



Republic of the Philippines  
**Department of Education**  
CARAGA REGION

FEBRUARY 18, 2026

REGIONAL MEMORANDUM  
CLMD – 2026 – 0163

To: Schools Division Superintendents ) Division of Bislig City  
  
All Others Concerned

**SCALE-UP OF ALTERNATIVE LEARNING SYSTEM (ALS) MICRO-  
CERTIFICATION OF LIFE SKILLS**

1. Pursuant to Memorandum DM-LS-2026-064 dated February 2, 2026 from the Office of the Undersecretary for Learning Systems, this Office informs the Schools Division Office (SDO) of Bislig City regarding the Scale-Up Implementation of the Alternative Learning System (ALS) Micro-Certification of Life Skills.
2. The Bureau of Alternative Education (BAE), through the ALS Micro-Certification initiative, shall expand its implementation to additional Schools Division Offices from the previous school year. In this regard, the Schools Division Office of Bislig City is requested to support the conduct of activities related to the micro-certification of identified ALS learners in accordance with the attached implementation guidelines and target requirements.
3. Attached to this Memorandum is the list of activities to be undertaken for the implementation of the ALS Micro-Certification of Life Skills.
4. Funding requirements for the implementation of this activity shall be charged against the Program Support Fund (PSF), subject to existing accounting and auditing rules and regulations.
5. For inquiries, please contact the Regional ALS Focal Person, Josephine Chonie M. Obsenares, via email at [josephinechonie.obsenares@deped.gov.ph](mailto:josephinechonie.obsenares@deped.gov.ph).
6. Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.

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OFFICE OF THE UNDERSECRETARY FOR LEARNING SYSTEMS

### MEMORANDUM

DM-OULS-2026- 064

**TO :** REGIONAL DIRECTORS

**FROM :** *Carmela C. Oracion*  
**CARMELA C. ORACION**  
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**SUBJECT :** **SCALE-UP OF ALTERNATIVE LEARNING SYSTEM (ALS) MICRO-CERTIFICATION OF LIFE SKILLS**

**DATE :** February 2, 2026

The Department of Education, through the Bureau of Alternative Education (BAE), shall scale-up the implementation of Alternative Learning System (ALS) Micro-certification of Life Skills from eight Schools Division Offices (SDOs) from previous school year to twenty (20) SDOs this school year. Please see **Attachment 1** for the identified SDOs and the target number of ALS learners for micro-certification.

In addition, the list of the activities for the above-mentioned scale up of ALS Micro-certification is contained in **Attachment 2**. Expenses regarding the implementation of this activity shall be charged to the Program Support Fund (PSF) to be downloaded directly to the Regional Offices.

For queries or clarifications, please contact **Mr. Jomar P. Allam**, Senior Education Program Specialist of BAE-Program Management and System Development Division (PMSDD) at telephone number (02) 8636-9347 or through email at [bae.pmsdd@deped.gov.ph](mailto:bae.pmsdd@deped.gov.ph).

Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is directed.

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**Attachment No. 1 to DM-OULS-2026 - 004**

**List of Participating Regional Offices and Schools Division Offices on the Scale Up of  
ALS Micro-certification of Life Skills**

| Region       | Division            | Number of Target ALS Learners |
|--------------|---------------------|-------------------------------|
| I            | Dagupan City        | 300                           |
| II           | Nueva Viscaya       | 300                           |
| III          | Aurora              | 300                           |
| IVA          | Batangas Province   | 300                           |
| IVB          | Puerto Princesa     | 300                           |
| V            | Iriga               | 300                           |
|              | Catanduanes         | 300                           |
| VI           | Guimaras            | 300                           |
| VII          | Lapu-lapu City      | 300                           |
| NIR          | Bayawan City        | 300                           |
| VIII         | Eastern Samar       | 300                           |
| IX           | Zamboanga del Sur   | 300                           |
| X            | Misamis Oriental    | 300                           |
| XI           | Davao City          | 300                           |
|              | Panabo City         | 300                           |
| XII          | South Cotabato      | 300                           |
|              | General Santos City | 300                           |
| Caraga       | Bislig City         | 300                           |
| CAR          | Baguio City         | 300                           |
| NCR          |                     | 300                           |
|              | Manila City         |                               |
| <b>TOTAL</b> |                     | <b>6,000 ALS Learners</b>     |





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### Attachment 2 to DM-OULS-2026-064

#### List of Activities on the Scale Up of ALS Micro-certification of Life Skills

| Activities                                                                                                                                                                          | Target Dates                                                           | Responsible Office/Personnel                                                |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Online Meeting with BAE Specialist                                                                                                                                                  | February 18, 2026 @ 9:00AM                                             | BAE Personnel/RO & SDO ALS Focal Person/EPS II for ALS                      |
| In-Person Orientation & Training of ALS Teachers in their respective SDOs                                                                                                           | SDOs to Decide on Dates starting February 19, 2026, to March 20, 2026. | BAE Personnel/SDO ALS Focal Person/SDO Pilot Sites                          |
| Online Registration of Participants and Printing of Assessment Tools (Self-Rating, Raters [Teacher and Raters]) and Receipt and distribution of Kits to the ALS Learners and Raters | February 23, 2026 – March 31, 2026                                     | SDO ALS Focal Person/EPS II for ALS/ Teachers                               |
| Assessment Period                                                                                                                                                                   | April 6, 2026 – May 8, 2026                                            | Learners and Raters                                                         |
| Collection and Submission of Accomplished Assessment Materials to SDO for Sorting, Scanning, and Data Cleaning                                                                      | May 11, 2026 – May 22, 2026                                            | SDO ALS Focal Person/EPS II for ALS/ Teachers/ Learners/ Raters             |
| Data sorting, scanning, and cleaning                                                                                                                                                | May 22, 2026 – June 26, 2026                                           | BAE Personnel/ SDO ALS Person, EPS II for ALS/ ALS Teachers/SDO Pilot Sites |
| Data Analysis                                                                                                                                                                       | July 8, 2026 – July 26, 2026                                           | BAE Personnel/SDO Focal Person/EPISA/Service Provider                       |
| Awarding of Micro-certificates                                                                                                                                                      | TBA as per SDO                                                         | SDO Focal Person                                                            |