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Region VII, Central Visayas



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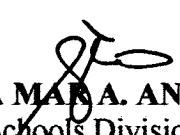

DIVISION MEMORANDUM

No. 429, s. 2016

**“ENJOINING ALL REGIONAL LINE AGENCIES, LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS
AND GOVERNMENT TRAINING INSTITUTIONS TO REFRAIN FROM SERVING
MEALS AND FOOD PRODUCTS WRAPPED IN PLASTIC, STYROFOAM, AND
OTHER NON-BIODEGRADABLE MATERIALS”**

**To: Assistant Superintendents
Education Supervisors/Coordinators
Elementary/Secondary School Heads**

1. Attached is an Excerpts From The Minutes Of Meeting Of The Central Visayas Regional Development Council held in Tagbilaran City on June 15, 2016 (RDC Resolution No. 258 s. 2016) entitled “**Enjoining All Regional Line Agencies, Local Government Units and Government Training Institutions to Refrain from Serving Meals and Food Products Wrapped in Plastic, Styrofoam, and Other Non-Biodegradable Materials**”, for information and guidance of all concerned.
2. For additional details, refer to the attached communication.
3. Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is highly desired.


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REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES
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EXCERPTS FROM THE MINUTES OF MEETING
OF THE CENTRAL VISAYAS REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL
HELD IN TAGBILARAN CITY ON 15 JUNE 2016

RDC Resolution No. 28 (s. 2016)

"ENJOINING ALL REGIONAL LINE AGENCIES, LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS AND GOVERNMENT TRAINING INSTITUTIONS TO REFRAIN FROM SERVING MEALS AND FOOD PRODUCTS WRAPPED IN PLASTIC; STYROFOAM, AND OTHER NON-BIODEGRADABLE MATERIALS"

WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 9003 known as the Ecological Solid Waste Management Act of 2000 strictly prohibits the manufacture or use of non-environmentally acceptable materials, but requires biodegradable and environment-friendly materials for packaging as part of the solid waste management program;

WHEREAS, relevant provisions of the Local Government Code gives to the local government units primary responsibility for the implementation and enforcement of the provisions of RA 9003 within their respective jurisdictions;

WHEREAS, in the meeting of the Economic Development Committee on 31 May 2016, DENR7 requested the EDC to recommend that the RDC enjoin all regional line agencies, LGUs and government training institutions holding meetings and seminars and serving meals in these gatherings to refrain from using non-biodegradable materials like plastic cups, disposable cutlery, plastic straws, among others;

WHEREAS, the irresponsible use and disposal of plastic bags and polystyrene foams and other non-biodegradable materials cause the clogging of waterways, drainages and bodies of water, as they take decades to decompose;

WHEREAS, the EDC found merit in the request of DENR7 and passed EDC Resolution No. 12 (s. 2016), recommending that the RDC enjoin all RLAs, LGUs and government training institutions to refrain from serving food wrapped in non-biodegradable materials;

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NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, to enjoin all regional line agencies, local government units, and government training institutions to refrain from serving meals and other food products wrapped in plastic or styrofoam, and other non-biocegradable materials.

Certified Correct:



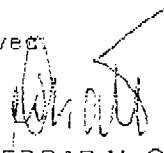
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