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**Department of Education**  
REGION III  
SCHOOLS DIVISION OFFICE OF BATAAN

**DIVISION ADVISORY**

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To: Assistant Schools Division Superintendent  
Chief Education Supervisors  
Education Program Supervisors  
Public Schools District Supervisor  
Elementary, Secondary and SHS Heads  
All others Concerned

This Office informs all concerned about the conduct of the **2026 National Women's Month Celebration (NWMC) titled "Lead Like the Babaylans, Filipinas"** every month of March in recognition of the vital contributions of Filipino Women across all sectors of society.

Attached is a copy of the Memorandum DM-OUHROD-2026-0552 for further details and inquiries.

Immediate dissemination of this Advisory is enjoined.

  
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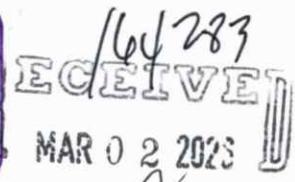
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MEMORANDUM  
DM-OUHROD-2026-0552

TO : **Undersecretaries  
Assistant Secretaries  
Bureau and Service Directors  
Regional Directors  
Schools Division Superintendents  
Public Elementary and Secondary School Heads  
All Others Concerned**

ATTN : **GAD Focal Persons in the Central, Regional, Schools Division Offices, and Schools**

FROM : **WILFREDO E. CABRAL**  
Undersecretary for Human Resource and Organizational Development and Infrastructure

SUBJECT : **INVITATION TO THE 2026 NATIONAL WOMEN'S MONTH CELEBRATION KICK-OFF CEREMONY HOSTED BY THE PHILIPPINE COMMISSION ON WOMEN**

DATE : 24 February 2026

1. Pursuant to the Republic Act No. 6949 and Proclamation No. 224, s. 1988, the Philippines celebrates the National Women's Month every March in recognition of the vital contributions of Filipino Women across all sectors of society.
2. The Philippine Commission on Women (PCW), as the primary agency advocating for women's rights and gender equality, spearheads the **Kick-Off Ceremony of the 2026 National Women's Month Celebration (NMWC)** with the sub-theme "**Lead like the Babaylans, Filipinas!**"
3. As a gender-responsive institution, the Department of Education (DepEd) remains committed to advancing gender equality and women's empowerment in basic education and mandates the inclusion of Women's Month and related Gender and Development (GAD) observances and celebrations in office and school calendars.



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4. In light of this, the Department enjoins the participation of the **GAD Focal Persons across governance levels** in the Kick-Off Ceremony of the 2026 NWMC, hosted by the PCW on **March 06, 2026 (Friday), from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., at the Rizal Memorial Coliseum, Malate, Manila**. Participants are encouraged to wear **Smart Casual attire in shades of Purple**.
5. Interested employees may opt to attend the activity subject to the following conditions:
  - a. 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;
  - b. Secure approval from respective authorities;
  - c. Participation shall not interfere with regular functions and responsibilities; and
  - d. Use of DepEd funds strictly adheres to the usual budgeting, accounting, and auditing rules and regulations.
6. For confirmation of participation, please register through this link: **[bit.ly/NWMC2026Reg](http://bit.ly/NWMC2026Reg)** on/or before **March 02, 2026**. In the spirit of collective action, the PCW encourages broad participation from all agencies.
7. All expenses related to the conduct of these activities may be charged against the respective office's **GAD Budget**, following existing procurement, accounting, auditing, and financial regulations. Likewise, the same may be included in their respective **GAD Accomplishment Reports**.
8. For inquiries or concerns, please directly coordinate with the PCW Focal Persons, **Ms. Ciarra Dave Abcede** or **Ms. Jescel Aquino** of the Corporate Affairs and Information Resource Management Division (CAIRMD) at (02) 8735-1654 loc. 129 or via email at [womensmonth@pcw.gov.ph](mailto:womensmonth@pcw.gov.ph).
9. Please see the attached publicity material for reference.

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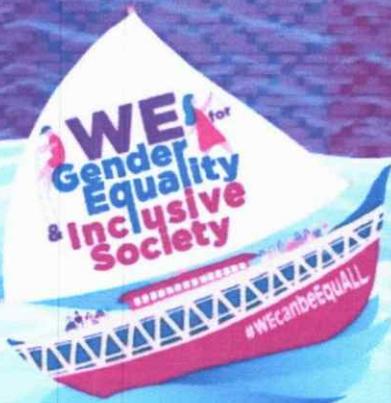
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**MARCH**  
2026 **06**

Save the Date



**Rizal Memorial Stadium,  
Malate, Manila**



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