

[EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 785, March 19, 1982]

CREATING THE PHILIPPINE HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT CENTER, PROVIDING FUNDS THEREFOR AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

WHEREAS, the Government of Japan is offering the members of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) financial and technical assistance for the establishment and operation of human resources development centers and programs;

WHEREAS, in response to this offer, the Government of the Philippines has completed the preparation of the ASEAN Human Resources Development Project as undertaken by the inter-agency committee constituted under Letter of Instruction No. 1120;

WHEREAS, the Philippine Task Force had initiated through negotiations tentative agreements as to the nature, scope and naming of a Center;

WHEREAS, the program as a government response to the Japanese offer is primarily in support of the Kilusang Kabuhayan at Kaunlaran;

WHEREAS, the Ministry of Human Settlements being the Secretariat of the Kilusang Kabuhayan at Kaunlaran shall implement the program in behalf of the Philippine government;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FERDINAND E. MARCOS, President of the Republic of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by the Constitution, do hereby order the following:

1. There is hereby created the Philippine Human Resource Development Center, hereinafter referred to as the "Center", to be the recipient in behalf of the Government of the Philippines, of the Japanese grant aid for human resources development. All matters pertaining to this ASEAN-Japan project will be communicated to the Japanese government through the Ministry of Foreign Affairs.
2. The Center shall be in the University of Life, Ministry of Human Settlements.
3. The Center shall have the following functions:
 - a. Ensure that human resources development efforts are productively applied to new and existing enterprises;
 - b. Strengthen established infrastructure for training related to human resources development and to effect the networking of such existing training facilities;