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REGION XI
SCHOOLS DIVISION OF DAVAO ORIENTAL

Office of the Schools Division Superintendent

DIVISION MEMORANDUM
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To : Assistant Schools Division Superintendent
Chief Education Supervisors
Public Schools District Supervisors
Public Elementary and Secondary School Heads
Section/Unit Heads
All Others Concerned

Subject: **ADOPTION OF THE CONTEXTUALIZED RESEARCH AGENDA OF
DEPED REGION XI (SUMBANAN)**

Date : 19 January 2026

In reference to Regional Memorandum PPRD-2026-012 dated 13 January 2026, re: "Adoption of the Contextualized Research Agenda of DepEd Region XI," this Office hereby directs all schools and offices under the Schools Division of Davao Oriental to adopt and align with the Enhanced Contextualized Research Agenda of DepEd Region XI, dubbed as **SUMBANAN (Strengthening the Understanding of Meaningful Basic Education Analyses and Nurturing Actionable Narratives)**.

SUMBANAN reflects the Region's commitment to fostering a strong culture of research that supports evidence-based planning, policy formulation, and decision-making in basic education. Anchored on DepEd Order No. 39, s. 2016 and the Five-Point Reform Agenda through the Quality-Basic Education Development Plan (Q-BEDP) 2025–2035, it promotes relevant and transformative research that informs strategic directions toward accessible, equitable, and quality education.

All schools and offices are enjoined to use SUMBANAN as primary guide in the formulation, review, endorsement, and implementation of division, district, and school research proposals and innovation initiatives, ensuring that studies are aligned with the following thematic areas: Teaching and Learning; Human Resource Development; Child Protection; and Governance, with due consideration to cross-cutting themes such as Disaster Risk Reduction and Management (DRRM), Gender and Development (GAD), Inclusive Education, and the Fifth Industrial Revolution (5IR).

For reference, a PDF copy of the Enhanced Contextualized Research Agenda (SUMBANAN) may be accessed through this link: <https://tinyurl.com/SUMBANAN>.

For immediate dissemination and compliance.


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DAVAO REGION

January 13, 2026

REGIONAL MEMORANDUM
PPRD-2026-012

**ADOPTION OF THE CONTEXTUALIZED RESEARCH AGENDA
OF DEPED REGION XI**

To: Schools Division Superintendents
Functional Division Chiefs

1. The Enhanced Contextualized Research Agenda of DepEd Region XI, dubbed as SUMBANAN (Strengthening the Understanding of Meaningful Basic Education Analyses and Nurturing Actionable Narratives), reflects the region's commitment in fostering a culture of research that supports evidence-based planning, policy formulation, and decision-making in basic education.
2. Anchored on DepEd Order No. 39, s. 2016 and the Five-Point Reform Agenda through the Quality-Basic Education Development Plan (Q-BEDP) 2025-2035, SUMBANAN aims to deepen insights into basic education in Davao Region by promoting relevant and transformative research that informs strategic direction toward accessible, equitable, and quality education. It is derived from Cebuano term, symbolizing an ideal model that inspires and serves as a benchmark for impactful and purposeful research.
3. SUMBANAN is organized into four thematic areas: **Teaching and Learning**, which responds to students' and teachers' needs; **Human Resource Development**, which addresses concerns of teaching and non-teaching personnel; **Child Protection**, which focuses on students; and **Governance**, which centers on administration and stakeholder engagement.
4. The agenda acknowledges the inherent interconnectedness of issues across these domains to ensure comprehensive and inclusive research, thus **Cross-cutting Themes** are integrated in aspects of policy, program implementation, and study design. These include Disaster Risk Reduction and Management (DRRM), Gender and Development (GAD), Inclusive Education and the Fifth Industrial Revolution (5IR).
5. In view thereof, this Office hereby directs all Regional Functional Divisions and Schools Division Offices to adopt SUMBANAN and to conduct monitoring and evaluation of its implementation during research and innovation activities. For reference, PDF copy can be accessed through <https://tinyurl.com/SUMBANAN>.
6. Immediate dissemination and strict compliance of this Memorandum is highly desired.

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