

OFFICIAL STATEMENT

The Department of Education (DepEd), Schools Division of Northern Samar takes with utmost seriousness the allegations being circulated on social media post regarding the enforced contribution to support lavish preparations for visiting DepEd key officials from the Regional and/or Division Offices.

Let it be known that the Office of the Schools Division Superintendent faithfully observes and at numerous times reiterates the DepEd's standing order that no official, whether in the central, regional, or division level, is authorized to demand or solicit contributions from school heads and teachers especially for purposes that violate any directives. It never fails also to remind the field offices and school personnel to observe strict austerity measures during school visits and monitoring activities.

We assure the public and the education community that the Schools Division of Northern Samar remains steadfast in upholding the Department's core values of transparency, integrity, and accountability in all its operations.