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OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT
COMMISSION ON HIGHER EDUCATION

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SUBJECT : 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 (RA) No. 7722, otherwise known as the "Higher Education Act of 1994," and to rationalize the availment of the Higher Education Development Fund (HEDF) vis-à-vis research projects, the following policies on research priorities for funding by the HEDF and the guidelines and/or procedures in the availment thereof are hereby adopted and promulgated by the Commission, thus:

1. Types of Research Funding. - Research funding by the Commission through the HEDF shall be of two (2) types, namely:

a. Grants-in-aid - afforded to research proposals by parties outside of the Commission, e.g., Higher Education Institutions (HEIs) and/or individual researchers, and approved by the Commission for funding by the HEDF; and

b. Commissioned research - refers to researches on topics/issues/problems farmed out by the Commission to qualified individuals/institutional researchers and approved by the Commission for funding by the HEDF.

2. Research Funding Priorities. - Research funding priorities shall be in accordance with the identified categories and topics contained in the National Research Agenda on Higher Education, thus:

a) Curricular Impact Evaluative Studies in the following clusters of disciplines, to wit: Science and Mathematics; Humanities, Social Science and Communications; Information Technology, Engineering, Architecture and Maritime; Agricultural Education; Business and Industry; Teacher Education; and Health;

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b) Meta-Analysis on Teaching-Learning Effectiveness such as, but not limited to, Comparative Studies on Teaching Methodologies, Determinant of Effective Teaching, and Impact of Teaching Methods on Student Achievement;

c) Policy-oriented Studies such as, but not limited to, Studies on Financing of Higher Education, Economics of Higher Education, Studies on Models of Higher Education, Governance and Management of Higher Education, and Studies on Assurance and Enhancement of HEIs;

d) Institution-Building Studies;

e) Graduate Tracer Studies;

f) Manpower Supply and Demand Studies; and

g) Graduate Schools Researches

3. Guidelines and/or Procedures In the Availment. - The guidelines and/or procedures in the grant of research funding by the Commission through the HEDF and/or in the availment thereof shall be as follows, thus:

a) Individual/Institutional researchers shall submit ten (10) copies of their research proposals to the Commission through its Office of Policy, Planning, Research and Information (OPPRI) which shall then determine whether or not the said research proposals fall in any of the Commission's aforementioned priorities;

b) Research proposals must be accomplished in the Commission's official Form for Research Grants;

c) After clearance from the Commission's OPPRI, the research proposals shall then be evaluated on three (3) levels. The concerned office of the Commission whose functions relate to the proposal shall first evaluate the same followed by the HEDF Secretariat (for funding feasibility). The concerned Research Advisory Committee (RAC) shall finally appraise the proposal from the technical standpoint and submit its comments and recommendations to the Commission en banc which shall either approve or disapprove the research proposal.

d) If the research proposal is approved by the Commission en banc, a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) shall then be entered into between the Commission, through the Chairman, and the research proponent. The said MOA must include, among others, the Terms of Reference (TOR) for both parties thereto and a detailed budget and time table;

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e) The release of funds from the HEDF shall then follow as governed by existing accounting and auditing laws, rules and regulations;

f) Progress reports of the research must be submitted by the proponent to the Commission (Attention: OPPRI) as agreed upon in the MOA;

g) The research proponent must submit ten (10) bound copies of the complete research report to the Commission (Attention : OPPRI) after fulfillment/accomplishment of the technical requirements of the approved research project;

h) Research proponents may be required by the Commission to present their research findings in a Research Forum which may be organized by the Commission through its OPPRI; and

i) The research reports shall be reviewed by the RAC concerned which shall then recommend to the Commission which of the said reports shall be published in the Commission's Higher Education Journal of Research (HEJR); and

4. The Commission hereby reserves the right to approve any and all research proposals, though not within the research funding priorities as above enumerated, which the Commission believes is within its program thrusts.


This CMO shall take effect immediately.


SO ORDERED.

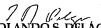
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