



Republic of the Philippines  
Department of Environment and Natural Resources  
**FOREST MANAGEMENT BUREAU**

Visayas Avenue, Diliman, 1100 Quezon City  
Tel. No: (632) 8925-2141 / (632) 8927-4788  
E-mail Address: fmb@denr.gov.ph Website: <https://www.forestry.denr.gov.ph>

DepEd Regional Office No. 02



DOCS ID No:  
052625046

Created by: Records  
Date Created: 05/26/2025

**BAGONG PILIPINAS**

MAY 21 2025

73



**MEMORANDUM**

**FOR :** The Regional Executive Directors  
Regions I-XIII, NCR, CAR, CALABARZON and MIMAROPA

**FROM :** The Chief, Forest Resources Conservation Division  
In-Charge, Office of the Assistant Director

**SUBJECT :** REQUEST FOR ASSISTANCE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF  
EDUCATION (DepEd) IN THE CONDUCT OF BRIGADA  
ESKWELA FOR SCHOOL YEAR 2025

**DATE :** MAY 20 2025

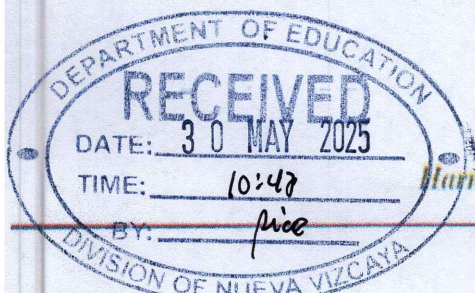
This has reference to the online meeting on 16 April 2025 held with the Department of Education (DepEd) on the conduct of their annual *Brigada Eskwela* program nationwide regarding their participation in the Forests for Life: 5 Million Trees Program (FFL: 5MTP), and the signed Memorandum of Agreement between the Department and DepEd dated 21 March 2025 with the aim to: 1) strengthen environmental awareness and education; 2) support the National Greening Program; and 3) promote sustainable environmental practices.

The *Brigada Eskwela* program is an annual initiative by the DepEd together with the families and communities, local government units (LGUs), other National Government Agencies, the private and business sectors and other stakeholders with the objective to prepare the public schools before opening of classes, improve school facilities, and create a conducive environment for learning. Approximately 45,000 schools nationwide shall join the Program.

For the current year, the Program shall be conducted on 09-14 June 2025 with the regional kick-off events tentatively scheduled on 09 June 2025 with the theme: "*Nagkakaisa para sa Handa at Ligas na Balik Eskwela*". The DepEd Central Office shall join the event of the DepEd Region V in a school located in Bacacay East, Albay.

The Program, through the kick-off event, aims to: 1) launch Brigada Eskwela for the year; 2) mobilize the stakeholders participating in the event; 3) promote awareness on community service; and 4) document best practices and improvement efforts. It also aims to integrate their national inventory day, maintenance week, tree planting, and a session on bullying prevention with the students' parents.

The kick-off program shall include the opening program, the launching of the national inventory day, a symbolic turn-over of donation from partners, presentation



<b>MEMORANDUM</b>		<b>Date:</b> 6/3/25	<b>Released/Records:</b> <i>[initials]</i>
<b>To:</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PSDS/DICs	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Elem/Sec School Heads	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Private Schools	<input type="checkbox"/> Others:	
<b>For:</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Information	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dissemination	
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Guidance	<input type="checkbox"/> Strict Compliance	
<b>JORLANDO E. MANUEL PhD., CESO V</b> Schools Division Superintendent			
<b>By:</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> ASDS	<input type="checkbox"/> CID Chief	<input type="checkbox"/> SGOD Chief
	<input type="checkbox"/> AO	<input type="checkbox"/> Atty	<b>Signature:</b>



of *Brigada Eskwela* model school, cleaning, repainting and minor repair of classrooms and vicinities, and tree planting, among others.

In this regard, this Office is requesting the DENR Regional Offices and their PENR and CENR Offices to provide assistance to the DepEd in the conduct of their *Brigada Eskwela* 2025, particularly in the following:

1. **Conduct of Regional Brigada Eskwela Kick-off Event.** The DepEd is requesting participation of the DENR Regional and Field Offices in the conduct of their regional *Brigada Eskwela* kick-off events on **09 June 2025** at selected DepEd division offices and/or schools.

As mentioned, the DepEd Central Office shall join the DepEd Region V in the kick-off celebration. In this regard, DENR Region V is requested to provide technical assistance including provision of IEC materials, putting-up of DENR booth to showcase DENR's environmental initiatives, and lectures or talks about the environment and importance of tree planting.

For all the DENR Regional Offices, DepEd is also requesting participation of DENR personnel as volunteers for the *Brigada Eskwela*.

2. **Provision of Seedlings for the School Beautification Activity.** As part of the *Brigada Eskwela*, DepEd partners and volunteers shall conduct school grounds and infrastructure repair, renovation and improvement. This includes the planting of various ornamental and tree species. To support this activity, the DepEd is requesting the DENR field offices to provide seedlings to be planted during the week-long activities.

The species and number of seedlings shall depend on the site condition within schools, and the available space where trees can be planted. Please be advised that not all of the 45,000 schools nationwide shall conduct tree planting activities. The DENR field offices are requested to coordinate with the schools and conduct site visits to determine the species and number of seedlings to be provided.

In support of the FFL: 5MTP, the DENR shall provide seedlings of indigenous and native species only.

On the transportation of the seedlings to the planting sites/schools, the DepEd expressed that the same shall be shouldered by the DepEd divisions and/or schools.

3. **Lecture and Demonstration on Tree Planting.** As part of the technical assistance to be provided by the DENR, a lecture or demonstration on how to plant the trees shall be conducted prior to the actual tree planting. Discussions on proper care and maintenance of the trees after the planting activity is also requested by the DepEd. This includes watering, weeding/brushing, and installation of tree markers or tree guards, among others.



4. **Documentation of Tree Planting Sites.** As part of the FFL: 5MTP, all DENR field offices are hereby requested to document the tree planting activities including the species, the number of seedlings, and the area planted in hectares. Shapefiles of the area are also necessary for us to spatially document and monitor the accomplishments under this activity. A template marked as **Annex A** is included in this Memorandum.
5. **Participation of DepEd in Environmental Programs.** As agreed during the meeting on 16 April 2025, DepEd is interested in joining DENR's environmental programs and activities including but are not limited to the Arbor Day in June. Kindly coordinate with them once instructions or directives are given in relation to the said activity.

For inquiries, you may send them to [fflprogram@fmb.denr.gov.ph](mailto:fflprogram@fmb.denr.gov.ph). You may also direct your questions related to DepEd to Mr. Maguidala-USman Bedar II, Technical Assistant I of DepEd through +63-946-278-4077 or [maguidala.bedar@deped.gov.ph](mailto:maguidala.bedar@deped.gov.ph).

We also attached as **Annex B** of this Memorandum the directory of DepEd regional focals and the initial regional kick-off venue for your reference.

We will appreciate receiving consolidated reports and updates including the requested documentation and information 15 days after the conclusion of the *Brigada Eskwela* 2025 activities.

For your consideration, please.

May 28, 2025

**To: Schools Division Superintendents**

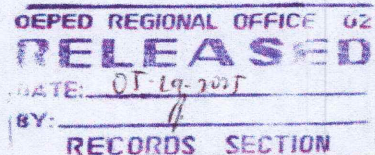
For information and appropriate action.

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

For the Regional Director:

**RODERIC B. GUINUCAY**  
Education Program Supervisor – CLMD, ALS  
Officer-In-Charge

MA. TERESA G. AQUINO



Copy furnished:

The Undersecretary for Policy, Planning and International Affairs  
The Undersecretary for Field Operations - Luzon, Visayas and Supervising  
Undersecretary for Mines and Geosciences Bureau (MGB) - Luzon and  
Visayas, and Environmental Management Bureau (EMB)-Luzon and Visayas  
The Undersecretary for Field Operations-Mindanao and Supervising  
Undersecretary for MGB – Mindanao and EMB - Mindanao

Mr. Maguidala-USman Bedar II  
Technical Assistant I  
Department of Education  
[maguidala.bedar@deped.gov.ph](mailto:maguidala.bedar@deped.gov.ph)



## Annex A: Brigada Eskwela-FFL 5M1P Reporting Template

[illegible]

Annex B DepEd Directory and Tentative Information on Kick-Off Events

**2025 NATIONWIDE BRIGADA ESKWELA KICK OFF  
REGIONAL KICK OFF VENUE  
June 9, 2025 (Monday)**

REGION	REGIONAL KICK-OFF VENUE			CONTACT DETAILS			REMARKS
	DIVISION OFFICE	SCHOOL NAME	SCHOOL ADDRESS	REGIONAL FOCAL	DIVISION FOCAL	SCHOOL HEAD	
V	Albay	Albay Provincial School		Marjorie Medina-Balaguer 09477496185 marjoriebalaguer@deped.gov.ph	Elaine A. Villano	Elaine A. Villano 09172467441 elaine.villano@deped.gov.ph	
I	City of San Fernando	La Union National High School	Governor Nolasco Street, Caltangan, City of San Fernando, La Union	Darius Nolasco 09088217614 darius.nolasco@deped.gov.ph	Nazka S. Sarmiento 09399634756 nazka.sarmiento@deped.gov.ph	Arlyn Bumbay 09267696416 arlyn.bumbay@deped.gov.ph	
II	Guaymas City	Guaymas City Stann-Alone Senior High School	P. Alonso St., Tutaoyon, Guaymas City, Pampanga	Rommel P. Palillao 09654971838 rompel@deped.gov.ph	Jord M. De Leon 09175500428 jordm@deped.gov.ph	Jenna R. Mina 09175275611 jminar75@deped.gov.ph	2025 BE Regional Kick-off is June 9, 2025
III	City of San Fernando	San Fernando Elementary School	12th St., Marikina, San Fernando, Pampanga	Gracia Jose Paquena 09464718429 gracia.jos@deped.gov.ph	Arlene R. Dayot Contact Number: 09198199317 Renee Arlene Dayot@deped.gov.ph	Marlen A. Calma Contact Number: 09198199317 09176770086 marlen@deped.gov.ph	
IV-A	Laguna	San Antonio Elementary School	Reyna St Brgy. San Antonio, Laguna, Laguna	Ramel Quete 09278256182 ramel.quete@deped.gov.ph	Marilyn Lozada 09396323691 09171505277 marilynlozada@deped.gov.ph	Sheryl L. Evangelista Contact Number: 09164854717 sheryl.evangelista@deped.gov.ph	Scheduled on June 9, 2025 simultaneous with SDO Laguna
IV-B	Quezon	San Jose National High School	Bagongbikot, San Jose, Quezon	Ella Glabe Victoria M. Dillena 09172926099 elladillena@deped.gov.ph	Simplicio V. Jarate 09166215743 simplicio.jarate@deped.gov.ph	Marlene M. Gasatan 09516613056 301597@deped.gov.ph	Scheduled on June 9, 2025 simultaneous conduct with the Schools Division Office
VI	SDO Aklan	Regional Science High School	MAGIAS COMPLEX, Dumaguete City	Ma. Liza Cynthia B. Quejada 0992-2407294 malizacynthiaquejada@deped.gov.ph		Maria Santa Arambeta 09163398966 maria.sant@deped.gov.ph	
NIR	Negros Occidental	Davao Central School	Davao, Negros Occidental	Ma. Liza Cynthia B. Quejada 0992-2407294 malizacynthiaquejada@deped.gov.ph		Mary Ann Paredes Lable 09171115599	
VII	DepEd Division Office	Carmona Central School	Elaboracion, Carmona, Bulacan	Jennyline P. Japillon 09177947132 jennyline.japillon@deped.gov.ph	Evelyn M. Mayapan Contact Number: 09179104019 evelynmayapan@deped.gov.ph	Maria Cynthia B. Cueva Contact Number: 09163398966 maria.cynth@deped.gov.ph	June 25



REGION	REGIONAL KICK-OFF VENUE			CONTACT DETAILS			REMARKS
	DIVISION OFFICE	SCHOOL NAME	SCHOOL ADDRESS	REGIONAL FOCAL	DIVISION FOCAL	SCHOOL HEAD	
VIII	Biliran Division	Caibiran Central School SPED Center	Caibiran, Biliran	Eden Dadap 09126063544 eden.dadap001@deped.gov.ph	Ryan Remandaban	Gabriel Vinegas 09997818797 gabriel.vinegas@deped.gov.ph	
IX	Zamboanga Sibugay Division	Bug Pilot Central School	Bug, Zamboanga Sibugay	Kathleen Joy B. Padilla 09171598626 kathleenjoy.padilla@deped.gov.ph	Richard C. Laurea 09531648153 richard.laurea@deped.gov.ph	Silveria P. Pagayon 09517963528 silveria.pagayon@deped.gov.ph	Scheduled from June 6 (original sched) to June 9, 2025 (simultaneous nationwide) through an advisory
X	Iligan City	Tubaran National High School	Tubaran, Mandulog, Iligan City	Ricardo Dragon 09265680095 ricardo.dragon@deped.gov.ph	Erlinda C. Basmayor 09167763603 erlinda.basmayor@deped.gov.ph	Guling Macauyag 09109624647 guling.macauyag@deped.gov.ph	Scheduled on June 9, 2025, simultaneous conduct with the Schools Divisions Offices' Kick Off
XI	Davao Del Sur	Emilio Jose Elementary School	Kiblawan South District, Division of Davao del Sur	Alim J. Maguindanao 09216994421 alim.maguindanao@deped.gov.ph	Bernie Quilaton 09985622933 bernie.quilaton@deped.gov.ph	Lyndon A. Quines 09618348044 09623187701	June 9, 2025 Regional Brigada Kick Off
XII	Kidapawan City	Ginatilan Elementary School	Brgy. Ginatilan, City of Kidapawan	Ismael Noman Ngilngit, Jr. 09649304626 ismael.ngilngit001@deped.gov.ph	Ryan P. Tampus 09266850610 ryan.tampus@deped.gov.ph	Roger S. dela Cruz 09477645863 roger.delacruz001@deped.gov.ph	Scheduled from June 4 (original sched) to June 9, 2025 (simultaneous nationwide)
CARAGA	Surigao City	Surigao City Pilot Elementary School		Adriene Mae J. Castaños 09058102870 adriene.mae.castanos@deped.gov.ph			
CAR	Benguet	Mogao Integrated School	Mankayan Benguet	Mayclaire Jimenez 09178592657 mayclaire.jimenez@deped.gov.ph	Arvin Doman 09995556947 arvindoman@deped.gov.ph	Rommel Lipas 090788808271	June 5, 2025 Regional Brigada Kick Off
NCR	Pasay City	Jose Rizal Elementary School	Galvez St. corner Park Avenue, Pasay City	Joan R. Pedroche 09158895832 joan.pedroche@deped.gov.ph	Sylwyn S. Tenorio (0927-086-8448)		June 6, 2025