

# [ Commonwealth Act No. 552, May 26, 1940 ]

## **AN ACT APPROPRIATING AMOUNTS FROM THE COCONUT OIL EXCISE TAX FUND COLLECTED ON AND AFTER JANUARY FIRST, NINETEEN HUNDRED AND THIRTY-NINE, FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE THIRTIETH, NINETEEN HUNDRED AND FORTY- ONE.**

*Be it enacted by the National Assembly of the Philippines:*

SECTION 1. *Appropriation of funds.*- The following sums, or so much thereof as may be necessary, are appropriated out of the collections that accrued and shall accrue to the Coconut Oil Excise Tax Fund in the Philippine Treasury on and after January first, nineteen hundred and thirty-nine, for the purpose hereunder specified in conformity with the provisions of the Act of Congress of March twenty-fourth, nineteen hundred and thirty-four (Public Act No. 127, 73rd Congress), as amended by the Act of Congress of August seventh, nineteen hundred and thirty-nine (Public Act No. 300, 76th Congress):

### OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

1. For scholarships in the United States, or in foreign countries, along scientific and technical lines related to the development of agriculture, commerce, and industries, and other activities, and for expenses of an economic projects and practices, that may help in the adjustment of philippine economy to a position independent of trade preference in the United States and otherwise prepare the Philippines for the assumption of the responsibilities of an independent state P150,000.00
2. For the promotion and development of the tourist trade in the Philippines to be undertaken by such department, corporation, agency, or instrumentality of the Government which the President of the Philippines may designate:

Salaries and Wages	P19,000.00
Sundry expenses and equipment	51,000.00
Construction of resthouses in Dansalan, Lanac, and	30,000.00

Banaue, Mountain Province

Total	100,000.00
Total for the Office of the President	P250,000.00

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND COMMERCE

3. For reforestation and afforestation of watersheds, denuded areas and cogon or open lands within forest reserves, communal forests, national parks and timberlands, sand dunes, and such other areas already certified as public forest lands, in accordance with the provisions of Commonwealth Act No. 304:	
Salaries and wages	P91,300.00
Sundry expenses	8,700.00
Total	P1000,000.00
Less amount to be covered by expected sayings from the allotments of 1940	36,298.04
4. Additional appropriation to continue the reforestation and afforestation of watersheds, denuded areas and cogon or open lands within forest reserves, communal forests, national parks and timberlands, sand dunes, and such other areas already certified as public forest lands, in accordance with the provisions of Commonwealth Act No. 304:	
Salaries and Wages	P171,360.00
Sundry expenses	41,233.00
Furniture and equipment	6,290.00
Special purpose	8,000.00
Total	P226,883.00
Less amount to be covered by expected savings from the allotments of 1940	1,883.00
Net total	225,000.00

5. For the classification, survey, and subdivision of agricultural lands of the public domain, especially those lying along national highways, in accordance with the provisions of Commonwealth Act No. 347:	
Salaries and Wages	P975,420.00
Sundry expenses	283,045.00
Furniture and equipment	29,075.00
Total	P1,287,540.00
Less amount to be covered by expected savings from the allotments of 1940	250,492.59
Net total	1,037,047.41
6. For the agronomical survey of the Philippines, in accordance with the provisions of Commonwealth Act No. 418:	
Salaries and wages	P167,280.00
Sundry expenses	71,100.00
Furniture and equipment	23,180.00
Total	P261,560.00
To be covered by an additional appropriation	(100,00.00)
Net total	161,560.00
7. Additional appropriation to continue the agronomical survey of the Philippines in accordance with the provisions of commonwealth Act No. 418 (see detail under item No. 6)	100,000.00
8. For the expenses of the agricultural experiment and demonstration stations under the provisions of section 1754 of the Administrative Code:	
Salaries and Wages	P317,150.00
Sundry expenses	81,500.00
Furniture and equipment	57,250.00
Special purposes	44,100.00

Total	500,000.00
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Total for the Department of Agriculture and Commerce	P2,086.905.45
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DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS AND COMMUNICATIONS

9. For the construction of national roads as authorized in items 5, 11, 13, 36, 38, and 42, under section 1-C(q) of Commonwealth Act No. 330	P2,500.913.40
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10. For the construction of flood control works on the Agno River System and the Pampanga River System as authorized in items D(w) and D(x) under section 1 of Commonwealth Act No. 330	4,000,000.00
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11. For the construction of irrigation systems as authorized by Commonwealth Act No. 369	1,000,000.00
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Total for the Department of Public Woks and Communications	P7,500,913.40
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GOVERNMENT CORPORATIONS

12. For additional outlay for the special fund created in Commonwealth Act, entitled "An Act appropriating amounts from the Coconut Oil Excise Tax Fund collected on and after January first, nineteen hundred and thirty- nine, on June thirtieth, nineteen hundred and forty", to be used for the establishment, equipment, maintenance, and operation of textile mills by any government-owned corporation or any agency or instrumentality of the Government which the	P1,500,000.00
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President of the Philippines  
may designate

13. For additional outlay for the special fund created in Commonwealth Act, entitled "An Act appropriating amounts from the Coconut Oil Excise Tax Fund collected on and after January first, nineteen hundred and thirty-nine, for the period from January first, nineteen hundred and thirty-nine to June thirtieth, nineteen hundred and forty", to be used for the promotion of the abaca industry by the National Abaca and Other Fiber Corporation, created under Commonwealth Act No. 332, or any agency or instrumentality of the Government which the President of the Philippines may designate, whose aims shall be to improve the quality of abaca and to lower its cost of production and marketing so as to adequately meet the requirements of the local industry and foreign markets, with a view to placing this product in a position independent of trade preferences in the United States and otherwise so development and adjust the abaca industry as to contribute effectively in strengthening the national economy of the Philippines preparatory to the assumption of the responsibilities of an independent state
- 1,000,000.00
14. For additional outlay for the special fund created in Commonwealth Act, entitled "An Act appropriating amounts from the Coconut Oil Excise Tax Fund collected on and after January first,
- 4,000,000.00