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**35<sup>th</sup> NATIONAL MATHEMATICAL CHALLENGE (MATHEMATCH)**

Attached is an invitation letter from Ernesto M. Granada, Regional Director, Department of Science and Technology (DOST), informing the field on the conduct of 35<sup>th</sup> Mathematical Sciences Week on October 14-21, 2023, at the University of the Philippines Los Baños, Los Baños, Laguna.

For further details and information, refer to the attached letter.

Participation of both public and private schools shall be subject to the *no-disruption-of-classes policy* stipulated in DepEd Order No. 9, s. 2005 entitled *Instituting Measures to Increase Engaged Time-on-Task and Ensuring Compliance Therewith*.

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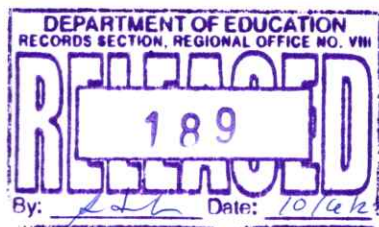
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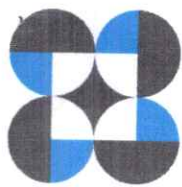
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Considering that this is an Advisory, the Schools Division Superintendents are given the discretion to act on this matter.

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Dear Dr. Fetalvero:

Greetings!

At the outset, the Department of Science and Technology Regional Office VIII (DOST VIII) wishes to express its deep appreciation to the Department of Education Regional Office VIII (DepEd VIII) for its continuous strong commitment to level up the development of Science, Technology, and Innovation (STI) career in the region by collaborating with us through our elementary and high school student-based activities.

We are happy to inform you that the **University of the Philippines Los Baños Mathematical Sciences Society (UPLB MASS)**, will be conducting its **35<sup>th</sup> Mathematical Sciences Week on October 14-21, 2023**, with the theme, **"AI Captain! Exploring the Vast Expanse of Artificial Intelligence."**

Along with the celebration is the conduct of various scholastic activities. Specifically, they will be conducting their: **(1) 35<sup>th</sup> National Mathematical Challenge (MATHEMATCH)**; **(2) Poster Making Competition**, and; **(3) Teacher's Seminar**. The **MATHEMATCH** is a 3-member team quiz contest open to all Junior and Senior High School and Senior High School students nationwide. Moreover, the **Poster Making Competition** is an art competition open to all Junior and Senior High School students nationwide that will showcase and test their creativity by integrating the underlying mathematical science concepts related to this year's theme. Lastly, the **Teacher's Seminar** will be conducted for the coaches/teachers of the participating students in the **35<sup>th</sup> National Mathematical Challenge (MATHEMATCH)** and the Poster Making Competition.

We believe that the above-mentioned activities are nurturing and beneficial for both our students and teachers from Region VIII. In this regard, we request your assistance in endorsing the said activity to the 13 Schools Division Offices in DepEd Region VIII.

We are grateful for your unwavering support in promoting activities that strengthen the pillars of science and technology in the region and the country in general. With this, we look forward to your positive response on this matter.

For further inquiries, you may contact the UPLB MASS through their email at [uplbmass1973@gmail.com](mailto:uplbmass1973@gmail.com) or contact **Ms. Criszelle E. Castillo**, Vice President of the Scholastics Division at [cecastillo2@up.edu.ph](mailto:cecastillo2@up.edu.ph) or **Mr. Jhanel Joshua G. Orpia**, President at [jgorpia@up.edu.ph](mailto:jgorpia@up.edu.ph).

Thank you!

Very truly yours,

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