



MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE PRESIDENT

Warmest greetings to the organizers and attendees of the Manila International Book Fair (MIBF) 2026 and School World 2026!

As the country's longest-running and largest book fair, the MIBF has long helped nurture a strong reading culture and support the growth of the local publishing industry. Year after year, it brings together people from all walks of life, united by a shared love for books and the joy of reading. At a time when artificial intelligence and digital technology are changing the ways we learn and access information, it is heartening to see more Filipinos rediscovering the value of reading.

The MIBF reminds us that reading is more than a pastime. Books allow us to learn, question, imagine, and better understand the world around us. They also give us the space to pause, reflect, and engage with ideas that may shape how we see ourselves and others.

I am confident that this year's fair will once again welcome thousands of readers, students, educators, authors, publishers, and book lovers. May the exhibits, discussions, and activities inspire more Filipinos to pick up a book, turn the page, and discover something new.

Congratulations, and I wish everyone a successful MIBF 2026 and School World 2026!

Let's WIN this together!



Senate President Win Gatchalian

