



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

September 28, 2026

REGIONAL MEMORANDUM

No. **1271** s. 2026

UPDATES ON THE CONDUCT OF VALIDATION OF GRANTEES FOR THE EXPANDED GOVERNMENT ASSISTANCE TO STUDENTS AND TEACHERS IN PRIVATE EDUCATION (E-GASTPE) PROGRAMS FOR SY 2026-2027 AND OCULAR INSPECTION OF QUALIFIED SCHOOL APPLICANTS FOR SY 2027-2028

To: Schools Division Superintendents
All Others Concerned

1. This Office, through the Quality Assurance Division (QAD), hereby informs the field of the Updated Schedule for the Conduct of the Validation of Grantees under the Expanded Government Assistance to Students and Teachers in Private Education (E-GASTPE) Programs for School Year (SY) 2026-2027 and the Ocular Inspection of Qualified School Applicants for SY 2027-2028, as follows:

DATE	ACTIVITY	TEAM	SDO
September 29 – October 2, 2026	E-GASTPE Validation of Grantees	Team 1	Maasin City and Southern Leyte
		Team 2	Tacloban City
October 28-30, 2026	E-GASTPE Validation of Grantees	Team 1	Remaining Schools in Southern Leyte
		Team 2	Remaining Schools in Leyte Areas 1, 2, and 4
November 9-13, 2026	E-GASTPE Validation of Grantees	Team 1	Remaining Schools in Northern Samar
		Team 2	Leyte Area 5
November 16-20, 2026	E-GASTPE Validation of Grantees and Ocular Inspection	TEAM 1 & 2	Remaining Schools of Tacloban City, and its School Applicants
November 23-27, 2026	Ocular Inspection	Team 1	Northern Samar
		Team 2	Samar, Catbalogan City, Calbayog City
December 1-4, 2026	Ocular Inspection	Team 1	Biliran, Ormoc City,
		Team 2	Eastern Samar, Borongan City
December 7-11, 2026	Ocular Inspection	Team 1	Baybay and Leyte
		Team 2	Maasin City, and Southern Leyte

2. This issuance shall serve as the **Travel Authority** for the members of the Regional Validation and Ocular Inspection Teams, as follows:

TEAM 1	TEAM 2
Team Leader – Dr. Alejandra B. Lagumbay Rachel R. Cuevas Melvin Chito M. Solis Gerardo L. Adtoon John E. Dacatimbang Werlyn O. Colinayo Admin Representative	Team Leader: Sonny S. Tayum Marlou D. Camposano Jimmy G. Gula Fernando Santos Atty. Dulce C. Catubao Janice Delopere Admin Representative

3. All other provisions of Regional Memorandum 953, s. 2026 not affected by this issuance shall remain in full force and effect.
4. Immediate dissemination of and strict compliance with this Memorandum are desired.


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 Regional Director

Attachment: None

Reference: As stated

To be indicated in the Perpetual Index under the following subjects:

BASIC EDUCATION

CHANGE

SCHOOLS

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