



Republic of the Philippines
Department of Education
REGION VIII - EASTERN VISAYAS

September 18, 2025

REGIONAL MEMORANDUM
CLMD-2025- **1186**

**REGION VIII PARTICIPANTS TO THE NATIONAL BIOTECHNOLOGY
WEEK (NBW) 2025 CELEBRATION ACTIVITY**

To: Schools Division Superintendents } Division of Catbalogan City
} Division of Leyte
All Others Concerned

1. Pursuant to the attached DepEd Advisory on the National Biotechnology Week (NBW) 2025 Celebration, this Office, through the Curriculum and Learning Management Division (CLMD), announces the following Region VIII participants to the NBW 2025 Celebration activity on September 22 – 24, 2025 at the Century Park Hotel, Malate, Manila.

| Division/Office | School | Participant | Contest |
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| Catbalogan City | Samar National School | Klint Francis P. Langi Trisha Mae A. Tomalabcad Shirly Silvestre Aelisha Gabrielle B. Patosa Robert P. Toongco Melba M. Ocenar (Coach) | Collaborative Digital Poster Making Contest Biotech Got Talent |
| Leyte | Abuyog National High School | Princess Dawn D. Manangan John Roy A. Abejar Patrick R. Sevellano Ariza Mae A. Aparejo Lean Timothy P. Reyes Lyndel E. Esperanza (Coach) Alexander T. Olazo (School Head, Region Delegation Head Representative) | Biotech Brain Triathlon Biotech Got Talent |

2. The participants are expected to bring their laptops, charging cables, extension wires, internet router or modem source, and other needed materials and confirm their participation by completing the online registration form. Do refer to the said Memorandum for the other details.

3. The Schools Division Offices are directed to conduct their own onsite coaching and technical assistance. The Regional EPSs for Science will conduct online or onsite coaching on agreed dates to the schools.



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4. The board and lodging of participants shall be charged against the 2025 Basic Education Curriculum (BEC) Current Fund, while traveling expenses shall be charged against the downloaded 2025 BEC Fund, subject to the usual accounting and auditing rules and regulations. Should this become insufficient, the remainder of the expenses shall be covered by the participants' respective local and other eligible funds. Traveling expenses for the onsite coaching, moreover, are charged against their respective local fund and shall be covered by the same regulations mentioned above.
5. Immediate dissemination and compliance of this Memorandum are desired.



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Enclosure: As stated

References: As stated

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ADVISORY
ON THE NATIONAL BIOTECHNOLOGY WEEK (NBW) 2025 CELEBRATION

Pursuant to Presidential Proclamation No. 1414, s. 2007, the National Biotechnology Week (NBW) was established as an annual event celebrated during the last week of November. This was amended by Presidential Proclamation No. 921, s. 2025, which moved its observance to the fourth week of September each year. The NBW aims to promote the safe and responsible use of modern biotechnology and its products as a means to help achieve and sustain food security, ensure equitable access to health services, protect the environment, and support industry development.

In line with this, the Department of Education (DepEd) has been designated as the host agency of the NBW celebration with the theme: **"#gAIInBiotech: growing Artificial Intelligence, nurturing Biotechnology."** The event will be held on **September 22-24, 2025, at Century Park Hotel, Malate, Manila.**

Each region is advised to send participants consisting of ten (10) learners, two (2) teachers/coaches, and one (1) supervisor. These participants will take part in the Biotech Brain Triathlon, Collaborative Digital Poster Making Contest, and other activities sponsored by partner government agencies.

Travel and incidental expenses incurred by participants shall be charged to the Basic Education Curriculum Funds, subject to the usual accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

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