



Republic of the Philippines
Department of Education
NATIONAL CAPITAL REGION



January 08, 2025

REGIONAL MEMORANDUM

No. 026, s. 2025

To: Schools Division Superintendents
Schools Division GPP Focal Persons
All Other Concerned Staff

**REQUEST FOR SUBMISSION OF GULAYAN SA PAARALAN PROGRAM (GPP)
AND INTEGRATED SCHOOL NUTRITION MODEL (ISNM)
ACCOMPLISHMENT REPORTS FOR CY 2024**

1. In compliance to OUOPS Memorandum No. 2023-09-1260 “Guidelines on the Utilization of Downloaded Additional Program Support Funds for the Implementation of Gulayan sa Paaralan Program (GPP) and Integrated School Nutrition Model (ISNM)”, all schools and Schools Division Offices shall prepare and submit an Accomplishment Report for GPP and ISNM.
2. Relative to this, all SDOs are requested to submit their GPP and ISNM Accomplishment Reports for CY 2024, using the forms that can be downloaded on this link <https://tinyurl.com/GPPAR2024>, on or before **January 22, 2025** for the regional consolidation and submission to the Central Office.
3. Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.

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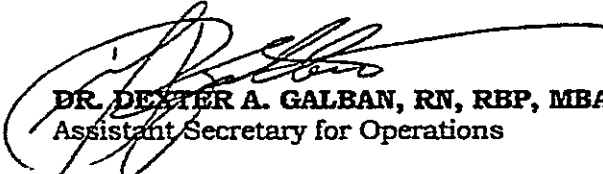


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OUOPS No. 2023-04-1267
MEMORANDUM

TO : ALL REGIONAL DIRECTORS
SCHOOLS DIVISION SUPERINTENDENTS
SCHOOL HEADS
ALL OTHERS CONCERNED

FROM : 
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SUBJECT : GUIDELINES ON THE UTILIZATION OF DOWNLOADED
ADDITIONAL PROGRAM SUPPORT FUNDS FOR THE HIRING
OF CONTRACT OF SERVICE (CoS) AND OPERATIONAL
EXPENSES FOR THE CENTRAL KITCHEN TRAINING
CENTERS, PROCUREMENT OF DEWORMING MEDICINES
AND/OR SOAPS, AND IMPLEMENTATION OF GULAYAN SA
PAARALAN PROGRAM (GPP) AND INTEGRATED SCHOOL
NUTRITION MODEL (ISNM) FOR CALENDAR YEAR (CY) 2024

DATE : February 14, 2024

The Bureau of Learner Support Services-School Health Division (BLSS-SHD) under the Operations Strand oversees and manages the implementation of the School-Based Feeding Program (SBFP), Water, Sanitation and Hygiene (WASH) in Schools (WinS) Program, and the Gulayan sa Paaralan Program (GPP) together with the Integrated School Nutrition Model (ISNM) clustered to form the Nutrition and Hygiene Unit.

SBFP aims to improve the classroom attendance and nutritional status of the target beneficiaries. The provision of Hot Meals (HM) or Nutritious Food Products (NFP) and Milk to severely wasted and wasted learners are expected to contribute to the participate and benefit in the education process, complete their elementary education, and also to improve their nutritional status. Concurrently, the WinS Program emphasizes the promotion of good hygiene and safe food preparation practices across all program components, particularly within meal preparation areas. Meanwhile, the Gulayan sa Paaralan Program (GPP) focuses on advancing ecological gardening techniques to bolster productivity and sustainability to augment the food resources in schools.

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2. ROs have the option to download the funds to Schools Division Offices (SDOs) or they may undertake the procurement of the deworming medicines and/or soaps.
3. The unit cost per child is set at Ten Pesos (P10.00). However, the ROs/SDOs may use the funds to procure deworming medicines only if that is their priority, or to they may buy both deworming medicines and soap per beneficiary.
4. The target number of beneficiaries per region is based on 30-40% of SBFP 2024 identified target. For details, please refer to Annex 1.
5. The total financial allocation is Eight Million Nine Hundred Fifty-seven Thousand Three Hundred Eighty Pesos (Php8,957,380.00). The ROs/SDOs may provide additional funds for this purpose using their Program Support Funds (PSF).

III. Implementation of Gulayan sa Paaralan (GPP) and Integrated School Nutrition Model and RO (Regional Office) PSF (Charge against LSP 2024 Continuing Funds)

A. Gulayan sa Paaralan (GPP)

Gulayan sa Paaralan (GPP) that aims to promote production of food that are rich in protein, carbohydrates, vitamin A, and iron as major components in school feeding. It covers the creation of vegetable gardens, vegetable and tree nurseries, tree planting, propagation of medicinal plants, composting, school landscape aesthetic vegetable development, crop museum, and related livelihood activities.

1. DM NO. 223, s. 2016 titled "Strengthening the Implementation of the *Gulayan sa Paaralan* Program in Public Elementary and Secondary Schools Nationwide" shall be used as reference in the disbursement of funds.
2. The RO PSF in the amount of One Hundred Five Thousand Pesos (Php105,000.00) shall be used in the conduct of orientation activities and conferences for updating of program directions.
3. The RO shall download an amount of Sixty Thousand Pesos (Php60,000.00) per SDO for the eligible activities enumerated in DM No. 223, s. 2016.

B. Integrated School Nutrition Model (ISNM)

The established network of Lighthouse Schools adapted the ISNM and school-based Crop Museums that serve as repositories of traditional and indigenous vegetables.

The Crop Museums, located within the network of the Lighthouse Schools, serve as seed banks fostering the multiplication and exchange of crop types and varieties across schools and with local communities to promote food diversity for food and nutrition of schoolchildren, and resilience of school gardens mitigating effects of climate change.

Lighthouse Schools serve as learning hubs for other schools to learn about ISNM. They implement the integrated model of regular school feeding program with a well sustained bio-intensive garden, and school-based nutrition education activities.

For SY 2024-2025, the established lighthouse schools will be provided with Twenty Thousand Pesos (Php20,000.00) program support funds to be used for the following activities. Attached as (Annex 2) is the list of the Lighthouse Schools for ready reference.

1. Purchase of garden inputs for the improvement/maintenance of crop museum and nurseries of indigenous vegetables.
2. Putting-up of signage that the school is an ISNM Lighthouse for advocacy purposes.
3. Development of information materials such as leaflets and videos for advocacy activities.
4. Reproduction of appropriate nutrition education materials.
6. Conduct of advocacy activities on the integration of bio-intensive gardens, school feeding, and nutrition education.
7. Implementation of ISNM related activities as deemed necessary.

The Lighthouse Schools shall prepare an Accomplishment Report (Annex 3) to be submitted on or before December 31, 2024, through email address sbfp@deped.gov.ph.

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For immediate and appropriate action.