

MEETING OF THE TESDA BOARD  
Museo Pambata  
Roxas Boulevard, Manila

RESOLUTION NO. 95-4

APPROVAL OF THE ESTABLISHMENT AND OPERATIONALIZATION OF THE NATIONAL VOCATIONAL TRAINING CENTER FOR WOMEN THROUGH GRANTS-IN-AID FROM THE GOVERNMENT OF JAPAN

WHEREAS, Republic Act 7192 explicitly recognizes the role of women in nation building, thus ensuring the fundamental equality of men and women before the law;

WHEREAS, women have assumed significant roles in the labor market, in the professions and in public governance, even as they have begun to enter traditionally male-dominated fields such as engineering and technology, agriculture and law;

WHEREAS, a number of issues on the training and employment of women still needs to be addressed, including gender-bias in employment, the perceived role of women as secondary wage earners, discrimination in wages, the protection/limited access to employment paradox, occupational and employment mobility and women's tendency to enter into traditional training and education courses;

WHEREAS, Republic Act 7192 likewise provides that a substantial portion of the Official Development Assistance (ODA) funds be set aside and utilized by concerned agencies to respond to these issues;

WHEREAS, the Government of Japan has signified its willingness to provide some 11 Billion Yen within a period of five (5) to seven (7) years to defray the cost of establishing and operationalizing a center for women to address these issues;

WHEREAS, the Government of the Philippines has also indicated its readiness to provide counterpart resources in the form of land for the project site and personal services;

WHEREAS, the ~~TECHNICAL EDUCATION AND SKILLS DEVELOPMENT~~ AUTHORITY (TESDA) Secretariat, in collaboration with the National Commission on the Welfare of Filipino Women, Department of Trade and Industry, Department of Agriculture and the Department of Science and Technology has the capability to undertake the establishment and operationalization of a National Vocational Training Center for Women.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, as it is hereby RESOLVED that the TESDA BOARD approve the establishment and operationalization of the NATIONAL VOCATIONAL TRAINING CENTER FOR WOMEN through grants-in-aid from the Japanese Government;