



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

February 16, 2026

REGIONAL MEMORANDUM

ESSD-2026- **206**

**PARTICIPATION IN THE VALIDATION WORKSHOP ON THE ENHANCED DRAFT
GUIDELINES FOR CHILD PARTICIPATION**

To: Schools Division Superintendent} Borongan City Division
All Others Concerned

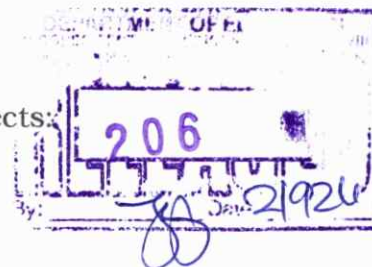
1. Attached is a communication from Grace Q. Subong, DSWD Regional Director/ RJJWC VIII Chairperson, requesting the participation of Mr. **Franklin Pabello**, YFD and LRP Focal Person, Borongan City Division, to the Validation Workshop on the Enhanced Draft Guidelines for Child Participation on **24-27 February 2026** in **Metro Manila**.
2. Mr. Pabello represented the Region in the Consultation Workshop in October 2025. To ensure continuity and consistency of inputs, the same participants are invited.
3. Travel expenses and accommodation of the invited participant shall be borne by the inviting entity.
4. Immediate dissemination of and compliance with this Memorandum are desired.

RONEL AL K. FIRMO, CESO IV
Assistant Regional Director
Officer In-Charge
Office of the Regional Director

Enclosures: as stated

References: as stated

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REGION VIII



January 27, 2026

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Dear Director **Firmo**:

The Juvenile Justice and Welfare Council (JJWC) will conduct a Validation Workshop on the Enhanced Draft Guidelines for Child Participation on **24-27 February 2026** (inclusive of travel time) in **Metro Manila**. This activity aims to assess the usefulness, accuracy, user-friendliness, and clarity of the enhanced draft guidelines.

To ensure continuity and consistency of inputs, the JJWC has proposed that each region be represented by the same participant who attended the Consultation Workshop held in October 2025.

In this regard, we are pleased to once again invite **Mr. Franklin Pabello**, who represented the region during the said Consultation Workshop, to participate in the Validation Workshop. We believe that his prior involvement will greatly contribute to the JJWC's efforts in achieving the objectives of this undertaking.

We will appreciate receiving confirmation of his attendance on or before January 29, 2026.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

[Signature]
GRACE Q. SUBONG
DSWD Regional Director
RJJWC VIII Chairperson



MEMORANDUM

TO : RJJWC CHAIRPERSONS
Regional Juvenile Justice and Welfare Committees
Regions I-XII, CAR, CARAGA, NCR and BARMM

FROM : THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

DATE : 14 JANUARY 2026

SUBJECT : FOLLOW-THROUGH ON THE DEVELOPMENT OF CHILD PARTICIPATION
GUIDELINES FOR JJWC AND RJJWC OPERATIONS AND PROCESSES

This is to gently follow-up on our previous memorandum dated 27 October 2025 (please see attached) requesting for inputs and comments on the enhanced draft child participation guidelines for the JJWC and RJJWC operations and processes.

This is also to inform the regional committees that a validation workshop on the enhanced draft guidelines will be **conducted on February 24 to 27, 2026** (inclusive of travel time) in Metro Manila. The validation activity aims to determine the usefulness, accuracy, user-friendliness, and clarity of the enhanced draft guidelines.

Given this, we would like to invite/request each region to send a representative to participate in the validation activity in February. For continuity purposes, may we propose that each region send the same representative that participated in the consultation workshop last October. We will appreciate receiving **confirmation of the name of the representative not later than January 30, 2026.**

Further, we would like to inform the RJJWC secretariats that we will treat the participants confirmed on the set deadline as final to avoid (1) costly airfare due to the delay in the booking of air travel, and (2) cancellation fees arising from changes in the participants. The secretariats are enjoined to inform the target participants regarding this.

Kindly expect Mr. Darwin Espinosa, project focal person from the JJWC-Policy and Research Division, to coordinate with your respective offices on the request and invite. Mr. Espinosa may also be reached through mobile number 0926 663 2209 and/or email address dmespinosa@jjwc.gov.ph.

For information and reference please

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RJJWC OS, Tacloban City

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