REVISED POLICY ON THE GRANTING OF MONTHLY ALLOWANCE IN THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE SKILLS-FOR-EMPLOYMENT SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM (SESP I)

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Rationale for the Revisions

Under the existing SESP I guidelines, scholars are granted a monthly allowance of P 400.00 for the duration of the training. Such allowance is processed based on the attendance report submitted to the Manpower Development Division (MDD) by the tie-up schools and prepared on a monthly basis.

The existing arrangement has brought about the following major problems that hamper the timely processing of the scholars allowance:

1. Delay in the release of the allowance since MDD has to wait for the attendance report from the tie-up schools.

2. The centralized accounting system and the volume of allowance checks averaging one thousand monthly further delay the release.

3. With actual days of attendance in a month as basis for computation of the allowance and corresponding deductions made for absences, some students' net allowance in a month sometimes amounts to less than a hundred pesos.

4. Most graduates are penniless after their training, making the task of job-hunting even more difficult.

NEW SYSTEM

In the face of all these problem, the following revisions are hereby made:

1. Instead of the monthly allowance, OWWA shall give grantees a lump-sum financial incentive after the completion of the training subject to the following conditions:

a. The grantee must not have dropped any subject in the training module

b. The grantee must obtain an over-all average of not lower than 2.50 or its equivalent in the training module enrolled in.

c. The grantee must not have been involved in any untoward incident in his/her school or subjected to any disciplinary action.

Processing of the financial incentive shall be effected upon presentation of the certificate of completion issued by the school concerned.

2. The amount of the financial incentive granted shall be based on the prescribed course duration specified as follows:

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Course Duration

Amount of Incentive

1 to 3 months P 1,000.00

4 to 7 months P2,000.00

more than 7 months P3,000.00

Any extension of change in the training schedule shall not affect the amount of the incentive granted.

EFFECTIVITY

This MOI shall take effect on January 2, 1996.

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