



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

September 15, 2023

REGIONAL MEMORANDUM

No. **980** s. 2023

**GUIDELINES ON THE UTILIZATION OF DOWNLOADED PROGRAM
SUPPORT FUNDS FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE
INTEGRATED SCHOOL NUTRITION MODEL (ISNM)**

To: Schools Division Superintendents
Division ISNM Coordinators
School ISNM Coordinators
All Others Concerned

- Attached is a Memorandum OUOPS No. 2023-03 from Atty. Revsee A. Escobedo, Undersecretary for Operations and Dr. Dexter A. Galban, Assistant Secretary for Operations entitled Guidelines on the Utilization of Downloaded Program Support Funds for the Implementation of the Integrated School Nutrition Model (ISNM).
- This Office, through the Education Support Services Division – School Health and Nutrition Unit (ESSD-SHNU) downloaded the amount of Thirteen Thousand Forty-Nine Pesos (Php 13,049.00) to the thirteen (13) Schools Division Offices (SDOs) for further downloading to the respective Lighthouse Schools.
- The Lighthouse Schools shall prepare an Accomplishment Report (Annex 1) to be submitted on or before December 31, 2023, through email address nutrition.support@deped.gov.ph cc schoolhealth.region8@deped.gov.ph
- Immediate dissemination of and strict compliance with this Memorandum are desired.

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Regional Director *ff*

Enclosures: OUOPS No. 2023-03

References: None

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

GUIDELINES	ISNM	PROGRAMDX
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TO : **Regional Directors**
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FROM : 
Atty. REVSEE A. ESCOBEDO
Undersecretary for Operations


DR. DEXTER A. GALBAN
Assistant Secretary for Operations

SUBJECT : **Guidelines on the Utilization of Downloaded Program Support Funds for the Implementation of the Integrated School Nutrition Model (ISNM)**

DATE : July 17, 2023

The Department of Education (DepEd) through the Bureau of Learner Support Services - School Health Division (BLSS-SHD), adopted in 2018, the Integrated School Nutrition Model (ISNM). This integrated then the three (3) BLSS-SHD programs such as: **Gulayan sa Paaralan Program** which enhanced ecological gardening practices to improve productivity and sustainability; **School-Based Feeding Program (SBFP)** which uses Iron-fortified and indigenous vegetables from school gardens to feed undernourished Kinder to Grade 6 learners; and **Nutrition Education** which uses combination of learning strategies to promote the importance of nutrient-dense food, good eating habits, and increased consumption of fruits and vegetables to learners and parents.

For SY 2023-2024, the established lighthouse schools will be provided with program support funds to be used for the following activities, subject to the usual accounting and auditing rules and regulations:

1. Purchase of garden inputs for the improvement/maintenance of crop museum and nurseries of indigenous vegetables.
2. Putting-up of signage that the school is an ISNM Lighthouse for advocacy purposes.
3. Development of information materials such as leaflets and videos for advocacy activities.

4. Reproduction of appropriate nutrition education materials.
5. Conduct of advocacy activities on the integration of bio-intensive gardens, school feeding, and nutrition education.
6. Implementation of ISNM related activities as deemed necessary.

The Lighthouse Schools shall prepare an Accomplishment Report (Annex 1) to be submitted on or before December 31, 2023, through email address nutrition.support@deped.gov.ph.

For immediate and appropriate action.

Annex I

**Integrated School Nutrition Model (ISNM) Accomplishment Report
for the Utilisation on the 2023 Downloaded Funds**

Region/Division	
Amount Downloaded	
Advocacy activities conducted on the integration of bio-intensive gardens, school feeding, and nutrition education	
Activity	Date/Time/Venue
Did you reproduce or reprint any nutrition education materials? Yes ____ No ____ If Yes, what kind of nutrition education materials? (e.g. pamphlet, booklet, posters etc.) _____ _____ If No, state Why _____ _____	
Did you procure garden tools for the improvement/maintenance of vegetable gardens? Yes ____ No ____ If yes, state garden tools procured _____ _____ If No, state Why _____ _____	
Have you planted indigenous vegetables? Yes ____ No ____ If Yes, what are those indigenous vegetables, please state _____ _____ If No, state Why _____ _____	
Problems/issues encountered	Recommendations Made
1.	
2.	
3.	
Best practices	
1.	
2.	
3.	
Prepared by: _____ Name & Item Position (state designation if any)	Approved: _____ Head of Office

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