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Dear Sir/Madam,

**Japanese Grant Aid for Human Resource Development Scholarship Programme (JDS)**

**Call for applications for the Academic Year 2018**

D.M.S. Abayegunawardana  
 Chief Secretary  
 Eastern Province

The Government of Japan has invited nominations from eligible Government Officials in Sri Lanka for the above long-term Scholarship programme.

The Government of Japan has decided to provide 15 Scholarships for Master's Degree Programme and 02 Scholarships for Doctoral Programme to Sri Lankan public sector officials for the academic year 2018 to pursue studies in Japanese universities. The identified fields of study and universities for the Master's Degree programme are given below.

PST Closing Date

For master's degree - 15/10/2017  
 For Doctoral program - 18/09/2017

Component - Field of Study	University
1. Public Policy and Public Finance	1. Meiji University 2. International University of Japan (IUJ)
2. Economics including Development Economics	3. Hiroshima University 4. International Christian University
3. Business Management	5. International University of Japan (IUJ)
4. Environmental Management/ Disaster Management and Climate Change	6. University of Tokyo 7. University of Tsukuba

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You are kindly requested to submit nominations, from relevant agencies under the purview of your ministry, to ERD along with ERD Form 2 "Essential Information of the Nomination" on or before 25<sup>th</sup> October 2017 for the Master's Degree programme and 28<sup>th</sup> September 2017 for Doctoral programme. The qualifications and requirements for these programme are as follows.

**Criteria of Eligibility for Master's Degree Programme**

Nationality	Citizen of Sri Lanka
Age	Below the age of 40 as of 1 <sup>st</sup> April in the year of dispatch (in principle)
Academic Background	Completed the undergraduate level (bachelor degree) of education
Work Experience	Completed 3 year probation period
English Proficiency	Has a good command of both written and spoken English at graduate level
Health Condition	A person of sound mind and body
Qualifications	<p>"Executives/ Senior Executives", those who are mentioned in the Public Administration Circular No.06/2006, Annexure II, Page 2, IV Senior Level, and Page 5, 3.10 &amp; 3.11</p> <p>Officials those who belong to Board of Investment (BOI) can only apply to CP1-3"Business Management"</p> <p>Officials those who belong to National Building Research Organization (NBRO), Central Environmental Authority (CEA), National Water Supply and Drainage Board (NWSDB), Waste Management Authority (WMA) can only apply to CP 1-4 "Environment Management/ Disaster Management and Climate Change"</p>
Others	<p>A person falls under any of the following items is not eligible to apply:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Military personnel registered on the active list or person on alternative military service</li> <li>- Those who are currently awarded or scheduled to receive another scholarship</li> <li>- Those who have obtained a master's or higher degree overseas under the support of foreign scholarship</li> </ul>



### Criteria of Eligibility for Doctoral Programme

1. To be a Citizen of Sri Lanka with the age of 45 or below as of 1<sup>st</sup> April 2018
2. Be a JDS Returned Fellow (those completed Master's Degree of JDS), or those who completed Master's course in Japan
3. Have returned to and served for the country for a certain years set by his or her organization after completion of Master's Degree.
4. Belong to the Target Group of JDS and his/ her research theme is relevant to the Development Issues of Sri Lanka
5. In principle, enroll in the same graduate school of the university where he or she obtained a Master's Degree in Japan. Due to some circumstances, enrollment to other graduate school of the university will also be acceptable.

The application guidelines/documents and Universities information can be downloaded at the following website <http://jds-scholarship.org/country/srilanka/index.html> and ERD Form 2 can be downloaded from <http://www.erd.gov.lk/>

Accordingly, the Promotional Seminars have been organized to promote and encourage eligible government officials in all island Services to apply Master's Degree under the JDS programme. It is also expected to disseminate detailed information and application procedures on the JDS through these seminars.


Details of the promotional seminars are as follows.

Date	Time	Venue and Address / Contacts	Location
24 August 2017	10:00	Auditorium Divisional Secretariat, Four Gravest, Galle	Galle
25 August 2017	11.00	Management Development Training Centre, Trincomalee	Trincomalee
28 August 2017	10:00	Passenger Transport Service Authority Pallekele, Kundasale ( Near to new Central Provincial Council Complex)	Kandy
01 September 2017	11:00	Skill Development Training Centre ( In front of Jaffna District Secretariat Office), Jaffna	Jaffna
04 September 2017	13.30	Sri Lanka Institute of Tourism & Hotel Management No.78, Galle Road, Colombo	Colombo

You are kindly requested to circulate this letter among the all agencies which are coming under the preview of your Ministry and encourage to apply all qualified officials for this Scholarship programme. It is also requested to grant official leave once they are selected to the programme.

Your early action in this regard is highly appreciated.

Yours faithfully

  
Noor Rizna Anees  
Addl. Director General  
for Director General



### What is the JDS

The Project for Human Resource Development Scholarship by Japanese Grant Aid (JDS) was established by the Government of Sri Lanka with the assistance of the Government of Japan in 2010. The objective of JDS is to support human resources development of Sri Lanka, targeting young government officials, who are expected to be leaders of the country, and to engage in formulating and implementing social and economic development policies after their return. JDS Fellows shall contribute to an expanded and enhanced foundation for bilateral relations with Japan as persons having well-rounded knowledge of Japan.

### Fields of Study

The framework of the JDS project consists of "Sub-Program" and "Component", which correspond to and deal with the selected target priority area and development issues of Sri Lanka. JDS Fellows are selected from "Target Organizations" whose mission is closely related to "sub-program" and "component". Accepting Japanese universities offer educational programs correspond to the needs. The degree to be obtained is master's degree. The medium of instruction is English.

### Allowances for JDS Applicants

All the selection costs will be covered by JDS Project, including:

- (1) Fee for IELTS Test and health check-up

### Scholarship Benefits for JDS Fellows

JDS is a FULL scholarship program, including:

- (1) One round trip airfare between Sri Lanka and Japan
- (2) Monthly living allowance in Japan
- (3) Full tuition fees at Japanese accepting universities
- (4) Other designated allowances

Sub-Program (Target Priority Area)	Component (Development Issues)	Accepting University Graduate School
Human Resource Development for Promotion of Economic Growth	1-1 Public Policy and Public Finance	Meiji University GS of Governance Studies
		International University of Japan GS of International Relations
	1-2 Economics including Development Economics	Hiroshima University GS for International Development and Cooperation
		International Christian University GS of Arts and Sciences
1-3 Business Management	International University of Japan GS of International Management	
	1-4 Environment Management/ Disaster Management and Climate Change	University of Tsukuba GS of Life and Environmental Sciences  The University of Tokyo School of Engineering

### Qualifications for Applicants

- (1) Citizen of Sri Lanka
- (2) Below the age of 40 as of 1<sup>st</sup> April in the year of dispatch (in principle)
- (3) - Completed the undergraduate level (bachelor degree) of education  
- Has a good command of both written and spoken English at graduate level
- (4) Completed 3 year probation period
- (5) - "Executives/ Senior Executives", those who are mentioned in the Public Administration Circular No.06/2006, Annexure II, Page 2, IV Senior Level, and Page 5, 3.10 & 3.11  
- Officials those who belong to Board of Investment (BOI) can only apply to CP 1-3 "Business Management"  
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- (6) A person of sound mind and body
- (7) A person falls under any of the following items is not eligible to apply:
  - Military personnel registered on the active list or person on alternative military service
  - Those who are currently awarded or scheduled to receive another scholarship
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## Tentative Schedule of Selection Procedure

August to September 2017  
Promotion Seminar

October 27<sup>th</sup>, 2017

Submission of Application Documents to ERD

November 25<sup>th</sup>, 2017

English (IELTS) & Mathematics Examination

December 2017

**First Selection:** Document Screening by the Japanese universities

End of January 2018

**Second Selection:** Technical Interview by faculty members of the Japanese universities / Medical Check-up

End of February 2018

**Final Selection:** Comprehensive Interview by Operating Committee Members

Middle of August 2018

Departure for Japan

September to October 2018

Entrance to Japanese University

Application guidelines / documents and university information can be downloaded at the following website:

<http://jds-scholarship.org/country/srilanka/index.html>

## Promotion Seminars (Scheduled to be held)

Promotion Seminars		
Aug 24 10:00	Galle	Auditorium Divisional Secretariat, Four Gravets, Galle
Aug 25 11:00	Trincomalee	Management Development Training Centre, Trincomalee
Aug 28 10:00	Kandy	Passenger Transport Service Authority, Pallekele, Kundasale (Near to new Central Provincial Council Complex) Skills Development Training Centre
Sep 1 11:00	Jaffna	(Infront of Jaffna District Secretariat Office), Jaffna
Sep 4 13:30	Colombo	Auditorium, Sri Lanka Institute of Tourism & Hotel Management, No. 78 Galle Road, Colombo 03

**Doctoral course** is available!

Closing Date of Application: September 28<sup>th</sup>.  
Please refer to **JICA & ERD Website** for  
more information.

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Designed by JICE in August 2017



## MASTERS SCHOLARSHIP to STUDY in JAPAN



The Project for Human  
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Scholarship by Japanese  
Grant Aid (JDS)  
in Sri Lanka 2017  
(AY 2018-2019)



From  
the People of Japan

