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Aug 19, 2026

To: **SCHOOLS DIVISION SUPERINTENDENTS**
(SDOs Batanes, Cagayan, Isabela, Nueva Vizcaya, Quirino)
Attn.: Division Partnership Focal Person

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For your information and appropriate action.

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	☐ Private Schools	☐ Others:	
For:	☒ Information	☒ Dissemination	
	☒ Guidance	☐ Strict Compliance	
ORLANDO E. MANUEL PhD., CESO V Schools Division Superintendent			
By:	☐ ASDS	☐ CID Chief	☐ SGOD Chief
	☐ AO	☐ Atty	☐ Sign-off:

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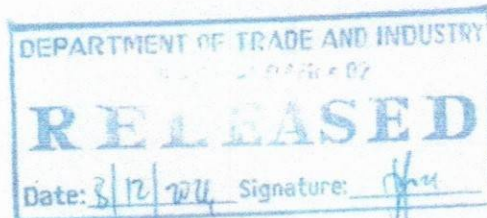


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For your reference, please see the **attached mechanics** for the 2026 Consumer Warrior Gauntlet: The Quiz Bee. Kindly note that minor variations in mechanics

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may apply at the provincial level; thus, coordination with the DTI Provincial Offices is advised.

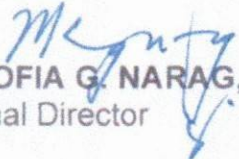
For event-related concerns, schools may directly coordinate with the provincial focal persons listed below:

DTI Offices	Contact Person	Contact Details
Regional Office	Mr. Aekzel Bon Maladrigo Technical Assistant	0936-611-8179 aekzelbonmaladrigo.dti2@gmail.com
Cagayan Provincial Office	Mr. Serafin C. Umoquit Senior Trade and Industry Development Specialist	0955-499-2395 umoquitserafin.dti2@gmail.com
Isabela Provincial Office	Ms. Levie Bayucan Technical Assistant	0975-278-0387 leviebayucan.dti2@gmail.com
Quirino Provincial Office	Ms. Arrienne Camello Project Management Officer	09618866379 arriannecamello.dti2@gmail.com
Batanes Provincial Office	Ms. Meryll A. Hortiz Senior Trade and Industry Development Specialist	0956-051-9361 meryllhortiz@dti.gov.ph
Nueva Vizcaya Provincial Office	Ms. Aimee C. Garcia Senior Trade and Industry Development Specialist	0975-251-5608 aimeegarcia.dti2@gmail.com

We look forward to your continued support in advancing consumer education and advocacy through this meaningful event. Together, let us empower our students to become champions of consumer welfare.

Thank you very much.

Sincerely yours,


MA. SOFIA G. NARAG, CESO V
Regional Director

cc: All DTI Region 2 Provincial Offices

Guidelines for the 2026 Consumer Warrior Gauntlet: The Quiz Bee

I. Overview

The 2026 Consumer Warrior Gauntlet: The Quiz Bee is designed as a two-stage quiz bee competition highlighting Consumer-Related and Fair Trade Laws. The first stage will be conducted at the Provincial Level, where participating schools will compete to determine the top two winning teams per province. These provincial winners will then advance to the Regional Level, where they will face off in the Final Round to vie for the title of 2026 Consumer Warrior Gauntlet: The Quiz Bee Champion.

II. Objectives

The 2026 Consumer Warrior Gauntlet: The Quiz Bee aims to teach students in region 2 about their rights as consumers and the laws that protect them. The competition helps students learn important consumer laws and how to use this knowledge in everyday life. It also encourages students to think critically and compete in a friendly way. The event recognizes academic achievement and brings students from different provinces together. Overall, it empowers young people to become informed and responsible consumers.

III. Participation Requirements

Eligibility:

1. Open to both public and private Junior High School and Senior High School students in Region 2.
2. The school must be based in Region 2.
3. Students must compete within their respective provinces for the 2026 Consumer Warrior Gauntlet: The Quiz Bee Provincial Level.
4. Each school may enter only one (1) team, consisting of two (2) participants per school.

Documentary requirements:

1. **Participants:** Teams must submit the following on or before *(POs will set the deadline of submission)* to their respective DTI Provincial Offices.
 - a. Participation Confirmation Letter (Annex A)
 - b. Signed registration form (Annex B)
 - c. A certification from the school confirming that the participant is currently enrolled for the 2026 school year.
 - d. Signed parent's consent form (Annex C).
2. **DTI Provincial Office:** DTI Provincial office should forward the List of Winners to the DTI Regional Office through a memo on or before October 20, 2026.

Note: Late submissions will not be accepted.

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IV. Competition Structure

2026 Consumer Warrior Gauntlet: The Quiz Bee: Provincial Level – Elimination Round

- **Date:** Each Provincial Office shall determine the specific date of its respective competition. However, all Provincial Level competitions must be conducted prior to the scheduled Regional Level competition.
- **Format:** The quiz bee shall be conducted face-to-face and managed by the concerned DTI Provincial Office.
- **Venue:** The activity shall be held within the respective provinces of Region 2, in venues identified and arranged by each Provincial Office.
- The **1st and 2nd Place winners** at the Provincial Level shall advance to represent their respective provinces in the **Regional Level Competition**.

2026 Consumer Warrior Gauntlet: The Quiz Bee: Regional Level – Final Round

- **Date:** October 24, 2026
- **Venue:** SM Center Tuguegarao Downtown, Luna Street, Ugac Sur, Tuguegarao City, Cagayan
- **Participants:** The top two winning teams from each Provincial Level competition shall qualify to compete in the Regional Level Final Round.
- **Format:** The Final Round shall be conducted face-to-face, with all participating teams answering the same set of questions under the supervision of the designated organizers and judges.

V. Quiz Show Proper Facilitation Process

1. Opening Program

- Invocation and National Anthem
- Welcome Remarks from the DTI Region 2
- Introduction of Guests, Judges, Quizmaster, and Timekeepers
- Orientation of participants on the mechanics and rules of the competition

2. Introduction of Contestants

- Each participating team is formally introduced, including their school and province of origin.

3. Briefing on Rules and Mechanics

- The Quizmaster explains the flow of the competition, scoring system, time limits, and grounds for disqualification.
- Clarifications, if any, are entertained prior to the start of the quiz.

4. Conduct of the Quiz Bee

- **Easy Round** – Basic-level questions; each team is given a 10 seconds time to answer.
- **Average Round** – Intermediate-level questions; same procedure with slightly more complex items.
- **Difficult Round** – Advanced-level questions; teams answer within the prescribed time limit.
- The Quizmaster reads each question twice. After the signal, teams shall write their answers on the provided board or paper and raise them simultaneously once time is up.

5. Scoring and Validation

- Attestor from the Department of Education and Department of Trade and Industry, together with the designated Scorekeepers, validates and tallies the scores after each round.
- In case of disputes, the decision of the attestor shall be final and executory.

6. Tie-Breaker (if necessary)

- In case of a tie for qualifying or winning positions, a clincher question shall be asked.
- The first team to provide the correct answer within the time limit shall be declared the winner.

7. Announcement of Winners

- Scores are tabulated and the top teams are declared as winners.
- Certificates and/or prizes will be awarded to the winning teams and their coaches during the 15th Cagayan Valley Consumer Assembly.

8. Closing Program

- Closing Message from DTI Official or representative
- Photo opportunity with all participants, coaches, judges, and organizers

VI. Quiz Bee Coverage

Questions will cover the following consumer laws and topics on Consumer Laws:

- RA 7394 - Consumer Act of the Philippines
- RA 7581 - Price Act
- RA 71 - Price Tag Law
- RA 9211 - Tobacco Regulation Act
- RA 9994 - Expanded Senior Citizens Act
- RA 10642 - Lemon Law
- RA 10909 - No Shortchanging Act
- RA 10962 - Gift Check Act
- RA 11967 - Internet Transaction Act
- RA 11900 - Vaporized Nicotine and Non-Nicotine Products Regulation Act
- DTI Policy Advisory No. 22-01 - 8 Consumer Rights

Additional Topics: History of Consumer Rights, Suggested Retail Price (SRP), Deceptive Sales Acts, Product and Service Warranty, Sales Promotions, BPS Product Certification Scheme, Consumer Organization, BAGWIS Program, Consumer Welfare Month, and relevant DTI facts.

VII. Quiz Bee Proper Guide

1. All contestants shall answer the same set of questions in writing.
2. Each question will be read twice by the Quizmaster.
3. After the second reading, the Quizmaster shall give the signal by saying "Go." Only then may contestants write their answers.
4. Contestants are given time per question, depending on the round (Easy, Average, or Difficult).
5. At the end of the allotted time, a bell/buzzer will be sounded and the Quizmaster will declare "Time is up."

6. Contestants must immediately stop writing and raise their answer boards.
7. The Quizmaster shall then announce the correct answer to the question.
8. Assigned proctors will inspect the answer boards to determine correctness.
9. The Quizmaster will conduct a roll call of contestants, confirming whether each answer is correct or wrong.
10. The corresponding points earned by each contestant will be tallied and flashed on the screen.
11. After confirmation, contestants may lower their answer boards and erase their responses in preparation for the next question.

Noted: Answers must be written in CAPITAL letters, with correct spelling. Abbreviations and acronyms are not allowed. No penalty for incorrect answers or non-responses.

There will be four (4) sets or rounds with corresponding points for each correct answer:

	Rounds	Points per Question	Question Type
1	Easy Set with 10 questions	1 point per question	Multiple-choice questions, answerable within 10 seconds.
2	Average Set with 7 questions	3 points per question	
3	Difficult Set with 7 questions	5 points per question	identify the correct and complete answer within 30 seconds.
4	Clincher (optional, in case of tie)	1 point per question	

After the last question in every Round, the total number of points of each contestant is tabulated.

VIII. Tie-Breaking Procedure

Clincher Round:

If a tie occurs for 1st, 2nd, or 3rd place, the contestants' scores will reset to zero, and the Clincher Round will begin.

1. **Winning the Tie:** The first contestant to reach three (3) points will win the tie. If both contestants reach three (3) points simultaneously, the first contestant to score an advantage (i.e., answer correctly while the other does not) will win the tie.

2. **Handling Multiple Ties:** If there are simultaneous ties, such as for 1st and 2nd place, and for 3rd and 4th place:
 - The tie for the higher rank (1st and 2nd place) will be resolved first. Only these contestants will answer the tie-breaker questions until the tie is settled.
 - Once the tie for 1st and 2nd place is resolved, the tie for 3rd and 4th place will be addressed using the same process.
 - If a tie occurs for the 5th and 6th places, it will be resolved after the ties for higher ranks have been settled.
3. **Sequential Resolution:** Ties will be resolved sequentially, starting from the highest rank. Each tie will be settled independently before moving on to the next tie.

This process ensures that each tie is fairly resolved and that participants have a clear path to their final ranking.

IX. Protests

Grounds:

1. **Questionable Questions:** A protest may be raised if a question is deemed unclear, misleading, or inappropriate for the competition.
2. **Questionable Answers:** Protests can be lodged if the answer provided by the Quiz Master is believed to be incorrect or does not align with the relevant consumer laws or competition guidelines.
3. **Violation of Guidelines:** Participants may file a protest if there are any violations of the competition's rules or guidelines, such as improper conduct during the Quiz Bee, incorrect application of the rules, or other procedural issues.

Procedure for Filing a Protest:

1. **Timing:** Protests must be raised immediately after the announcement of the correct answer to a question or upon noticing the commission of any violation by a participant. Participants should signal their intent to protest by raising their hand to be recognized by the facilitators.
2. **Documentation:** The protest must be supported by a clear explanation and relevant references, such as excerpts from consumer laws or specific guidelines, to substantiate the claim.
3. **Review Process:** A panel of judges will review the protest and make a final decision based on the provided evidence and competition rules.
4. **Final Decision:** The judges' decision is final and binding. Any necessary adjustments to scores or rulings will be applied immediately following their decision.

Consequences:

- If a successful protest is based on a violation of the rules, the contestant shall be disqualified. It will result in the forfeiture of titles, prizes, and privileges.
- If a successful protest is based on a "question and answer" that needs to be rectified, the points originally given to a participant, if any, shall be retracted. Participants who get the correct answers based on the rectified answers shall earn the corresponding points.

X. Winnings:

Provincial Level

Place	Cash Prize
1 st Place	P3,000.00 cash + Certificates
2 nd Place	P2,000.00 cash + Certificates
3 rd Place	P1,000.00 cash + Certificates

Note: The DTI Provincial offices are allowed to increase the winning prizes but should not exceed to Five Thousand Pesos (P5,000.00). However, it may add non-monetary prizes as an additional prize instead.

Regional Level

Place	Cash Prize
1 st Place	P15,000.00 cash + Plaque + Medals + Certificates
2 nd Place	P10,000.00 cash + Plaque + Medals + Certificates
3 rd Place	P5,000.00 cash + Plaque + Medals + Certificates
4 th – 10 th Place	P1,000.00 cash + Certificates

Note:

- Each Provincial Office is responsible for creating its own set of quiz questions.
- Each Provincial Office is required to promote the 2026 Consumer Warrior Gauntlet: The Quiz Bee by posting about the activity on their official social media platforms to generate interest and engagement. Additionally, each Provincial Office should send formal invitation letters to their selected schools, encouraging them to participate in the competition.

XI. DTI contact reference:

Participants are advised to contact the designated DTI focal person in their respective province for any inquiries regarding the 2026 Consumer Warrior Gauntlet: The Quiz Bee. The contact details are as follows:

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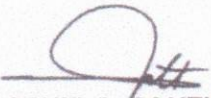
XII. Schedule of events:

The schedule of the 2026 Consumer Warrior Gauntlet: The Quiz Bee has been set by the DTI Regional and Provincial Offices. The corresponding schedules are as follows:

No.	Competition Level	Date
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2	Cagayan Provincial Level	October 17, 2026
3	Isabela Provincial Level	October 17, 2026
4	Quirino Provincial Level	October 1, 2026
5	Nueva Vizcaya Provincial Level	October 17, 2026
6	Batanes Provincial Level	October 17, 2026

NOTE: The schedule for the Provincial Level Consumer Warrior Gauntlet: The Quiz Bee is subject to change. The final schedule may be confirmed through the designated contact person of the respective DTI Provincial Office.

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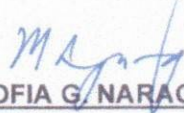
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ATTY. ANGIE U. GUMARU
Acting CPD Chief

Noted by:


ATTY. MICHAEL B. PAGGABAO
Acting Assistant Regional Director

Approved by:


MA. SOFIA G. NARAG, CESO V
Regional Director

Annex A

**2026 Consumer Warrior Gauntlet: The Quiz Bee
Registration Form**

I. Participant Information

- Full Name: _____
- Grade Level: _____

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- Name of School: _____
- School Address: _____

II. Coach/Adviser Information

- Full Name: _____
- Position/Designation: _____
- Contact Number: _____
- Email Address: _____

III. Endorsement

We hereby certify that the above-named student is officially endorsed to represent our school in the **2026 Consumer Warrior Gauntlet: The Quiz Bee**.

School Principal/Head: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Annex B

[Date]
[Provincial Director]
Provincial Director
Department of Trade and Industry
[Office Address]

Subject: **Participation Confirmation – 2026 Consumer Warrior Gauntlet: The Quiz Bee**

Dear [Provincial Director],

Greetings!

This is to formally confirm the participation of **[Name of Agency/Organization/School]** in the upcoming 2026 Consumer Warrior Gauntlet: The Quiz Bee, organized by the Department of Trade and Industry Region 2 in celebration of Consumer Welfare Month.

We are pleased to support this initiative that aims to promote consumer rights, responsibilities, and awareness. Our school commits to send **[number of participants/representatives] to be accompanied by [adviser]**, who will take part in the said competition. The official list of participants are:

Student:

- 1.
- 2.

We look forward to being part of this meaningful event and to contributing to its success.

Thank you, and more power to the organizers.

Respectfully,

[Signature over Printed Name]
[Name of Head/Representative]
[Designation]
[Agency/Organization/School]

Annex C

**2026 Consumer Warrior Gauntlet: The Quiz Bee
PARENT'S CONSENT FORM**

I, the undersigned, parent/legal guardian of **[Full Name of Student Participant]**, a bona fide student of **[Name of School]**, who has been selected to participate in the **Consumer Cup 2026**, organized by the **Department of Trade and Industry Region 2** in celebration of **Consumer Welfare Month**.

I hereby give my full consent for my child/ward to participate in the **Consumer Warrior Gauntlet: The Quiz Bee**, which will be held on **[Date]** at **[Venue]**. Should my child/ward win at the **Provincial Level**, I likewise give my full consent for [him/her] to advance and participate in the **Regional Level Competition** to be held on **October 24, 2026, at the SM Center Tuguegarao Tuguegarao, Tuguegarao City, Cagayan**.

I fully understand the nature and objectives of this competition and acknowledge that my child/ward will be representing his/her school in this event.

I likewise release the organizers, school officials, and concerned agencies from **any liability** for untoward incidents that may arise beyond their control during the course of the competition.

Thank you for the opportunity given to my child/ward to be part of this educational and meaningful activity.

Respectfully,

Signature over Printed Name of Parent/Guardian

Contact Number: _____

Date: _____
