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Secretary to the President
Secretary to the Prime Minister

Dear Sir,

Japanese Grant Aid for Human Resource Development Scholarship Programme (JDS)
- Call for applications for the Academic Year 2021/2022

We are pleased to inform you that, the Government of Japan has invited nominations from eligible Government Officials in Sri Lanka for the above long-term Scholarship programme.

Accordingly, the Government of Japan has planned to provide 15 Scholarships for Master's Degree Programme and 02 Scholarships for Doctoral Course to Sri Lankan public sector officials for the academic year 2021/2022 to pursue studies in Japanese universities.

The identified fields of study and universities for the Master's Degree programme are given below.

Component - Field of Study	University/ Graduate School
1.1 Public Policy and Public Finance	Meiji University Graduate School of Governance Studies
	International University of Japan Graduate School of International Relations
1.2 Economics including Development Economics	Hiroshima University Graduate School for Humanities and Social Sciences
	International Christian University Graduate School of Arts and Sciences
1.3 Business Management	International University of Japan Graduate School of International Management
1.4 Environment Management/ Disaster Management and Climate Change	University of Tsukuba Graduate School of Life and Environmental Sciences
	The University of Tokyo School of Engineering

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You are kindly requested to submit nominations, to ERD along with ERD Form (Essential Information of the Nominee) on or before 30th October 2020 for the Master's Degree programme and Doctoral programme. The qualifications and requirements for these programmes are as follows.

Criteria of Eligibility for Master's Degree Programme

1. To be a Citizen of Sri Lanka with the age of 40 or below as of 01st April 2021
2. To be a Bachelor's Degree holder
3. Confirmed officials or completed the probation period and eligible for confirmation
4. Should be a "Executive/ Senior Executive", 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
5. Officials those who belong to Board of Investment (BOI) can only apply to CP1-3"Business Management"
6. 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"
7. Should be in good health both mentally and physically
8. English language ability which is sufficient to study at the graduate level
9. 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
   - Those who have obtained a master's or higher degree overseas under the support of foreign scholarship

Criteria of Eligibility for Doctoral Programme

1. To be a Citizen of Sri Lanka with the age of 45 or below as of 1st April 2021
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 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 University information can be downloaded at the following website http://jds-scholarship.org/country/srilanka/index.html and ERD Form can be downloaded from http://www.erd.gov.lk/

Accordingly, the **Online Promotional Seminars** have been organized to promote and encourage eligible government officials in All Island Services to apply for 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 online promotional seminars are as follows.

Date	Time	Language
18 September 2020	2.30 p.m - 4.00 p.m	English Medium
25 September 2020	2.30 p.m - 4.00 p.m	Sinhala Medium
02 October 2020	2.30 p.m - 4.00 p.m	Tamil Medium
09 October 2020	2.30 p.m - 4.00 p.m	Sinhala Medium
16 October 2020	2.30 p.m - 4.00 p.m	English Medium

You are kindly requested to circulate this letter among all eligible officials of your office and encourage to apply them 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 will be highly appreciated.

Yours respectfully

L.A.Y. Darshanie De Silva
Director / TA Division
for Director General