



Republic of the Philippines
Department of Education
NEGROS ISLAND REGION

REGIONAL MEMORANDUM
No. 681, s. 2026

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**PARTICIPATION IN THE REVIEW AND REVISION OF DEPED ORDER
NO. 44, S. 2021 "POLICY GUIDELINES ON THE PROVISION OF
EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS AND SERVICES FOR LEARNERS WITH
DISABILITIES IN THE K TO 12 BASIC EDUCATION PROGRAM"**

To: Schools Division Superintendents of Bais City and Sipalay City
All Others Concerned

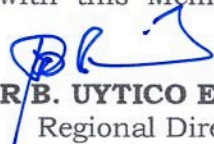
1. Attached is DepEd Memorandum No. DM-OULS-2026-246 titled Participation in the Review and Revision of DepEd Order No. 44, s. 2021 "Policy Guidelines on the Provision of Educational Programs and Services for Learners with Disabilities in the K to 12 Basic Education Program" on July 14-16, 2026 at the NEAP-NCR, 15 Cepeda Street, Concepcion 1, Marikina City, Metro Manila.

2. The following are the identified participants:

No.	Name	Designation	SDO/Office
1.	Reynaldo O. Galicia	Education Program Supervisor	Sipalay City
2.	Ivy A. Saldasal	School Principal - 1	Bais City Pilot School – Bais City

3. Board and lodging and travel expenses shall be charged against 2026 SNED Funds subject to the usual government accounting and auditing procedures. All travel expenses shall be downloaded to the respective divisions of the participants. In cases the downloaded funds are insufficient, the remaining balance may be charged against any available local funds.

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


RAMIR B. UYTICO EdD, CESO III
Regional Director

Encl.: As stated

Reference: As stated

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

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MSG/CLMD-RMWLC- Participation in the Review and Revision of DepEd Order No. 44, s. 2021 "Policy Guidelines on the Provision of Educational Programs and Services for Learners with Disabilities in the K to 12 Basic Education Program"
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Republic of the Philippines
Department of Education
OFFICE OF THE UNDERSECRETARY FOR LEARNING SYSTEMS

MEMORANDUM
DM-OULS-2026- 240

TO : ALL REGIONAL DIRECTORS

FROM : *Carmela Oracion*
CARMELA C. ORACION,
Undersecretary for Learning Systems *HG*

SUBJECT : PARTICIPATION IN THE REVIEW AND REVISION OF DEPED ORDER NO. 44, S. 2021 "POLICY GUIDELINES ON THE PROVISION OF EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS AND SERVICES FOR LEARNERS WITH DISABILITIES IN THE K TO 12 BASIC EDUCATION PROGRAM"

DATE : June 17, 2026

The Department of Education, through the Bureau of Learning Delivery-Student Inclusion Division (BLD-SID), shall conduct the Review and Revision of DepEd Order No. 44, s. 2021, title "Policy Guidelines on the Provision of Educational Programs and Services for Learners with Disabilities in the K to 12 Basic Education Program" on July 14-16, 2026 at the NEAP-NCR, 15 Cepeda Street, Concepcion 1, Marikina City, Metro Manila.

The workshop aims to review and revise the DO 44, s. 2021 in alignment with the mandates of RA 11650 and RA 11106 to ensure a more responsive, efficient, and inclusive delivery of education services for learners with disabilities.

In this regard, each Regional Office, through the Curriculum and Learning Management Division (CLMD), is requested to nominate **two participants** for the activity. One participant may be an Education Program Supervisor from the regional or division office, while the other is a School Head. The selection of participants shall be based on the Terms of Reference provided in Annex 1. The names of the participants shall be endorsed by the Regional Director to BLD-SID through email address at bld.sid@deped.gov.ph on or before July 1, 2026, 5:00PM. Please refer to Annex 2 for the Template for the Names of the Participants.

All the participants are expected to bring their own laptop, extension cord, and pocket Wi-Fi.

Board and lodging and travel expenses shall be charged against 2026 SNED Funds subject to the usual government accounting and auditing procedures. All travel expenses have been downloaded to the respective regions of the participants. Should transportation expenses exceed the downloaded funds, remaining expenses shall be charged against any available local funds. The first meal to be served will be breakfast on Day 1 and the last meal will be dinner on Day 3.

For clarifications or concerns, kindly coordinate with Ms. Erlinda F. Leva, Supervising Education Program Specialist, at erlinda.leva@deped.gov.ph, and Mr. Bravanti Francia, Senior Education Program Specialist, at bravanti.francia@deped.gov.ph, both from the Bureau of Learning Delivery-Student Inclusion Division.

Immediate dissemination of this memorandum is desired.

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**Review and Revision of DepEd Order No. 44, s. 2021
Policy Guidelines on the Provision of Educational Programs and Services for Learners
with Disabilities in the K to 12 Basic Education Program**

TERMS OF REFERENCE OF WRITERS

Purpose of the Assignment

The Department of Education, through the Bureau of Learning Delivery-Student Inclusion Division (BLD-SID), shall conduct a Workshop on the Review and Revision of DepEd Order No. 44, s. 2021, titled Policy Guidelines on the Provision of Educational Programs and Services for Learners with Disabilities in the K to 12 Basic Education Program.

The workshop will integrate the provisions of Republic Act No. 11650, also known as "An Act Instituting a Policy of Inclusion and Services for Learners with Disabilities in Support of Inclusive Education," as well as the findings of the survey conducted among Special Needs Education (SNED) implementers and the consultations held with key stakeholders. Thus, the revised policy guidelines for the implementation of SNED will ensure alignment with the Inclusive Education Act and support the delivery of equitable, inclusive, and high-quality education for learners with disabilities, enabling them to become self-reliant and productive members of society.

II. Scope of Work

The writers shall participate in the review and revision of DepEd Order No. 44, s. 2021, by:

- analyzing the existing policy provisions in DepEd Order No. 44, s. 2021, for relevance, clarity, and alignment with RA 11650;
- integrating feedback from surveys, consultations, and other stakeholder engagements related to the implementation of SNED;
- drafting proposed revisions to the policy, including procedures, mechanisms, and strategies for the effective implementation of SNED at all governance levels;
- ensuring that the revised policy promotes inclusive education, equitable access, and quality learning outcomes for learners with disabilities; and
- reviewing and editing contributions from other writers to produce a cohesive and well-structured final draft of the revised policy.

III. Roles and Responsibilities of the Writers

The writers are expected to:

- actively participate in workshop discussions and collaborative drafting sessions;
- conduct critical reviews of the existing DepEd Order No. 44, s. 2021, and related documents;
- incorporate relevant legal frameworks, such as RA 11650, into the policy revisions;

- collaborate with other writers and resource persons to ensure consistency and coherence in the revised policy document;
- attend to all assigned tasks promptly and ensure deliverables meet the workshop's objectives;
- bring necessary tools, including laptops and reference materials, to facilitate efficient drafting and revision; and
- submit the outputs at the end of the workshop.

Annex 2

**Names of Participants for the Workshop on the
Review and Revision of DepEd Order No. 44, s. 2021 Policy Guidelines on the
Provision of Educational Programs and Services for Learners with Disabilities
in the K to 12 Basic Education Program**

One Regional or Division Supervisor

Name	Region/Division

One School Head

Name	School	Division

Recommending Approval:

Signature over Printed Name

Approved:

Signature over Printed Name

PROGRAM OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE REVIEW AND REVISION OF DEPED ORDER NO. 44, S. 2021 "POLICY GUIDELINES ON THE PROVISION OF EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS AND SERVICES FOR LEARNERS WITH DISABILITIES IN THE K TO 12 BASIC EDUCATION PROGRAM"

July 14-16, 2026

Time	Sessions/Activities	Person-in-Charge
6:00am-8:00am	ARRIVAL/REGISTRATION	PMT
8:00am-9:00am	OPENING PROGRAM	PMT
9:00am – 10:00am	Session 1: Appropriate Educational Placement for Learners with Disabilities, with Emphasis on Learners with Severe to Profound Disabilities	Dr. Frances Olivia M. Magtoto, University of the Philippines
10:00am – 11:00 am	Session 2: Appropriate Assessment for Learners with Disabilities	Dr. Marie Therese Angeline P. Bustos, University of the Philippines
11:00am – 12:00am	Session 3: Transition of Learners with Disabilities to Higher Education	Dr. Margarita Consolacion C. Ballesteros, Director IV
12:00am - 1:00am	LUNCH	
1:00pm – 5:00pm	Workshop 1: Revision of DO 44, s. 2021 • Individual Inputs and Recommendations	PMT
5:00pm-6:00pm	Debriefing	PMT
Day 2		
Time	Sessions/Activities	Person-in-Charge
8:00am – 8:15am	Management of Learning	PMT
8:15am-12:00nn	Workshop 2: Revision of DO 44, s. 2021 • Group Brainstorming • Integration of the Inputs and Recommendations with the Policy	BLD Specialists
12:00nn-1:00pm	LUNCH	
1:00pm – 5:00pm	Workshop 2: Presentation and Critiquing of Outputs with the Resource Person and SID Specialists	Resource Person and BLD Specialists
5:00pm – 6:00pm	Debriefing	PMT
Time	Sessions/Activities	Person-in-Charge
8:00am – 8:15am	Management of Learning	PMT
8:15am - 12:00nn	Workshop 4: Consolidation of Group and Recommendations	BLD Specialists
12:00nn-1:00pm	LUNCH	
1:00pm – 5:00pm	Presentation of Revised Policy Closing Program	PMT
5:00pm – 6:00pm	Home Sweet Home	

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