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

CHED MEMORANDUM ORDER (CMO)

No. 23 ;

Series of 1998

SUBJECT: AMENDMENTS TO CHED MEMORANDUM ORDER (CMO) NO. 47 SERIES OF 1996, ENTITLED, "POLICIES ON RESEARCH PRIORITIES FOR FUNDING BY THE HIGHER EDUCATION DEVELOPMENT FUND (HEDF) AND GUIDELINES AND/OR PROCEDURES IN THE AVAILMENT THEREOF"

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In accordance with the pertinent provisions of Republic Act No. 7722, otherwise known as the "Higher Education Act of 1994," and in view of the need to operationalize the National Higher Education Research Agenda (1998-2007), CHED Memorandum Order (CMO) No. 47 Series of 1996, entitled "Policies on Research Priorities for Funding by the Higher Education Development Fund (HEDF) and Guidelines and/or Procedure in the Availment thereof" is hereby amended, thus:

- I. Number 1 thereof shall henceforth read, thus: "Forms of Research Funding - The Commission shall provide assistance for higher education research within its research priorities and national research agenda for funding from the Higher Education Development Fund (HEDF) under (3) three forms, namely:
  - a. Block Grants - afforded to researchers in both public and private higher education on competitive basis and evaluated on the basis of their merit and impact on higher education.
  - b. Grants-in-Aid - afforded to researchers in both public and private higher educational institutions which submit research proposals in emerging disciplines and approved by the Commission for HEDF funding.
  - c. Grants for Commissioned Research - refers to the funds available for topics/ issues/ problems which the Commission deems important in the pursuit of its mandates.
- II. Number 2 thereof shall henceforth read as follows: "Priority Research Areas - The research funding priorities shall be categorized according to: (a) disciplines, and (b) other research emphasis".

- c.) An eligibility check/initial review on all proposals will be carried out by the Research Division, Office of Policy, Planning, Research and Information (RD-OPPRI).
- d.) A three-member panel of experts shall be enlisted for technical evaluation for proposals initially endorsed by the RD-OPPRI.
- e.) Once the proposal passes the technical evaluation, it shall be presented to the In-House Review Committee for the review of the management and administrative aspects of the proposal relative to the mandates of the Commission.
- f.) After passing the in-house review, the proposal shall be presented to the Commission en banc for approval. If approved, a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) shall be signed with the proponent for implementation.
- g.) Periodic monitoring shall be conducted by the Commission to ensure that the objectives of the research are complied with.

These Amendments shall take effect immediately.

SO ORDERED.

Pasig City, Philippines March 30, 1998

  
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1. Science and Mathematics
2. Engineering, Maritime Studies and Architecture
3. Humanities, Social Sciences and Communication
4. Agriculture and Fisheries
5. Business and Industry
6. Health and Health Related Discipline
7. Information Technology
8. Teacher Education
9. Industrial Technology

**B. Across Higher Education Research Emphasis**

1. Program/Curricular Assessment Studies on Higher Education Clusters of Disciplines.
2. Research on Integrative Theories, Models or Philosophy
3. Policy Oriented Studies
4. Studies on Financing of Higher Education
5. Economics of Higher Education
6. Studies on Governance and Management of Higher Education
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9. Model-Building Studies
10. Institution
11. Building Studies
12. Manpower Supply and Demand Studies
13. Integrative Studies in Linguistics, Sociology, Anthropology, the Social Sciences and Humanities.
14. Other research topics considered by the Commission in response to emerging needs of the country (e.g. socially oriented and community based studies).

III. Number 3 shall read as follows, "Criteria and Procedures for Evaluating Research Proposals for Funding by the Commission shall be as follows, thus:

- a) Proposals should be prepared in three (3) copies, should include all the information/data indicated in Research Proposal Application Guide (see attachment 1)
- b.) The proposals should be submitted to the Executive Office (EO) of the Commission at this address:

The Executive Director  
Commission on Higher Education  
5/F DAP Bldg., San Miguel Avenue  
Ortigas Center, Pasig City

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