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INTENSIFIED TRAINING OF MUSLIM TEACHERS (*ASATIDZ*) OF ARABIC
LANGUAGE AND ISLAMIC VALUES IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS AND GUIDELINES
IN THE SELECTION AND HIRING OF *ASATIDZ*
FOR SY 2006-2007

To: Regional Secretary, DepED ARMM
Regional Directors
Schools/City Division Superintendents
Regional/Division *Madrasah* Training Teams

1. In preparation for the full implementation of *Madrasah* Education Curriculum as authorized under the DepED Order No. 51, s. 2004 for the SY 2006-2007, the following activities shall be undertaken:

1.1. The nationwide Pre-Service Training of *Asatidz* shall be conducted, utilizing the three (3) training modules developed and funded by BEAM. The modules were revised during the National Evaluation Workshop on Beginning English for *Asatidz* (BEA) Training Program hosted by BEAM on January 16-20, 2006 at Phela Grande Hotel, General Santos City.

1.2 The National Training of Trainers (TOTs) for Language Enhancement and Pedagogy (LEAP) for *Asatidz* Program will be conducted from February 26 to March 4, 2006 in Davao City. A total of 90 *Madrasah* trainers shall participate in this workshop. The training program will be conducted on a cost-sharing expenses by the following:
(a) The Basic Education Assistance for Mindanao (BEAM) to defray expenses for foods and accommodation of all participants, supplies and materials printing of the modules, and honoraria of Mindanao based university professors; (b) The DepED Regional Offices to shoulder the travel expenses of the trainers charged to their respective local funds; and; (c) The DepED Central Office to cover honoraria of selected trainers, *Ulama* consultants and technical staff.

1.3 The Regional Directors shall identify the composition of their training team(s) based on the enclosed Criteria for the Selection of TOTs participants. The names of selected trainers shall be submitted to the Office of the Undersecretary for Muslim Affairs on or before February 20, 2006.

The recommended slots of trainers by region are the following:

Regions	No. of Trainers
• NCR	5
• Regions I, II, III and CAR	5
• Regions IV-A, IV-B and V	10
• Regions VI, VII and VIII	5
• Region IX	10
• Regions X and XIII	15
• Region XI	5
• Region XII	15
• ARMM	<u>20</u>
Total	<u>90</u>

2. The following are Guidelines on the Selection and Hiring of *Asatidz* to undergo the 22-day Pre-Service Training of *Asatidz*

2.1. Each Regional Director shall determine the training schedule and venue of the 22-Day Pre-Service Training of *Asatidz* who shall be teaching Arabic Language (A/L) and Islamic Values (I/V) in public schools. The Schools Division Superintendents shall recruit/hire the needed *Asatidz* based on the number of Muslim pupils enrolled and in consultation with the Muslim communities, especially the *Ulama* group. Likewise, the following guidelines shall be observed:

2.1.1. The Qualifications of the trainees to undergo the Pre-Service Training are the following:

- Ability/knowledge in Arabic Language and Islamic Studies
- College (*Kuleyah*) graduate
- High school graduate from local Madrasah if there is no available college graduate

2.1.2. In consultation with the local Muslim community/leaders including the Office of Muslim Affairs (OMA), the RDs and SDSs shall negotiate with their LGU counterparts on the grant of honoraria for *Asatidz* who shall teach the A/L and I/V in public schools in Grade I, including those needed to teach in Grade II (for regions that have pilot implemented the *Madrasah* Education Curriculum in SY 2005-2006. The names of the *Ulama* selected and the schools where they will be assigned to teach shall be reported to the Office of the Undersecretary for Muslim Affairs not later than March 15, 2006.


2.1.3. Funds for this purpose shall be sourced-out as follows:

- DepED *Madrasah* Education Budget for CY 2006
- Basic Education Assistance for Mindanao (BEAM)
- Office of the Regional Secretary DepED ARMM
- Office of the RD/SDS

2.1.4. The actual training of *Asatidz* shall be conducted by the respective regions under the direct supervision of the RDs. Funds for the training program shall be sourced-out by DepED CO on a cost-sharing basis with the regional and division offices. The local travels of *Asatidz* and supplies and materials shall be shared by the regional and division offices. The greater bulk of expenses for the payment of honoraria of trainers and technical/support staff shall be sourced-out from the DepED *Madrasah* Education Budget for CY 2006.

3. For more information, contact USEC Manaros B. Boransing, DepED Central Office at tel. no. (02) 633-7207; telefax no. (02) 637-4211 and E-mail address: mbboransing@deped.gov.ph.

4. Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.


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Undersecretary
Officer-in-Charge

Encl.: As stated

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National Evaluation Workshop

Beginning English for Asatidz (BEA) Training Program

January 16 to 20, 2006
Phela Grande hotel, General Santos City



Criteria for the Selection of TOT Participants

Domain	Criteria	Rationale
Education and Exposure	High level of proficiency in English language (written/oral) and Pedagogy.	<p>The BEA Training is basically a language enhancement program. The objective is for asatidz to have adequate English proficiency before they are deployed in the public schools.</p> <p>Following the principle of Content and Language Integration Learning (CLIL), the BEA training includes the study of lesson planning, teaching strategies and the school system. Therefore, a trainer should also be conversant in pedagogy and the dynamics of the public school system (i.e., structure, communication system, test construction, grading system, monitoring and evaluation)</p>
Experience	With experience as a trainer/facilitator.	Asatidz are religious leaders in the Muslim community and considered as adult learners. BEA Trainer must have intensive training and facilitation experience. Experience in training and facilitating adult learners is an advantage.
Age	Preferably between 30 to 45 years old	Dynamism also comes with young age. The BEA training is open to those able to withstand the rigors of an intensive 23-day training program.
Health	Physically and mentally fit	
Mobility	Willing and able to travel	The Regional Training Team, composed of past and present BEA trainers, will be mobilized around/across region to conduct training for asatidz and monitor their performance in the public schools.
Adaptation	Ability to adapt to diverse cultures.	Working in a multicultural environment and dealing with people from diverse ethno-linguistic groups. Experience working with Muslim groups, especially the ulama', is an advantage.