REGIONAL MEMORANDUM
No. 795, s. 2021

CALL FOR NATIONAL-LEVEL PROPOSALS AVAILING OF THE BASIC EDUCATION RESEARCH FUND (BERF) FOR FY 2021

To: Assistant Regional Director
Schools Division Superintendents
Chiefs of Functional Divisions

1. The Department of Education issued DepEd Order No. 16, 2017 or the Research Management Guidelines (RMG) to provide the standards and mechanisms on the conduct and management of education research. The said DepEd Order also includes guidelines in availing the Basic Education Research Fund (BERF), a fund to support DepEd research across governance levels.

2. In line with this, the Planning Service – Policy Research and Development Division (PS-PRD) initiates the call for national-level research proposals to be funded under BERF under DM-PHROD-2021-0555 issued by the Under Secretary for Planning and Human Resource and Organizational Development.

3. National-level research proposals should be nationwide in scope or should cover two (2) or more regions and relevant to the theme: Supporting and Assessing Learning Continuity. Topics related to Mother Tongue-Based Multilingual Education (MTB MLE) particularly on learning materials and development are encouraged. Proposal template should follow the BERF template contained in DO 16, s. 2017. Applicants are encouraged to contact the RO or their SDOs for Calls for Proposals at their level. The PS-PRD will accept proposals for prospective BERF support until August 29, 2021

4. Proponents should be a regular/permanent teaching or non-teaching DepEd personnel, have no pending administrative case, have not yet availed of the grant for the given year and a maximum of three (3) members.

5. To further discuss the guidelines on availing the BERF, PS-PRD will be conducting a Virtual Orientation on the Call for National-level Research Proposals on July 29, 2021 via Microsoft Teams at 2:00-5:00pm.

6. Participants shall confirm their attendance through the link: https://tinyurl.com/RegisterVirtualOrientationCNRP until July 26, 2021. The Meeting for the virtual orientation shall be provided to pre-registered participants through email.

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7. For any questions or inquiries, please contact the Planning Service – Policy and Research Development Division (PS-PRD) through their email ps.prd@deped.gov.ph.

TOLENTINO G. AQUINO
Director IV

Encl.: As stated.
Reference: MEMORANDUM DM-PHROD-2021-0555
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MEMORANDUM
DM-PHROD-2021-0555

TO : UNDERSECRETARIES
ASSISTANT SECRETARIES
BUREAU AND SERVICE DIRECTORS
REGIONAL DIRECTORS

FROM : JESUS L.R. MATEO
Undersecretary for Planning and Human Resource and Organizational Development

SUBJECT : CALL FOR NATIONAL-LEVEL PROPOSALS AVAILING
OF THE BASIC EDUCATION RESEARCH FUND (BERF)
FOR FY 2021

DATE : July 7, 2021

The Department of Education issued DepEd Order No. 16, s. 2017 or the Research Management Guidelines (RMG) to continuously promote and strengthen evidence-based policy development and decision-making. DO 16, s. 2017 provides the standards and mechanisms on the conduct and management of education research. The said DepEd Order also includes the guidelines in availing the Basic Education Research Fund (BERF), a funding mechanism to support research initiatives of DepEd personnel across governance levels. At the Central Office, the Planning Service – Policy Research and Development Division (PS-PRDD), with guidance from the National Research Committee (NRC), initiates the call for national-level research proposals to be funded under the BERGE.

In line with this, the Department invites all qualified DepEd employees to submit national-level research proposals for possible funding under the BERF for FY 2021. National-level proposals should be nationwide in scope or should cover two (2) or more regions and should be relevant to the theme: Supporting and Assessing Learning Continuity. Topics related to Mother Tongue-Based Multilingual Education (MTB MLE) particularly on learning materials and development are also encouraged. The following are eligible to become BERGE proponents:
- Regular / permanent teaching or non-teaching DepEd personnel;
- Proponents who have no pending administrative case;
- Proponents who have not yet availed of the grant for the given year;
- Maximum of three (3) research team members for group proposals

Proposal format should follow the BERF template contained in DO 16, s. 2017. Regional Office (RO) and Schools Division Office (SDO) applicants are encouraged to contact their ROs or SDOs for Calls for Proposals at their level. PS-PRDD will be accepting national-level applications for prospective BERF support until August 29, 2021.

To further discuss the guidelines on availing the BERF, PS-PRDD will be conducting a Virtual Orientation on the Call for National-level Research Proposals on July 29, 2021 via Microsoft Teams with the following schedules:

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Participants shall confirm their attendance through the link: https://tinyurl.com/RegisterVirtualOrientationCNRP until July 23, 2021. The meeting link for the virtual orientation shall be provided to pre-registered participants through email. Regional Offices are requested to disseminate information to their respective SDOs.

For any questions or inquiries regarding this matter, please contact the Planning Service - Policy and Research Development Division (PS-PRDD) through their email ps.prd@deped.gov.ph.
Virtual Orientation: Call for National-level Research Proposals

Indicative Program

Platform: Microsoft Teams

Date/Time: July 29, 2021, 9:00 am to 12:00 pm (FO) and 2:00 pm to 5:00pm (CO)

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