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MINISTRY OF FINANCE  
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30<sup>th</sup> March, 2022

**NOTIFICATION**

**Subject: Fee revisions for services provided by the Ministry of Education to Education Consultancy and Placement Firms (ECPF), Recognition of Qualifications (RoQ) and Accreditation**

In keeping with the proposal received from the Ministry of Education and the subsequent approval by the Government conveyed through the Cabinet Secretariat vide letter No.C-3/108/2021/1165 and C-3/108/2022/1168 dated December 30, 2021 the Ministry of Finance revises the following fees:

**A. Fees for services provided to Education Consultancy and Placement Firms (ECPF) and Recognition of Qualifications (RoQ)**

The Department of Adult and Higher Education (DAHE) under the Ministry of Education (MoE) looks after the registration and regulations of Education Consultancy and Placement Firms (ECPFs) for ensuring quality education especially for students aspiring to pursue higher education outside the country. The Education Consultancy and Placement Firms are responsible for placing aspiring students into quality programmes and Institutions.

Further, as the Secretariat to the Bhutan Accreditation Council, it also provides services related to Recognition of Qualifications (RoQ). For the services provided by the Ministry of Education, the fees are revised as follows:

**1. The fees for Education Consultancy and Placement Firms (ECPFs):**

SI	Fees	Revised (Nu)
1	Initial Registration Fee	100,000
2	Registration fee for branch office	50% of the initial registration fee for establishing branch office
3	Annual renewal fee	10,000
4	Registration transfer fee	100% of the initial registration fee



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2. *The fees for Recognition of Qualification of Service (RoQ):*

SI	Fees	Revised (Nu.)
1	Recognition Fee	1,000
2	Processing for Second Copy of Qualification Endorsement Certificate (QEC)	1,000

**B. Fees for Accreditation by the Bhutan Accreditation Council:**

Based on the Tertiary Education Policy of the Kingdom of Bhutan 2010, the Bhutan Accreditation Council was constituted through the Executive Order on 14 June 2011. The Council is a national autonomous body for institutional and programme accreditations of the tertiary education institutions in the country.

3. *The fees for Accreditation:*

SI.	Fees	Revised (Nu.)
1.	Accreditation fee	100,000
2.	Appeal fee	30,000
3.	Re-accreditation fee	100,000

Since the validity of accreditation certificates is different for institutional (2-5 years) and programme accreditation (4-7 years), fees shall be applied accordingly. The revision of the fees is expected to achieve the national objective of ensuring quality education and enhancing quality human knowledge and skills.

The Notification will come into effect from 1<sup>st</sup> April, 2022.

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