



DSWD

Department of Social Welfare and Development

MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR No. 07
Series of 2020

AMENDMENT AND SUPPLEMENTAL GUIDELINES TO PERTINENT PROVISIONS OF MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR NOS. 04, 05 and 06, SERIES OF 2020

Pursuant to the directive of President Rodrigo Roa Duterte to provide the Emergency Subsidy, under Republic Act (R.A.) No. 11469, to the 18 million low-income households **in the form of outright cash** and the adoption thereof by the Inter-Agency Task Force for the Management of Emerging Infectious Diseases (IATF-EID) through Resolution No. 18, Series of 2020 issued on 1 April 2020, pertinent provisions of Memorandum Circular Nos. 04 and 06, Series of 2020 are heretofore amended, as follows:

A. TARGET BENEFICIARIES

As emphasized in R.A. No. 11469, the low-income households shall be given Emergency Subsidy. Based on Memorandum Circular No. 04, Series of 2020, the target beneficiaries include Informal Economy Workers, which shall cover "Fisherfolks" and "Other Vulnerable Groups" as part of the enumeration.

For purposes of this Amendment, items (m) and (n) shall be inserted in Item VI (2):

"VI. Target beneficiaries

The target beneficiaries shall be low-income households or those on subsistence economy or workers in the informal economy, assessed to be most affected by the declaration given their existing life situations or circumstances.

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2. Informal economy workers - refer to those who are independent, self-employed, small-scale producers and distributors of goods and services, like the following:

m. Fisherfolks - people who earn their living by fishing and are registered under the Bureau of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources.

n. Other Vulnerable Groups - those sectors identified by the National Anti-Poverty Commission to be at risk or disadvantaged."

B. EMERGENCY SUBSIDY UNDER AICS

The emergency subsidy shall be provided in full, under the Assistance to Individuals in Crisis Situation (AICS), for all eligible beneficiaries, including those under the Pantawid Pamilyang Pilipino Program.

The amount of subsidy for beneficiaries is based on the prevailing regional minimum wage rates, and shall not exceed the amount as determined under Joint Memorandum Circular No. 1, series of 2020, viz:

Region	Number of Households		Amount of Subsidy per Region
	Total	Informal and poor / near poor	
NCR	3,260,399	1,788,604	8,000.00
CAR	434,209	318,707	5,500.00
1	1,263,607	999,531	5,500.00
2	881,440	698,042	5,500.00
3	2,707,342	1,807,929	6,500.00
4A	3,511,076	2,249,567	6,500.00
4B	752,804	614,100	5,000.00
5	1,362,596	1,146,914	5,000.00
6	1,835,555	1,472,683	6,000.00
7	1,806,056	1,346,613	6,000.00
8	1,053,680	875,246	5,000.00
9	890,346	721,841	5,000.00
10	1,111,803	892,577	6,000.00
11	1,248,805	953,521	6,000.00
12	1,139,025	953,853	5,000.00
BARMM	665,597	623,607	5,000.00
CARAGA	625,663	492,758	5,000.00
PH	24,550,003	17,956,093	

For the Pantawid beneficiaries, the amount of emergency subsidy and its mode of transfer/payment shall remain to be covered by separate guidelines.

C. PROFILING OF TARGET BENEFICIARIES COVERED BY EXISTING DATABASE FROM THE DSWD AND OTHER AGENCIES

1. General Database - After receiving the budget proposal from the LGUs, the DSWD may refer to the existing data under the National Housing Targeting System for Poverty Reduction (NHTS-PR) which may be used to determine and match the eligible beneficiaries; however, this shall not be a prerequisite for the transfer of funds, as the case may be, but only for monitoring of DSWD to ensure that there will be no duplication of assistance given to same beneficiaries;
2. Exclusions from SAC - The 4Ps beneficiaries and other beneficiaries who are in the NHTS-PR or whose data are shared with the DSWD by concerned regulatory agencies need not undergo profiling using the prescribed SAC forms.

D. OTHER DISTRIBUTION SCHEME OF ASSISTANCE

The DSWD, in the distribution of its social amelioration programs, may resort to the most expeditious means which may include any of the following:


1. Direct cash payouts;
2. Payment through electronic or digital means;
3. Cash card payments;
4. Transfer of funds through other National Government Agencies and LGUs; or
5. Any other mode to expedite the distribution of assistance.

Provided that, the fund transferred to LGUs shall remain to be governed by pertinent provisions of MC. Nos. 04 and 06, series of 2020 but will only cover such amounts that will not be delivered through any of the means above-enumerated.

Signed on the 9th day of April 2020, in Quezon City.


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