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MINISTRY OF PUBLIC WORKS AND HIGHWAYS
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MANILA

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SUBJECT: CREATION OF A PROJECT MANAGEMENT OFFICE
FOR FEASIBILITY STUDIES

To ensure effective management in the conduct of feasibility studies of proposed projects, a Project Management Office for Feasibility Studies (PMO-FS) is hereby created in the Ministry to manage and direct the overall conduct of feasibility studies of proposed projects within the responsibility of the Ministry of Public Works and Highways.

The PMO-FS shall be headed by a Project Manager to be assigned by the Minister. The Project Manager shall report to the Minister thru the Deputy Minister for Planning and Administration and the Assistant Minister for Planning. He shall discharge the following functions and responsibilities under the overall direction of the Minister thru the Deputy Minister for Planning and Administration and the supervision of the Assistant Minister for Planning.

- a. Exercise day-to-day management and control of the Project Management Office for Feasibility Studies;
- b. Direct and supervise the overall conduct of required feasibility studies of MPWH projects that may be assigned by the Minister including those required for foreign financing and inter-agency (IAD) studies;
- c. Coordinate closely with the Planning Service of the MPWH pertaining to the conduct of the project feasibility studies as well as the overall plans and programs for infrastructure projects;
- d. Recommend priorities indicating optimum time framing for the investments required on a total or staged scheme based on the findings from the feasibility studies;
- e. Formulate, in coordination with the Planning Service, policies pertaining to the preparation and conduct of project feasibility studies in the Regional, District/City Offices under the MPWH;
- f. Manage the disbursement of funds as may be provided for individual project studies assigned to the PMO-FS, including loan/grant drawdowns of local and/or foreign consultancy services, as authorized by the Minister;
- g. Assist in the negotiations of loans and grants for technical assistance for project feasibility studies;
- h. Exercise such other functions as may be assigned by the Minister.

The Project Manager shall be assisted by an economic, technical and administrative staff, whose composition and functions shall be subject to the approval of the Minister thru the Deputy Minister.

As may be necessary, the PMO-FS, may upon prior authority from the Minister, engage the services of local and/or foreign consultants/experts in the conduct of ad hoc project studies but shall also be responsible in the overall management and coordination of such studies.

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The PMO-FS shall coordinate with the concerned Bureaus, Services and Offices of the Ministry, as well as other agencies concerned with regard to the performance of its functions.

This Order takes effect immediately.


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