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Secretaries/All Cabinet Ministries
Secretaries/ All State Ministries
Chief Secretaries/ All Provincial Councils
All Heads of Departments

Dear Sir/Madam,

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

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

You are kindly requested to circulate this letter among 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 will be highly appreciated.

Yours faithfully



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

WHAT IS THE "JDS"?

The objective of JDS is to support human resources development of Sri Lanka, **targeting young government officials**, who are expected to be leaders of the country, and to engage in formulating and implementing social and economic development policies after their return. JDS Fellows shall contribute to an expanded and enhanced foundation for bilateral relations with Japan as persons having well-rounded knowledge of Japan.

ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS

- (1) To be citizens of Sri Lanka
- (2) Below the age of 40 as of 1st April 2021
- (3) To be Bachelor's degree holders
- (4) Has a good command of both written and spoken English
- (5) "Executives/ Senior Executives", 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
- (6) Semi-government staffs (BOI, NBRO,CEA, NWSDB, WMA) can apply to the Universities under limited components
- (7) Applicants are expected to have special interest in studying in Japan as well as motivation to utilize their experience and human network developed through JDS in their career

FIELDS OF STUDY

The framework of the JDS project consists of "Sub-Program" and "Component", which correspond to and deal with the selected target priority areas and development issues of Sri Lanka. JDS Fellows are selected from "Target Organizations" whose mission is closely related to "sub-program" and "component". Accepting Japanese Universities offer educational programs correspond to the needs. The degree to be obtained is **Master's Degree**. The medium of instruction is English.

BENEFITS FOR JDS PARTICIPANTS

- (1) One round trip airfare between Sri Lanka and Japan
- (2) Monthly living allowance in Japan
- (3) Full tuition fee at Japanese accepting universities
- (4) Other designated allowances (Buying books, Shipping, Travel and seminar attendance, Overseas travel insurance, etc.)

VOICE FROM A RETURNED FELLOW



Ms. Ganga Sanjeevani Rajapaksa

Master's Program:

International Christian University (ICU)
GS of Arts and Sciences (2018-2020) / Master of Arts in Public Economy

Work Place:

Assistant Director at the Department of Management Services, Ministry of Finance

I feel so blessed and proud to be a part of International Christian University (ICU) as a Graduate student for the Academic Year 2018 to 2020 under the JDS scholarship. During my two years of academic life in Japan, I have acquired immense knowledge, broaden horizons and gained friendship. I have been developed myself of being independent educationally and emotionally. For the research, I have to initiate by myself and under this independent atmosphere which gradually advance my capacity for it triggers self-exploration and learning.

I had engaged with "Traditional Japanese dance club" and "Ikebana flower arrangement club" which were conducted by Japanese students in ICU. Although, the different culture has been my challenge but it has also given me such sweet memories from joining culture events. More interestingly, I had many chances to travel to many place in Japan acquiring the distinct cultures.

During my stay in Japan, I participated in the 2019 Academic Conference on Labour and Development Economies in South and South East Asia in Singapore, Conference held by the United Nations Environment Programme in Osaka and workshop held by the United Nations Institute for Training and Research in Hiroshima. These fruitful conferences and workshop provided me more practical knowledge and broadened my network with scholars and experts in my field. Upon returning to Sri Lanka, I would like to serve my country using the lessons and skills gained from ICU and Japan. In particular, I am planning to help the government to develop and manage an excellent social security system for Sri Lanka. Many sweet and cherish memories in Japan will stay in my deep heart forever. Hence, JDS is one of the best pathways to enrich your mind and life with best knowledge and sweet memories.

Doctoral Degree Course is also available!

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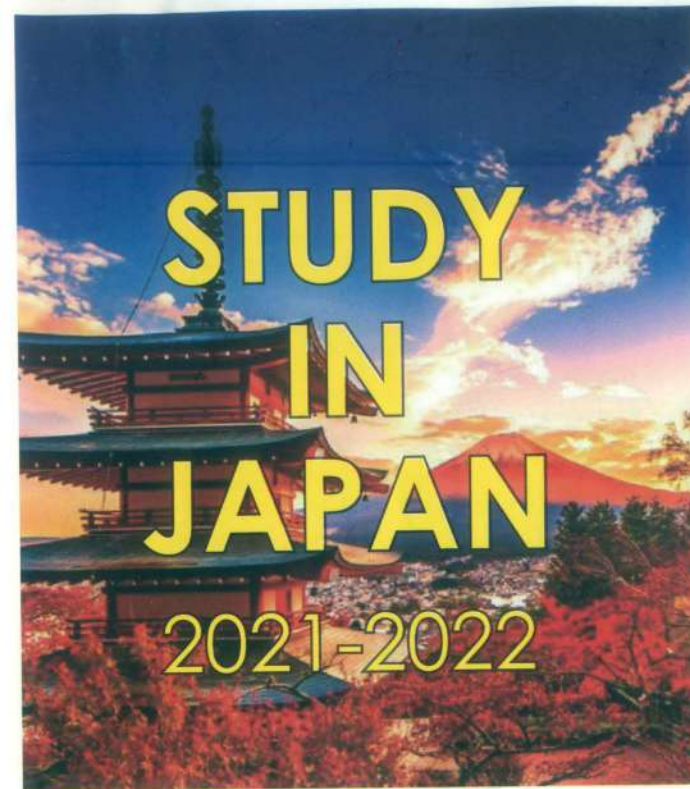
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Designed by JICE in August 2020



The Project for Human Resource Development Scholarship by Japanese Grant Aid (JDS) in Sri Lanka 2020



From the People of Japan



FRAMEWORK OF JDS PROJECT

Sub-Program Target Priority Area	Component Development Issue	Expected Research Theme	Accepting University	Graduate School	Course/Program	Degree to be Obtained	Slots	Target
Human Resource Development for Promotion of Economic Growth	1-1 Public Policy and Public Finance	Fiscal Policy, Social Policy, Public Administration, International Development, Support to SMEs, Investment Climate Improvement, Activation and Development of Industries Public Finance	Meiji University	Graduate School of Governance Studies	Major in Governance Studies (1) Public Policy Program (2) International Development Policy Program (3) Community Planning and Management Program	Master of Public Policy	2	"Executives/ Senior Executives" mentioned in the Public Administration Circular No.06/2006, Annexure II, Page 2, IV Senior Level, and Page 5, 3.10 & 3.11. (* BOI staffs can apply for 1-3.)
			International University of Japan	Graduate School of International Relations	Public Management and Policy Analysis Program (PMPP) (or International Development Program, IDP)	Master of Arts in Public Management (or Master of Arts in International Development or Economic)	2	
	1-2 Economics including Development Economics	Economic Development including Sustainable Growth and Job Market Creation, Macroeconomics, Development Policy, Statistics	Hiroshima University	Graduate School of Humanities and Social Sciences	Division of Humanities and Social Sciences, International Economic Development Program	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Master of Philosophy • Master of International Cooperation Studies • Master of Economics • Master of Business Administration 	2	
			International Christian University	Graduate School of Arts and Sciences	Public Policy and Social Research Program	Master of Arts in Public Economics	2	
	1-3 Business Management	Business Economics, Business Administration	International University of Japan	Graduate School of International Management	MBA Program	Master of Business Administration (MBA)	3	
	1-4 Environment Management/ Disaster Management and Climate Change	Environment Management: Environmental Policy, Environment Management, Environmental Study Disaster Management/ Regional Disaster Prevention: Disaster Management Policy, Disaster Risk Management, Disaster Science	The University of Tokyo	School of Engineering	International program, Civil Engineering	Master degree in Civil Engineering	2	
			University of Tsukuba	Graduate School of Science and Technology	Master's Program in Environmental Sciences (SUSTEP Program)	Master of Environmental Sciences	2	

**Application Period
for 2020**
**September
to
October 30**

