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POEA urges returning OFWs to use online system

The Philippine Overseas Employment Administration yesterday issued an advisory encouraging *balik-manggagawa* or vacationing overseas Filipino workers (OFW) to use the BM Online system to acquire their respective overseas employment certificates (OEC).

Administrator Hans Leo J. Cacdac said that starting June 1, 2016, the POEA main office in Mandaluyong City will accommodate only those with appointment set through the online system.

The appointment system was developed as a built in component to cater to OFWs who cannot proceed to the straight online processing of the OEC for any of the following reasons:

1. No existing record in the POEA database
2. Undocumented worker
3. Changed employer and/or jobsite
4. The worker or employer is on watchlist
5. OFW is returning to a restricted country
6. Former seafarer

Cacdac said may set an online appointment at the convenience of their homes for the processing of their OEC at their preferred date, time and location.

“Returning workers may also get their OECs at the POEA’s offices in the provinces through the appointment system,” Cacdac said.

The POEA has offices in Baguio City, Tuguegarao City, San Fernando City (La Union), San Fernando City (Pampanga), Calamba City, Legaspi City, Tacloban City, Cebu City, Iloilo City, Bacolod City, Davao City, Cagayan de Oro City, Koronadal City, Butuan City, Zamboanga City, and Bongao, Tawi-Tawi.

“We also operate Balik-Manggagawa Processing Centers at SM Manila and Trinoma in Quezon City,” Cacdac added.

The online system is available at www.bmonline.ph where users can view an instructional video for their guidance.

For technical support, OFWs may send a email at bm_oec@yahoo.com and poeaict@gmail.com or contact 0917325797, (02)7210785, (02)7219496 and (02)7277778.

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