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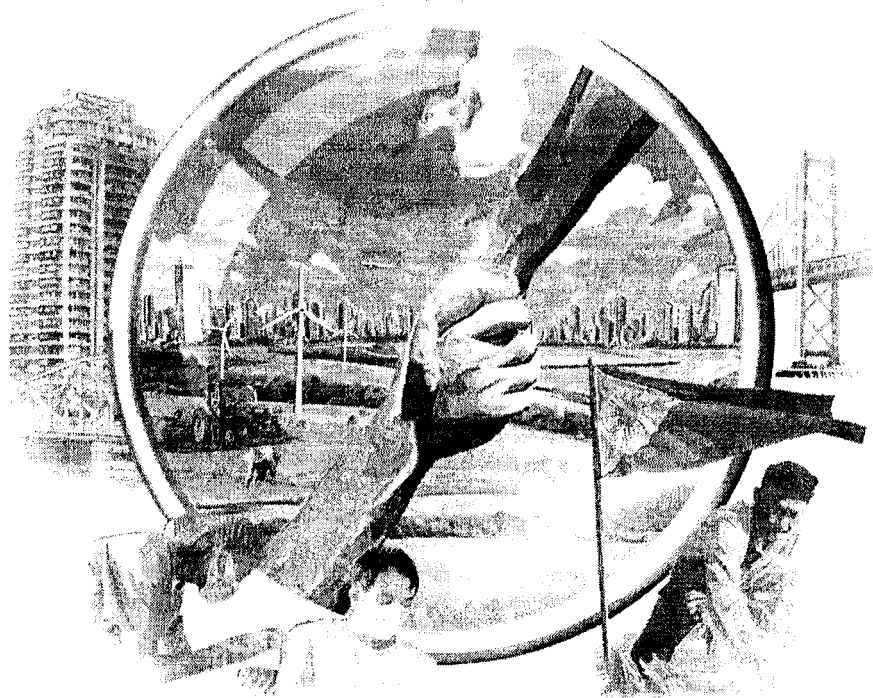
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Republic of the Philippines
REPUBLIC ACT NO. 11936

GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS ACT JANUARY 1 - DECEMBER 31, 2023



FISCAL YEAR
2023

Agenda for Prosperity:
Economic Transformation
Towards Inclusivity and Sustainability

I. CONGRESS OF THE PHILIPPINES

A. SENATE

For general administration and support, and operations, including locally-funded project(s), as indicated hereunder P 9,414,980,000

New Appropriations, by Programs/Projects

	Current Operating Expenditures			
	Personnel Services	Maintenance and Other Operating Expenses	Capital Outlays	Total
A. REGULAR PROGRAMS				
General Administration and Support	P 2,214,943,000	P 1,857,974,000	P 149,575,000	P 4,222,492,000
Operations	<u>1,226,641,000</u>	<u>1,526,487,000</u>	<u>9,600,000</u>	<u>2,762,728,000</u>
SENATE LEGISLATIVE PROGRAM	<u>1,226,641,000</u>	<u>1,526,487,000</u>	<u>9,600,000</u>	<u>2,762,728,000</u>
Total, Program(s)	<u>3,441,584,000</u>	<u>3,384,461,000</u>	<u>159,175,000</u>	<u>6,985,220,000</u>
B. PROJECTS				
LOCALLY-FUNDED PROJECT(S)		<u>20,000,000</u>	<u>2,409,760,000</u>	<u>2,429,760,000</u>
Total, Project(s)		<u>20,000,000</u>	<u>2,409,760,000</u>	<u>2,429,760,000</u>
TOTAL NEW APPROPRIATIONS	P <u>3,441,584,000</u>	P <u>3,404,461,000</u>	P <u>2,568,935,000</u>	P <u>9,414,980,000</u>

Special Provision(s)

1. **Second Congressional Commission on Education (EDCOM II).** The amount of Forty Two Million Four Hundred Fifty Six Thousand Pesos (P42,456,000) appropriated herein under the General Administration and Support shall be exclusively utilized for the initial implementation of activities and operations of the EDCOM II pursuant to R.A. No. 11899.

2. **Appropriations for Activities or Projects.** The amounts appropriated herein shall be used specifically for the following activities or projects in the indicated amounts and conditions:

New Appropriations, by Programs/Activities/Projects

	Current Operating Expenditures			
	Personnel Services	Maintenance and Other Operating Expenses	Capital Outlays	Total
REGULAR PROGRAMS				
General Administration and Support				
General Management and Supervision	P 1,947,967,000	P 1,857,974,000	P 149,575,000	P 3,955,516,000
Administration of Personnel Benefits	<u>266,976,000</u>			<u>266,976,000</u>
Sub-total, General Administration and Support	<u>2,214,943,000</u>	<u>1,857,974,000</u>	<u>149,575,000</u>	<u>4,222,492,000</u>

Operations

SENATE LEGISLATIVE PROGRAM	1,226,641,000	1,526,487,000	9,600,000	2,762,728,000
Legislation of Laws and Other Related Activities	1,226,641,000	1,526,487,000	9,600,000	2,762,728,000
Sub-total, Operations	1,226,641,000	1,526,487,000	9,600,000	2,762,728,000
Total, Program(s)	3,441,584,000	3,384,461,000	159,175,000	6,985,220,000

PROJECTS

Locally-Funded Project(s)

Senate Relocation		20,000,000	2,409,760,000	2,429,760,000
Sub-total, Locally-Funded Project(s)		20,000,000	2,409,760,000	2,429,760,000
Total, Project(s)		20,000,000	2,409,760,000	2,429,760,000
TOTAL NEW APPROPRIATIONS	P	3,441,584,000	P 3,404,461,000	P 2,568,935,000

New Appropriations, by Object of Expenditures
(In Thousand Pesos)

Current Operating Expenditures

Personnel Services

Civilian Personnel

Permanent Positions

Basic Salary	1,504,847
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Total Permanent Positions	1,504,847
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Other Compensation Common to All

Personnel Economic Relief Allowance	46,272
Representation Allowance	31,116
Transportation Allowance	31,116
Clothing and Uniform Allowance	11,568
Honoraria	1,200
Mid-Year Bonus - Civilian	125,404
Year End Bonus	125,404
Cash Gift	9,640
Productivity Enhancement Incentive	9,640
Step Increment	3,762

Total Other Compensation Common to All	395,122
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Other Compensation for Specific Groups

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Lump-sum for filling of Positions - Civilian	238,976
Lump-sum for Personnel Services	1,171,479
Total Other Compensation for Specific Groups	1,410,455
Other Benefits	
PAG-IBIG Contributions	2,313
PhilHealth Contributions	28,470
Employees Compensation Insurance Premiums	2,313
Terminal Leave	28,000
Total Other Benefits	61,096
Non-Permanent Positions	70,064
Total Personnel Services	3,441,584
Maintenance and Other Operating Expenses	
Travelling Expenses	500,947
Training and Scholarship Expenses	8,606
Supplies and Materials Expenses	117,122
Utility Expenses	63,170
Communication Expenses	46,403
Confidential, Intelligence and Extraordinary Expenses	
Extraordinary and Miscellaneous Expenses	331,942
Professional Services	164,304
General Services	56,525
Repairs and Maintenance	29,056
Taxes, Insurance Premiums and Other Fees	6,374
Other Maintenance and Operating Expenses	
Advertising Expenses	8,586
Printing and Publication Expenses	6,691
Representation Expenses	132,749
Transportation and Delivery Expenses	782
Rent/Lease Expenses	439,499
Membership Dues and Contributions to Organizations	1,947
Subscription Expenses	18,974
Other Maintenance and Operating Expenses	1,470,784
Total Maintenance and Other Operating Expenses	3,404,461
Total Current Operating Expenditures	6,846,045
Capital Outlays	
Property, Plant and Equipment Outlay	
Land Outlay	209,760
Buildings and Other Structures	1,565,000
Machinery and Equipment Outlay	489,175
Transportation Equipment Outlay	41,000
Furniture, Fixtures and Books Outlay	239,000
Other Property Plant and Equipment Outlay	15,000
Intangible Assets Outlay	10,000
Total Capital Outlays	2,568,935
TOTAL NEW APPROPRIATIONS	9,414,980

Special Provisions Applicable to the Congress of the Philippines

1. Augmentation of Any Item in the Appropriations of the Congress of the Philippines. Pursuant to Section 25(5) of Article VI of the Constitution, the Senate President, with respect to the Senate and the Speaker, with respect to the House of Representatives, are hereby authorized to augment any item in the general appropriations law for their respective offices from any savings in other items of their respective appropriations.

2. Organizational Structure of the Senate, the House of Representatives, the Senate and House of Representatives Electoral Tribunals and the Commission on Appointments. Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary and within the limits of the appropriations authorized in this Act, the Senate President, with respect to the Senate and the Commission on Appointments, the Speaker, with respect to the House of Representatives, and the Chairpersons of the Senate and House of Representatives Electoral Tribunals are authorized to:

(a) formulate and implement the organizational structures of their respective offices;

(b) fix and determine the salaries, allowances and other benefits of their Members, employees and consultants, subject to Section 10, Article VI of the Constitution, and whenever public interest so requires, make adjustments and reorganization of positions in the regular personnel with the corresponding transfer of items of appropriations; and

(c) create new positions in their respective offices;

PROVIDED, That officers and employees whose positions are affected by such adjustments or reorganization shall be granted retirement gratuities and separation pay in accordance with existing laws, which shall be payable from any unexpended balance of, or savings in the appropriations of their respective offices: **PROVIDED, FURTHER,** That the foregoing changes, reorganization and modifications shall be submitted to the DBM for proper documentation. (GENERAL OBSERVATION- President's Veto Message, December 16, 2022, Volume I-B, page 793, R.A. No. 11936)

3. Release of Appropriations. All appropriations authorized for the Senate, the House of Representatives, the Commission on Appointments, the Senate and House of Representatives Electoral Tribunals shall be automatically and regularly released.

4. Modification of Allocation for Operational Expenses. Subject to the approval of the Senate President or the Speaker of the House of Representatives, as the case may be, a Member of Congress may modify his allocation for operational expenses to any other expense category: **PROVIDED,** That the total of said allocation is not exceeded.

5. Revolving Fund for the Reproduction of Legislative Records and Sale of Publications and Products. The revolving fund constituted from the income derived from business-type activities of the Senate and the House of Representatives including sale of publications and other institutional products shall be used to cover the expenses incurred for the said activities in accordance with accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

6. Availability of Appropriations and Cash Allocations. Unexpended quarterly and year-end balances of approved appropriations and cash allocations for the Senate, the House of Representatives, the Senate and the House of Representatives Electoral Tribunals and the Commission on Appointments shall remain valid appropriations and shall continue to be available for expenditure until fully spent and shall remain under their control and accountability, subject to accounting and auditing rules and regulations. (CONDITIONAL IMPLEMENTATION- President's Veto Message, December 16, 2022, Volume I-B, page 793, R.A. No. 11936)

7. Constitutional Guarantee. In the implementation of the foregoing provisions, the constitutional guarantee of the independence of Congress as a co-equal branch of government must be maintained.