

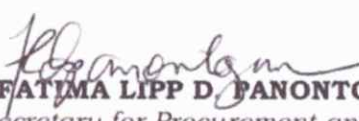


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**MEMORANDUM**

TO : **Regional Directors**  
**Schools Division Superintendents**  
**All Others Concerned**

FROM :   
**ATTY. FATIMA LIPP D. PANONTONGAN**  
*Undersecretary for Procurement and Chief of Staff*

SUBJECT : **INVITATION TO THE TEACHERS' DIGNITY COALITION'S**  
**NATIONAL SEMINAR-WORKSHOP ON EDUCATION POLICY,**  
**ADVOCACY, AND LEGAL PROTECTION FOR TEACHERS**

DATE : 5 January 2026

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The Teachers' Dignity Coalition (TDC), will hold its **National Seminar-Workshop on Education Policy Advocacy and Legal Protection for Teachers** on **February 27 to March 1, 2026**, at the **Great Eastern Hotel, Quezon City**.

The event aims to review the current national policies affecting teachers' and students' welfare. Likewise, inform the participants about prevailing education issues and solicit ideas for reform. Furthermore, the activity also aims to empower teachers and administrators with essential legal knowledge and skills, and lastly, to develop policy recommendations to address challenges faced by teachers/learners.

Teachers who will participate may opt to attend on **Official Business**, the activity subject to the following conditions:

- compliance with the applicable provisions of DepEd Order No. 046, s. 2022 titled the Amendment to DepEd Order No. 43, s. 2022 (*Omnibus Travel Guidelines for All Personnel of the Department of Education*) and Other Appropriate Orders and Guidelines on Travel;
- secure approval from respective authorities;
- participation shall not interfere with regular functions and responsibilities; and
- Use of DepEd funds, subject to its availability, strictly adheres to the usual budgeting, accounting, and auditing rules and regulations.

For more details, please see the attached communication from the TDC





Teachers' Dignity Coalition (TDC)

# National Seminar on Education Policy Advocacy & Legal Protection for Teachers and 6<sup>th</sup> TDC National Convention

*"Empowering Teachers Through Enhanced Legal Rights Education"*



February 27-March 1, 2026, Great Eastern Hotel, Quezon City



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SEC Registration Number: CN 2007-10645

06 January 2026

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Regional Director

Department of Education-Region VIII

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Sir:

Greetings of Peace!

The Teachers' Dignity Coalition (TDC) will hold the **National Seminar-Workshop on Education Policy Advocacy and Legal Protection for Teachers** on **February 27 to March 1, 2026**, at the **Great Eastern Hotel, Quezon City**. With the theme **"Empowering Teachers Through Enhanced Legal Rights Education,"** the activity is aligned with the Department's efforts to strengthen teacher protection and promote their welfare.

This seminar will be attended by teacher-leaders, administrators and other education workers from across the country. The activity aims to help elevate teachers' morale and productivity by fostering a more supportive and conducive working environment.

The specific objectives of the event are as follows:

- Review the current national policies affecting teachers' and students' welfare;
- Inform participants about prevailing education issues and solicit ideas for reform;
- Empower teachers and administrators with essential legal knowledge and skills; and
- Develop policy recommendations to address challenges faced by teachers/learners.

Each participant will be charged a **minimal registration fee of Five Thousand Two Hundred Pesos (P5,200.00)** to cover expenses for board and lodging, training materials, speakers' honoraria, and other incidental costs. Registration and billeting will begin at 1:00 PM on February 27, while check-out time will be at 12:00 NN on March 1.

In this regard, we respectfully request your office to endorse this activity to the respective Schools Division Superintendents, allowing the official participation of delegates. We likewise request that registration and transportation expenses be sourced from local funds, including MOOE, LGU, or any other available funds.

*To regulate the number of participants, TDC will submit a list of confirmed attendees to the concerned regional and division offices on the first week of February. Participants who are not included in the list may still be accommodated if slots are available, provided they coordinate with the Secretariat ahead of the schedule. The deadline for confirmation and pre-registration is January 30, 2026 (Friday), to allow sufficient time for preparations.*

For confirmation and further inquiries, interested parties may send an email to [teachersdignity.ph@gmail.com](mailto:teachersdignity.ph@gmail.com) or contact Ms. Darlene Loro of the TDC Secretariat at 0917-650-5902 or 0960-659-6946, or reach out to the undersigned at 0927-335-6375. **For faster registration, participants may also confirm through Google Forms via this link: <https://forms.gle/Mnt2hNiR5Y12y8pZ8> or the QR code provided on or before January 30, 2026.**

Attached are the seminar poster and the Memorandum from the Office of the Secretary, signed by Atty. Fatima Lipp D. Panontongan, dated January 5, 2026, for your reference.

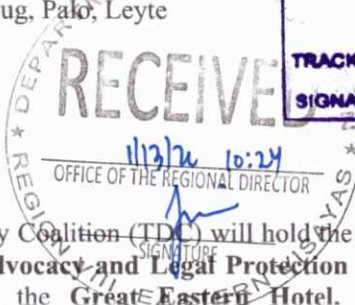
Thank you very much and we look forward to your most prompt and favorable response.

For teachers' dignity,

**BENJO G. BASAS**  
National Chairperson

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