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مكتب الملحق العمالي OFFICE OF THE LABOUR ATTACHE Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates



# **ADVISORY**

In the best interest of public service, please be advised that the Philippine Overseas Labor Office (POLO) in Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates is now processing applications for the one-time financial assistance (DOLE-AKAP) of Php10,000.00 or AED730.00 which is the equivalent to the local currency in the UAE for displaced OFWs on account of COVID-19, pursuant to Department Order No. 212, series of 2020, PRESCRIBING GUIDELINES ON THE PROVISION OF FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR DISPLACED LANDBASED AND SEABASED FILIPINO WORKERS DUE TO THE CORONA VIRUS DISEASE (COVID-2019) "DOLE-AKAP For OFWS", issued by the Philippine Department of Labor and Employment on 08 April 2020.

Please be guided by the following information to avail of the grant:

#### ELIGIBLE WORKERS:

- a. Workers must be either:
  - Regular/Documented OFWs as defined in the 2016 Revised POEA Rules and Regulations, as follows:
    - those who possess valid passports and appropriate visas or permits to stay and work in the receiving country, and
    - ii. those whose contracts of employment have been processed by the POEA or the POLO; or,
  - Qualified Undocumented OFWs, as follows:
    - those who were originally regular or documented workers but for some reason or cause have lost their regular or documented status.
    - ii. those who are not registered with the POEA or whose contracts were not processed by POEA or the POLO, but have undertaken actions to regularize their contracts or status, or,
    - iii. those who are not registered with the POEA or whose contracts were not processed by POEA or the POLO, but are active OWWA members at the time of availment.
  - Those who have experienced job displacement due to the receiving country's imposition of lockdown or community quarantine or having been infected by the disease; and,
  - c. Must not receive any financial support/assistance from the receiving country/employer.

#### II. DOCUMENTARY REQUIREMENTS:

- Accomplished Application for Special Cash Assistance which is downloadable at the appropriate link found in POLO-Abu Dhabi's official website: poloabudhabi.weebly.com;
- b. Copy of valid passport;
- Copy of employment visa;
- d. Proof of overseas employment, i.e. valid overseas employment contract, OEC, company I.D., etc.;
- Certification from the employer as proof of loss of employment on account of COVID-19; and,
- f. For OFWs who became undocumented through no fault of their own, proof that the OFW is currently involved in an ongoing case (e.g. case reference number, case endorsement stamped by POLO, among others).

#### III. PROCEDURE:

In order to make the claim for financial assistance, the worker has to access the online Registration Database at POLO-Abu Dhabi's official website: poloabudhabi.weebly.com and accomplish the form with attachment of the documentary requirements.

The application must be supported by COMPLETE documentary requirements before it can be considered for processing of payment through bank transfer/money remittance. The DOLE AKAP Process Flow relative to the implementation of the program is hereto attached for easy reference and guidance.

#### IV. OWWA ASSISTANCE:

Those who do not qualify for the assistance under the DOLE-AKAP and who are **OWWA** members, whether active or inactive, may avail of **Food Assistance** from OWWA.

The food assistance is extended to those affected by the UAE government's measures to control the spread of COVID-19 as follows:

- Those who cannot comply with the complete documentary requirements for the DOLE-AKAP;
- b. Those on "No Work No Pay" scheme; and,
- c. Those on Forced Leave Without Pay.

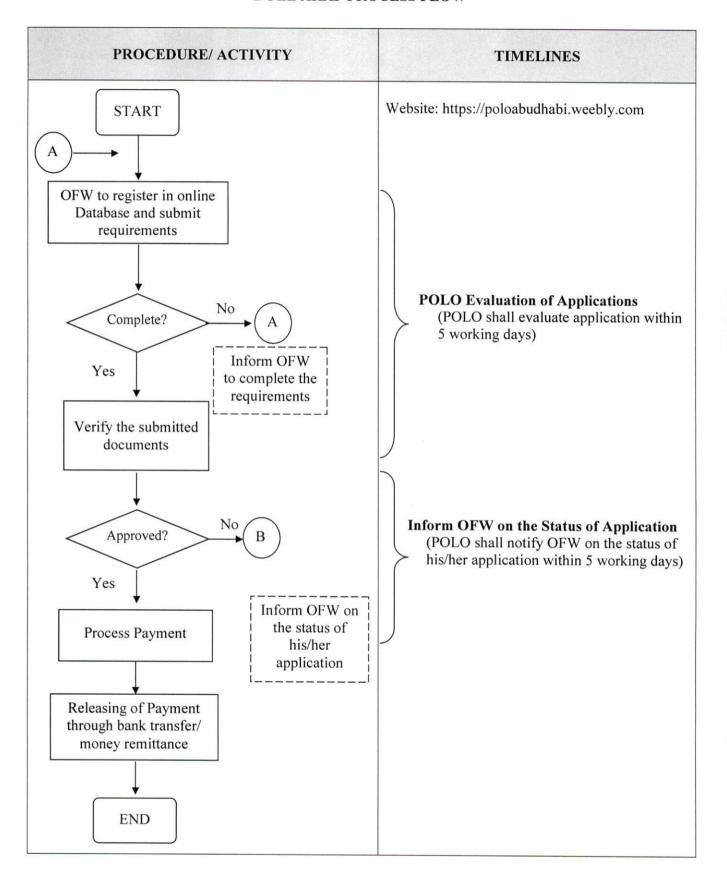
The Application Form for the OWWA Food Assistance is downloadable at the appropriate link found in POLO-Abu Dhabi's official website: poloabudhabi.weebly.com.

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