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Department of Education

REGION VII – CENTRAL VISYAS Schools Division of Cebu Province

Office of the School Division Superintendent

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DIVISION MEMORANDUM No. 415, s.2023

STRENGTHENING TREE GROWING ACTIVITIES IN COORDINATION WITH THE OFFICE OF THE VICE PRESIDENT AND THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES

To: Assistant Schools Division Superintendent Elementary & Secondary School Heads District DRRM Coordinators All of Concerned

- 1. Attached is a Regional Memorandum No. 711, s. 2023, dated September 29, 2023 entitled" Strengthening Tree Growing Activities in Coordination with the Office of the Vice President and the Department of Environment and Natural Resources".
- 2. Pursuant to Executive Order No. 26, series of 2011, the National Greening Program (NGP) was declared as a government priority to pursue sustainable development for poverty reduction, food security, biodiversity, conservation and climate change mitigation and adaption.
- 3. Immediate and wide dissemination of this Memorandum to all concerned is desired.

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To: Schools Division Superintendents
Public Elementary and Secondary School Heads
All Others Concerned

- 1. Pursuant to Executive Order No. 26, series of 2011, the National Greening Program (NGP) was declared as a government priority to pursue sustainable development for poverty reduction, food security, biodiversity, conservation and climate change mitigation and adaptation.
- 2. In reference to the Executed Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) between the Department of Education, DENR and Office of the Vice President:

DepEd shall

- 3.C.1 Jointly identify with DENR the potential areas for planting within school sites,
- 3.C.2 Require DepEd personnel and learners to conduct tree planting activities,
- 3.C.3 Develop learning opportunities and activities for students to appreciate the importance of the National Greening Program, and
- 3.C.4 Perform other responsibilities necessary for the effective and efficient implementation of the program.
- 3. Whereas, DepEd Memorandum no. 5, s. 2014 "Implementing Guidelines on the Integration of Gulayan sa Paaralan, Solid Waste Management and Tree Planting Under the National Greening Program (NGP) of Section no. 2.5- Participation of Students, Teachers, and Non-Teaching Personnel in Tree Growing Activities:
 - 2.5.1 Pupils from Grades 5 to 6 students and secondary students who are identified by the teachers and all teachers and non-teaching personnel shall plant a minimum of ten (10) seedlings per year inside the school premises and the





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community, as well as in areas identified by the Convergence Initiative (EO No. 26, Section 3 3.1)

- 2.5.2 Students must present their parent's consent prior to the tree-planting activity.
- 2.5.3 Students shall not be allowed to participate in any tree-planting activity outside the municipality/city where they reside,
- 2.5.4 Teaching and non-teaching personnel shall plant at least 10 trees per year.
- In view thereof, this Office would like to reiterate all offices and schools to strengthen the Tree Growing Activities to their respective localities as stipulated on the Memorandum of Agreement as well on the DM No. 5 s. 2014.
- Furthermore, all organized tree growing activities shall consider the following: 5.

a) NO Disruption of Classes Policy, and

- b) DO No. 66, s. 2017 (Off Campus Activities). Teaching and Non-teaching personnel participated to this activity during holidays or Saturday and Sunday can claim service credits or compensatory time off (CTO).
- Number of trees grown, and activity completion report shall be submitted to their respective Division Offices per month. Consolidated trees grown and photo/video documentation shall be submitted quarterly to the Regional Office through this email ad ranilo.edar@deped.gov.ph
- All expenses incurred in the conduct on this activity shall be charged to MOOE or any available local funds subject to the usual auditing rules and regulations.
- For questions and clarifications, you may contact Mr. Ranilo L. Edar through his mobile phone no. 09171566073.

9. Immediate and wide dissemination of this Memorandum to all concerned is desired.

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