

## Republic of the Philippines OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT COMMISSION ON HIGHER EDUCATION

## CHED MEMORANDUM ORDER (CMO)

No. 26 Series of 2002

SUBJECT

SUSPENSION OF THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE NATIONAL VETERINARY ADMISSION TEST (NVAT) FOR SCHOOL YEAR 2003-2004

In accordance with the pertinent provisions of Republic Act No. 7722, otherwise known as the "Higher Education Act of 1994", and by virtue of CHED Resolution No. 403 - 2002 of the Commission en banc, dated December 2, 2002, the administration of the National Veterinary Admission Test (NVAT) for School Year (SY) 2003-2004 is suspended. The following information/guidelines are hereby issued for the information of all concerned:

- 1. It should be noted that the decision to suspend NVAT is a result of the Consultative Conference held on August 29, 2002 at SEAMEO INNOTECH, Diliman, Quezon City wherein the narticipants collectively raised the need to review and revise CMO No. 35, s. 2001.entitled "NVAT Implementing Guidelines".
- 2. For SY 2003-2004, all incoming Doctor of Veterinary Medicine (DVM) proper students may be admitted to the DVM proper without the NVAT requirement. Further, 2002, NVAT nonpassers may now re-enroll in the DVM program for SY 2003-2004
- 3. During the year that NVAT is suspended, it will be reviewed and revised by the Technical Panel for Agriculture Education (TPAE) through the Committee on Veterinary Education in consultation with Higher Education Institutions (HEIs) offering DVM program and CHED Regional Offices.

Rest assured that the Commission on Higher Education is doing its best to improve the quality of DVM program in the country.

Pasig City, Philippines December 11, 2002

Chairman