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Don't use fake documents, POEA warns OFWs

The Philippine Overseas Employment Administration, through a labor advisory, has warned overseas employment applicants especially those bound for the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia on submitting, furnishing or using false information or documents or any form of misrepresentation for the purpose of job application or employment.

POEA administrator Bernard P. Olalia issued the advisory in the wake of reports that some Filipino nurses in the KSA were discovered to have submitted false information particularly on their certificates of employment as validated by concerned employers.

Olalia stressed that workers found to have committed misrepresentation by submitting fake employment documents could face disciplinary action for which the impossible penalty could either be suspension or permanent disqualification from the overseas employment program.

In Saudi Arabia, submission of false employment documents not only results to dismissal from employment but also to possible criminal prosecution or imprisonment.

He reminded workers to observe the Code of Discipline for Overseas Filipino Workers enjoining them to provide accurate and truthful information regarding their skills, qualification and experience to their recruitment agencies and employers.

Administrator Olalia also reminded recruitment agencies of their obligation to make sure employment documents of their applicants are genuine and failure to perform this obligation shall warrant the filing of administrative and criminal charges against them.

He advised OFWs to report to the POEA persons or recruitment agencies that are responsible or complicit to the issuance of fabricated employment documents.

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