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ACTIVATION OF THE DIVISION TWINNING PARTNERSHIP FOR POST-TYPHOON OPONG RESPONSE AND REHABILITATION

To: Schools Division Superintendents
 Division Medical Officers
 Division Partnership Focal Persons
 All Others Concerned

1. In the wake of the devastation caused by **Typhoon Opong**, several schools in the affected divisions have sustained damages ranging from partially destroyed classrooms to the loss of essential learning materials and equipment. Immediate action is imperative to restore normal school operations and ensure that learners can safely resume their classes.

2. The Division Twinning initiative shall focus on, but shall not be limited to the following assistance needs:

- Provision of repair materials for partially damaged school facilities;
- Support for the cleaning and clearing of affected school sites and classrooms;
- Assistance in building/restoring temporary learning spaces;
- Provision of basic school and learner supplies necessary for continuity of learning;
- Provision of food packs and health kits; and
- Conduct of Psychological First Aid/ Mental Health and Psychosocial Support Services to affected learners, teaching and non-teaching personnel.

3. Each Schools Division Office (SDO) shall coordinate with its assigned partner division as per the following **Division Twinning Matrix**. Coordination shall cover the identification of priority schools, the assessment of needs, and the formulation of a short-term response and rehabilitation plan.

AFFECTED SDOs	AFFECTED SCHOOLS	TWIN/s
Biliran	Note: Due to the number of affected schools, twin SDOs should just directly coordinate with the Division	Ormoc City, Baybay City, Maasin City, Southern Leyte
Calbayog City		Leyte, Tacloban City, Samar
Northern Samar	SAN VICENTE Sila ES Maragat ES Tarnate ES	Eastern Samar, Borongan, Catbalogan

	Sangputan ES SAN ANTONIO Pilar ES CAPUL Jubang ES Sagaosawan ES	
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4. All assistance extended shall be properly documented, with reports submitted to the Office of the Regional Director through the Special Programs and Projects-Partnerships and Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Service (DRRMS) Regional Focal Persons at eden.dadap001@deped.gov.ph. Reports shall include before-and-after documentation, details of assistance provided, and updates on ongoing rehabilitation activities.

5. For immediate dissemination and compliance of this Memorandum are desired.



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Enclosures: as stated

References: None

To be indicated in the Perpetual Index under the following subjects:
PARTNERSHIPS REHABILITATION TWINNING

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