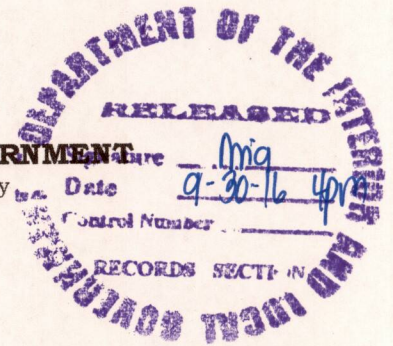


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OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

September 30, 2016

**MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR
No. 2016 - 135**

TO : ALL PROVINCIAL GOVERNORS, CITY MAYORS, MUNICIPAL MAYORS,
DILG REGIONAL DIRECTORS, ARMM REGIONAL GOVERNOR AND
OTHERS CONCERNED

SUBJECT : 1st PHILIPPINE CAVE AND KARST FORUM

The National Cave Committee is organizing the **1st Philippine Cave and Karst Forum** with the theme *Understanding the Interaction between People and Caves* this coming November 9 to 10, 2016 at the National Museum of Fine Arts Auditorium, Padre Burgos Drive, City of Manila. The forum primarily aims to:

- a) Highlight the values of caves to human well-being;
- b) Build interest in the research and study of caves and its resources;
- c) Raise awareness of the impacts of human activities to cave ecosystem; and
- d) Inspire the public as advocates for cave conservation.

In view of the above, concerned LGUs are hereby enjoined to send a representative to attend the said forum. The payment of transportation, per diems, registration and other incidental expenses may be charged against their respective local funds, subject to applicable accounting and auditing laws, rules and regulations.

Enclosed herewith is a copy of Confirmation Slip Form to be accomplished and submitted to the Organizing Committee, through the Biodiversity Management Bureau, Department of Environment and Natural Resources at Fax No. (02) 925-8951 or email at cawed@bmb.gov.ph, not later than September 30, 2016. LGU representation in the said activity is limited to only seventy (70) persons, broken down to 10 participants for provinces, and 30 participants, both for cities and municipalities. A registration fee of Seven Hundred Fifty Pesos (Php 750.00) per person shall be collected to cover the cost of the forum kit and t-shirt. Meals during the forum proper will be provided by NCC.

All DILG Regional Directors and the ARMM Regional Governor are hereby directed to cause the widest dissemination of this Memorandum Circular to concerned local government units within their respective areas of jurisdiction.

For the information and guidance of all concerned.

ISMAEL D. SUENO
Secretary



The 1st Philippine Cave and Karst Forum

Theme: *Understanding the interactions between People and Caves*

National Museum of Fine Arts Auditorium,
Padre Burgos Drive, Manila
November 9-10, 2016



Dear



The National Cave Committee (NCC) will be holding the 1st Philippine Cave and Karst Forum on 9-10 November 2016 at the National Museum of Fine Arts Auditorium, Padre Burgos Drive, Manila. The Forum will discuss transdisciplinary approaches to management and research of cave and karst ecosystems with the theme “*Understanding the Interactions between People and Caves*”. It aims to achieve the following:

1. Highlight the values of caves to human well-being;
2. Build interest in the research and study of caves and its resources;
3. Raise awareness of the impacts of human activities to cave ecosystem; and
4. Inspire the public as advocates for cave conservation.

In this regard, may we invite at most two (2) representatives from your Office to participate in the said Forum. We are confident that the presentations from our distinguished Resource Speakers shall impart new ideas and insights for the participants of this event.

A registration fee of seven hundred fifty pesos (Php 750.00) per person shall be collected to cover the cost of the forum kit and t-shirt.

Enclosed is a copy of the tentative Program for reference and a Confirmation Form to be accomplished and submitted to the Organizing Committee. Kindly send the duly accomplished Form to BMB through Fax Number (02)-925-8951 or by e-mail at cawed@bmb.gov.ph on or before **10 October 2016**.

Your support will be highly appreciated.

THERESA MUNDITA S. LIM
The Director and NCC Chair

1st PHILIPPINE CAVE FORUM
National Museum of Fine Arts Auditorium, Padre Burgos Drive, Manila
9-10 November 2016
CONFIRMATION SLIP

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