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Dear Regional Director Paragas:

Greetings from the Development Academy of the Philippines (DAP)!

The DAP, as the country's focal organization for the Asian Productivity Organization (APO) Center of Excellence on Public-Sector Productivity, would like to invite student-participants from schools in the **Department of Education Region II** to join the **NextGenPH: Youth Innovators Reimagining Public Service**.

NextGenPH is an open and participatory innovation contest that invites youth to share their collective ideas and visions for how government services should be experienced by the public. This initiative seeks to capture a wide range of perspectives to inspire more accessible and efficient public service delivery. This contest features two categories and is open to Senior High School and College students nationwide.

Interested groups may join and submit their innovative ideas through the link: bit.ly/nextgenph-submit. For your reference, we have attached the poster, while other collateral materials can be accessed here: bit.ly/nextgenph-docs.

For any inquiries or concerns, your office may reach Ms. Innah Andrea B. Corral of the DAP Center for Governance - Center of Excellence on Public-Sector Productivity Program Management Office via email at corrali@dap.edu.ph or through phone (02) 8631-0921 to 30 loc. 152.

Let's work together to inspire transformative change in public service through innovative ideas from the youth. We look forward to your support and participation.

Very truly yours,

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Enclosure:

NextGenPH Poster

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Youth Innovators Reimagining Public Service

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Guidelines and Mechanics

- 1. Submitting an entry to this competition is Free-of-Charge. Deadline of Submission of Entries is on 15 September 2025 at 11:55 PM.
- 2. The entry must be submitted by a group consisting of at least three (3) members and no more than five (5) members
- 3. Each team member must be a bona fide Senior High School or College Student from any private or public educational institution nationwide. Participating groups are required to submit a signed endorsement form from their respective school, college, or university. See Sample Endorsement Letter in this link: https://bit.ly/nextgenph-endorsement
- 4. Participants may submit multiple ideas, with each entry answering the question: How do you envision Philippine public services in the next 10 years? Groups are encouraged to focus on a specific sector where they wish to propose solutions, such as but not

limited to: Education , Health and Nutrition, Social Welfare and Protection, Infrastructure, Transportation, Environment, Tourism, Food and Agriculture, Labor and Employment, Security, Justice, and Peace, Arts, Culture and Sports and Energy

5. Interested YOUth Groups must submit their entries through (https://bit.ly/nextgenph-submit). Information and requirements for each entry include:



General Information

Group Name, School, Address of School, Name of Members, Grade Level, Email Address, Contact Number, Name of Adviser, Email of Adviser, Contact Number of Adviser, Signed and Scanned Copy of Endorsement Form from their school/college/university



- . Title of the Idea: What is the title of your proposed solution?
- · Service. What government service would you like to improve?
- · Identify the Challenges. Based on your research, literature and inquiries from the people around you, describe the problem you wish to solve.
- · Description of the Idea. Considering creative ways or innovations you are aware of; how would you resolve the problem? Describe the solution.
- · Benefits. In what way will this solution be beneficial to the public? How do you believe implementing your solution will enhance the identified government service?
- · Video. A 1-minute video that provides an explanation of the idea and solution, along with an overview of the prototype. Prototypes may be a physical prototype of low-fidelity, mid or high user test video, or prototype of an application. The file name of the attachments should be your group
- · Title of the Innovative Idea. Be creative. Make sure the title captures the solution to your identified problem.

6. Finalists will be selected to advance and present their ideas at the Pitching Event. Results will be communicated via email by October 2025.

Scan the OR Code for more information:



bit.ly/nextgenph



