



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

CHED MEMORANDUM ORDER NO. 31

Subject: *Preparation for the Centennial Celebration of  
Philippine Independence on June 12, 1998*

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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 by virtue of a Resolution duly adopted by the Commission en banc, all HERO Directors, Presidents/Heads of public and private Higher Education Institutions (HEIs) are hereby informed and enjoined, thus:

1. The Philippine Regional Development Foundation, Incorporated (PRDFI), a non-government entity organized to assist young people in developing programs and projects for youth welfare development, in coordination with various government agencies namely; the National Centennial Commission (NCC), National Commission for Culture and the Arts (NCCA), Department of Interior and Local Government (DILG), Department of Tourism (DOT), Cultural Center of the Philippines (CCP), Technical Education and Skills Development Authority (TESDA), Commission on Higher Education (CHED), Peoples Television Network (PTV-4), Philippine Information Agency (PIA), Peoples Broadcasting Services (Radyo ng Bayan), League of Cities of the Philippines (LCP), and the Sangguniang Kabataan (SK), will hold training workshops on "Philippine Music Literacy Program" (Centennial and Revolutionary Hymns, Kundiman, Kumintang, Balitaw, Danza, Regional Ethnic/Folk Songs) in selected SUCS in the Country in preparation for the Centennial Celebration of Philippine Independence on June 12, 1998. The objectives of the event are the following:
  - a. Train 50 youths from each of the 25 selected cities/provinces in music literature or theory, skills reading of musical notes, proficiency in vocal or musical instruments (piano) and performance competence;

- b. Hold a pre-culminating concert of the National Heroes and Andres Bonifacio Day Commemorative Centennial Celebration on December 10, 1997; and
  - c. Accreditation by the National Centennial Commission (NCC), of the 1,250 participants from the 25 selected cities/provinces and henceforth identified as the Philippine Centennial Grand Choral and participate in the Philippine Centennial Independence Celebration on June 12, 1998 at the Luneta.
2. The training workshop shall be conducted at two (2) levels, to wit:
- a. Provincial or City level (training workshop of 50 participants in each of the 25 venues - August 1, 1997 to May 31, 1998); and
  - b. National Level (Rehearsal of 1,250 participants for the final events on June 12, 1998).
3. Two-thirds (2/3) or thirty-four (34) of the participants will be preferably out-of-school youth coming from neighboring cities/provinces and one-third (1/3) or sixteen (16) participants will be the in-school youth enrolled in various public and private higher education institutions (HEIs). There will be 25 venues/cities/provinces in 16 regions all over the country and there will be fifty (50) participants in each venue/city/province.
4. This Commission strongly endorses this event as its contribution to His Excellency President Fidel V. Ramos' program concern on youth empowerment.
5. To ensure the successful conduct of this training workshop and culminating activities, HERO directors and heads of public and private schools, colleges and universities are enjoined to extend their full cooperation, technical assistance and involvement in the following areas of training workshop in coordination with the concerned agencies/organizations:
- a. Organization of the coordinating committees at the provincial city/level together with the SUC host president, CHED Supervised Schools/HEIs president, governors, mayors, Sangguniang Kabataan, and other agencies involved;

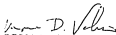
- b. Monitor the conduct of the training workshops at the provincial/city level of the IHERO concerned;
  - c. Allow qualified students to participate on official time in the Training Workshop for ten (10) days including the culminating/recital day, without prejudice to individual institutional requirement; and,
  - d. Coordinate with the CHED Central Office through the Office of the Students Services (OSS) in the preparation of certificates.
6. The guidelines, schedule of activities specifying the venues, timetable and pertinent information are enumerated in the enclosures nos. 1, 2-a and 2-b of this Memorandum.
7. For further information or details, please contact the Project Director/Facilitator, Ms. Barbara Monfort-Houghton through this telefax No. 807-11-59 or Pager Number 141 -92-90-90.

**SO ORDERED.**

Pasig City, Philippines, August 11, 1997.



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Inclosure I

***Guidelines For The Conduct of the "Philippine Music Literacy Program"  
(Centennial and Revolutionary Hymns, Kundiman, Kumintang,  
Balitaw, Danza, Regional (Ethnic/Folk Songs) In  
Preparation Towards, the Centennial  
Independence Celebration on  
June 12, 1998***

**I. Eligibility/Qualification**

Anyone interested in joining must qualify as follows:

1. Filipino national, male or female;
2. from 18 to 25 years of age;
3. of good moral character, certified by the barangay captain of his/her respective barangay;
4. have never been a paid entertainer;
5. Regional winners and contestants of 1991 to 1996 Kalayaan Arts (Kundiman) competition are qualified to join.

Note: There will be 50 participants in each venue/provincial/city, thirty-four (34) of whom are preferably out of school youth and sixteen (16) in-school youth enrolled in various Higher Education Institutions (HEIs) or in any vocational school/training institution.

**II. Application/Registration Requirements**

1. Two (2) photo copies of applicant's birth certificate.
2. Two (2) copies of applicant's biodata with two(2) copies of recent black and white or colored photograph (2.5" x2.5") with applicant's name printed at the back.

**III. Selection Procedure**

The Provincial/City Selection and Coordinating Committee shall be created in each LGU host venue which shall be composed of the following:

Chair	:	Project Director
Co-Chair	:	Music Expert Trainer

- Vice Chairs : Music Consultant/Representative  
SUC President  
LGU Host Governor/Mayor  
COCO PEA/representative
- Members : Music Grand Champion Awardee/Trainer  
Sanggunian Kabataan (SK)  
HEIs\*Music adviser (private)  
SUC/public HEIs representative

A quorum shall warrant the Selection Committee to proceed with the activity. The criteria for selection are as follows:

1. Quality of voice .....	50%
2. Personality and projection.....	20%
3. Training workshop attendance.	30%
Total.....	100%

The committee shall decide on the "Award of Excellence" per region. There shall be 25 provincial/city and 16 regional awardees, one(1) per region.

#### 1V. The Grand Awards Night

- A. The Grand Awards Night for selected participants trained from August 11 to December 6, 1997 will be held on December 10, 1997 at 7:00 p.m. at the Folk Arts Theatre (FAT) through the courtesy of the Cultural Center of the Philippines (CCP)
- B. The participants from the regions must be in Manila at 8:00 a.m. on December 7, 1997 and on June 9, 1998 for the Grand Awards Night and final rehearsal and concert for the Centennial Celebration, respectively. Arrangements for their transportation, meals and accommodations shall be taken care of by the LGUs concerned.
- C. The participants shall observe the following schedule for the Grand Awards Night:
- Sunday, December 7, 1997 at 8:00 a.m. at Folk Arts Theatre (FAT)  
Arrival, registration and orientation c/o Project Director
  - Monday, December 8, 1997  
Whole day Technical Rehearsal at Folk Arts Theatre

3. Tuesday, December 9, 1997  
Technical Rehearsal at 9:00 a.m. Folk Arts Theatre
  4. Wednesday, December 10, 1997  
Final Rehearsal at 9:00 a.m. Folk Arts Theatre and Concert at 8:00 p.m.
  5. Thursday, December 11, 1997  
Departure for home.
- D. The participants shall observe the following schedule for the Centennial Independence Celebration:
1. Tuesday, June 9, 1998 at 8:00 a.m.  
Arrival, registration and orientation at Folk Arts Theatre c/o Project Director.
  2. Wednesday, June 10, 1998  
Whole day Technical Rehearsal, Folk Arts Theatre
  3. Thursday, June 11, 1998  
Final Rehearsal at 9:00 a.m. at Folk Arts Theatre
  4. Friday, June 12, 1998  
Parade in the morning and Concert at 7:00 p.m. at Folk Arts Theatre
  5. Saturday, June 13, 1998  
Departure for home.

E. The entire program of the Grand Awards Night and the Centennial Independence Celebration shall be taped, edited for a two-hour show, and telecast a week later courtesy of the Peoples Television Network (PTV4). The tri-media coverage of the twenty-five (25) local performances will be courtesy of the Office of the Press Secretary-Philippine Information Agency (OPS-PIA).

**ACTIVITY SCHEDULE ON  
"PHILIPPINE MUSIC LITERARY PROGRAM "  
TRAINING WORKSHOP**

REGION	DATE	VENUE	SUC Host President	LGU Host	PLACE OF PARTICIPANTS
IV	AUG. 11 - 20	UP LOS BANOS LOS BANOS, LAGUNA	Chancellor Ruben Villareal	Laguna Governor San Pablo City Mayor	FAMY, Luciana, Nagotrian, Majuyjoy, Pagite Lilw, Pakil, Sta. Cruz, San Pablo, Quezon
IV	AUG. 22 - 31	PALAWAN STATE UNIVERSITY PUERTO PRINCESA, PALAWAN	Dr. Crispiniano Acosta, Sr.	Palawan Governor Puerto Princesa Mayor	Entire Province of Palawan, P. Princesa. Mindoro Occ. & Or., M'duoue, Romblon
III	SEPT. 1 - 10	CLSU NUEVA ECIIJA	Dr. Fortunato Battad	N.E. Governor Cabanatuan City Mayor	Bulacan, Bataan, Zambales, Olongapo Nueva Ecija and Municipalities
III	SEPT. 11 - 20	TARLAC STATE UNIVERSITY TARLAC	Dr. Dolores G. Matias OIC	Tarlac Governor	Tarlac & Pampanga Municipalities, Subic
I	SEPT. 21 - 30	DMMU IBACNOTAN, LA UNION	Dr. Manuel T. Corpus	La Union Governor	Ilocos Norte, Ilocos Sur, Laoag City La Union Municipalities
I	OCT. 1 - 10	PANGASINAN STATE UNIVERSITY PANGASINAN	Dr. Reynaldo Segui	Pangasinan Governor Dagupan City Mayor	Entire Pangasinan & Municipalities Dagupan City
II	OCT. 12 - 21	CAGAYAN STATE UNIVERSITY TUGUEGARAO, CAGAYAN	Dr. Armando Cortes	Cagayan Governor	Entire Cagayan Municipalities Entire Batanes Municipalities
III	OCT. 22 - 30	ISABELA STATE UNIVERSITY ISABELA	Dr. Rodolfo C. Nayga	Isabela Governor	Entire Isabela Municipalities, N. Vizcaya Quirino
V	NOV. 2 - 11	CAMARINES NORTE STATE COLL. DAET, CAMARINES NORTE	Dr. Lourdes Cortez	Camarines Norte Gov.	Iriga City /Mun. Camarines Norte & Municipalities
V	NOV. 12 - 21	CAMARINES SUR AGRICULTURAL STATE COLLEGE	Dr. Magno S. Conag, Jr.	Cam. Sur Governor Naga City Mayor	Sorsogon, Albay, Masbate, Catanduanes Legaspi City & Mun. Naga City Cam. Sur
VI	NOV. 20 - 30	WVSU ILOILO CITY	Dr. Bernales Cocjin	Iloilo Governor Iloilo City Mayor	Entire Iloilo Province, Atlan, Capiz & 3 cities & municipalities
VI	NOV. 26 - DEC. 8	C.M. MEMORIAL STATE COLLEGE TALISAY, NEGROS OCC.	Dr. Serafin Malefecio	Negros Occ. Governor Bacolod City Mayor	Entire Negros Occidental, all cities & municipalities
VII	DEC. 13 - 22	CSC CEBU CITY	Dr. Heide Leimosnero	Cebu Governor Cebu City Mayor	Dumaguete City, Negros Cr., Tagbilaran City, Bohol, Siquijor & all Municipalities
VIII	JAN. 2 - 11, 1988	VISCA LEYTE	Dr. Samuel S. Go	Leyte Governor Tacloban City Mayor	Entire provinces & Municipalities of Leyte & Northern Leyte, Tacloban City, Biliran

REGION	DATE	VENUE	SUC Host President	LGU Host	PLACE OF PARTICIPANTS
VIII	JAN. 16 - 25	UEP SAMAR	Dr. Pedro Deotura	Samar Governor Tacalaran City Mayor	All Samar Provinces & Municipalities
IX	JAN. 30 - FEB. 3	WMSU ZAMBOANGA	Dr. Eldigario Gonzales	Zamboanga Governor Zamboanga City Mayor	All Zamboanga Provinces, cities & Municipalities
X	FEB. 13 - 22	BUKIDNON STATE COLLEGE BUKIDNON	Dr. Teresita Tumapon	Bukidnon Governor Cag. de Oro City Mayor	All Bukidnon provinces, Cagayan de Oro City Provinces, Cities, Municipalities
XI	FEB. 27 - MARCH 18	USEP DAVAO CITY	Dr. Edmundo Prantilla	Davao Governor Davao City Mayor	Davao Province/Cities, Tagum & all Municipalities in Region XI
XII	MARCH 13 - 22	USM KIDAPAWAN, SOUTH COT.	Dr. Virgilio Oliva	South Cotabato Gov. Gen. Santos City Mayo	Gen. Santos City, all South Cotabato Municipalities
ARMM	MARCH 27 - APRIL 4	SULTAN KUDARAT POLYTECHNIC COL MAGUINDANAO	Dr. Nelson Binag	Maguindanao Gov.	All ARMM Provinces, Cities & Municipalities Cotabato City, Marawi City
XII	APRIL 10 - 19	MSU-IIT ILIGAN CITY	Dr. Camar A. Lumpa	Lanao Norte Governor Iligan City Mayor	All Region XII Provinces/Cities Iligan City & Municipalities
CARAGA	APRIL 24 - MAY 3	MMSIST SURIGAO DEL NORTE	Dr. Antonio A. Tomaneng	Surigao del Norte Gov. Butuan City Mayor	Butuan City and all CARAGA Provinces, Cities, Municipalities
CAR	MAY 8 - 17	BSU BENGUET	Dr. Cipriano Consolacion	Benguet Governor Baguio City Mayor	All CAR Provinces & Municipalities Baguio City
NCR	MAY 15 - 24	UP DILIMAN QUEZON CITY	Dr. Emil Q. Javier	MMDA Quezon City Mayor	Novaliches, Caloocan City, Valenzuela Marikina, Pasig, Mandaluyong, Rizal, C. C.
NCR	MAY 22 - 31	PNU MANILA	Atty. Lilia S. Garcia OIC	MMDA Manila City Mayor	Manila, Pasay, Makati, Taguig, Pague Las Pinas, Muntinlupa & Surrounding Mun.



## DAILY TIME SCHEDULES

DAY/TIME	SUBJECT MATTER	EXPECTED OUTCOME
Day 1 - 8 8:00 - 10:00 A.M. 10:00 - 12:00 Noon 1:00 - 3:00 P.M. 3:00 - 5:00 P.M.	MUSIC EDUCATION (Theory Literature) SKILLS READING VOCAL TRAINING PERFORMANCE PROFICIENCY/CONDUCTING	Learned Musical Notes Vocal Cord trained
Day 9 8:00 - 12:00 Noon 1:00 - 5:00 P.M.	PERFORMANCE PROFICIENCY/TAPING VOCAL TRAINING/SELECTION	Improved Performance
Day 10 8:00 - 12:00 Noon 4:00 - 8:00 P.M.	REHEARSAL CULMINATING/CONCERT	Various Songs Learned

### SPONSORING AGENCIES

1. National Centennial Commission (NCC)
2. National Commission for Culture and the Arts (NCCA)
3. Department of Interior and Local Government (DILG)
4. Department of Tourism (DOT)
5. Cultural Center of the Philippines (CCP)
6. Technical Education, Skills and Development Authority (TESDA)
7. Commission on Higher Education (CHED)
8. Peoples Television Network (PTV4)
9. Philippine Information Agency (PIA)
10. Peoples Broadcasting Service (Radyo ng Bayan)
11. League of Cities of the Philippines (LCP)
12. Philippine Association of State Universities and Colleges (PASUC)
13. Coordinating Council of Private Educational Association (COCCPEA)
14. LGU - Sangguniang Kabataan (SK)