



Republic of the Philippines  
**Department of Education**

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OFFICE ORDER  
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**CREATION OF THE ASEAN PRIZE SCREENING COMMITTEE**

To: Undersecretaries  
Assistant Secretaries  
Minister, Basic, Higher, and Technical Education, BARMM  
Bureau and Service Directors  
Regional Directors  
Schools Division Superintendents  
Assistant Schools Division Superintendents  
Public and Private Elementary and Secondary School Heads  
All Others Concerned

1. The ASEAN Prize is a regional premier award given annually to recognize inspiring achievements of ASEAN citizen or ASEAN-based organization with significant contribution toward ASEAN community-building efforts.
2. Founded in 2018, it is anchored upon the commitment of the ASEAN Secretariat and the ASEAN Member States who share mutual aspiration to acknowledge ASEAN citizens' and institutions' exemplary contributions in fostering ASEAN identity, promoting ASEAN spirit, and upholding the ASEAN way.
3. The ASEAN Prize recognizes inspiring achievements and exemplary contributions of an individual or organization, inter alia, to the building of a rules-based, people-oriented, people-centered ASEAN Community, and intra-ASEAN collaborative efforts, taking into account the theme of ASEAN, as designated by the ASEAN Chair in that particular year.
4. Nominations from each ASEAN Member State shall be collated by the National Focal Point, and only shortlisted nominations will be submitted to the Judging Committee, through the ASEAN Secretariat.
5. The Department of Education (DepEd) is requested annually to nominate individuals and/or organizations for the consideration of the ASEAN-PH National Secretariat, as the Philippine National Focal Point.
6. Every year, the Department shall release the call for nominations for the ASEAN Prize through a DepEd Memorandum and the ASEAN Prize Screening Committee shall receive all nominations, endorsed by the regional directors to the International Cooperation Office.

7. With this, DepEd is creating the official Screening Committee for the ASEAN Prize. This will be composed of the following DepEd officials:

- a. Undersecretary for Planning and Human Resource and Organizational Development,
- b. Undersecretary for Curriculum and Instruction,
- c. Director of the Bureau of Human Resource and Organizational Development,
- d. Director of the National Educators Academy of the Philippines,
- e. Director of the Bureau of Curriculum Development, and
- f. Director of the International Cooperation Office.

8. The ASEAN Prize Screening Committee will determine whether each nominee meets the selection criteria for the Prize and if the nominee's achievements and advocacies are related to the year's ASEAN Prize theme.

9. Once the ASEAN Prize Screening Committee finalizes the list of official nominees from the Department, the list shall be endorsed to the Secretary for final approval and transmittal to the ASEAN-PH National Secretariat.

10. Expenses utilized in the activities, meetings, and other initiatives to be taken by the Committee shall be charged to BPLP Funds, subject to the usual government accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

11. Immediate dissemination of this Order is directed.

  
**LEONOR MAGTOLIS BRIONES**  
Secretary

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