



Republic of the Philippines
Department of Education
REGION V - BICOL

SCHOOLS DIVISION OFFICE OF CATANDUANES

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DIVISION MEMORANDUM

DM NO. 177 S. 2023

REITERATION OF DepEd ORDER No. 37, s. 2022's, PROVISION ON THE CANCELLATION/SUSPENDING CLASSES DUE TO HIGH TEMPERATURE

To: Asst, Schools Division Superintendent
Chief Education Supervisors
Education Program Supervisors
Public Schools District Supervisors
Unit Heads
Public Elementary and Secondary School Heads
All Other Concerned

1. The average heat forecast for Catanduanes for the month of May is 31 degrees centigrade (Accuweather Virac, Catanduanes, 2023). The World Health Organization (2023) states:

Rapid rises in heat gain due to exposure to hotter than average conditions compromise the body's ability to regulate temperature and can result in a cascade of illnesses, including heat cramps, heat exhaustion, heatstroke, and hyperthermia.

Raymond of nasa.gov(2022) affirms this statement. He expressed that the highest wet bulb- temperature the humans can survive is 35 degrees centigrade.

2. With this foregoing, Schools heads are advised to monitor the heat index forecast for the day/week/month for appropriate action. If the heat forecast for the day/week is high the school head shall coordinate with Local Chief Executive (Barangay Captain, Municipal Mayor, Governor) for Class suspension. If the Temperature is high and the learners are already in school, the school head shall coordinate with respective LCE for immediate class suspension. (Refer to DO 37 s. 2022, Item No. 6).

3. In the event of class suspension, this Office reiterates DepEd Order No. 37, s 2022, Item Number 6 that states:

6. Adjustment to Learning Delivery Due to Suspensions/ Cancellation of classes.

*In the event of cancelled or suspended classes, **modular distance learning, performance tasks, projects or make up classes** shall be implemented to ensure that learning competencies and objectives are still met.*





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In adherence to the provision of DO no. 14, s. 2021, learners who miss learning activities due to class suspensions brought about by various disruptions like disasters and/or emergencies due to natural or human induced hazards shall be accorded due consideration in their attendance and the completion of their learning tasks.

4. School Heads are given leeway on the options presented in item number 6 for their modified scheme to ensure learning competencies and objectives for the day/s are met.
5. Class suspension and adoption of modified scheme of learning delivery shall only be for the duration of the high heat condition. Regular mode of learning shall resume when the high heat condition has abated.
6. All actions related to cancellation/suspension of classes due to High Temperature shall be based on DepEd Order No. 37, s. 2022, Item No. 6. School Heads are advised to study this issuance for guided decision making.
6. For information and compliance.


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