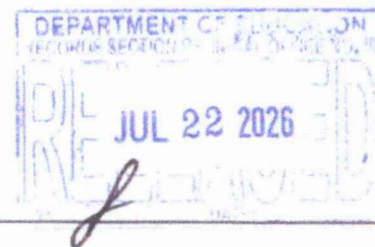




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**INVITATION TO PARTICIPATE IN THE ASEAN-JAPAN CYBERSECURITY
AWARENESS VIDEO COMPETITION 2026**

The Department of Information and Communications Technology (DICT) Region 3, through its Cybersecurity Bureau, invites Filipino students aged 30 or below, enrolled in any recognized school, college, or university, to participate in the **ASEAN-Japan Cybersecurity Awareness Video Competition 2026**. Participants are to submit an original 30- to 60-second educational video on critical cybersecurity topics. The winning Philippine entry will advance to the ASEAN-Japan finals with cash prizes of up to USD 2,000. The registration deadline is **August 14, 2026**, at <https://bit.ly/ajcavc2026-r3reg>. For more details, please refer to the attached letter/invitation.

Participation of learners and teachers from public and private schools shall be purely voluntary and will not hamper instructional time. All concerned are enjoined to strictly observe the instructional blocks under the three-term school calendar and to ensure that participation in this activity does not disrupt scheduled instructional time, in compliance with the provisions of DepEd Order (DO) No. 009, s. 2026, titled Guidelines on the Implementation of the Three-Term School Calendar in Basic Education and Activities, and DO 9, s. 2005, titled Instituting Measures to Increase Engaged Time-on-Task and Ensuring Compliance Therewith. This is also subject to the no-collection policy under Section 3 of Republic Act No. 5546, also known as the Ganson Law.

For more information, please refer to the attached document or contact:

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Department of Education (DepEd) Region III
City of San Fernando, Pampanga

Dear Director Aquino:

Warm greetings from the Department of Information and Communications Technology (DICT) Region 3! The DICT, through its Cybersecurity Bureau, is currently spearheading the ASEAN-Japan Cybersecurity Awareness Video Competition 2026. This regional initiative aims to strengthen cyber hygiene awareness by encouraging Filipino students to create short, innovative educational videos on critical cybersecurity topics, while simultaneously selecting the official Philippine representative for the ASEAN-level competition. In line with this, we respectfully request your office's assistance in the wide dissemination of this competition to all eligible public and private educational institutions within Region III.

To help guide interested students, here are the key details of the competition:

- Eligibility: Open to Filipino students below thirty (30) years old who are currently enrolled in any recognized school, college, or university in the Philippines.
- Video Specifications: An original 30- to 60-second educational video.
- Topics: Social Engineering, Artificial Intelligence (AI), QR Code Phishing (Quishing), Money Mule scams, Cyberbullying, Cyber Safety for Seniors, Internet of Things (IoT), Data Security, or Smart Devices.
- Criteria for Judging: Message (50%), Creativity (25%), and Quality (25%), to be evaluated by the DICT Central Office.
- Prizes: The winning Philippine entry will advance to the ASEAN-Japan finals, where global organizers will award USD 2,000 (1st place), USD 1,500 (2nd place), and USD 1,000 (3rd place).
- Regional Deadline: August 14, 2026.

Interested participants may register at <https://bit.ly/ajcavc2026-r3reg>. For inquiries, they may contact Engr. Carisma B. Gutierrez at carisma.gutierrez@dict.gov.ph or r3.cyber@dict.gov.ph, or +63 949 667 8530; or Mr. Domingo J. Chico, Jr. at domingo.chicojr@dict.gov.ph or +63 962 099 1997.

We deeply appreciate DepEd Region III's unwavering support in fostering cyber-safety and digital literacy among our youth. Thank you, and we look forward to your favorable response and continued partnership.

Respectfully Yours,

Digitally signed
by Padre Antonio
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