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ESTABLISHMENT OF REGIONAL INSTITUTES OF FISHERIES ON EXISTING AND NEW FISHERY SCHOOL/COLLEGE SITES UNDER THE WORLD BANK LOAN FISHERIES TRAINING PROJECT

To: Bureau Directors

Regional Directors

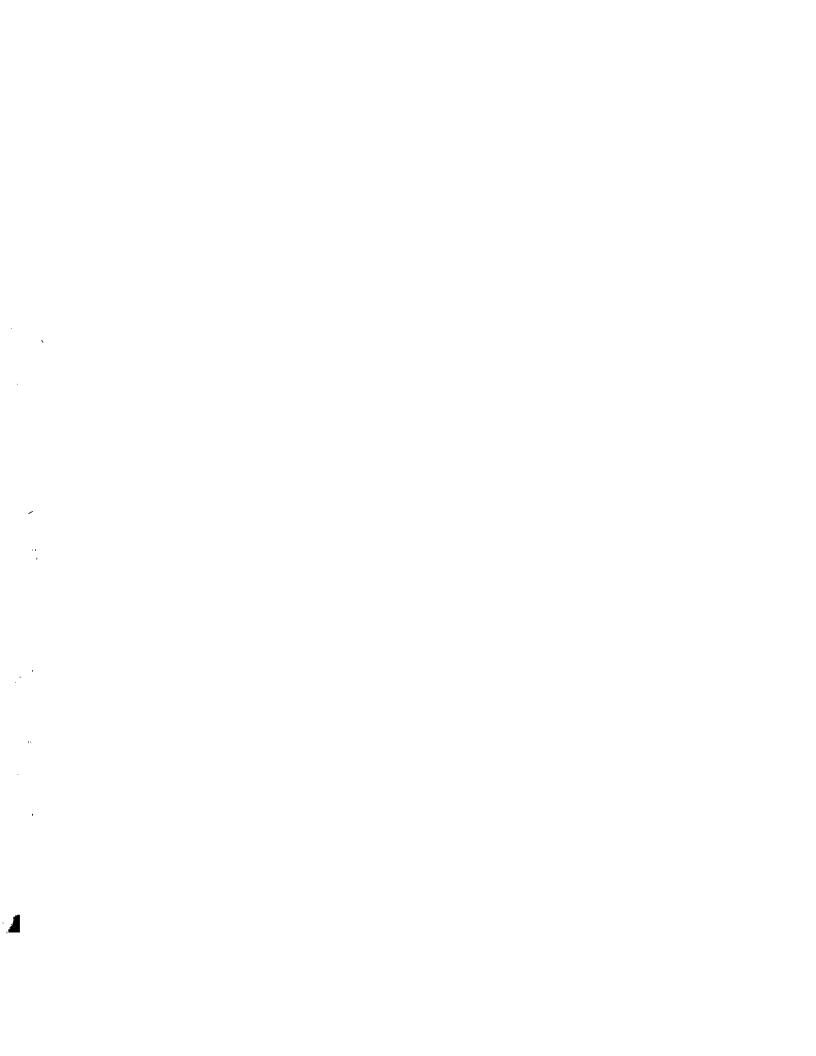
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- 1. The five-year Integrated Fisheries Development Plan (IFDP) of the Fisheries Industries Development Council of the Ministry of Natural Resources has, among its main objectives, the cognizance of the role of fishery education in the development of the fishing industry.
- 2. Further, under Presidential Decree No. 704, calling for unified efforts of the government and private sectors to accelerate the development of the fishing industry, the specific role of the Ministry of Education and Culture is to provide manpower in instruction, research, and extension work through the fishery education graduates.
- 3. Under Letter of Instructions No. 459, the Educational Development Project Implementing Task Force (EDPITAF) of the Ministry of Education and Culture has prepared a Fisheries Project Plan which identified some schools for support in order to implement the aims and objectives of the IFDP on education and training.
- 4. The Fisheries Project Plan aims to strengthen the 3-year postsecondary curriculum with more emphasis on Marine Fisheries. Subsequently, the present diploma curriculum has been revised for use in the project institutions, which is made more practical and job-oriented attuned
 to the needs of extension agents, technologists, technicians, research aides, and self-entrepreneurs.
- 5. This project which is funded under a World Bank loan provides equipment facilities and technical assistance and will be effected within the framework of the national development goals and higher education consolidation program along with the improvement of training as recommended by the Presidential Commission to Survey Philippine Education (PCSPE).



- 6. The schools included under the Project Plan to implement the diploma program as revised and which will coordinate with the EDPITAF in the implementation period starting 1980 to 1985 are as follows:
 - a. Cagayan State University College of Fisheries Aparri, Cagayan
 - b. Palawan National Agricultural College Regional Fisheries Institute of Technology Puerto Princesa, Palawan
 - c. Bicol University College of Fisheries
 Tabaco, Albay
 - d. Samar Regional School of Fisheries Catbalogan, Samar
 - e. Ouirino School of Fisheries, Carmen, Cebu
 - f. Mindanao Regional College of Fisheries Rio Hondo, Zamboanga City
 - g. Davao del Norte School of Fisheries Panabo, Davao del Norte
- 7. In view of the nature of the program to be implemented under this project, the schools/colleges identified will be converted into Regional Institutes of Fishery Technology (RIFT). Out of the seven RIFTs to be developed, six are existing fishery training institutions and the seventh, under the Palawan National Agricultural College, will be established.
- 8. Except for Palawan RIFT, the BSF programs currently offered at the project institutes would terminate or will not be allowed to be offered, as the case may be, by 1984, except for the degree programs offered at the Zamboange RIFT.
- 9. All the RIFTs will draft their individual Detailed Implementation Plan in coordination with EDPITAF, which shall be used as the guidelines in the implementation of the Project, not later than the end of 1979.
- 10. Since the program under this project is still classified as post-secondary, exception to provision of MEC Order No. 53, s. 1979 is hereby granted to Panabo and Palawan RIFTs, the former being an existing secondary school and the latter being a newly-established fishery institute.
- 11. This Order will take effect immediately and shall be observed by all concerned.

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