

Republic of the Philippines
Department of Education
Cordillera Administrative Region
SCHOOLS DIVISION OF BAGUIO CITY

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DIVISION MEMORANDUM
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OBSERVANCE OF 2023 CELEBRATION OF INDIGENOUS PEOPLES DAY AND MONTH

To: Assistant Schools Division Superintendent
CID & SGOD Chief Education Supervisors
Education Program Supervisors
Public Schools District Supervisors
Public School Heads
All Others Concerned

1. Pursuant to Resolution 49/214 dated December 23, 1994 of the United Nations General Assembly; Republic Act 10689, An Act Declaring **August 9** as an **Indigenous Peoples Day** and Mandating Meaningful Observance Thereof and Presidential Proclamation No. 1906, s. 2009 declaring the **Month of October** of Every Year as National Indigenous Peoples Month, this office announces the observance of the International Day of the World's Indigenous Peoples and National Indigenous Peoples (IP) Day and Month.

2. All schools (public and private) are enjoined to observe the following celebrations through various commemorative and advocacy activities with the theme aligned with the International theme set by the United Nations annually. For 2023, the theme is "Indigenous Youth as Agents of Change for Self-determination".

3. The celebration aims to:

- 3.1 ensure an inclusive and diverse youth engagement in multilateral fora towards transformative changes in decision-making processes; exercising the right to self-determination and ensuring a better future for all; and
- 3.2 promote awareness on the indigenous knowledge, systems and practices of the different Indigenous Cultural Communities in the region.

4. All SDO employees, school heads and teachers are enjoined to wear indigenous/cultural attire in accordance to DepEd Order 51 s. 2014 during the IP Day and every Friday of the IP Month.

5. Immediate and wide dissemination of this memorandum to all concerned is desired.

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