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MEMORANDUM FROM THE OFFICE OF THE CHAIRPERSON

TO

PRESIDENTS/HEADS OF STATE UNIVERSITIES AND COLLEGES

CHED CENTRAL AND REGIONAL OFFICE DIRECTORS

JICA MASTER'S DEGREE IN SEISMOLOGY, EARTHQUAKE ENGINEERING SUBJECT:

AND TSUNAMI DISASTER MITIGATION FOR ACADEMIC YEAR 2021-2022

09 February 2021 DATE

The CHED Scholarship Coordinating Committee (SCC) is pleased to invite your institution to nominate a candidate to the Master's Degree Program on Seismology, Earthquake Engineering and Tsunami Disaster Mitigation from 29 September 2021 to 16 September 2022 under the auspices of the Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA).

The program aims to develop the participant's capacity to practically manage and acquire knowledge in seismology, earthquake engineering and tsunami disaster mitigation in developing countries which suffer from them consistently. It offers full scholarship which covers tuition, accommodation, medical insurance, round-trip airfare and monthly living allowance. Details regarding the graduate program may be accessed at http://www.grips.ac.jp/en/ and https://www.jica.go.jp/english/index.html.

In nominating your candidate, we would like to invite your attention to Item A and B of Annex A indicating the GOP and the donor requirements and financial terms relative to the aforementioned program.

Please submit the letter of nomination signed by the head of the institution or duly authorized official together with the required documents on or before 15 March 2021 to the CHED International Affairs Staff (IAS), 2/F Higher Education Development Center, C.P. Garcia Avenue, Diliman Quezon City. If your candidate meets the basic qualification requirements of the program, he/she shall be informed by the IAS of the schedule and meeting credentials for the online panel interview.

For details and queries, nominees may contact the International Affairs Staff through telephone number (02) 8441-0750 and email address<ias@ched.gov.ph>.

Dissemination of this memorandum is desired.

J. PROSPERO E. DE VERA III, DPA Chairman

Cc: Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA)

A. QUALIFICATION REQUIREMENTS

1. Philippine Government

- a) Must be 40 years old and below provided the return service obligation is still within the nominee's serviceable years;
- b) Candidate must have rendered at least two (2) years of service;
- c) Must hold a permanent appointment;
- d) Must have a college degree related to the field of study or has sufficient demonstrated ability and experience along the field of study;
- e) Must not have a pending application for scholarship under another program; and
- f) Must have rendered the service obligation required under Executive Order 367 for scholarship recently concluded before he/she could again be nominated for another course where the field of study is different from the previous training.

2. Donor Country

- a) Be nominated by their governments in accordance with the procedures of JICA.
- b) Be technical officials, engineers or researchers who have university degrees in seismology, earthquake engineering, tsunami or equivalent.
- c) Be an employee of governmental organizations, research institutes or universities having public interest in seismology, earthquake engineering or tsunami disaster mitigation. (More than 3 years of working experience are recommended).
- d) Be well versed in advanced mathematics such as differentiation and integration, partial derivatives, differential equations, matrix, vector algebra, Fourier analysis, etc.
- e) Be proficient in MS Word, Excel and PowerPoint.
- f) Be able to write research reports on the individual study in English.
- g) Have a competent command of spoken and written English ---with a minimum test score of TOEFL iBT 79, IELTS Academic 6.0 or its equivalent.
- h) be between the ages of twenty-five (25) and forty-two (42) years as of October 1, 2021.

B. FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

- Nominating Agency will provide the salary of the nominee for the duration of the award
- 2. Donor Country
 - Full grant

C. DOCUMENTARY REQUIREMENTS

Nomination papers to be submitted prior to the screening consisting of the following:

- A letter of nomination addressed to the CHED Chairman, Attention: Director of the Office of International Affairs, signed by the Secretary or Head of office, agency, university or entity or its duly authorized official indicating among others the following:
 - a. That the nominee has no pending administrative and criminal charges;
 - b. That the nominee has been conferred with a degree;
 - c. Assurance of utilizing the services of the nominee, if accepted for a period of not less than two (2) years of every year of scholarship or a fraction thereof not less than six (6) months or as provided under E.O. 367 amending E.O. 129; and
 - d. That the salary of the grantee will be paid while on training and shall be extended other financial privileges pursuant to the said Executive Order.
- 2. Certified Copy of Service Record
- 3. Certified Copy of Statement of Actual Duties and Responsibilities
- 4. Photocopy of Transcript of Academic Records (Baccalaureate/Graduate)
- 5. Photocopy of Diploma (Baccalaureate/Graduate)
- 6. Certification that the nominee has no pending administrative and criminal case
- 7. Certification that the nominee has no pending scholarship nomination to other program
- 8. Updated bio-data/resume w/ list of in-service trainings and seminars attended (Spell out acronyms of organizer/s and topic/s or subject/s of the training programs; certificates of training **NEED NOT** be submitted)