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**Kagawaran ng Edukasyon**  
REHIYON V - (Bikol)

**TANGGAPANG PANSANGAY NG MGA PAARALAN NG CATANDUANES**

22 February 2026

DIVISION MEMORANDUM  
No. 279, s. 2026

**UNANG HAKBANG SA KINABUKASAN (UHSK) PALISTAHAN AND ACTUAL DISTRIBUTION FOR INCOMING KINDER AND GRADE 1 LEARNERS**

To : Assistant Schools Division Superintendent  
Chief Education Supervisors, CID & SGOD  
Public Schools District Supervisors and  
Elementary School Heads of: Panganiban, Bagamanoc, Pandan,  
and Caramoran  
  
All Others Concerned

1. Pursuant to CO-EPS No. 02-060, s. 2026 and Regional Memorandum ESSD-2026-021, this Office announces that the municipalities of Panganiban, Bagamanoc, Pandan, and Caramoran have been selected as recipients of the GMA Kapuso Foundation's "Unang Hakbang sa Kinabukasan" (UHSK) Project for School Year 2026-2027.
2. The project aims to help address access and participation concerns by providing essential learning materials to learners in remote and underserved communities.
3. To facilitate the organized distribution of backpacks and school supplies to incoming **Kindergarten and Grade 1 learners**, all Elementary School Heads in the identified municipalities are requested to submit an updated enrollment list for the upcoming school year.
4. Hard copies of the lists must be submitted to the District Office, which will then submit them as a complete batch to the SGOD-Social Mobilization and Networking Unit on or before **April 30, 2026**.
5. Public Schools District Supervisors and School Heads are requested to provide full assistance during the *UHSK Palistahan* and the actual distribution of kits to beneficiary schools.
6. For coordination, you may contact Marife B. Brequillo, SEPS, SGOD-SocMobNet Unit at 09958438071 or through email address [socmob.ctd@deped.gov.ph](mailto:socmob.ctd@deped.gov.ph).
7. For immediate dissemination and strict compliance.

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Officer-In-Charge  
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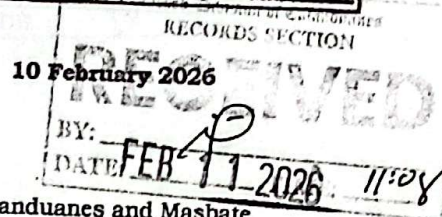
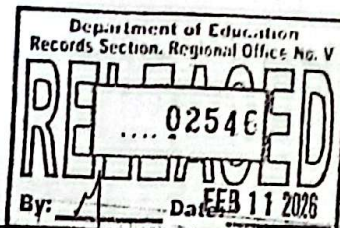
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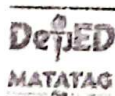
To : Schools Division Superintendents of Albay, Catanduanes and Masbate  
 Province  
 Concerned School Heads  
 All Others Concerned

**UNANG HAKBANG SA KINABUKASAN (UHSK) PALISTAHAN AND ACTUAL DISTRIBUTION FOR INCOMING KINDERGARTEN AND GRADE 1 LEARNERS**

1. Please be informed of the partnership between the Department of Education (DepEd) and GMA Kapuso Foundation, Inc. (GMAKF) for the implementation of the Unang Hakbang sa Kinabukasan (UHSK) Project for School Year 2026-2027.
2. The GMA Kapuso Foundation, Inc. intends to distribute approximately sixty thousand (60,000) backpacks with basic school supplies to selected public schools nationwide, prioritizing incoming Kindergarten and Grade 1 learners in geographically isolated and disadvantaged areas. The project aims to help address access and participation concerns by providing essential learning materials to learners in remote and underserved communities.
3. In this regard, the Schools Division Offices (SDOs) of Albay, Catanduanes and Masbate Province are hereby requested to extend appropriate assistance and coordination with the representatives of GMA Kapuso Foundation, Inc. in facilitating the UHSK palistahan and the actual distribution of backpacks with school supplies to the identified beneficiary schools and learners.
4. For coordination, you may contact Ms. Royce Ann Octavio of GMA Kapuso Foundation, Inc. at mobile number 0908-886-9001 or through email address [ROOctavio@gmapnetwork.com](mailto:ROOctavio@gmapnetwork.com).
5. For further information, the concerned Schools Division Offices may coordinate with the External Partnerships Service (EPS), DepEd Central Office, through email at [externalpartnerships@deped.gov.ph](mailto:externalpartnerships@deped.gov.ph).
6. For information, guidance and compliance.

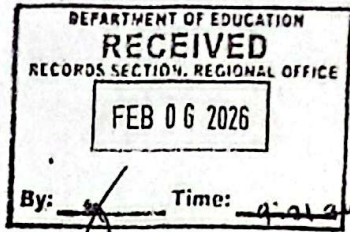
  
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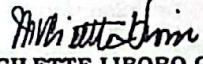




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CO-EPS No. 02-060, s. 2026

FOR : REGIONAL DIRECTORS  
(REGION I, II, III, IV-B, V, VI, NIR, VII, VIII, X, XI)  
CONCERNED SCHOOLS DIVISIONS OFFICES

FROM :   
CILETTE LIBORO CO  
Assistant Secretary  
Public Affairs and External Partnerships

SUBJECT : UNANG HAKBANG SA KINABUKASAN PALISTAHAN AND  
ACTUAL DISTRIBUTION FOR INCOMING KINDERGARTEN  
AND GRADE 1 LEARNERS

DATE : 05 February 2026

The Department of Education (DepEd) recognizes the continued support of GMA Kapuso Foundation, Inc. (GMAKF) in providing assistance to incoming Kindergarten and Grade 1 learners in geographically isolated and disadvantaged areas through its annual *Unang Hakbang sa Kinabukasan (UHSK)* Project.

For School Year 2026-2027, GMAKF intends to distribute approximately sixty thousand (60,000) backpacks with basic school supplies to selected public schools nationwide. The project aims to help address access and participation concerns by providing essential learning materials to learners in remote and underserved communities.

In this regard, concerned Regional Directors and Schools Division Superintendents of the pre-selected schools as listed below are hereby requested to extend appropriate assistance to GMAKF representatives in facilitating the UHSK Palistahan and actual distribution of the backpacks with school supplies to incoming Kindergarten and Grade 1 learners.

For coordination, you may contact Ms. Royce Ann Octavio of GMA Kapuso Foundation at mobile number 09088869001 and through email address [RDOctavio@gmanetwork.com](mailto:RDOctavio@gmanetwork.com).

For further information, please contact the External Partnerships Service, DepEd Central Office, DepEd Complex, Meralco Avenue, Pasig City, through email at [external.partnerships@deped.gov.ph](mailto:external.partnerships@deped.gov.ph).

Thank you very much.



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