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**DISSEMINATION OF MEMORANDUM OM-OUOPS-2026-05-08073 TITLED
"NATIONAL TOURNAMENT DIRECTORS AND ASSISTANT TOURNAMENT
DIRECTORS FOR THE 2026 PALARONG PAMBANSA"**

To: Schools Division Superintendents
All Others Concerned

1. This Office, through the Education Support Services Division (ESSD), disseminates **Memorandum OM-OUOPS-2026-05-08073**, dated January 13, 2026, titled "**National Tournament Directors and Assistant Tournament Directors for the 2026 Palarong Pambansa**," which is self-explanatory.
2. Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.


RAMIR B. UYTICO EdD, CESO III
Regional Director

Encl.: As Stated

Reference: As Stated

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under the following subject:

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MPJDP/ESSD/Dissemination of the Memorandum OM-OUOPS-2026-05-08073, titled "National Tournament Directors and Assistant Tournament Directors for the 2026 Palarong Pambansa
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MEMORANDUM

OM-OUOPS-2026-05-08073

TO : **REGIONAL DIRECTORS**
MINISTER OF BASIC, HIGHER, AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION,
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SCHOOLS DIVISION SUPERINTENDENTS
PUBLIC AND PRIVATE ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY
SCHOOLS HEADS
ALL OTHERS CONCERNED

FROM : **MALCOLM S. GARMA**
Undersecretary for Governance and Operations
Secretary General, Palarong Pambansa

SUBJECT : **NATIONAL TOURNAMENT DIRECTORS AND ASSISTANT**
TOURNAMENT DIRECTORS FOR THE 2026 PALARONG
PAMBANSA

DATE : **13 January 2026**

The Department of Education (DepEd), in coordination with the Philippine Sports Commission (PSC) and the Department of Interior and Local Government (DILG), shall conduct the **66th edition of the Palarong Pambansa** in May 2026 to be hosted by the Provincial Government of Agusan del Sur (PGAS).

In view of the foregoing and to ensure the effective and successful management and conduct of the annual scholastic multi-sport competition and the tournaments of the sports featured thereof, this Office announces the designation of the selected personnel from DepEd and the national sports associations (NSAs) as **National Tournament Directors** and **Assistant Tournament Directors** for the 2026 *Palarong Pambansa*.

Said personnel enlisted in the enclosure (**Official List of National Tournament Directors and Assistant Tournament Directors for the 2026 Palarong Pambansa**) were identified based on their proven competence and extensive experience in managing sports competitions in the *Palarong Pambansa* national level.

The Tournament Directors shall perform the tasks and duties relative to the management and actual conduct of the competition of their respective sports, as follows:

- a. Assist the Secretariat in the planning and staging of activities for their respective sports;
- b. Formulate standards for competition, playing venues, and management of tournaments in the lower meets and the culminating *Palarong Pambansa* competition;
- c. Develop technical guidelines and health protocols for their respective sports;
- d. Participate in and attend activities related to the conduct of the 2026 *Palarong Pambansa*, including meetings, organizational planning, and technical conferences;
- e. Ensure readiness and preparedness of their respective playing venues; and
- f. Oversee the conduct of the 2026 *Palarong Pambansa* for their respective events.

The Assistant Tournament Directors shall assist their Tournament Directors in carrying out the abovestated tasks and duties and ensure the success of the conduct of the competition for their respective sports.

Moreover, all concerned are enjoined to authorize the participation and attendance of the tournament directors and assistant tournament directors under their jurisdiction in all related-activities leading to and the actual staging of the 2026 *Palarong Pambansa*.

For more information and inquiries, you may contact the ***Palarong Pambansa Secretariat*** at telephone number (02) 8687-4146 or through email address: palarong.pambansa@deped.gov.ph.

Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.

OFFICIAL LIST OF NATIONAL TOURNAMENT DIRECTORS AND ASSISTANT TOURNAMENT DIRECTORS FOR THE 2026 PALARONG PAMBANSA

SPORT/EVENT	NAME OF PERSONNEL/REGION/ASSOCIATION	
	TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR	ASST. TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR
Archery	Mildred De Leon <i>CALABARZON Region</i>	Nestor Bulosan <i>National Capital Region</i>
Arnis	Amado Macayan <i>Ilocos Region</i>	Hadji Tejada <i>National Capital Region</i>
Athletics	Ma. Jeannette Obiena <i>PATAFA</i>	Gilbert Pajara <i>National Capital Region</i>
Badminton	Sergio Cabrera <i>Central Luzon Region</i>	Rolando Selga <i>National Capital Region</i>
Baseball	Jessie Cecil Munar <i>Ilocos Region</i>	Ronald Visaya <i>SOCCSKSARGEN Region</i>
Basketball	Dr. Edilberto Abalos <i>Ilocos Region</i>	Reynante Hufana <i>Ilocos Region</i>
Billiards	Hermes Dela Cruz <i>Negros Island Region</i>	Paul Gamaliel Aguilar <i>National Capital Region</i>
Boxing	Jonathan Oscar Jimenez <i>Bicol Region</i>	Dr. Maximo Abalos <i>National Capital Region</i>
Chess	Reden Cruz <i>Central Luzon Region</i>	Jun Uka <i>Bangsamoro Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao</i>
Dancesports	Ma. Donna Cosejo <i>CALABARZON Region</i>	Serafin Villodres <i>SOCCSKSARGEN Region</i>
Football	Rufino Arellano <i>Bicol Region</i>	Dennis Estaniel <i>Negros Island Region</i>
Futsal	Joel Barcelo <i>Central Luzon Region</i>	Erson Paolo Balangue <i>Ilocos Region</i>
Aerobic Gymnastics	Annalou Carreon <i>National Capital Region</i>	Dhane Ryan Maturan <i>National Capital Region</i>
Men's Artistic Gymnastics	Celso Mayol Jr. <i>Central Visayas Region</i>	Dr. Pablo Eulatic, Jr. <i>SOCCSKSARGEN Region</i>
Women's Artistic Gymnastics	Roselle Robledo <i>Central Luzon Region</i>	Maite Adolfo <i>Bicol Region</i>
Rhythmic Gymnastics	Kris Joy Leeping <i>Negros Island Region</i>	Russel John Ronquillo <i>Central Luzon Region</i>
Pencak Silat	Emmar Progelia <i>National Capital Region</i>	Ariel Tabares <i>Western Visayas Region</i>
Sepak Takraw	Michael Bengco <i>Central Luzon Region</i>	Erwin Acorda <i>CALABARZON Region</i>
Softball	Paulo Tabirara <i>National Capital Region</i>	Virgilio Cruz, Jr. <i>National Capital Region</i>
Swimming	Leo Angelo Sanchez <i>Bangsamoro Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao</i>	Seth Botalon <i>Bicol Region</i>
Table Tennis	Alfredo Camacho III <i>MIMAROPA Region</i>	Eric Amistad <i>Davao Region</i>
Taekwondo	Harny Tabuada <i>Negros Island Region</i>	Nelson Gomez <i>Bicol Region</i>

Tennis	Apolinario Aldama <i>Central Luzon Region</i>	Rodelio Gaño <i>Cagayan Valley Region</i>
Weightlifting	Hidilyn F. Diaz <i>National Sports Association</i>	Julius Irvin Hikaru Naranjo <i>National Sports Association</i>
Wrestling	Roel Pacional <i>Wrestling Assoc. of the Phils.</i>	Gemma Silverio <i>Wrestling Assoc. of the Phils.</i>
Wushu	Christopher Lensig <i>Western Visayas Region</i>	Romelyn Dalmacia <i>Cagayan Valley Region</i>
Volleyball	Dr. Arnel Hajan <i>Zamboanga Pen. Region</i>	Nestor Bello <i>National Capital Region</i>
Paragames	Joel Deriada <i>PHILSPADA</i>	Chris Santos <i>Central Luzon Region</i>

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