

Republic of the Philippines

Department of Education REGION V-BICOL

CHOOLS DIVISION OFFICE OF CATANDUANES

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DIVISION MEMORANDUM No. 44 s. 2025

To: Asst. Schools Division Superintendent
Chief Education Supervisors
Education Program Supervisors
Public Schools District Supervisors
Elementary and Secondary School Heads
School & District GAD Coordinators
All Others Concerned

2025 NATIONAL WOMEN'S MONTH CELEBRATION

- 1. This office disseminates to the field the Division Programs and Activities for the observance of the National Women's Month throughout March 2025, with the sub-theme: "Babae sa Lahat ng Sektor, Aangat ang Bukas sa Bagong Pilipinas". This is in accordance with Memorandum Circular No. 2025-01 issued by the Philippine Commission on Women regarding the 2025 National Women's Month Celebration and in line with the following legal provisions:
 - Proclamation No. 224 (1988) Declaring the first week of March each year as Women's Week;
 - Proclamation No. 227 (1988) Providing for the observance of March as Women's Role in History Month;
 - Republic Act No. 6949 (1990) Declaring March 8 of every year as National Women's Day
 - Proclamation No. 744 (2004) Designating the last Monday of March as Women with Disabilities Day;
 - Proclamation No. 759 (1996) Declaring every fourth week of March as the Protection and Gender-Fair Treatment of the Girl Child Week.
- 2. The objectives of the celebration are the following:
 - a. To increase awareness and advocacy for gender equality, promoting the recognition of girls and women's equal rights, power, and opportunities in offices, schools and in the community;
 - b.To mainstream the GAD PAPs in the Curriculum, Instruction, and Assessment;
 - c.To prevent the prevalent increase of sexual harassment, teen-age pregnancy and other forms of violence in schools, learning centers and in the community and;
 - d.To provide mental health support, psycho social support services to learners/employees and such as girl-child adolescent, sexual reproductive

- health services, and conduct youth development.
- 3. The Division launching activity/kick-off activity of the said celebration shall take place on March 3, 2025, during the flag raising ceremonies. Attached as enclosure A is the Program of Activities for reference and guidance.
- 4. Schools and districts may add programs and activities, provided they align with the mandated Gender and Development (GAD) programs, projects, and activities. Furthermore, school heads and GAD focal persons must submit a completion report on the GAD-related activities conducted in their respective schools/districts to the Division GAD Focal Coordinator, EPS Aroline T. Borja, at SGOD.
- 5. Expenses related to the GAD activities/celebration shall be charged to the MOOE (GAD Fund), subject to existing accounting and auditing rules and regulations.
- 6. For information, guidance, and compliance of all concerned.

By Authority of the OIC- Schools Division Superintendent:

OIC-Assistant Schools Division Superintendent
Officer In-Charge









PROGRAM OF ACTIVITIES March 1-31, 2025

Date	Activity	Venue	Participants
			All SDO Main
	#GADtoKnow	SDO	employes
March 1-31	Hanging of streamers	Schools Learning	Teaching
	Distribution of GAD EIC Materials	Centers	Non- Teaching learners
	NWMC-themed Flag Raising		
	Ceremony.		
March 3	It is strongly recommended that the All-Women Cast Lupang	SDO	All Employees,
March 10 March 17	Hinirang music video be featured	Schools,	Teaching & Non-
March 24	in NWMC events. The video can	Learning	Teaching Personnel
March 31	https://library.pcw.gov.ph/lupan	Centers	and Learners
	g-hinirang-all-women-cast/.		
	#PurpleWednesdays,		
	#PurpleYourIcon and #PurpleYourProfile	800	
March 5 March 12	Show your commitment to	SDO, Schools	All Employees,
March 19	women's empowerment and	Learning	Teaching & Non- Teaching Personnel
March 26	gender equality by wearing purple	Centers	and Learners
	every Wednesday throughout March.		
	Musika ng Kababaihan Fridays		
March 7	(#MNKFridays) - Tune into gender equality through melodies	SDO	All Employees,
March 14 March 21	and harmonyl Every Friday	Schools	Teaching & Non-
March 28	throughout March	Learning Centers	Teaching Personnel and Learners
	https://library.pcw.gov.ph/search/?q=musikjuana.	Centers	and Learners
	Serbisyo para kay Juana	SDO	All Employees,
March 8	A surprise award/recognition for women	Schools	Teaching & Non-
	Wolfield	Learning Centers	Teaching Personnel and Learners
	Girl Child Week and the Women		
	with Disabilities Day Celebration		
	Conduct sessions on the following		
March 24-28	topics:	SDO	All Employees,
	a. Provision of mental health and	Schools	Teaching & Non- Teaching Personnel
	psycho social support services to	Learning	and Learners
	learners such as girl-child adolescent, sexual reproductive	centers	Partner agencies
	health services, and conduct		
	youth development		

Date	Activity	Venue	Participants
March 3- 31	Conduct of Psycho- Social/Team Building Activities: "Sarung Aldaw Na Hayahay"	SDO Schools Learning centers	All Employees, Teaching & Non- Teaching Personnel and Learners
	A. Outreach Program (Women Deprived of Liberty)		
March 10-14	PAGHABI: (Natatanging Kwento ng Pinakadakilang Babae sa Buhay Ko)- Story Writing Competition for Elementary and High School Learners	Schools Learning centers Districts	Learners Teachers School Heads
March 17-19	"PORTRAIT OF MY LOVE" An Oil Painting Competition which depicts a woman's great love (for Secondary Schools only)	Schools Learning Centers	Learners Teachers School heads
	 District winners in the Paghabi will be submitted to SDO on March 13, 2025 from 8:00 a.m to 5:00 p.m. for Division judging and selection on March 14, 2025. All schools with entries in Oil 	SDO	SDO Personnel Board of Judges
	Painting will be submitted to SDO on March 20 from 8:00 am to 5:00 p.m. for judging and selection on March 20, 2025.		
March 28	 School/District/ Division Culminating Activity Closing Program and Awarding Ceremonies 	SDO Schools Learning Centers	All Employees, Teaching & Non- Teaching Personnel and Learners







