nutritional status of the children;
- c. provide a ready source of vegetables for the supplementary feeding;  
and
- d. develop positive nutritional values among the students on the importance of eating vegetables and other indigenous foods.

## III. PROGRAM COMPONENTS

### *a. Human Resource Development*

Orientations/trainings shall be conducted to implementers on program policies and guidelines. EPP teachers shall be the frontliners in the implementation of the program.

### *b. Nutrition Education*

- Formal – Nutrition concepts shall be integrated in the elementary and secondary curricula. Lesson objectives may focus on the following : importance of good nutrition, type of foods that are good to the body; How does poor nutrition affect academic performance etc.
- Informal – This will be done through incidental teaching on nutrition concepts utilizing IEC materials. This may also be done through routinary classroom health talks conducted by the health personnel prior to the health examination of the children.

### *c. Improvement of Facilities*

- Procurement of garden tools that may be sourced out from the LGUs and PTCA funds and other stakeholders in the area.
- Ensure adequate water supply for watering the plants.



*d. Monitoring and Evaluation*

- Monitoring shall be done regularly by the principal, and health and nutrition personnel
- Conduct of Search for most outstanding school implementor on SBATP to encourage implementers to perform well.

**IV. MECHANICS OF IMPLEMENTATION**

*1. Priority Target Areas*

- a. SBATP shall be implemented in all schools nationwide giving priority to schools located in the divisions included in 4 P's (Pantawid Pamilyang Pilipino Program). List of 4P's beneficiaries is attached.
- b. The 4P's areas were prioritized in compliance to the Presidential directive to converge Food for School Program (FSP) with 4P's beneficiaries

*2. Priority Target Schools*

- a. Schools located in 4P's divisions
- b. High prevalence of malnutrition
- c. Low Performing Schools

*3. School Survey*

- a. A survey on each implementing school shall be done to assess the school on the ff.:
  - ◆ land area
  - ◆ size of land available for food production
  - ◆ source of water supply
  - ◆ presence of circumferential fence
- b. Information on the type of vegetables suitable to the schools location (ex. Coastal ) shall be gathered
- c. If the school is located in the community with an on-going



Programang Gulayan sa Masa (PGMA), the school head may coordinate with the PGMA focal person for possible provision of seeds/seedlings.

#### 4. *Nutritional Assessment*

School-Based Alay Tanim Program is implemented to complement the supplementary feeding in school. Nutritional assessment among the children shall be done before, during and after to determine the improvement in the nutritional status of the children.

#### 5. *Financial Operations*

- a. Funds for establishment of school nurseries/seedling production centers shall be allocated to each recipient school estimated at 12,000.00 per school.
- b. Funds shall be downloaded to the division and to be released to the principals in a form of a cash advance.
- c. School principals shall be requested to submit a Work and Financial Plan (WFP) prior to the release of the cash grant. Non-submission of the WFP shall serve as ground for not releasing the fund to the school.
- d. Liquidation report on the utilization of funds shall be prepared by the principal and submitted to the division offices not to exceed 2 weeks upon completion of the activities copy furnished the Health and Nutrition Center, 5/F Mabini building, DepED Complex, Pasig City.

#### 6. *Institutional Arrangements*

- a. Each school shall designate a SBATP project coordinator to oversee the program implementation
- b. The principal shall see to it that activities for SBATP are included in the SIP.



- e. A school Task Force may be organized composed of the ff.:  
Principal (Chairman), Members (EPP Teacher, HE Teacher,  
Clinic Teacher, Practical Arts Teacher and PTA President.

## 7. Effectivity Clause

These guidelines shall take effect upon the release of Special Allotment Release Order (SARO) from the DBM and subsequent issuance of sub- ARO to the divisions. s



SUMMARY OF RECIPIENT SCHOOL FOR			
SCHOOL-BASED ALAY TANIM PROGRAM (SBATP) SY 2010 - 2011			
REGION	DIVISION	No. of Schools	TOTAL AMOUNT ( PHP 12,000.00/SCHOOL)
Region I	Ilocos Norte	23	276,000
	Ilocos Sur	32	384,000
	La Union	38	456,000
	Pangasinan	92	1,104,000
	** Laoag City	23	276,000
		185	2,220,000
Region II	Isabela	77	924,000
	Nueva Vizcaya	21	252,000
	** Batanes	23	276,000
		121	1,452,000
Region III	Bataan	15	180,000
	Bulacan	36	432,000
	Nueva Ecija	120	1,440,000
	Pampanga	20	240,000
	Tarlac	48	576,000
	Zambales	16	192,000
	** Aurora	23	276,000
		278	3,336,000
Region IV-B	Occidental Mindoro	31	372,000
	Oriental Mindoro	173	2,076,000
	Palawan	163	1,956,000
	Romblon	17	204,000
	** Marinduque	23	276,000
		407	4,884,000
Region IV-A	Laguna	8	96,000
	Quezon	83	996,000
	** Rizal	23	276,000
	** Cavite	36	432,000
		150	1,800,000
Region V	Albay	92	1,104,000
	Camarines Norte	6	72,000
	Camarines Sur	26	312,000
	Masbate	320	3,840,000
	Sorsogon	69	828,000
	** Catanduanes	23	276,000
		536	6,432,000
REGION VI	Aklan	68	816,000
	Antique	177	2,124,000
	Capiz	14	168,000
	Iloilo	6	72,000
	Iloilo City	45	540,000
	Negros Occidental	64	768,000
	** Bacolod	23	276,000
		391	4,692,000
REGION VII	Bohol	6	72,000
	Cebu	61	732,000
	Negros Oriental	205	2,460,000
	** Mandaue	23	276,000
		289	3,468,000
Region VIII	Leyte	49	588,000
	Northern Samar	248	2,976,000
	Western Samar	371	4,452,000
	** Eastern Samar	23	276,000
		691	8,292,000



Region IX	Zamboanga del Sur	324	3,888,000
	Zamboanga del Norte	807	9,684,000
	Zamboanga Sibugay	118	1,416,000
	** Pagadian City	23	276,000
		1,272	15,264,000
Region X	Bukidnon	75	900,000
	Camiguin	6	72,000
	Lanao Del Norte	328	3,936,000
	Misamis Occidental	230	2,760,000
	Misamis Oriental	37	444,000
	** Gingoog City	23	276,000
	693	8,316,000	
Region XI	Compostela Valley	42	504,000
	Island Garden City	12	144,000
	Davao Del Sur	185	2,220,000
	Davao Oriental	80	960,000
	** Sarangani	23	276,000
	330	3,960,000	
REGION XII	Cotabato	18	216,000
	Cotabato City	4	48,000
	Sarangani	56	672,000
	South Cotabato	71	852,000
	Sultan Kudarat	38	456,000
	** North Cotabato	23	276,000
	206	2,472,000	
REGION CARAGA	Agusan del Norte	56	672,000
	Agusan del Sur	256	3,072,000
	Dinagat Islands	88	1,056,000
	Surigao del Norte	173	2,076,000
	Surigao del Sur	152	1,824,000
	** Siargao	23	276,000
	748	8,976,000	
CAR	Abra	104	1,248,000
	Apayao	90	1,080,000
	Benguet	55	660,000
	Kalinga	71	852,000
	Mountain Province	32	384,000
	** Baguio City	23	276,000
	375	4,500,000	
ARMM	Lanao Del Sur	109	1,308,000
	Maguindanao	54	648,000
	Shariff Kabunsuan	14	168,000
	Sulu	66	792,000
	Tawi - Tawi	40	480,000
	** Basilan	23	276,000
	252	3,024,000	
REGION NCR	NCR First District	3	36,000
	NCR Fourth District	38	456,000
	NCR Second District	15	180,000
	** NCR Third District	23	276,000
	76	912,000	
Total		7,000	84,000,000
Note:			
** Non 4P's Division			