



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

May 30, 2023

REGIONAL MEMORANDUM

No. **521** s.2023

**REQUEST FOR INPUTS ON THE GAPS AND CHALLENGES
ENCOUNTERED IN THE IMPLEMENTATION OF
DEPED ORDER NO. 53, S. 2023**

To: Schools Division Superintendents
Division DRRM Coordinators
All Others Concerned

1. Attached is Memorandum No. DRRMS-05-26-2023-0004 from Atty. Christian E. Rivero, Director IV of Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Service (DRRMS) dated May 26, 2023, requesting for Regional and Division DRRM Coordinators to input the gaps and challenges encountered in the implementation of the DepEd Order (DO) No. 53, s. 2023.
2. The inputs shall focus on the areas of Awareness and Understanding, Resources and Facilities, Coordination and Collaboration, Compliance Monitoring and Evaluation, and Documentation and Reporting. The template to input the gaps and challenges encountered in the implementation of the DO No. 53, s. 2023 is indicated in Annex A attached to this communication.
3. Relative to this, the Regional Office, through the Education Support Services Division (ESSD), seeks that the division-level inputs shall be submitted by the Division DRRM Coordinators on or before May 31, 2023, through the Regional DRRM Coordinator at tedjuan.peleno@deped.gov.ph.
4. The inputs will be used as a tool to identify and address the gaps and challenges in the implementation of the above-mentioned DO and help to facilitate a comprehensive assessment of the current situation on its implementation.
5. Immediate dissemination of and compliance with this Memorandum are desired.



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Enclosures: As stated
References: As stated

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

GAPS AND CHALLENGES DO 53, S. 2023 IMPLEMENTATION
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MEMORANDUM

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FOR : MINISTER OF BASIC, HIGHER, AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION,
BARM
ALL REGIONAL DIRECTORS
ALL SCHOOLS DIVISION SUPERINTENDENTS
ALL REGIONAL AND DIVISION DRRM COORDINATORS

FROM :  **ATTY. CHRISTIAN E. RIVERO, EdD**
Director IV, Disaster Risk Reduction & Management Service (DRRMS)

SUBJECT : REQUEST FOR INPUTS ON THE GAPS AND CHALLENGES
ENCOUNTERED IN THE IMPLEMENTATION OF
DEPED ORDER NO. 53 S. 2022

DATE : 26 MAY 2023

In relation to the implementation of the DepEd Order (DO) No. 53, s. 2022 titled *Mandatory Unannounced Earthquake and Fire Drills in Schools*, and as agreed during the DO 53, s. 2022 reorientation held last 16 May 2023, the Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Service (DRRMS), **requests for inputs on the gaps and challenges encountered in the implementation of the DO on the following areas:**

1. Awareness and Understanding

- Feedback on the level of awareness and understanding among regional offices, division offices, and schools, regarding the provisions of DO 53 s. 2022.
- Specific areas that require further clarification.
- Highlight any challenges in disseminating information and promoting awareness of the DO.

2. Resources and Facilities

- Difficulties encountered by the offices and schools in conducting effective unannounced earthquake and fire drills due to inadequate resources and facilities. Provide specific examples and suggest possible solutions to address these challenges.

3. Coordination and Collaboration

- Observations and experiences regarding the coordination and collaboration among regional and/or division office personnel, school personnel, Local Government Units (LGUs), and other relevant stakeholders in implementing unannounced drills.

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- b. Challenges in establishing partnerships with stakeholders or securing their active participation in the drills. Provide details and propose strategies to enhance coordination and collaboration efforts.

4. Compliance Monitoring and Evaluation

- a. Insights into the monitoring and evaluation of schools' compliance with the DO 53 s. 2022.
- b. Difficulties encountered in monitoring and evaluating schools' adherence to the DO.
- c. Specific challenges related to monitoring and evaluation. Share observations and suggest recommendations for improving compliance monitoring and evaluation processes.

5. Documentation and Reporting

- a. Share any observations or concerns regarding the documentation and reporting of earthquake and fire drills. Propose measures to enhance documentation and reporting procedures.

With this, the DRRMS requests inputs from the Regional and Division DRRM Coordinators using the attached template in **Annex A**. All inputs from the division-level shall be submitted to the Regional DRRM Coordinators **on or before 31 May 2023** for consolidation into a regional-level inputs. The regional-level consolidated inputs shall be submitted by the Regional DRRM Coordinators into a single document using the same template, to the DRRMS through drmo@deped.gov.ph **not later than 02 June 2023**.

The consolidated inputs will be instrumental in identifying and addressing the gaps and challenges in the implementation of the DO and help facilitate a comprehensive assessment of the current situation on its implementation. This will also contribute to the formulation of a policy proposal or amendments to support and/or enhance the existing DO for appropriate strategies and initiatives in strengthening the preparedness and response measures in schools.

Should you have questions and clarifications, please contact your respective DRRMS Area of Responsibility (AoR) Lead assigned to your regions.

For immediate and appropriate action.

ANNEX A. Template for the Inputs on the Gaps and Challenges Encountered in the Implementation of DepEd Order No. 53 S. 2022

Areas		Inputs
1. Awareness and Understanding		
a.	Feedback on the level of awareness and understanding among regional offices, division offices, and schools, regarding the provisions of DO 53 s. 2022.	
b.	Specific areas that require further clarification.	
c.	Highlight any challenges in disseminating information and promoting awareness of the DO.	
2. Resources and Facilities		
a.	Difficulties encountered by the offices and schools in conducting effective unannounced earthquake and fire drills due to inadequate resources and facilities. Provide specific examples and suggest possible solutions to address these challenges.	
3. Coordination and Collaboration		
a.	Observations and experiences regarding the coordination and collaboration among regional and/or division office personnel, school personnel, Local Government Units (LGUs), and other relevant stakeholders in implementing unannounced drills.	
b.	Challenges in establishing partnerships with stakeholders or securing their active participation in the drills. Provide details and propose strategies to enhance coordination and collaboration efforts.	
4. Compliance Monitoring and Evaluation		
a.	Insights into the monitoring and evaluation of	

	schools' compliance with the DO 53 s. 2022.	
b.	Difficulties encountered in monitoring and evaluating schools' adherence to the DO.	
c.	Specific challenges related to monitoring and evaluation. Share observations and suggest recommendations for improving compliance monitoring and evaluation processes.	
5. Documentation and Reporting		
a.	Share any observations or concerns regarding the documentation and reporting of earthquake and fire drills. Propose measures to enhance documentation and reporting procedures.	
6. Other areas not pre-identified above		