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April 15, 2024

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Subject: Gabay Activities in the Months of April and May 2024:

- 1.) Endline Evaluation: Early Grade Reading Assessment (EGRA) for Deaf Children, and Braille Reading Assessment to Blind Learners, Classroom Observations, and Interviews on April 29, 2024 until May 03, 2024 in the **Divisions of Maasin City and Southern Leyte**
 - 1.1) Invitation for Ms. Mary Jane Gabucan, Teacher of the Deaf at Ormoc SPED Center, **Division of Ormoc City**, to participate as an Enumerator, with training on April 22-24, 2024, and data collection scheduled for April 29-May 03, 2024.
- 2.) Monitoring and Technical Assistance at selected schools in the **Tanauan Districts, Divisions of Leyte** on May 6-9, 2024, and Community Screening for Children with Eye and Ear problem in **Tanauan III District** on May 10, 2024
- 3.) Turnover and Orientation of Equipment and Sensory Tools in Tanauan II Central School, **Division of Leyte** on May 13, 2024
- 4.) Training for School Heads and Supervisors on Quality Indicators of Programs for Children with Sensorial Disabilities, May 15-17, 2024, targeted at selected schools in the **Divisions of Maasin City and Southern Leyte**

Dear **Dr. Fetalvero**,

Easter greetings of renewed faith, hope and endless possibilities of improved performance among learners in this last quarter of the school year!

Thank you once again for your invaluable support of the Gabay activities in the existing sites of the Divisions of Maasin City and Southern Leyte, and to the additional site, Tanauan Districts of the Division of Leyte.

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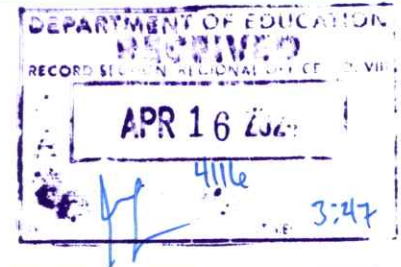
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Cognizant of the recent amendment to the DepEd calendar, which now schedules the end of classes in the last week of May 2024, we would like to seek permission for the successful execution of the final field activities tailored for both teachers' and students' performance. Below, you will have detailed information regarding the dates, target participants, and additional details of the activities:

| Date                                     | Name of Activity & Venue                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | Target Participants                                                                                                                            | Additional Details                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
|------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>April 22, 2024 until May 03, 2024</b> | <b>1. Endline Evaluation of Extended Interventions: Early Grade Reading Assessment (EGRA) for Deaf Children, and Braille Reading Assessment to Blind Learners, Classroom Observations, and Interviews on April 29, 2024 until May 03, 2024 in the Divisions of Maasin City and Southern Leyte</b> | <b>Refresher Training of Enumerators (April 22-24, 2024)</b><br><b>Venue: 2FLR. Gabay Training Room, Coti Bldg. 623 EDSA Cubao Quezon City</b> | Ms. Gabucan's prior participation in the EGRA baseline (March 2020) and the first endline in April 2023 underscores her valuable experience and expertise, making her involvement crucial for the success of this assessment. Following the training, she will be accompanying the team in field administration in the selected schools of the Divisions of Maasin City and Southern Leyte from April 29, 2024, to May 3, 2024 (4 days). Gabay will handle all expenses related to her travel, meals, and hotel accommodation. |
|                                          |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | Courtesy Visits (April 29, 2024)                                                                                                               | Offices of the Divisions of Maasin City and Southern Leyte                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
|                                          | <a href="#">(see Annex 1 for Proposed Itineraries and list of schools and number of learners.)</a>                                                                                                                                                                                                | Reading Assessments for Deaf and Blind Learners<br><br>(April 29-May 3, 2024)                                                                  | All enrolled deaf and blind learners from Non-graded, Kinder, Grades 1-4 in the selected schools in the Divisions of Maasin City and Southern Leyte                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
|                                          |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | Classroom Observations (one per school)                                                                                                        | SNEd teachers of the Deaf from the school where the EGRA will be conducted.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
|                                          |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | Interview teachers of the deaf and blind from Non-                                                                                             | SNEd Teachers of the Deaf and Blind                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |

| Date                           | Name of Activity & Venue                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |                           | Target Participants                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | Additional Details                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
|                                |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | Graded, Kinder to Grade 3 |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| May 6-9, 2024, Mon-Thu         | Monitoring and Technical Assistance at selected schools in Tanauan Districts, Divisions of Leyte<br>(see Annex 2 for the Proposed Schedule and list of schools included)                                                                      |                           | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Selected schools with enrolled learners with disabilities within the Municipality of Tanauan</li> <li>We would like to invite <u>Mr. Dean Ric Endriano, EPS In Charge of SNEd in Region VIII</u> to accompany the team</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Consultant will conduct classroom observations, and provide Technical Assistance</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| May 10, 2024, Friday (8am-2pm) | Community Eye and Ear Screening in Tanauan III District<br><br>Venue: Salvador Elementary School, Tanauan, Leyte<br><br>(see Annex 2 for Proposed Schedule in Tanauan Districts, Leyte)                                                       |                           | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Children (0-18 years &amp; enrolled or not enrolled) with Eye and Ear problems</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                         | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Eye and ear specialists together with trained community health workers (CHWs) of Tanauan municipality will conduct the screening in support to physical wellness of students in the coming school year.</li> <li>Other nearby schools are welcome with parental permission.</li> </ul> |
| May 13, 2024, Monday           | Turnover and Orientation of Additional Equipment, Sensory Tools and Pictures Exchange Communication System (PECS) in Tanauan II Central School ILRC, Division of Leyte<br><br>(see Annex 2 for Proposed Schedule in Tanauan Districts, Leyte) |                           | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Teachers trained last January 22-23, 2024 Training in Utilization of Equipment in Tanauan II Central School</li> </ul>                                                                                                            | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>AM - Orientation on Sensory Tools &amp; PECS</li> <li>PM – Refresher Orientation of the Brand New Embosser with Duxbury Software</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                            |
| May 15-17, 2024, (Wed-Fri)     | Training for School Heads and Supervisors on Quality Indicators of Programs for Children with Sensorial Disabilities targeted at selected schools in the Divisions of Maasin City & Southern Leyte and                                        |                           | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>School Heads, Districts, and Divisions Supervisors of the Schools with programs for</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                    | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The purpose of this training is to enhance school leadership's understanding and implementation of quality indicators to</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                    |



| Date | Name of Activity & Venue                                                                                                                                      | Target Participants           | Additional Details                                                                                                      |
|------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
|      | Tanauan Districts I, II & III,<br>Division of Leyte<br><br>Venue: Kuting Reef Resort,<br>Macrohon So. Leyte<br><br><i>(see Annex 3 for a list of schools)</i> | children with<br>disabilities | better support<br>educational programs for<br>children with sensorial<br>and other disabilities in<br>selected schools. |

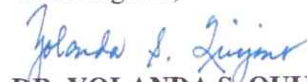
In the Endline Evaluation of Extended Interventions, the Team that will travel from school to school will be composed of non-Gabay Enumerators trained to administer the tools, Consultants, and Gabay staff. Annex 1 outlines the itineraries and the schools to visit per day. For this school activity, we kindly request a quiet area, preferably one conducive room for the test administration where students will be comfortable, with no teachers, parents, or school personnel present during the testing. The classroom observations and interviews will be conducted in the designated room of the teachers to be observed. Gabay will provide snacks/meals as a token of appreciation for each deaf and blind child participating in the test.

In the training for School Heads and Supervisors on Quality Indicators of Programs for Children with Sensorial Disabilities, Gabay will cover the travel, meal, and hotel accommodation expenses for the administrators and supervisors invited. The activity will commence at 1:30 pm for the 1<sup>st</sup> day (May 15) and end at 12nn on the third day (May 17). Gabay will arrange and cover hotel accommodations at Kuting Reef Resort, Macrohon Southern Leyte, if the participant wishes to stay at the hotel.

Ms. Fatima Ria Publico, Project Field Coordinator will contact your Secretary on this matter. But if you have urgent concerns, your Secretary can contact her thru email, [ria.gabay@blind.org.ph](mailto:ria.gabay@blind.org.ph), landline (02) 8726 3021 to 24 or mobile phone 0925-483-9936. May she also be allowed to follow up our requests with the four Schools Division Superintendents of Maasin City, Southern Leyte, Leyte, and Ormoc City.

Thank you again for the cooperation and support you and your other officials will be extending to us for these activities. Blessings to all of you!

Warm regards,



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Chief of Party, Gabay  
 Resources for the Blind, Inc.

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**Supt. Josilyn Solana, Southern Leyte Division**

**Supt. Mariza Magan, Leyte Division**

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**ANNEX 1**  
**PROPOSED ITINERARIES FOR MAASIN CITY AND**  
**SOUTHERN LEYTE**  
**April 29-May 3, 2024**

| Date                            | Time            | School/ Office             | Activities                                                                       | TARGET DEAF LEARNERS | TARGET BLIND LEARNERS | Teachers for Interview (Deaf & Blind) | Division       |
|---------------------------------|-----------------|----------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------------------|----------------|
| <b>April 29, 2024 (Monday)</b>  | AM (8am-9am)    | Division of Maasin City    | Courtesy Visits                                                                  |                      |                       |                                       |                |
|                                 | AM (9am-10am)   | Division of Southern Leyte | Courtesy Visits                                                                  |                      |                       |                                       |                |
|                                 | AM/PM (8am-5pm) | Macrohon Central School    | EGRA for the Deaf, & Interview Teacher of the Deaf, Classroom Observation        | 8                    |                       | Faelnar, Jesriel L.                   | Southern Leyte |
| <b>April 30, 2024 (Tuesday)</b> | AM (8am-12nn)   | Silago Central School      | EGRA for the Deaf, Classroom Observation, & Interview Teacher of the Deaf        | 3                    |                       | Tomol, Charlyn A.                     | Southern Leyte |
|                                 | AM/PM (8am-2pm) | San Juan Central School    | Braille Assessment & interview teacher of the blind                              |                      | 1                     | Shiela Rabi                           | Southern Leyte |
|                                 | AM/PM (8am-2pm) | Liloan Central School      | EGRA Deaf, Classroom Observation, & Interview Teacher of the Deaf                | 3                    |                       | Tube, Melissa A.                      | Southern Leyte |
| <b>May 02, 2024 (Thursday)</b>  | AM/PM (8am-4pm) | Maasin City SPED Center    | EGRA for the Deaf, Classroom Observation, & Interview of the teacher of the deaf | 13                   |                       | Montero, Melvin                       | Maasin City    |
| <b>May 03, 2024 (Friday)</b>    | AM/PM (8am-4pm) | Maasin City SPED Center    | EGRA for the Deaf                                                                | 10                   |                       |                                       |                |
|                                 |                 | <b>5 schools</b>           |                                                                                  | <b>37 Deaf</b>       | <b>1 Blind</b>        | <b>9 deaf + 1 blind</b>               |                |

Annex 2: Proposed Schedule for: (1.) Monitoring and Technical Assistance (M & TA) for Teachers Handling Children with Disabilities in Tanauan Districts I & II;  
 (2.) Community Eye and Ear Screening in Tanauan District III; and  
 (3.) Turnover and Orientation of Equipment and Sensory Tools in Tanauan II Central School,  
 Division of Leyte  
 May 6-10, 2024

| Date                    | Time     | Activities                                                                                                     |
|-------------------------|----------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| May 06, 2024, Monday    | 8am-2pm  | <b>Tanauan II ILRC Central School</b><br>School Visit for M & TA                                               |
| May 07, 2024, Tuesday   | 8am-2pm  | <b>Tanauan I Central School, Tanauan I</b><br>School Visit for M & TA                                          |
| May 08, 2024, Wednesday | 8am-12nn | <b>Amanluran Elementary School, Tanauan II District</b><br>School Visit for M & TA                             |
|                         | 1pm-5pm  | <b>Cogon Elementary School, Tanauan II District</b><br>School Visit for M & TA                                 |
| May 09, 2024, Thursday  | 8am-12nn | <b>Lapay Elementary School, Tanauan II District</b><br>• School Visit or M & TA                                |
|                         | 1pm-5pm  | <b>San Roque Elementary School, Tanauan II District</b><br>• School Visit for M & TA                           |
| May 10, 2024, Friday    | 8am-5pm  | <b>Screening of children with disabilities in the schools of Tanauan III District at Salvador Elem. School</b> |
| May 13, 2024, Monday    | 8am-5pm  | <b>Turnover and Orientation of Equipment and Sensory Tools in Tanauan II Central School, Division of Leyte</b> |



**Training for School Heads and District Supervisors on Quality Indicators of Programs  
for Children with Sensorial Disabilities  
Divisions of Maasin City and Southern Leyte, and Tanauan Districts I, II & III, Division of  
Leyte**

**May 15-17, 2024**

**Venue: Kuting Reef, Macrohon, So. Leyte**

| School/ Office                                 | Division                          | Nos. of Slots<br>School Heads and<br>District Supervisors |
|------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------|
| 1. Maasin City SPED Center                     | Maasin City                       | 2                                                         |
| 2. Mahayahay Elementary School,<br>Maasin City | Maasin City                       | 2                                                         |
| 3. Anahawan Central School                     | Southern Leyte                    | 2                                                         |
| 4. Bontoc Central School                       | Southern Leyte                    | 2                                                         |
| 5. Hinundayan Central School                   | Southern Leyte                    | 2                                                         |
| 6. Hingatunggan Elementary School              | Southern Leyte                    | 2                                                         |
| 7. Hinunangan East Central School              | Southern Leyte                    | 2                                                         |
| 8. Liloan Central School                       | Southern Leyte                    | 2                                                         |
| 9. Libagon Central School                      | Southern Leyte                    | 2                                                         |
| 10. Macrohon Central School                    | Southern Leyte                    | 2                                                         |
| 11. Malitbog Central School                    | Southern Leyte                    | 2                                                         |
| 12. Otikon Elementary School                   | Southern Leyte                    | 2                                                         |
| 13. Padre Burgos Central School                | Southern Leyte                    | 2                                                         |
| 14. Pintuyan Central School                    | Southern Leyte                    | 2                                                         |
| 15. San Francisco Central School               | Southern Leyte                    | 2                                                         |
| 16. San Juan Central School                    | Southern Leyte                    | 2                                                         |
| 17. San Ricardo Central School                 | Southern Leyte                    | 2                                                         |
| 18. Silago Central School                      | Southern Leyte                    | 2                                                         |
| 19. Sogod Central School                       | Southern Leyte                    | 2                                                         |
| 20. St. Bernard Central School                 | Southern Leyte                    | 2                                                         |
| 21. Tomas Oppus Central School                 | Southern Leyte                    | 2                                                         |
| 22. Lugsongan Elem. School, Limasawa           | Southern Leyte                    | 2                                                         |
| 23. Tanauan II Central School                  | Tanauan II District Leyte         | 2                                                         |
| 24. Tanauan I Central School                   | Tanauan I District Leyte          | 2                                                         |
| 25. Salvador Elementary School                 | Tanauan III District, Leyte       | 2                                                         |
| 26. Dr. Socorro B. Ausa                        | EPS-SNEd, Division of Leyte       | 1                                                         |
| 27. Dr. Charity Nogra                          | EPS-SNEd, Division of So. Leyte   | 1                                                         |
| 28. Ms. Bruna Epiz                             | EPS-SNEd, Division of Maasin City | 1                                                         |
| 29. Mr. Dean Ric Endriano                      | EPS-SNEd, Region VIII             | 1                                                         |
| <b>TOTAL OF EXPECTED PARTICIPANTS</b>          |                                   | <b>54</b>                                                 |