



Republic of the Philippines  
**Department of Education**

REGION XII  
SCHOOLS DIVISION OF SOUTH COTABATO

**Office of the Schools Division  
Superintendent**

**02 Mar 2023**

DIVISION MEMORANDUM  
SGOD No. **037**, s. 2023

**REITERATION OF THE PARTICIPATION TO THE 2023 FIRST QUARTER NATIONAL  
SIMULTANEOUS EARTHQUAKE DRILL (NSED) ACTIVITIES**

To: Functional Division Chiefs  
Public Schools District Supervisors/Principals In-Charge  
Public Elementary and Secondary Schoolheads  
All Others Concerned

1. In reference to the approved NDRRMC Memorandum No. 006, s. 2023 on the **Resumption of Face-to-face Conduct of Nationwide Simultaneous Earthquake Drill**, offices across all levels of the Department and Schools are enjoined to participate in the conduct of quarterly Nationwide Simultaneous Earthquake Drill (NSED).

| <b>Quarter</b>          | <b>Date and Time</b>         | <b>School to be observed by<br/>PDRRMO</b> |
|-------------------------|------------------------------|--|
| 1 <sup>st</sup> Quarter | 09 March 2023; 2:00 p.m.     | Polomolok National High School             |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> Quarter | 08 June 2023; 9:00 a.m.      | Maan National High School                  |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> Quarter | 07 September 2023; 2:00 p.m. | Lake Sebu National High School             |
| 4 <sup>th</sup> Quarter | 09 November 2023, 9:00 a.m.  | Libertad National High School              |

2. The nationwide COVID-19 cases have been relatively decreasing since February 2022, as reported by DOH's online COVID-19 Tracker. As a result, and in accordance with the updated Alert Level Systems for COVID-19 issued by the Inter Agency Task Force for the Emerging Infectious Diseases (IATF-EID) on June 4, 2022, the traditional in-person NSED can now proceed. However, this is subject to the strict implementation of minimum health protocols such as but not limited to, social distancing and handwashing to ensure the safe and effective conduct of the NSED. All DepEd offices and schools responsible for implementing the drill will assign Safety and Health Officers to monitor and evaluate the adherence to these protocols throughout the exercise.

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3. To ensure awareness and preparedness on the impending threat of the inevitable occurrence of an earthquake, even in the midst of a pandemic, Information, Education and Communication (IC) campaign in NSED using distant means should be continuously intensified. A copy of NSED materials can be accessed through **<https://bit.ly/DepEdNSEd2023>**.

4. In addition, existing earthquake contingency plans of division offices, and schools shall be updated to incorporate mechanisms, and arrangements that are reflective of the current COVID-19 situation. To ensure minimum public health standards, the conduct of face-to-face NSED may be postponed or cancelled, or the methodology may be modified, if the IATF-EID decides to prohibit mass gatherings in any or all areas of the country due to certain circumstances.

5. For the post-NSED activities, self-evaluation and processing of the NSED within respective areas of jurisdiction are encouraged after the conduct of NSED. The Office of Civil Defense (OCD) Exercise Evaluation Guide (EEG) can be used as a guide. The EEG can be accessed on the aforementioned link. All are enjoined to promote the NSED social media activities by tagging our official Facebook account **DepEd DRRM South Cotabato**.

6. 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, as indicated in Annex A. Also attached is the NDRRMC Memorandum No. 06, s. 2023, for your reference. The School DRRM Coordinators shall accomplish the Google form **<https://bit.ly/1QNSEd2023SOUTHCOtABATO> not later than five (5) working days after quarterly NSED.**

7. For further inquiries & clarification, kindly contact Jane Michelle E. Lasaca, PDO II/ DRRM Focal Person through telephone no. 228-5763 and cellphone no. 0917 168 5464.

8. Wide dissemination of and immediate compliance to this memorandum is hereby desired.

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Schools Division Superintendent

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