

## 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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## SUBMISSION OF SCHOOL CONTINGENCY PLANS

To: Chief Education Supervisors

Public Schools District Supervisors

Public School Heads

School DRRM Coordinators

All Others Concerned

- 1. Following the contingency plan writeshop held from July 7-10, 2024, at Puerto de San Juan Beach Resort Hotel in San Juan, La Union, all schools are required to submit their contingency plans for the top two hazards identified in their hazard analysis on or before August 16, 2024, to the Schools Division Office through the Schools Governance and Operations Division Disaster Risk Reduction Management (DRRM).
- 2. According to Director Teresito Bacolcol of the Philippine Institute of Volcanology and Seismology (PHIVOLCS), the Philippines may experience earthquakes stronger than magnitude 8 due to the movement of the Philippine Sea Plate. Specifically, the Philippine Trench near Samar has the potential to generate earthquakes of magnitude 8.1, while the Manila Trench can produce earthquakes up to magnitude 8.3. Although the Schools Division of Baguio City is located far from these trenches, there remains a possibility that the city could be affected, as the Cordillera Administrative Region is surrounded by various faults. Additionally, the latest alert from DOST-PAGASA indicates a 70% chance of La Niña developing in August, September, and October, which may lead to possible flooding, soil erosion, and damage to school facilities. Therefore, having comprehensive contingency plans in place will be beneficial in addressing these hazards within our jurisdiction.
- 3. For queries or clarifications, please contact Mr. Cliftone K. Bangse-il, Division DRRM Coordinator through cliftone.bangseil@deped.gov.ph.
- 4. Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.

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