

Republic of the Philippines  
Department of Education  
REGION IV-A CALABARZON

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Regional Memorandum  
No. 168, s. 2026

5 March 2026

## ADMINISTRATION OF THE QUALIFYING EXAMINATION IN ARABIC LANGUAGE AND ISLAMIC STUDIES (QEALIS) ON THE FIRST QUARTER OF 2026

To **Schools Division Superintendents**

1. In accordance with **DM No. 007, s.2026**, titled: ADMINISTRATION OF THE QUALIFYING EXAMINATION IN ARABIC LANGUAGE AND ISLAMIC STUDIES (QEALIS) ON THE FIRST QUARTER OF 2026 dated February 12, 2026, this Office, through the Curriculum and Learning Management Division (CLMD), identified qualified applicants to the said examination.
2. The Qualifying Examination in Arabic Language and Islamic Values (QEALIS) is an entry- level examination required for individuals applying to become an **Asatidz** (a general Arabic term for Muslim teachers). This examination intends to gauge the proficiency of test-takers in the Arabic language and knowledge of Islamic studies.
3. The Department of Education (DepEd) through the Bureau of Education Assessment (BEA) will administer the QEALIS in the first quarter of 2026. The test administration date will be announced in a separate memorandum.
4. Please refer to Annex A for the List of Qualified QEALIS Applicants, details of examination centers and contact person, and Annex B for DM 007, s. 2026 for other details.
5. For questions and clarifications, you may contact the **Bureau of Education Assessment-Education Assessment Division (BEA-EAD)** via email at [bea.ead@deped.gov.ph](mailto:bea.ead@deped.gov.ph) or EPS/RMEPC-EMELIA P. CRESCINI via email at [clmd.calabarzon@deped.gov.ph](mailto:clmd.calabarzon@deped.gov.ph)
6. Immediate and widest dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.

  
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Regional Director

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**Annex A : List of Qualified Examinees in CALABARZON**

**Testing Center:** Sta. Rosa Science and Technology High School  
**School Address:** J.P Rizal Blvd. Tagapo, Santa Rosa City, Laguna  
**Division MEP Coor.** Noel H. Natividad, email: [noel.natividad001@deped.gov.ph](mailto:noel.natividad001@deped.gov.ph)  
**Division Testing Coor. (DTC):** Jocelyn B. Reyes, email: [jocelyn.reyes031@deped.gov.ph](mailto:jocelyn.reyes031@deped.gov.ph)

<b>Name of Examinee</b>	<b>School</b>	<b>SDO</b>
1.Saripada, Sittie Aisa P.	Leon C. Arcillas NHS	Santa Rosa City
2.Samporna, Normaliah M.	Southville IV Elem. School	Santa Rosa City
3.Limpao, Sittie Aisha S.	Balibago Elem. School	Santa Rosa City
4.Alapa, Nader A.	Pulong Sta. Cruz Elem. School	Santa Rosa City
5. Alapa, Ahmad Eid A.	Macabling Elem. School	Santa Rosa City
6. Abdullah, Noraida H.	Tapia ES	Tanauan City
7.Balangi, Saga G.	Tapia ES	Tanauan City
8.Casim, Jalaloden M.	Tanauan City Integrated High School	Tanauan City
9.Hadji Edris, Jamaloden B.	Tapia ES	Tanauan City
10.Sultan, Alioden B.	Tapia ES	Tanauan City
11.Hadji Baher, Fairosh D.	Sambat ES	Tanauan City
12.Taunting, Monirah C.	N/A	N/A
13.Sultan, Norhaya H.	Calauag East Central Elementary School	Quezon
14.Ahijul, Nasruddin F.	N/A	Quezon
15.Anguso, Norhamin A.	N/A	Quezon
16.Codah, Saeid Ommar J.	N/A	N/A
17.Sultan, Amila	N/A	N/A
18.Tomaro, Monali M.	Malitam Elem. School	Batangas City
19.Musa, Asminah S.	Julian A. Pastor Elem. School	Batangas City
20.Losloso, Enrico Frederick M.	Batangas City South ES	Batangas City
21. Ibrahim, Abdulrauf W.	Teodoro M. Kalaw Mem. School	Lipa City
22.Randy, Norolain B.	Teodoro M. Kalaw Mem. School	Lipa City
23. Adapun, Norjanah G.	Teodoro M. Kalaw Mem. School	Lipa City
24. Ditongcopun, Habib S.	Teodoro M. Kalaw Mem. School	Lipa City
25. Mangondaya, Hidaya C.	Teodoro M. Kalaw Mem. School	Lipa City
26. Nathangcop, Normala A.	Teodoro M. Kalaw Mem. School	Lipa City
27. Degko, Norhan C.	Calamba Elementary School	Calamba City
28. Serad, Amenodin D.	Lecheria Integrated School	Calamba City
29. Pacasum, Raidah	Looc Elementary School	Calamba City
30. Abdul, Mahid M.	Crossing Elementary School	Calamba City
31. Aron, Johani D.	E. Barretto Sr. Integrated School	Calamba City
32. Eskak, Norhana M.	N/A	N/A
33.Macaraya, Lailah P.	N/A	Batangas Province
34.Cate, Musrima B.	N/A	Batangas Province
35.Malawani, Norhaliza M.	N/A	Batangas Province
36.Palawan, Faidah L.	N/A	Batangas Province
37.Macaraya, Amanie P.	N/A	Batangas Province
38. Diso, Aira T.	N/A	Batangas Province
39. Diso, Asmina	N/A	Batangas Province
40. Marcala, Norhaina P.	N/A	Batangas Province

**Testing Center:** Ladislao Diwa Elementary School  
**School Address:** P. Burgos Avenue, Caridad, Cavite City  
**Division MEP Coor.** Ameer B. Calderon, email: [ameer.calderon@deped.gov.ph](mailto:ameer.calderon@deped.gov.ph)  
**Division Testing Coor. (DTC):** Charlene Lei O.Esguerra, email: [charlenelei.esguerra@deped.gov.ph](mailto:charlenelei.esguerra@deped.gov.ph)

<b>Name of Examinee</b>	<b>School</b>	<b>SDO</b>
1. Abdulrauf, Aclimah B.	Manggahan Elem. School	General Trias City
2. Capampangan, Farouk N.	Diego Mojica Mem. Elem. School	General Trias City
3. Cosain, Sitti Aina P.	Tropical Village Elem. School	General Trias City
4. Dimakuta, Salma M.	Tejero Elem. School	General Trias City
5. Esmael, Aisah A.	Parklane Elem. School	General Trias City
6. Hasan, Yusof H.	San Francisco Elem. School	General Trias City
7. Jilah, Hadija J.	Santiago Elem. School	General Trias City
8. Macaampao, Abdul Rahman	Tropical Village Elem. School	General Trias City
9. Domato, Jamail Alharthy B.	Imus Pilot Elem. School	Imus City
10. Domato, Asharri Jameel B.	Imus Pilot Elem. School	Imus City
11. Lantod, Asraf D.	Salitran Elementary School	Dasmariñas City
12. Abdulkarim, Ahsan G.	N/A	Dasmariñas City
13. Bongcarawan, Hudayp T.	Paliparan Iii Elementary School	Dasmariñas City
14. Mimbawalawag, Asnaima D.	N/A	Dasmariñas City
15. Dojillo, Maghfirah L.	N/A	Dasmariñas City
16. Manamparan, Pahmia A.	N/A	Dasmariñas City
17. Baud, Noraida A.	Sultan Esmael Elementary School	Dasmariñas City
18. Ampuan, Aisah P.	Sultan Esmael Elementary School	Dasmariñas City
19. Guinungco, Calil	Sultan Esmael Elementary School	Dasmariñas City
20. Sarip, Hakimah P.	Ladislao Diwa Elem. Sch.	Cavite City
21. Anda, Rainida M.	Kanggahan Elem. School	Cavite Province
22. Cadiran, Saadudin I.	Villa Apolonia Elem. School	Cavite Province
23. H. Hasan, Sunang C.	Feliciano Cabuco Elem. School	Cavite Province
24. Macre, Abdul Majid P.	Pacasum College Marawi City	Cavite Province
25. Palawan, Salahudin L.	Villa Apolonia Elem. School	Cavite Province
26. Taher, Jamerah D.	Tejeros Convention Elem. School	Cavite Province
27. Taher, Mike C.	Binakayan Elem. School	Cavite Province
28. Matuan, Jawwad H.	Dela Paz Main Elem. School	Biñan City
29. Macud Almairah T.	San Vicente Elem. School	Biñan City
30. Darimbang, Najmin M.	N/A	Lucena City
31. Darimbang, Asnimah M.	N/A	Lucena City
32. Amerhasan, Naim I.	N/A	Lucena City
33. Macacua, Sahabodin M.	N/A	Batangas Province
34. Cabuntalan, Abdulnafi M.	N/A	Batangas Province
35. Macatanong Sa-Aminah B.	Magcaseville Elem. School	San Pablo City
36. Nilo, Jeremie	Sta. Anastacia Elementary School	Sto. Tomas City

**Testing Center:** Cainta Elementary School  
**School Address:** A. Bonifacio Ave. San Roque Cainta, Rizal  
**Division MEP Coor.** Van Russel A. Robles, email: [van.robles@deped.gov.ph](mailto:van.robles@deped.gov.ph)  
**Division Testing Coor. (DTC):** Rhea A. Tolentino, email: [rhea.tolentino1@deped.gov.ph](mailto:rhea.tolentino1@deped.gov.ph)

<b>Name of Examinee</b>	<b>School</b>	<b>SDO</b>
1. Abdullah, Mohiboddin M.	San Jose Elementary School	Rizal
2. Abdulmalic, Abdillah H.	N/A	N/A
3. Abdul Mohaimin, Mohaiden B.	San Jose Elementary School	Rizal
4. Balia, Albanie C.	Juan Sumulong ES	Antipolo, City
5. Benabdulaziz, Mohammad Khalid HS.	N/A	N/A
6. Cali, Muhaylee M.	Sta. Cruz Elementary School	Antipolo, City
7. Hadji Rakim, Mohaimen A.	Kasiglahan Village NHS	Rizal
8. Hajishaq, Almanzor I.	N/A	N/A
9. Rasol, Hapiz S.	Goldland Education Institute	Rizal
10. Jamal, Banyamen, A.	N/A	N/A
11. Mikunug, Saifal R.	Goldland Education Institute	Rizal
12. Musaiden, Zainal L.	Antonio C. Esguerra MNHS	Rizal
13. Pamlian, Jalil A.	Cupang Elementary School	Antipolo, City
14. Piang, Tahir D.	Sta. Cruz Elementary School	Antipolo, City
15. Ampuan, Junaynah D.	San Jose Elementary School	Rizal
16. Camal, Raifah M.	Rosario Ocampo ES	Rizal
17. Comacasar, Tasnima B.	Sta. Cruz Elementary School	Antipolo, City
18. Gaitos, Jenelyn P.	Juan Sumulong ES	Antipolo, City
19. Kiram, Sanima S.	Cupang Elementary School	Antipolo, City
20. Macaager, Sittie Raihanah H.	N/A	N/A
21. Mangondato, Norjanah D.	Sta. Cruz Elementary School	Antipolo, City
22. Maranda, Ominsalam T.	Margarito A. Duavit IS	Rizal
23. Namupun, Norjannah H.	Sta. Cruz Elementary School	Antipolo, City
24. Amirhassan. Abdullah A.	Santisima Cruz Elem. School	Laguna Province
25. Bagro, Norol-Iman A.	Lopez Elem. School	Laguna Province
26. Barudi, Sharipah A.	Santisima Cruz Elem. School	Laguna Province
27. Gumambao, Yasser B.	N/A	Laguna Province
28. Mabatao, Saim C.	Santisima Cruz Elem. School	Laguna Province
29. Salahoden, Zamzamen	Alaminos Central Elem. School	Laguna Province
30. Sultan, Amir B	Calauan Central Elem. School	Laguna Province



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DepEd MEMORANDUM  
 No. **007**, s. 2026

**ADMINISTRATION OF THE QUALIFYING EXAMINATION IN ARABIC LANGUAGE  
 AND ISLAMIC STUDIES IN THE FIRST QUARTER OF 2026**

To: Undersecretaries  
 Assistant Secretaries  
 Minister, Basic, Higher, and Technical Education, BARMM  
 Bureau and Service Directors  
 Regional Directors  
 Schools Division Superintendents  
 Public and Private Elementary and Secondary School Heads  
 Attached Agencies  
 All Others Concerned

1. As cited in DepEd Order (DO) No. 41, s. 2017, titled Policy Guidelines on Madrasah Education in the K to 12 Basic Education Program, the **Qualifying Examination in Arabic Language and Islamic Studies (QEALIS)** is an entry-level examination required for individuals applying to become *asatidz* (a general Arabic term for teachers, historically or traditionally used in most Filipino Muslim communities). This examination intends to gauge the proficiency of test-takers in the Arabic language and knowledge of Islamic studies.

2. The Department of Education (DepEd), through the Bureau of Education Assessment (BEA), will administer the QEALIS in the first quarter of 2026 in the schools division offices (SDOs) listed in Table 1 below. The test administration date will be announced in a separate Memorandum.

**Table 1.** Testing Center of the Examinees Based on Their Region of Origin

Region of Origin of Examinees	Testing Center (Schools Division Office)
I	Ilocos Sur
II	Isabela
Cordillera Administrative Region (CAR)	Baguio City
III	Pampanga
IV-A	Sta. Rosa City
	Cavite City
	Rizal
National Capital Region (NCR)	Makati City
IV-B	Palawan
	Oriental Mindoro
V	Legazpi City

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VI	Iloilo City
VII	Cebu City
VIII	Tacloban City
NIR	Bacolod City
	Dumaguete City
IX and BARMM (Basilan and Tawi-Tawi)	Zamboanga City
	Isabela City
	Zamboanga del Norte
	Pagadian City
	Zamboanga Sibugay
X and BARMM (Marawi City and Lanao del Sur)	Iligan City
	Cagayan De Oro City
XI	Davao City
XII and BARMM: Cotabato City and Maguindanao I and II	Cotabato Province
XII	General Santos City
Caraga	Butuan City

The registrants from the region assigned to the testing center shall be prioritized. A registration number shall be assigned to each registrant.

3. The registrants shall possess the following qualifications:
  - a. Filipino citizen aged 18–64 on the examination day, and
  - b. At least a high school graduate in both secular (English) and Islamic (Arabic) Education.
  
4. The registrants shall submit the following requirements:
  - a. Two copies of the Registration Form (**Enclosure No. 1**) attached with the most recent 1x1 bare-faced identification (ID) picture with a name tag, in accordance with the guidelines of the Civil Service Commission (CSC);
  - b. Authenticated photocopy of the Birth Certificate/Affidavit of Live Birth;
  - c. Photocopy of any valid ID/Barangay Clearance/Certificate of Residency;
  - d. Any of the two:
    - i. Certified True Copy (CTC) of the college Official Transcript of Records (OTR) or diploma; or
    - ii. CTC of valid documents as proof of high school graduation, such as School Form 10 (SF10), Form 137, or diploma; and
  - e. CTC of the diploma or Certificate of Completion as a *Thanawi* graduate.
  
5. The Division Testing Coordinator (DTC) shall serve as the Chief Examiner (CE) in the designated testing center. The CE shall lead and oversee all the activities before, during, and after the test administration.
  
6. All Division Madrasah Education Program (MEP) Coordinators, in collaboration with the DTCs, shall facilitate the registration in their scope. Initial screening of the requirements shall be done at the SDOs. Any DepEd personnel who

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are highly skilled in understanding Arabic texts may (be tapped to) assist in evaluating/screening documents presented by the registrants.

7. One copy of the registration form signed by an authorized evaluator shall be returned to the registrants. The said document shall be presented by the registrant on the examination day.

8. The **list of qualified registrants, together with the scanned compilation of registration forms**, shall be submitted to the Regional MEP Coordinator on or before **February 18, 2026**. After the consolidation of lists, the Regional Testing Coordinator (RTC) shall prepare Form 1 (**Enclosure No. 2**) and send it to the BEA-Education Assessment Division through email at [bea.ead@deped.gov.ph](mailto:bea.ead@deped.gov.ph) on or before **February 20, 2026**. The allocation for all testing centers shall be finalized through a consultative meeting with the field MEP coordinators and testing coordinators on **February 24, 2026**.

9. The RTC of the testing centers, in collaboration with the Regional MEP Coordinator, shall release a Regional Memorandum regarding the following details:

- a. List of qualified registrants;
- b. Details about the test administration, such as the identified specific venue and examination schedule of qualified registrants; and
- c. Contact information of the key testing personnel.

The SDOs shall subsequently issue a Division Memorandum in connection with the Regional Memorandum.

10. Prior to the test administration, the registrants and involved testing personnel shall review the materials accessible through this link: **<https://bit.ly/DepEdQEALIS>**. The Google Drive folder accessible via the link shall also be used to post the contact details of point persons for activities and announcements related to the examination.

11. On the day of the test, the registrants shall be required to bring the following:

- a. Registration form signed by the authorized evaluator;
- b. Original copies of the submitted requirements;
- c. Most recent 1x1 bare-faced ID picture with a name tag, in accordance with the guidelines of the CSC; and
- d. Two pencils (No. 2), an eraser, and a sharpener.

12. A test monitor from the DepEd Central Office shall deliver and retrieve the test materials. He/She shall also monitor the test administration.

13. The cut score for the qualifiers shall be determined through standard setting by subject matter experts, curriculum developers, and core implementers of the MEP.

14. A Certificate of Rating (COR) shall be issued to the examinees indicating their individual ratings. Information regarding the release of results shall be disseminated through a separate memorandum.

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15. For inquiries and other concerns, please contact the **Bureau of Education Assessment-Education Assessment Division**, Department of Education Central Office, DepEd Complex, Meralco Avenue, Pasig City, through email at [bea.ead@deped.gov.ph](mailto:bea.ead@deped.gov.ph).

16. Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.

By Authority of the Secretary:



**CARMELA C. ORACION**

Assistant Secretary

Officer-in-Charge

Office of the Undersecretary for Learning Systems

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As stated

References :

DepEd Order (No. 41, s. 2017)

DepEd Memorandum No. 057, s. 2024



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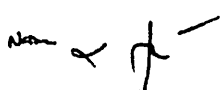
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(Enclosure No. 1 to DepEd Memorandum No. **007**, s. 2026)

<b>Disclosure:</b>	By accomplishing this Registration Form, the registrant hereby consents to the collection, processing and storing of personal data by the Bureau of Education Assessment for the exclusive purpose of facilitating his/her application for the Qualifying Examination in Arabic Language and Islamic Studies (QEALIS).
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Republic of the Philippines  
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**BUREAU OF EDUCATION ASSESSMENT**

**Qualifying Examination in Arabic Language and Islamic Studies (QEALIS)**

REGISTRATION FORM						
Name of Registrant (Pangalan ng Magceesam)	Last Name (Apelyido)	First Name (Pangalan)			MI	
Mailing Address						
Email Address	Date of Birth (Petsa ng Kapanganakan) [MONTH/DD/YYYY]	Sex (Kasarian)	Age on March 22, 2026 (I edad sa Mar 22 ng Marso 2026)	PWD [Y/N]	Contact Number	
Citizenship (Pagkamamamayan)	Date of Registration (Petsa ng Pagrehistro) [MONTH/DD/YYYY]		Highest Educational Attainment (Pinakamataas na Antas ng Pinag-aralan)		Background in Islamic Education	
Current Teaching Assignment (Pinagtuturuan sa Kasalukuyan)						
School (Paaralan)		School ID	Division (Dibisyon)	Region (Rehiyon)		
Testing Center where you intend to take QEALIS			Origin of the Registrant (Panggagalangan)			
Cotabato Province - [XII and BARMM: Cotabato City and Maguindanao I and II]			Division (Dibisyon)		Region (Rehiyon)	
I hereby declare under oath that I have personally accomplished this Registration Form and that by affixing my name and signature below, I am certifying that all documents attached to this application is a faithful reproduction of the original, and that all statements and information provided therein are complete, true and correct to the best of my knowledge. I am assuming full responsibility and accountability on the correctness of the details provided and authenticity of the documents submitted. I am aware that any violation will automatically disqualify me and authorize the Bureau of Education Assessment (BEA) to deny my qualification as a taker of QEALIS.						
<div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 100%; height: 20px; margin-bottom: 5px;"></div> Signature over Printed Name of Registrant						

**FOR THE EVALUATOR ONLY**  
*(Do not answer this part)*

<b>Checklist &amp; Requirements:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Birth Certificate/Affidavit of Live Birth <input type="checkbox"/> Photocopy of any valid ID/Barangay Clearance/ Certificate of Residency <input type="checkbox"/> College OTR or diploma/ High School SF10, Form 137 or diploma <input type="checkbox"/> diploma or Certificate of Completion as a Thanawi graduate	<b>Remarks:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> QUALIFIED <input type="checkbox"/> NOT QUALIFIED  <b>Registration Number:</b> _____ (Region-SDO of Registration-Number)
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**Name & Signature of Evaluator / Date**

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FORM 1

**QUALIFYING EXAMINATION IN ARABIC LANGUAGE AND ISLAMIC STUDIES (QEALIS)  
LIST OF EXAMINEES**

TESTING CENTER - REGION: \_\_\_\_\_ DIVISION: \_\_\_\_\_ VENUE: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_ ROOM NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE OF EXAM: \_\_\_\_\_

Registrants: No. of Males \_\_\_\_\_ No. of Females \_\_\_\_\_ Total \_\_\_\_\_

Actual: No. of Males \_\_\_\_\_ No. of Females \_\_\_\_\_ Total \_\_\_\_\_

1	2	3	4	If teaching, details on current assignment; otherwise, write N/A.			Remarks (Present/ Absent)
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**IMPORTANT:**

1. This will be prepared by the Regional Testing Coordinator.
2. Alphabetically sort the last names of all the registrants, males then females.
3. This must be updated by the Room Examiner on the testing day by accomplishing the remarks in the last column.
4. This will be printed one copy each for the Division Office, Examiner's Transmittal Report Envelope (ETRE), and Testing Room.

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Room Examiner  
Signature over Printed Name

*Handwritten signature*