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**2023 REGIONAL INVENTION CONTEST and EXHIBIT (RICE)**

The Department of Science and Technology will conduct the **Regional Invention Contest and Exhibit (RICE)** by cluster this September 2023 and are inviting local inventors, researchers in the Higher Education Institution, as well as high school student researchers in CAR to participate. The deadline of submission of entries online is on July 7, 2023 through the links <https://bit.ly/3WGHC19> for non-students and <https://bit.ly/3C8g4rP> for students.

In this regard, this Office requests all the Schools Division Offices (SDOs) to disseminate the said invitation. Participation of the interested participants is **personal and on a voluntary basis** and shall be subject to the no-disruption-of-classes policy stipulated in DepEd Order No. 9, s. 2005 titled "Instituting Measures to Increase Engaged Time-On-Task and Ensuring Compliance Therewith".

Attached is the Request for a DepEd Regional Advisory for the event.

For queries, please coordinate with:

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Dear **Dr. Cariño**:

Greetings from DOST- CAR!

We are pleased to inform you that the Department of Science and Technology will conduct the **2023 Regional Invention Contest and Exhibit (RICE) by Cluster** in **September 2023**. The competition, dubbed as ClusteRICE, shall be conducted on a per cluster basis instead of the usual per region as conducted in the past. The five (5) Clusters are as follows:

1. National Capital Region (for Cities and Municipalities within the NCR);
2. Southern Luzon (for Region IV-A, IV-B and V);
3. Northern Luzon (for Region I, II, III and CAR);
4. Visayas (for Region VI, VII and VIII); and
5. Mindanao (for Region IX, X, XI, XII, XIII and BARMM).

The Regional Invention Contest serves as the qualifying round for the National Invention Contest, pursuant to Section 4 of the Republic Act No. 7459 also known as "Inventors and Invention Incentives Act of the Philippines". As such, participants for the upcoming event will be local inventors, researchers in the Higher Education Institutions in CAR, as well as student researchers, both high school and college.

Anent to this, may we request the Dep-Ed-CAR to partner with us in this event, particularly in disseminating this activity and issuance of a memorandum for the participation of public schools in the region. Attached are the 2023 RICE Rules and Criteria by Cluster including contest entry forms for your guidance and information.

The deadline of online submission of entries is on **July 7, 2023; 5:00 PM** and through the links provided below:


- a. For non-students: <https://bit.ly/3WGHC19>; and
- b. For students: <https://bit.ly/3C8g4rP>

For more information regarding this invitation, your staff may contact **Ms. Mae Lany V. Bangnan** or **Ms. Femarie B. Changli** at (074)422-2214 or 0917-591-0409.

Thank you very much and we look forward to your usual strong support to our programs, projects and activities.

My warmest regards.

Very truly yours,

  
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