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Dear Director Paragas:

Greetings from the Department of Information and Communications Technology (DICT) Region 2!

In line with our continuous efforts to foster innovation and strengthen the startup ecosystem in the region, DICT Region 2 respectfully seeks the collaboration of DepEd Region 2 in disseminating information to all schools under your supervision regarding our upcoming startup-related initiatives and activities.

This year, the DICT, through its ICT Industry Development Bureau (IIDB), is pleased to announce the launch of the **Philippine Startup Challenge X (PSC X)**—a nationwide competition now celebrating its 10th year of empowering young Filipino innovators. The PSC encourages **Senior High School, College, and Tech-Voc students** to develop ICT-based solutions addressing real-world challenges, while fostering creativity, teamwork, and entrepreneurship.

As we celebrate this milestone year, we respectfully request your support in informing and encouraging **Senior High School students from schools across Region 2** to participate and submit their entries to this prestigious competition. Their participation is vital in promoting innovation, entrepreneurship, and digital empowerment—providing more opportunities for young innovators to explore the startup ecosystem and contribute to regional development.

Please note that submitted entries will be **shortlisted**, and only qualified teams will advance to the **Regional Pitching Competition** to present their solutions before a panel of judges. In this regard, we also request DepEd's permission for schools to allow their participating Senior High School teams to join the **face-to-face Regional PSC**, the details of which will be announced at a later date.

Deadline of submission: October 15, 2025

Application link: bit.ly/PSCX-Application-Region2

Details: <https://tinyurl.com/PSCXDetails>

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Thank you very much.

Very truly yours,

Digitally signed by
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To: **ALL SCHOOLS DIVISION SUPERINTENDENTS**

For information, dissemination and appropriate action.

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