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## MACHINE DESIGN SUMMIT 2026

The University of the Philippines Gears and Pinions (UP GPs) will be hosting its 10th Machine Design Summit (MDS) 2026 on February 20–21, 2026. This month-long event will feature competitions, workshops, and conferences geared towards developing a holistic understanding and appreciation of mechanical engineering. During this Summit, high school learners can participate in inter-high school competitions and hands-on workshops.

With the theme, Empowering Local Industries Through Innovation, the Summit will highlight how mechanical engineering and machine design spark innovative solutions for local industry advancement and a better future for the nation. MDS 2026 will provide a platform to impart holistic and valuable knowledge in machine design to participants from different schools and universities.

The Inter-High Competition will be an opportunity to showcase both their creativity and knowledge in designing innovative post-harvest mechanization solutions in the drying stage of rice production to help alleviate food insecurity in the Philippines. To register, visit <https://forms.gle/5tV45C6QpnuqUUpB9>.

For the Workshop, the organization will discuss and provide hands-on skills on product designing and Computer-Aided Design (CAD). To register for this event, visit <https://forms.gle/hBKWacNKxfJ1zVqM>.

Registration for MDS is open from December 5, 2025, to January 8, 2026, or until all slots are filled out for the sub-events.

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 (DO) No. 012, s. 2025, titled Multi-Year Implementing Guidelines on the School Calendar and Activities and DO 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 DO 66, s. 2017.

This is also subject to the no-collection policy as stated in Section 3 of Republic Act No. 5546 also known as An Act Prohibiting the Sale of Tickets and/or the Collection of Contributions for Whatever Project or Purpose from Students and Teachers of Public and Private Schools, Colleges and Universities (Ganzon Law), issued in DO 19, s. 2008, and reiterated in DepEd Memorandum No. 041, s. 2024.

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