



Republic of the Philippines  
Office of the President  
**Philippine Space Agency**



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**DR. BENJAMIN D. PARAGAS, CESO IV**  
Regional Director  
Department of Education – Region II  
Carig, Tuguegarao City, Cagayan



**SUBJECT: Request for DepEd Advisory to the Asian Try Zero-G (ATZG) 2025**

Dear *Dr. Paragas*:

Greetings from the Philippine Space Agency (PhilSA)!

We are pleased to inform you about an opportunity for Filipino students to participate in the Asian Try Zero-G (ATZG) 2025. This competition, organized under the Asian Beneficial Collaboration through Kibo Utilization (Kibo ABC) Program by the Japan Aerospace Exploration Agency (JAXA) in collaboration with PhilSA, allows students to propose experiments to be performed in a zero-gravity environment aboard the Kibo module of the International Space Station (ISS).

The competition is open to students enrolled in Philippine institutions up to the postgraduate level. Participants can join individually or in teams. Selected winners will have their experiments conducted by a JAXA astronaut and will also get a chance to visit the Tsukuba Space Center in Japan to witness the live demonstration and meet astronauts.

In line with this, we would like to request the release of an advisory to enjoin participation in the competition. Key details of the competition are as follows:

- Submission Deadline: 17 January 2025 (Friday)
- Submission Link: <https://form.lotform.com/230890523254454>
- More information: <https://philsa.gov.ph/news/asian-try-zero-g-call-for-proposals-2025/>

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact [sesd@philsa.gov.ph](mailto:sesd@philsa.gov.ph) with the subject '[Asian Try Zero G 2025]: Inquiry' or by phone at +632 8568 99 31.

Sincerely yours,

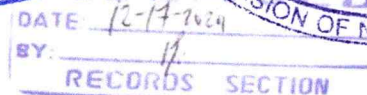
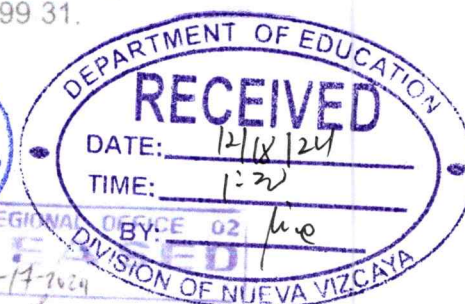
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**ARIEL C. BLANCO, Dr. Eng.**

Officer-in-Charge, Space Science Missions Bureau

Reference No. SSMB-ACB-E2024-107

cc: Gay Jane P. Perez, PhD, Office of the Deputy Director General for Space Science and Technology

Joel Joseph S. Marciano, Jr.,



December 16, 2024

To: **ALL SCHOOLS DIVISION SUPERINTENDENTS**

In view of this aforementioned activity, this Office reiterates that the participation of public and private schools is voluntary and shall be subjected to the non-disruption-of-class policy as stipulated in DepEd Order No. 9, s. 2005 entitled Instituting Measures to Increase Engaged Time-on-Task and Ensuring Compliance Therewith.

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**BENJAMIN D. PARAGAS PhD, CESO III**  
Director IV/ Regional Director

<b>MEMORANDUM</b>		Date: <u>12-20-24</u>	Released (Records):
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