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REGION VI – WESTERN VISAYAS
SCHOOLS DIVISION OF AKLAN

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DIVISION MEMORANDUM
No. 628 , s. 2026

INVITATION TO BID FOR THE HOSTING OF THE 2028 PALARONG PAMBANSA

To: Chief Education Supervisors
Education Program Supervisors
Senior/Education Program Specialists
Public School District Supervisors
Principals/Head Teacher-in-Charge of the District
Heads of Public & Private Elementary, Secondary, & Integrated Schools
All Others Concerned

1. Attached is Regional Memorandum No. 1080, s. 2026 regarding the **Invitation to Bid for the Hosting of the 2028 Palarong Pambansa,** which is self-explanatory.

2. Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.

FOR THE SCHOOLS DIVISION SUPERINTENDENT:

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Enclosure: As stated
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Under the following subjects:

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REGIONAL MEMORANDUM
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To: Schools Division Superintendents
All Others Concerned

1. Attached is Memorandum OM-OUGOPS-2026-05-03952 from **Hon. Malcolm S. Garma, Undersecretary for Governance and Operations, Secretary General, Palarong Pambansa,** dated September 30, 2026, regarding the **Invitation to Bid for the Hosting of the 2028 *Palarong Pambansa,*** which is self-explanatory.

2. Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.

CRISTITO A. ECO, CESO III
Regional Director

Encl.: As Stated
Reference: Memorandum OM-OUGOPS-2026-05-03952
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FROM : **MALCOLM S. GARMA**
Undersecretary for Governance and Operations
Secretary General, Palarong Pambansa

SUBJECT : **INVITATION TO BID FOR THE HOSTING OF THE 2028 *PALARONG PAMBANSA***

DATE : **30 September 2026**

The Department of Education (DepEd), in coordination with the Philippine Sports Commission (PSC) and the Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG), will conduct the **68th edition of the *Palarong Pambansa***, which is scheduled to be held in the **Visayas region** in **2028**.

In line with this, all concerned offices are requested to facilitate the dissemination of this invitation and identify prospective local government units (LGUs) within their respective regions that are interested to bid for the hosting of the **2028 *Palarong Pambansa***.

The identification of potential bidder-LGUs shall be based on their capability and readiness to host the annual scholastic multi-sport event, specifically on the following criteria provided under on Section 14, Rule III of the Implementing Rules and Regulations (IRR) of Republic Act (RA) 10588 otherwise known as the *Palarong Pambansa Act of 2013*:

a. The playing venues to be used must be accessible and free to the general public, well-secured, ready to be used, and more importantly, are of international standard;

b. The billeting schools for the athletic delegations and technical officials must have sufficient and adequate sleeping quarters, comfort rooms, shower areas, wash areas, and kitchen/dining areas;

c. The playing venues and billeting schools must be capable of providing basic services such medical and dental, communication and internet, adequate water supply, and uninterrupted electric power supply;

d. The peace and order situation in the locality must be excellent and conducive to staging a national activity;

e. The LGU must be willing and capable to shoulder expenses necessary for the hosting of the *Palarong Pambansa* that include, but not limited to, construction and renovation of sports facilities, billeting schools, and other infrastructure requirements; and

f. Manifestation of uncompromising unity and support of all socio-economic political groups, government and non-government entities, and private sector in the locality to ensure the successful conduct of the *Palarong Pambansa*.

An official communication—addressed to the DepEd Secretary through the *Palarong Pambansa* Secretary General, duly signed by the chief executive of the LGU—signifying the LGUs intent to bid for the hosting of the 2028 *Palarong Pambansa* must be sent to the *Palarong Pambansa* Secretariat at email address palarong.pambansa@deped.gov.ph on or before **November 13, 2026**.

Enclosed herewith are the **Required Specifications for Playing Venues and Billeting Schools** for reference and guidance of all concerned and the prospective bidder-LGUs.

For more information and inquiries, all concerned may contact the ***Palarong Pambansa* Secretariat** at telephone number (02) 8687-4146 or through the above-stated email address.

Immediate and wide dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.

MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS FOR PLAYING VENUES (PER SPORT)

SPORT	NO. OF PLAYING VENUE (S) / FACILITY (IES)	DIMENSION	OTHER FEATURES	SAFETY
1. **ARCHERY**	1 open field	110 x 65 meters (required north/south orientation)	Sound system	▪ Backstop ▪ Perimeter Fence
2. **ARNIS**	1 gymnasium or covered court	Size of a standard basketball court	▪ Lighting system ▪ Sound system ▪ Ventilation system	
3. **ATHLETICS (including Para-Athletics)**	1 track & field oval	Internationally compliant 8-lane track & field oval with all the necessary Athletics implements	▪ Lighting system (1,200 LUX) ▪ Sound system	
4. **BADMINTON**	1 badminton center, gymnasium, multi-purpose hall, or any similar facility that can accommodate **4 courts**	▪ Size of a standard basketball court ▪ FOP size: 13.4 x 6.1 meters with 1.5-3 meters free zone ▪ Minimum ceiling height (9-12 meters)	▪ Lighting system (1,000 LUX) ▪ Sound system ▪ Taraflex flooring	
5. **BASEBALL**	1 or more open field that can accommodate **6 diamonds**	▪ 300 feet (for Secondary) and 250 feet (for Elementary) from the home plate to the outfield for each diamond ▪ East/west orientation	▪ Lighting system ▪ Sound system ▪ Electronic scoring system ▪ Pitching clock ▪ Preferred surface: 70% topsoil, 30% sand	▪ Backstop ▪ Perimeter fence
6. **BASKETBALL**	4 courts	15 x 28 meters with at least 3-meter safety zone on all sides	▪ Lighting system ▪ Sound system ▪ Electronic scoring system ▪ Ventilation system	
7. **BILLIARDS**	1 multi-purpose hall or any similar facility that can accommodate **6 tables**	Size that fits 6 billiard tables and other required amenities	▪ Lighting system ▪ Sound system ▪ Ventilation system	
8. **BOXING**	2 rings	Covered facility or open area (preferably parks or plazas)	▪ Lighting system ▪ Sound system	
9. **CHESS**	1 multi-purpose hall or any similar facility that can accommodate **64 boards**	Air-conditioned hall with the size of a standard basketball court	▪ Lighting system ▪ Sound system ▪ Ventilation system ▪ Noise-free	

SPORT	NO. OF PLAYING VENUE (S) / FACILITY (IES)	DIMENSION	OTHER FEATURES	SAFETY
10. **DANCESPORT**	1 gymnasium, multi-purpose hall, or any similar facility	Size of a standard basketball court	▪ Lighting system ▪ Sound system ▪ Ventilation system ▪ Preferably wooden flooring	
11. **FOOTBALL**	4 fields	▪ Minimum: 45 x 90 meters ▪ Maximum: 90 x 120 meters ▪ 2 meters safety zone on all sides	▪ Lighting system (2,000 LUX) ▪ Sound system	Perimeter fence
12. **FUTSAL**	2 covered courts	▪ Minimum: 15 x 25 meters ▪ Maximum: 25 x42 meters	▪ Lighting system ▪ Sound system ▪ Ventilation system	
13. **KARATE**	1 gymnasium, multi-purpose hall, or any similar facility	▪ Size of a standard basketball court	▪ Lighting system ▪ Sound system ▪ Ventilation system	
14. **KICKBOXING**	1 gymnasium, multi-purpose hall, or any similar facility	▪ Size of a standard basketball court	▪ Lighting system ▪ Sound system ▪ Ventilation system	
15. **GYMNASTICS (Aerobic)**	1 gymnasium, multi-purpose hall, or any similar facility	Size of a standard basketball court	▪ Lighting system ▪ Sound system ▪ Ventilation system	
16. **GYMNASTICS (MAG/WAG)**	1 gymnasium, multi-purpose hall, or any similar facility that can accommodate MAG/ WAG equipment	Size of a standard basketball court	▪ Lighting system ▪ Sound system ▪ Ventilation system	
17. **GYMNASTICS (Rhythmic)**	1 gymnasium, multi-purpose hall, or any similar facility	▪ Size of a standard basketball court ▪ 12 to 15 meters ceiling height	▪ Lighting system ▪ Sound system ▪ Ventilation system	
18. **SEPAKTAKRAW**	1 gymnasium or any similar facility that can accommodate **6 courts**	▪ Size of 2 standard basketball courts ▪ FOP size: 6.1 x 13.4 meters	▪ Lighting system ▪ Sound system ▪ Ventilation system	
19. **SOFTBALL**	1 or more open field that can accommodate **6 diamonds**	Minimum size of 225 feet from home plate to outfield for each diamond	▪ Lighting system ▪ Sound system ▪ Electronic scoring system ▪ Pitching clock	▪ Backstop (12 x 15 feet) ▪ Perimeter fence

SPORT	NO. OF PLAYING VENUE (S) / FACILITY (IES)	DIMENSION	OTHER FEATURES	SAFETY
20. **SOFT TENNIS**	**4 courts** of similar surface (preferably adjacent to each other)	▪ FOP size: 78 x 36 feet ▪ Endline to backstop: 6.4 meters ▪ Free zone: 3.65 meters	▪ Lighting system ▪ Sound system	▪ Backstop ▪ Perimeter fence
21. **SWIMMING (including Para-Swimming)**	Aquatics facility with an 8-lane pool (with warm up/cool down pool: 25 x 25 meters)	▪ 50.03 x 25 meters (10-lane pool) ▪ 50.03 x 20.40 meters (8-lane pool)	▪ Lighting system ▪ Sound system ▪ Electronic scoring system ▪ Anti-wave lane ▪ Starting platform (2 sets) ▪ Adjustable ledge	
22. **TABLE TENNIS**	1 gymnasium, multi-purpose hall, or any similar facility that can accommodate **6 to 10 tables**	18 x 30 meters with 2 to 3 meters safety zone	▪ Lighting system (800 LUX) ▪ Sound system ▪ Ventilation system	
23. **TAEKWONDO**	1 gymnasium, multi-purpose hall, or any similar facility	Size of a standard basketball court	▪ Lighting system ▪ Sound system ▪ Ventilation system	
24. **TENNIS**	**8 courts** of similar surface (preferably adjacent to each other)	▪ FOP size: 78 x 36 feet ▪ Endline to backstop: 6.4 meters ▪ Free zone: 3.65 meters	▪ Lighting system ▪ Sound system	▪ Backstop ▪ Perimeter fence
25. **VOLLEYBALL**	**4 courts**	▪ 9 x 18 meters with at least 5-meter free zone on the sidelines and 6.5-meter free zone on the end line ▪ Minimum ceiling height of 12.5 meters	▪ Lighting system ▪ Sound system ▪ Electronic scoring system ▪ Ventilation system	
26. **WEIGHTLIFTING**	1 gymnasium, multi-purpose hall, or any similar facility	Size of a standard basketball court	▪ Lighting system ▪ Sound system ▪ Ventilation system	
27. **WRESTLING**	1 gymnasium, multi-purpose hall, or any similar facility	Size of a standard basketball court	▪ Lighting system ▪ Sound system ▪ Ventilation system	
28. **WUSHU**	1 gymnasium, multi-purpose hall, or any similar facility	Size of a standard basketball court	▪ Lighting system ▪ Sound system ▪ Ventilation system	
29. **PENCAK SILAT**	1 gymnasium, multi-purpose hall, or any similar facility	Size of a standard basketball court	▪ Lighting system ▪ Sound system ▪ Ventilation system	

SPORT	NO. OF PLAYING VENUE (S) / FACILITY (IES)	DIMENSION	OTHER FEATURES	SAFETY
30. **BOCCE (Paragames)**	1 playing area	12 x 60 feet rectangular playing field	▪ Sound system ▪ Flat lawn or artificial grass surface ▪ Noise-free	Perimeter fence
31. **GOALBALL (Paragames)**	1 gymnasium, multi-purpose hall, or any similar facility	Size of a standard volleyball court	▪ Lighting system ▪ Sound system ▪ Ventilation system ▪ Noise-free	
32. **DEMONSTRATION SPORTS**	Depends on the sport to be featured			
33. **LARONG PINOY / EXHIBITION GAMES**	1 gymnasium, multi-purpose hall, or any similar facility	Dependent on the requirements of the *larong* pinoy/exhibition games to be featured	▪ Lighting system ▪ Sound system ▪ Ventilation system	

COMMON REQUIREMENTS FOR ALL PLAYING VENUES

A. **PROXIMITY AND ACCESSIBILITY** – At most 15 to 20 kilometers from the main sports complex and billeting areas. All playing venues must have accessible routes from the billeting areas of each delegation.

B. **AMENITIES** – Spectators area with bleachers; Practice area; Holding area; Comfort rooms/Changing room; and Parking space. The presence of a perimeter fence is a must for all outdoor playing venues.

C. **ORIENTATION (for open fields)** – Preferably in the north/south orientation.

D. **SAFETY & SECURITY** – Presence of medical personnel and ambulance with basic medical equipment, and police / security personnel. A dedicated access for the medical personnel, ambulance, and equipment must be available in all playing venues.

E. **TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND INTERNET** – Availability of stable and uninterrupted telecommunications network and internet connectivity for immediate access to games results and all other necessary games information.

MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS FOR BILLETING QUARTERS

PARTICULARS	MINIMUM REQUIREMENT
NUMBER OF SCHOOLS	**21 schools** (1:1 school to delegation ratio) or more if clustered schools per delegation will be applied.
NUMBER OF CLASSROOMS PER BILLETING QUARTER/S	▪ **70 rooms** (1:12 classroom [9x7 meters] to person ratio); or ▪ **80 rooms** (1:10 classroom [8x6 meters] to person ratio).
WINDOWS	Preferably **screened** or provision of other room protection mechanisms to ensure the health and safety of the delegates.
COMFORT ROOMS	**1:10 toilet to user ratio**
SHOWER ROOMS / WASH AREAS	▪ **1:25** shower room/wash area to users ratio ▪ **Separate** boys and girls shower rooms ▪ **Secured** shower rooms, particularly for girls
WASH IN SCHOOLS (WINS) RATING	At least **1 star** rating
KITCHEN AND DINING AREAS (MESS HALL)	**Gymnasium / covered court**
PUBLIC UTILITIES	▪ Uninterrupted **electrical** and **water supply**; and ▪ Stable **internet connectivity**.
DISTANCE	Accessible to playing venues (**15** to **20 kilometers** to/from main sports complex / playing venues).
SAFETY & SECURITY	▪ Presence of perimeter fence; ▪ Presence of Disaster / Evacuation Plan; ▪ Installed CCTV cameras; and ▪ Availability of medical facilities.
OTHERS	School Site Development Plan / School Improvement Plan

* *A school with an existing playing facility should not be considered as a playing venue if already identified as a billeting quarter.*