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Department of Education
REGION II – CAGAYAN VALLEY
SCHOOLS DIVISION OF TUGUEGARAO CITY

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September 9, 2020

DIVISION MEMORANDUM
No. 142, s. 2020

**3rd QUARTER NATIONAL SIMULTANEOUS EARTHQUAKE DRILL
and SUBMISSION OF REPORT**

To: **Assistant Schools Division Superintendent**
Chief, Curriculum Implementation Division
Chief, Schools Governance Operations Division
Public Schools District Supervisor
Education Program Supervisors
All Public and Secondary School Heads
School DRRM Coordinator
all concerned

1. Attached is the copy of the Interim Guidelines on the Conduct of the National Simultaneous Earthquake Drill (NSED) which is scheduled on September 11, 2020, for your reference.
2. Due to the restrictions and limitations prescribed by the IATF, the actual conduct of NSED will not be possible this year, however, all schools are required to encourage their learners to practice the basic activities and or practices in a real earthquake drill in their respective houses, such as duck, cover and hold, and other precautionary measures during an actual disaster.
3. In compliance with the requirements of the central office, all schools are required to submit reports in a soft copy (jiosen.callo@deped.gov.ph), with pictures and other MOVs, of their compliance to the above mandate including school initiatives on disaster resiliency programs to this office through the Division DRRM focal person on or before September 13, 2020.
4. For the Division Office proper, all personnel shall conduct hazard mapping in their respective workplace to identify all possible sources of hazards and submit their findings to Mr. Jiosen P. Callo for protocol and policy conceptualization.



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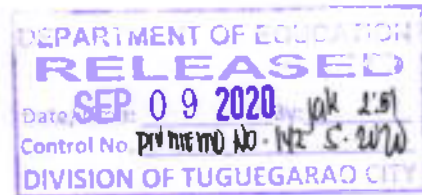
5. Attached is the Interim Guidelines for your reference.
6. For information, reference and strict compliance

[Handwritten Signature]
REYNANTE Z. CALIGUIRAN

Assistant Schools Division Superintendent
 OIC- Schools Division Superintendent

Encl:

Reference: OUA MEMO 12-0120-0582
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MEMORANDUM

06 September 2020

**For: Regional Directors and BARMM Education Minister
Regional DRRM Coordinators
Schools Division Superintendents
Division DRRM Coordinators
School Heads**

**Subject: REITERATION OF THE INTERIM GUIDELINES ON THE
CONDUCT OF THE NATIONWIDE SIMULTANEOUS
EARTHQUAKE DRILL (NSED) DURING THE CORONAVIRUS
DISEASE 2019 (COVID-19) PANDEMIC**

Pursuant to Memorandum No. 71, s. 2020 of the National Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Council (NDRRMC), the Department of Education (DepEd) through the Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Service (DRRMS) releases this reiteration memorandum on the guidelines of the conduct of the Nationwide Simultaneous Earthquake Drill (NSED) during the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) pandemic.

Because of limitations in the conduct of mass gatherings as provided in IATF Resolution No. 38, in response to the COVID-19 pandemic, NSED exercises requiring physical interaction, particularly evacuation drills in DepEd offices and schools are hereby suspended.

However, all DepEd personnel and learners are enjoined to simultaneously practice the “duck, cover, and hold” procedure on the set times. Other exercises such as virtual earthquake drills, tabletop, and functional exercises may also be done, while adhering to the minimum public health standards. The schedule for the quarterly NSED, as provided for in the NDRRMC Memorandum No. 23, s. 2020 is as follows:

Quarter	Month	Day	Time
1st Quarter	March	Thursday of the Second Week	1400H
2nd Quarter	June		0900H
3rd Quarter	September		1400H
4th Quarter	November		0900H



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To ensure awareness and preparedness on the impending threat of the inevitable occurrence of an earthquake, even in the midst of the pandemic, **Information, Education and Communication (IEC) campaign on NSED using distant means must be intensified.** Region and Division offices may use the IEC materials provided by the DRRMS or may produce their own localized materials. As provided in the NDRRMC Memorandum No. 71, s. 2020, the IEC for NSED during the COVID-19 pandemic shall highlight the following, among others:

- a. Conduct earthquake evacuation while adhering to minimum public health standards based on policies and guidelines of the IATF, the DOH, the OCD, the Department of Science and Technology-Philippine Institute of Volcanology and Seismology (DOST-PHIVOLCS) and other relevant organizations.
- b. Develop and update preparedness and response plans with consideration on the situation brought about by the COVID-19 pandemic.
- c. Prepare the emergency survival bag or "Go Bag" with the inclusion of health-related personal protective equipment and items such as face masks and sanitation solutions; and
- d. Equip the Disaster Risk Reduction and Management team or similar entities with health-related personal protective equipment and items; and
- e. Promote the gender-sensitivity and inclusiveness in all relevant earthquake preparedness and response activities.

In addition, existing earthquake contingency plans of regional and division offices, and schools shall be updated to incorporate scenarios, mechanisms, and arrangements that are reflective of the current COVID-19 situation. To ensure minimum public health standards in the conduct of such, remote coordination and online workshops are encouraged.

For the post-NSED activities, self-evaluation and processing of the NSED within respective areas of jurisdiction is encouraged and no external evaluators should be mobilized after the conduct of NSED. The Office of Civil Defense (OCD) shall prepare and disseminate an online Exercise Evaluation Guide (EEG), for this matter. Evaluation must be submitted.

Proper documentation and post-activity evaluation of said drill are required. All field offices are advised to make necessary preparations to ensure that the required reports are submitted on time (**Annex A**). Also attached is the NDRRMC Memorandum No. 71, s. 2020, for your reference.

For further information, you may contact the Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Service, 2nd Floor, Mabini Building, Department of Education Central Office, DepEd Complex, Meralco Avenue, Pasig City through email at drmo@deped.gov.ph.

For immediate and appropriate action.



ALAIN DEL B. PASCUA
Undersecretary

Annex A: Submission Guidelines for the Memorandum on the Conduct of the 2020 Quarterly Nationwide Simultaneous Earthquake Drills (NSED)

All schools, school division offices, and regional offices should thoroughly follow the guidelines below; non-compliance is tantamount to non-acceptance of said reports.

1. School DRRM Coordinators will submit the reports with pictures of NSED practices and initiatives to respective Division DRRM Coordinators not later than two (2) days after the quarterly NSED.
2. Division DRRM Coordinators will consolidate NSED reports and pictures from School DRRM Coordinators and will submit only to respective Regional DRRM Coordinators copy furnished their respective Schools Division Superintendent not later than 10 days after the quarterly NSED copy furnish DRRMS through drmo@deped.gov.ph.
3. Regional DRRM Coordinators will consolidate NSED reports and pictures from Division DRRM Coordinators and will submit to the DRRMS copy furnished their respective Regional Directors. Consolidated reports regarding the documentation and analysis of the Quarterly NSED must be submitted to drmo@deped.gov.ph not later than 20 days after the quarterly NSED.
4. Cut-off time for all deadlines will be at 5:00 PM.
5. Regional DRRM Coordinators should use the naming convention below for emails:

3rd Quarter NSED: [CY 2020 3QNSEED] Report_<Region>

4th Quarter NSED: [CY 2020 QNSEED] Report_<Region>

