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## NATIONAL DISASTER RISK REDUCTION AND MANAGEMENT COUNCIL

National Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Center, Camp Aguinaldo, Quezon City, Philippines

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MEMORANDUM No. <u>013</u>, s. 2024

TO

: ALL MEMBERS OF DISASTER RISK REDUCTION AND MANAGEMENT COUNCILS AT THE NATIONAL, REGIONAL, PROVINCIAL, CITY, MUNICIPAL LEVELS AND BARANGAY DISASTER RISK REDUCTION AND **MANAGEMENT** COMMITTEES, **HEADS** OF NATIONAL **GOVERNMENT** AGENCIES. CONSTITUTIONAL OFFICES. STATE UNIVERSITIES AND COLLEGES, GOVERNMENT OWNED AND CONTROLLED CORPORATIONS

SUBJECT: Conduct of the CY 2024 Quarterly Nationwide Simultaneous Earthquake Drill

Rule 6, Section 7 of the Implementing Rules and Regulation of the RA 10121 states that "Public awareness shall also be undertaken through the conduct of drills by the LDRRMO on a regular basis". Likewise, the National Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Plan states that one of the activities to achieve Outcome 10: "Developed and implemented comprehensive national and local preparedness and response policies, plans, and systems" is also to develop/enhance and simulate scenario-based preparedness and response plans. Furthermore, one of the policy frameworks stated in the National Disaster Preparedness Plan as embedded in the fourth priority area of the Sendai Framework for Action 2015-2030 includes the target: to promote regular disaster preparedness, response and recovery exercises".

NDRRMC Memorandum No. 06 s. 2023 allowed the resumption of the conduct of traditional or in-person Nationwide Simultaneous Earthquake Drill (NSED) beginning from the first quarter of 2023. It is therefore recommended that aside from evacuation drills, other forms of exercises may be designed and implemented based on needs assessment, to scale up the overall earthquake preparedness of your chosen sites.

In view thereof, the schedule for the CY 2024 Quarterly Nationwide Simultaneous Earthquake Drill (NSED) and the Observance of the World Tsunami Awareness Day is hereby disseminated:

Quarter	Date/Time	
1 <sup>st</sup> Quarter	March 14, 2024	/ 9:00 AM
2 <sup>nd</sup> Quarter	June 13, 2024	/ 2:00 PM
3 <sup>rd</sup> Quarter	September 12, 2024 / 9:00 AM	
4 <sup>th</sup> Quarter *World Tsunami Awareness Day"	November 14, 202	

Another Memorandum will be disseminated as soon as the ceremonial sites are finalized.

Active participation of DRRMCs at all levels, including the Barangay DRRMCs, as well as the National Government Agencies and other Government entities is strongly encouraged. Submission of After Activity Reports and Participation Data Reports should be submitted to <a href="mailto:cbts.rpds@ocd.gov.ph">cbts.rpds@ocd.gov.ph</a> not later than 20 working days after the activity for consolidation and submission to the Chairperson, NDRRMC.

For information and guidance.

For the Chairperson, NDRRMC:

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