## Regulations of the National Human Rights Commission on Promoting Human Rights Cooperation and Coordination in Regional Areas, B.E. 2563 (2020)

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Whereas it is expedient to have the Regulations of the National Human Rights Commission on on Promoting Human Rights Cooperation and Coordination in Regional Areas;

By virtue of Section 26 (5), Section 27 (1) (2) (3) and (5) and Section 49 (9) of the Organic Act on the National Human Rights Commission, B.E. 2560 (2017), the National Human Rights Commission hereby issues the Regulations as follows:

Clause 1 These Regulations shall be called the "Regulations of the National Human Rights Commission on Promoting Human Rights Cooperation and Coordination in Regional Areas B.E. 2563 (2020)".

Clause 2 These Regulations shall come into force as from the day following the date of its publication in the Government Gazette.

Clause 3 In these Regulations:

"Commission" means the National Human Rights Commission;

"Steering Committee" means the Steering Committee of the Regional Centers for Human Rights Study and Coordination;

"Office" means the Office of the National Human Rights Commission.

Clause 4 In promoting human rights cooperation and coordination in the regional areas, the Commission may established the Regional Centers for Human Rights Study and Coordination in order to provide human rights protection and coordination to the public in convenient, thorough and timely manner.

Clause 5 The Regional Center for Human Rights study and Coordination shall have the duties and authorities as follows:

(1) to promote and perform activities which provide knowledge and understanding on human rights;

(2) to receive and submit a complaint to the Office including give an advice on such complaint;

(3) to initially coordinate for the protection of human rights;

(4) to monitor and follow up human rights incidents or situations;

(5) to initially collect and analyze data on human rights in order to propose a research issue in the field of human rights;

(6) to coordinate with and to seek cooperation from state agencies, private organizations, civil society sector, educational institutions and other bodies;

(7) to exercise other duties and authorities as assigned by the Commission.

Actions taken under paragraph one shall be in accordance with the rules, procedures and guidelines prescribed by the Office and approved by the Commission. The Regional Centers for Human Rights Study and Coordination together with the Office may propose projects and activities in the annual action plan of the Office.

Clause 6 The Office shall coordinate with educational institutions or regional state agencies in order to find the location to establish its Regional Centers for Human Rights Study and Coordination in different regions and provide all necessary resources.

Clause 7 In case where Regional Centers for Human Rights Study and Coordination under to Clause 4 has been established, the Commission shall appoint the Steering Committee to steer the operations of the regional centers in an efficient condition.

The Steering Committee under paragraph one consists of not more than eleven members, as follows:

(1) National Human Rights Commissioner as Chairperson;

(2) Secretary-General of the National Human Rights Commission as member;

(3) Representatives of educational institutions, state agencies, private sector or civil society sector in each region not more than 7 persons all together as members;

(4) Director of the group of Regional Center for Human Rights Study and Coordination as member and secretary.

There shall be assistant secretaries appointed from officials of the Office, educational institutions or state agencies from where the regional center is located, as the case may be.

Clause 8 The Steering Committee according to Clause 7 has the duties and authorities as follows:

(1) to steer the performance of duties and authorities of Regional Centers for Human Rights Study and Coordination;

(2) to advise the preparation of action plans and request the budget allocation including manage the Regional Centers for Human Rights Study and Coordination;

(3) to prepare a operational report of the Regional Centers for Human Rights Study and Coordination for submission to the Commission within the timeframe prescribed by the Commission;

(4) to perform other duties and authorities as assigned by the Commission.

Clause 9 The Steering Committee of the Regional Centers for Human Rights Study and Coordination appointed prior to the date of entry into force of these Regulations shall be the Steering Committee according to these Regulations unless a resolution of the Commission provide otherwise.

Clause 10 The Chairperson of the National Human Rights Commission shall have charge and control of the execution of these Regulations.

In case where there is a question concerning of these Regulations, the Commission shall make the decision.

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