

Republic of the Philippines **Bepartment of Education**



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IMPLEMENTATION OF DEPED EXCELS SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM IN PARTNERSHIP WITH SEAMEO INNOTECH

To:

Undersecretaries Assistant Secretaries Bureau Directors Regional Directors

Schools Division/City Superintendents

1. The **DepED eXCELS Scholarship Program** for CY 2007 for a one-month capability-building program of elementary and secondary school heads and/or head-master teachers will be implemented in partnership with SEAMEO INNOTECH from May to December 2007. The total number of DepED scholars for this year's eXCELS Project is One Thousand Six Hundred Ten (1,610) to be allocated to sixteen (16) regions at One Hundred (100) scholars per region and ten (10) for ARMM. The implementation will be in the following schedules and clusters:

Batches	Regions	Dates	No. of School Head Learners
1	VIII, X and NCR	November 22-December 20, 2007	300
2	III, IV-A, IV-B, VI and VII	January 7 to February 4, 2008	500
3	I, II, V, IX and CAR	February 27 to March 26, 2008	500
4	XI, XII, CARAGA and ARMM	June 9 to July 7, 2008	310
TOTAL			1,610

2. The program for CY 2007 is a flexible learning course on Instructional and Curricular Leadership and Management that will be conducted through a web-based platform called iFLEX or INNOTECH Flexible Learning Management System. Hence the course participants need not physically attend training in a specific venue or location that will take him/her away from the workplace. Instead SEAMEO INNOTECH shall provide the flexible learner a set of instructional modules, readings, manuals and other materials for study within the one-month period. There is a mandatory three-hour online chat session every week for four (4) weeks during which the course participants are expected to interact, debate and discuss with fellow participants and an assigned flexible learning tutor who is an expert in the field of instructional and curricular leadership and management. Resource flexible learning tutors from SEAMEO member countries are also available. The course participants are required to submit course requirements such as module assignments, reflection papers and an action plan.

- 3. All DepED scholars who successfully comply with course requirements will be awarded an international certificate by SEAMEO INNOTECH. They will also receive advance credits for three (3) academic units leading to a masters or doctoral degree program to be granted by a participating teacher education institution subject to its admission rules. Enclosed is a list of partner teacher institution of SEAMEO INNOTECH for the project.
- 4. All regional directors in the sixteen regions are requested to nominate one hundred (100) DepED scholars for the eXCELS Scholarship Project. Additional ten (10) nominees from ARMM will also be requested. The following qualifications are required of all nominees:
 - Must be computer literate
 - Must have a valid email address
 - Able to attend the learners orientation and graduation to be held in the campus of the partner teacher education institution in the region
- 5. Nominations are to be sent directly to SEAMEO INNOTECH using the enclosed forms through fax nos. (02) 9264462 or (02) 9287692. for more details, please contact Pierre or Joan at tel. no. (02) 9247681 to 84 locals 154, 184 and 1195
- 6. A project steering committee is hereby constituted consisting of: Undersecretary Vilma L. Labrador as chairman and Dr. Orfelina Tuy, NEAP Director, and Dr. Erlinda C. Pefianco, SEAMEO INNOTECH Director, as members.

7. Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.

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Undersecretary Officer-in-Charge

Reference: None

Allotment: 1- -(D.O. 50-97)

To be indicated in the <u>Perpetual Index</u> under the following subjects:

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM

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