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Region VI – Western Visayas SCHOOLS DIVISION OF CAPIZ

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DIVISION MEMORANDUM

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GUIDELINES ON THE PAG-IBIG FUND'S IMPLEMENTATION OF INCREASE IN THE MAXIMUM FUND SALARY (MFS) EFFECTIVE FEBRUARY 2024

To: OIC, Office of the Assistant Schools Division Superintendent Chief Education Program Supervisors, SGOD & CID Public Schools District Supervisors Heads of Public Elementary, Secondary and Integrated Schools All Others Concerned

- 1. Attached is Regional Memorandum No. 121, s. 2024 titled "Guidelines on the PAG-IBIG Fund's Implementation of Increase in the Maximum Fund Salary (MFS) Effective February 2024".
- 2. Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.

MIGUEL MAC D. APOSIN EdD, CESO V Schools Division Superintendent

Enclosure: As stated Reference: As stated

To be indicated in the <u>Perpetual Index</u>
Under the following subjects

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REGIONAL MEMORANDUM NO. 121 S. 2024

GUIDELINES ON THE PAGIBIG FUND'S IMPLEMENTATION OF INCREASE IN THE MAXIMUM FUND SALARY (MFS) EFFECTIVE FEBRUARY 2024

To: Schools Division Superintendents
Division Accountants/ Administrative Officers/ School Bookkeepers
Principal/ OIC RPSU – paid and Implementing Units (Secondary Schools)
All Others Concerned

- 1. Attached is Circular No. 460 on the **Guidelines on the PagIBIG Fund's Implementation of Increase in the Maximum Fund Salary (MFS) Effective February 2024** from the Chief Executive Officer, PagIBIG Fund Corporate Headquarters.
- 2. Softcopy of the program to be used by the Secondary Schools (Implementing Units) in the implementation of Memorandum can be accessed and downloaded through the link https://bit.ly/PAG-IBIG2024.
- 3. For clarification, contact Mr. Mikko Setias, with a contact number (033) 337-0149 loc: 1026.
- 4. Immediate dissemination of and compliance with this Memorandum are desired.

RAMIR B. UYTICO EdD, CESO III
Regional Director

Encl.: As stated

To be indicated in the Perpetual Index under the following subject:

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Circular No. 460

TO: ALL CONCERNED

SUBJECT: GUIDELINES ON THE PAG-IBIG FUND'S IMPLEMENTATION OF

INCREASE IN THE MAXIMUM FUND SALARY (MFS) EFFECTIVE

FEBRUARY 2024

Pursuant to the approval of the Board of Trustees on its 2023-01 Regular Board Meeting held on 16 February 2023 regarding the Implementation of Increase in the Membership Savings in a Single Tranche or an Increase in the Maximum Fund Salary (MFS) in the year 2024, and the approval of the Senior Management Committee (SMC) held on 13 June 2023 on the Guidelines on the Pag-IBIG Fund's Implementation of Increase in the Monthly Membership Savings for 2024, the Guidelines on the Pag-IBIG Fund's Implementation of Increase in the Maximum Fund Salary (MFS) Effective February 2024 is hereby issued:

A. OBJECTIVES

This Guidelines aims to:

- 1. Inculcate the culture of savings among Filipino workers;
- 2. Promote homeownership through mobilization of funds for sustainable shelter financing; and
- 3. Ensure uniform understanding and implementation of the increase in the Pag-IBIG Monthly Membership Savings rates.

B. COVERAGE

The increase in MFS shall be applicable to all Pag-IBIG I members under mandatory and voluntary coverage effective February 2024 onwards.

C. MONTHLY MEMBERSHIP SAVINGS

The contribution rate of all Pag-IBIG I members both mandatory and voluntary shall be as follows, unless otherwise specified:

	Continuation Rate	
Fund Salary	Employee	Employer (if any)
P1,500 and below	1.0%	2.0%
Over P1,500	2.0%	2.0%

Cantribution Data

"Fund Salary" shall refer to the basic salary and other allowances, where basic salary includes, but is not limited to, fees, salaries, wages, and similar items received in a month. It shall mean the remuneration or earnings, however designated, capable of being expressed in terms of money, whether fixed or ascertained on a time, task, or piece or commission basis, or other method of calculating the same, which is payable by an employer to an employee or by one person to another under a written or unwritten contract of employment for work done or to be done, or for services rendered or to be rendered.

The maximum fund salary to be used in computing the employee and employer savings has been increased from Five Thousand Pesos (P5,000.00) to Ten Thousand Pesos (P10,000) taking into consideration financial calculations and rates of benefits in accordance with Section 7 of Republic Act No. 9679.

Employers shall remit two percent (2%) of the monthly Fund Salary of the contributing member as counterpart contribution. The employer is not entitled to deduct from the wages or remuneration of or, otherwise, to recover from the employee the employer's contribution.

1. MANDATORY COVERAGE

The monthly fund salary of the following members under the mandatory coverage shall be covered under the new rate, unless otherwise specified:

- 1.1. All employees who are or ought to be covered by the Social Security System (SSS), provided that actual membership in the SSS shall not be a condition precedent to the mandatory coverage in the Fund;
 - 1.1.1. Private employees, whether permanent, temporary, or provisional who is not over sixty (60) years old;
 - 1.1.2. Filipino seafarers upon the signing of the standard contract of employment between the seafarer and the manning agency, which together with the foreign ship owner, acts as the employer;
 - 1.1.3. Self-employed persons subject to mandatory coverage, including those who registered for Fund coverage under HDMF Circular No. 96, shall be treated as both the employee and employer and shall therefore be required to pay both the employee share and the employer counterpart in accordance with the rates specified above:
- 1.2. All employees covered by the Government Service Insurance System (GSIS), regardless of their status of appointment, including members of the Judiciary and Constitutional Commissions;
- 1.3. Uniformed members of the Armed Forces of the Philippines, the Bureau of Fire Protection, the Bureau of Jail Management and Penology, and the Philippine National Police;
- 1.4. Filipinos employed by foreign-based employers, whether they are deployed here or abroad or a combination thereof;
- 1.5. Household workers or "Kasambahays" who fit the following definition:
 - 1.5.1. General Household Helper;
 - 1.5.2. Yaya (Nanny);

- 1.5.3. Cook;
- 1.5.4. Gardener:
- 1.5.5. Laundry Person; and1.5.6. Any person who regularly perform domestic work in one household on an occupational basis (live-out arrangement).

The Mandatory Monthly Savings (MS) of Kasambahays, whose monthly Fund Salary is less than Five Thousand Pesos (P5,000) shall be based on the following rates, and shall be for the account of their employers.

<u>Fund Salary</u>	Total MS Rate to be Shouldered by Employer	
P1,500 and below	3.0%	
Over P1,500	4.0%	

In case the Kasambahays' gross monthly Fund Salary is at least Five Thousand Pesos (P5,000), the Kasambahays and their Employers shall pay their corresponding proportionate share in the monthly Mandatory Savings.

Fund Salary	MS rate to be	MS rate to be
	Shouldered by	Shouldered by
	Kasambahay	Employer
P5,000 and above	2.0%	2.0%

Other Earning Groups including farmers, fisherfolks, market vendors. transport sector workers, other similar self-employed individuals, service providers, family drivers, and other persons who perform work occasionally or sporadically and not on an occupational or regular basis.

Fund Salary	Contribution Rate
At least P1,000 to P1,500	1.0%
Over P1,500	2.0%

2. VOLUNTARY COVERAGE

The monthly fund salary of the following members under the voluntary coverage shall be covered under the new rate, unless otherwise specified:

Individuals with at least 18 years old, but not more than 65 years old, may register with the Fund under voluntary membership. However, said individual shall be required to comply with the set rules and regulations for Pag-IBIG members including the amount of contribution and schedule of payment. In addition, they shall be subject to eligibility requirements in the event of availment of loans and other programs/benefits offered by the Fund.

2.1. Non-working spouses who devote their full time in managing the household and family affairs, unless they also engage in another vocation or employment which is subject to mandatory coverage, provided the employed spouse is a registered Pag-IBIG member and consents to the Fund membership of the non-working spouse:

Fifty Percent (50%) of Working Spouse's Monthly Fund Salary

Contribution Rate

P1,500 and below Over P1,500

1.0% 2.0%

The non-working spouses shall not be required to remit the employer counterpart.

- 2.2 Filipino employees of foreign government or international organization, or their wholly owned instrumentality based in the Philippines, in the absence of an administrative agreement with the Fund;
- 2.3. Employees of an employer who is granted a waiver or suspension of coverage by the Fund under RA 9679;
- 2.4. Leaders and members of religious groups;
- 2.5. Members separated from employment, local or abroad, or ceased to be selfemployed but would like to continue paying their personal contribution. Such members may be pensioners, investors, or any other individual with passive income or allowances; and
- 2.6. Public officials or employees who are not covered by the GSIS such as barangay Officials, including Barangay Chairmen, Barangay Council Members, Chairmen of the Sangguniang Kabataan, and Barangay Secretaries and Treasurers.
- Members may contribute more than what is required herein, whereas the employers shall only be mandated to contribute what is required in accordance with Item C Sections 1 and 2 hereof, unless said employers agree to match their employee's increased contributions.
- 4. In cases where employees have two (2) or more employers, they shall contribute monthly to the Fund a percentage of their Fund Salary per employer, which shall be matched by the latter in accordance with the rates specified in Item C Section 1 hereof.

D. REPEALING CLAUSE

Item D Membership Contribution of Pag-IBIG Fund Circular No. 274 or the Revised Guidelines on Pag-IBIG Fund Membership and all other previous issuances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

E. MECHANISM ON RESOLUTION OF ISSUES

Any issue in the interpretation and implementation of this Guidelines shall, as much as possible, be resolved by the concerned officer. Matters that are not thereby satisfactorily resolved shall be escalated to the next higher approving authorities.

F. EFFECTIVITY

This Circular shall cover contributions for the period effective February 2024 onwards and shall take effect after its publication.

MARK ENE C. ACOSTA Chief Executive Officer

Makati City, 15 January 2024



January 22, 2024

THE REGIONAL DIRECTOR
DEPED REGIONAL OFFICE VI
DURAN, CONCEPCION, 5000 ILOILO CITY, ILOILO

Dear Sir/Madam:

Warm greetings!

We are pleased to inform you that starting 01 February 2024, Pag-IBIG Fund shall be implementing the increase of the mandatory monthly contributions (savings) of members and the corresponding employer counterpart share from the current one hundred pesos (P100.00) to two hundred pesos (P200.00).

These new contribution (savings) rates follow the adjustment in the maximum monthly compensation to be used in computing the required two percent (2%) employee savings and two percent (2%) employer share of Pag-IBIG Fund members which shall now increase to ten thousand pesos (P10,000), from the current five thousand pesos (P5,000).

Under our new rates, Pag-IBIG Fund members shall enjoy increase in their benefits which include:

- Double the amount that they would be able to save monthly, and higher annual dividends, on their Pag-IBIG Regular Savings which they shall receive upon maturity, retirement, and other grounds;
- 2. Affordable housing loans, as Pag-IBIG Fund would be better equipped to finance the loan demand of members and have capacity to maintain our low interest rates; and
- 3. Higher short-term (cash) loans, as the Pag-IBIG Regular Savings which serves as basis in computing their cash loan shall increase.

To enable you to properly implement the above new contribution (savings) rates, we have assigned our Lingkod Pag-IBIG Ms. Lilibeth M. Geraldoy who you may contact via Telephone number (033) 508-5231 or email at molo.me@pagibigfund.gov.ph to assist you.

Thank you for your continued trust and support to Pag-IBIG Fund.

Very truly yours,

ATTY. STANLEY F. ALAYON Head - Joilo Molo Branch