



Republic of the Philippines
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT
COMMISSION ON HIGHER EDUCATION



CHED MEMORANDUM ORDER (CMO)

NO. 18

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TO : ALL CONCERNED

SUBJECT : IMPLEMENTING RULES AND REGULATIONS OF THE P16 MILLION FUND PROVIDED FOR STATE UNIVERSITIES AND COLLEGES (SUCs) AUTHORIZED UNDER R.A 8760, GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS ACT (GAA), FY 2000 FOR THE UPGRADING OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY CENTERS

In accordance with the pertinent provision of R.A. No. 7722, otherwise known as the "Higher Education Act of 1994," and R.A. No. 8760 known as the "General Appropriations Act, FY 2000," this Commission hereby adopts and promulgates the guidelines for the implementation of the program entitled "**Upgrading of Information Technology (IT) Centers of Selected State Universities and Colleges (SUCs)**". Consequently, all concerned are hereby informed, enjoined and directed, thus:

I. BACKGROUND/RATIONALE

The SUCs have a major responsibility for human development in the country. However, the SUCs cannot be effective much less globally competitive, if they are not users of technologies, especially computers and other information technologies. In 1996, ninety-seven SUCs benefited from the Computerization Program which provided each SUC a complete local area network environment for students and faculty members training programs. In 1997, each SUC was given an amount of P413,265.31 for access to Internet. However, upgrading these facilities is not easy for the SUCs due to limited allocation. Thus, Senator Teresa Aquino-Oreta initiated the inclusion of P16.0 million in the CHED's CY 2000 budget for the upgrading of IT centers of selected SUCs.

II. COVERAGE

The amount of P16 million authorized under the CHED FY 2000 budget shall be equally divided among the following SUCs as identified by the Office of Senator Teresa Aquino-Oreta:

| REGION | NAME/ADDRESS FOR SUC | PRESIDENT |
|--------|--|------------------------------|
| I | Pangasinan State University Lingayen, Pangasinan | Dr. Rodolfo Asanion |
| II | Cagayan State University Tuguegarao, Cagayan | Dr. Armando Cortez |
| III | Central Luzon State University Munoz, Nueva Ecija | Dr. Rodolfo Undan |
| III | Bulacan State University Malolos, Bulacan | Dr. Rosario Pimentel |
| IV | Pablo Borbon Memorial Institute of Science and Technology Batangas City | Dr. Ernesto de Chavez |
| V | Bicol University Legazpi City | Dr. Emiliano Aberin |
| VI | West Visayas State University Iloilo City | Dr. Lourdes Aranador |
| VII | Central Visayas Polytechnic College Dumaguete City | Dr. Henry Sojor |
| VIII | Leyte Institute of Technology Tacloban City | Dr. Gregorio T. Dela Rosa |
| IX | Western Mindanao State University Zamboanga City | Dr. Eldigario Gonzales |
| X | Mindanao Polytechnic State College Cagayan de Oro City | Dr. Montano Salvador |
| XI | University of Southeastern Philippines Davao City | Dr. Edmundo Prantilla |
| XII | Mindanao State University Marawi City | Dr. Camar Umpa |
| NCR | Philippine Normal University Taft Avenue, Manila | Atty. Lilia Garcia |
| CAR | Benguet State University La Trinidad, Benguet | Dr. Cipriano Consolacion |
| CARAGA | Northern Mindanao State Institute of Science and Technology Ampay, Butuan City | Dr. Wenceslao T. Tianero |

III. UTILIZATION OF THE FUNDS

The P1.0 million allocation for each SUC shall be utilized for the procurement and establishment of IT components but not limited to the IT hardware/software requirements and peripherals to complement the 1996 and 1997 SUCs Computerization Programs.

IV. ADMINISTRATION OF THE PROGRAM

1. Commission on Higher Education Central Office (CHEDCO)
 - 1.1 formulates the implementing guidelines for the program, in coordination with the OSTAO;
 - 1.2 reviews and approves the Work and Financial Plan of the participating SUCs together with the OSTAO;
 - 1.3 disburses to the participating SUCs the amount of P1.0 million each; and
 - 1.4 collects audited reports of disbursements from SUCs for liquidation purposes.
2. Office of Senator Teresa Aquino-Oreta (OSTAO)
 - 2.1 selects participating SUCs to implement the program;
 - 2.2 facilitates the release of allocated amount from the Department of Budget and Management; and
 - 2.3 monitors the implementation of the program in coordination with the CHEDCO.
3. Participating SUCs
 - 3.1 assign IT Center Head who will manage the Center's operations;
 - 3.2 submit to CHEDCO the work and financial plan for the program;
 - 3.3 procure all the necessary IT components and other requirements in accordance with the work and financial plan approved by the CHEDCO, subject to the usual accounting and auditing rules and regulations; and
 - 3.4 submit all audited reports of disbursements to CHED – Administrative and Financial Service (Attn: Accounting Division) not later than 60 days after receipt of the check for liquidation purposes.

IV. EFFECTIVITY

These Implementing Rules and Regulations shall take effect immediately.

For proper guidance and strict compliance of all concerned.

Signed on 22nd day of June 2000, Pasig City, Philippines.


ESTER A. GARCIA
Chairperson