

Republika ng Pilipinas

**Department of Education**

OFFICE OF THE UNDERSECRETARY FOR GOVERNANCE AND OPERATIONS

**MEMORANDUM**

No:

**FOR :** ALL REGIONAL DIRECTORS  
ALL SCHOOLS DIVISION SUPERINTENDENTS  
ALL PUBLIC AND PRIVATE ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY SCHOOL HEADS

**FROM :** MALCOLM S. GARMA  
Undersecretary  
Office of the Undersecretary for Governance and Operations *FMW*

**SUBJECT :** PARTICIPATION OF SCHOOLS AND DEPED OFFICES IN THE 2026 NATIONAL DISASTER RESILIENCE MONTH (NDRM) ACTIVITIES

**DATE :** 08 JUNE 2026

Pursuant to **Executive Order No. 29, s. 2017**, the month of ~~July~~ is declared as **National Disaster Resilience Month (NDRM)** to be observed through activities that promote and strengthen disaster resilience at all levels of society. The observance highlights a paradigm shift from disaster awareness to fostering a culture of preparedness and adaptive recovery, enabling individuals, institutions, and communities to effectively manage risk and respond to hazards.

This 2026, the **National Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Council (NDRRMC)**, through the **Office of Civil Defense (OCD)**, leads the 38th observance of NDRM with the theme:

**“NAGHAHANDA at KUMIKILOS tungo sa PANATAG na BAGONG PILIPINAS”**

This year’s observance shall adopt a pillar-driven and outcome-focused approach as it emphasizes strengthened collaboration, shared accountability, and synchronized implementation across all levels of governance.

**Weekly Thematic Focus and Pillar Assignment:**

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**I. All concerned offices and agencies are directed to:**

- 1. Plan and Implement Activities.** Develop and submit their respective flagship programs, projects, and activities aligned with the assigned weekly themes and DRRM Pillars, to be implemented as closely as possible within the prescribed periods. Submissions shall be uploaded via the designated Google Drive Link: <https://bit.ly/NDRMCY2026> within fifteen (15) days from the issuance of this Memorandum.
- 2. Ensure Data Integrity and Reporting Efficiency.** Submit weekly accomplishment and/or After Activity Reports through the same designated Google Drive link.
- 3. Promote Public Awareness and Engagement.** Maximize the use of media and communication platforms to encourage public participation and awareness.
- 4. Monitor and Evaluate Outcomes.** Ensure submissions of accurate data, with emphasis on increased awareness of participants/stakeholders, engagement, and inter-agency collaboration.

**II. Additional NDRM 2026 Activities for DepEd Field Offices and Schools**

In line with this, the Department of Education (DepEd), as the lead agency of the Education Cluster, enjoins all schools, Schools Division Offices (SDOs), and Regional Offices (ROs) to maximize the implementation of the M7X Ready Program and strengthen school earthquake preparedness and disaster resilience, including:

- a. For the full implementation of the M7X Ready Program, ensure the utilization of the M7X Ready Score card using the link [<https://bit.ly/M7XReady>] provided by the DepEd-DRRMS. Implement the M7X ready requirements, including the School Contingency Plan using PlanSmart for Safe Schools, Risk Communication Plan, Family Preparedness Plan, Learning Service and Continuity Plan, and other preparedness tools and templates provided under the program;
- b. Coordinate with the Bureau of Fire Protection (BFP) for the **conduct of annual fire safety inspections** and related fire prevention activities;
- c. Conduct unannounced earthquake drills in accordance with **DepEd Order No. 53, s. 2022**, or the Mandatory Unannounced Earthquake and Fire Drills

- in Schools policy, to assess and enhance the preparedness of learners, teaching personnel, and non-teaching personnel;
- d. Strengthen the implementation of typhoon preparedness and response measures pursuant to **DepEd Order No. 33, s. 2021**, including the updating of contingency plans, repositioning of resources, and dissemination of early warning information; and
  - e. Integrate learnings from the M7X Ready Program into school-based disaster preparedness, risk communication, and continuity planning initiatives to promote a culture of safety, preparedness, and resilience among school communities.

These activities shall complement the M7X Ready Program and contribute to the Department's continuing efforts to build safer, more prepared, and disaster-resilient learning environments.


For coordination and inquiries related to NDRM, contact DRRMS through [dr rms@deped.gov.ph](mailto:dr rms@deped.gov.ph).

For information and immediate dissemination.

June 30, 2026

**To: SCHOOLS DIVISION SUPERINTENDENTS**

For information and appropriate action.



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

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REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES  
**NATIONAL DISASTER RISK REDUCTION AND MANAGEMENT COUNCIL**

Camp General Emilio Aguinaldo, Quezon City, Philippines



07 MAY 2026

**MEMORANDUM**  
 No. 110 s. 2026

**TO :** All NDRRMC Member Agencies, Regional, and Local DRRMCs

**SUBJECT :** Observance of the National Disaster Resilience Month (NDRM) 2026

In accordance with Executive Order No. 29, s. 2017, declaring the month of July as the National Disaster Resilience Month (NDRM), all NDRRMC member agencies, Regional, and Local DRRMCs are hereby enjoined to actively participate in the nationwide observance of the NDRM 2026.

The National Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Council (NDRRMC), through the Office of Civil Defense (OCD), will lead the observance of the 38th National Disaster Resilience Month with the official theme, **"NAGHAHANDA at KUMIKILOS tungo sa PANATAG na BAGONG PILIPINAS."** This theme underscores the importance of proactive preparedness and sustained action in building safe, adaptive, and disaster-resilient communities, reinforcing the shared responsibility of all sectors in achieving a secure and resilient Philippines.

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Further guidelines, including detailed activity matrices, reporting templates, and related materials, shall be issued separately by the Office of Civil Defense.

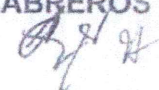
For coordination, Mr. Emerito Junie B. Castillo III of the Disaster Preparedness Service – Domestic Cooperation Division will reach out to your offices. For queries, contact him through [advocacy.oed@ocd.gov.ph](mailto:advocacy.oed@ocd.gov.ph) or at 0928 505 6044.

All agencies are hereby enjoined to extend full support and cooperation to ensure the successful and meaningful celebration of NDRM 2026.

For the Chairperson, NDRRMC:



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Executive Director



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