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DIVISION MEMORANDUM
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PARTICIPATION TO 2021 REGIONAL INVENTION CONTEST AND EXHIBITS (RICE)

To : Assistant Schools Division Superintendent
 Chief, Schools Governance and Operations Division
 Chief, Curriculum Implementation Division
 Education Program Supervisors- Science
 Public Schools District Supervisors
 All others concerned

1. In response to the invitation of the Department of Science and Technology, this Office encourages all public and private junior and senior high schools to participate to the first virtual **2021 Regional Invention Contest and Exhibits (RICE)** which will be held on May 18-20, 2021 with the theme "**Imbensiyon at inobasyon para sa kalusugan, kabuhayan, kaayusan at kinabukasan**".
2. RICE is a biennial nationwide activity that recognizes the indispensability of Filipino inventors, students, and professionals in the landscape of national economic development through appropriate platforms especially under the new normal. The invention contest gives encouragement to inventors to showcase their inventive capability through a form of competition for cash incentives, awards, and bragging rights. The regional contest serves as a qualifying round for the national contest, pursuant to Section 4 of the RA 7459 (Inventors and Invention Incentives Act of the Philippines)
3. The contest is composed of five categories namely (1) Outstanding Invention (**Tuklas Award**), (2) Outstanding Utility Model (**Unlad Award**), (3) Outstanding Industrial Design (**Banghay Award**), (4) Outstanding Creative Research (**Likha Award**), and (5) Outstanding Student Creative Research (**Sibol Award**) for high school and college students.
4. The contest rules, criteria, and forms may be downloaded at <https://cutt.ly/2021RICEDownloadableForm>. At least one (1) original copy of the duly accomplished and notarized forms must be submitted to DOST-TAPI not later than 15 April 2021 (Thursday), 5:00 PM through any of the following options:
 - a. Submit personally to DOST-TAPI Office and look for Mr. Razoland B. Navarro (Science Research Specialist II / RICE Program Manager)
 - b. Send via courier to the following details: Engr. Edgar I. Garcia Director DOST-Technology Application and Promotion Institute TAPI Building, DOST Compound, General Santos Avenue, Bicutan, Taguig City

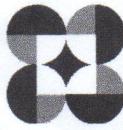


5. Formore inquiries, please contact Mr. Ronaldo P. Bago, Education Program Supervisor-Scienctethrough telephone numbers (049) 511-8746 or 09331909368.
6. Immediate and widest dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.



EDNA FAURA-AGUSTIN
Schools Division Superintendent





22 February 2020

DIR. WILFREDO E. CABRAL

Director IV
Department of Education IV-A
Gate 2, Karangalan Village, Cainta, Rizal

Dear Dir. Cabral:

The Department of Science and Technology (DOST) –Technology Application and Promotion Institute (TAPI) in partnership with DOST Regional Office IV-A (CALABARZON) will be conducting its first virtual 2021 Regional Invention Contest and Exhibits (RICE) on 18-20 May 2021 with a theme of *“Imbensyon at inobasyon para sa kalusugan, kabuhayan, kaayusan at kinabukasan”*.

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In line with this, we would like to request for a Regional Memorandum or Advisory to encourage the participation of high school students and teachers (researchers and inventors) in this contest.

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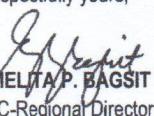
To ensure to meet the deadline, you may also send in advance the scanned copy of the forms online through this link: <https://cutt.ly/2021RICEentryformR4A>. However, please note that the original copy of the documents must still be received by DOST-TAPI.

All submitted entries will be screened by DOST-TAPI in preparation for the **Qualifying Round** (exact date TBA) where only the top five (5) finalists per category will move to the **Final Round** happening on **May 2021**.

You may contact DOST-CALABARZON staff, Ms. Rochelle L. Cruz / Ms. Halyn Lunel A. Gamboa at (049) 536 4997 / parcu@ro4a.dost.gov.ph or DOST-TAPI staff, Mr. Razoland B. Navarro at (02) 8 837 2071 loc. 2157, 2167, 2162 / tapiricenice@gmail.com for further inquiries and concerns.

Thank you.

Respectfully yours,


EMELITA P. BAGSIT
OIC-Regional Director

Cc: Engr. Edgar I. Garcia
Director, DOST-TAPI

We innovate. We make a difference.