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2020 NATIONAL SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY WEEK OF THE DEPARTMENT OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

The Department of Science and Technology (DOST) will celebrate the 2020 National Science and Technology Week (NSTW) with the theme, *Agham at Teknolohiya: Sandigan ng Kalusugan, Kabuhayan, Kaayusan at Kinabukasan*, from November 23 to 29, 2020. DOST will be at the forefront again by staging the 2020 NSTW celebration in virtual mode for the first time in history.

The NSTW has been celebrated every third week of July pursuant to Presidential Proclamation (PP) No.169. However, in August 2019, by virtue of PP 780 signed by President Rodrigo Roa Duterte, the NSTW celebration will now be conducted every fourth week of November.

The change of date was meant to ensure maximum participation of schools, students, stakeholders, and the public during the week-long celebration due to the change in the academic calendar of most universities, schools, and educational institutions.

The activity aims to highlight the efforts and initiatives of DOST and the entire scientific community in the area of research and development, practical technologies, innovation in agriculture, industry, and health, technical services and trainings, and financial assistance to entrepreneurs to help every Filipino adapt to COVID-19 under the new normal.

Participation of public and private schools shall be subject to the no-disruption-of-classes policy stipulated in DepEd Order No. 9, s. 2005 titled *Instituting Measures to Increase Engaged Time-on-Task and Ensuring Compliance Therewith*.

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