

## E. COMMISSION ON HIGHER EDUCATION

For general administration and support, support to operations, and operations, including locally-funded project(s), as indicated hereunder . . . . P 36,690,607,000

### New Appropriations, by Programs/Projects

#### Current Operating Expenditures

<u>Personnel Services</u>	<u>Maintenance and Other Operating Expenses</u>	<u>Capital Outlays</u>	<u>Total</u>
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### A. REGULAR PROGRAMS

General Administration and Support	P	78,759,000	P	146,223,000	P	62,775,000	P	287,757,000
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Support to Operations	11,434,000	1,686,000	13,120,000
Operations	<u>363,270,000</u>	<u>34,613,475,000</u>	<u>125,000,000</u>
HIGHER EDUCATION REGULATION PROGRAM	326,065,000	157,129,000	483,194,000
HIGHER EDUCATION DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM	<u>37,205,000</u>	<u>34,456,346,000</u>	<u>125,000,000</u>
Total, Regular Programs	<u>453,463,000</u>	<u>34,761,384,000</u>	<u>187,775,000</u>

**B. PROJECT(S)**

Locally-Funded Project(s)		<u>1,083,985,000</u>	<u>204,000,000</u>	<u>1,287,985,000</u>
Total, Project(s)		<u>1,083,985,000</u>	<u>204,000,000</u>	<u>1,287,985,000</u>

TOTAL NEW APPROPRIATIONS	P <u>453,463,000</u>	P <u>35,845,369,000</u>	P <u>391,775,000</u>	P <u>36,690,607,000</u>
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**Special Provision(s)**

1. **Higher Education Development Fund.** In addition to the amounts appropriated herein, One Billion Two Hundred Sixty Seven Million Eight Hundred Fourteen Thousand Pesos (P1,267,814,000) shall be used for the MOOE requirements of the Commission, sourced from the following in accordance with Section 10 of R.A. No. 7722:

- (i) Travel tax collections of the Tourism Infrastructure and Enterprise Zone Authority;
- (ii) Sales from the lotto operations of PCSO; and
- (iii) Collections of the Professional Regulation Commission.

Release of funds shall be subject to the submission of a Special Budget pursuant to Section 35, Chapter 5, Book VI of E.O. 292, s. 1987.

In the overall programming of Higher Education Development Fund (HEDF), the CHED shall ensure that the full requirements of existing scholars are considered to guarantee their continuing funding. The CHED En Banc is authorized to use the HEDF to fund qualified new Tertiary Education Subsidy (TES) grantees, prioritizing those from low income households consistent with R.A. No. 10931, who cannot be covered by the current year's appropriations for TES. The CHED shall likewise prioritize courses aligned with global innovation platforms of Science, Technology, Engineering, Agri-fisheries and Mathematics (STEAM), as well as the priorities of the government in key growth areas, such as semiconductor and electronics, business process outsourcing, tourism, general infrastructure and other priority manufacturing industries in the grant of scholarships.

2. **Use of the Higher Education Development Fund for the Payment of Funding Deficiencies for the Free Higher Education for State Universities and Colleges.** The unused balances of the HEDF from previous years shall be used to pay the deficiencies for the Free Higher Education (FHE) for State Universities and Colleges (SUCs), based on the actual number of enrollees and fees as duly approved by the Board of Regent/Trustees of SUCs. The deficiencies shall first be charged against the internally-generated funds of the SUCs, and only the remaining balance shall be charged against the HEDF. This provision only applies to the deficiencies for 2024 and is subject to R.A. No. 10931.

3. **Rationalization of State Universities and Colleges (SUCs) and Local Universities and Colleges (LUCs) Programs and Course Offerings.** The CHED shall evaluate and rationalize all existing programs and course offerings of the SUCs and LUCs, particularly LUCs-beneficiaries of R.A. No. 10931, prioritizing programs which are oversubscribed or programs identified by the National Government to be priority programs, to ensure that they are directly aligned with the SUCs'/LUCs' core mandate, consistent with its supervisory and regulatory functions. The CHED shall also ensure that the number of students admitted by the SUCs and LUCs does not exceed the optimal number of students that can be enrolled in each program offered and the number of students that the existing resources and capacity of the SUCs and LUCs can carry, based on predetermined parameters to be determined by the CHED. The CHED shall likewise evaluate applications for the opening of new programs and course offerings if they are within the core mandate of the SUCs/LUCs or fall under the fields of the priority programs.

4. **Universal Access to Quality Tertiary Education.** The amount appropriated for Universal Access to Quality Tertiary Education (UAQTE) shall be used to cover the cost of tertiary education for all Filipino students enrolled in SUCs, local universities and colleges (LUCs) and private higher education institutions (HEIs), subject to prioritization and availability of funds, pursuant to R.A. No. 10931 and its IRR.

The Unified Student Financial Assistance System for Tertiary Education (UniFAST) Board shall administer the amount appropriated herein: *Provided*, That the same shall be used to cover tuition and other school fees based on 2023 rates: *Provided, further*, That in no case shall more than one and a half percent (1.5%) of the amount for TES and student loan program be used for administrative cost.

In the selection of new UAQTE-TES grantees, the UniFAST shall, pursuant to Section 7 of R.A. No. 10931, prioritize students under Listahanan 3 and students from low-income households but not part of the Listahanan 3: *Provided*, That such students submit proof of income to the UniFAST. Such prioritization shall not apply to Filipino students in cities and municipalities with no existing SUC or LUC campus. The implementation of UAQTE-TES shall likewise cover the existing grantees under the Tulung Dunong Program. A list of participating HEIs in the TES shall be posted in the UniFAST website.

The CHED shall ensure that the enrollment capacity is strictly observed by the LUCs in the implementation of this program. In the case of SUCs, the free higher education program of the UAQTE shall be lodged in their respective budgets.

Release of funds shall be subject to the submission of a Special Budget pursuant to Section 35, Chapter 5, Book VI of E.O. No. 292.

5. **Free Higher Education in Local Universities and Colleges.** The amount required for the implementation of the FHE program, as determined by the respective governing boards of LUCs based on the actual number of enrollees for each academic year, shall be immediately released to such LUCs: *Provided*, That such determination of the actual number of enrollees and the amount to be reimbursed shall be subject to the validation of CHED.

6. **Scholarship Grants for Dependents of Sugar Industry Workers.** The amount of Sixty Five Million One Hundred Forty Seven Thousand Pesos (P65,147,000) under Provision of assistance and incentives, scholarships and grants through Student Financial Assistance Programs shall be used as scholarship grants for dependents of sugar industry workers and small farmers pursuant to R.A. No. 10659.

7. **Agriculture and Fisheries Modernization Program.** The amount of Fifteen Million Three Hundred Ninety Seven Thousand Pesos (P15,397,000) appropriated herein under the Development of standards of excellence for higher education programs and institutions shall be used in support of the programs and projects under the Agriculture and Fisheries Modernization Program.

8. **Seed Fund for Development of Medical Schools in SUCs.** The amount of Two Hundred Seventy Five Million Pesos (P275,000,000) appropriated herein shall be used to assist SUCs that are offering medical degree programs in the development of instructional materials, upgrading of library, ICT and laboratory facilities, and capacity building activities: *Provided*, That SUCs that are newly authorized to offer medical degree programs without appropriations under this Act (FY 2024 General Appropriations Act) shall be prioritized in the implementation of this program. This provision shall be subject to existing budgeting, accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

9. **Upskilling of Child Development Workers and Teachers.** In its formulation of policies, standards and guidelines, CHED shall develop a ladderized program for both existing and incoming child development workers and teachers, in coordination with the Early Childhood Care and Development Council and the Technical Education and Skills Development Authority.

10. **Reporting and Posting Requirements.** The CHED shall submit quarterly reports on its financial and physical accomplishments, within thirty (30) days after the end of every quarter, through the following:

- (a) URS or other electronic means for reports not covered by the URS; and
- (b) CHED's website.

The CHED shall send written notice when said reports have been submitted or posted on its website to the DBM, House of Representatives, Senate of the Philippines, House Committee on Appropriations, Senate Committee on Finance, and other offices where the submission of reports is required under existing laws, rules and regulations. The date of notice to said agencies shall be considered the date of compliance with this requirement.

11. **Appropriations for Activities or Projects.** The amounts appropriated herein shall be used specifically for the following activities or projects in the indicated amounts and conditions:

New Appropriations, by Programs/Activities/Projects

	<u>Current Operating Expenditures</u>			
	<u>Personnel Services</u>	<u>Maintenance and Other Operating Expenses</u>	<u>Capital Outlays</u>	<u>Total</u>
<b>REGULAR PROGRAMS</b>				
<b>General Administration and Support</b>				
General Management and Supervision	P 66,553,000	P 144,784,000	P 62,775,000	P 274,112,000
National Capital Region (NCR)	66,553,000	144,784,000	62,775,000	274,112,000
Central Office	66,553,000	144,784,000	62,775,000	274,112,000
Administration of Personnel Benefits	6,703,000			6,703,000
National Capital Region (NCR)	2,189,000			2,189,000
Central Office	2,189,000			2,189,000
Region IVB - MIMAROPA	1,202,000			1,202,000
Regional Office - IVB	1,202,000			1,202,000
Region VIII - Eastern Visayas	2,131,000			2,131,000
Regional Office - VIII	2,131,000			2,131,000

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Region IX - Zamboanga Peninsula	<u>353,000</u>		<u>353,000</u>
Regional Office - IX	353,000		353,000
Region X - Northern Mindanao	<u>828,000</u>		<u>828,000</u>
Regional Office - X	828,000		828,000
Management of receipts and payments in relation to Higher Education Development Fund	<u>5,503,000</u>	<u>1,439,000</u>	<u>6,942,000</u>
National Capital Region (NCR)	<u>5,503,000</u>	<u>1,439,000</u>	<u>6,942,000</u>
Central Office	<u>5,503,000</u>	<u>1,439,000</u>	<u>6,942,000</u>
Sub-total, General Administration and Support	<u>78,759,000</u>	<u>146,223,000</u>	<u>62,775,000</u>
Support to Operations			
Provision of Legal Service	<u>11,434,000</u>	<u>1,686,000</u>	<u>13,120,000</u>
National Capital Region (NCR)	<u>11,434,000</u>	<u>1,686,000</u>	<u>13,120,000</u>
Central Office	<u>11,434,000</u>	<u>1,686,000</u>	<u>13,120,000</u>
Sub-total, Support to Operations	<u>11,434,000</u>	<u>1,686,000</u>	<u>13,120,000</u>
Operations			
<b>HIGHER EDUCATION REGULATION PROGRAM</b>	<u>326,065,000</u>	<u>157,129,000</u>	<u>483,194,000</u>
Monitoring and evaluation of performance of higher education programs	<u>265,980,000</u>	<u>71,711,000</u>	<u>337,691,000</u>
National Capital Region (NCR)	<u>18,794,000</u>	<u>10,381,000</u>	<u>29,175,000</u>
Regional Office - NCR	18,794,000	10,381,000	29,175,000
Region I - Ilocos	<u>13,625,000</u>	<u>5,109,000</u>	<u>18,734,000</u>
Regional Office - I	13,625,000	5,109,000	18,734,000
Cordillera Administrative Region (CAR)	<u>18,945,000</u>	<u>3,801,000</u>	<u>22,746,000</u>
Regional Office - CAR	18,945,000	3,801,000	22,746,000
Region II - Cagayan Valley	<u>13,583,000</u>	<u>3,465,000</u>	<u>17,048,000</u>
Regional Office - II	13,583,000	3,465,000	17,048,000
Region III - Central Luzon	<u>18,126,000</u>	<u>3,680,000</u>	<u>21,806,000</u>
Regional Office - III	18,126,000	3,680,000	21,806,000
Region IVA - CALABARZON	<u>19,017,000</u>	<u>4,659,000</u>	<u>23,676,000</u>
Regional Office - IVA	19,017,000	4,659,000	23,676,000

Region IVB - MIMAROPA	<u>10,829,000</u>	<u>3,080,000</u>	<u>13,909,000</u>
Regional Office - IVB	10,829,000	3,080,000	13,909,000
Region V - Bicol	<u>18,278,000</u>	<u>3,965,000</u>	<u>22,243,000</u>
Regional Office - V	18,278,000	3,965,000	22,243,000
Region VI - Western Visayas	<u>21,363,000</u>	<u>4,236,000</u>	<u>25,599,000</u>
Regional Office - VI	21,363,000	4,236,000	25,599,000
Region VII - Central Visayas	<u>19,320,000</u>	<u>6,258,000</u>	<u>25,578,000</u>
Regional Office - VII	19,320,000	6,258,000	25,578,000
Region VIII - Eastern Visayas	<u>17,383,000</u>	<u>4,277,000</u>	<u>21,660,000</u>
Regional Office - VIII	17,383,000	4,277,000	21,660,000
Region IX - Zamboanga Peninsula	<u>15,110,000</u>	<u>3,842,000</u>	<u>18,952,000</u>
Regional Office - IX	15,110,000	3,842,000	18,952,000
Region X - Northern Mindanao	<u>16,961,000</u>	<u>4,286,000</u>	<u>21,247,000</u>
Regional Office - X	16,961,000	4,286,000	21,247,000
Region XI - Davao	<u>16,221,000</u>	<u>3,499,000</u>	<u>19,720,000</u>
Regional Office - XI	16,221,000	3,499,000	19,720,000
Region XII - SOCCSKSARGEN	<u>15,038,000</u>	<u>3,349,000</u>	<u>18,387,000</u>
Regional Office - XII	15,038,000	3,349,000	18,387,000
Region XIII - CARAGA	<u>13,387,000</u>	<u>3,824,000</u>	<u>17,211,000</u>
Regional Office - XIII	13,387,000	3,824,000	17,211,000
Development of standards of excellence for higher education programs and institutions	<u>21,912,000</u>	<u>31,031,000</u>	<u>52,943,000</u>
National Capital Region (NCR)	<u>21,912,000</u>	<u>31,031,000</u>	<u>52,943,000</u>
Central Office	21,912,000	31,031,000	52,943,000
Development of standards and monitoring of Expanded Tertiary Education Equivalency Accreditation Program (ETEEAP) and Ladderized Education Program and other non-conventional higher education programs	<u>2,994,000</u>	<u>2,339,000</u>	<u>5,333,000</u>
National Capital Region (NCR)	<u>2,994,000</u>	<u>2,339,000</u>	<u>5,333,000</u>
Central Office	2,994,000	2,339,000	5,333,000
Provision of appropriate incentives to quality HEIs and programs	<u>8,071,000</u>	<u>1,448,000</u>	<u>9,519,000</u>

National Capital Region (NCR)	<u>8,071,000</u>	<u>1,448,000</u>	<u>9,519,000</u>
Central Office	8,071,000	1,448,000	9,519,000
Legal Education Regulation Program	<u>27,108,000</u>	<u>50,600,000</u>	<u>77,708,000</u>
National Capital Region (NCR)	<u>27,108,000</u>	<u>50,600,000</u>	<u>77,708,000</u>
Central Office	27,108,000	50,600,000	77,708,000
<b>HIGHER EDUCATION DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM</b>	<u>37,205,000</u>	<u>34,456,346,000</u>	<u>125,000,000</u>
Formulation of higher education plans, directions, priorities and policies	<u>20,012,000</u>	<u>16,710,000</u>	<u>36,722,000</u>
National Capital Region (NCR)	<u>20,012,000</u>	<u>16,710,000</u>	<u>36,722,000</u>
Central Office	20,012,000	16,710,000	36,722,000
Development of strategies and schemes to establish linkages with international institutions of higher learning	<u>2,498,000</u>	<u>41,107,000</u>	<u>43,605,000</u>
National Capital Region (NCR)	<u>2,498,000</u>	<u>41,107,000</u>	<u>43,605,000</u>
Central Office	2,498,000	41,107,000	43,605,000
Provision of assistance and incentives, scholarships and grants through Student Financial Assistance Programs		<u>1,516,929,000</u>	<u>1,516,929,000</u>
National Capital Region (NCR)		<u>1,516,929,000</u>	<u>1,516,929,000</u>
Central Office		1,516,929,000	1,516,929,000
Formulation of policies and guidelines on student affairs and provision of student services	<u>11,310,000</u>	<u>16,300,000</u>	<u>27,610,000</u>
National Capital Region (NCR)	<u>11,310,000</u>	<u>16,300,000</u>	<u>27,610,000</u>
Central Office	11,310,000	16,300,000	27,610,000
Development of policies for Unified Student Financial Assistance System in Tertiary Education Program	<u>3,385,000</u>	<u>12,956,000</u>	<u>16,341,000</u>
National Capital Region (NCR)	<u>3,385,000</u>	<u>12,956,000</u>	<u>16,341,000</u>
Central Office	3,385,000	12,956,000	16,341,000
Universal Access to Quality Tertiary Education - Tertiary Education Subsidy		<u>23,435,418,000</u>	<u>23,435,418,000</u>
National Capital Region (NCR)		<u>23,435,418,000</u>	<u>23,435,418,000</u>
Central Office		23,435,418,000	23,435,418,000
Universal Access to Quality Tertiary Education - Free Higher Education		<u>5,522,826,000</u>	<u>5,522,826,000</u>

National Capital Region (NCR)		<u>5,522,826,000</u>		<u>5,522,826,000</u>
Central Office		5,522,826,000		5,522,826,000
Tulong Dunong Program		<u>3,744,100,000</u>		<u>3,744,100,000</u>
National Capital Region (NCR)		<u>3,744,100,000</u>		<u>3,744,100,000</u>
Central Office		3,744,100,000		3,744,100,000
Seed Fund for Development of Medical Schools in SUCs		<u>150,000,000</u>	<u>125,000,000</u>	<u>275,000,000</u>
National Capital Region (NCR)		<u>150,000,000</u>	<u>125,000,000</u>	<u>275,000,000</u>
Central Office		<u>150,000,000</u>	<u>125,000,000</u>	<u>275,000,000</u>
Sub-total, Operations	<u>363,270,000</u>	<u>34,613,475,000</u>	<u>125,000,000</u>	<u>35,101,745,000</u>
Total, Regular Programs	<u>453,463,000</u>	<u>34,761,384,000</u>	<u>187,775,000</u>	<u>35,402,622,000</u>
<b>PROJECT(S)</b>				
Locally-Funded Project(s)				
Subsidy for Tuition Fees of Medical Students in State Universities and Colleges				
		<u>18,500,000</u>		<u>18,500,000</u>
National Capital Region (NCR)		<u>18,500,000</u>		<u>18,500,000</u>
Central Office		18,500,000		18,500,000
Financial Assistance for Post Graduate Students				
		<u>505,000,000</u>		<u>505,000,000</u>
National Capital Region (NCR)		<u>505,000,000</u>		<u>505,000,000</u>
Central Office		505,000,000		505,000,000
Medical Scholarship and Return Service Program				
		<u>500,000,000</u>		<u>500,000,000</u>
National Capital Region (NCR)		<u>500,000,000</u>		<u>500,000,000</u>
Central Office		500,000,000		500,000,000
Generation of Higher Education Statistics, Mapping of Higher Education Institutions				
		<u>15,485,000</u>	<u>6,000,000</u>	<u>21,485,000</u>
National Capital Region (NCR)		<u>15,485,000</u>	<u>6,000,000</u>	<u>21,485,000</u>
Central Office		15,485,000	6,000,000	21,485,000
Construction of Eight-Storey Higher Education Development Center (HEDC) II				
			<u>173,000,000</u>	<u>173,000,000</u>
National Capital Region (NCR)			<u>173,000,000</u>	<u>173,000,000</u>
Central Office			173,000,000	173,000,000

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Structural Investigation and Retrofitting Works of the CHEDRO III Building		15,000,000	15,000,000
Region III - Central Luzon		15,000,000	15,000,000
Regional Office - III		15,000,000	15,000,000
Subsidy for Reskilling of Nursing Graduates under CHED-DOH Joint Administrative Order (JAO)	25,000,000		25,000,000
National Capital Region (NCR)	25,000,000		25,000,000
Central Office	25,000,000		25,000,000
Information and Communications Technology (ICT) Infrastructure		10,000,000	10,000,000
National Capital Region (NCR)		10,000,000	10,000,000
Central Office		10,000,000	10,000,000
Assistance to Host Universities/SUCs for the ROTC Games	20,000,000		20,000,000
National Capital Region (NCR)	20,000,000		20,000,000
Central Office	20,000,000		20,000,000
Sub-total, Locally-Funded Project(s)	1,083,985,000	204,000,000	1,287,985,000
Total, Project(s)	1,083,985,000	204,000,000	1,287,985,000
<b>TOTAL NEW APPROPRIATIONS</b>	<b>P 453,463,000</b>	<b>P 35,845,369,000</b>	<b>P 391,775,000</b>

**New Appropriations, by Object of Expenditures**  
(In Thousand Pesos)

**Current Operating Expenditures**

**Personnel Services**

**Civilian Personnel**

**Permanent Positions**

**Basic Salary**

343,925

**Total Permanent Positions**

343,925

**Other Compensation Common to All**

**Personnel Economic Relief Allowance**

12,624

**Representation Allowance**

6,336

**Transportation Allowance**

6,336

**Clothing and Uniform Allowance**

3,156

**Honoraria**

722

**Mid-Year Bonus - Civilian**

28,662

**Year End Bonus**

28,662

**Cash Gift**

2,630



Productivity Enhancement Incentive	2,630
Step Increment	<u>860</u>
<b>Total Other Compensation Common to All</b>	<b><u>92,618</u></b>
<b>Other Compensation for Specific Groups</b>	
Anniversary Bonus - Civilian	<u>1,647</u>
<b>Total Other Compensation for Specific Groups</b>	<b><u>1,647</u></b>
<b>Other Benefits</b>	
PAG-IBIG Contributions	629
PhilHealth Contributions	7,002
Employees Compensation Insurance Premiums	629
Loyalty Award - Civilian	310
Terminal Leave	<u>6,703</u>
<b>Total Other Benefits</b>	<b><u>15,273</u></b>
<b>Total Personnel Services</b>	<b><u>453,463</u></b>
<b>Maintenance and Other Operating Expenses</b>	
Travelling Expenses	28,279
Training and Scholarship Expenses	58,656
Supplies and Materials Expenses	30,175
Utility Expenses	18,575
Communication Expenses	9,593
Awards/Rewards and Prizes	110
Confidential, Intelligence and Extraordinary Expenses	
Extraordinary and Miscellaneous Expenses	5,778
Professional Services	74,109
General Services	22,224
Repairs and Maintenance	4,410
Taxes, Insurance Premiums and Other Fees	4,856
Other Maintenance and Operating Expenses	
Advertising Expenses	61
Printing and Publication Expenses	730
Representation Expenses	28,557
Transportation and Delivery Expenses	2,200
Rent/Lease Expenses	27,843
Membership Dues and Contributions to Organizations	179
Subscription Expenses	2,956
Donations	35,417,906
Other Maintenance and Operating Expenses	<u>108,172</u>
<b>Total Maintenance and Other Operating Expenses</b>	<b><u>35,845,369</u></b>
<b>Total Current Operating Expenditures</b>	<b><u>36,298,832</u></b>
<b>Capital Outlays</b>	
Property, Plant and Equipment Outlay	
Buildings and Other Structures	188,000
Machinery and Equipment Outlay	141,000
Transportation Equipment Outlay	<u>62,775</u>

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**Total Capital Outlays**

**391,775**

**TOTAL NEW APPROPRIATIONS**

**36,690,607**