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FOR : REGIONAL DIRECTORS

**ATTENTION : GOVERNMENT ASSISTANCE AND SUBSIDIES (GAS) PROGRAM
REGIONAL FOCAL PERSONS**

FROM : ATTY. EDSON BYRON K. SY,
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**SUBJECT : DISCONTINUATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF STI1 FORM AND
ACCEPTANCE OF BANK CERTIFICATE AS ITS SUBSTITUTE FOR
GASTPE BILLING PURPOSES**

This refers to the letter from the Landbank of the Philippines-DepEd Branch Head, dated May 15, 2026, informing this Office that all LBP branches nationwide have discontinued the issuance of STI1 Form printouts, as the said document is intended for bank use only.

In lieu thereof, all private schools participating in the Educational Service Contracting (ESC) and Senior High School Voucher Program (SHS VP) under the Government Assistance to Students and Teachers in Private Education (GASTPE) Program may request a Bank Certificate from any LBP branch. The certificate shall contain the required details, including the school name, account number, and a statement confirming that it is issued for billing purposes.

Furthermore, the LBP has waived the Php 200.00 fee for the issuance of the Bank Certificate when requested for the processing of voucher subsidies.

In this regard, dissemination of this information to all concerned GASTPE-participating private schools is respectfully requested to ensure proper guidance and compliance with the updated procedure.

For reference and guidance, a copy of the aforementioned letter is hereto attached.

Should you require further clarification, you may contact the Government Assistance and Subsidies Service - Operations and Data Management Division (GASS-ODMD) through gass.odmd@deped.gov.ph.

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May 15, 2026

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Dear Atty. Sy,

Greetings from LANDBANK!

This refers to your letter dated April 29, 2026, requesting a formal written confirmation of the policy on the discontinuation of the issuance of the STI1 print-out and the acceptance of a Bank Certificate as its substitute.

Pursuant to bank policy, all branches are hereby instructed to discontinue providing the STI1 print-out to clients, as this document is solely for bank use only. In lieu thereof, branches shall issue a Bank Certificate instead.

Kindly be informed that the waiver of the Php 200.00 Bank Certification fee in relation to the processing of voucher subsidies has been approved. Accordingly, all private schools participating in the ESC and SHS-VP Programs may now request a Bank Certification from any LANDBANK branch free of charge containing the required details, including the account name and account number and that it is issued for billing purposes.

Should you have further concerns or require additional clarification, please do not hesitate to contact LANDBANK DepEd Branch at 8636-4850 or email us at depedbranch@landbank.com.

Thank you. /

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