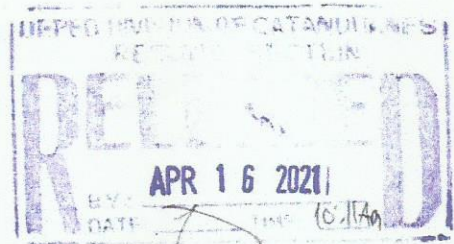




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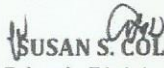
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DIVISION MEMORANDUM
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PREPAREDNESS MEASURES FOR SEVERE TROPICAL STORM BISING

To : Office of the ASDS
All Public Schools District Supervisors
All Public Elementary and Secondary School Heads
All Public Elementary and Secondary School DRRM Coordinators
All Others Concerned

1. The Philippine Atmospheric, Geophysical and Astronomical Services Administration (PAG-ASA) released an update that as of 06:20 AM today, April 16, 2021, STS "Bising" has already entered the Philippine Area of Responsibility (PAR).
2. With this, this office enjoins all Division Office personnel and all schools to observe Preparedness Measures for to ensure safety of all learners and personnel as well as safety of school properties, learning materials and vital school records from any possible occurrence of hazards to enable learners' continued access to education.
3. All staff of schools and offices are advised to do the following:
 - a. Ensure that school buildings can withstand heavy rain and strong winds. Anchor the facilities built at ground level with guy wires to strengthen the stability of the structure;
 - b. Ensure safekeeping of learning materials, teachers' manuals, vital records and equipment (laptops, computers, photocopiers, TVs, VCRs, among other machines) in a waterproof storage and keep it preferably on an elevated room to ensure protection from rain or flood;
 - c. Turn off and unplug electrical equipment and appliances before leaving the rooms/offices;
 - d. Prepare the classrooms for possible use as evacuation centers (last option) and ensure that the staff-in-charge of the keys are accessible;
 - e. All School DRRM coordinators and School Officials should maintain an open communication for any needed assistance;
 - f. Immediate coordination and reporting of any untoward incident should be observed to provide timely and necessary support.
4. For wide dissemination and compliance.


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