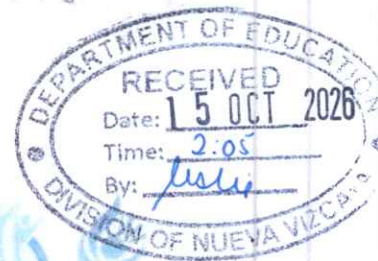


MEMORANDUM		Date: 10/14/2026	Released (Records): <i>Over</i>
To: ()	PSDS/DICS	()	Elem/Sec School Heads
()	Private Schools	()	Others:
For: ()	Information	()	Dissemination
()	Guidance	()	Strict Compliance
ORLANDO E. MANUEL PhD., CESO V Schools Division Superintendent			
By: ☒ ASDS	☐ CID Chief	☐ SGOD Chief	☐ AO ☐ Alty
			Signature: <i>[Signature]</i>



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TO:
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Regional Director, Department of Education
Region II - Cagayan Valley

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October 14, 2026

To: All Schools Division Superintendents

Attention: Division Partnerships Focal Persons
Division YFP Focal Persons

Greetings!

For your information and appropriate action.

[Signature]
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1. Supreme Secondary Learner Government (SSLG) Officers & Council Members
2. Student Clubs & School Organizations (e.g., Araling Panlipunan Clubs, UNESCO Clubs, Boy/Girl Scouts, Science & Environmental Clubs)
3. Campus Journalists & School Publication Editorial Boards (School Paper Advisers & Student Writers)
4. Faculty Advisers, Social Studies Educators, & Youth Formation Coordinators

There is **no registration fee** and **no limit on the number of student participants** that may register from each school, student club, or publication. Interested participants may register through the official registration link:

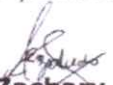
SeaCure Summit 2026 Registration:
bit.ly/seacurewps

All verified delegates who complete the digital assembly will receive an official E-Certificate of Participation and access to the Pre-Summit Digital Dossier (bit.ly/seacuredossier).

We respectfully **request your assistance in sharing the official invitation** and registration details across your division superintendents, school heads, campus press advisers, and youth formation coordinators. We stand ready to provide complete event proposals, program flows, legal briefs, and organizational credentials upon request.

Thank you for your steadfast dedication to empowering the Filipino youth toward national consciousness and responsible citizenship. We look forward to welcoming your region's student leaders, club members, and campus journalists to SeaCure 2026.

For the youth and the nation,


Kent Zachary E. Salcedo
Executive Director


Rhaine Angelique Sabido
Director for Communications and Strategic Affairs


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MESSAGE

I extend my warmest greetings to **KAWSA Philippines** as you hold the **SeaCure: The West Philippine Sea Education and Advocacy Summit**.

True to the meaning of its name, "kawsa" or "cause," your organization has emerged as a platform where young Filipinos transform conviction into action and civic engagement into meaningful contributions to nation-building. Through your initiatives, you empower communities, cultivate informed citizenship, and encourage greater public participation in shaping our country's future. I welcome your continued efforts to mobilize the youth towards service and leadership, recognizing that lasting progress depends on an engaged and responsible citizenry.

This gathering is especially timely as it coincides with the **10th Anniversary of the 2016 Arbitral Award by the Permanent Court of Arbitration**, which affirmed the Philippines' rights and entitlements under international law. The West Philippine Sea is ours. It is integral to our sovereignty, economic security, marine resources, and the welfare of future generations. By bringing together young leaders, educators, advocates, and other stakeholders, this summit deepens public understanding of maritime issues and strengthens our collective resolve to uphold our national interests.

Your efforts complement this administration's vision of a *Bagong Pilipinas* founded on a shared determination and commitment to advance peace, stability, and prosperity not only within our borders but throughout the region and the world. May this milestone inspire more Filipinos to safeguard our national patrimony and help build a stronger and more resilient nation.

I wish everyone a fruitful and successful event.


FERDINAND R. MARCOS JR.

MANILA
12 July 2026

THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES