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# Department of Education REGION XI SCHOOLS DIVISION OF DIGOS CITY

#### OFFICE OF THE SCHOOLS DIVISION SUPERINTENDENT

#### **DIVISION MEMORANDUM**

CID-2025-477

To : Assistant Schools Division Superintendent

CID & SGOD Chiefs

Concerned Public Schools District Supervisors Concerned Education Program Supervisors Concerned Public Secondary School Heads

All Others Concerned

Subject: ATTENDANCE TO 2025 REGIONAL SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, AND

**INNOVATION WEEK (RSTW)** 

Date: September 17, 2025

This Office hereby disseminates the attached Regional Indorsement signed by DepEd-Region XI Director, Allan G. Farnazo, regarding the invitation of the Department of Science and Technology (DOST) to participate in the 2025 Regional Science, Technology, and Innovation Week (RSTW) on September 25–27, 2025, at Abreeza Ayala Malls, JP Laurel Avenue, Bajada, Davao City, with the theme: "Siyensya, Teknolohiya at Inobasyon: Kabalikatsa Matatag, Maginhawa, at Panatag na Kinabukasan: Building Smart and Sustainable Communities."

The annual RSTW celebration will highlight regional innovations and achievements of scientists, researchers, and technopreneurs through interactive exhibits, project launches, technology pitching competitions, forums, educational tours, and other engaging activities.

Teachers and learners are invited to participate in the said event on a voluntary basis, subject to the policy on "No Disruption of Classes" as stipulated in DepEd Order No. 9, s. 2005 entitled "Instituting Measures to Increase Engaged Time-On-Task and Ensuring Compliance Therewith." Furthermore, this Office reiterates the "No Collection Policy" in line with Republic Act No. 5546 (Ganzon Law) and DepEd Memorandum No. 41, s. 2024. It is emphasized that **no** government funds shall be utilized in this activity.

Participation in the Opening Ceremony on September 25, 2025 (10:00 AM - 12:00 NN) and the Closing Ceremony on September 26, 2025 (3:00 PM - 5:00 PM) is likewise encouraged. Exhibits will remain open until September 27, 2025.

To confirm attendance, participants may register through this link: <a href="forms.gle/tcX1agCtMXdvt/puPe">forms.gle/tcX1agCtMXdvt/puPe</a> or by scanning the QR code found in the enclosure, not later than September 15, 2025 (Monday, 5:00 PM). For details and coordination, the RSTW Invitation and Registration Committee, through Ms. Bianca Munez (DOST XI), may be reached at (082) 227-1313 local 122, or via email at <a href="mailto:bamunez.dostxi@gmail.com">bamunez.dostxi@gmail.com</a>.

Relevant details and other information are contained in the enclosures for guidance and reference.

For information and dissemination

MELANIE P. ESTACIO, PhD, CESO VI Schools Division Superintendent

Enclosed: As stated.





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## Department of Education

1st Indorsement September 10, 2025

Respectfully referred to Schools Division Superintendents, inviting attention to the attached letter of Anthony C. Sales, Regional Director, Department of Science and Technology, re: "2025 Regional Science, Technology, and Innovation Week (RSTW)" on September 25-27, 2025, at Abreeza Ayala Malls, JP Laurel Avenue, Bajada, Davao City. Participation to this activity is at the discretion of the Schools Division Superintendents. Further, the No Disruption of Classes Policy as stipulated in DepEd Order No. 9 s. 2025, entitled Instituting Measures to Increase Engaged Time on Task and Ensuring Compliance Therewith, must be strictly observed.

ALLAN G. FARNAZO Director IV

RECORDS SETTION

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Re: Dr. Anthony C. Sales, PFT, CESO III

Regional Director

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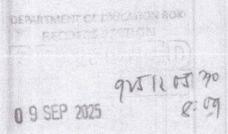


August 28, 2025

ALLAN G. FARNAZO

Director IV Department of Education F. Torres St. Davao City

Dear Director Farnazo:



To showcase the vital role of Science, Technology, and Innovation (STI) in promoting sustainable development and improving lives, the DOST XI will conduct the "2025Regional Science, Technology, and Innovation Week (RSTW)" on September 25-27, 2025, at the Abreeza Ayala Malls, JP Laurel Avenue, Bajada, Davao City, with the theme, "Siyensya, Teknolohiya, atlnobasyon: Kabalikatsa Matatag, Maginhawa, at Panatag na Kinabukasan: Building Smart and Sustainable Communities."

This annual celebration will highlight Regional Innovations, featuring breakthroughs and achievements from regional scientists, researchers, and technopreneurs. This three-day event will include interactive technology exhibits, project launches, a technology pitching competition, forums on smart technologies, bazaars, and educational tours designed to promote STI among our partners, stakeholders and the general public.

With this, we would be honored if you could join us during the "Opening Ceremony" of the RSTW on September 25, 2025, Thursday, from 10:00 AM to 12:00 NN. A ribbon cutting ceremony and exhibit tour will follow thereafter.

Meanwhile, the "Closing Ceremony" will be held on September 26, 2025, Friday, from 3:00 PM to 5:00 PM, and all exhibits will remain open for viewing until September 27, 2025. Furthermore, we would appreciate receiving confirmation of your attendance for the "Opening and Closing Ceremonies" which may be done by replying to this invitation letter or registering through this link: To confirm your visit, please register through this link https://iorms.gle/tcX1agCtMXdv2apP6 or to the QR code below on or before September 15, 2025, Monday, 05:00 PM. For your reference, we have enclosed the Event Briefer and Provisional Program.

Our	RSTW	Invitation	and	Registration	on	Committee
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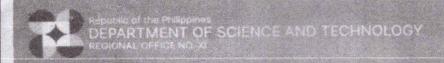
We look forward to your participation in this meaningful celebration of science, technology, and innovation. Together, let us bring #oneDOST4U to the Region.

Very truly yours,
Digitally signed
by Sales

DR.ANTHONYC. SALES, PFT, CESO III

Regional Director







### Regional Science, Technology, and Innovation Week (RSTW) 2025

Theme: "Siyensya, Teknolohiya, at Inobasyon: Kabalikat sa Matatag, Maginhawa, at Panatag na Kinabukasan : Building Smart and Sustainable Communities"

- September 25–27, 2025
- · Abreeza Ayala Malls, Davao City

#### Introduction

The Regional Science, Technology, and Innovation Week (RSTW) 2025 is a flagship celebration of the Department of Science and Technology (DOST) held annually to showcase the vital role of Science, Technology, and Innovation in promoting sustainable development and improving lives. For the Davao Region, RSTW 2025 serves as a platform to bring together innovators, researchers, students, educators, entrepreneurs, and the public to explore new ideas, share knowledge, and celebrate S&T initiatives that support the building of smart and sustainable communities.

This year's celebration features a dynamic lineup of activities, forums, competitions, exhibitions, and engagements that highlight both the creativity of young minds and the expertise of professionals. The event aims to inspire participation from different sectors and foster collaborations that can drive inclusive growth.

#### **OPENING PROGRAM**

 September 25, 2025 | 10:00 AM – 12:00 NN | Abreeza Ayala Malls, Davao City

The Opening Program marks the official start of RSTW 2025 in Davao City. This segment sets the overall direction of the celebration, with welcome remarks from officials, inspirational messages from key leaders, and the presentation of this year's theme. It highlights the importance of science, technology, and innovation in development, while acknowledging partners and stakeholders.

#### TBI TECHPITCH COMPETITION

 September 25, 2025 | 1:00 PM – 4:00 PM | Abreeza Ayala Malls, Davao City

The TechPitch Competition showcases the creativity and entrepreneurial spirit of incubatees from DOST-funded Technology Business Incubators



(TBIs). Participants present their startup concepts before a panel of judges, demonstrating how their innovations address societal and industry challenges.

#### DRONE SPEED CHALLENGE

 September 25–26, 2025 | 12:00 NN – 1:00 PM | Abreeza Ayala Malls, Davao City

The Drone Speed Challenge highlights the role of unmanned aerial vehicles in innovation. Participants test their skills in maneuvering drones, showcasing speed, precision, and control, while raising awareness on practical applications such as disaster response and agriculture.

#### SMART MOBILITY FORUM

September 26, 2025 | 8:00 AM – 12:00 NN | Venue: TBD

The Smart Mobility Forum focuses on innovations addressing urban mobility and smart city development. Experts will discuss smart transportation systems, digital solutions for traffic management, and sustainable mobility practices.

#### **AGRISMART FORUM**

 September 26, 2025 | 10:00 AM – 12:00 NN | Abreeza Ayala Malls, Davao City

The AgriSmart Forum spotlights technology's role in transforming agriculture. It covers digital tools, mechanization, and sustainable practices that enhance productivity and food security.

#### DOST ROBOTICS CHALLENGE

 September 26, 2025 | 8:00 AM – 5:00 PM | Abreeza Ayala Malls, Davao City

The DOST Robotics Challenge encourages creativity, problem-solving, and teamwork among students. Teams design and program robots to complete tasks, gaining hands-on STEM experience.

#### STARBOOKS WHIZBEE

September 26, 2025 | 8:00 AM – 12:00 NN | Venue: TBD



The STARBOOKS Whizbee is a quiz competition promoting the use of DOST's digital library-in-a-box. Students answer questions sourced from STARBOOKS content, enhancing their research skills and knowledge.

#### CLOSING CEREMONY

 September 26, 2025 | 3:00 PM – 5:00 PM | Abreeza Ayala Malls, Davao City

The Closing Ceremony formally concludes the Davao leg of RSTW 2025. It recognizes outstanding participants, acknowledges partners, and highlights the outcomes of the event.

#### PAKIGLAMBIGIT FOR STEM TEACHERS

 September 27, 2025 | 10:00 AM – 5:00 PM | Abreeza Ayala Malls, Davao City

"PakiglamBIGIT" is designed for STEM teachers, focusing on collaboration, shared learning, and professional growth. Through workshops and interactive sessions, educators gain fresh perspectives and strategies for teaching science and technology.

#### **Participation Details**

Open to the General Public:

- Opening Program
- Drone Speed Challenge
- Closing Ceremony
- Exhibits and displays throughout the event

#### Targeted Participants:

- TBI TechPitch Competition Startup founders, incubatees, innovators, investors, and enablers
- Smart Mobility Forum Policy makers, LGUs, urban planners, transport sector, academe, researchers
- AgriSmart Forum Farmers' groups, agri-entrepreneurs, LGUs, researchers, students in agriculture
- DOST Robotics Challenge Students and faculty in STEM and robotics fields
- STARBOOKS Whizbee Junior and senior high school students, coaches, teachers
- PakiglamBIGIT for STEM Teachers STEM teachers and educators from the region