



Republic of the Philippines  
**Department of Education**  
REGION VII – CENTRAL VISAYAS  
DIVISION OF CITY SCHOOLS – TAGBILARAN CITY

Office of the Schools Division Superintendent

**DIVISION MEMORANDUM**

No. 095, s. 2023

**March 3, 2023**

**REITERATION ON THE SCHEDULE FOR THE CONDUCT OF CY 2023  
QUARTERLY NATIONWIDE SIMULTANEOUS EARTHQUAKE DRILL (NSED)**

To: **ALL PUBLIC AND PRIVATE  
ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY SCHOOL HEADS  
ALL SCHOOL DRM COORDINATORS  
ALL OTHERS CONCERNED**

1. In connection to the approved NDRRMC Memorandum No. 006, s 2023 “Resumption of Face-to-Face Conduct of Nationwide Simultaneous Earthquake Drill”, offices across all levels of the Department and Schools are enjoined to participate in the conduct of quarterly Nationwide Simultaneous Earthquake Drill (NSED), with schedule as follows:

<b>Quarter</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Time</b>
1 <sup>st</sup> Quarter	09 March 2023	2:00 PM
2 <sup>nd</sup> Quarter	08 June 2023	9:00 AM
3 <sup>rd</sup> Quarter	07 September 2023	2:00 PM
4 <sup>th</sup> Quarter	09 November 2023	9:00 AM

2. The nationwide COVID-19 cases have been relatively decreasing since February 2022, as reported by the DOH’s online COVID-19 Tracker. As a result and in accordance with the updated Alert Level Systems for COVID-19 issued by the Inter-Agency Task Force for the Emerging Infectious Diseases (IATF-EID) on June 4, 2022, the traditional in-person NSED can now proceed. However, this is subject to the strict implementation of minimum health protocols such as but not limited to, social distancing and handwashing to ensure the safe and effective conduct of the NSED. All DepEd offices and schools responsible for implementing the drill will assign Safety and Health Officers to monitor and evaluate the adherence to these protocols throughout the exercise.

3. To ensure awareness and preparedness on the impending threat of the inevitable occurrence of an earthquake, even in the midst of pandemic, **Information, Education and Communication (IEC) campaign in NSED using distant means should be continuously intensified.** A copy of NSED materials can be accessed through <https://bit.ly/DepEdNSED2023>.



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4. In addition, **existing earthquake contingency plans of regional and division offices, and schools shall be updated** to incorporate mechanisms, and arrangements that are reflective of the current COVID-19 situation. To ensure minimum public health standards, the conduct of face-to-face NSED may be postponed or cancelled, or the methodology may be modified, if the IATF-EID decides to prohibit mass gatherings in any or all areas of the country due to certain circumstances.

5. For the post-NSED activities, self-evaluation and processing of the NSED within respective areas of jurisdiction are encouraged after the conduct of NSED. The Office of Civil Defense (OCD) Exercise Evaluation Guide (EEG) can be used as a guide. The EEG can be accessed on the aforementioned link.

6. Proper documentation and post-activity evaluation of said drill are required. All field offices are advised to make necessary preparations to ensure that the required reports are submitted on time, as indicated in Annex A. Also attached is the NDRRMC Memorandum No. 06, s. 2023, for your reference.

7. For further information, you may contact the Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Service, 2nd Floor, Mabini Building, Department of Education Central Office, DepEd Complex, Meralco Avenue, Pasig City through email at [drmo@deped.gov.ph](mailto:drmo@deped.gov.ph).

8. Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum to all concerned is desired.



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