



Republic of the Philippines
Department of Education
Region VII – CENTRAL VISAYAS
SCHOOLS DIVISION OF BOHOL

Office of the Schools Division Superintendent

MEMORANDUM:

MLA No. 138, 2023

**TO: Public Schools District Supervisors of Dausi and Panglao Districts
School Heads of Totolan ES and Tawala ES
All Others Concerned**

SUBJECT: LANGUAGE MAPPING IN REGION VII

FROM: EVANGEL M. LUMINARIAS PhD, CESO V
Schools Division Superintendent

Date: **August 20, 2023**

Relative to Memorandum DM-CT-2023-181 dated July 3, 2023 entitled, **Language Mapping in Region VII** and a letter from Maia Binhi B. Borja, Language Mapping Consultant of ABC+ Advancing Basic Education in the Philippines dated August 18, 2023, this Office through the Curriculum and Implementation Division announces the school visit of language consultants to Totolan Elementary School, Dausi District and Tawala Elementary School, Panglao District on **August 24, 2023** to conduct stakeholders' consultations and data gathering.

For details, please refer to the attachments.

Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is enjoined.



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MEMORANDUM
DM-CT-2023-181

TO: **DR. SALUSTIANO T. JIMENEZ**
Regional Director, Region VII

FROM: 
GINA O. GONONG
Undersecretary for Curriculum and Teaching

SUBJECT: **LANGUAGE MAPPING IN REGION VII**

DATE: July 3, 2023

In support of the MATATAG Agenda to review the implementation of the Mother Tongue-based Multilingual Education (MTB-MLE) Program, the Curriculum and Teaching Strand, with assistance from USAID's ABC+, will conduct language mapping in Region VII from July to August 2023.

The language mapping will use the language identification tools of the ABC+ Project that have been developed specifically for Regions V and VI and have been useful to teachers in determining the appropriate instructional approaches and strategies as well as in the development of literacy materials for learners in Kindergarten to Grade 3. The project is now ready to expand to other regions beginning with Region VII.

The language mapping activity aims to:

1. identify the major, if not all, languages, in the region that may be used for foundational learning of K to 3 learners;
2. identify the proficiency of K to 3 learners in English, Filipino, and languages other than their first languages; and

The language mapping will be facilitated by language and policy experts composed of the following:

Name of Consultant	Specialization	Affiliation
Ricardo Ma. D. Nolasco	Linguist	University of the Philippines (UP) Mindanao
Antonio D. Igalinos	Public policy specialist	
Janus Cabazares	Linguist	UP Mindanao
Ryan Dennis Callueng	Linguist	Philippine Normal University
Maia Binhi Borja	Sociology graduate	UP Diliman

In connection with this, we request your assistance in facilitating language mapping in schools in your region. The team will schedule an entry meeting with you to get your guidance on the schools that will serve as respondents for this activity.

For inquiries and/or clarifications, please contact Mr. Malcolm Garma at MGarma@abcplus.rti.org, or at phone numbers: +63 9285501849 or +63



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through:

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Department of Education – Schools Division of Bohol

Dear Superintendent Luminarias:

Maayong adlaw!

In support of the MATATAG Agenda to review the implementation of the Mother Tongue-Based Multilingual Education (MTB-MLE) Program, the **Curriculum and Teaching Strand of the Department of Education (DepEd)** is conducting **language mapping activities in Region VII**, through the **ABC+: Advancing Basic Education in the Philippines** project of RTI International, with funding from USAID.

This language mapping project aims to **identify languages in the region that may be used for the foundational learning of K to 3 learners** and to **develop a language identification tool to assist teachers in more accurately determining the languages used by learners**. This is being facilitated by language and policy experts composed of the following:

Name of Consultant	Specialization	Affiliation
Ricardo Ma. D. Nolasco, PhD	Linguist	University of the Philippines Mindanao; Department of Linguistics, UP Diliman (retired); ABC+
Antonio D. Igalinos	Public policy specialist	ABC+
Janus Ruel T. Cabazares	Linguist	UP Mindanao; ABC+
Ryan Dennis Callueng	Linguist	Philippine Normal University; ABC+
Maia Binhi B. Borja	Researcher	ABC+

This language mapping project is a continuation of the **Language Proficiency Testing conducted in the Schools Division of Bohol on July 19-20, 2023**, carried out by virtue of **DM-CT-2023-181** (see attached).

The language mapping consultants would like to schedule a visit with the Schools Division of Bohol on **August 24, 2023 (Thursday)** to conduct stakeholder consultations and data gathering.

Further inquiries on the ABC+ project may also be addressed to our Education Systems Strengthening Advisor, Mr. Malcolm Garma (MGarma@abcplus.rti.org).

Yours respectfully,



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