

XXXIV. OFFICE OF THE OMBUDSMAN

For general administration and support, support to operations and operations, as indicated hereunder..... P 2,650,851,000  
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**New Appropriations, by Program**  
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PROGRAMS	Current Operating Expenditures			
	Personnel Services	Maintenance and Other Operating Expenses	Capital Outlays	Total
General Administration and Support	P 1,328,435,000	P 231,191,000	P 130,411,000	P 1,690,037,000
Support to Operations	13,591,000	1,397,000		14,988,000
Operations	760,592,000	185,234,000		945,826,000
ANTI-CORRUPTION INVESTIGATION PROGRAM	381,233,000	119,357,000		500,590,000
ANTI-CORRUPTION ENFORCEMENT PROGRAM	279,742,000	47,724,000		327,466,000
OMBUDSMAN PUBLIC ASSISTANCE PROGRAM	53,200,000	5,669,000		58,869,000
CORRUPTION PREVENTION PROGRAM	46,417,000	12,484,000		58,901,000
<b>TOTAL NEW APPROPRIATIONS</b>	<b>P 2,102,618,000</b>	<b>P 417,822,000</b>	<b>P 130,411,000</b>	<b>P 2,650,851,000</b>

**Special Provision(s)**

1. **Organizational Structure.** Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary and within the limits of appropriations in this Act, the Ombudsman is hereby authorized to:

- (a) formulate and implement Office of the Ombudsman's organizational structure;
- (b) fix and determine the salaries, allowances and other benefits of the Office of the Ombudsman personnel in accordance with the rates and levels authorized under R.A. No. 6758, as amended and R.A. No. 6686, as amended; and
- (c) create new positions, transfer an item or make other adjustments in Personnel Services itemization, whenever public interest so requires.

Implementation of the foregoing shall be subject to: (i) compliance with organization, staffing and position classification and compensation standards; (ii) scrap and build policy; and (iii) submission to DBM of a resolution stating the changes in the organization and staffing in accordance with the foregoing standards and policy for proper documentation.

The officials and employees whose positions are affected by a reorganization shall be granted retirement benefits or separation pay in accordance with existing laws, which shall be payable from any unexpended balance of, or savings in the appropriations of the Office of the Ombudsman.

2. **Non-Recurring Expenses.** All non-recurring appropriations authorized herein such as, but not limited to, foreign-assisted projects and locally-funded projects, shall not form part of the Office of Ombudsman's appropriations that may not be reduced by Congress under Section 38 of R.A. No. 6770.

3. **Use of Savings.** The Ombudsman is authorized to use savings from the appropriations of the Office of the Ombudsman to augment actual deficiencies from any item of its appropriations for the current year, which may include the following purposes: (i) printing and/or publication of decisions, resolutions, and training information materials; (ii) repair, maintenance and improvement of Central and Regional offices, facilities and equipment; (iii) purchase of equipment, books, journals and periodicals; (iv) necessary expenses for the employment of temporary, contractual and casual employees; and (v) payment of extraordinary and miscellaneous expenses, representation and transportation and allowances, and other authorized benefits of its officials and employees, subject to pertinent budgeting, accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

4. Use of Income. The Office of the Ombudsman may use the income generated from fees collected by it, subject to the conditions under pertinent sections in the General Provisions of this Act and for purposes as may be specifically authorized therein or by applicable provisions of law.

5. Appropriations for Programs and Specific Activities. The amounts appropriated herein for the programs of the agency shall be used specifically for the following activities in the indicated amounts and conditions:

New Appropriations, by Programs/Activities/Projects

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	<u>Current Operating Expenditures</u>			<u>Total</u>
	<u>Personnel Services</u>	<u>Maintenance and Other Operating Expenses</u>	<u>Capital Outlays</u>	
<b>PROGRAMS</b>				
General Administration and Support				
General Management and Supervision	P 304,724,000 P	224,570,000 P		P 529,294,000
Administration of Personnel Benefits	1,017,090,000			1,017,090,000
Locally-Funded Project(s)				
Construction of four-storey multi-purpose building with roof deck including detailed architectural and engineering design			127,000,000	127,000,000
Enhancing the Asset Declaration System (EADS) Project: Phase 2 - pilot implementation of the eSALM16 system in the Office of the Ombudsman (OMA), Civil Service Commission (CSC) and the Office of the President (OP)	6,621,000	6,621,000	3,411,000	16,653,000
<b>Sub-total, General Administration and Support</b>	<b>1,328,435,000</b>	<b>231,191,000</b>	<b>130,411,000</b>	<b>1,690,037,000</b>
<b>Support to Operations</b>				
Operation and Maintenance of Computerized Management Information System	10,422,000	380,000		10,802,000
Statistical Services	3,169,000	1,017,000		4,186,000
<b>Sub-total, Support to Operations</b>	<b>13,591,000</b>	<b>1,397,000</b>		<b>14,988,000</b>
<b>Operations</b>				
Reduced incidence and impact of corruption and red tape	760,592,000	185,234,000		945,826,000
<b>ANTI-CORRUPTION INVESTIGATION PROGRAM</b>	<b>381,233,000</b>	<b>119,357,000</b>		<b>500,590,000</b>
Conduct of fact-finding investigation and lifestyle check for case build-up against erring public officials	374,663,000	119,182,000		493,845,000

Preliminary investigation of criminal and forfeiture cases against erring public officials	6,570,000	175,000	6,745,000
<b>ANTI-CORRUPTION ENFORCEMENT PROGRAM</b>	<b>279,742,000</b>	<b>47,724,000</b>	<b>327,466,000</b>
Adjudication on administrative cases against erring public officials to enforce anti-corruption laws	92,780,000	148,000	92,928,000
Prosecution of criminal and forfeiture cases filed against erring public officials with the Sandiganbayan and Regional Trial Courts	169,159,000	37,401,000	206,560,000
Advocacy of Ombudsman cases appealed to the Court of Appeals and Supreme Court including the filing of special civil actions with the Supreme Court	17,803,000	175,000	17,978,000
<b>Project(s)</b>			
<b>Locally-Funded Project(s)</b>			
Whistle-blower Account/Reward		10,000,000	10,000,000
<b>OMBUDSMAN PUBLIC ASSISTANCE PROGRAM</b>	<b>53,200,000</b>	<b>5,669,000</b>	<b>58,869,000</b>
Delivery of responsive and meaningful Public Assistance to address red tape in the bureaucracy	53,200,000	5,669,000	58,869,000
<b>CORRUPTION PREVENTION PROGRAM</b>	<b>46,417,000</b>	<b>12,484,000</b>	<b>58,901,000</b>
Development and implementation of integrity promotion programs to generate a critical mass of anti-corruption advocates in the campaign against official abuse	10,581,000	10,845,000	21,426,000
Conduct of integrity assessments and corruption diagnostics to reduce the vulnerability of government agencies to corruption, inefficiency and red tape	35,836,000	1,639,000	37,475,000
<b>Sub-total, Operations</b>	<b>760,592,000</b>	<b>185,234,000</b>	<b>945,826,000</b>
<b>TOTAL NEW APPROPRIATIONS</b>	<b>P 2,102,618,000</b>	<b>P 417,822,000</b>	<b>P 130,411,000 P 2,650,851,000</b>

**New Appropriations, by Object of Expenditures**

(In Thousand Pesos)

**Current Operating Expenditures**

**Personnel Services**

**Civilian Personnel**

**Permanent Positions**

Basic Salary

773,384

Total Permanent Positions

773,384

GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS ACT, FY 2018

**Other Compensation Common to All**

Personnel Economic Relief Allowance	28,944
Representation Allowance	41,418
Transportation Allowance	41,418
Clothing and Uniform Allowance	6,030
Honoraria	6,038
Mid-Year Bonus - Civilian	64,449
Year End Bonus	64,449
Cash Gift	6,030
Step Increment	1,921
Productivity Enhancement Incentive	6,030

<b>Total Other Compensation Common to All</b>	<b>266,727</b>
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**Other Compensation for Specific Groups**

Magna Carta for Public Health Workers	352
Lump-sum for filling of Positions - Civilian	1,012,445
Anniversary Bonus - Civilian	3,567

<b>Total Other Compensation for Specific Groups</b>	<b>1,016,364</b>
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**Other Benefits**

PAG-IBIG Contributions	1,447
PhilHealth Contributions	4,492
Employees Compensation Insurance Premiums	1,447
Terminal Leave	4,645
Loyalty Award - Civilian	1,000

<b>Total Other Benefits</b>	<b>13,031</b>
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**Other Personnel Benefits**

Pension, Civilian Personnel	33,112
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<b>Total Other Personnel Benefits</b>	<b>33,112</b>
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<b>Total Personnel Services</b>	<b>2,102,618</b>
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**Maintenance and Other Operating Expenses**

Travelling Expenses	64,218
Training and Scholarship Expenses	57,839
Supplies and Materials Expenses	56,042
Utility Expenses	62,421
Communication Expenses	16,919
Confidential, Intelligence and Extraordinary Expenses	
Confidential Expenses	20,000
Extraordinary and Miscellaneous Expenses	14,505
Professional Services	11,524
General Services	75,073
Repairs and Maintenance	4,694
Taxes, Insurance Premiums and Other Fees	2,087
Other Maintenance and Operating Expenses	
Advertising Expenses	2,538
Printing and Publication Expenses	1,372
Representation Expenses	2,124

Transportation and Delivery Expenses	2,528
Rent/Lease Expenses	12,549
Subscription Expenses	768
Other Maintenance and Operating Expenses	10,621
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Total Maintenance and Other Operating Expenses	417,822
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Total Current Operating Expenditures	2,520,440
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Capital Outlays	
Property, Plant and Equipment Outlay	
Building and Other Structures	127,000
Machinery and Equipment Outlay	3,411
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Total Capital Outlays	130,411
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<b>TOTAL NEW APPROPRIATIONS</b>	<b>2,650,851</b>
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GENERAL SUMMARY  
OFFICE OF THE OMBUDSMAN

Current Operating Expenditures

	<u>Personnel Services</u>	<u>Maintenance and Other Operating Expenses</u>	<u>Capital Outlays</u>	<u>Total</u>
A. OFFICE OF THE OMBUDSMAN	P 2,102,618,000	P 417,822,000	P 130,411,000	P 2,650,851,000
TOTAL NEW APPROPRIATIONS, OFFICE OF THE OMBUDSMAN	P 2,102,618,000	P 417,822,000	P 130,411,000	P 2,650,851,000