Government of Pakistan
FINANCE DIVISION
(Quality Assurance-I Section)
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CIRCULAR

Subject:- **JAPANESE GRANT AID FOR THE PROJECT HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT SCHOLARSHIP FOR PAKISTAN**

Economic Affairs Division(EAD) has informed, vide its O.M.No.3(162)Japan-II/2017 dated 23-10-2019 that EAD has signed an Exchange of Note(EN)/Record of Discussion alongwith Grant Agreement(GA) with the Government of Japan in respect of the above project. The objective of the scholarships project is to strengthen the government's administrative capacities in the country, through providing opportunities to 18 young capable government officers (each year) to obtain Master's degree and two (2) for Doctorate degree in order to contribute to the socio-economic development of the country.

2. Japan International Cooperation Centre(JICE) will provide the services to execute the project. JICE has now invited the applications from Government officials for master and Doctoral Degrees for the year 2020 to pursue studies and researches in designated Japanese universities. Field of study and allocation of the slots are as under:-

Field of study / slots allocation	Master	Ph.D
Public Administration and Finance	4	2
Energy Policy and implementation	3	
Industrial Promotion, Investment Climate and Trade	4	
Agricultural Water Resources and Rural Development	4	
Disaster Management Capacity	3	
Total:-	18	2

Basic Eligibility - A:-

i) Be a citizen of Islamic Republic of Pakistan
ii) CSS/Cadre officers.
iii) Federal Ex-cadre Officers of (BPS-17 and above).
iv) Have worked at least 3 years after entering public service at the time of application deadline including a period of probation as full-time employee.
v) Have a good command of both written and spoken English.
vi) TOEFL 500 / IELTS 5.5 and above is preferable (not required).
vii) Mentally and physically in good health.

Basic Eligibility - B:-

i) Not from the military personnel and military civilian employees registered on the active list, and also personnel on temporary leave from the active list.
ii) Those who are currently receiving (or is scheduled to receive) another scholarship (including other scholarships of Japan).
iii) Those who have obtained a master's or higher degrees overseas under the support of foreign scholarship.

For Master's Eligibility:-

i) Between 25 and 40 years old as of April 1st, 2020 (Bone on/after April 2, 1979 and born on/before April1, 1995.
ii) Possess a Bachelor Degree authorized by the Government of Pakistan or other countries.
iii) 16 years of formal education is required (in principle*), however, relevant academic/research career or working experience can be considered as the alternative to meet the requirement.

For PhD Eligibility:-

i) Obtained Master's degree issued by a Japanese university.
ii) Be the age between 25 and 45.(as if April 1st, 2020).
iii) Have a recommendation from a supervisor of the current duty office. (Reference Letter should contain evaluation of applicant's performance at work and relevance of the research theme to his/her career).
iv) Have a recommendation from the expected academic adviser(s) of the applying university in Japan. (Submission of a draft academic guidance outline or a supervisory plan is desirable).
v) Not have obtained any Doctoral degree overseas under other foreign government scholarship program.

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2. The officers of Finance Division, who fulfill the eligibility criteria are requested to furnish their nominations duly approved by the AFS/head of respective wing along with FTC Proforma to QA-I Section by **08-11-2019** alongwith two (2) copies of prescribed JDs Application form and all academic certificates, one copy of each surety bond, undertaking, CNIC, Passport. For the Master's program, the designated JDs Application Form, Application Guideline and other information are available for download on the JDs Website; http://jds-scholarship.org/couintry/pakistan/index.html for the Doctoral program, the designated JDS Application Form, Application Guideline and other information are available at JDS Project Office in Pakistan on the basis of the request or query through email: jds.pakistan@jice.org. http://facebook.com/jds.pakistan.japan/.

Note:- *"In addition to the eligibility criteria specified for a training, all officers who are working on contract basis/fixed pay package or having less than three months of service in Finance Division or against whom disciplinary proceedings / inquiry is in progress, may need not to apply".*

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All AFSs/Sr.JSs/E.A/JSs/DSs/SOs & equivalent, Finance Division, Islamabad
Finance Division's U.O.No.2(4)/QA-I/2014, dated: 30-10-2019

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