



Republic of the Philippines
Department of Education
OFFICE OF THE UNDERSECRETARY FOR LEARNING SYSTEMS

MEMORANDUM
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TO : ALL REGIONAL DIRECTORS
MINISTER, MINISTRY OF BASIC, HIGHER, AND
TECHNICAL EDUCATION, BARMM

FROM : *Carmela C. Oracion*
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SUBJECT : REQUEST TO CONDUCT THE REGIONAL
CONSULTATIVE WORKSHOP WITH TEACHERS,
LEARNERS, AND PARENTS, AND DISSEMINATE THE
NATIONAL ONLINE SURVEY ON THE PROPOSED
THREE-TERM SCHOOL CALENDAR

DATE : MARCH 9, 2026

In line with the Department of Education's (DepEd) continuing efforts to ensure participatory and evidence-informed decision-making for major policy reforms in basic education, the Learning Systems Strand, through the Bureau of Learning Delivery, requests all Regional Offices (ROs) to conduct the **Regional Consultative Workshop with Teachers, Learners, and Parents on the Proposed Three-Term School Calendar** on any day within **March 12 to 18, 2026**, at their **selected venues**.

To be participated by teachers, learners, and parents from different schools divisions, the *Regional Consultative Workshop* aims to gather stakeholder feedback on the proposed three-term school calendar.

Specifically, it aims for the participants to:

- explain the rationale, guiding principles, and core features of the proposed three-term school calendar;
- identify key strengths, challenges, and opportunities/recommendations on the proposed three-term school calendar; and
- express strong commitment to support the successful implementation of the proposed three-term school calendar.

Participation is voluntary at the learners and parents' level, while the participation of teachers is considered official, duly authorized, and subject to the approval of the appropriate head of office.



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To ensure maximum participation, the *Regional Consultative Workshop* may be conducted in several batches within the aforesaid dates based on each RO's targets. To facilitate monitoring, all ROs are requested to submit via email to **bld.od@deped.gov.ph**, the accomplished **Pre-Consultative Workshop Planning Tool** (See Annex A) on or before March 13, 2026, and the **Post-Consultative Workshop Accomplishment Report** (See Annex B) on or before March 19, 2026.

Board and lodging, travel, and other incidental expenses relative to the conduct of the *Regional Consultative Workshop* shall be charged against each RO's **local funds**, subject to the usual government accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

Further, all ROs are requested to disseminate the **National Online Survey on the Proposed Three-Term School Calendar** to **school heads, teachers, learners, parents, supervisors, and other stakeholders** from March 12 to 19, 2026, through this link: <https://tinyurl.com/onlineSurvey3TSC>

All ROs shall ensure that participation in the *Regional Consultative Workshop* and responding to the online survey shall not affect the observance of increasing engaged time-on-task pursuant to DepEd Order No. 9, s. 2005 titled *Instituting Measures to Increase Engaged Time-on-Task and Ensuring Compliance Therewith*.

To guide the ROs in conducting the *Regional Consultative Workshop*, an **Online Orientation for Regional Facilitators**, to be attended by **one (1) CLMD Chief** and **three (3) select Regional Education Program Supervisors** per region, shall be conducted via Zoom on March 11, 2026, from 2:00 PM to 4:00 PM, through this link: <https://tinyurl.com/zoom3TSC>

The workshop resource package, program of activities, terms of reference (TOR), and other relevant information shall be discussed during the *Online Orientation for Regional Facilitators*.

For more information and inquiries, all concerned may contact the **Bureau of Learning Delivery - Office of the Director**, 4th Floor, Bonifacio Building, Department of Education Central Office, DepEd Complex, Meralco Avenue, Pasig City through email at **bld.od@deped.gov.ph** or at telephone numbers (02) 8536-6540 or 8537-4347.

For immediate dissemination and compliance.

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Annex A

Regional Consultative Workshop on the Proposed Three-Term School Calendar

PRE-CONSULTATIVE WORKSHOP PLANNING TOOL

Directions: Accomplish this form by providing the targets, plan, and support needed.

Region: _____

Date: _____

A. Targets

Summary of Targets				
Target number of consultative workshops to be conducted	Target number of schools divisions to be involved	Target number of teachers to be consulted	Target number of learners to be consulted	Target number of parents to be consulted
Target Dates		Target Venues		

Note: Add row/s if needed.

B. Plan and Support Needed

Briefly narrate the RO's plan for the conduct of the *Regional Consultative Workshop* and the support needed to ensure its success.

Prepared by:

Approved by:

Regional Focal Person

Regional Director

Note: Once accomplished, submit it via email to bld.od@deped.gov.ph on or before March 13, 2026.



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B. Narrative Summary

1. Highlights of the *Regional Consultative Workshops* Conducted
2. Key Insights/Feedback from Teachers, Learners, and Parents on the Proposed Three-Term School Calendar in terms of:

Strengths/Benefits	Challenges	Opportunities/Recommendations

3. Expression of Commitment/Support from Teachers, Learners, and Parents
4. Other Relevant Information

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