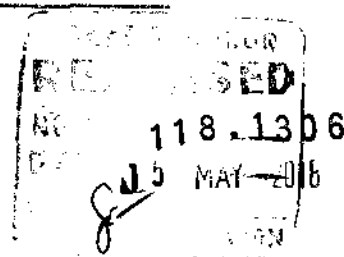




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SCHOOLS DIVISION OF NEGROS ORIENTAL
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TRAVEL ORDER
No. 592s, 2018

TO : Dr. Anna Lee Amores
Division Coordinator

You are hereby directed to represent the Division of Negros Oriental during the Forum on May 17, 2018, Thursday from 8:30-12:00 noon at the Bethel Guest House, Rizal Blvd., Dumaguete City. During the forum you shall present a **Senior High School (SHS) Situationer in the Tourism Track under the DepEd Negros Oriental Division.**

For cooperation.

For the Schools Division Superintendent:


ERLINDA N. CALUMPANG, Ed. D.
Chief, Education Program Supervisor
Office In-Charge

09 May 2018



DR. WILFREDA D. BONGALOS
Schools Division Superintendent
Dept. of Education (DepEd) – Negros Oriental

Dear Dr. Bongalos:

Greetings!

The Turo-Turismo Program implemented by the Coalition for Better Education (CBE), in collaboration with the The Asia Foundation (TAF), under its Coalitions for Change Program, was conceptualized as a responsive and experiential approach designed for 21st century learners to prepare SHS students for employment, entrepreneurship and/or pursue higher education related to tourism courses. The program is now focused on formulating policies that would pave the way towards facilitating an enabling partnership between government agencies, specifically the Dept. of Education (DepEd), the Technical Education and Skills Development Authority (TESDA) and the Commission of Higher Education (CHED), and the industries in complementing and matching the SHS curriculum with industry standards and producing quality senior high graduates with skills and competencies that will make them highly employable.

For Turo-Turismo to further create impact, we are convening the education stakeholders together with industry players in a **"Tourism Industry Forum for SHS Implementation"**. The forum primarily aims to identify the needs of the tourism industry in terms of employee standards, skills, competencies and qualifications; identify DepEd's current resources that match industry standards as well as current areas that need support from industry; and make recommendations for a common, effective, demand-driven, academic curriculum and successful partnership between schools and industries on the Joint Delivery Program (JDP).

Along this line, we would like to invite you or the Division SHS Coordinator to the Forum to present a **Senior High School (SHS) Situationer in the Tourism Track under DepEd-Negros Oriental Division**. A situationer on the current Tourism curriculum will enlighten our participants and highlight the importance of industry-academe partnerships and linkages in addressing industry-academe mismatch. **The Forum will be held on May 17, 2018, Thursday, from 8:30 AM – 12:00 PM at the Bethel Guest House, Rizal Blvd., Dumaguete City.** Please find attached Forum Concept Note and Program for your reference.

We truly hope for your favorable response to our invitation. For your confirmation and/or for any clarifications, please contact our Project Staff, Kookie Gutierrez at telephone numbers (032) 416-4625 to 26, mobile (0929) 4452630, email jalen0703@live.com.

Thank you.

Sincerely,


LUCHI C. FLORES
Executive Director



TOURISM INDUSTRY FORUM FOR SHS IMPLEMENTATION-DUMAGUETE

Date: 17 May 2018

Time: 8:30 AM– 12:00 PM

Venue: Bethel Guest House, Rizal Blvd., Dumaguete City

RATIONALE

With its abundance of natural resources and attractive local sceneries, Central Visayas is identified as a tourism hub. Consequently, tourism is among the top key employment generators of the region, with tourism industries such as hotels, restaurants, resorts and health and wellness centers as the top employment recruiters. The industry's ability to continue generating growth leads to the creation of more jobs and is dependent on whether it recognizes and adapts to the increasing demand of a quality workforce that can deliver excellent client service and satisfaction. On the other hand, there is a need to address whether the quality of senior high school graduates match or meet industry standards and whether they are ready to fill the in-demand occupations.

Towards this end, CBE inked a partnership with The Asia Foundation, under their Coalitions for Change (CfC) Program which aims to link the interests of local governments, industry associations and the Department of Education (DepEd) by organizing partnerships at national and local levels that help align basic education, formal and non-formal, to industry needs and goals, and promote meaningful employment and inclusive development. Under CfC, the project dubbed "Turo-Turismo", a tourism-focused Senior High School (SHS) program was developed and piloted in the Province of Bohol in 2015. The Turo-Turismo Program is conceptualized as a responsive and experiential approach designed for 21st century learners to prepare SHS students for employment, entrepreneurship and/or pursue higher education related to tourism courses.

On April 25, 2018, CBE conducted the Cebu City leg of the "Tourism Industry Forum for SHS Implementation". The activity gathered tourism industry players as well as the Technical Vocational Institutions (TVIs) and school divisions from the province with the aim of identifying the needs of the tourism industry in terms of employee standards, skills, competencies and qualifications; identifying DepEd's current resources that match industry standards and the current areas that need support from industry, and laying the ground work for a successful implementation of the Joint Delivery Program (JDP).

With the Province of Negros Oriental, particularly Dumaguete City being the melting pot of jobseekers from neighboring islands, including Siquijor Province, one of the school divisions covered by the Turo-Turismo Program, CBE is bringing the Forum to the province to explore more opportunities for academe-industry linkage and partnerships.



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OBJECTIVES

CBE recognizes the need to level-off needs and standards between the industry and education sectors to enable an effective implementation of an academic curriculum that will facilitate youth employability and a quality workforce. Moreover, determining the commitment and willingness of industry to support DepEd schools in terms of producing quality graduates will be a most meaningful partnership and collaboration that will hopefully lead to a sustained alignment of standards, competencies and skills of both sectors.

Specifically, the forum aims to achieve the following objectives:

- 1) Identify the needs of the tourism industry in terms of employee standards, skills, competencies and qualifications;
- 2) Identify DepEd's current resources that match industry standards as well as current areas that need support from industry;
- 3) Match industry-based standards with DepEd competencies and TESDA Training Regulations;
- 4) Map TVIs in Negros Oriental Province for possible Joint Delivery Program (JDP) partnerships;
- 5) Gathering recommendations for an effective and successful implementation of the JDP.

PROPOSED PROGRAM DESIGN AND SCHEDULE

<i>Time</i>	<i>Topic</i>	<i>Resource Person</i>
8:30 – 9:00 AM	Registration	CBE
9:00 – 9:15	Opening Activities <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Opening Prayer • Phil. National Anthem • Introduction of Participants • Rationale 	CBE
9:15 – 9:20	Welcome Remarks	Hon. Roel R. Degamo Governor Province of Negros Oriental
9:20 – 9:35	Tourism Situationer in the Province	Provincial Tourism Office Province of Negros Oriental
9:35 – 9:50	DepEd-Siquijor: Current Situationer on K to 12/5HS,	Dr. Wilfreda D. Bongalos Schools Division



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	particularly the TVL-Tourism Track	Province of Negros Oriental
9:50 – 10:10	TVI Situationer in Negros Oriental Province	Mr. Floro T. Ringca Provincial Director TESDA-Negros Oriental
10:10 – 10:15	Workshop Mechanics	CBE
10:15 – 11:15	Business Matching and Partnerships: Parallel Sessions with Industry, TVIs and Schools	
11:15 – 11:35	Plenary	
11:35 – 11:45	Recap and Commitment-Setting	
11:45 – 11:50	Closing Remarks	CBE