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Unnumbered Memorandum

PARTICIPATION IN THE GABAY SERIES OF EVENTS

- To Schools Division Superintendents
 (Batangas City, Batangas Province, Laguna, Sto. Tomas City)
 - With reference to letter from the Resources for the Blind, Inc. (RBI) dated August 7, 2023 on the Participation in Gabay Events, this office through the Curriculum and Learning Management Division (CLMD) announces the list of participants to attend in the above mentioned activity on September 19-22, 2023 at Sequoia Hotel Manila Bay.
 - 2. Please see attached List of Participants and Program of Activities for reference and guidance.
 - Travelling expenses, board and lodging relative to the conduct this activity shall be charged to RBI Funds subject to the usual accounting and auditing procedures.
 - For inquiries and concerns and additional details, you may contact NORMITA
 M. DATINGGALING, Regional SNEd Coordinator at normita.datinggaling@deped.gov.ph or VIERNALYN M. NAMA, Chief of CLMD at (02) 8681-7249 loc. 420.
 - 5. Immediate dissemination and action is earnestly desired.

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Annex A

LIST OF IDENTIFIED PARTICIPANTS

No.	Name	Position	School/Office
1	Loida N. Nidea	ARD	RO-OARD
2	Viernalyn M. Nama	Chief of CLMD	RO-CLMD
3	Normita M. Datinggaling	Regional SNEd Coordinator	RO-CLMD
4	Hermogenes Panganiban	SDS	SDO Batangas City
5	Rosalina Panganiban	EPS	SDO Batangas City
6	Marites Ibañez	SDS	SDO Batangas
7	Movita Cruzat	EPS	SDO Batangas
8	Neil Angeles	SDS	SDO Sto. Tomas
9	Marites Balba	EPS	SDO Sto. Tomas
10	Editha Atendido	SDS	SDO Laguna
11	Roderica Camacho	EPS	SDO Laguna
12	Eva Marie S. Cambe	PSDS	Los Baños District,Laguna
13	Rodel Guevarra	School Head	Los Baños Central School
14	Revo M. Bayot	SPET 1	SDO Laguna
15	Angelo D. Valenzuela	SPET 1	SDO Laguna
16	Dianne Mari M. Domingo	Teacher 1	SDO Laguna
17	Merly B. Galleno	Teacher 1	SDO Laguna

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ATTY. ALBERTO ESCOBARTE

Regional Director

August 07, 2023

Region IV-A CALABARZON

Department of Education

Attention: DR. LOIDA NIDEA

Assistant Regional Director

DR. EDITHA M. ATENDIDO

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Division of Laguna

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Division of Sto. Tomas City

Subject: PARTICIPATION IN GABAY EVENTS ON SEPTEMBER 20-22, 2023

1) GABAY ANNUAL DEBRIEFING SESSION FOR YEAR 4.

2) SYMPOSIUM: LEARNING AND CONSULTATION WORKSHOPS ON DISABILITY-INCLUSIVE EDUCATION, AND

3) PLANNING WORKSHOP FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE INCLUSIVE LEARNING RESOURCE CENTERS (ILRC) IN THE LOS BAŇOS CENTRAL SCHOOL OF THE DIVISION OF LAGUNA

Dear Atty. Escobarte,

Warm greetings of peace and good health from Gabay of Resources for the Blind Inc.!

We extend our heartfelt gratitude for the privilege of connecting with you during the Courtesy Visit and Orientation for Gabay's 18-month Extension Activities held at the Division Office of Laguna on July 6, 2023. This opportunity allowed us to engage with you and other Officials from the Regional and Division levels, which led to the enrichment of our proposed Inclusive Learning Resource Center for children with disabilities in the Division of Laguna, notably Los Baños District, and ultimately approval of the corresponding activities.

For the upcoming events scheduled from September 20 to 22, 2023, we are delighted to invite you and the other officials with the school head and Special Needs Education teacher as specified below. These events are designed with specific objectives and targets, and we believe your presence along with the other invited participants would contribute significantly to their success.

The schedule and purpose of each event are summarized below:

Date	Activity	Purpose	Invited Regional/Division Officials, School Head & SNEd Teacher
(Wednesday)	Gabay Annual	Assess the	Regional Office IVA
September	Debriefing	effectiveness of	(Sept 20-22, 2023)
20, 2023	Session for Year 4	Gabay's strategies	Atty. Alberto Escobarte, RD, R-IVA
8:30am –		and approaches	Dr. Loida Nidea, ARD, R-IVA
12nn		and foster	Dr. Viernalyn Nama, EPS SNEd In-Charge, R-IV-A
		collaboration and	Division of Batangas City
		coordination.	(Sept. 20, 2023)
1.20 5.00	Symposium:		• Dr. Hermogenes Panganiban, SDS of Batangas City
1:30 pm-5:00	Disability- Inclusive	Promote inclusive	Division
pm	Education	education,	Dr. Rosalina Panganiban, EPS of Batangas City
	Education	advocate	Division as Resource Speaker on September 21-22,
		government	2023
		policies and	Division of Batangas
		initiatives that	(Sept. 20, 2023)
		support disability-	• Dr. Marites Ibañez, SDS of Batangas Division
		inclusive	Dr. Movita Cruzat, EPS of Batangas Division Division of Sta Tayras City
		education	Division of Sto. Tomas City (Sept. 20, 2023)
(Thursday-	Planning	Facilitate effective	• Dr. Neil Angeles, SDS of Sto. Tomas City
Friday)	Workshop for the	communication	Dr. Marites Balba, EPS of Sto. Tomas City Division
September	Establishment of	and partnerships,	Dr. Marites Balba, Er S of Sto. Tollias City Division
21-22, 2023	the Inclusive	and preparation of	Division of Laguna
	Learning Resource	the	(Sept. 20-22, 2023)
	Centers (ILRCs)	Implementation Plan for the	Dr. Editha Atendido, SDS of Laguna Division
L	in the pilot schools of the Divisions of	Modular Inclusive	Dr. Roderica Camacho, EPS of Laguna Division
	Laguna, Albay,	Learning Resource	• Dr. Eva Marie S. Cambe, PSDS of Los Baños
	and Leyte	Center (ILRC)	District, Laguna
	una Dojte	Contor (ILICO)	Mr. Rodel Guevarra, School Head of Los Baños
			Central School
			Special Needs Education Teacher of Los Baños
			Central School

We invite you to join us on the first day of the event, and you have the flexibility to choose your participation on the subsequent days based on your availability.

We will kindly ask you and the invited participants for preferred arrival and departure details, which we will utilize for hotel reservations and travel insurance. The final hotel will be announced shortly. For the confirmation of all participants, please refer to Annex 1 as attached. May we request further that this **Confirmation Sheet** will be returned back to Ms. Joy Magsubar, Project Field Manager, jhoy@blind.org.ph on or before August 31, 2023.

If you have urgent concerns, your Secretary can contact Ms. Lodeline Anile, Field Coordinator of Region IV-A via email at <a href="https://linear.com/linear.gov/line

We deeply appreciate the attention you have given to this request, and wish abundant blessings upon all of you,

Very truly yours,

DR. YOLANDA'S. QUIJANO

Chief of Party, Gabay Resources for the Blind, Inc.

PROGRAM OF ACTIVITIES September 19-22, 2023 | Sequoia Hotel Manila Bay

SYM	POSIUM ON DISABILITY-INCLUSIVE EDUCATION	
September 19, 2023 5F Grand Ballroom Emcee: Ms. Lench Ann Perilla and Ms. Maricar D. Gabriel		
Time	Activity	
Morning	Arrival of Participants	
10:00 – 12:00	Registration	
11:00 – 12:00 nn	Lunch	
1:00 - 1:30 pm	Opening Program	
	Doxology: Mr. Justine Barcenas and Ms. Maricor Book	
	Patriotic Song: "Ako ay Pilipino"	
	Acknowledgment of Participants	
	Opening Message: Ms. Amelia M. Torrente, Executive Director, RBI	
01:30 pm - 01:45 pm	Gabay Year 5 Activities	
	Ms. Arminia O. Mojica	
	Deputy Chief of Party, Gabay	
01:45 pm - 02:10 pm	Voices of the Self Advocates: "How People Should Understand Learners	
	with Sensorial Disabilities"	
	Ms. Lench Ann Perilla	
	SNEd Teacher, San Vicente ES	
	Division of Quezon City, NCR	
	Mr. Justine Barcenas	
	Field Coordinator/Mentor, Gabay-RBI	
02:10 pm – 02:40 pm	Parents of Children with Disabilities Speak: "Rearing a Child with Disability: How Parents Partner with Teachers in Educating a Child with Disability"	
	Dr. Pamela S. Almanza	
	Public Schools District Supervisor	
	Tanauan II District, Leyte Division, Reg. 8	
	Ms. Maria Rowena R. Fernandez	
	Member of the Board of Trustees & Coordinator for CBR- La Union	
	Parent Advocates for Visually Impaired Children	
	Ms. Marcelia C. Garcia	
	President, Deaf-Blind Support Phil.	

02:40 pm – 03:00 pm	Professionals Speak on Other Children with Disabilities: "Roles of A Specialist in the Education of Children with Disabilities" Ms. Ma. Ana D. Mauleon Director, Autism Resource Center Los Baños, Laguna Ms. Ana Liza Yap Tan-Pascual Teaching Fellow, UP & Director of Eye Can, Occupational Therapy/ Phil. Academy of Occupational Therapists
03:00 pm - 03:15 pm	Coffee/Tea break
03:15 pm – 04:15 pm	Presentation of ILRC Operations Manual and Modular ILRC Dr. Yolanda Quijano, Chief of Party, Gabay
04:15 pm – 04:50 pm	Clearing House
04:50 pm - 04:55 pm	Closing Remarks USAID
04:55 pm - 05:00 pm	Photo Opportunity

Gabay Year 4 Annual Debriefing		
September 20, 2023 5F Grand Ballroom Emcee: Mr. Reynold Malinao & Ms. Giselle Bombay		
TIME	ACTIVITY	
08:00am – 08:30am	Attendance	
08:30am – 09:30am	Opening Program Doxology Children with Disabilities Pambansang Awit ng Pilipinas	
	Welcome Remarks Ms. Amelia M. Torrente Executive Director, Resources for the Blind Inc. Acknowledgment of New Participants AVP- Gabay Accomplishments (Years 1-4) Special Message: Mr. Ryan Washburn	

	Mission Director, USAID Philippines, Pacific Islands, and Mongolia	
	Keynote Speaker	
	Hon. Secretary Sara Duterte	
	Vice President of the Republic of the Philippines	
	Secretary of the Department of Education	
9:30am – 9:35am	Message	
	DR. GINA GONONG	
	Undersecretary, Curriculum and Teaching	
	Department of Education	
9:35 am –10:30 am	Special Number	
	Deaf and Blind Children from Batangas, Sorsogon and Southern Leyte	
	Presentation of Endline Evaluations	
	 Early Grade Reading Assessment Result for Deaf Learners 	
	School-to-School International, USA	
	Braille Reading Assessment Result	
	Faculty of International Studies & Social Sciences Dept.	
	Miriam College, Quezon City	
	 Improving Program Quality and Literacy in Sorsogon City for 	
	Learners with Multiple Disabilities with Visual Impairment	
	Perkins International, USA	
	Q & A	
10:30 am – 10:40 am	Coffee/Tea Break	
10:40 am – 11:00 am	Presentation of Consolidated Internal & External Debriefing Responses	
	MS. GISELLE MAURENE BOMBAY	
11.00	M & E Specialist, Gabay	
11:00 am – 11:20 am	Q & A	
11:20 am – 11:25 am	Message	
	USEC REVSEE ESCOBEDO	
	Undersecretary, Governance and Field Operations	
	Department of Education	
11:25 am – 11:30 am	Photo Opportunity	
11:30 am – 1:00 pm	LUNCH	
USAID CONSULTATIONS WITH STAKEHOLDERS		
1:00pm - 2:00 pm	- DepEd	
2:00 pm – 5:00 pm	- LGUs, Parents and DPOs	

PLANNING	WORKSHOPS FOR GABAY'S YEAR 5 IMPLEMENTATION September 21-22, 2023 2F Aspen Function Room
	Hosts: Dr. Brenda Corpuz & Ms. Arminia O. Mojica
Time	Activity
8:00 am – 8:10 am	Opening Prayer: Mr. Emerson Gito
0.10 0.20	Setting of General Objectives
8:10 am – 8:20 am	Introduction of Participants
	 LGU and DepEd Officials of the Additional Project Sites Resource Speakers
	3. Facilitators
	Workshop #1
	Dr. Brenda D. Corpuz
	Dean, College of Education, TIP &
	National President of the Philippine Association for Teacher Educatio
	Workshop #2 Dr. Mirla Olores
	RBI Consultant & Former Chief of SPED, BEE, DepEd
	Workshop #3
	Dr. Ricardo Ma D. Nolasco
	Filipino Linguist & Professor, UP Department of Linguistics
	Workshop #4
	Mr. Ramon Tuazon (Documentation Group)
	Former President, Asian Institute of Journalism and Communication
	Secretary General, Asian Media Information and Communication
	Centre, Chairman, Technical Committee for Communication,
	Commission on Higher Education
8:20 am – 9:00 am	Presentation of Needs Assessment Results (Designated Officials)
	1. DepEd Division Offices of Laguna, Albay, and Leyte
	2. LGUs of Los Banos, Bacacay, and Tanauan
	Q & A
9:00 am – 9:10 am	Workshop Mechanics and Groupings
	Dr. Brenda Corpuz
9:10 am – 12:00 nn	Simultaneous Four (4) Workshops
	Workshop 1: Establishment of Modular ILRC in Pilot Schools by
	Strengthening the Support Services of LGUs and
	Stakeholders
	Room: 2F Aspen Function Room
	Workshop 2A: Implementation of Adapted Curriculum for Blind,
	Low Vision, DeafBlind, and MDVI Room: 2F Hazel Function Room

	Workshop 2B: Implementation of Adapted Curriculum for Other
	Learners with Disabilities
	Room: 2F Magnolia Function Room
	Workshop 3: - Implementation of Kindergarten and Grades 1-3
	Mother Tongue MELCs for FSL,
	- Implementation Plan for the Task Force on FSL
	Room: 5F Rosewood Function Room
	Workshop 4: Documentation of Gabay's Good Practices
	Room: 6F Bamianp Function Room
12:00nn- 1:00 pm	LUNCH BREAK
1:00 pm - 5:00 pm	Continuation of the Workshops
Time	Activity
	y 2, Host: Dr. Brenda Corpuz
8:30 am- 10:00 am	Continuation of the Workshops
10:00 am − 12:00 nn	Plenary Sessions
	Presentation, Feedbacking, and Agreements of Outputs
	Workshop #1 Outputs: Implementation Plans for the ILRCs of Tanauan,
	Bacacay, and Los Baños
	Workshop #2A & B Outputs: Implementation Plan of the Service Providers
	for the Training and Provision of Learning Packages for the Blind, Low
	Vision, and Other Disabilities in Tanauan, Bacacay, Los Baños
	Workshop #3 A Output: Implementation Plan of the Service Providers for
	the Training and Provision of Learning Packages for the Deaf in Tanauan,
	Bacacay, Los Baños
	Workshop #3 B Output: Implementation Plan of the Task Force on FSL
	Other Sites to provide Feedback
	Education Consultants/ Facilitators
	Gabay
12:00nn- 1:30 pm	LUNCH BREAK
1:30 pm - 3:00 pm	Next Steps & Closing Program
	Dr. Yolanda S. Quijano
3:00 pm- 3:10pm	Photo Opportunity