



Republic of the Philippines  
Department of Science and Technology  
**Technology Application and Promotion Institute**

MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR NO. 003  
Series of 2022

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**SUBJECT: TEMPORARY SUSPENSION OF CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF DOST-TAPI ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. 016 Series of 2020**

**I. Rationale**

The Administrative Order No. 016 Series of 2020, otherwise known as the *Invention Testing and Laboratory Analyses Assistance Program* outlines the requirements and procedure, among others, in the eligibility requirements for financial assistance under the said Program that is being implemented by DOST-TAPI pursuant to its mandate of implementing R.A. No. 7459, otherwise known as the Inventors and Invention Incentives Act of the Philippines, specifically Article IV, Section 8 (a) "*assist technologies, inventors, and researchers, avail of the laboratories and other facilities of the RDI's, including regional offices and other government agencies, offices and instrumentalities upon recommendation of the Director of the Institute.*"

To streamline business processes and workflows in evaluating requests for possible funding under the above-mentioned program, DOST-TAPI deemed it appropriate to temporarily suspend one of the requirements under Eligibility. The suspension is necessary to accommodate more requests for testing assistance and not limit the assistance to those endorsed by the IPRAP, IBID, and IBED programs, only.

**II. Coverage**


This Circular shall cover specific provisions of Administrative Order 016 Series of 2020 otherwise known as Invention Testing and Laboratory Analyses Assistance Program.

**III. Temporary Suspension**

Upon effectivity of this Circular, Section 4.4 of TAPI Administrative Order No. 016 Series of 2020, requiring endorsement from the intellectual Property Rights Assistance Program (IPRAP), Industry-Based Invention Development (IBID), and Invention-Based Enterprise Development (IBED) Programs for the eligibility of the proponent of "Invention Testing and Laboratory Analyses Assistance" is **TEMPORARILY SUSPENDED**.

**IV. Effectivity**

This Memorandum Circular shall take effect immediately upon its posting at the DOST-TAPI official website unless otherwise expressly revoked or superseded by future issuances.

  
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