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## MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR

TO: THE DEPUTY ADMINISTRATOR, ASSISTANT<br/>ADMINISTRATORS, REGIONAL IRRIGATION MANAGERS,<br/>OPERATIONS MANAGERS, DEPARTMENT MANAGERS,<br/>STAFF HEADS, PROJECT MANAGERS, PROVINCIAL<br/>IRRIGATION OFFICERS, IRRIGATION SUPERINTENDENTS<br/>AND ALL OTHERS CONCERNED

## SUBJECT : POLICY ON THE CONDUCT OF FEASIBILITY STUDY FOR REHABILITATION PROJECTS FOR NATIONAL AND COMMUNAL IRRIGATION SYSTEMS

For the policy herein heralded, the following definitions apply:

- (a) Rehabilitation Project refers to an undertaking that involves execution of restoration, improvement or modernization of the physical facilities with adjunct enhancement of operations plans, operating schemes, operating capabilities, social structures or planning databases intended to restore or upgrade the functionality, coverage, performance or efficiency of a particular national or communal irrigation system.
- (b) Feasibility Study refers to an undertaking that involves determination of necessary work items and costs for the restoration and upgrading of the functionality, coverage, performance or efficiency of a particular national or communal irrigation system, including analyses of economic and financial parameters often with readjustment of the scope of the works to match prescribed cost levels and limits.

Current package of rehabilitation projects for our irrigation systems, involves water supply augmentation, repair fund generation, irrigation management turnover, discharge control modernization and investment cost counterparting. Said rehabilitation package expands over time in its component thrusts in response to innovations adopted by the agency, which intend to improve irrigation performance and service and protect system functionality and sustainability. Meanwhile, the concepts and procedures for the component thrusts of the package had widened in diversity among projects, attributed to the varying orientations of the teams who carry out the feasibility studies for the projects.

Thus, to ensure harmony of the project components and schemes with the advocated thrusts and directions of the SOEM sector, feasibility study (FS) teams for system rehabilitation projects should have members from the SOEM sector. Henceforth, any unit or group in the central or field offices organizing and deploying an FS team for the above-specified projects should seek, before works start, from the Assistant Administrator for SOEM for his representative in the FS team.

This policy takes effect now.

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