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16th September 2025

Attn: Officer In-charge of Foreign Trainings

Secretary to the President / Presidential Secretariat
Secretary to the Prime Minister / Prime Minister's Office
Secretary/ Office of the Cabinet of Ministers
Secretary General/ Sri Lanka Parliament
Heads/ All other Special Spending Units
Secretaries / All Ministries
Chairmen / All Independent Commissions
Chief Secretaries / All Provincial Councils

JICA Knowledge Co-Creation Program (Long Term Training)
Request Nominations for "SDGs Global Leader Program" JFY 2026
(Master's / Ph.D Degrees in Japan)

We are pleased to inform you that the Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA) in Sri Lanka has invited nominations for the above long term programme on "SDGs Global Leader Program" for the Financial Year 2026.

- 02. This programme was established to promote cooperation in sustainable development worldwide by developing human resources capable of contributing to policy decisions and their implementation in relevant fields. Additionally, it aims to strengthen human networks between Japan and Sri Lanka in these fields through these scholarship programmes.
- 03. We are of the view that these long term academic programmes presents a valuable opportunity for your Ministry and the institutions under your purview and participation in these programmes could greatly benefit the professional development of your personnel and contribute positively to your organizational goals. Therefore, we kindly request you to disseminate this information among prospective candidates within your Ministry and all institutions under your purview, and to nominate the most suitable candidates in alignment with the guidelines outlined in the General Information (GI) booklet for the programme. The details of the programme, including the GI booklet, are enclosed for your reference.
- 04. Applicants are strongly advised to thoroughly review the eligibility criteria and all relevant information provided in the attached documents prior to submitting their applications.

- 05. We would highly appreciate, if necessary action can be taken to submit suitable nominations from your ministry for the above programs with the following documents;
 - Nomination letter of the line ministry
 - Application Form and other required documents with an additional copy of each document
 - Copy of the relevant pages of the passport
 - Duly filled ERD Form
- 06. Please note that only duly completed applications for both Masters and PhD degrees, received by the Department of External Resources on or before 2:00 p.m. on 29th October 2025, accompanied by all relevant documents as stipulated above will be processed. The application deadline will be strictly enforced, and any applications received after the deadline or without the required documentation will not be accepted under any circumstances.
- 07. To further assist applicants with the application procedure, the JICA Sri Lanka office will conduct an online briefing session for the interested groups and potential applicants in the second week of October 2025. Please refer to the "Important Notice to Applicants" section in the JICA correspondence attached to this letter for details of the online briefing session. The application form and programme details can be downloaded from the Department of External Resources website: https://www.erd.gov.lk
- 03. In light of the above, you are respectfully requested to disseminate this information to all agencies within the jurisdiction of your Ministry and to actively encourage all eligible officials to submit their applications for this prestigious scholarship programme. Furthermore, your kind assistance in facilitating the grant of official leave to officials selected for participation in the programme would be greatly appreciated.
- 09. We earnestly urge all qualified officials to seize this exceptional opportunity to advance their academic credentials and professional expertise.
- 10. Your timely attention and cooperation in this important matter will be sincerely appreciated.

Tharanga Liyanage Additional Director General

for Director General

Copies:

1. District Secretaries, All District Secretariats

Enclosure: GI booklet