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Dr. Edgardo E. Tulin
President
Visayas State University
Baybay City, Leyte

Thru: **Dr. Beatriz S. Belonias**
Vice-President for Academic Affairs

Dear **Dr. Tulin**,

We are pleased to recommend **Engr. Jimmy O. Pogosa, Instructor I** of the Institute of Tropical Ecology and Environmental Management (ITEEM), to apply for the degree "**Doctor of Agricultural Science**" under the Transnational Doctoral Programs for Leading Professionals in Asian Countries at Nagoya University, Nagoya, Japan. His Ph.D. application is aligned with ITEEM's Faculty Development Plan (CY 2023-2027).

In connection to the NU's Transnational Doctoral Programs, Engr. Pogosa will also apply for the DOST-SEI-Nagoya University Joint Scholarship Program. This scholarship is designed to fund for proposed Ph.D. research to students applying in the Transnational Doctoral Programs. Similarly, while waiting the official acceptance of the DOST-SEI-Nagoya University Joint Scholarship, we recommend Engr. Pogosa to apply for the VSU Fellowship but he need to comply the necessary requirements and abide the policy of the fellowship.

As mentioned in his letter, we request for the needed requirements under the following:

**Graduate School of Bioagricultural Sciences (GSBS), Nagoya University (NU)
Transnational Doctoral Programs for Leading Professionals in Asian Countries**

- Letter of recommendation from employer
- Certificate of academic background (*please see the attached prescribed form*)
- Letter of approval for taking examination (*please see the attached prescribed form*)

DOST-SEI-Nagoya University Joint Scholarship

- Letter of recommendation from head of agency
- Leave of absence (LOA)

In this connection, we recommend that Engr. Pogosa be offered a three-year study leave with pay for a Doctorate degree through the Transnational Doctoral Programs at Nagoya University. In addition, we endorse his scholarship applications for the DOST-SEI-Nagoya University Joint Scholarship and the VSU Fellowship in order for him to complete his desired PhD program.

We hope this request merits favorable action from your office. Thank you very much for your continued support.

Very truly yours,