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**CREATION OF ALTERNATIVE LEARNING SYSTEM-EDUCATION AND SKILLS
TRAINING PROJECT MANAGEMENT TEAM**

To: Undersecretaries
Assistant Secretaries
Regional Secretary, ARMM
Regional Directors
Schools Division Superintendents

1. The Department of Education (DepEd) issues this Memorandum to announce the **Creation of the Alternative Learning System-Education and Skills Training (ALS-EST) Project Management Team**.

2. ALS-EST is a project supervised under the Office of the Secretary (OSec), presently through Undersecretary and Chief of Staff Nepomuceno Malaluan. The project complements the mainstream ALS program, and is a mechanism for the Office of the Secretary for program and policy development, for eventual integration into the mainstream ALS program.

3. For orderly management of the project from the OSec down to the field units, and to the school level, the following ALS-EST project management structure shall be created:

a. **Office of the Secretary**

The Central Office ALS-EST Project Management Team (CO ALS-EST PMT) under the supervision of the OSec is hereby created, to be composed of the following:

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| Chairperson | - | Atty. Nepomuceno Malaluan
Undersecretary/Chief of Staff |
| Vice Chairperson | - | RD Malcolm Garma |
| Members | - | 11 Members, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• SDS Bernardo Adina• BTC Superintendent Diosdado Medina• Region XI ALS Focal Person Maricel Langahid, Education Program Specialist• Principal Bienvenido Siguan, Jr., Lawaan National School of Craftsmanship and Home Industries• Principal Lordelyn Buyo, Carmen National High School |

- Budget Officer Ma. Lourdes Ramos
- Accountant Melyn Dionela
- Accountant Ma. Leonora Nudo
- 3 teachers to be identified by the CO ALS-EST PMT

A secretariat from the OSec shall be organized. The following are the members of OSec Secretariat Team:

- Merlie J. Asprer
- Justine L. Bernabe
- Silahis C. Dela Rosa
- Ma. Guia M. Del Valle
- Ma. Nicole R. Alamin
- Donelle Charmagne U. Umali

The CO ALS-EST PMT is a multilevel team, which aims to combine the inputs and outlook of policy-making offices and implementers. Implementers are very important in providing regular and timely feedback to the PMT on ground realities, and to inform both policy development and project implementation. Team members from the Budget Office and Accounting Office have been included to tighten the guidelines and accountability of financial management of the project.

The CO ALS-EST PMT shall:

- i. Implement advocacy activities;
- ii. Review and approve consolidated reports;
- iii. Monitor financial accountability, including downloading of funds;
- iv. Monitor program implementation, including
 - Creating and Developing M&E tools and templates
 - Facilities Assessment;
- v. Monitor the strength and weaknesses of the program;
- vi. Develop learner requirements and school/partner qualifications;
- vii. Plan and implement convergence activities, including launch and gathering of stakeholders;
- viii. Coordinate with OSec and other stakeholders on all ALS-EST related activities;
- ix. Establish and recognize best practices of implementers;
- x. Consolidate the experience and best practices into program policy and detailed guidelines; and
- xi. Spearhead the coordination with the regular ALS program, for the adoption and integration of the ALS-EST program and detailed guidelines into the regular ALS program, for mainstreaming and regular program implementation.

b. Regional Office

At the regional office level, all RDs with volunteer ALS-EST schools shall organize a Regional ALS-EST team headed by the RD, and with designated members from Curriculum and Learning Management Division (CLMD), Field Technical Assistance Division (FTAD), Human Resource Division (HRD), and Quality Assurance Division (QAD). The composition is meant to provide an integrated approach at the regional

level and to ensure that the CO ALS-EST PMT is provided feedback from different project management disciplines.

The composition is one member from the following:

- i. CLMD;
- ii. FTAD;
- iii. HRD; and
- iv. QAD.

c. Division and School Implementing Team

This is the team that implements ALS-EST program at the school level with the following composition:

- i. Project Team Leader : Schools Division Superintendent
- ii. Members : Implementing Principals
Designated Implementing Mobile
Teachers and/or Skills Trainer

The linkage from the CO to the schools division and school level is aimed at providing effective coordination and implementation, reporting and feedback mechanism, and accountability. This structure will facilitate shared awareness, understanding and appreciation among the various policy makers, coordinators and implementers of the ALS-EST program.

d. Advisory Team

The CO ALS-EST PMT Team may organize an Advisory Team composed of ALS and Skills Training educators, experts, and practitioners, to broaden the inputs for best practices and policy and program development.

3. Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.


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Secretary

Reference:

DepEd Order No. 46, s. 2017

To be indicated in the Perpetual Index
under the following subjects:

ALTERNATIVE LEARNING SYSTEM
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