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2025 REGIONAL SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, AND INNOVATION WEEK (RSTW)

The Department of Science and Technology Regional Office VI will conduct the **2025 Regional Science, Technology, and Innovation Week (RSTW)** celebration in Western Visayas which will take place on September 10-12, 2025 at Robinsons Roxas, Capiz.

Participation of learners and teachers from public and private 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**, DepEd Order 09, s. 2005 titled **Instituting Measures to Increase Engaged Time-on-Task and Ensuring Compliance Therewith**, DepEd Order No. 008, s. 2023 titled **Participation of Teachers in Volunteer Work and Extra Curricular Activities**, DepEd Order No. 66, s. 2017 titled **Implementing Guidelines on the Conduct of Off-Campus Activities** and DepEd Memorandum No. 041, s. 2024 titled **Reiteration of the “No Collection Policy” in Schools**. The details and overview of this program are attached for reference.

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August 19, 2025

DR. ROEL F. BERMEJO, CESO V
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Department of Education - Schools Division of Capiz
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Dear **Dr. Bermejo**:

The Department of Science and Technology Regional Office VI (DOST VI) is glad to inform you that the **2025 Regional Science, Technology, and Innovation Week (RSTW)** celebration in Western Visayas will be held on **September 10-12, 2025 at Robinsons Roxas, Capiz**.

This year's celebration continues to uphold the national theme, "*Siyensya, Teknolohiya at Inobasyon: Kabalik at Matatag, Maginhawa at Panatag na Kinabukasan*," which underscores the vital role of science, technology, and innovation (STI) in building a resilient, comfortable, and secure future for all Filipinos.

The three-day event will spotlight the region's diverse STI efforts and solutions, with a special focus on **Building Smart and Sustainable Communities**. It will be an excellent opportunity for Capiz to showcase cutting-edge technologies and initiatives that promote sustainability, inclusivity, and innovation-driven development.

In this light, we are honored to extend our warm invitation for you to **attend the Opening Ceremonies on September 10, 2025, 9:00 AM at Robinsons Roxas, Capiz, Main Activity Center**. The dress code for the event is **Filipiniana/Barong Tagalog**. Attached is the copy of the program for reference.

Furthermore, we respectfully seek your support in **encouraging schools under your supervision to send students and faculty** to the 2025 RSTW, as their participation will provide valuable exposure to innovations and strengthen their appreciation of Science, Technology, and Innovation in community and national development.

To register and know more about the event and its line-up activities, you can download the DOST InnoVents, a smart application for DOST events through the following links:

Android: onedo.st/innovents
Apple: onedo.st/iOSinnovents

Attached is the list of events and activities for students and educators as basis in the preparation of the memorandum to be issued. For updates on the 2025 RSTW, please visit and like our official Facebook Page at <https://www.facebook.com/DOSTRegionVI>. Should you have concerns, you may contact us via email at info@ro6.dost.gov.ph or call us at (033) 3301565 and (033) 5086739.

We look forward to sharing this momentous event with you.

Very truly yours,

ROWEN R. GELONGA, ChE, CESO II
Regional Director



Siyensya, Teknolohiya at Inobasyon:
Kabalik at Matatag, Maginhawa at Panatag na Kinabukasan

OPENING CEREMONIES

September 10, 2025 | Robinsons Roxas, Roxas City, Capiz

9:00 - 9:15 A.M.	Preliminaries <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Entrance of Colors Philippine National Anthem Prayer Capiz Hymn DOST Hymn Bagong Pilipinas Hymn 	
9:15 - 9:25 A.M.	Welcome Message	Engr. Rowen R. Gelonga DOST VI Regional Director
9:25 - 9:40 A.M.	Messages	Hon. Ronnie T. Dadivas City Mayor, Roxas City, Capiz Hon. Ivan Howard A. Guintu Congressman, 1 st District of Capiz Hon. Jane T. Castro Congressman, 2 nd District of Capiz Hon. Fredenil H. Castro Governor, Province of Capiz
9:40 - 9:50 A.M.	Cultural Performance	
9:50 - 9:55 A.M.	Introduction of Keynote Speaker	Usec. Sancho A. Mabborang DOST Undersecretary for Regional Operations
9:55 - 10:10 A.M.	Keynote Message	Sec. Renato U. Solidum, Jr. DOST Secretary
10:10 - 10:40 A.M.	Regional Best CEST Community Award Regional SETUP 4.0 Award for MSMEs <ul style="list-style-type: none"> SETUP PRAISE Award Industry 4.0 Champion of Innovation (ICON) Award Most Industry 4.0-Ready (I-READY) Award Championing Innovation and Resource Circularity for Local Enterprises (CIRCLE) Award 	
10:40 - 10:45 A.M.	Project SARAI Centralized National Hub for Regional Operations (SARAI CeNTRO) Launching	
10:45 - 10:50 A.M.	SmartGov Capiz Project Launching	
10:50 - 11:00 A.M.	Smart and Safe Food App Launching	
11:00 - 11:10 A.M.	Opening of the 2025 RSTW in Western Visayas Exhibits	

Events and Activities for Students and Educators

Activity	Target Participant
Youth Explorers of Science! (YES)	Senior high school students in Capiz (<i>The guidelines and mechanics will be shared with the schools in a separate communication</i>)
Ed TechTalk	High school and elementary school teachers in Capiz
STI Exhibits for Education (NuLab)	Identified schools in Capiz ONLY
Other STI Exhibits	Open for all schools/students/teachers in Capiz

August 20, 2025

DR. ROEL F. BERMEJO, CESO V
Schools Division Superintendent
Schools Division Office- Capiz
Roxas City, Capiz

Dear Dr. Bermejo:

The Department of Science and Technology Region VI (DOST VI), in its ongoing efforts to bring science closer to the people, will hold the **2025 Regional Science, Technology, and Innovation Week (RSTW) celebration on September 10–12, 2025, in Roxas City, Capiz.**

Banner the theme, **“Siyensya, Teknolohiya at Inobasyon: Kabalikat sa Matatag, Maginhawa at Panatag na Kinabukasan”** and sub-theme **“Building Smart and Sustainable Communities,”** this year's RSTW aims to highlight the crucial role of science, technology, and innovation (STI) in driving socio-economic development across Western Visayas.

As part of the RSTW celebration, we are inviting students and teachers from Capiz to participate in a series of engaging science and technology activities designed to expose them to various scientific concepts in a fun and interactive manner. These activities include:

1. **2025 YES Challenge: Inter-School Science Quiz Bowl**- A competitive and educational quiz bowl fostering scientific knowledge among senior high school students.
2. **nuLab: STEM in Motion**- A mobile science facility equipped with advanced STEM tools to deliver interactive, hands-on learning experiences to high school students. The nuLab bus aims to foster a deeper understanding and appreciation for STEM fields among Filipino youth, encouraging them to pursue STEM-related courses in college and ultimately contribute to the nation's scientific and technological advancement.
3. **Interactive Make-roscope Session** – An interactive session using the keychain microscope by Jeremake Innovations, Inc. that aims to empower individuals with affordable, innovative tools and resources that inspire scientific exploration and discovery.

In light of this, we extend a formal invitation for one of the members of your organization to serve as a judge during the **2025 YES Challenge: Inter-School Science Quiz Bowl**. This event is scheduled on **September 11, 2025, from 08:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.**, at the Plenary Hall, Robinson's Place, Roxas City, Capiz.

Enclosed herewith are the comprehensive mechanics and guidelines for the aforementioned activities. Our staff, Ms. Sheila Mae V. Garcia, Science Research Specialist II, will coordinate with your office regarding this request. Should you have any concerns, your staff may also reach out to us through our email address, scholarship@ro6.dost.gov.ph or call at (033) 330-1565; 09178011942.

We look forward to your favorable response on this request. Thank you very much.

Very truly yours,

ROWEN R. GELONGA, ChE, CESO II
Regional Director

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Youth Explorers of Science (YES)
2025 YES Challenge: Inter-School Science Quiz Bowl
Guidelines and Mechanics

Objectives:

The **YES Challenge: Inter-school Science Quiz Bowl** will be conducted on **September 11, 2025 (8:30 A.M. – 12:00 P.M.)** at the 2025 RSTW celebration. This activity shall be in consonance with the following objectives:

- 1 To promote excellence in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM) among the youth;
- 2 To promote the role of STEM in everyday life and in our future;
- 3 To serve as a venue for discovering students with potential in STEM.

Participation:

1. The science quiz bowl is open to all bonafide senior high school students in the province of Capiz.
2. Each school must have **one (1) participating team** composed of **two (2) senior high school student participants** who are enrolled for S.Y. 2025-2026.
3. The two participants for each senior high school will work as a team.
4. All participating teams must fill-out the online application on or before **September 03, 2025**.

Mechanics:

1. The quiz bowl will cover topics on Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics. Questions may also include general information about DOST as a national government agency.
2. This contest is composed of three (3) rounds.
 - i. The first round is the Easy Round and shall be composed of fifteen (15) questions.
 - ii. The second round of questions shall be the Average Round with ten (10) questions.
 - iii. The third round shall be the Difficult Round composed of five (5) questions.
3. Participants shall be given fifteen (15) seconds to answer each question of the easy round, thirty (30) seconds for average round, and sixty (60) seconds for the difficult round questions.
4. The quizmaster shall read each question twice and the participants shall wait for the go signal from the moderator before answering the question.
5. Time starts as soon as the go signal has been given and ends at the sound of the buzzer in which the participants shall raise their answer.
6. There shall be only one (1) official timer who shall signal the end time.
7. The judges shall announce the correct answer to each question.
8. Each team shall write their answer clearly and legibly on the board, which shall be provided with marker and eraser.
9. There are assigned watchers participating teams who shall make sure that the rules and regulations are strictly followed. The watcher shall verify the answer of the assigned team.
10. If a watcher caught a team answering before the go signal has been given, a warning will be given to that team. If a team is caught twice, that team shall not be allowed to answer that particular question.
11. In the case of a tie, there shall be a Clincher Round which will be composed of three given questions. The team with the highest score will be declared as winner of the tie. If the tie is not yet broken after the three questions, additional questions will be given until a winner is declared.

Scoring:

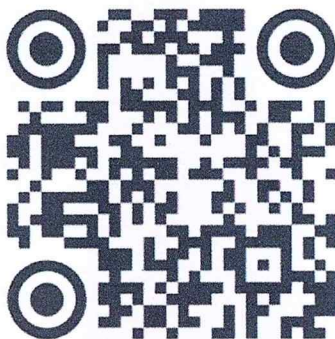
1. An easy question is equivalent to one (1) point, average question to three (3) points, and the difficult question to five (5) points.
2. At the end of the difficult round, the scorer shall sum up all the points (Easy, Average, and Difficult Rounds) of each team and determine the 2nd runner up, 1st runner up, and the Champion. The winners will be declared upon the approval of the panel of judges.

Protest:

1. Only the participants can make a complaint which should be raised before the next question is given.
2. The panel of judges shall act on the complaint and their decision is final.

Filing of Application

1. All interested applicants for the 2025 YES Challenge: Inter-school Science Quiz Bowl must fill out the online application form by September 3, 2025 (Wednesday). The form can be accessed via the link or QR code below: https://bit.ly/RSTW_YESQuizBowl



2025 YES Challenge: Inter-School Science Quiz Bowl

For application and inquiries, please contact:

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Kabalik at Matatag, Maginhawa, at Panatag na Kinabukasan

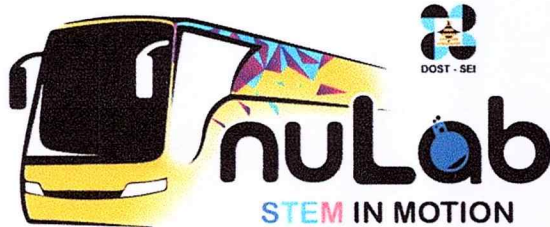
2025 RSTW

IN WESTERN VISAYAS

Building Smart and Sustainable Communities

September 10-12, 2025

Robinsons Roxas City, Capiz



nuLab: STEM in Motion

A mobile science facility equipped with advanced STEM tools to deliver interactive, hands-on learning experiences to high school students. The nuLab bus aims to foster a deeper understanding and appreciation for STEM fields among Filipino youth, encouraging them to pursue STEM-related courses in college and ultimately contribute to the nation's scientific and technological advancement.

Participation:

Participants of the nuLab sessions must be a Senior/Junior High School STEM/STE student in the province of Capiz. Additionally, schools eligible to participate in this activity will be identified and selected by the DOST Regional Office VI



MAKEroscope
Your First Keychain Microscope

Make-roscope Session

September 11, 2025 | 2:00 p.m. | Exhibit Area

An interactive session using the keychain microscope by Jeremake Innovations, Inc. that aims to empower individuals with affordable, innovative tools and resources that inspire scientific exploration and discovery.

Participation:

Participation in the interactive Make-roscope session is specifically designed for students residing within the province of Capiz. Additionally, schools eligible to participate in this activity will be identified and selected by the DOST Regional Office VI