



Republic of the Philippines
Department of Education
NEGROS ISLAND REGION

REGIONAL MEMORANDUM
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**IMPLEMENTATION OF THE AI READY ASEAN
TRAINING IN SELECT SCHOOLS DIVISION OFFICES**

To: OIC – Assistant Regional Director
Schools Division Superintendents
All Others Concerned

1. This Office, through the Policy, Planning, and Research Division, disseminates Memorandum OM-OASSM-2025-11-053 dated November 26, 2025 from the Office of the Assistant Secretary for Strategic Management, Department of Education titled **“Implementation of the AI Ready ASEAN Training In Select Schools Division Offices.”**
2. The Schools Division Office Focal Persons or Coordinators are requested to identify Junior and Senior High School teachers, students, and parents with devices and stable internet connection who will participate in the National AI Training.
3. Enclosed is the breakdown of the number of participants per Schools Division Office.
4. For details, contact Joey Ian C. Singson, Education Program Supervisor Designate of the Policy, Planning, and Research Division (PPRD) through email address joey.singson@deped.gov.ph.
5. Immediate dissemination of and compliance with this Memorandum are desired.

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Encl: As stated
Reference: As stated

To be indicated in the Perpetual Index
under the following subjects:

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Enclosure. Breakdown of Participants per SDO of DepEd NIR

Schools Division Office	Number of Teachers	Number of Students	Number of Parents
Bacolod City	375	2,000	150
Bago City	250	725	135
Bais City	250	725	135
Bayawan City	250	725	135
Cadiz City	250	725	135
Canlaon City	250	700	120
Dumaguete City	375	2,000	150
Escalante City	250	725	135
Guihulngan City	250	725	135
Himamaylan City	250	725	135
Kabankalan City	250	725	135
La Carlota City	250	725	135
Negros Occidental	375	2,000	150
Negros Oriental	375	2,000	150
Sagay City	250	725	135
San Carlos City	250	725	135
Silay City	250	700	120
Sipalay City	250	725	135
Siquijor	250	725	135
Talisay City	250	725	135
Tanjay City	250	725	135
Victorias City	250	725	135
TOTAL	6,000	21,000	3,000



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OFFICE OF THE ASSISTANT SECRETARY FOR STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT

MEMORANDUM
OM-OASSM-2025-11-053

TO : REGIONAL DIRECTORS

THRU : JOCELYN DR. ANDAYA
Regional Director, National Capital Region
concurrent Officer-in-Charge, Assistant Secretary for Operations

FROM : DR. DEXTER A. GALBAN
Assistant Secretary for Strategic Management

SUBJECT : IMPLEMENTATION OF THE AI READY ASEAN TRAINING IN
SELECT SCHOOLS DIVISION OFFICES

DATE : November 26, 2025

I. BACKGROUND

The Department of Education, with the support of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations Foundation (ASEAN Foundation), will be launching the “Project AGAP.AI: The National Kick-Off of the DepEd AI Program” on January 9, 2026, at Quezon City Science High School. Project AGAP.AI serves as the Department’s flagship initiative for advancing AI adoption in basic education to strengthen the integration and ethical use of Artificial Intelligence (AI) in education.

Simultaneously, the **National Training on AI** will be launched during the national kick-off. The training will be conducted through a 12-session AI training program and will cover the following:

1. **AI Fundamentals** – Introduction to AI, its types and applications in daily life, fundamentals of generative AI, and basics of AI development.
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4. **Teaching About AI** – Training educators on AI fundamentals, developing AI trainers, adapting AI instruction for various audiences, and designing engaging learning experiences for AI literacy.

II. TARGET PARTICIPANTS

The project, to be implemented from **December 2025 to May 2026**, will initially reach **40 Schools Division Offices (SDOs)** across DepEd National Capital Region (NCR) and Region IV-A (CALABARZON). A total of **1.5 million participants** will be engaged nationwide, composed of teachers, parents, and learners. Of this number, approximately **10% (150,000) will be parents, 20% (300,000) will be teachers, and 70% (1.05 million) will be learners**.

Participating SDOs span across the National Capital Region (NCR), Cordillera Administrative Region (CAR), and Regions I to XIII including the Negros Island Region (NIR) and Bangsamoro Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao (BARMM). To assist in the implementation of trainings, each region or SDO has an assigned Local Implementing Partners (LIPs). For your reference, the details of the LIPs are listed below:

Head	Name of Organization
Senjaya Mulia, Founder	AYO Academy International Inc. (AYO)
Paolo Miguel M. Ordonio, Executive Director,	Break the Fake Movement (BTFM)
Sonia P. Soto, Executive Transition Committee Chair	CyberGuardiansPH Incorporated (CGPH)
Mary Joie Cruz, Executive Director	Limitless Lab Organization (Limitless Lab)
Kristel Anne R. Villanueva, Executive Director	SmartCitiesPH, Inc. (SmartCT)

Attached in this Memorandum is the Breakdown of the Participants per Schools Division Office in NCR and Region IV-A. As to the remaining regions, we respectfully request your assistance in designating SDOs that will participate in this training. Kindly designate a focal person from your good office who will facilitate the coordination regarding this AI Ready ASEAN Training by registering through this link: <https://tinyurl.com/aireadyasean>.

The implementation of the AI-Ready ASEAN Training will not entail any additional cost implications for the department, as it requires no special expenses beyond the usual operating costs already allocated for schools.

For further questions, clarifications, and or inquiries, you may contact the Office of the Assistant Secretary for Strategic Management through email address oassm@deped.gov.ph or at telephone number (02) 8638-4044.

Thank you very much.

CONCEPT NOTE OF THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE AI-READY ASEAN TRAINING BACKGROUND

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TARGET NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS

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LOCAL IMPLEMENTING PARTNERS (LIPs)

DepEd will roll out an ASEAN-funded AI training on AI literacy for at least 1 million learners and teachers, combining school-based sessions with monitored self-paced learning with its Local Implementing Partners (LIPs):

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PROPOSED REGIONAL DISTRIBUTION

Region	Assigned LIP
National Capital Region (NCR)	ALL LIPs , NOTE: no SDO overlap
Cordillera Administrative Region (CAR)	Break the Fake Movement
Region I – Ilocos Region	SmartCT
Region II – Cagayan Valley	AYO
Region III – Central Luzon	CGPH
Region IV-A – CALABARZON	ALL LIPs , NOTE: no SDO overlap
Region IV-B – MIMAROPA (Southwestern Tagalog Region)	CGPH
Region V – Bicol Region	Break the Fake Movement
Region VI – Western Visayas	AYO
Region VII – Central Visayas	Limitless Lab
Region VIII – Eastern Visayas	Break the Fake Movement
Negros Island Region (NIR)	Limitless Lab
Region IX – Zamboanga Peninsula	Break the Fake Movement
Region X – Northern Mindanao	SmartCT
Region XI – Davao Region	Limitless Lab
Region XII – SOCCSKSARGEN	SmartCT
Region XIII – CARAGA	AYO
Bangsamoro Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao (BARMM)	Limitless Lab

PROGRAM COMPONENTS

- **Hour of Code Campaign**

A one-hour introduction to coding and artificial intelligence concepts for youth and communities, helping them build essential digital and AI literacy skills.

- **12-session AI Training Program**

A structured learning track designed to equip ASEAN youth, educators, and parents with practical AI literacy and AI skills.

- **National Policy Convening**

ASEAN policymakers, AI experts, and partners gather to shape strategies for responsible AI adoption and literacy.

- **Learning Packages/Modules for Master Trainers, Teachers, Parents, Learners**

A structured set of modules focused on responsible, inclusive, and practical applications of AI. It also features a digital learning platform.

TARGET TIMELINE

The department will roll out the Google and ASEAN Foundation-funded AI skills training program from **December 2025 to May 2026**.

Breakdown of the Participants per REGION

Region	Assigned LIP	Students	Teachers	Parents
National Capital Region (NCR)	ALL LIPs , NOTE: no SDO overlap SEE BELOW	14,000	4,000	2,000
Cordillera Administrative Region (CAR)	Break the Fake Movement	14,000	4,000	2,000
Region I – Ilocos Region	SmartCT	14,000	6,000	1,000
Region II – Cagayan Valley	AYO	15,000	5,000	4,500
Region III – Central Luzon	CGPH			
Region IV-A – CALABARZON	ALL LIPs , NOTE: no SDO overlap SEE BELOW	10,450	4,800	4,500
Region IV-B – MIMAROPA (Southwestern Tagalog Region)	CGPH	14,000	4,000	2,000
Region V – Bicol Region	Break the Fake Movement	14,000	6,000	1,000
Region VI – Western Visayas	AYO	21,000	6,000	3,000
Region VII – Central Visayas	Limitless Lab	14,000	4,000	2,000
Region VIII – Eastern Visayas	Break the Fake Movement	21,000	6,000	3,000
Negros Island Region (NIR)	Limitless Lab	14,000	4,000	2,000
Region IX – Zamboanga Peninsula	Break the Fake Movement	14,000	4,000	2,000
Region X – Northern Mindanao	SmartCT	21,000	6,000	3,000
Region XI – Davao Region	Limitless Lab	14,000	4,000	2,000
Region XII – SOCCSKSARGEN	SmartCT	14,000	6,000	1,000
Region XIII – Caraga	AYO	21,000	6,000	3,000
Bangsamoro Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao (BARMM)	Limitless Lab			

Breakdown of the Participants per Schools Division Office in Region IV-A and NCR

REGION 4A	Assigned LIP	Students	Teachers	Parents
Laguna	SmartCT	14,000	4,000	2,000
Calamba City	SmartCT	14,000	4,000	2,000
Sta. Rosa City	SmartCT	14,000	4,000	2,000
Biñan City	SmartCT	14,000	4,000	2,000
San Pedro City	SmartCT	14,000	4,000	2,000
Cavite	CyberGuardiansPH	10,000	2,800	1,400
Imus City	CyberGuardiansPH	10,000	2,800	1,100
Dasmariñas City	CyberGuardiansPH	10,000	2,800	1,100
General Trias City	CyberGuardiansPH	10,000	2,800	1,100
Bacoor City	CyberGuardiansPH	10,500	2,500	1,200
Batangas	AYO	21,000	6,000	3,000
Batangas City	AYO	14,000	6,000	1,000
Lipa City	AYO	14,000	6,000	1,000
Tanauan City	AYO	14,000	6,000	1,000
Sto. Tomas City	AYO	14,000	6,000	1,000
Quezon	Break the Fake Movement	14,000	4,000	2,000
Lucena City	Break the Fake Movement	14,000	4,000	2,000
Tayabas City	Break the Fake Movement	14,000	4,000	2,000
Rizal	Break the Fake Movement	14,000	4,000	2,000
Antipolo City	Limitless Lab	21,000	6,000	3,000
Cavite City	Limitless Lab	14,000	4,000	2,000
San Pablo City	Limitless Lab	14,000	4,000	2,000
Cabuyao City	Limitless Lab	21,000	6,000	3,000
Calaca City	Limitless Lab	14,000	4,000	2,000

NCR	Assigned LIP	Students	Teachers	Parents
Caloocan City	SmartCT	35,000	10,000	15,000
Las Piñas City	SmartCT	42,000	12,000	5,000
Muntinlupa City	SmartCT	35,000	10,000	15,000
Makati City	Limitless Lab	14,000	4,000	2,000
San Juan City	Limitless Lab	14,000	4,000	2,000
Mandaluyong City	Limitless Lab	14,000	4,000	2,000
Taguig City - Pateros	Limitless Lab	14,000	4,000	2,000
Manila	Break the Fake Movement	38,500	11,000	5,500
Quezon City	Break the Fake Movement	42,000	12,000	6,000
Parañaque City	Break the Fake Movement	31,500	9,000	4,500
Marikina City	CyberGuardiansPH	55,950	15,500	6,500
Navotas City	AYO	35,000	10,000	5,000
Valenzuela City	AYO	35,000	10,000	5,000
Malabon City	AYO	35,000	10,000	5,000
Pasig City	CyberGuardiansPH	55,950	16,000	7,100
Pasay City	CyberGuardiansPH	45,500	11,500	5,000

1,115,350 336,500 173,500

TOTAL: 1,625,350

22 SDOS