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MEMORANDUM
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For: **Regional Directors**
(Regions V, VIII, IX, AND NCR)
Schools Division Superintendents
(Albay, Western Samar, Dipolog City, and Valenzuela City)

Subject: **CHANGE THE CURRENT PROJECT COORDINATION MEETING**

The Department of Education (DepEd) through the Disaster Risk Reduction Management Service (DRRMS), in partnership with UNICEF and Save Philippine Seas (SPS), will organize *Change the Current* (CTC), a climate action program. This is an online climate change adaptation and mitigation leadership training which will be conducted on April - May (Batch 1) and August - September 2021 (Batch 2).

Specifically, CTC aims to: (i) enhance the knowledge of its participants on climate science, adaptation and mitigation strategies; and (ii) hone the skills needed by adolescents to improve adaptation and mitigation strategies in their communities.

In line with this, the Office of the Undersecretary for Administration (OUA) would like to invite the concerned offices' **DRRM Coordinators and Youth Formation Division (YFD) personnel** to the CTC Coordination Meeting on **22 February 2021 at 2:00 p.m.** The said personnel may register via [bit.ly/CTC CoordinationMeeting](https://bit.ly/CTCCoordinationMeeting) not later than **19 February 2020**. The meeting link shall be provided after the registration.

Please refer to the following meeting agenda:

1. Presentation of CTC online training objectives and timeline
2. Discussion of the roles of focal persons and other concerns

The participating personnel shall serve as the **focal persons for this project** and shall provide feedback and assistance in its implementation. Kindly refer to the attached document for more information on CTC.



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For immediate and appropriate action.



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CHANGE THE CURRENT

CLIMATE ACTION
PROGRAM



Objectives

CTC is an online training for adolescents that aims to:

- (i) enhance the knowledge of participants on climate science and adaptation and mitigation strategies; and
- (ii) hone the skills needed by adolescents to improve adaptation and mitigation strategies in their communities.

Adolescents will have the opportunity to create project proposals related to adaptation and mitigation strategies in their communities and receive seed funding worth P15,000.00 for implementation. Projects will be monitored by teachers and school administrators.

Change the Current: Rising Adolescents for Climate Action



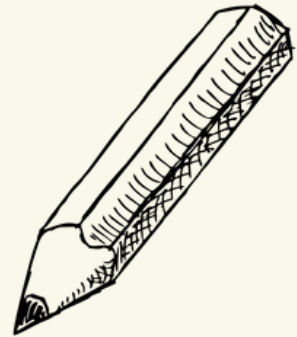
The online training is divided in two age groups (10-14 years old and 15-19 years old) with 30 participants each. Participants will come from the following divisions: Valenzuela City, Albay, Western Samar, and Dipolog City. They are identified based on the priority areas of UNICEF Philippines and the Philippine Cabinet Cluster on CCAM-DRR. This shall maximize the reach of online technologies and foster collaboration among DepEd learners.



Activities:

- Desktop research
- Focus Group Discussions and Key Informant Interviews
- Module development
- Pilot trainings

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CTC will produce the following knowledge products and communication outputs:

Online Training Manual and Materials on CCAM for Student Leaders

- Four two-hour sessions for the 10-14 age group
- Four two-hour sessions for the 15-19 age group
- Synchronous and asynchronous activities
- Session Guide for Face-to-Face Training: adapting the content of the online manual and materials for face-to-face training
- Six human interest stories that highlight six out of the 15 project implementers

Change the Current: Culminating Activity



Selected “graduates” of the projects will be gathered to share their experiences and hold workshops for fellow adolescents during the National Global Warming and Climate Change Consciousness Week in November 2021.

Afterwards, selected learners will join the panel for a livestreamed webinar featuring the case studies documented (good practices on integrating climate change adaptation and mitigation in co-curricular activities).

