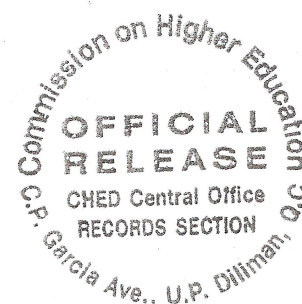


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**COMMISSION ON HIGHER EDUCATION**



**CHED MEMORANDUM ORDER (CMO)**

No. 21

Series of 2015

**SUBJECT : EXTENSION OF THE VALIDITY PERIOD OF AUTONOMOUS AND DEREGULATED STATUS OF PRIVATE HEIs AND COEs AND CODs DESIGNATION FROM MAY 31, 2015 TO DECEMBER 31, 2015**

In accordance with the pertinent provisions of Republic Act (RA) No. 7722 otherwise known as the "Higher Education Act of 1994", pursuant to the provisions of CHED Memorandum Order No. 46, series of 2012, titled "Policy-Standard to Enhance Quality Assurance (QA) in Philippine Higher Education through an Outcomes-based and Typology-based QA", and in order for the Commission to complete the process of evaluation of applications for autonomous and deregulated status of private higher education institutions (PHEIs) and Centers of Excellence (COEs) and Centers of Development (CODs) designation, the Commission by virtue of Commission en banc Resolution No. 238-2015, extends the validity period from May 31, 2015 to **December 31, 2015**.

Within this extension period, all autonomous and deregulated PHEIs and designated COEs and CODs shall continue to enjoy the benefits and undertake the responsibilities of their status/designation as stipulated in existing relevant CHED policies and guidelines. In the case of COEs and CODs, CHED shall not grant financial assistance to new project proposals during this extension period except for those in the pipeline.

For the information and guidance of all concerned.

Issued this 26 day of May 2015, in Quezon City, Philippines

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