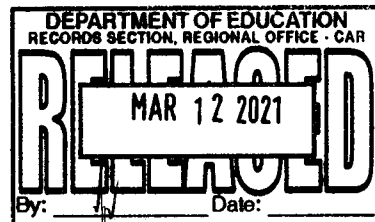




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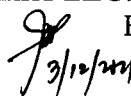
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**CALL FOR ENTRIES FOR THE GAWAD KALASAG SPECIAL AWARDS
FOR CY 2021- REGIONAL LEVEL**

To: Schools Division Superintendent
Chief, SGOD
PDO II (DRRM)
All concerned

1. The Gawad KALASAG (Kalamidad at Sakuna, Sariling Galing ang Kaligtasan) Search for Excellence in Disaster Risk Reduction and Management (DRRM) and Humanitarian Assistance is now accepting entries for the Special Awards for Excellence in DRRM and Humanitarian Assistance. Interested applicants may submit their entries in two (2) hard copies and one (1) soft copy (preferably in PDF format) following the prescribed format. Deadline of submission of entries is on or before 5:00 p.m., March 31, 2021.
2. The guidance notes and checklist may be accessed through <https://bit.ly/3rURDqK>
3. The Gawad KALASAG (GK) category on schools, hospitals and other special citations is put on hold until 2022 to give way to the transition to Gawad KALASAG Seal.
4. For inquiries and additional information, the Regional Gawad KALASAG Secretariat may be reached through (074) 445-5298, 0917-123-7114 or email at car@ocd.gov.ph, civildefense_car@yahoo.com.
5. For information and guidance.


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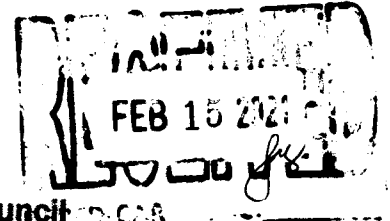
MEMORANDUM NO. 09, s. 2021

TO : Member-Agencies, Cordillera Regional DRRM Council
Chairpersons, Local DRRM Councils
Civil Society Organizations
Volunteer Organizations
People's Organizations
All concerned stakeholders

FROM : Chairperson, Cordillera Regional DRRM Council

SUBJECT : **COMMENCEMENT OF THE GAWAD KALASAG SEAL FOR THE LOCAL DISASTER RISK REDUCTION AND MANAGEMENT COUNCILS AND OFFICES (LDRRMCOs) AND CALL OF ENTRIES FOR THE GAWAD KALASAG SPECIAL AWARDS FOR CY 2021**

DATE : 15 February 2021



1. References:
 - a) OCD Memorandum No. 82, s. 2021 dated re: February 1, 2021 re: Commencement of the 22nd Gawad KALASAG (CY 2021) Seal and Special Awards for Excellence in Disaster Risk Reduction and Management and Humanitarian Assistance; and
 - b) NDRRMC Memorandum Circular No. 6, s. 2021 dated January 21, 2021 re: Guidelines for CY 2021 Gawad KALASAG Seal and Special Awards for Excellence in Disaster Risk Reduction and Management and Humanitarian Assistance.
2. Since 1998, the Gawad KALASAG (*Kalamidad at Sakuna, Labanan, Sariling Galing ang Kaligtasan*) Search for Excellence in Disaster Risk Reduction and Management (DRRM) and Humanitarian Assistance has been the country's recognition scheme to various stakeholders that design and implement disaster risk reduction and management (DRRM) programs that protect and shield high risk communities against hazards and render them more capable of addressing their vulnerabilities and coping from disasters.
3. Amidst the ongoing pandemic, the Gawad KALASAG (GK) Search remains to be a mechanism in obtaining sustained commitment and support by recognizing exceptional contributions of DRRM practitioners in strengthening the resilience and adaptive capacities of various aspects of society and communities to disaster risks.
4. Given the long-standing position to convert and establish GK as a Seal for Disaster Resilience, this year's Search aims to enhance the criteria on stakeholders who may participate, i.e., Local Government Units (LGUs), civil society organizations, and individuals who have engaged in the promotion of inclusive DRR-CCA; and standardize the implementation of procedures and processes for both the stakeholders and implementers, i.e., NDRRMC-OCD and its partners.
5. The GK Seal CY 2021 will be covering three (3) major categories:
 - a) GK Seal for Local DRRM Councils and Offices (LDRRMCO);
 - b) GK Special Awards for Civil Society Organizations (Volunteer Organizations (Emergency Response); People's Organizations (Sectoral); and Local Civil Society Organizations); and
 - c) GK Special Recognitions for Individuals and Organizations.

6. Meanwhile, the remaining categories of the Gawad KALASAG Search, particularly the schools, hospitals and other special citations, will be put on hold until 2022 to give way to the transition to GK Seal.
7. Significantly, this year's search seeks to institutionalize the assessment on the compliance of Local DRRM Councils and Offices (LDRRMCOs) to the mandatory provisions of Sections 11 and 12 of Republic Act No. 10121, as well as other policy issuances such as the reporting of the Local DRRM Fund (LDRRMF) utilization. The GK Seal will create a platform for convergence and enhance the existing DRRM Localization projects of OCD such as LDRRMP Review, LDRRMC Assessment, and LDRRMF Utilization Monitoring. With the challenges and gaps of the LGUs determined through the results of the assessment, this will serve as a guide for various government agencies on the needs and areas for improvement of the LDRRM Officers (LDRRMO) and staff, as well as LDRRMC members.
8. With this, the undersigned is pleased to inform you on the timeline of the Gawad KALASAG Seal and Special Awards for Excellence in DRRM and Humanitarian Assistance:

Gawad KALASAG Seal for the LDRRMC Assessment	
Orientation on the LDRRMC Toolkit for LGUs	February 17, 2021, Wednesday 1:00 PM – 4:00 PM Via video teleconference
Self-Assessment of LGUs	February 18, 2021 to March 14, 2021
Submission of the Results of the Self-Assessment*	March 15, 2021
LDRRMC Assessment and Regional Desk Evaluation	March 22, 2021 to June 11, 2021

**Non-submission of the results of the self-assessment will render automatic disqualification.*

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