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Officer-in-Charge, Office of the Director IV  
Office of Planning, Research, and Knowledge Management  
Commission on Higher Education  
HEDC Building, C.P. Garcia, Avenue, Diliman, Quezon City

Dear Dr. Gunigundo,

This is to submit to your office VSU's terminal report of the research project "*Marine Biodiversity Conservation in Camotes and Cuatro Island, Camotes Sea, Central Philippines for Sustainable Marine Economy*" under the DARE TO Grants of CHED.

The 2-year research project commenced in June 2017, and supposedly ended last June 2019. However, due to administrative issues which delayed the release of the budget, and restrictions due to Covid 19 pandemic, the project kept on extending until the approved final extension ended last December 3, 2021.

Attached are the documents that your office required us to submit.

We hope that these reports will enlighten you on the status of our project.

Respectfully yours,

**Humberto R. Montes, Jr., Ph.D.**

Project Leader

Marine Biodiversity Conservation in Camotes and Cuatro Island, Camotes Sea,  
Central Philippines for Sustainable Marine Economy  
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