EMPOWERING FILIPINOS THROUGH VOTER EDUCATION

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Voters education play a crucial role in creating a group of voters that are capable of making responsible decisions during elections. It empowers citizens by providing them with essential knowledge about their rights, the voting process, who to vote for, and the impact of their decisions on the society that they belong to. From local elections to national elections, voter education helps people understand the electoral process, who their future friends are, and how many their silent enemies are.

Government agencies, school and universities, and social media platforms like facebook play very vital roles in voter education. For instance, the Commission on Elections organizes information programs to make sure voters are aware of the dos and don'ts during election, on the other hand, schools incorporate civic education into their curriculum. The media also helps by using different channels in the TV and radio stations to raise awareness. Effective voter education is however limited by obstacles including disinformation, political bias and accessibility problems, particularly in areas where social media is limited.

In South Africa, teachers are advising their students that those who try to exchange their votes for food and money are called "corrupt". This statement is very relevant especially to the Philippines setting where more than half of the county's population are hypnotized and blinded by money and pretty words.

Nonetheless, voter education must be pushed no matter how hopeless the country may be. It still stands as a factor for change where every citizen has a change to be wellinformed and be aware of our societal status. By promoting awareness of voting rights and knowing the candidates well, Filipinos can strengthen the country and uphold integrity during elections. An educated voter is a holder pf power for positive change. If everyone in the Philippines will be aware of the consequences of voting for the wrong people, this country could possibly vanish from a third world country that it is now.

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