

Fund Management and Audited Financial Report

Combined Statement of Financial Position

(As of 31 December 2016, in Philippine Peso)

	Amount	Increase	% of Increase
ASSETS			
Current Assets			
Cash and Cash Equivalents	1,100,789,746.21	40,302,124.68	3.80%
Receivables	63,653,651.05	(12,745,157.51)	-16.68%
Investments	17,864,704,716.97	184,215,745.30	1.04%
Inventories	11,052,208.16	2,176,378.80	24.52%
Prepayments	5,816,112.88	368,169.37	6.76%
Other Current Assets	243,063,578.91	(10,122,264.80)	-4.00%
Total Current Assets	19,289,080,014.18	204,194,995.83	1.07%
Non-Current Assets			
Property Plant and Equipment, Net	193,061,749.78	4,916,814.05	2.61%
Other Assets, Net	3,927,290.35	467,032.30	13.50%
Other Non-Current Assets	196,989,040.13	5,383,846.35	2.81%
Total Non-Current Assets	19,486,069,054.31	209,578,842.18	1.09%
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LIABILITIES AND EQUITY			
Current Liabilities			
Accounts Payable	577,198,927.31	(254,256,701.04)	-30.58%
Inter-Agency Payables	37,814,337.93	(5,479,106.84)	-12.66%
Intra-Agency Payables	31,724,414.22	1,740,851.00	5.81%
Other Liability Accounts	44,640,771.28	22,893,123.41	105.27%
Total Current Liabilities	691,378,450.74	(235,101,833.47)	-25.38%
Non-Current Liabilities			
Deferred Credits			
TOTAL LIABILITIES	691,378,450.74	(235,101,833.47)	-25.38%
EQUITY	18,794,690,603.57	444,680,675.65	2.42%
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	19,486,069,054.31	209,578,842.18	1.09%

Financial Highlights

OWWA lives up to its commitment to ensure the viability of its Trust Fund. Thus, because of its prudent management of resources, its net worth in 2016 stood at **P18.79 Billion**, which is 2.42 per cent higher than the 2015 figure of P18.35 Billion.

Total assets reached **P19.49 Billion** in 2016. This is an increase of 1.09 per cent, as compared with P19.28 Billion in 2015. The hike was mainly due to increased investments amounting to **P17.87 Billion** in 2016, as against the 2015 figure of P17.68 Billion. Minus the liabilities in 2016 of **P691.4 Million**, there was an increase of 25.38 per cent from 2015, or P235 Million.

In the coming years, OWWA will intensify its mandated programs and services, which are beneficial to address the needs and welfare of OFW-members and their families.



OWWA, PhilHealth offer new medical aid program for OFWs

OWWA Administrator Rebecca Calzado and PhilHealth President and CEO Alexander Padilla signed a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) for MEDPlus, a new one-time financial assistance program for OFWs on 2 June 2016.

The Supplemental Medical Assistance Program for OFWs extends a maximum of P50K financial aid to OWWA members undergoing treatment for over 300 diseases that require medical and surgical procedures and long-time care. These include cancer, chronic kidney diseases, encephalopathy, ischemic heart disease with myocardial infarction, and emerging infectious like Zika and Ebola.

OWWA, PhilHealth members. MEDPlus is implemented in coordination with the Philippine Health Insurance Corp (PhilHealth), and is seen to benefit 2.4 million OFWs who are active OWWA and PhilHealth members.

The OWWA governing board previously approved a resolution for the allocation of P150 million for the implementation of MEDPlus, which started in August 2016. The frequency of availment has no limit as long as it does not exceed P50K, and covers the same medical conditions aligned with the PhilHealth system. OFWs hospitalized abroad may also avail of MEDPlus, on top of PhilHealth benefits.

Calzado said that OWWA recognizes that OFWs who are suffering from disease would need additional financial help because, in most cases, they could no longer work or may require long-term medical treatment.

Padilla encouraged all Filipinos working abroad to register with OWWA and PhilHealth so they could avail of MEDPlus.

MEDPlus is in addition to the existing range of benefits and services provided to OWWA members, such as disability and death benefits.

From January to April 2016, OWWA released a total of P69.5 Million for disability benefit claims of 289 members, and P103.5 Million for next of kin beneficiaries of 771 deceased members. OWWA sourced the P150 Million initial budget for MEDPlus from the \$25 biannual contribution of its members.

• Swift Resolution of OFW Cases

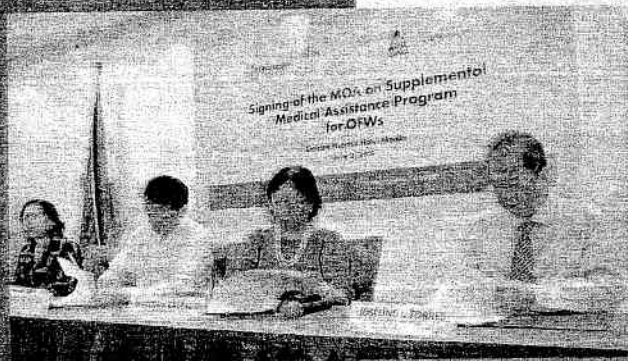
In a summary report prepared by the National Conciliation Mediation Board (NCMB) on the implementation of the Single-Entry Approach (SEnA) Program, covering January to November 2016, OWWA is among DOLE agencies that posted a fast resolution performance in settling various OFW cases, averaging a period of only six days.

Pursuant to DOLE Department Order No. 107-10, series of 2010, SEnA prescribes a 30-day mandatory period for the settlement of complaints filed by OFWs through conciliation, and that the agency that receives the complaint is duty-bound to act on it, and not refer it to another agency.

OWWA handled various Requests for Assistance (RFAs) ranging from contract violation/ substitution, unpaid salaries/ overtime, poor living conditions, and retrieval of passport/ documents, among others.

From January to November 2016, OWWA received a total of 5,382 cases and 5,557 RFAs. Out of the cases filed, 5,067 were settled (with settlement rate of 91%), while 5,273 RFAs were disposed (with a disposition rate of 95%), within six days from filing.

Not a single case was dropped by any OFW complainant for lack of interest. Further, the monetary benefits awarded to 5,671 OFWs by OWWA was recorded at P132,919,057.20.



• Reintegration Program for OFWs Enhanced

The partnership agreement between OWWA and DTI on return and reintegration gives OFWs access to training and technical support in starting their business ventures. Under OWWA's Enhanced Entrepreneurial Development Training (EEDT), doors have been opened to OFWs who are keen on establishing their own small businesses.

The EEDT program provides funding assistance from P100K to P2 Million, under the OFW-Enterprise Development and Loan Program (OFW-ELDP), in partnership with Land Bank of the Philippines (LBP) and the Development Bank of the Philippines (DBP).

C. Family Support and Reintegration Services

The Family Support and Reintegration Services include the organization of OFW Family Circles (OFC), capability and techno-skills training, and reintegration program.

- **Family Development Support Program**

Under this Program, a total of 2,593 organizations were maintained in 2016, with a total of 94,386 members, and 393 new ones, with a total membership of 12,551. Formed organizations included women, youth, OFCs, and cooperatives.

- **Capability Building**

To prepare OFWs for their eventual return to the country, OWWA has established community-based organizations nationwide, collectively known as OFW Family Circles (OFCs). OFC members undergo capacity building training, such as family formation, financial literacy, values formation, and entrepreneurial development training.

OFCs are partners of OWWA in collaboration with local government units. Membership in these organizations is not limited to OFWs and their families, but is also open to women, youth, cooperatives, and religious groups.

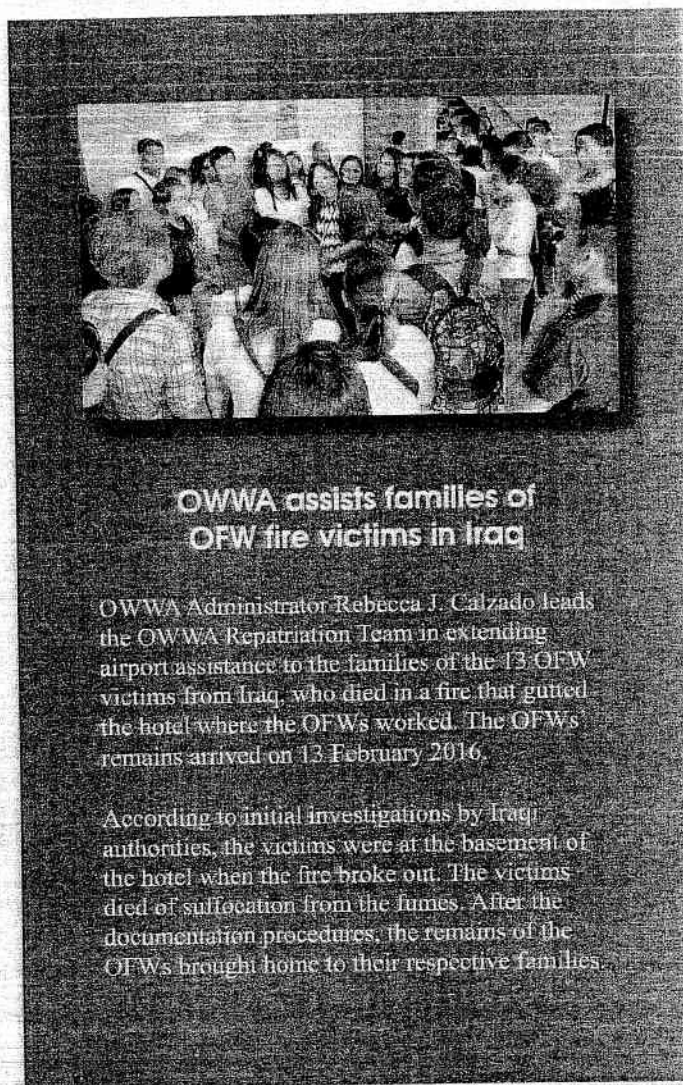
- **"Balik-Pinas, Balik-Hanapbuhay" Program**

This Program is a non-cash livelihood assistance intended to provide immediate relief to returning member OFWs, active or non-active, who are displaced from their jobs due to war/political conflicts in host countries or policy reforms, controls and changes by the host Government or are victims of illegal recruitment and/or human trafficking.

The Program is a package of livelihood assistance amounting to a maximum of P10K, consisting of (a) techno-skills and/or entrepreneurial trainings; (b) starter kits/goods; and (3) other services that will enable the identified beneficiaries to quick-start a livelihood undertaking through self/wage employment.

It is exclusively extended to active member-OFWs who did not finish their employment contracts, and were displaced due to welfare-related cases, such as maltreatment, non-payment of salary, and conditions related to war/political conflicts in host country, policy reforms, changes in host Government, or victims of illegal recruitment. It is a one-time livelihood assistance that can be availed of by qualified beneficiaries within three years after their return to the country.

In 2016, a total of 212 livelihood training sessions were conducted to 4,962 OWWA members. Of this number, 2,096 received starter kits. Last year, 4,556 were given starter kits. Not all trainees were extended starter kits for failure to complete the training sessions.



OWWA assists families of OFW fire victims in Iraq

OWWA Administrator Rebecca J. Calzado leads the OWWA Repatriation Team in extending airport assistance to the families of the 13 OFW victims from Iraq, who died in a fire that gutted the hotel where the OFWs worked. The OFWs remains arrived on 13 February 2016.

According to initial investigations by Iraqi authorities, the victims were at the basement of the hotel when the fire broke out. The victims died of suffocation from the fumes. After the documentation procedures, the remains of the OFWs brought home to their respective families.

D. Social Protection Benefits

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- **Burial benefit** – On top of the death benefit, the legal heir shall receive P20K for funeral expenses.

In 2016, OWWA paid death and burial benefits to a total of 2,287 claimants, amounting to P285,212,499.89. Last year, there were 25 qualified program beneficiaries for disability benefits, amounting to P2,170,000.

development training. In-country reintegration is implemented under the auspices of the National Reintegration Center for OFWs (NRCO), and the OWWA Regional Welfare Offices, consisting of social preparation, job referrals (local and overseas), business counseling, financial literacy seminar, and networking with support institutions.

• P2 Billion OFW Reintegration Program (ORP)

The P2 Billion OFW Reintegration Program (ORP) for business enterprise development is a loan facility, in partnership with the Land Bank of the Philippines (LBP) and the Development Bank of the Philippines (DBP), where an OFW-member of his/her legal dependent can avail of a loan between P300K and P2 million to start a new livelihood or business venture..

It is a business transaction based on trust between the OWWA, the OFW and the LBP. The loan facility offers from P300K to P2 million, with a 7.5 per cent interest per annum, payable in five to seven years.

This program aims to equip OFWs with knowledge and skills to enhance their capacity to earn, and eventually, to become entrepreneurs themselves. Likewise, it promotes role model characteristics among OFWs, such as self-worth, self-esteem and sense of responsibility, since the loan program requires a re-payment scheme.

In 2015, LBP approved a total of 91 ORP applicants, with a total of 17 livelihood projects established. The projects amounted to P89.3 million, and generated 164 jobs for community residents. In 2014, LBP approved the loan applications of 38 OFWs, which amounted to P213.1 million, benefitting 1,725 community residents.

• "Balik-Pinas, Balik-Hanapbuhay" Program

This Program is a non-cash livelihood assistance intended to provide immediate relief to returning

Former Taiwan OFW couple thanks OWWA's P2B reintegration program

Determined to improve the quality of their lives, Reginald and Grace from Isulan, Sultan Kudarat, decided to work in Taiwan in 2005. Both were single then.

Two years later, Grace went home on a vacation in her home province. On her return to Taiwan that same year, she met Reginald, also an OFW from the same hometown. Love bloomed between them.

The following year, Taiwan went through an economic crisis, which resulted in the displacement of about 2,000 OFWs, including Reginald and Grace. Eventually, both decided to come home in 2009. Reginald did not get any separation pay, while Grace took home P140,000.

Both got married on 23 January 2009. With their meager savings, the Cadelinas thought of putting up an Agrivet Supplies retail trade business in Isulan on 28 February that same year. At first, their store was doing well but faced challenges due to local competition.

FELSF assistance. One day, they heard a radio broadcast on OWWA's Filipino Expatriate Livelihood Support Fund (FELSF). Curious about the program, they went to the RWO-12 office to inquire about the small enterprise funding facility, including its requirements.

Their application was approved. They claimed their P50K check in Koronadal City on 1 May 2009, which they used to boost their stocks to meet market demands. The couple was determined

to improve on their sales despite many problems that cropped up. They also took on other side businesses such as selling food and accepting laundry to augment their resources.

P2B ORP. When they paid off their FELSF loan in August 2011, they learned about OWWA's OFW Reintegration Program (ORP). And after attending the ORP Entrepreneurial Development Training, they submitted their application requirements. In 2012, Land Bank approved their loan application of P425K.

Today, their business operations are doing well. Proud is their new house and lot in Kalawag 1, Isulan, which were fully paid in February 2014. They also have plans of putting up a boarding house at the back of their home for added income.

"We are truly grateful to OWWA for their assistance. Life after being an OFW is, indeed, possible," the Cadelinas said.



C.3.a. P2 Billion OFW Reintegration Program (ORP)

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The year in review saw more OFWs putting up their own business upon their return to the country. There were 238 livelihood projects approved for funding in 2014, compared to 299 in 2013, registering a decrease of 20 per cent. Only 38 projects were implemented from the loan borrowers, posting a decrease of 64 per cent compared to 106 projects in 2013.



After 12 years in HK, OFW starts own business

After working in Hong Kong for 12 years as a household worker, Clarito Chia, 42, has decided to put up a business of her own in Las Piñas City.

"Tinatak ko na sa isip ko na gawin kong maging helper habang buhay. Gusto ko din mag-negosyo at magtrabaho para sa sarili ko, kaya nang magkaroon ako ng kita, impon ko yun para makapas set-up ako ng sariling business," she said. (I don't want to be a helper all my life. When I saved up enough, I was determined to start my own business venture.)



Even while she was in Hong Kong, Clarito was already doing some small-scale business—selling mobile phone cards and mums, which she sold to her friends. She had always believed that *siga at liyaga* (hard work and perseverance) would bring her somewhere.

Upon her return to the country, Clarito attended seminars to help her develop strategies to manage her business. She availed of OWWA's P10,000 livelihood assistance through the RWO-NCR and subsequently attended the Entrepreneurial Development Training (EDT).

The EDT is part of the social preparation provided by OWWA to its OFW applicants of the OFW Enterprise Development Loan Program, and intervention and loan facility, in partnership with the Land Bank of the Philippines.

This program seeks to assist in the eventual reintegration of migrant workers back to the mainstream of society. Training participants are briefed on business management, and independently taught how to prepare business plans, in partnership with the Department of Trade and Industry (DTI).

Every business is about taking risks, and that's what Clarito and her partner, Alan Co, also her business partner, managed to do. Today, their sari-sari store is thriving. The next business project is a boarding house. Without doubt, these will continue to grow in the coming years—thanks to wise business planning and practical tips she acquired from the EDT.



In 2014, the LBP released a total of P213,120,530, which is lower than the P245,364,000 loans released last year. Jobs generated out of the livelihood projects totaled 1,725, as against 1,866 in 2013.

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A total of 1,646 livelihood starter kits were distributed to qualified applicants in 2014, out of 3,425 members who underwent 125 entrepreneurial and skills trainings conducted by regional welfare offices.

This non-cash livelihood assistance equivalent to P10K is exclusively extended to active member-OFWs who did not finish their employment contracts, and were displaced due to welfare-

related cases, such as maltreatment, non-payment of salary, and conditions related to war/political conflicts in host country, policy reforms, changes in host Government, or victims of illegal recruitment.

It is a one-time livelihood assistance that can be availed of by qualified beneficiaries within three years after their return to the country. The total amount released for this program in 2014 reached P16,238,711.

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A total of 2,828 beneficiaries in 2014 availed of death and disability benefits. This is 6.3 per cent lower than the 3,017 beneficiaries in 2013.

Meanwhile, OWWA extends educational assistance to survivors of a deceased OFW, through the **Education and Livelihood Assistance Program (ELAP)**. This consists of P5K for elementary, P8K for high school, and P10K for college per academic year.

At the same time, livelihood assistance amounting to P15K is provided to the surviving spouse. In 2014, 1,376 OFW beneficiaries of deceased member-OFWs were granted the livelihood component of ELAP in 2014. A total of P19,028,360 was released in 2014, higher than the P17,895,000 cash assistance for 1,193 beneficiaries in 2013.



Reintegration Program

As part of the preparation for the eventual return of the OFWs to the country, OWWA, through its Regional Welfare Offices nationwide established OFW community organizations dubbed as OFW Family Circles (OFCs). Serving as support mechanism to OFW returnees under the supervision and guidance of OWWA Welfare Officers, their number has reached 2,019 as of December 2013. Some 59,492 members of the OFCs underwent capacity-building trainings such as family values reorientation, financial literacy and entrepreneurial development training.

In 2013, OWWA granted loans to 74 OFWs/ under the OWWA-NLDC Livelihood Development Program, 299 OFWs under the 2-B OFW Reintegration Program and started accommodating repatriated distressed OFWs under the 'Balik-Pinas, Balik-Hanapbuhay' Program that kicked off in the latter part of the year in review.

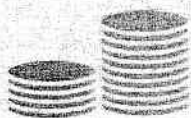




OWWA marked an increase in avalees of **Family Development Support Program**

149%

with 105,701 members and family members benefitting from capacity-building and community organizing activities, compared to the 42,409 avalees in 2011.



The **DOLE Reintegration Program** for OFWs was further strengthened and expanded in 2012. The "*Balik-Pinas, Balik-Hanapbuhay*" provided starter kits and skills training and livelihood assistance to 943 and 3,846 OFW returnees, respectively. Meanwhile, under the loan assistance program of the OWWA-National Livelihood Development Corporation (NLDC), was released to fund 69 business enterprises that generated 524 jobs. On the other hand, 429 OFWs and dependents were granted loans amounting to P284,363,263.20 to start or enhance business enterprises under the P2 Billion Reintegration Program for OFWs. The businesses that were set up generated 1,911 jobs.



10%

The Agency posted a positive growth in the number of beneficiaries of the **Death and Disability Program**.

Families or survivors of some 3,831 OFWs who died due to natural cause or accident received death and disability benefits. The number was 10% more than last year's 2,497 beneficiary-families. Of the 3,831, 1,299 OFW-members received disability benefits. The figure was higher than last year's 1,143.

Reintegration Program



The reintegration program consist of preparing the OFWs while they are on-site through various reintegration preparedness training programs like capacity and techno-skills trainings, financial literacy training as well as mainstreaming them into the society upon their return to the country.

A total of 2,206 capacity building / techno-skills, EDT and financial literacy trainings were conducted overseas and at the homefront participated by around 56,407 OFWs and their dependents.

On loan and grant availment, the OWWA-NLDC Livelihood Development Program for OFWs extended loans to 267 OFW borrowers with a total amount of P38.84 million, while 860 distressed workers, mostly women were assisted with starter kits or livelihood assistance in the amount of P219,533 under the OWWA Balik-Pinay, Balik-Hanapbuhay program. Likewise, OWWA was able to collect this year a total of P13.13 million for the various loan windows (OWWA-NLDC LDPO, Filipino Expatriates Livelihood Support Fund (FELSP), OFW Groceries Project, and Calamity Loan).

On the other hand, about P108 million in loans had been extended to some 177 OFW-beneficiaries for the formation and expansion of their small business ventures under the P2 Billion Reintegration Program generating about new 636 jobs. Under the DOLE Livelihood Assistance Program or "Balik Pinay - Balik Hanapbuhay" the total amount of P16.7 million was extended as financial assistance to some 1,670 individual OFW-returnees and/or families, and about P645,420 to eight (8) groups of OFW-returnees and/or families. In addition, 913 OFW-returnees were also granted with Skills Training Starter Kits of maximum of P8,500 each worth of raw materials.

2006-2010 COMPARATIVE ACCOMPLISHMENTS

ON PROGRAMS & SERVICES

Social Services and Family Welfare

Reintegration Program

Table 1. No. of OFWs availed of the Livelihood Program and Amount of Releases by Year

Types of Livelihood Loan Window	2006 Availees	2007 Availees	2008 Availees	2009 Availees	2010 Availees
OWWA-NLSF LDPO	198	334	258	217	203
FELSF				4,474	4,821
Groceria Project	261	241	467		
TOTAL	459	575	983	4,691	5,024

Overall, availments of OWWA's livelihood assistance by OFW returnees and/or their families, continued to rise every year with sharp increments in 2009 and 2010. For the year 2010, around 5,024 OFWs/dependents had availed of livelihood assistance under the OWWA-NLDC LDPO and FELSF in 2010 with total amount released of about Php247.4 million, almost a thousand percent increase from the 2006 level which has only registered a total of 459 avalees. Such sharp increase in number of avalees was attributed to the implementation of Filipino Expatriates Livelihood Support Fund (FELSF) in 2009 and 2010 where many OFWs went home after being retrenched from their jobs due to the global crisis.

SOCIAL SERVICES AND FAMILY WELFARE ASSISTANCE

Reintegration Program OWWA is present in the entire migration cycle, be it pre-departure, during employment and upon return. Interventions are readily provided in every stage of OFWs employment to ensure their smooth reintegration in the socio-economic, political and cultural stream of society upon completion of their contracts. The agency through its Regional Welfare Offices conducted 1, 017 various training sessions which include value formation, financial literacy, entrepreneurial development among 49,223 OFWs and their families. On-site, 456 training sessions on reintegration were conducted among 16,026 workers.

Under the livelihood assistance, 500 grocery projects (grocery stores) were maintained while 217 OFWs were granted loans amounting to P32,293,000.00 under the OWWA-National Livelihood Development Corporation (NLDC) Livelihood Development Program (OWWA-NLDC-LDPO).

