

**[ REPUBLIC ACT NO. 6538, August 08, 1972 ]**

**AN ACT APPROPRIATING THREE HUNDRED MILLION PESOS FOR EXPENDITURES OCCASIONED BY THE TYPHOONS, RAINS AND FLOODS IN THE MONTHS OF JUNE AND JULY, NINETEEN HUNDRED SEVENTY-TWO, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.**

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the, Philippines in Congress assembled:*

SECTION 1. There is hereby appropriated, out of any funds in the National Treasury not otherwise appropriated, the sum of three hundred million pesos to defray expenditures for repairs of public works damaged by and relief to indigent victims of, calamities which occurred in the Philippines in the months of June and July, 1972, for such items as food, medicines, shelter and clothing at not exceeding one hundred pesos per head of family and one hundred pesos for each dependent and assistance for the rehabilitation of small farms to be released and disbursed pursuant to the provisions of Section 7-1 (4) of Common wealth Act No.246, as amended, except appropriations for the Department of Social Welfare and for other national offices and agencies intended for relief and rehabilitation, with priority being given to victims of said calamities in Central Luzon, Manila and environs, for the foregoing purposes by the following departments in the amounts indicated:

- a. P120,000,000 for the Department of Public Work and Communications with priority to dams, dikes, bridges and riprapping: *Provided*, That thirty million pesos shall be for the repair of streets and drainage facilities in the Greater Manila Area comprising the City of Manila, Caloocan City, Quezon City, San Juan, Mandaluyong, Makati, and Pasay City: *Provided, further*, That not more than fifteen million pesos shall be allocated for the repair and reconstruction of projects in other municipalities or cities which have suffered destruction, losses and damages due to said typhoons, rains and floods: *Provided, furthermore*, That the amount appropriated herein shall be released, spent and actually disbursed within a period not later than March 31, 1973, and no funds herein appropriated shall be expended beyond March 31, 1973, any unexpended balance after March 31, 1973 whether obligated or not shall automatically revert to the General Fund, except those for on-going projects started before March 31,1973, disbursements for which may be authorized until but not beyond June 30, 1973;
- b. P50,000,000 for the Department of Agriculture and Natural Resources for the purchase of seedlings, fertilizers and other in-puts of production for the rehabilitation of farms damaged by floods, rains and typhoons: *Provided*, That P20,000,000 shall be set aside for seedlings and fertilizers and P30,000,000 for loans to farmers to be administered by the National Food and Agriculture Council;
- c. P35,000,000 for the Department of Social Welfare;