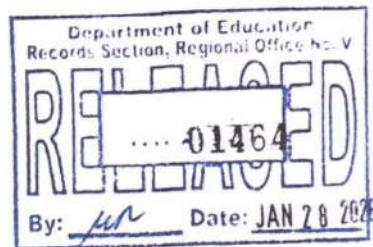




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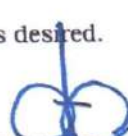
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**2026 METROBANK FOUNDATION OUTSTANDING FILIPINOS
INFORMATION CAMPAIGN SERIES**

To : Assistant Regional Director
Schools Division Superintendents
Assistant Schools Division Superintendents
Public Schools District Supervisors
Public and Private Elementary and Secondary School Heads
Public and Private Elementary and Secondary School Teachers
All Others Concerned

1. The nomination period for the 2026 Metrobank Foundation Outstanding Filipinos has been extended to 30 January 2026, Friday (11:59 PM), from 23 January 2026.
2. Attached is the Information pack on this nomination.
3. For details of the nomination, please follow their social communication channel and be among the first to know, mbfoundation.org.ph.
4. Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.


GILBERT T. SADSAD
Regional Director

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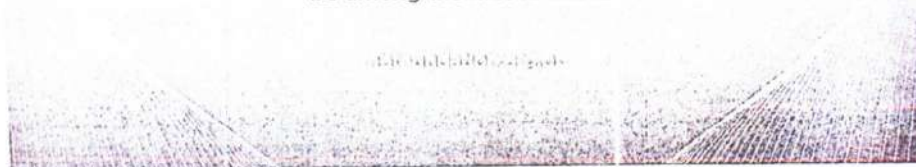




Nomination Period Extended

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Follow our social communications channel and be among the first to know!



Extended Open Call for Nominations:

2026 Metrobank Foundation Outstanding Filipinos

The nomination period for the 2026 Metrobank Foundation Outstanding Filipinos has been extended to 30 January 2026 (from 23 January 2026).

You now have additional time to nominate exemplary **teachers, soldiers, and police officers** whose dedication and service inspire our nation.

Each awardee will receive a cash incentive of ₱1 million (net of tax), 'The Flame' trophy, and a medallion of excellence to be conferred exclusive by the President of the Philippines.

We encourage all partners, communities, and stakeholders to take this opportunity to put forward deserving candidates who continue to make a meaningful impact in the lives of Filipinos.

Submit your nominations today and help us celebrate those who inspire and serve with distinction.

Check out these documents containing information about the nomination procedure and the selection process.

The official digital platform for submitting nominations for the 2026 Metrobank Foundation Outstanding Filipinos

Eligibility Requirements

Check out the full eligibility requirements for the program.

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MEMORANDUM

TO : **Regional Directors**
Schools Division Superintendents
All Others Concerned

FROM : 
ATTY. FATIMA LIPP D. PANONTONGAN
Undersecretary for Procurement and Chief of Staff

SUBJECT : **INVITATION TO THE TEACHERS' DIGNITY COALITION'S**
NATIONAL SEMINAR-WORKSHOP ON EDUCATION POLICY,
ADVOCACY, AND LEGAL PROTECTION FOR TEACHERS

DATE : 5 January 2026

The Teachers' Dignity Coalition (TDC), will hold its **National Seminar-Workshop on Education Policy Advocacy and Legal Protection for Teachers** on **February 27 to March 1, 2026**, at the **Great Eastern Hotel, Quezon City**.

The event aims to review the current national policies affecting teachers' and students' welfare. Likewise, inform the participants about prevailing education issues and solicit ideas for reform. Furthermore, the activity also aims to empower teachers and administrators with essential legal knowledge and skills, and lastly, to develop policy recommendations to address challenges faced by teachers/learners.

Teachers who will participate may opt to attend on **Official Business**, the activity subject to the following conditions:

- compliance with the applicable provisions of DepEd Order No. 046, s. 2022 titled the Amendment to DepEd Order No. 43, s. 2022 (*Omnibus Travel Guidelines for All Personnel of the Department of Education*) and Other Appropriate Orders and Guidelines on Travel;
- secure approval from respective authorities;
- participation shall not interfere with regular functions and responsibilities; and
- Use of DepEd funds, subject to its availability, strictly adheres to the usual budgeting, accounting, and auditing rules and regulations.

For more details, please see the attached communication from the TDC

0917-650-5902 or 0960-659-6946. For faster registration, participants may also confirm through Google Forms via this link:
<https://forms.gle/Mni2hNiR5Y12y8pZ8> on or before January 30, 2026.

6. For information, guidance and dissemination.


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Regional Director

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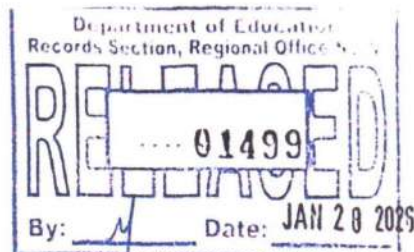
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28 January 2026

REGIONAL MEMORANDUM

No. 00138 s. 2026

INVITATION TO THE TEACHERS' DIGNITY COALITION'S NATIONAL SEMINAR-
WORKSHOP ON EDUCATION POLICY, ADVOCACY,
AND LEGAL PROTECTION FOR TEACHERS

To : Schools Division Superintendents

1. The Teachers' Dignity Coalition (TDC) will hold its **National Seminar-Workshop on Education Policy, Advocacy and Legal Protection for Educators** on February 27 to March 1, 2026, at the Great Eastern Hotel, Quezon City.
2. The event aims to review the current national policies affecting teachers' and students' welfare, empower teachers and administrators with essential legal knowledge and skills, and develop policy recommendations to address challenges faced by teachers and learners.
3. Each participant will be charged a minimal registration fee of Five Thousand Two Hundred Pesos (P5,200.00) to cover expenses for board and lodging, training materials, speakers' honoraria and other incidental costs. Registration and billeting will begin at 1:00 PM on February 27, while check-out time will be at 12:00 NN on March 1.
4. Teachers who will participate who may opt to attend on Official Business subject to the following conditions:
 - Compliance with the applicable provisions of DepEd Order No. 046, s. 2022 titled the Amendment to DepEd Order No. 43, s. 2022 (*Omnibus Travel Guidelines for All Personnel of the Department of Education*) and Other Appropriate Orders and Guidelines on Travel;
 - Secure approval from respective authorities;
 - Participation shall not interfere with regular functions and responsibilities;
 - Use of DepEd funds, subject to availability, shall strictly adhere to the usual budgeting, accounting, and auditing rules and regulations.
5. For more details, interested parties may send an email to teachersdignity.ph@gmail.com or contact Ms. Darlene Loro of the TDC Secretariat at



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06 January 2026

DR. GILBERT T. SADSAD

Regional Director
Department of Education-Region V
Rawis, Legazpi City

Sir:

Greetings of Peace!

The Teachers' Dignity Coalition (TDC) will hold the **National Seminar-Workshop on Education Policy Advocacy and Legal Protection for Teachers** on **February 27 to March 1, 2026**, at the **Great Eastern Hotel, Quezon City**. With the theme **"Empowering Teachers Through Enhanced Legal Rights Education,"** the activity is aligned with the Department's efforts to strengthen teacher protection and promote their welfare.

This seminar will be attended by teacher-leaders, administrators and other education workers from across the country. The activity aims to help elevate teachers' morale and productivity by fostering a more supportive and conducive working environment.

The specific objectives of the event are as follows:

- Review the current national policies affecting teachers' and students' welfare;
- Inform participants about prevailing education issues and solicit ideas for reform;
- Empower teachers and administrators with essential legal knowledge and skills; and
- Develop policy recommendations to address challenges faced by teachers/learners.

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In this regard, we respectfully request your office to endorse this activity to the respective Schools Division Superintendents, allowing the official participation of delegates. We likewise request that registration and transportation expenses be sourced from local funds, including MOOE, LGU, or any other available funds.

To regulate the number of participants, TDC will submit a list of confirmed attendees to the concerned regional and division offices on the first week of February. Participants who are not included in the list may still be accommodated if slots are available, provided they coordinate with the Secretariat ahead of the schedule. The deadline for confirmation and pre-registration is January 30, 2026 (Friday), to allow sufficient time for preparations.

For confirmation and further inquiries, interested parties may send an email to teachersdignity.ph@gmail.com or contact Ms. Darlene Loro of the TDC Secretariat at 0917-650-5902 or 0960-659-6946, or reach out to the undersigned at 0927-335-6375. **For faster registration, participants may also confirm through Google Forms via this link <https://forms.gle/MH26NR3V17y3uZ8> or the QR code provided on or before January 30, 2026.**

Attached are the seminar poster and the Memorandum from the Office of the Secretary, signed by Atty. Fatima Lipp D. Panontongan, dated January 5, 2026, for your reference.