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RCTQ supports DepEd in its education quality reforms



Since Secretary Leonor Magtolis Briones assumed the leadership of the Department of Education (DepEd) in 2016, the Department has been working on aggressive reforms to respond to the urgency of improving the quality of basic education in the Philippines. RCTQ has consistently supported DepEd's pivot from access to quality of education since it started flagging education quality as its biggest challenge. [Read More & Share](#)

Senators Gatchalian, Villanueva stress urgency of passing TEC reform bill in sponsorship speeches



Sen. Sherwin Gatchalian—chair of the Senate Committee on Basic Education, Arts, and Culture, and Sen. Joel Villanueva—chair of the Senate Committee on Higher, and Technical and Vocational Education—underscored the urgency of passing the proposed Senate Bill No. 2152 or the Teacher Education Excellence Act as they delivered their sponsorship speeches respectively during the Senate's plenary session on 17 May 2021.

Sen. Gatchalian said the bill will “address the failure of the country's teacher education system to produce the highest caliber of educators.” [Read more about Sen. Gatchalian's speech](#)

Sen. Villanueva on the other hand, said that “in order to develop better schools amidst all the chaos and uncertainties, the effectiveness of teachers and school leaders should be improved, and this is the foundation of the proposal to strengthen the TEC. [Read more about Sen. Villanueva's speech](#)

The strengthening of the TEC was advocated by the Malacañang-led Technical Working Group for Teacher Quality (TWG) where RCTQ is part of. RCTQ [has served as resource organization](#) during the series of committee hearings and TWG meetings for the proposed bill since 2020.

Results and recommendations from TEI mapping study presented at MBHTE Higher Education Forum, meetings with Advisory Board, TEIs



Key findings and recommendations from the Mapping Study of Teacher Education Institutions (TEIs) serving the Bangsamoro Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao (BARMM) were presented and discussed on Day 3 of the Bangsamoro Higher Education Virtual Forum on 15 July 2021. The study results were also presented in separate fora to the projects' Advisory Board on 25 May 2021 and to 13 TEIs based in Mindanao on 29 June 2021. [Read More & Share](#)

RCTQ welcomes new Deputy Director; Senior Manager for Projects, Planning and Linkages



Former Director IV of the Department of Education – Bureau of Human Resource and Organizational Development (BHRD) Ms. Maria Lourdes Pantoja has joined RCTQ as fulltime Deputy Director. She will support the RCTQ Director in ensuring the provision of research-based policy recommendations on basic education focused on the area of teacher and school leader quality to relevant government agencies, and in leading RCTQ research and administrative teams to deliver outstanding outputs.

Ms. Pantoja is joined by Ms. Krupskaya (Kay) Añonuevo who will serve as Senior Manager for Projects, Planning and Linkages. Ms. Añonuevo will lead in the development and implementation of a strategic planning framework for RCTQ; establish/strengthen links with relevant agencies and institutions to facilitate RCTQ research programs, projects, or activities; and act as the point person for linkages with partners and stakeholders. [Read More & Share](#)

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Module on Teaching Learners in Difficult Circumstances: A Sneak Peek



How would you teach learners in difficult circumstances? RCTQ has worked with the National Educators Academy of the Philippines in developing two online modules, which will be publicly available soon, which will assist the Department of Education in supporting teaching and learning during and after the health crisis. One of them is a module containing illustrations of good teaching practices that elaborate Indicator 3.4.2 of the Philippine Professional Standards for Teachers (PPST).

Whether you are a teacher or a master teacher, whether a public or a private school teacher, getting a copy of this module is a must. [Read More & Share](#)

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RCTQ assists BHROD in validating RPMS Year 3 performance assessment tools

RCTQ worked with the Bureau of Human Resource and Organizational Development – Human Resource Development Division (BHROD- HRDD) in the

conduct of a validation workshop on 30 June-7 July 2021 that sought to finalize the remaining Philippine Professional Standards for Teachers (PPST) indicators and the corresponding means of verification (MOVs) belonging to Year 3 of the implementation of the PPST-based Results-based Performance Management System (RPMS). [Read More & Share](#)



RCTQ supports NEAP in onboarding newly-hired personnel

RCTQ provided technical assistance to the National Educators Academy of the Philippines (NEAP) in the conduct of the onboarding program for Batch 3 of newly-hired personnel last May 17-

20, 2021. [Read More & Share](#)



NEAP transition team meets for transformation progress and updates

The National Educators Academy of the Philippines (NEAP) Transformation transition team gathered virtually on May 7, 2021 to provide a comprehensive update on the organization, program and facility transformation of NEAP. [Read More & Share](#)

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