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REGIONAL MEMORANDUM

No. **287**, s. 2023

**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 which falls on a weekend shall be eligible to earn the equivalent service credit per DepEd Order No. 053, series of 2003.
- The said teachers are requested to coordinate with their Division SPED Supervisors for access to the online link and required to submit a report about the orientation which 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 concerned Divisions shall ensure the full participation of the identified teachers.
- Immediate dissemination of and compliance with this Memorandum are desired.

for *Y. Quijano*
EVELYN R. FETALVERO, CESO III
Regional Director *a*

Enclosures: Gabay Project Letter
References: As stated
To be indicated in the Perpetual Index under the following subjects:
BRAILLE GABAY PROJECT ONLINE ORIENTATION

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Subject: ONLINE ORIENTATION OF TEACHERS OF THE BLIND ON THE USE OF THE BRAILLE READING MODULES MANUAL

Dear **Director Sadsad**,

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, 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,
Yolanda S. Quijano
DR. YOLANDA S. QUIJANO
Chief of Party, Gabay

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3/28/23

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 Sorsogon 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