



Republic of the Philippines
Department of Education
 REGION VIII - EASTERN VISAYAS

November 18, 2021

REGIONAL MEMORANDUM

No. **003709**, s. 2021

PHILIPPINE BLIND UNION (PBU) PHONE PROJECT FOR GRADES 7-12 LEARNERS WITH VISUAL IMPAIRMENT

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

- Attached is DM-CI-2021-536 dated November 15, 2021 from the Office of the Undersecretary for Curriculum and Instruction, requesting the field to assist the Philippine Blind Union (PBU) to disseminate information on its phone project for Grades 7-12 Learners with Visual Impairment and help qualified recipients avail of the same through the proper accomplishment of the online application which can be accessed at <https://forms.gle/Sv1sWVZENWG7qVSv9>.
- The said project aims to prioritize senior and junior high school learners who are totally blind or with severe low vision, screen reader dependent, poor/indigent, and have no devices at present which they can use for remote learning or online classes.
- For details and clarification, refer to the attached Memorandum.
- Immediate dissemination of and compliance with this Memorandum are desired.

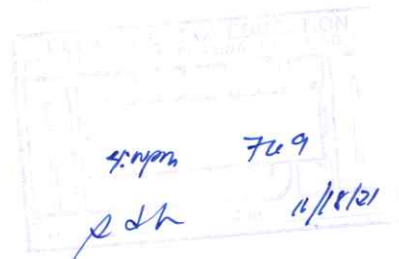

EVELYN R. FETALVERO, CESO IV
 Regional Director

Enclosure: None
 Reference: As stated

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

BLIND/LOW VISION PROJECT SPED

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FOR : **REGIONAL DIRECTORS
MINISTER OF BASIC, HIGHER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION,
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SCHOOLS DIVISION SUPERINTENDENTS**

FROM : **DIOSDADO M. SAN ANTONIO**
Undersecretary

SUBJECT : **ASSISTANCE TO THE PHILIPPINE BLIND UNION (PBU)
REGARDING THE PHONE PROJECT FOR GRADES 7-12
LEARNERS WITH VISUAL IMPAIRMENT**

DATE : **November 15, 2021**

The Department of Education through the Bureau of Learning Delivery-Student Inclusion Division (BLD-SID) hereby endorses the request for assistance of the Philippine Blind Union (PBU) regarding the "Phone Project for Grades 7-12 Learners with Visual Impairment".

The project seeks to provide qualified learners with visual impairment with basic mobile phone that can be used to download or convert instructional materials into audio or other accessible formats. The package includes a basic mobile phone with prepaid SIM, initial internet load, and a one-year free subscription to Bookshare where learners can download e-books needed or useful for their education.

In view of the foregoing, the teachers and school officials are requested to inform and assist our learners with visual impairment currently enrolled in Grades 7-12 regarding this project. The PBU will select learners that fit the criteria given the limited allocation per grade level and per region. Priority will be given to poor/indigent learners with visual impairment in higher grade level. Interested learners with visual impairment may fill out the online application form through the following link: <https://forms.gle/Sv1sWVZENWG7qVSv9>.

For inquiries and/or clarification, please contact the Bureau of Learning Delivery-Student Inclusion Division, Department of Education Central Office, Meralco Avenue, Pasig City through email at bld.sid@deped.gov.ph.

For reference and appropriate action.