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In compliance with DepEd Order (DO) No. 8, s. 2023
This advisory is issued not for endorsement per DO No. 28, s. 2001,
But only for the information of DepEd Officials,
Personnel/staff, as well as the concerned public.

5TH BIOTA-IRC REGIONAL CONVENTION AND SCIENTIFIC MEETING

The Biology Teachers Association of the Philippines, Inc., Ilocos Region Chapter (BIOTA IRC), in coordination with the University of Northern Philippines-BS Biology Program, will be holding its 5th Regional Convention and Scientific Meeting with the theme: *"Interplay Between Science and Society: The Role of Biology Education and Research"*, at the Tadena Hall, University of Northern Philippines, Tamag, Vigan City on **February 13, 2026**.

BIOTA IRC is committed to promoting biology education and research by providing for a to all active members in Region I. To realize this, it holds convention yearly, allowing a platform to communicate ideas in biology education and research, thus preserving this strong community with similar goals, values and interests.

The event is open to faculty members and researchers. Interested participants can register through the link: <https://q.me-gr.com/vfsdybu0>.

For your guidance, below is the Registration rate:

1. For Participants
 - a. Professionals and Graduate Students: PhP 1,200.00 (Early Registration) and PhP 1,800.00 (On-site) inclusive of a Convention kit, meals (two [2] snacks, one[1] lunch) and a certificate of attendance.
 - b. Undergraduate Students : PhP 600.00 inclusive of meals (two [2] snacks, one [1] lunch) and a certificate of attendance.
2. For Membership Fees
 - a. New/Renewal or Regular Members: PhP 300.00
 - b. Lifetime Membership (after 1 year regular membership): PhP 3,000.00

Participation of teachers from public schools shall be purely **voluntary** and will not hamper instructional time in compliance with the provisions of DepEd Order No. 012, s. 2025, titled *Multi-Year Implementing Guidelines on the School Calendar and Activities* and DepEd Order No. 9, s. 2005 titled *Instituting Measures to Increase Engaged Time-on-Task and Ensuring Compliance Therewith*, and the policy on off-campus activities stated in DepEd Order No.66, s. 2017.



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BIOLOGY TEACHERS ASSOCIATION OF THE PHILIPPINES, INC. ILOCOS REGION CHAPTER

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Schools Division Superintendent- Vigan City

Mena Crisologo St. cor. Rivero St. Barangay 9, Vigan City, Ilocos Sur

Dear Dr. Eda:

Warm greetings!

I am glad to inform you that the BIOLOGY TEACHERS ASSOCIATION OF THE PHILIPPINES, INC. Ilocos Region Chapter (BIOTA IRC), in coordination with the University of Northern Philippines-BS Biology program, will be holding its **5th Regional Convention and Scientific Meeting** on February 13, 2026 at the Tadena Hall, Administration Building, University of Northern Philippines, Vigan City, Ilocos Sur.

In line with this, may I respectfully invite faculty members and researchers from your institutions, particularly those involved in biology-related colleges, departments, and programs, who intend to be members of BIOTA.

Attached is the flyer of the activity for your perusal

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Thank you very much for your overwhelming support to the endeavors of BIOTA Phils. Inc. May God bless us all.

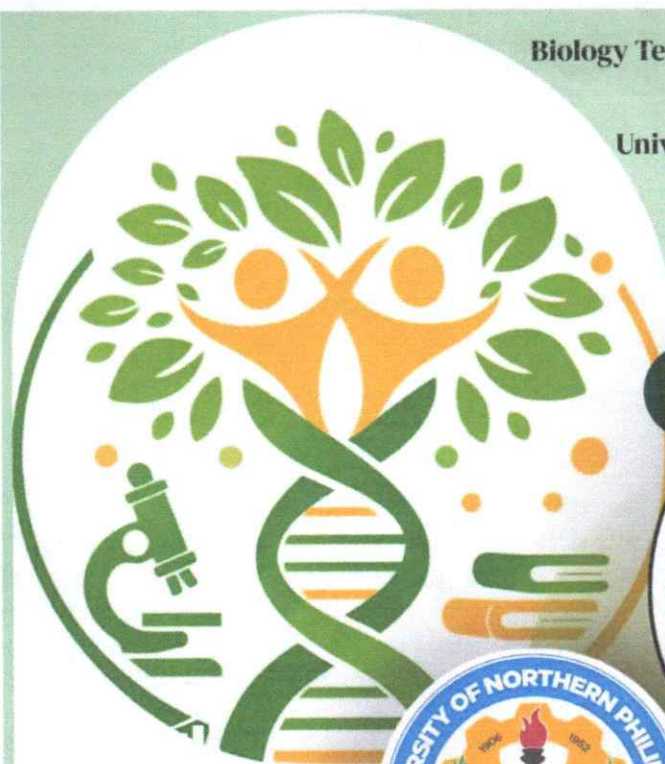
Very respectfully yours,


ALICE GERALDINE HERNANDO-PAGALING
President, BIOTA IRC



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5th Regional Convention & Scientific Meeting

*Theme: Interplay between Science and Society:
The Role of Biology Education and Research*



February 13, 2026

8:00am - 5:00pm



**Tadena Hall, University of Northern
Philippines, Vigan City, Ilocos Sur**



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REGISTER NOW!



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