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} 13 August 2019

Secretary to the President  
Secretary to the Prime Minister  
Secretary to the Cabinet of Ministers

Dear Sir/Madam,

**Japanese Grant Aid for Human Resource Development Scholarship Programme (JDS)**  
- Call for applications for the Academic Year 2020/2021

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 2020/2021 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 International Development and Cooperation
	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 2 (Essential Information of the Nomination) on or before 18<sup>th</sup> October 2019 for the Master's Degree programme and 01<sup>st</sup> November 2019 for Doctoral programme. The qualifications and requirements for these programme 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 01<sup>st</sup> April 2020
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 1<sup>st</sup> April 2020
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 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.

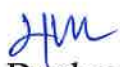
Details of the promotional seminars are as follows.

<b>Date</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Venue and Address / Contacts</b>	<b>Location</b>
29 August 2019	10:30-12.00	Auditorium Divisional Secretariat, Four Gravest, Galle	Galle
30 August 2019	10:30-12.30	Management Development Training Centre, Trincomalee	Trincomalee
02 September 2019	10:30-12.30	Northern Provincial Council Conference Hall, Public Library Jaffna	Jaffna
03 September 2019	10:30-12.30	Passenger Transport Service Authority Pallekele, Kundasale ( Near to new Central Provincial Council Complex)	Kandy
05 September 2019	10:00-12.00	Auditorium, Sabaragamuwa Provincial Council Building	Rathnapura
06 September 2019	10:00-12.00	Auditorium, Uva Provincial Council Building, Badulla	Badulla
09 September 2019	10:00-12.00	Deputy Chief Secretary's (Engineering) Office, North Western Provincial Council Complex, Kurunegala	Kurunegala
10 September 2019	10:00-12.00	Provincial Council Administrative Building Complex Anuradhapura	Anuradhapura
12 September 2019	14:00-16.00	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

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