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**STARBOOKS PIA: A BASELINE EVALUATION STUDY**


The Department of Science and Technology – Science and Technology Information Institute (DOST-STII) will conduct the STARBOOKS Project Impact Assessment (STARBOOKS-PIA): A Baseline Evaluation Study.

For over a decade, STARBOOKS has continuously stimulated interest in the science and technology (S&T) fields across more than 8,000 sites nationwide. Consequently, there is a need to identify areas for improvement in the implementation and development of STARBOOKS.

P.Q. Pimentel Elementary School, one of the STARBOOKS beneficiary schools, has been selected to participate in the assessment survey. The survey will be conducted by the Philippine Survey and Research Center (PSRC) on a scheduled day between January and April 2025.

Attached is the request letter for reference.

For your information.

  
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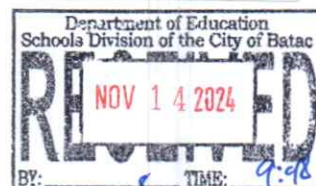


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13 November 2024

**ANSELMO R. ALUDINO**  
 CESO VI, Schools Division Superintendent  
 Schools Division Office of Batac  
 City of Batac, Ilocos Norte



Dear Mr. Aludino,

The Department of Science and Technology - Science and Technology Information Institute (DOST-STII) would be conducting STARBOOKS Project Impact Assessment (STARBOOKS-PIA): A Baseline Evaluation Study.

STARBOOKS, or the Science and Technology Academic and Research-Based Openly Operated Kiosks, is a digital library that provides free access to a wide range of science and technology resources in text, audio, and video formats, even without an internet connection. Housed in specially designed "pods," STARBOOKS aims to reach remote areas in the Philippines serving as a valuable supplemental tool for research, teaching, and learning.

For more than a decade, STARBOOKS continuously stimulated interest in the S&T fields on more than 8,000 sites nationwide, the majority of which are public elementary and high schools. Because of this, there has been a need to identify areas for improvement in the implementation and development of STARBOOKS. This study will serve as benchmark data that DOST-STII may use to assess the benefits that the users may have enjoyed and determine future actions to better serve our stakeholders.

Among our list of STARBOOKS beneficiary schools, the listed school is selected to participate in the said survey:

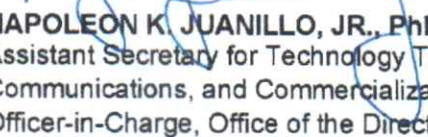
- PQ Pimentel Elementary School - Batac City, Ilocos Norte

In light of this, we would like to request an endorsement letter from your office to allow the identified STARBOOKS beneficiary schools to participate in the assessment. This survey will be conducted on a scheduled day between January and April 2025. Additionally, we are formally endorsing the Philippine Survey and Research Center (PSRC) to undertake the survey for the study's data collection process.

Your involvement is vital for the continuous improvement of our products and services. If you have any clarifications, you may reach out to our STARBOOKS team via email at [dost.starbooks@gmail.com](mailto:dost.starbooks@gmail.com) or contact our point person at 09284911490.

Thank you, and we look forward to your support.

Very truly yours,

  
**NAPOLEON K. JUANILLO, JR., PhD**  
 Assistant Secretary for Technology Transfer,  
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**[NCL - Batak City Ilocos Norte] Request for Endorsement to School of STARBOOKS Project Impact Assessment Survey**

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From DOST STARBOOKS <dost.starbooks@gmail.com>

Date Wed 11/13/2024 4:00 PM

To DEPED BATAK CITY <batak.city@deped.gov.ph>

 1 attachment (324 KB)

NCL - SDO Batak Ilocos Norte - Endorsement Letter.pdf;

To whom it may concern,

I hope this message finds you well. **I am writing to kindly request your endorsement for the participation of the selected STARBOOKS beneficiary schools in the upcoming STARBOOKS Project Impact Assessment (STARBOOKS-PIA) study.** This initiative is being led by the Department of Science and Technology - Science and Technology Information Institute (DOST-STII) to assess the impact of STARBOOKS, a digital library in a pod that provides valuable science and technology resources to underserved schools and communities across the Philippines.

As part of this study, we would be grateful for your **formal endorsement to allow the mentioned school in the attached letter to participate in the survey**, which will be conducted at a scheduled date between January and April 2025. **We are also endorsing the Philippine Survey and Research Center (PSRC) to carry out the data collection process for this assessment.**

Your support is essential in helping us identify areas for improvement and ensuring that STARBOOKS continues to meet the needs of our stakeholders. We would greatly appreciate your assistance in facilitating the school's involvement in this important evaluation.

Please find further details in the attached letter. Should you have any questions or need additional information, please do not hesitate to email us at [dost.starbooks@gmail.com](mailto:dost.starbooks@gmail.com) or reach our point person at 09284911490.

Thank you very much for your time and consideration. We look forward to your positive response and continued support.

Sincerely,  
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Science Research Analyst

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