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**BANGSAMORO TRANSITION AUTHORITY**

*Second Regular Session*

Proposed Resolution No. 301

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Introduced by BTA Member **Atty. Maisara Cudia Dandamun-Latiph**

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**RESOLUTION**

**DIRECTING THE MINISTRY OF BASIC, HIGHER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION (MBHTE) TO PROVIDE ASSISTANCE BY DISTRIBUTING EQUIPMENTS ESSENTIAL TO MODULAR DISTANCE LEARNING TO SCHOOLS IN THE BANGSAMORO REGION, GIVING PRIORITY TO THOSE IN AREAS WITH WEAK TO NO INTERNET ACCESS**

**WHEREAS**, Section 13, Article IX of R.A. No. 11054 provides that the Bangsamoro Government shall recognize the vital role of the youth in nation-building, promote and protect their physical, moral, spiritual, and nationalism, encourage involvement in public and civic affairs<sup>1</sup>;

**WHEREAS**, Section 14, Article IX of R.A. No. 11054 provides that Bangsamoro policies and programs shall take into utmost consideration the best interest of children, and promote and protect the rights of children, youth, and adolescents, including their survival and development<sup>2</sup>;

**WHEREAS**, Section 17, Article IX of R.A. No. 11054 provides that the thrusts and programs of vocational, technical, nonformal, and special education of the Bangsamoro Autonomous Region educational system for the out-of-school youth, persons shall be supportive and relevant to the human resource requirements of the Bangsamoro Autonomous Region, which shall conform to the minimum standards set by the National Government<sup>3</sup>;

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<sup>1</sup> Article IX, Section 13, R.A. No. 11054

<sup>2</sup> Article IX, Section 14, R.A. No. 11054

<sup>3</sup> Article IX, Section 17, R.A. No. 11054

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**WHEREAS**, based on the 2017 Annual Poverty Indicators Survey, about nine percent of the estimated 39.2 million Filipinos aged 6 to 24 years old were out of school children and youth (OSCY), while 3.6 Million OSCYs and 83.1 % were 16 to 24 years old who are considered as out of school youth;

**WHEREAS**, even before the start of the pandemic, globally there were already 258 million school-age children and adolescents not attending school, according to United Nations Education, Scientific, and Cultural Organisation (UNESCO)<sup>4</sup>;

**WHEREAS**, with the start of the pandemic, it is estimated that more than 27.7 million Filipino children and youth are at significant risk of learning loss and disruption<sup>5</sup>;

**WHEREAS**, the Bangsamoro Government through the Ministry of Basic, Higher, and Technical Education (MBHTE) developed guidelines for Education Continuity Plan for SY 2020-2021 for the four tracks: Basic Education, Higher Education, Technical Education, and Madaris Education;

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Resolution No. 260 filed in the Bangsamoro Parliament, the Chief Minister and MBHTE is requested to urgently present their assessment report on the implementation of the Education Continuity Plan to see where there are gaps and to ensure that there are measures put into place to reach Youth without internet access;

**WHEREAS**, now that the opening of schools has been pushed back to October 5, the Bangsamoro Government should take this time to fast-track the adoption of measures that will enable schools and teachers to adapt to the new mode of education and learning;

**WHEREAS**, based on Focus Group Discussions (FGDs) and Consultations<sup>6</sup>, many schools in the Bangsamoro are still not capacitated to adapt, having a severe lack of digital infrastructure to implement synchronous learning, and printers and papers to implement asynchronous learning;

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Bangsamoro Transition Authority:

**FOR THE MINISTRY OF BASIC, HIGHER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION (MBHTE) TO PROVIDE ASSISTANCE BY DISTRIBUTING EQUIPMENTS ESSENTIAL TO MODULAR DISTANCE**

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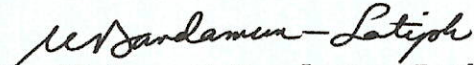
<sup>4</sup> *Out-of-School Children and Youth. (2020, January 16). Retrieved August 24, 2020, from <http://uis.unesco.org/en/topic/out-school-children-and-youth>*

<sup>5</sup> *U.S. Embassy Manila | 18 June, 2. (2020, June 17). U.S. Provides Php126 Million to Support Filipino Children's Education During Pandemic. Retrieved August 24, 2020, from <https://ph.usembassy.gov/us-provides-php126-million-to-support-filipino-childrens-education-during-pandemic/>*

<sup>6</sup> *Consultations conducted by the Office of MP Maisara Dandamun-Latiph*

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Adopted,

  
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