November 23, 2026

REGIONAL MEMORANDUM
No. 1561 , s. 2026

PARTICIPATION IN THE SPECIAL CURRICULAR PROGRAMS (SCPs) IMPLEMENTATION MONITORING-VISAYAS CLUSTER

To: Schools Division Superintendents
All Others Concerned

1. In reference to DepEd Memorandum DM-LS-2026-499 re: Participation in the Special Curricular Programs (SCPs)Implementation Monitoring-Visayas Cluster, this Office through the Curriculum and Learning Management Division (CLMD), hereby directs the identified participants to attend in the said activity on November 25-27, 2026 at the DepEd Applied Nutrition Center, Cebu City.

2. The details of the participants are provided in the table below:

Name	Position/ Designation	Office/School/ Division	SCPs
Dr. Nova P. Jorge	EPS	CLMD, Regional Office	SPA
Dr. Jimmy Gula	EPS	QAD, Regional Office	SPFL
Lorie Emmanuel B. Arrago Jr	EPS	CID, SDO Borongan City	SPJ
Richie C. Blasabas	EPS	CID, SDO Maasin City	SPTVE
Irhyn V. Reyes	EPS	CID, SDO Leyte	SPSTEM
Arnold T. Cerera	Principal/EPS Designate	CID, SDO Biliran	SPSTEM
Jocelyn L. Salas	Principal	Maasin Vocational HS, Maasin City	SPTVE
Judy B. Operario	Principal	Samar National Pilot Opportunity School of Agriculture, Samar	SPTVE
Melda M. Marcos	Principal	Burauen Comprehensive NHS, Leyte	SPS
Joylyn Borja	Principal	Alang-alang NHS	SPFL
Fructuoso C, Baliton	Principal IV	Tacloban City NHS, Tacloban City	SPS
Vivian B. Cruz	Principal	Mac Arthur NHS, Leyte	SPA

3. Travel and other incidental expenses incurred relative to the conduct of this activity shall be charged against the **FY 2026 Basic Education Curriculum (BEC) Continuing Funds**. Any funding deficiency may be augmented by local funds, school/division MOOE, or other eligible funding sources, subject to standard accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

5. Immediate dissemination of and compliance with this Memorandum are desired.

SALUSTIANO T. JIMENEZ JD, EdD, CESO III
Regional Director

Enclosure: None
Reference: DM-LS-2026-499
To be indicated in the Perpetual Index under the following subjects:
FOCUS GROUP DISCUSSION
MONITORING
SPECIAL CURRICULAR PROGRAMS



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MEMORANDUM
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TO : **CRISTITO A. ECO,** *Regional Director, Region VI*
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RAMIR B. UYTICO, *Regional Director, NIR*
SALUSTIANO T. JIMENEZ, *Regional Director, Region VIII*

FROM : **CARMELA C. ORACION**
Undersecretary for Learning Systems

SUBJECT : **SPECIAL CURRICULAR PROGRAMS (SCPS) IMPLEMENTATION MONITORING – VISAYAS CLUSTER**

DATE : **November 20, 2026**

The Learning Systems Strand, through the Bureau of Curriculum Development – Special Curricular Programs Division (BCD-SCPD), will conduct the **Special Curricular Programs (SCPs) Implementation Monitoring – Visayas Cluster** on **November 25-27, 2026,** at the **DepEd Applied Nutrition Center, Cebu City**.

This activity aims to:

a. track learning outcomes;
b. provide implementers with technical assistance in implementing the recently released revised curriculum guides and forthcoming guidelines; and
c. gather empirical evidence to support strategic planning, budget allocation, and continuous improvement of SCPs.

In this regard, this Strand invites SCP implementers, specifically school heads and supervisors from the concerned regions, to participate in the focus group discussion (FGD) from Day 1 through the morning of Day 2. School monitoring will follow from the afternoon of Day 2 through Day 3. For reference, the allotted number of participants per region for the FGD, list of schools to be monitored, and the matrix of activities are provided in **Annexes A, B, and C**, respectively.

FGD participants must bring soft/scanned copies of the learner and teacher data, learning resource inventory, monitoring and evaluation (M&E) report, and physical and financial reports for SY 2024–2025 through SY 2026–2027.

Expenses relative to this activity, such as board and lodging, transportation allowances, and per diem of the participants, shall be charged against the **2026 BCD BEC Fund**, subject to the usual accounting and auditing rules and regulations. Should the transportation expenses of the participants exceed the downloaded fund, the remaining expenses shall be charged against any available funds.

11/23/26

The Regional Offices, through the Curriculum and Learning Management Division (CLMD), are requested to submit the confirmation of their FGD participants using the template in **Annex D** to bcd.od@deped.gov.ph on or before **November 23, 2026**.

For more information and/or queries, all concerned may contact **Mr. Harold D. Espiritu**, Supervising Education Program Specialist, through email at harold.espiritu@deped.gov.ph.

Immediate and wide dissemination of this memorandum is directed.

Copy furnished:

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

WILFREDO E. CABRAL
Undersecretary for Human Resource and Organizational Development

MALCOLM S. GARMA
Undersecretary for Governance and Operations

Annex A

Special Curricular Programs (SCPs) Implementation Monitoring – Visayas Cluster
November 25-27, 2026
DepEd Applied Nutrition Center, Cebu City

NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS
(for FGD)

Region	No. of Participant	Allocation
VI	12	RO – 6 SDO – 3 School - 3
VII	16	RO – 6 SDO – 4 School - 6
VIII	12	RO – 6 SDO – 3 School - 3
NIR	12	RO – 6 SDO – 3 School - 3

Annex B

Special Curricular Programs (SCPs) Implementation Monitoring – Visayas Cluster
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DepEd Applied Nutrition Center, Cebu City

LIST OF SCHOOLS TO MONITOR

Division	School	Program
Cebu City	Don Vicente Rama Memorial National High School	Special Program in the Arts (SPA); Special Program in Foreign Language (SPFL) – Spanish; and Special Program in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (SPSTEM)
	Abellana National School	Special Program in Sports (SPS); Special Program in Journalism (SPJ); and Special Program in Technical-Vocational Education (SPTVE)
Mandaue City	Mandaue City School for the Arts	SPA
	Mandaue City Science High School	SPFL-French and SPSTEM
	Labogon National High School	SPS
	Mandaue City Comprehensive National High School	SPJ and SPTVE
	Subangdaku Tech-Voc High School	SPTVE
	Canduman National High School	SPJ
Lapu-Lapu City	Babag National High School	SPA, SPFL-Korean, SPSTEM, and SPS
	Look National High School	SPA, SPSTEM, and SPS
	Marigondon National High School	SPFL-Chinese, Japanese, and Spanish, SPTVE, and SPJ
	Pusok National High School	SPJ

Notes:

- Learner-participants for the FGD session are requested to secure and submit a parent consent to the BCD Technical Working Group (TWG) prior to the monitoring.
- Classes shall not be disrupted during the monitoring schedule in adherence to the provision of DepEd Order No. 9, s. 2026 (Guidelines on the Implementation of the Three-Term School Calendar in Basic Education.

Annex C

Special Curricular Programs (SCPs) Implementation Monitoring – Visayas Cluster
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MATRIX OF ACTIVITIES

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<tr><th>Time</th><th>Day 1
November 25, 2026</th><th>Day 2
November 26, 2026</th><th>Day 3
November 27, 2026</th></tr>
<tr><td rowspan="2">8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.</td><td rowspan="2">Arrival and Registration</td><td>Management of Learning

Continuation of FGD and Accomplishment of Monitoring Tool</td><td rowspan="2">School Monitoring

Activities: FGD, Classroom Observation, and Learning Resources Inspections</td></tr>
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<tr><td>12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.</td><td colspan="3">Lunch Break</td></tr>
<tr><td rowspan="2">1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.</td><td rowspan="2">Focus Group Discussion (FGD)

Participants: Supervisors and School Heads</td><td rowspan="2">School Monitoring

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<tr><td>Departure</td></tr>
<tr><td>Expected Output</td><td colspan="3">Monitoring Report on the SCP Implementation</td></tr>
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Annex D

Special Curricular Programs (SCPs) Implementation Monitoring – Visayas Cluster
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CONFIRMATION SHEET
(for FGD)

Region: _____

Name	Position/ Designation	Division	DepEd Email	Signature

(Please add row)

Prepared by:

_____
Chief Education Supervisor, CLMD

Attested by:

_____
Regional Director/Authorized Representative