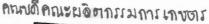
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15 December 2006

Dr. Thep Pongpanich
President
Maejo University
Tambon Nong Han
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50290 Thailand

Dear Sir:

The Southeast Asian Regional Center for Graduate Study and Research in Agriculture (SEARCA) hereby invites applications from qualified faculty and research staff of your university/college for graduate scholarship (MS and PhD) in agriculture and related fields focusing on the promotion of agricultural competitiveness and natural resource management for School Year 2008-2009.

Applications should be submitted directly to the Ministry of Education, which will conduct preliminary screening of applicants. Qualified applicants will then be included in the Ministry's list of official nominees to be submitted to SEARCA. All scholarship nominees will be interviewed later at the venue to be identified by the Ministry of Education.

The Ministry of Education then submits the list of nominees accompanied by the complete set of requirements to SEARCA not later than 30 July 2007. All applicants are required to check with their Ministries of Education for the deadline of applicants' submission set by the Ministry.

Each applicant is required to submit the following documents:

- 1. SEARCA Scholarship Application Form (2 copies);
- 2. Application forms for admission to the Graduate School of the universities where the applicant may pursue graduate studies under SEARCA scholarship;
- Official transcript of academic records of each degree completed (BS transcript for MS applicants and BS and MS transcripts for PhD applicants);
- 4. Certification of employment;
- A two-page write-up on agricultural competitiveness or natural resource management;

- 6. A brief description of the research that the applicant plans to conduct for thesis/dissertation. The research topic must be in line with the priority thrusts of SEARCA. (The SEARCA Five-Year Plan may be viewed at <a href="http://web.searca.org/elib\_list.asp?Category=reports">http://web.searca.org/elib\_list.asp?Category=reports</a>.)
- 7. Two copies of passport-size pictures of the applicant;
- Certification from a medical doctor that the applicant is in good physical and mental health condition and is fit to undertake graduate studies;
- 9. English proficiency test or TOEFL (score of 500) or IELTS results (5.0). (Note: This is not required of Filipino applicants.); and
- 10. Official endorsement from the employer.

We would like to emphasize that applications with incomplete documents will not be evaluated. Furthermore, submission of complete documents does not automatically entitle the nominee to a scholarship award. The number of scholarship awards given to a particular country will depend on the availability of funds and fulfillment of the requirements for graduate school admission. Applicants who are denied admission by the Graduate School concerned will not be considered.

Moreover, all applicants for both MS and PhD programs must not be older than 35 years old.

Applicants may also visit SEARCA's website at <a href="http://www.searca.org">http://www.searca.org</a> for more information about the scholarship and the application forms, which may be downloaded.

Please find enclosed a one-page announcement for posting in your news board.

Thank you and best wishes.

Very truly yours,

Manager, Graduate Scholarship Department

Enclosure: As stated

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## SEARCA Invites Applications for Graduate Scholarship in Agriculture

The Southeast Asian Regional Center for Graduate Study and Research in Agriculture (SEARCA) is inviting applications from qualified Southeast Asians, including Thais, for graduate scholarship (MS and PhD) in agriculture and related fields focusing on the promotion of agricultural competitiveness and natural resource management for School Year 2008-2009.

Applicants may submit their applications to the Director of Planning Division and Secretary for SEARCA Sub Committee, Ministry of Education (MOE) in Bangkok. The MOE then submits the list of applicants accompanied by the complete set of requirements to SEARCA not later than 30 July 2007. All applicants are required to check with their Ministries of Education for the deadline of applicants' submission set by the Ministry.

Scholars may study at the University of the Philippines Los Baños; University of the Philippines Diliman; University of the Philippines Visayas; Universiti Putra Malaysia; Kasetsart University and Thammasat University in Thailand; National University of Singapore; or University of Indonesia, Institut Pertanian Bogor and Universitas Gadjah Mada in Indonesia. SEARCA reserves the right to make the final decision on the choice of study post. Therefore, applicants are required to submit applications for admission to the Graduate Schools of three universities in the list.

## Applicants must not be older than 35 years old.

The list of requirements for application as well as all the required forms for scholarship application and admission to the graduate study programs of universities where SEARCA scholars may study may be downloaded from the SEARCA website at <a href="http://www.searca.org">http://www.searca.org</a>.

The topic of the research that the applicants plan to conduct for their thesis must be in line with the thrusts of SEARCA (i.e., promotion of agricultural competitiveness, sustainable land use and water management, and biodiversity conservation by addressing economic and institutional constraints, expanding access to productive resources and technology, and strengthening local governance capability to deliver agricultural services). For details on the priority thrusts, applicants may download SEARCA's Eighth Five-Year Strategic Plan from the SEARCA website.

SEARCA shall not evaluate applications with incomplete documents.

Applicants who are denied admission by the Graduate School concerned will not be considered for scholarship.

Interested parties may also contact the Graduate Scholarship Department of SEARCA via email at gsd@agri.searca.org or ecc@agri.searca.org.

SEARCA is based in Los Baños, Laguna, Philippines. SEARCA assists Southeast Asian countries in producing highly trained human resource in agriculture and related sciences to help accelerate agricultural and rural development in the region.