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**MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR**  
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**T O :** ALL PROVINCIAL GOVERNORS, CITY MAYORS, MUNICIPAL MAYORS,  
DILG REGIONAL DIRECTORS, DILG-BARMM REGIONAL MINISTER,  
AND OTHERS CONCERNED

**SUBJECT :** *DEVELOPMENT POLICY RESEARCH MONTH* CELEBRATION ON  
SEPTEMBER OF EVERY YEAR, PURSUANT TO PRESIDENTIAL  
DECREE NO. 247 (S. 2002)

Pursuant to Presidential Proclamation No. 247, issued on September 2, 2002, the month of September of every year has been declared as the **Development Policy Research Month (DPRM)** as a platform to promote and draw nationwide awareness on the importance of policy research in nation building. The Philippine Institute for Development Studies (PIDS) is designated as the lead agency in the annual observance of the DPRM.

This year's theme, "*Navigating the New Globalization: Local Actions for Global Challenges*" or in Filipino, "*Paglalayag sa Bagong Globalisasyon: Lokal na Pagkilos sa mga Pandaigdigang Hamon,*" highlights the need to promote awareness on the changing face of globalization and encourage everyone to be proactive in dealing with these challenges and in harnessing the opportunities that can be brought about by globalization.

In this connection, all Local Chief Executives are encouraged to extend their support to this year's DPRM celebration, by way of undertaking the following suggested activities:

- Displaying a DPRM banner/streamer within their premises, of which the banner template may be accessed at <http://bit.ly/dprm2019>,
- Reposting and sharing DPRM promotional videos, infographics, and related announcements on their official website and social media pages (downloadable from DPRM websites, <http://dprm.pids.gov.ph> and <http://appc.pids.gov.ph>, and PIDS social media pages (<https://www.facebook.com/PIDS.PH/> and [https://twitter.com/PIDS\\_PH/](https://twitter.com/PIDS_PH/)).
- Organizing events that may be relevant to the theme or to policy research by emailing the details or photos to Ms. Neille Gwen de la Cruz at [Ndelacruz@mail.pids.gov.ph](mailto:Ndelacruz@mail.pids.gov.ph) using the attached monitoring form; and
- Encouraging their personnel to visit the DPRM and Annual Public Policy Conference (APPC) websites as mentioned above.

Related inquiries may be directed to the PIDS through Ms. Gizelle Manuel at [gmanuel@mail.pids.gov.ph](mailto:gmanuel@mail.pids.gov.ph).

All DILG Regional Directors and the BARMM Minister of Local Government shall cause the widest dissemination of this Memorandum Circular to the LGUs within their respective regions.

  
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Secretary

