DIVISION MEMORANDUM

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TO: 
   Education Program Supervisors
   Public School District Supervisors
   Secondary School Principals (concerned)
   Elementary School Principals (concerned)

FROM: 
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   Officer-In-Charge

SUBJECT: CONDUCT OF 3RD IP PANAGHIUSA DIVISION FESTIVAL 2015

DATE: December 8, 2015

1. The Department of Education – Digos City Division will conduct its 3rd IP Panaghiusa Division Festival 2015 on December 16, 2015 at Binaton Elementary School Grounds, Barangay Binaton, Mt. Apo District.

2. Following the National IPEd Month Celebration, the festival adopts the theme “Walang Bibitiw! Sama-sama Tulong-tulong sa Pagsulong ng Katutubong Edukasyon!” which calls for everyone’s response to the right of IP communities to a culture – responsive education that truly responds to their context, respects their identities and promotes the value of their indigenous knowledge, skills and other aspects of their cultural heritage.

3. Specifically, the activity aims to

   • Bring together IP contingents from any of the 44 elementary and secondary schools to the Division Tribal Panaghiusa Festival 2015 (Ancestral Domain – Based) at Binaton Elementary School Grounds;
   • Showcase indigenous knowledge systems and practices like dances, songs, instruments, chants, to promote and cultivate deep understanding of IP’s cultural heritage particularly that of the Bagobo – Tagabawa tribe;
   • Relate the festival activities that are in one way connected to the Ancestral Domain/ environment/place;
   • Cultivate deeper understanding of the fundamental relationships of cultural communities in three dimensions; and
   • Develop cultural awareness and link Indigenous Cultural Communities to the mainstream society.
4. Herewith are the copy of the program and the list of the members of the technical working groups for the activity.

5. School Heads involved are advised to assign an Officer – In – Charge who will look after the school during their attendance to the said activity. Classes of those teachers attending the festival should be arranged so that classes will not be adversely affected. There will be no suspension of classes in the host school as this is a whole school community learning cell for the students. However, teachers and the School Head should take heed of their responsibility and accountability over their children’s security and safety.

6. Food, travel and other festival materials shall be charged to IPEd PSF 2015 (Division Downloaded) subject to the usual accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

7. For wide dissemination and compliance.