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CREATING THE TECHNICAL PANEL FOR TECHNICAL AND VOCATIONAL
EDUCATION AND DEFINING ITS FUNCTIONS AND RESPONSIBILITIES

To: Bureau Directors
Regional Directors
Chiefs of Services and Heads of Units
Presidents, State Colleges and Universities

1. Pursuant to the objectives of Presidential Decree 6-A, Letter of Implementation No. 79, the recommendations of the Presidential Commission to Survey Philippine Education and the Presidential Study Committee on Technical/Vocational Education, and the provisions of the Education Act of 1982, the development of technical manpower in the skills needed for national development shall be vigorously pursued through quality technical and vocational education and training programs at strategically located centers. Technical and vocational education and training shall herein refer to the subsystem of the total education system aimed at developing skills, abilities, attitudes, work habits, undertakings and appreciations encompassing knowledge and information needed by semi-skilled, skilled and middle-level manpower to enter and make progress in productive enterprises and/or employment in agricultural, industrial and service occupations.
2. To assist in providing sustained direction and leadership for technical and vocational education, a competent body to be known as the Technical Panel for Technical and Vocational Education (TPTVE) is hereby established and organized as a consultative, advisory and policy-recommending body to the Director of the Bureau of Technical and Vocational Education as provided for under Schedule 6 of Loan Agreement No. 531-PHI between the Republic of the Philippines and the Asian Development Bank. The Panel shall concern itself primarily with technical and vocational education and training programs in industrial and related fields. Coordinative linkages shall, however, be established with the existing education technical panels and all other levels of the formal education system, particularly secondary vocational education, as well as the non-formal education system in order to promote and maintain unity of purpose and direction for the programs as envisioned in the Education Act of 1982.

3. The following shall constitute the Panel to be duly appointed/designated by the Minister of Education, Culture and Sports:

- a. The Director of the Bureau of Technical and Vocational Education or, pending the creation of the new bureau, the Minister of Education, Culture and Sports may designate one from the senior staff of the MECS as Chairman;
- b. One representative from the Philippine Chamber of Commerce and Industry;
- c. One representative each of the National Manpower and Youth Council, National Economic and Development Authority, and Office of the Budget and Management;
- d. One representative each of the Federation of Association of Vocational Institutions of the Philippines and the Philippine Association of Private Technical Institutions.

Subject to approval by the Minister of Education, Culture and Sports, the Panel may create a technical committee of experts, representing the various fields of specialization of technicians and tradesmen whose services, individually or severally, the Panel may engage as the need arises.

4. Subject to the authority of the Minister of Education, Culture and Sports, the TPTVE shall exercise the following functions:

- a. To study and identify the technical/vocational education and training needs of the country in consultation with the Technical Panel for Agricultural Education and Engineering Education and with other agencies concerned and assess the extent to which the total efforts in formal technical and vocational education training and placement, vocational rehabilitation, non-formal education and other training programs meet such needs through a consistent, integrated and coordinated approach.
- b. To assess the programs of technical and vocational education and recommend measures for the improvement thereof.
- c. To provide technical assistance and leadership in the supervision, inspection and regulation of all institutions offering technical and vocational courses for purposes of accreditation based on standards approved by the Ministry of Education, Culture and Sports.
- d. To study and recommend guidelines for the generation of resources for public and private technical and vocational education, including loans, grants and international assistance to ensure optimum utilization thereof.

- e. To perform such other functions as may be directed by the Minister of Education, Culture and Sports that are necessary and proper for the attainment of this Order.

5. The Bureau of Technical and Vocational Education shall provide staff support to the Technical Panel. In the initial operations of the Technical Panel, its staff members shall be drawn from among qualified personnel in other offices or institutions duly designated by the Minister of Education, Culture and Sports pending the selection and development of personnel necessary for a full-time secretariat office. The services of experts/consultants on full-time or part-time basis shall be employed and maintained. The personnel and experts/consultants may either be detailed from existing government institutions/agencies or recruited and funded from the national annual appropriations.

6. Funding of the operation of the Technical Panel and its secretariat will be initially drawn from the government's counterpart (ADB Loan Agreement No. 531-PHI); provided, however, that beginning 1986, the funding of the Technical Panel shall be a part of the annual appropriations of the Ministry of Education, Culture and Sports.

7. This Order shall take effect immediately.

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References:

Department Orders: Nos. 3-a, s. 1977 and 35, s. 1977

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