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**REGIONAL MEMORANDUM**

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To: Assistant Regional Director  
Schools Division Superintendents  
Heads, Public Elementary and Secondary Schools  
All others concerned

**CALL FOR ENTRIES FOR THE 23<sup>rd</sup> GAWAD KALASAG SPECIAL AWARDS FOR EXCELLENCE IN DISASTER RISK REDUCTION AND MANAGEMENT AND HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE-PUBLIC ELEMENTARY AND PUBLIC SECONDARY SCHOOL CATEGORY**

1. 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 DRRM programs.
2. Commencing this year, public elementary and secondary schools are included as one of the categories in the Gawad KALASAG Special Awards.
3. Interested schools may submit their entries in one (1) hard copy and one (1) soft copy (preferably in PDF format) to the Cordillera Gawad KALASAG Regional Selection Committee, Office of Civil Defense, #55 Quezon Hill Rd 1, Baguio City from March 21 to May 12, 2023. Deadline of submission is **on or before 5:00 PM of May 12, 2023.**
4. Interested schools needing assistance in the preparation of their entries may request coaching session from the Regional Gawad KALASAG Secretariat through the following contact information: (074) 444-5298, 0969-335-3400 or email at **cordilleragawadkalasag@gmail.com.**
5. The 23<sup>rd</sup> Gawad KALASAG Guidelines and Checklists may be accessed through **<https://tinyurl.com/CordiGK2023Checklists>.**
6. For information and wide dissemination.

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**MEMORANDUM NO. 18, s. 2023**

**TO :** Member-Agencies, Cordillera Regional DRRM Council  
Chairpersons, Local DRRM Councils  
Heads, Local DRRM Offices  
Civil Society Organizations  
Volunteer Organizations  
People's Organizations  
Private Organizations  
Public Elementary Schools  
Public High Schools  
Higher Education Institutions  
Local Government Emergency Management and Response Teams  
Hospitals (National and Local Government, Private)  
All concerned stakeholders

**FROM :** Chairperson, Cordillera Regional DRRM Council

**SUBJECT :** COMMENCEMENT AND CALL FOR ENTRIES FOR THE 23<sup>rd</sup> GAWAD KALASAG SEAL AND SPECIAL AWARDS FOR EXCELLENCE IN DISASTER RISK REDUCTION AND MANAGEMENT AND HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE CY 2023

**DATE :** 13 March 2023

- References:
  - OCD Memorandum No. 216, s. 2023 dated 13 March 2023 re: Commencement and Call for Entries the 23<sup>rd</sup> Gawad KALASAG Seal and Special Awards for Excellence in Disaster Risk Reduction and Management and Humanitarian Assistance CY 2023; and
  - NDRRMC Memorandum Circular No. 001, s. 2023 dated 22 February 2023 re: Guidelines for 23<sup>rd</sup> Gawad KALASAG Seal and Special Awards for Excellence in Disaster Risk Reduction and Management and Humanitarian Assistance CY 2023.
- Established 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.

**THE CORDILLERA RDRRMC LOGO**



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3. 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. Based on past experiences and lessons learned, the Gawad KALASAG program was transformed into Gawad KALASAG Seal and Special Awards for Excellence in Disaster Risk Reduction and Management and Humanitarian Assistance (GK) and adopted a mandatory assessment of all Local Government Units, specifically Provinces, Cities, and Municipalities (PCM) and critical institutions (Schools and Hospitals); continued competition for Civil Society Organizations (CSOs); and special recognition for individuals and organizations.
5. Commencing this year, the Gawad KALASAG will cover the following categories:
  - a) GK Seal for Local DRRM Councils and Offices (LDRRMCO);
  - b) GK Special Awards for:
    - Civil Society Organizations (Civil Society Organizations, Volunteer Organizations; People's Organizations;
    - Government Emergency Management and Response Teams (4th to 6th Class Municipalities; Provinces, Cities, and 1st to 3rd Class Municipalities)
    - Hospitals (National Government Hospitals, Local Government Hospitals, Private Hospitals);
    - Schools (Higher Education Institution, Public Elementary Schools, Public High Schools)
    - Private Organizations (Business/Corporate);
  - c) GK Special Recognitions (Individuals and Organizations; Heroic Act: Individual/Group Living; Individual/Group Posthumous).
6. With this, the undersigned is pleased to share with you the timeline of this year's Gawad KALASAG Seal and Special Awards for Excellence in DRRM and Humanitarian Assistance:

<b>Gawad KALASAG Seal for LDRRMCO</b>	
Virtual Regional Orientation on the LDRRMCO Toolkit for LGUs	March 20, 2023
Self-Assessment of LGUs	March to May 26, 2023
Submission of Self-Assessment Results	May 26, 2023
Submission of the Self-Assessment Results to the NGKC	May 31, 2023
LDRRMCO Regional Evaluation	Desk Review
	Field Validation
Deliberation of Results	June 1 to 9, 2023
Consolidation of Results	June 19 to August 4, 2023
Endorsement of Regional Evaluation Result to GK Secretariat	August 18, 2023
Final Deliberation of Awardees and Joint Plenary Session	August 18 to 25, 2023
National Awarding Ceremony	August 28 to 31, 2023
	October 25 to 27, 2023
	December 7, 2023



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<b>Gawad KALASAG Special Awards</b>	
Virtual Regional Orientation on the Guidelines and Checklists	March 21, 2023
Call for Entries	March 21 to May 12, 2023
Deadline for the Submission of Entries	May 12, 2023
Regional Desk Evaluation	May 18 and 19, 2023
Regional Field Validation	May 29 to July 7, 2023
Consolidation of Results	July 7 to 14, 2023
Deliberation of results	July 14, 2023
Endorsement and Submission of Regional Evaluation Result to GK Secretariat	July 28, 2023
National Assessment (Desk & Field)	August 7 to October 13, 2023
Final Deliberation of Awardees and Joint Plenary Session	October 25 to 27, 2023
Gawad KALASAG Special Awards National Awarding Ceremony	December 7, 2023

7. Moreover, the Cordillera Gawad KALASAG Regional Selection Committee is now accepting entries for the Gawad KALASAG Special Awards for Excellence in DRRM and Humanitarian Assistance. Interested applicants may submit their entries in ONE (1) HARD COPY and ONE (1) SOFT COPY (preferably in PDF format) following the prescribed format on or before **5:00 PM, May 12, 2023**.
8. In preparation for the 23<sup>rd</sup> Gawad KALASAG Seal and Special Awards for Excellence in Disaster Risk Reduction and Management and Humanitarian Assistance, the Cordillera Regional Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Council, through the Office of Civil Defense – Cordillera Administrative Region, will conduct a regional orientation on the **new Gawad KALASAG Guidelines and Checklists from 20 to 21 March 2023 (Monday to Tuesday) via video teleconference**. Below are the Zoom meeting details for reference:

Meeting ID : 503 915 3736  
 Passcode : CARGK2023  
 Link : <https://tinyurl.com/CordiGK2023Orientation>

9. The participants to the two-day regional orientation shall be divided into two groups.

Category	Date	Participants
GK Seal for Local DRRM Councils and Offices	March 20, 2023 8:30 AM to 4:00 PM	Local DRRMCs, Local DRRMOs
GK Special Awards and Special Recognition	March 21, 2023 8:30 AM to 4:00 PM	Local DRRMCs, Local DRRMOs, Volunteer Organizations, Peoples Organizations, Local Civil Society Organizations, Local Government Emergency Management and Response Team, National Government Hospitals, Local Government Hospitals, Private Hospitals, Higher Education Institution, Public Elementary Schools, Public High Schools, Private Organizations (Business/Corporate), and interested individuals/groups



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10. Should interested local government units, individuals, groups, and/or organizations from the public and private sectors wish to seek further assistance in the preparation of their entries, you may send a request for a coaching session with the Regional Gawad KALASAG Secretariat through the following contact information: (074) 444-5298, 0969-335-3400, or email at [cordilleragawadkalasag@gmail.com](mailto:cordilleragawadkalasag@gmail.com).
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Regional Director, OCD-CAR

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## Cordillera RDRRMC Memo No. 18: Commencement and Call for Entries for the 23rd Gawad KALASAG

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Greetings!

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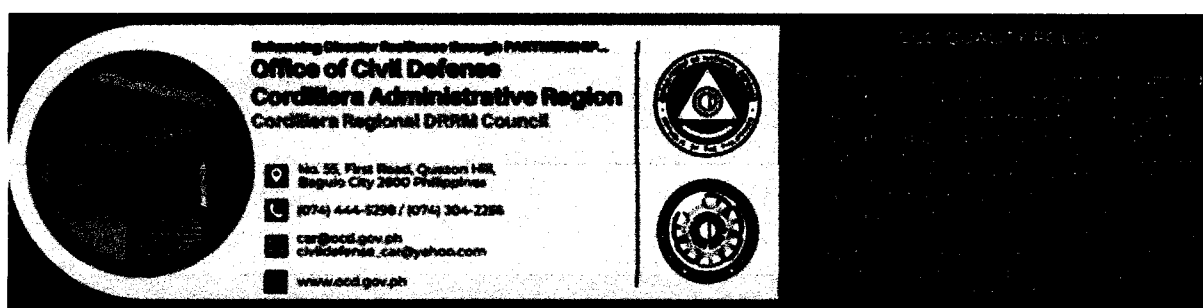
With this and in preparation for the 23<sup>rd</sup> Gawad KALASAG Seal and Special Awards, a Regional Orientation on the Guidelines and Checklists is scheduled on March 20 and 21, 2023 via Zoom. Please check the Cordillera RDRRMC Memo No. 18 for the Zoom details and timeline of activities.

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Thank you and we are looking forward to your participation and continued support for this year's Gawad KALASAG


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