



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

October 12, 2026

REGIONAL MEMORANDUM
CLMD-2026- **1324**

**DOWNLOADING OF SCIENCE AND MATHEMATICS EQUIPMENT (SME) FUNDS
FOR THE PROCUREMENT AND DISTRIBUTION OF SME TO ALS LEARNING
CENTERS WITH HIGH ENROLLMENT FOR THE PAST THREE (3) YEARS,
AND FOR OTHER ACTIVITIES IN THE SCHOOLS DIVISION OFFICES
(SDOS) AND SCHOOLS OPERATING THE ALS PROGRAM**

To: Schools Division Superintendents

- } Biliran Division
- } Calbayog City Division
- } Eastern Samar Division
- } Leyte Division
- } Northern Samar Division
- } Ormoc City Division
- } Samar Division
- } Southern Leyte Division

Regional Division Chiefs
All Others Concerned

1. To support the procurement and distribution of Science and Mathematics Equipment (SME) for ALS Learning Centers with high enrollment for the past three (3) years, in accordance with DM-OULS-2026-189 dated May 19, 2026, as well as other activities and operational requirements necessary for the effective and efficient delivery of the Program for Fiscal Year 2026, this Office, through the Curriculum and Learning Management Division (CLMD) and Finance Division (FD), shall download funds amounting to **Four Million Pesos (Php4,000,000.00)** from **OSEC-8-26-04504** through a Sub-ARO to the SDOs, based on the breakdown and corresponding purposes presented in the enclosure.

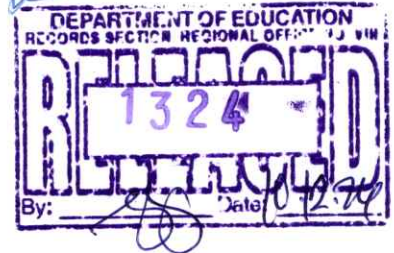
2. The Schools Division Superintendents, through their respective Division ALS Focal Persons, shall submit the financial reports on the utilization of the downloaded funds on or before **December 31, 2026** to **clmd.region8@deped.gov.ph**, with copies furnished to **alfredo.cafe@deped.gov.ph** and **gecbuilding2025@gmail.com**.

3. A monitoring activity on the utilization of the downloaded funds shall be conducted beginning in the fourth quarter of FY 2026 until the first quarter of FY 2027. The activity shall be led by the Regional ALS Focal Person and may include representatives from the CLMD, Finance Division (FD), and Quality Assurance Division (QAD).

4. Expenses incurred in the conduct of the monitoring activity shall be charged against available **ALS Funds**, subject to the usual accounting and auditing rules and regulations. Reimbursement of expenses shall be processed only upon submission of complete supporting documents.
5. For inquiries, please direct your concerns to **Dr. Alfredo P. Cafe, EPS, CLMD**, through the email addresses provided above.
6. Immediate dissemination of and compliance with this Memorandum are desired.



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Regional Director



Enclosures: Breakdown of Fund Downloading per Recipient Office

References: As stated

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

ALS FUNDS PPAs

CLMD-GEC-APC

Enclosure to RM _____, s. 2026 dated September 30, 2026.

Breakdown of Fund Downloading per Recipient Office

Recipient Offices		Amount	Purpose
1	Biliran Division	500,000.00	Downloading of funds to Schools Division Offices (SDOs) to support the procurement and distribution of Science and Mathematics Equipment (SME) for ALS Learning Centers with high enrollment for the past three (3) years, per DM-OULS-2026-189 dated May 19, 2026, and other activities and operational requirements necessary for the effective and efficient delivery of the Program
2	Calbayog City Division	500,000.00	
3	Eastern Samar Division	500,000.00	
4	Leyte Division	500,000.00	
5	Northern Samar Division	500,000.00	
6	Ormoc City Division	500,000.00	
7	Samar Division	500,000.00	
8	Southern Leyte Division	500,000.00	
Total Amount of Funds for Downloading to SDOs re: For the above-mentioned purpose		4,000,000.00	Source: OSEC-8-26-04504 (4,000,000.00)



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MEMORANDUM
DM-OULS-2026- 189

TO : Regional Directors
Schools Division Superintendents
Curriculum and Learning Management Division Chiefs
Curriculum Implementation Division Chiefs
Alternative Learning System Focal Persons
All Others Concerned

FROM : **JEROME T. BUENVIAJE**
Assistant Secretary
Officer-in-Charge
Office of the Undersecretary for Learning Systems

SUBJECT : **GUIDELINES ON THE PROCUREMENT AND DISTRIBUTION OF SCIENCE AND MATHEMATICS EQUIPMENT FOR ALTERNATIVE LEARNING SYSTEM (ALS) SCHOOL-BASED LEARNING CENTERS/COMMUNITY LEARNING CENTERS**

DATE : May 19, 2026

1. In line with the Department of Education's commitment to strengthen the implementation of the Alternative Learning System (ALS), institutionalized under Republic Act No. 11510 to provide equitable access to quality basic education, this Office hereby issues the Guidelines on the Procurement and Distribution of Science and Mathematics Equipment for Alternative Learning System (ALS) School-Based Learning Centers (SBLCs)/Community Learning Centers (CLCs).
2. The implementation of the Revised ALS Curriculum emphasizes the development of 21st Century Skills, particularly Scientific and Critical Thinking Skills (Learning Strand 2) and Mathematical and Problem-Solving Skills (Learning Strand 3). These competencies require experiential and hands-on learning approaches; thus, the provision of appropriate instructional materials is crucial. Currently, many SBLCs and CLCs face significant limitations in the availability of these learning tools, which may reduce learner engagement and affect performance in the Accreditation and Equivalency (A&E) Test.
3. To address these challenges and support ALS teachers in delivering engaging learning sessions, a total budget allocation of Php 50,000,000.00 shall be utilized as Program Support Fund. This allocation will provide Php 500,000.00 per Schools Division Office (SDO) for the top 100 SDOs identified as having the highest average ALS enrollment over the last three school years (SY 2022-2023 to SY 2024-2025). Prioritizing these SDOs ensures that the intervention benefits



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the largest and most active ALS learner populations. Please refer to **Attachment 1** for the budget Breakdown.

4. The funds shall be downloaded directly to the recipient SDOs. Fund utilization shall comply with DepEd Order No. 004, s. 2024 on procurement guidelines, as well as applicable budgeting and accounting laws. The procured equipment must align with the competencies of the Revised ALS Curriculum and shall include basic laboratory kits, manipulatives, science models, measuring devices, geometric tools, and calculators.
5. Any remaining balances from the allocated amount shall be used for the provision and delivery of equipment, including incidental expenses related to their distribution to recipient SBLCs/CLCs. SDOs are given the flexibility to fully utilize these balances for the purposes stated above.
6. The list of eligible Science and Mathematics Equipment, including technical specifications based on the market scoping conducted by the the Bureau of Learning Resources (BLR) and as well as inspection and testing protocol shall be strictly adhered to. These may be accessed through this link: <https://tinyurl.com/LTE20242025ALS>.
7. The storage, safe keeping, and management of the provided equipment shall comply with DepEd Order No. 20, s. 2022, and other applicable laws, rule and regulations.
8. To ensure proper fund utilization and monitoring of implementation activities, the Regional ALS Focal Persons shall submit a consolidated accomplishment report on the procurement and distribution of the equipment to the Bureau of Alternative Education (BAE) using the template provided in **Attachment 2**.
9. For any clarification or inquiries regarding these guidelines or the allocation of funds, please contact the BAE-Program Management and Systems Development Division (PMSDD) through email at bae.pmsdd@deped.gov.ph.
10. Immediate dissemination of and compliance with this Memorandum is desired.

Copy furnished:

MALCOLM S. GARMA
Undersecretary for Operations



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Attachment No. 1 to **DM-OULS-2026-189**

SUMMARY OF FUNDS TO BE DOWNLOADED

Region	Schools Division Offices	Total SDOs	Allocation
Region I	Ilocos Norte, La Union, Pangasinan I, Pangasinan II	4	2,000,000.00
Region II	Cagayan, Isabela, Nueva Vizcaya, Quirino	4	2,000,000.00
Region III	Aurora, Bataan, Bulacan, City of San Jose Del Monte, Nueva Ecija, Pampanga, Tarlac, Tarlac City, Zambales	9	4,500,000.00
Calabarzon	Antipolo City, Bacoor City, Batangas, Cavite, Dasmariñas City, Laguna, Quezon, Rizal	8	4,000,000.00
MIMAROPA	Occidental Mindoro, Oriental Mindoro, Palawan, Romblon	4	2,000,000.00
Region V	Albay, Camarines Sur, Camarines Norte, Catanduanes, Ligao City, Masbate, Masbate City, Sorsogon, Sorsogon City	9	4,500,000.00
Region VI	Aklan, Antique, Capiz, Iloilo, Iloilo City	5	2,500,000.00
NIR	Negros Occidental, Negros Oriental	2	1,000,000.00
Region VII	Bohol, Cebu, Cebu City, Lapu-lapu City	4	2,000,000.00
Region VIII	Biliran, Calbayog City, Eastern Samar, Leyte, Northern Samar, Ormoc City, Southern Leyte, Western Samar	8	4,000,000.00
Region IX	Sulu, Zamboanga Del Norte, Zamboanga Del Sur, Zamboanga Sibugay, Zamboanga City	5	2,500,000.00
Region X	Bukidnon, Cagayan De Oro City, Iligan City, Lanao Del Norte, Malaybalay City, Misamis Occidental, Misamis Oriental, Valencia City	8	4,000,000.00
Region XI	Davao City, Davao De Oro, Davao Del Norte, Davao Del Sur, Davao Occidental, Davao Oriental, Panabo City, Digos City, Tagum City	9	4,500,000.00
Region XII	General Santos, South Cotabato, Sultan Kudarat, North Cotabato, Sarangani	5	2,500,000.00
CARAGA	Agusan Del Sur, Agusan Del Norte, Bayugan City, Butuan City, Dinagat Island, Siargao, Surigao Del Sur,	7	3,500,000.00
NCR	Caloocan City, Las Pinas City, Manila, Muntinlupa City, Paranaque City, Pasay City, Quezon City, Taguig and Pateros City, Valenzuela City	9	4,500,000.00
TOTAL		100	50,000,000.00



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Attachment No. 2 to **DM-OULS-2026-189**

ACCOMPLISHMENT REPORT

No.	Region and Schools Division Office	Budget	Physical Accomplishment	Obligation Amount	Disbursement Amount	Unobligated Amount	Remarks

Note: Attach the list of ALS-SBLC/CLC provided with Science and Mathematics Equipment per SDO

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