



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

November 24, 2025

REGIONAL MEMORANDUM

CLMD-2025-1588

**REGIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL CONVENTION BY THE DEPARTMENT OF
ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES (DENR)**

To: Schools Division Superintendent } Division of Tacloban City
All Others Concerned

1. In its continued partnership and environmental protection endeavors, this Office, through the Curriculum and Learning Management Division (CLMD), in partnership with the DENR, announces its participation to the Regional Environmental Convention on November 25, 2025 at the Summit Hotel, Tacloban City.
2. The participants are the Division-identified 50 junior and/or senior high school learners and 20 teachers from any public or private schools.
3. The Schools Division Superintendent must ascertain that classes left by the participants are taken over by relieving teachers, merged with other classes, or given alternative instructions or delivery modalities so that the learners still avail of the full benefit of classroom instruction.
4. The activity expenses will be sponsored by the DENR Regional Office VIII, while traveling expenses shall be charged against the school local funds, subject to the usual accounting and auditing rules and regulations.
5. Immediate dissemination and compliance of this Memorandum are desired.

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Enclosure: Letter of Invitation from DENR

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Through: **Dr. Gertrudes C. Mabutin**
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Subject: **Partnership and Request for Participants for the Regional Environmental Convention in Eastern Visayas**

Dear Sir,

Greetings!

In celebration of the *National Environmental Awareness and Education Month* in November, the Environmental Management Bureau RO8 seeks to involve the students in Eastern Visayas as part of the celebrations of RA 9512.

In this regard, we initially set out to hold the first Regional Environmental Quiz Bee on November 21, 2025. However, upon further consultation, the Bureau is deferring the Regional Quiz Bee to June of 2026.

Instead of the Regional Quiz Bee, we will be having the **Regional Environmental Convention on November 25, 2025** at a venue in **Tacloban City**.

With this, we are respectfully asking for partnership from DEPED Region 8 in the **selection of participants**. We are requesting for **70 participants**, comprised of 50 students and 20 teachers.

Attached in the *Annexes* are guidelines for the selection and recommendation of participants for the regional convention and other request. We look forward to your partnership in strengthening environmental awareness and education in the region. This also serves as your official invitation to the Convention.

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We are grateful for the continued support and partnerships in line with the vision of EMB.

Yours truly,


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Annex A

Guidelines for the Selection of Participants for the Regional Environmental Convention

I. Eligibility

The participants must be bonafide students of any public or private school, enrolled in their respective year levels.

II. Selection

- a. The Bureau shall receive the final list of recommended participants from the Department of Education Region 8, **50 Students and 20 Teachers** from *Schools in Divisions selected according to the discretion of DepEd.*
- b. The Bureau reserves the authority of selection to the discretion of the Regional Office.
- c. The participating students may consist of students from the same, or from separate grade levels in **Junior or Senior High Schools**

III. Convention Proper

- a. The Bureau shall provide the updates and reminders for the participants. The decision of the Board consisting of EMB RO8 and partner representatives shall be upheld.
- b. The Bureau, as the organizing committee, shall be responsible for the Food, Venue, and Materials requirements for the Convention.



Annex B

Request for Participation of EMB Environmental Education and Information Unit in a Management Conference of DepEd

I. Rationale

Among the programs of the DENR – EMB is the National Search for Sustainable and Eco-friendly Schools (NSSEFS) that recognizes schools in primary, secondary, and tertiary levels for their environmentally sound and sustainable programs. With this, we are enjoined to train and partner with teachers and school heads in its implementation.

II. Status Quo

The 2024 NSSEFS validation is ongoing this year. The 2024 NSSEFS is set to award the schools that provided the necessary Means of Verification and have existing programs within 2021-2024, the three-year period covered by the NSSEFS in the interest of sustainability of programs. The next NSSEFS validation should be on 2027 which will check the programs kickstarted within 2024 until 2027.

III. Request

The Bureau has conducted trainings with schools and last year, with the Schools Division of Leyte. We wish to reach more teachers to introduce the NSSEFS to a larger scope this year. With this, we are respectfully **requesting to be allowed to present the NSSEFS Program in one of the Management Conferences of DepEd** that gather educators from all over the Region.

A **45-minute to 1-hour time slot** would be deeply appreciated. We are also ready for a Division-based Management Conference should the Regional ManCon be unable to accommodate