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REGIONAL DIALOGUE ON CHILD PROTECTION

1. This office disseminates the communication received from Levi Grace Ambon-Rota, RSW, Program Head, Bantay Bata 163 of the ABS-CBN Foundation Inc., allowing only the School Heads, Public Schools District Supervisors, GAD Coordinators and other non-teaching personnel who are GAD officers, Child Protection Officers, Guidance Coordinators, and members of DRRM council to participate the Regional Dialogue on Child Protection.
2. For details, refer to the attached communication.
3. For the information of all interested and concerned parties.



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October 5, 2022

HON. BIANITO A. DAGATAN, EdD, CESO V
Schools Division Superintendent
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Dear Hon. Dagatan,

Bantay Bata 163 (BB163), the child welfare arm of ABS-CBN Foundation Inc., has been in the forefront of upholding and protecting the rights of Filipino children since 1997. For more than 25 years, we have continuously implemented programs aimed to respond to and prevent child abuse from happening.

The onset of COVID-19 and other disasters of recent years have heavily affected the way we work in the development sector, especially in terms of child protection. In 2020, Bantay Bata 163 received a 20% increase in abuse cases reported to the Hotline. There was also a significant 696% increase in social work counseling provided for parents and children. This was during the increase in COVID-19 cases in the Philippines.

We recognize the value of your organization's partnership in ensuring child protection measures are put into place in every local government unit. To be able to further strengthen this partnership, BB163, in collaboration with UNICEF, is organizing an online Regional Dialogue with the theme "Strengthening Child Protection in Disaster Response." The said online event seeks to discuss the challenges and best practices on child protection especially in crisis situations. The inputs that will be recorded during the consultation can help local government units, like yours, in assessing and improving their own child protection programs. Reports from the said consultation shall also be shared to relevant parties in aid of legislation and program implementation. Furthermore, learning sessions on relevant topics on child protection shall also be discussed during the event.

In line with this, we would like to invite the GAD officers, Child Protection Officers, Guidance Coordinators, teachers, and members of DRRM council to participate in the **Regional Dialogue on Child Protection on October 26, 2022 | 01:00PM - 05:00PM via Zoom and Facebook Live**. Your assistance in disseminating this invitation to all concerned parties is highly appreciated.

We are also requesting that your representatives fill out the Regional Dialogue Survey and registration from through this link: <https://bit.ly/TFCVisayas> on or before **October 17, 2022**. Summary of the inputs shall be presented during the Regional Dialogue as part of the discussions.

For any concerns or inquiries, please feel free to contact our Social Worker, Ms. Rhiza Via Mateo, through her email: REMateo@abs-cbnfoundation.com or through SMS/Viber at 09077777225.

Looking forward to your support for this event! Thank you!

In the Service of the Filipino Child,


LEVI GRACE AMBON-ROTA, RSW
Program Head, Bantay Bata 163

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