



Republic of the Philippines  
Department of Education  
NEGROS ISLAND REGION

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REGIONAL MEMORANDUM  
No. 053 s. 2026

**INVITATION TO THE FOCUS GROUP DISCUSSION (FGD) ON THE ACADEMIC  
RECOVERY AND ACCESSIBLE LEARNING (ARAL) PROGRAM  
IMPLEMENTATION**

To: Schools Division Superintendents of Silay City and Victorias City  
All Others Concerned

1. Attached is DepEd Memorandum No. DM-OULS-2026-011 titled Invitation to the Focus Group Discussion (FGD) on the Academic Recovery and Accessible Learning (ARAL) Program Implementation on January 22, 2026; 8:00 a.m.-9:30 a.m., via: <https://msteams.link/QSWN>.

2. The participants to the meeting are as follows:

| Name                     | Position         | SDO       |
|--------------------------|------------------|-----------|
| Ellen L. Francelizo      | School Head      | Silay     |
| Angela B. Dilag          | School Head      | Silay     |
| Jambaro, Menchie V.      | Teacher III      | Silay     |
| Canasa, Paulyn P.        | Master Teacher I | Silay     |
| Francelizo, Ellen L.     | School Head      | Silay     |
| Dilag, Angela B.         | School Head      | Silay     |
| Noe B. Baldomer          | School Head      | Victorias |
| Bennelie D. Juele        | School Head      | Victorias |
| Balagosa, Juliet B.      | Teacher III      | Victorias |
| Lominoque, Edelyn Mae A. | Teacher III      | Victorias |
| Gomia, Renilda L.        | School Head      | Victorias |
| Roa, Gina A.             | School Head      | Victorias |
| Francelizo, Ellen L.     | School Head      | Victorias |
| Dilag, Angela B.         | School Head      | Victorias |
| Eleccion, Fatima S.      | EPS              | Victorias |
| Eleccion, Deena Rose G.  | EPS              | Victorias |

4. Immediate dissemination of and compliance with this Memorandum are desired.

  
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Encl.: None

Reference: As Stated

To be indicated in the Perpetual Index

under the following subjects:

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Implementation  
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OFFICE OF THE UNDERSECRETARY FOR LEARNING SYSTEMS

**MEMORANDUM**  
**DM-OULS-2026-011**

**TO :** Regional Office Directors  
HRDD & CLMD Chiefs  
NEAP R Focal Persons  
Schools Division Office Superintendents  
ARAL Focal Persons/Reading Focal Persons  
All Others Concerned

**FROM :** *Carmela C. Oracion*  
**CARMELA C. ORACION**  
Assistant Secretary  
Officer-in-Charge  
Office of the Undersecretary for Learning Systems

**SUBJECT :** **INVITATION TO THE FOCUS GROUP DISCUSSION (FGD) ON THE ACADEMIC RECOVERY AND ACCESSIBLE LEARNING (ARAL) PROGRAM IMPLEMENTATION**

**DATE :** 16 January 2026

1. Pursuant to Republic Act 12028, otherwise known as the Academic Recovery and Accessible Learning Act, the State adopts a policy of supporting learners through the establishment of a free and effective national learning intervention program to ensure that learners who are struggling, particularly in reading, mathematics, and science, are able to attain the required learning competencies at their respective levels. Towards this end, the Department of Education (DepEd), through the National Educators Academy of the Philippines (NEAP), shall conduct a virtual focus group discussion (FGD) in preparation for the Program implementation for SY 2026-2027.
2. This activity aims to identify effective practices, implementation gaps, and consolidated recommendations that shall serve as technical inputs for the refinement of the ARAL Program Implementation Plan, Training Design, and Training Resource Packages (TRPs) for SY 2026-2027.
3. Regional Offices (ROs), in coordination with Schools Division Offices (SDOs), are requested to:
  - a. identify participants in the FGD based on the set guidelines;
  - b. ensure the accomplishment of pre-work needed for the FGD;
  - c. reiterate active participation of the recommended participants; and
  - d. guarantee dissemination of information and instructions
4. ROs are requested to select participants from both low- and high-performing schools based on the results of the Middle-of-the-School-Year (MOSY) assessments and monitoring reports from their respective regions and divisions. Further, Regional Focals



are requested to submit the details of the identified participants through the following link: <http://tiny.cc/rxmx001>.

5. The schedule and meeting links for the FGD are as follows:

- a. Group A - Region III, Region I, and Region IV-A

January 21, 2026; 8:00 AM - 9:30 AM

Link: <https://msteams.link/H564>

- b. Group B - Region IV-B, Region II, and NCR

January 21, 2026; 1:30 PM - 3:00 PM

Link: <https://msteams.link/BMXJ>

- c. Group C - Region VI, NIR, and Region V

January 22, 2026; 8:00 AM - 9:30 AM

Link: <https://msteams.link/QSWN>

- d. Group D - Region VII, Region VIII, and CAR

January 22, 2026; 1:30 PM - 3:00 PM

Link: <https://msteams.link/5GZE>

- e. Group E - Region IX and Region X

January 23, 2026; 8:00 AM - 9:30 AM

Link: <https://msteams.link/GA9Q>

- f. Group F - Region XI, Region XII, and CARAGA

January 23, 2026; 1:30 PM - 3:00 PM

Link: <https://msteams.link/8KC5>

6. Participants are expected to actively engage in the discussions and share concrete experiences, challenges, and recommendations relevant to the ARAL Program implementation. This Office respectfully requests that the prework questions from this link: <http://tiny.cc/xqmx001> be accomplished by the select participants prior to the schedule of the group.

7. In this regard, the confirmation of attendance, including the name of the select participant, is kindly requested **on or before Tuesday, January 20, 2026**.

8. For inquiries or clarifications, please send an email to [neap.od@deped.gov.ph](mailto:neap.od@deped.gov.ph), with a copy furnished to [neap.qad@deped.gov.ph](mailto:neap.qad@deped.gov.ph) addressed to **NEAP ARAL TEAM** or through landline (02) 8638-8638.

9. The Academy looks forward to a favorable response and sincerely expresses its gratitude for the continued support in advancing the professional development of educators for all our ARAL learners.