



TO

REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES DEPARTMENT OF BUDGET AND MANAGEMENT MALACAÑANG, MANILA

BUDGET CIRCULAR

No. 2013-2

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HEADS OF DEPARTMENTS, BUREAUS, OFFICES, AGENCIES OF THE NATIONAL GOVERNMENT, INCLUDING STATE UNIVERSITIES AND COLLEGES, GOVERNMENT – OWNED OR CONTROLLED CORPORATIONS, GOVERNMENT FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS, AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS

SUBJECT

Advance Payment of the Remaining Half Balance or Balance of the Year – End Bonus and/or Cash Gift to National Government Personnel for FY 2013

1.0 Background

1.1

National Government personnel were already granted the first half of their Year – End Bonus and Cash Gift in May 2013 pursuant to Section 49, General Provisions of Republic Act (R.A.) No. 10352 or the FY 2013 General Appropriations Act, and the rules and regulations under Budget Circular (BC) No. 2010 – 01 dated April 28, 2010. The remaining half or balance of the Year – End Bonus and/or Cash Gift shall be granted not earlier than November 15, 2013.

However, to provide financial assistance and to alleviate the plight of government personnel who were devastated by several and successive natural calamities/disasters (i.e. earthquake, storms/typhoons, floods) and conflicts (i.e. siege in Zamboanga City), President Benigno S. Aquino III directed the advance payment of the remaining half or balance of the Year – End Bonus and/or Cash Gift even before November 15, 2013, upon the clamor of government personnel who were victims of said calamities/disasters.

- 2.0 Advance Payment of the Remaining Half or Balance of the FY 2013 Year End Bonus and/or Cash Gift for National Government Personnel
 - 2.1 National Government personnel who opt to avail of this advance payment must comply with all the requirements prescribed under BC. No. 2010-01 and is understood to have remained in government service until October 31, 2013.

- 2.2 National Government personnel qualified under BC No. 2010 01 to the remaining half or balance of the full Year End Bonus and Cash Gift may request their agency for the advance payment thereof.
- 2.3 Those who have not completed the four months service requirements as of October 31, 2013 and the other conditions provided under BC No. 2010 01 may also request their agency for the advance payment of their pro rated Cash Gifts as provided under item 6.5 of said BC No. 2010-01.
- 2.4 Those with a total or an aggregate of four (4) months of service, including leaves of absence with pay, and who retired or separated without cause before October 31, 2013, shall be granted the corresponding percentage of the remaining half of the Year End Bonus and Cash Gift pursuant to sub item 6.4 BC No. 2010 01.

3.0 Funding Sources

Funds for the payment of the foregoing benefits shall be charged against the allotment for Personal Services (PS) inclusive of the requirements for Year – End Bonus and/or Cash Gift for filled positions which was released in full to the agencies under the Agency Budget Matrix pursuant to National Budget Circular No. 545 dated January 2, 2013.

4.0 GOCCs, GFIs, and LGUs

GOCCs, GFIs and LGUs are hereby encouraged to adopt and implement the advance payment of Year – End Bonus and/or Cash Gift chargeable against respective funds for the purpose.

5.0 Saving Clause

Cases not covered by the provision of this Circular shall be referred to the DBM for resolution.

6.0 Effectivity

This Circular shall take effect immediately.

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