

PPRD conducts orientation on the CY 2012 PAPs Implementation

The Policy, Planning & Research Division of the Department of Education (DepEd) VII successfully conducted an orientation on the Planning and Accounting Procedure for this year's Programs and Projects (PAPs) Implementation at DepED Ecotech Center in Sudlon, Lahug, Cebu City, on January 3, 2012.

The implementation of Calendar Year (CY) 2012 Programs and Projects (PAPS) are to be accounted and reported to the DepEd Central Office and Department of Budget and Management (DBM) every 10th day of the month. Each Schools Division shall be responsible in providing the actual physical and financial outputs to be based on the targets and actual funds intended for each program.

The accounting activity is one of the major functions of the Regional Field Technical Assistance Teams (RFTATs) in monitoring the Schools Division in order to come up with accurate and reliable data every month.

The program is also intended to improve access to basic education to Filipino learners, ensure effective teaching and learning in K to 12, and strengthen the system of governance particularly in financial management.

In the approval of PAP's budget and its implementation, the internal and external stakeholders shall meet together to plan and come up with doable and attainable activities and strategies.

The Division Quality Management Team (QMT) shall monitor regularly the execution of the activities as to how resources are being used, how well - planned activities are being carried out or completed, and whether outputs are being produced as planned.

Evaluation shall be done monthly, quarterly, and at the end of the school year to measure the output against the expected targets for judgment or comparison, The indicators are the important tools in measuring performance on whether/ and how an output or an activity is delivered in comparison with the initial targets.

The findings shall be reported in order to come up with the corresponding corrective measures for technical assistance, policy research, and formulation.

The policies, standards and guidelines are issued through DepEd Orders and Memoranda. These guidelines shall be reviewed regularly for some adjustments, based on feedback and results of the monitoring and evaluation activities.

Dr. Mila C. Gabia, PPRD Chief, Dr. Clara Rebecca Falconi, and the rest of the PPRD staff which composed the seminar facilitators, presented the following topics:

DepEd Strategic Directions (USEC Rivera's presentation) ; Calendar Year 2012 National Expenditures Programs (NEP) ; Regional Strategies for the CY 2012 PAPs; Accounting Procedure of the Physical and Financial Outputs; PAPs Implementation Cycle (PAP- IC); Presentation of the Fiscal Year 2013 Budget Proposal; Agency Performance Measures (OPIF).

The Chief of the Budget and Finance Division, Mr. Aniano Bautista, was also invited to present the Approved Budget for Programs and Projects for FY 2012 which are already incorporated in the General Appropriations Act (GAA).

In her message, Dr. Carmelita T. Dulangon, DepEd VII Assistant Regional Director, said that as workers in God's vineyard, humility should be in our hearts, and we must have openness to one another and share God's blessings to the 19 Schools Divisions.

As Regional workers, Dulangon added, we should not only carry a basket but a dump truck full of information to be transformed into knowledge, skills, values and virtues. There is so much that the Regional Field Technical Assistance Teams (RFTATs) can do to assist our co-workers in the 19 Schools Divisions of DepED Region VII.

The activity ended with an agreement that a Regional Monitoring Tool would be produced to get the actual physical and financial outputs based on the targets and actual funds downloaded for each program implementation. *QAAD/RHC*