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Administrative Order

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Subject: Amendment to Administrative Order No. 15 Series of 2010 otherwise known as, the *Guidelines on the Implementation of the Social Pension for Indigent Senior Citizens*

1. Rationale

The Social Pension for indigent senior citizens is being implemented through the Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD) since January 2011 in all regions, nationwide. The initial target beneficiaries was based on the 1,043,745 list poor households with senior citizens based on the National Household Targeting System for Poverty Reduction (NHTS-PR) 2009 data.

However, considering the period of three (3) years of Social Pension implementation, the NHTS-PR list was already utilized. It can also be noted that not all the poor / indigent senior citizens are included in the NHTS-PR 2009 list of poor senior citizens. In addition, the provisions under AO 15 series 2010, requires some necessary changes. Hence, this amendment. Further, it is stated in the special provision under the General Appropriations Act (GAA) for CY 2014 that, "the *amount of PhP3,108,913,000 appropriated for Social Pension for indigent senior citizens shall be used exclusively for the monthly stipend of PhP500 to senior citizens registered in the NHTS-PR, as validated by the LGUs.*"

2. Specific Provisions for Amendment

Page / Item No.	Specific Provision	Amendment
III. Scope, item #2	Economic Status – " to be determined by the DSWD National Household Targeting for Poverty Reduction..."	Economic Status – based on the assessment of the LGU social worker that the senior citizen <i>is not receiving any pension (SSS, GSIS, or other insurance company); without regular source of income, compensation or financial assistance from his/ her relatives to support his/ her basic needs.(source: RA 9994 or the Expanded Senior Citizens Act of 2010)</i>
IV. Definition of Terms, item # 7	Indigent Senior Citizens / Social Pensioners – refers to qualified indigent senior citizen who is frail, sickly or with disability; without pension or permanent source of income / regular support from his/ her relatives to meet his/ her basic needs <i>as determined by the NHTS-PR</i>	Indigent Senior Citizen – refers to any elderly who is frail, sickly, or with disability, and without pension or regular source of income, compensation or financial assistance from his/ her relatives to support his/ her basic needs. <i>(source: RA 9994)</i>
VI. Implementing Procedures A.1 Organization of the Social Pension Project Management Office (SPMO)	Social Pension Project Management Office will be created and lodged under the Program Management Bureau (PMB) at the DSWD Central Office.	Social Pension Management Office (SPMO) is lodged under the Protective Services Bureau (PSB) at the DSWD Central Office.

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VI. B. Implementation Phase, Item #3.1 Identification of Social Pensioner	The DSWD-National Household Targeting System for Poverty Reduction (NHTS-PR) will provide disaggregated data of the members of poor households who are 60 years old and above...”	The LGU thru the C/MSWDO will provide the list of identified indigent senior citizens to the DSWD Field Office. It should be based on the assessment of the LGU social worker in coordination with the OSCA.
VI.B. Implementation Phase, Item #7, 7.4	OSCA ID will be utilized as temporary Social Pension ID and it will be replaced by a permanent SP ID once the DSWD-NHTS-PRS Unified Membership Identification (UMID) ID will be finalized.	The OSCA-ID / senior citizen's ID or any valid ID will be considered.
VII. Institutional Arrangements, item #3	<p>Social Pension Project Management Office (SPMO) under the Program Management Bureau (PMB)</p> <p>Maintain and provide the list of senior citizens registered in the poor household in every region based on the DSWD-National Household targeting System for Poverty Reduction (NHTS-PR) database</p> <p>Regional Social Pension Unit (RSPU) under the Office of the Assistant Regional Director (ARD)</p>	<p>Social Pension Management Office (SPMO) under the Protective Services Bureau (PSB)</p> <p>Maintain and provide the list of indigent senior citizens per region based on the Regional list of qualified indigent senior citizens.</p> <p>Regional Social Pension Unit / Section under the Protective Services Unit (PSU) of the Field Office</p>

This Administrative Order shall take effect immediately and rescind orders which may be contrary to it.

Issued in Quezon City this 03 day of September 2014.


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