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**REQUEST FOR DEPED PERSONNEL TO SERVE AS ACCREDITORS FOR THE
2025 NATIONAL ACCREDITATION OF TECHNICAL OFFICIALS—
LUZON CLUSTER (CALABARZON)**

To: Schools Division Superintendent of Negros Occidental
All Others Concerned

1. This Office, through the Education Support Services Division (ESSD), disseminates the attached Memorandum OM-OUOPS-2026-05-08334 from **Hon. Malcolm S. Garma**, Undersecretary for Operations, on the **“Request for DepEd Personnel to Serve as Accreditors for the 2025 National Accreditation of Technical Officials—Luzon Cluster (CALABARZON),”** which is self-explanatory.
3. Immediate dissemination of and compliance with this Memorandum are desired.


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Regional Director

Encl.: As Stated
Reference: As Stated
To be indicated in the Perpetual Index
under the following subject:

SPORTS PROGRAMS ACCREDITATION PERSONNEL

FJTS/ESSD/Request for DepEd Personnel to be accreditors for 2025 NATO—Luzon Cluster



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OFFICE OF THE UNDERSECRETARY FOR GOVERNANCE AND OPERATIONS

MEMORANDUM

OM-OUOPS-2026- 08334

**TO : BUREAU/SERVICE DIRECTORS CONCERNED
REGIONAL DIRECTORS CONCERNED
SCHOOLS DIVISION SUPERINTENDENTS CONCERNED
PUBLIC SCHOOL HEADS CONCERNED
ALL OTHERS CONCERNED**

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

**SUBJECT : REQUEST FOR DEPED PERSONNEL TO SERVE AS
ACCREDITORS FOR THE 2025 NATIONAL ACCREDITATION OF
TECHNICAL OFFICIALS-LUZON CLUSTER (CALABARZON)**

DATE : 26 January 2026

The Department of Education (DepEd), through the Office of the Undersecretary for Governance and Operations (OUGOPS) and the *Palarong Pambansa* Secretariat, shall conduct the **2025 National Accreditation of Technical Officials (NATO)** as announced through the enclosed OUGOPS Advisory dated January 07, 2026.

In view thereof, this Office respectfully requests the following DepEd personnel to serve as Accreditors for the Luzon Cluster (CALABARZON) of the 2025 NATO scheduled on **February 03-05, 2026**, at **The Bayleaf Cavite, Gen. Trias, Cavite**:

Name	Office	Sport
1. Dane Ryan Maturan	SDO-Caloocan City	Aerobic Gymnastics
2. Nestor Bulosan	SDO-Caloocan City	Archery
3. Dr. Paulo Motita II	BLSS-School Sports Division	Arnīs
4. Hermes Dela Cruz	SDO-Negros Occidental	Billiards
5. Jonathan Oscar Jimenez	SDO-Albay	Boxing
6. Russel John Ronquillo	SDO-Pampanga	Rhythmic Gymnastics

The abovelisted personnel's technical expertise in the field of technical officiating in their respective sports is essential and will be very beneficial in ensuring a well-organized and effective conduct of the Luzon Cluster (CALABARZON) of the 2025 NATO.

Expenses to be incurred by the requested personnel for this activity such as food, accommodation, travel, other incidental expenses, and modest honoraria shall be charged against the 2025 Physical Fitness and School Sports (PFSS)-*Palarong Pambansa* Funds downloaded to DepEd-Region IV-A, subject to the existing government accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

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

For the attention and consideration of all concerned.



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ADVISORY

07 January 2026

1. This is in reference to the enclosed Office of the Undersecretary for Governance and Operations (OUGOPS) Memorandum No. OM-OUOPS-2025-05-05999 dated September 29, 2025 entitled **2025 National Accreditation of Technical Officials (NATO)**.
2. As provided in the Memorandum, the schedule of the Accreditation in the **Luzon Cluster** is scheduled on November 26-28, 2025 in Region III and February 2026 in Region IV-A.
3. Due to the unavailability of venues for the said activity in both regions on the given dates and other compelling reasons, the NATO (Luzon Cluster) is hereby re-scheduled as follows:

Co-Host Region	Date	Venue	Other details
Region III	Feb. 25-27, 2026	Anne Raquel's Hillside Resort and Hotel, Olongapo City	First Meal (Dinner): Feb. 24 Last Meal (PM Snacks): Feb. 27
Region IV-A	Feb. 03-05, 2026	The Bayleaf Cavite Gen. Trias, Cavite	First Meal: (AM Snacks): Feb. 03 Last Meal: (PM Snacks): Feb. 05

4. All other provisions in OUGOPS Memorandum No. OM-OUOPS-2025-05-05999 shall remain in effect.
5. 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.

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**FOR : REGIONAL DIRECTORS
MINISTER OF BASIC, HIGHER, AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION,
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SCHOOLS DIVISION SUPERINTENDENTS
REGIONAL AND DIVISION SPORTS OFFICERS
ALL OTHERS CONCERNED**

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

SUBJECT : 2025 NATIONAL ACCREDITATION OF TECHNICAL OFFICIALS

DATE : 29 September 2025

In support to the Department of Education's (DepEd) thrust of promoting and elevating the quality of the *Palarong Pambansa*, particularly the management and conduct of the competitions for the sports featured in the annual scholastic multi-sport event, this Office, through the *Palarong Pambansa* Secretariat, shall conduct the **2025 National Accreditation of Technical Officials (NATO)**.

The 2025 NATO aims to widen the pool of accredited technical officials who will serve in the future editions of the *Palarong Pambansa*. Specifically, the Accreditation aims to:

- assess the knowledge and skills in technical officiating through the administration of written and practical examinations using mock scenarios and role-playing exercises to simulate real-life situations;
- evaluate current fitness status of participants as basis in determining qualified technical officials to officiate in school sports competitions;
- educate the participants about ethical considerations, professionalism, and the code of conduct they are expected to observe during the conduct of the competitions; and
- refresh the participants to stay updated with the latest rule changes, technological advancements, and best practices in their respective sport.

The participants to the 2025 NATO shall be classified based on the results of their **written** and **practical examinations** and **fitness tests**, and the corresponding levels of officiating, as follows:

Classification		Palarong Pambansa Level of Officiating
Class A		National, Regional, and Division Level
Class B	B+	National, Regional, and Division Level
	B	Regional and Division Level
	B-	Regional and Division Level
Class C		Division Level and below

The 2025 NATO shall be conducted in three (3) clusters and to be co-hosted by the following regions with the corresponding details:

Cluster	Regional Co-Host	Participating Regions	Schedule/ Venue	Sports
I. Luzon	Region III	Regions I, II, III, IVA, IVB, 5, CAR, and NCR	Nov 26-28, 2025 Venue: TBA	Football, Pencak Silat, Sepak Takraw, Taekwondo, Table Tennis, Tennis, Volleyball, Weightlifting, Wrestling, Wushu,
	Region IVA		Feb. 2026 Venue: TBA	Aerobic Gymnastics, Archery, Arnis, Athletics, Billiards, Boxing, Dancesport, Men's Artistic Gymnastics, Rhythmic Gymnastics, Weightlifting
II. Visayas	Region VII	Regions VI, VII, VIII, and NIR	Oct. 27-30, 2025 Ecotech, Lahug, Cebu	Archery, Arnis, Athletics, Boxing, Chess, Futsal, Pencak Silat, Sepak Takraw, Swimming, Wushu
III. Mindanao	Region X	Regions IX, X, XI, XII, CARAGA, and BARMM	Nov. 24-28, 2025 Venue: TBA	Arnis, Aerobic Gymnastics, Badminton, Baseball, Boxing, Pencak Silat, Softball, Tennis, Wrestling, Weightlifting
	Region XI		Nov. 24-28, 2025 Davao City	Athletics, Basketball, Chess, Dancesport, Futsal, Swimming, Taekwondo, Volleyball, Women's Artistic Gymnastics, Wushu

The regional co-hosts are enjoined to provide the administrative and logistical requirements necessary for the effective conduct of the Accreditation.

The participants to the 2025 NATO must meet the following requirements:

- a. Must be **52 years old and below**;
- b. Must have **served and officiated in the Palarong Pambansa**, at least in the **regional or division meet** for the **past three (3) editions**; and
- c. Must be **physically fit** to perform the physical fitness tests. Pregnant women are discouraged to participate in the Accreditation.

Participants shall secure their approved Travel Authority signed by the Regional Director and/or Schools Division Superintendent (SDS), and Medical Certificate (physically fit). Failure to present said requirements will be grounds for non-accommodation to the activity.

Further, participants are requested to wear the appropriate sports attire and bring the necessary sports equipment to be used during the practical sessions of the Accreditation.

All participants are encouraged to attend and finish the Accreditation course, from Day 1 up to the last day, to be eligible to receive the Certificate of Accreditation.

All concerned are enjoined to authorize the attendance of their region's respective participants to the 2025 NATO. However, the schools division offices, through the school heads, shall ensure that a substitute teacher will take over the classes in the absence of their respective teaching personnel who will participate in the Accreditation to prevent disruption of classes.

Moreover, participants shall be entitled to service credits pursuant to the provisions of DepEd Order No. 13, s. 2024 entitled *Revised Guidelines on Grant of Vacation Service Credits to Teachers*.

Funds to cover expenses relative to the conduct of the 2025 NATO such as food and accommodation of the *Palarong Pambansa* Secretariat/management staff, resource persons/accreditors, and participants, and other allowable expenses shall be downloaded to the respective regional co-hosts, charged against the 2025 Physical Fitness and School Sports (PFSS) Funds. Travel expenses of the *Palarong Pambansa* Secretariat/management staff and resource persons/accreditors are chargeable against the PFSS Funds while travel expenses of participants shall be charged against their respective local funds. All aforementioned expenses to be incurred are subject to the existing government accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

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Immediate and wide dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.