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REGIONAL MEMORANDUM

No. **206**, s. 2020

CONVERSION OF MINAROG ELEMENTARY SCHOOL TO MINAROG INTEGRATED SCHOOL, BARANGAY MINAROG, PARANAS, SAMAR

To: Schools Division Superintendents
Regional Office Division Chiefs
Public Elementary and Secondary School Heads
All Others Concerned

1. This Department of Education, Regional Office No. VIII announces that the request for **Conversion of Minarog Elementary School to Minarog Integrated School**, Barangay Minarog, Paranas, Samar was approved by this Regional Office on February 27, 2020 through administrative fiat pursuant to its expressed authority under Section 5 (B/13) of Chapter 1 of RA No. 9155 (The Governance of Basic Education Act of 2001), after full satisfactory compliance with the requirements prescribed by existing guidelines and policies of the Department.
2. The **Schools Division Superintendent** of the **Division of Samar** is hereby directed to consider this school in the budget preparation for its eventual inclusion in the immediately succeeding General Appropriations Act (GAA).
3. Immediate dissemination of and compliance with this Memorandum are desired.


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Enclosures: None
References: DepEd Order No. 40,s. 2014
DepEd Order No. 71,s. 2003
DepEd Order No. 91,s. 1999
DepEd Order No. 05,s. 1989

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FOR : **REGIONAL DIRECTOR**

DATE : **February 26, 2020**

TITLE : **EVALUATION & RECOMMENDATION FOR THE CONVERSION OF MINAROG ELEMENTARY SCHOOL TO MINAROG INTEGRATED SCHOOL, BARANGAY MINAROG, PARANAS, SAMAR**

BACKGROUND

Barangay Minarog is one of the interior barangays of the Municipality of Paranas, Samar, strategically situated as the catchment area of other barangays namely, Bagsa, Cawayan, Mangcal and Salay. Farming and coconut industry are the primary sources of living by most of the barangay folks. The said barangay can be reach through habal-habal and any four-wheel vehicles as means of transportation. The nearest secondary school is situated 4 to 8 kms away from the barangay and its catchment areas. Considering the distance, it really entails additional expenses and looking into the life of the families living in the barangay of Minarog and its neighboring communities, sustainability of learners to finish secondary education is of great challenge. Somehow, school-aged learners ages 12-17 have possibilities to be school leavers or eventually drop-out. These scenarios impelled parents and other stakeholders to have a secondary school to be open in barangay Minarog.

The said barangay has an existing complete elementary school named Minarog Elementary School with a land area of 10,000 sq.m. The Grade 6 completers of the said school need to continue their secondary education in the nearest high school which is more than 5 kms away. Parents must spend around One Hundred Fifty Pesos (PhP 150.00) a day for the cost of a round trip fare including the food and other allowances which could hardly be sustained by them especially those who have only limited income. As a result, high percentage of students' absenteeism and dropouts became a burden to the parents and the school.



Moreover, due to financial constraints, only limited number of Grade 6 graduates from the above-mentioned elementary school and its nearby elementary schools have a chance to continue studies in the secondary education.

In view therefore, parents and municipal officials supported by the Local Chief Executive of the Municipality of Paranas, Samar, with the Barangay Officials of Minarog and its neighboring barangays, namely: Bagsa, Cawayan, Mangcal and Salay expressed their full support for the request of the conversion of Minarog ES to an Integrated School with the hope that financial burden among parents may be lessen and high participation rate may be assured. The Grade 6 graduates coming from the nearby elementary schools of the said barangays will also be greatly benefited.

Moreover, the Schools Division Superintendent of Samar Division intensely expressed her support to the proposed conversion of school initiated by the concerned parents and local officials to ensure that all school-aged children in the community will have access to basic education and possibly lessen the financial burden of parents in sending their children to school. Thus, conversion of Minarog Elementary School to Minarog Integrated School in Barangay MInarog, Municipality of Paranas, Samar endorsed by the Division of Samar to the Regional Office is deemed necessary.

FINDINGS:

1. Minarog Elementary School has a total land area of 10,000 sq.m. which has enough buildable space for expansion to Junior High School and even for Senior High School. The school site is free from flooding and landslide based on the certification issued by the Mines and GeoSciences Bureau.

2. The LGU, through the Office of the Municipal Mayor expressed her full support for the needs and maintenance of the school as stated in the Certification issued and signed by the Hon. Atty. Eunice U. Babalcon, dated August 19, 2019 and supported by the Sangguniang Bayan Members of Paranas through a Resolution No. 22 s. 2019 dated August 13, 2019 with the same intention.

3. The officials of barangay Minarog, Bagsa, Cawayan, Mangcal and Salay in the Municipality of Paranas executed a joint Resolution No. 01, s. 2020 dated January 15, 2020 expressing their full support for the conversion of Minarog ES to an integrated school, which is located in barangay Minarog, Paranas, Samar.

4. The barangay officials of Minarog, Bagsa, Cawayan, Mangcal, Salay and the assigned District Supervisor together with the Division Engineer and Education Program Supervisor for Physical Facilities present during the consultative meeting conducted by the DepEd Regional Inspectorate Team also expressed their willingness and full support for the conversion of the school during the Focused Group Discussion (FGD).

5. Minarog ES has an existing two(2) vacant classrooms that can accommodate Grades 7 and 8 learners.

6. The excess learning materials and school furniture from the nearby schools in the District will also be given to the proposed Minarog Integrated School as per commitment expressed by the assigned District Supervisor.

7. The proposed school will receive support from the Local Government of Paranas while the inclusion of the school in the GAA of DepEd is on process.

8. Schools Division Office of Samar through its assigned District Supervisor extended support as to the provision of technical assistance for the school management, supervision and other needs especially to teachers.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

In view of the foregoing evaluation and findings, the evaluators respectfully recommend that:

1. Minarog Elementary School shall be converted to an integrated school and shall be named **MINAROG INTEGRATED SCHOOL** and is authorized to operate effective School Year 2020 – 2021 onwards.

2. The school shall implement K to 12 Basic Education Curriculum.

3. School operation shall be on a gradual basis. Thus, Curriculum Grades to be offered upon opening of classes for School Year 2020-2021 shall only be Grades 7 and 8 which may progress to the next grade levels in the succeeding years.

4. The school head of Minarog Elementary School with the assistance of the District Supervisor and the Municipal Engineer shall revisit and redesign the school development plan for use of available buildable spaces in the site in preparation for the construction of buildings for the Junior High School.

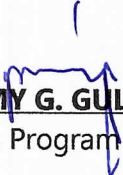
5. The LGU, both the Barangay and Municipal levels, and the parents shall provide financial support to the school until such time that operations will be covered by the DepEd Budget.

6. The School Head of Minarog Elementary School will manage the integrated school provided that the qualification standards shall be satisfied.


7. The Schools Division Superintendent shall provide teachers trained on the K to 12 Curriculum and consider additional regular teachers to this school to complete the number of teachers required to operate the integrated school.

8. The Schools Division Superintendent likewise shall provide school buildings, chairs, textbooks, and other resources to the school.


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