

# MINISTRY OF EDUCATION

## INDIAN POSTGRADUATE SCHOLARSHIPS UNDER THE COMMONWEALTH SCHOLARSHIP PLAN - 2021/22

Applications are invited from eligible Sri Lankans for the awarding of **05** scholarships for PhD courses offered by the Government of India under the above scholarship scheme.

01. **Field of Study:** Open to all streams except Medicine, Paramedical (Nursing/Physiotherapy/Anesthesia etc.) and Fashion Design Courses

02. **General eligibility requirements:**

- i Should be a citizen of Sri Lanka.
- ii Should possess a Bachelor's Degree with a First or Second Class Upper Division from a recognized university/Degree Awarding Institutes with postgraduate qualifications
- iii Be less than 45 years of age as at **10.05.2021**
- iv **Be employed in the Government/Semi Government.**

- No application will be entertained from a person holding a temporary/ casual/ contractual appointment or a person who is unemployed. Only permanent and confirmed employees will be considered for the scholarships.
- An employee on probation may apply, provided that his/her confirmation is conditional upon acquiring a specified postgraduate qualification. In such a case, a statement to that effect should be included as a special reason in cage 10 of the application.

**E.g.** A lecturer on probation is eligible to apply when he/she is in continuous service for a period of one year from the date of his/her appointment by **10.05.2021** (a confirmation requirement as per the UGC-E Code Chapter X. Division II, 27:3).

- v Should possess a high proficiency in English.

03. **Terms of Award**

The Indian Government would cover the return airfare and all other expenses relating to the scholarship.

**Note:**

I). A scholar wishing to travel outside India during the course of study for personal reasons may do so at his/her own expense and with the prior permission of ICCR and the Institute where he/she is studying.

- ii). In case of scholars pursuing science courses the expenditure on laboratory chemicals and other related incidental charges will be borne by the scholars themselves.

#### 04. Applications:

- **Scanned copy of the application (Please send PDF file as one document)** should be reached to the following email address on or before the closing date.
- The deadline of the submission of the application is **10th May 2021 to reach us by 4.15 pm** to the email: [applications-ovse@mohe.gov.lk](mailto:applications-ovse@mohe.gov.lk)
- **Please note that the application is only accepted for the above email. Further don't send any other requests/notes/complains for this email**

Subject of the email should be mentioned as follows;

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- Each applicant should submit only one application.
- No application from permanent employee of government sector, University or a state Corporation will be entertained unless channeled through the Head of the Institution concerned. He/ She should in forwarding the application appropriately complete the certificate in cage 10 of the application.

#### Note:

However, an application of a University/ Institute employee who has studied abroad on his/her own expense or on a scholarship received from a source other than through his/her University/ Institute, can be considered if he/she has completed the minimum of his /her mandatory service period as per the agreement provided that the Vice Chancellor/ Head of the Institute recommends the application as per the provisions of the University/ Institute Establishment Code.

Any statement in the application, which is found to be incorrect, will render the applicant liable to disqualification, if the inaccuracy is discovered before selection and to the withdrawal/cancel of award, if discovered after selection.

#### 05. Interview

- I. Candidates will be summoned for an interview after short-listing of applications.
- II. As a result of the time period defined by the Government of India the interviews may be conducted within a short period after the closing date.
- III. Applicants should produce at the interview original certificates of academic qualifications, academic publications, certificate of Birth, National Identity card, and any other documentary evidence in support of his/her candidature as requested. Traveling or other expenses incurred in connection with this interview will not be paid.

- IV. Any statement in the application, which is found to be incorrect before selection, will render the applicant liable to disqualification. If such inaccuracy is found after selection it will lead to the withdrawal of the award.
- V. Any application, which is incomplete in any respect or received late, will be rejected.

**06. Nomination for Scholarship:**

- I. No candidate should treat his/her nomination by this Ministry for an acceptance for the award. Acceptance is a matter entirely within the discretion of the respective awarding agency to whom the nomination is made. Selected candidates who decline to accept the award after nomination will not be considered for any other award during the year.
- II. The final selections will be made by the Government of India as the awarding authority accordingly. Therefore no candidate should treat his/her nomination for a scholarships as an acceptance for an award. Acceptance is a matter entirely within the discretion of the awarding authority.
- III. Any form of canvassing either written or verbal will be considered as a disqualification for a scholarship.

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**27.04.2021**