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MECS ORDER No. 42, s. 1984

ACCREDITATION OF CIVIC WELFARE ACTIVITIES OF STUDENTS WITH THE YOUTH ACTION DEVELOPMENT ORGANIZATION (YADO) DURING THE 2ND SEMESTER OF SY 1983-84 AND SUMMER OF 1984

To: Bureau Directors
Regional Directors
Schools Superintendents
Presidents, State Colleges and Universities
Heads of Private Schools, Colleges and Universities
Vocational School Superintendents/Administrators

- 1. Section 2 of P.D. No. 1706, otherwise known as the National Service Law (NSL) dated August 8, 1980, states that national service shall be obligatory for all citizens of the Philippines and shall consist of three main programs, namely: civic welfare service, law enforcement service and military service. Section 3 of the same decree further states that each citizen shall render service in any of the three main programs or a combination thereof, and such service shall be credited in his favor for the purpose of fulfilling educational requirements established by law. In the Plan for the Implementation of the National Service Program drawn by its four implementing ministries, this Ministry was given the responsibility of implementing the Civic Welfare Service program.
- 2. Pending the adoption of the implementing guidelines for the NSL, the following clarifications are given regarding students who previously enrolled for the Civic Welfare Service (CWS) program component of the NSL:
 - a. Students who enrolled when the CWS program component was not suspended shall be credited for their training and/or activities, provided that said training and/or activities was undertaken by an entity/agency/organization with prior accreditation from the Ministry, YADO was given accreditation only during the period from the start of the 2nd semester, SY 1983-84, until the end of summer, 1984, by virtue of MECS Momorandum No. 218, s. 1983 and MECS Order No. 31, s. 1984 respectively;
 - b. CWS training and/or activities undertaken by students with YADO during that period shall be credited upon submission of a list of activities they performed, the dates of performance and the number of hours involved, all duly certified by the Regional Director or his representative in the region where the training and/or activities were held and the school authorities concerned. Corollarily, training and/or activities for the CWS program component taken outside this period shall not be creditable;

- c. These CWS credits earned by students shall be equivalent to Military Service program credits under the NSL except for CMT ll which students are required to take from a recognized CMT Unit; and
- d. Any credits for CWS appropriately earned may be counted for the purpose of fulfilling requirements for graduation anytime the students wish to avail of them.
- Immediate dissemination and implementation of this Order are desired.

(SGD.) JAIME C. LAYA Minister

References: MECS Order: (No. 31, s. 1984) MECS Memorandum: (No. 218, s. 1983)

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