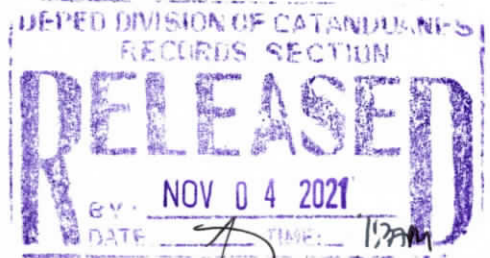




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**SCHOOLS DIVISION OFFICE OF CATANDUANES**



November 4, 2021

**DIVISION MEMORANDUM**  
OSDS-ICTU-DM- 498 c. 2021

**DIGITAL STARTUP DEVELOPMENT AND ACCELERATION PROGRAM(DSDAP)**

**TO : Assistant Schools Division Superintendent**  
**SDO Chiefs, Section/Unit Heads**  
**Education Program Supervisors**  
**Public Schools District Supervisors**  
**School Heads**  
**District/School ICT Coordinators**  
**All others concerned**

1. Attached is the letter of the **Department of Information and Communications Technology (DICT)** dated October 28, 2021 about the Digital Startup Development and Acceleration Program(DSDAP).
2. Interested schools (teachers and learners) are advised to fill up this link <https://tinyurl.com/DSDAPDICT> until **November 5, 2021(12Noon)** for DO monitoring of school participation and for the submission of school endorsement to DICT through this email [iidb-bap@dict.gov.ph](mailto:iidb-bap@dict.gov.ph). Moreover, you may individually register for the Startup Mentor's Bootcamp here: <https://bit.ly/PHStartupMentorsBootcamp2021>.
3. For queries, please contact Ms. Mary Ann O. Lacson (CP #099959777555 or email at [maryann.lacson@dict.gov.ph](mailto:maryann.lacson@dict.gov.ph)
4. For information, guidance and compliance.

  
**SUSAN S. COLLANO**

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28 October 2021

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School Division Superintendent  
Department of Education Division of Catanduanes  
Virac, Catanduanes

Dear Ms. Collano:

Greetings from the Department of Information and Communications Technology (DICT) Luzon Cluster 3 and the Philippine Society of Information Technology Educators, Inc. (PSITE)!

The DICT is implementing the **Digital Startup Development and Acceleration Program (DSDAP)** which has an overall goal of establishing a strong Philippine Startup Ecosystem by providing support that will enrich and strengthen the competitive advantage of Filipino startups. One of the initiatives for this program is the **Philippine Startup Challenge 2021** that has opened two categories—professional and student—for its sixth year.

We are pleased to announce the Philippine Startup Challenge 2021 – Student Category happening this December. This year, the competition is open to all students and professionals who have creative ideas in helping solve social problems through the use of information and communications technology (ICT). In this regard, we are inviting your respective university and your senior high school and college students, **Department of Education Division of Catanduanes** to be part of the competition. We would like to encourage your school and your students to participate in this competition to continue to utilize their creativity and produce innovative business ventures.

The DICT, in partnership with PSITE, has organized a mentor's bootcamp and island startup workshop for educators. We would like to ask for the endorsement of your university to send a maximum of five (5) representatives to attend the **Startup Mentor's Bootcamp** happening this **November 9-10, 2021 at 2-4 PM**. Startup Mentor's Bootcamp is a 2-hour event that will discuss about startup basics and methods and will enrich startup knowledge among educators through an inclusive and collaborative workshop to equip educators, entrepreneurs, and even aspiring ones with significant learnings on how to develop a startup from idea to minimum viable product. It will be an eligibility requirement for mentors to attend the island startup workshops.

After the mentor's bootcamp, one (1) representative may attend the island startup workshops that we have also organized. The Island Startup Workshops will be a 16-hour workshop for the chosen faculty that may mentor aspiring startups in your school. The conduct of these events is matched to inspire more student aspirants to join Philippine Startup Challenge (PSC) 2021. The Luzon Startup Workshop is scheduled on November 22-23, 2021.



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LUZON CLUSTER 3



The slot will be provided free of charge and is inclusive of the following:

1. Workshop Materials
2. Certificate of completion

You may also give incentives to your participating faculty members in the bootcamp and workshop and offer to spearhead the technopreneurship program in your school, if possible.

With your faculty's participation to the Startup Mentor's Bootcamp and Island Startup Workshop, we hope you can invite and encourage your students to join the Philippine Startup Challenge. A briefier regarding the Philippine Startup Challenge, the Startup Mentor's Bootcamp, and Island Startup Workshops are attached for your reference.

The deadline for the school endorsement is on **November 5, 2021**. Let us know if you can join us in this endeavor geared towards providing another learning opportunity for aspiring school startups. Please send us an email to confirm your school's participation at [iidb-bap@dict.gov.ph](mailto:iidb-bap@dict.gov.ph). Moreover, your faculty members may individually register for the Startup Mentor's Bootcamp here: <https://bit.ly/PHStartupMentorsBootcamp2021>.

Should you have further questions, please contact Ms. Mary Ann O. Lacson through email address at [maryann.lacson@dict.gov.ph](mailto:maryann.lacson@dict.gov.ph) or through mobile number 09959777555.

We look forward to your favorable response regarding our invitation.

Very truly yours,

  
Digitally  
signed by  
Ortega Cheryl  
Camenforte

**CHERYL C. ORTEGA**

Regional Director

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