

Government of Pakistan  
FINANCE DIVISION  
(Quality Assurance –I Section)

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**C I R C U L A R**

Subject: - **JAPANESE GOVERNMENT MEXT SCHOLARSHIP UNDER YOUNG LEADERS PROGRAM YLP FOR YEAR 2026 IN SCHOOL OF LOCAL GOVERNANCE AND SCHOOL OF GOVERNMENT**

The Economic Affairs Division vide its O.M No.1(58)Japan-II-2025 dated 15<sup>th</sup> August, 2025 has informed that the Japanese government, Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports Sciences and Technology (MEXT) has offered scholarship program in two fields i.e. i) **“School of Local Governance”** and ii) **“School of Government”** to study at GRIPS University as Young Leader’s Program (YLP) students in public administration/public policy, scheduled to the held w.e.f **October 2026 to September 2027 in Japan.**

**Objective:**

- Young Leaders’ Program (YLP) aims to contribute to cultivate future national leaders in Asian and other countries, moreover, to contribute to establish friendly relationships among various countries and to improve policy planning activities by forming a network among national leaders through deepening their understanding of Japan.

**Eligibility Criteria:-**

- Be Young public administrators and government officers who are expected to play active roles in future as national leaders.
- Have at least 3 years of full-time work experience in total as of October 1, 2026 in public administration (preferably 5 years or more)
- Be under 40 years age of 1<sup>st</sup> October, 2026 (i.e. born on or after October 2, 1986).
- Have Bachelor’s degree or equivalent, from a recognized / accredited university or college with excellent academic performance.
- Be proficient in English (with a TOEFL-iBT score of 79, IELTS Academic score of 6.0 or equivalent)
- Be in good health, both physically and mentally to participate in the program
- Not be military personnel or military –civilian employees.


**Document(s) Required.**

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| • Application Form                            | 03 copies        |
| • Essays                                      | 03 copies        |
| • University/Graduation /Degree Certificates, | 03 copies        |
| • Certificate of English proficiency,         | 03 copies        |
| • Recommendation letter,                      | 03 copies        |
| • Nomination Letter in original               | 01 copy          |
| • Filled in Proforma for FTC                  | 01 copy          |
| • CNIC & Passport                             | 01 copy each     |
| • Surety Bound and Undertaking                | 01 each Original |

2. Interested Officers of this Division who fulfill the given eligibility criteria are requested to furnish their nominations duly recommended by the AFS/head of their respective Wing to **QA-I Section by 22.8.2025**.

3. Application Forms along with MEXT Scholarship Guidelines and FTC Performa can be downloaded from EAD's website [www.ead.gov.pk](http://www.ead.gov.pk) under "Foreign Trainings" Link in "Forms" and also available on; <http://www.mext.go.jp/en/policy/education/highered/title02/detail02/sdetail02/1374094.htm>. For more details about curriculum guidelines please see website; [http://www.grips.ac.jp/en/education/inter\\_programs/leader/](http://www.grips.ac.jp/en/education/inter_programs/leader/).

**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 two years continuous government service or less than three months of service in Finance Division or against whom disciplinary proceedings/inquiry is in progress, may need not apply"

  
(Madiha Rafique)  
Section Officer (QA-I)

**All Officers (BPS-17 & above) of Finance Division, Islamabad**  
Finance Division U.O F.No.2 (4)/2014-QA-I dated 19.8.2025

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