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Republic of the Philippines VISAYAS STATE UNIVERSITY Visca, Baybay, Leyte

BOR RESOLUTION NO. 64, s. 2023

A RESOLUTION APPROVING TO ALLOW VISAYAS STATE UNIVERSITY (VSU) AS A PARTNER UNIVERSITY OF THE EUROPEAN UNION MOBILITY PROGRAMME FOR MYANMAR (EMPM) FOR THE VIRTUAL TOP UP SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM AND COMPENSATION FOR FACULTY MEMBERS INVOLVED IN THE EMPM PROGRAM WITH A FUNDING REQUIREMENT OF P1,969,380.00 TO BE SOURCED OUT FROM THE VSU INTERNATIONALIZATION FUND

WHEREAS, the Leyte State University was created by virtue of Republic Act 9158 which converted the then Visayas State College of Agriculture (ViSCA) into a state university last 11 August 2001 which was later renamed Visayas State University (VSU) by virtue of R.A. 9437;

WHEREAS, Section 7 of R.A. 9158 specifically empowers the Board of Regents of the University to "exercise all the powers granted to the Directors of a corporation under Section 36 of Batas Pambansa Blg. 68 otherwise known as the Corporate Code of the Philippines";

WHEREAS, VSU is a CHED Center for Excellence (COE) in Agriculture and a National University in Region VIII, it is mandated to provide leadership in developing highly competitive human resource, relevant scientific knowledge, and innovative technologies to support the sustainable development of the Visayas Region in particular and the whole of the Philippines in general;

WHEREAS, VSU was endorsed by the Commission on Higher Education-International Affairs Service (CHED-IAS) as one of the potential partner institutions from the Philippines for the European Union Mobility Programme for Myanmar (EMPM) Virtual Top-Up Scholarship Program in partnership with Nuffic (Netherlands Universities Foundation for International Cooperation due to the achievements of VSU's internationalization endeavors;

WHEREAS, the virtual scholarship was designed to help Myanmar students pursue higher education and degree programs despite the interruption of their education due to emergencies;

WHEREAS, for Myanmar students to possibly finish a degree in two years through the virtual platform, it was practical for them to enroll in a graduate degree program that would not require laboratory or hands-on classes and the conduct of a thesis;

WHEREAS, the partnership of VSU with EMPM will allow VSU faculty members, staff and students to broaden their perspective on the possibility of providing quality education to international stakeholders despite distance learning;

WHEREAS, it is a great honor that VSU would be of great help to our ASEAN neighbors in providing quality education during times of emergency;

WHEREAS, the projected amount for the implementation of the program is P1,969,380.00;

WHEREAS, the proposal was discussed and endorsed by the VSU Finance Committee during its 12 October 2023 meeting via Zoom.

Resolved as it is thereby to APPROVE VSU as a Partner University of the European Union Mobility Programme for Myanmar (EMPM) for the Virtual Top Up Scholarship Program and Compensation for Faculty Members Involved in the EMPM Program with a Funding Requirement of P1,969, 380 to be Sourced from Internationalization Fund.

IN WITNESS of our approval thereof, we hereby affix our signatures on this 27th day of October 2023.

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