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Department of Education

SCHOOLS DIVISION OFFICE OF BATAAN

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Simultaneous Infrastructure Assessment, Structural Integrity Evaluation and Audit of School Buildings

Assistant Schools Division Superintendent To: Chief Education Supervisors **Education Program Supervisors Public Schools District Supervisors** Public Elementary and Secondary School Heads All Teaching and Non-Teaching Personnel All Others Concerned

- 1. In line with the Department of Education's commitment to ensure the safety and structural integrity of school facilities and to uphold the protection, welfare, and wellbeing of learners and personnel, the Schools Division Office of Bataan will conduct a province wide Simultaneous Infrastructure Assessment, Structural Integrity Evaluation of School Buildings, and Audit in all public schools on October 16-17, 2025.
- 2. This activity aims to assess the current condition of classrooms, buildings, and other physical structures in preparation for possible seismic events, natural disasters, or other unforeseen hazards. The inspection will be led by the SDO and School Infrastructure Units (SIUs) in coordination with the School Heads, Public Schools District Supervisors, District DPWH, Provincial, and Municipal Engineers, and DRRM Coordinators.
- 3. For the safety of all learners, teaching, and non-teaching personnel, face-to-face classes will be temporarily suspended on the said dates (October 16-17, 2025).
- 4. To ensure continuity of learning, schools are highly encouraged to implement alternative learning modalities, such as:
 - Modular Distance Learning (printed or digital modules), and/or
 - Online Learning using established platforms or virtual classrooms.
- School heads are advised to communicate this arrangement to parents and guardians ahead of time to ensure a smooth transition and sustained engagement of learners during the two-day inspection.
- 6. For the Safety Precautions and Preparedness, all schools are further reminded to:

















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- 6.1 conduct a briefing or orientation for teachers, personnel, and learners on earthquake preparedness and evacuation protocols before the inspection;
- 6.2 ensure that emergency exits, fire extinguishers, and first-aid kits are in proper condition; and
- 6.3 coordinate with Local Government Units (LGUs) and Barangay DRRM Councils for possible technical support or emergency response.
- 7. This activity underscores our shared responsibility to prioritize safety above all else. As we say in the Department, "Learning must continue, but safety must come first."
- 8. School Heads shall **submit a brief report** on the inspection results, including photos and recommendations, through their respective District Supervisors to the SDO Infrastructure Unit on or before October 22, 2025.
- 9. The Schools Division Office expresses its deep concern and care for everyone's safety. Let us continue working together to create safe, conducive, and disasterresilient learning environments for all Bataeño learners.
- For immediate dissemination and strict compliance.

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Enclosure: As stated

References:

- DepEd Order No. 37, s. 2022 Guidelines on the Implementation of the School-Based Disaster Risk Reduction and Management (DRRM) and Emergency Preparedness Measures for Schools,
- DepEd Order No. 21, s. 2019 Policy Guidelines on the K to 12 Basic Education Program's Learning Continuity,
- DepEd Order No. 14, s. 2020 Guidelines on the Required Health Standards in Basic Education Offices and Schools, and
- DepEd Order No. 34, s. 2022 School Calendar and Activities for School Year 2022-2023 and Ensuing Years, which allows the use of flexible learning delivery modalities during emergencies or disruptions.

To be included in the Perpetual Index Under the following subjects:

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