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**Department of Education**



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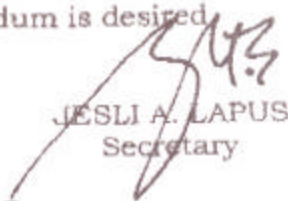
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DepED MEMORANDUM  
No. **348**, s. 2008

2008 NATIONAL STATISTICS MONTH

To: Bureau Directors  
Regional Directors  
Schools Division/City Superintendents  
Heads, Public and Private Elementary and Secondary Schools

1. In compliance with Presidential Proclamation No. 647, declaring the month of October of every year as the "National Statistics Month" the Department of Education shall join all agencies of the government, academic institutions and the private sector at the national and subnational levels in celebrating the 19<sup>th</sup> National Statistics Month (NSM) this October. The theme of this year's celebration is "Demand-Driven Statistics: Key to Micro, Small and Medium Enterprise (MSME) Development".
2. The observance of this event has two-fold objectives: (a) to promote, enhance and instill nationwide awareness and appreciation of the importance and value of statistics to the different sectors of society and (b) to elicit the cooperation and support of the general public in upgrading the quality standards of statistics in the country. Relative to this, the National Statistical Coordination Board (NSCB) has issued Memorandum Circular No. 001-08 enjoining all government agencies, government owned and controlled corporations, state universities and colleges, local government units and private sector to actively participate and support this undertaking.
3. In this connection, it is requested that DepED Regions I, V, VI, VIII, IX, X, XI, XII and CAR coordinate with the Regional Statistical Coordination Committees (RSCCs) thru the NSCB Regional Units (RUs) while the other DepED regions are requested to coordinate with RSCCs headed by either the NEDA Regional Director (RSCC Chairperson) or the National Statistics Office (NSO) Regional Director (RSCC Co-Chairperson) for the NSM activities in the regions.
4. The DepED regional activities during the month-long celebration should be included in the NSM Calendar of Activities and should be submitted to the Office of the Planning Service (OPS), DepED Complex, Meralco Avenue, Pasig City, or direct to the 19<sup>th</sup> NSM Secretariat at National Statistical Coordination Board, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Midland Buendia Bldg., 403 Sen. Gil J. Puyat Avenue, Makati City 1200 on or before August 29, 2008 using the enclosed suggested format.
5. Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.

  
JESLI A. LAPUS  
Secretary

Encl.: As stated

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