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 REGION VIII - EASTERN VISAYAS

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**REGIONAL MEMORANDUM**

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**ONLINE ORIENTATION FOR TEACHERS OF THE BLIND ON THE USE OF BRAILLE  
 READING MODULES**

To: Schools Division Superintendents  
 - Division of Maasin City  
 - Division of Southern Leyte  
 All Others Concerned

- Attached is a letter from Dr. Yolanda Quijano, Chief of Party, Gabay Project, requesting the identified teachers of the blind from the Schools Divisions of Maasin City and Southern Leyte to attend a one-day **Online Orientation for Teachers of the Blind on the Use of Braille Reading Modules** on April 1, 2023 via Zoom.
- The concerned teachers who are attending this activity shall be given access to the virtual link thru the Division SPED Supervisors and shall be eligible to earn the equivalent service credit per DepEd Order No. 053, series of 2003 which grants the same as a result of participation to activities during holidays or weekends.
- Moreover, the said teachers are tasked to submit an action plan as an output of the orientation. The said output shall be sent to the Regional Office thru email (clmd.region8@deped.gov.ph) a week after the conduct of the activity.
- The Schools Division Superintendents of the said Divisions shall ensure the full participation of the identified teachers.
- Immediate dissemination of and compliance with this Memorandum are desired.

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**EVELYN R. FETALVERO, CESO III**  
 Regional Director

Enclosures: Gabay Project Letter  
 References: As stated  
 To be indicated in the Perpetual Index under the following subjects:  
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### **Subject: ONLINE ORIENTATION OF TEACHERS OF THE BLIND ON THE USE OF THE BRAILLE READING MODULES MANUAL**

Dear **Director Fetalvero**,

Warmest greetings from Resources for the Blind, Inc. (RBI)! We are deeply appreciative of the continued support that the Region and the Divisions of Maasin City and Southern Leyte have been extending us.

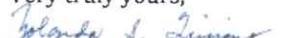
Gabay has finalized the Braille Reading Assessment which is the tool to be utilized as Pre and Post-test to determine the impact of Gabay interventions on the Braille reading performance in Filipino and English of kinder, grades 1 to 3 blind students enrolled in Gabay pilot schools in the three project sites for SY 2022-2023. Last September 2022, Gabay conducted the Braille Reading Assessment – Pretest in its project sites. Based on the results of the pretest, Gabay assessors and consultants identified the need for both teachers and students to increase their Braille proficiency.

In this regard, we are pleased to inform you that Gabay will be conducting a one-day **Online Orientation for Teachers of the Blind on the Use of the Braille Reading Modules Manual**. The orientation will be held on **April 1, 2023 via ZOOM Platform**. This is part of the intervention strategies to improve the Braille reading performance of students who are blind and aims to provide detailed discussions on the use of Braille reading modules in Filipino and English. Hence, we are inviting the **teachers of children with Visual Impairment** to participate in this online activity. Attached in **Annex 1** is the list of participants per division for your reference. Like our previous trainings, Gabay will shoulder the expenses related to communication (data and internet load), as well as meals during the training orientation.

Ms. Fatima Ria Publico, Project Field Coordinator will be following up on this request at your Office. However, if you need further details, your Secretary can reach out to her via email [publicofatima@gmail.com](mailto:publicofatima@gmail.com), landline (02) 8726-3021 to 24, or mobile phone at 09254839936. The Zoom link, ID, and passcode of the event shall be forwarded once ready.

As always, we thank you very much for your genuine support to Gabay activities. More blessings to all of you!

Very truly yours,

  
**DR. YOLANDA S. QUIJANO**  
Chief of Party, Gabay

Annex 1

**Orientation for Teachers of the Blind on the Use of Braille Reading Modules Manual**

**Target List of Participants**

Division of Maasin City

| No. | SCHOOL                  | Name of Teacher of the students who are Blind |
|-----|-------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|
| 1   | Maasin City SPED Center | Ms. Eden Maamo                                |

Division of Southern Leyte Province

| No. | SCHOOL                             | Name of Teacher of the students who are Blind |
|-----|------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|
| 1   | San Juan Central Elementary School | Ms. Sheila Rabi                               |
| 2   | Macrohon District SPED Center      | Ms. Arlene Canta                              |
| 3   | Malitbog Central School            | Ms. Christine Jayma                           |
| 4   | Hinunangan East Central School     | Ms. Paulita Teatro                            |
| 5   | Anahawan Central School            | Ms. Annie Largadas                            |
| 6.  | Sogod Central School               | Ms. Gina Acuzar                               |