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Re-announcement: Government of Japan (MEXT) Scholarship

The Royal Civil Service Commission is pleased to re-announce the availability of various scholarships under the Government of Japan (MEXT) Scholarship Program for the academic year 2024-25 as detailed below:

1. Research Scholarship (Master Level) for in-service candidates

Criteria	Requirements	
Age	Must have been born on or after April 2, 1990 (As required by the Government of Japan)	
Academics	Must be a University Graduate with a minimum of 50% aggregate marks.	
Fields of study:	Applicants should apply for the field of study they majored in at the university or its related field. Moreover, the field of study must be a subject aligned with the applicant's current work and the course must be available at the universities to which he/she is applying.	
Mode of Selection:	Document screening, written examination, and Interview	
No. of slots	To be decided	

Applicants should submit:

- 1. <u>Click here</u> for the application guideline
- 2. Application Form (1 original & 1 copy);
- 3. Field of study and Research plan (1 original & 1 copy);
- 4. Placement preference application form (1 original)
- Medical certificate prescribed form (1 original & 1 copy);
- 6. Recommendation from current employer (1 original & 1 copy);
- 7. Recommendation from principal/advisor of the last university attended (1 original & 1 copy); Recommendation letter sample format
- Academic transcript of each academic year- attested original and its copy preferred (1 original & 1 copy);
- 9. Course completion certificate/ Degree Certificate- attested original and its



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- 10. Abstracts of thesis (1 original & 2 copies)- Submit if the applicant has written thesis
- 11. 2 recent passport-size photos.
- 12. LTT nomination form and checklist (to be signed and checked by HRO)

Note:

- Civil servants applying for the above programs must fulfill other eligibility criteria prescribed in BCSR 2023.
- Interested non-civil servants should route the application through the Department of Workforce and Skills Development, MoESD. Please contact the focal officer there at tgyeltshen@moesd.gov.bt

2. Undergraduate Scholarship (UG) (for pre-service candidates)

Criteria	Requirements
Age	Must have been born on or after April 2, 2000 (As required by the Government of Japan)
Academics	Class XII passed with a minimum of 70% aggregate (English and relevant subjects with a minimum of 70% in Mathematics)
	*Note: students who have been selected through BHSEC Examination for various Colleges under RUB (July 2024 intake are also eligible to apply for this scholarship)





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Fields of study:

1. Social Sciences and Humanities (SS)

- **SS A:** Law, Politics, Pedagogy, Sociology, Literature, History, Japanese Language and others (excluding Economics, Business Administration and Others in **B**)
- **SS B:** Economics, Business Administration and others (Accounting, Financial economics).

Note 1: Applicants who choose 'Others in **A**' may have difficulties in finding universities that can accept them depending on their majors.

2. Natural Sciences (NS)

NS A:

- Science (Mathematics, Physics, Chemistry)
- Electric and Electronic Studies (Electronics, Electrical and Information Engineering)
- Mechanical Studies (Mechanical Engineering and Naval Architecture)
- Civil Engineering and Architecture (Civil, Architecture and Environmental Engineering)
- Chemical Studies (Applied Chemistry, Chemical Engineering, Industrial Chemistry and Biotechnology)

NS B:

- Agricultural Studies (Agriculture, Agriculture Chemistry, Agriculture Engineering, Animal Science, Forestry, Food Science and Fisheries)
- Hygienic Studies (Pharmacy, Hygienics and Nursing)
- Science (Biology)

NS C:

Dentistry

Note: A student who intends to major in NS and would like to choose more than one major is required to choose and select (First, -Second, and Third- Choice subjects) from within NS A, B,



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	C. However, a student who selects a course from NS C as his/her first choice may choose his/her second choice subjects from NS B or C and third choice from NS B as NS C offers only two subjects.	
Mode of Selection:	 Interview and Written Tests in: English, Japanese Language & Mathematics (A) for fields under SSA and SSB; English, Japanese Language, Mathematics(B) & two additional papers in Physics & Chemistry for fields under NSA, and English, Japanese Language Mathematics(B) and two additional papers in Chemistry & Biology for fields under NSB and NSC. 	
No. of slots	Up to 12	

Applicants should submit:

- 1. <u>Click here</u> for the application guideline
- 2. Application Form (1 original and 1 copy);
- 3. Recommendation letter from the Principal or class teacher of the last school attended (1 original and 1 copy) Recommendation letter sample format;
- 4. Medical certificate prescribed form (1 original & 1 copy: to be submitted if the applicant gets recommended in the interview)
- 5. Academic transcripts of class X and XII along with completion certificate **attested original and its copy preferred** (1 original and 1 copy)
- 6. 2 recent passport-size photos
- 7. Direct Placement Preference form (1 original)- *only for those who have high Japanese language proficiency*

3. Specialized Training College Students (STC) (for pre-service candidates only)

Criteria	Requirements	
Age	Must have been born on or after April 2, 2000 (As required by the Government of Japan)	
Academics	Class XII passed with 65% aggregate (English and relevant subjects with a minimum of 70% in mathematics)	



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Fields of study:	A. Technology, B. Personal Care and Nutrition, C. Education and Welfare, D. Business, E. Fashion and Home Economics, F. Culture and General Education
Mode of Selection:	Written Test in English, Mathematics & Japanese Language and Interview
No. of scholarships	Up to 12

Applicants should submit:

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- 3. Recommendation letter from the Principal or class teacher of the last school attended (1 original and 1 copy) Recommendation letter sample format;
- 4. <u>Medical certificate prescribed form</u> (1 original & 1 copy: to be submitted if the applicant gets recommended in the interview)
- 5. Academic transcripts of class X and XII along with completion certificate -attested original and its copy preferred (1 original and 1 copy)
- 6. 2 recent passport-size photos; and
- 7. Direct Placement Preference form (1 original)- *only for those who have high Japanese language proficiency*

Notes:

- Pre-service candidates who secure the scholarship shall be governed by the general undertaking (bond) for ex-country undergraduate scholarship (as specified by erstwhile DAHE) for the Undergraduate Scholarship.
- Interested applicants for UG and STC can either scan and send their application documents via email to jamyangn@rcsc.gov.bt or submit them to the HRD division, RCSC office.

4. Application Procedure and Deadline

Particulars	Deadline
Due date for submission of Application documents	31-May-2024
Announcement of Shortlisted applicants	3-Jun-2024
Written Examination	Research program: 10-Jun(Morning)



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	UG and STC: 11-Jun-2024 (tentative)
Selection Interview	10-June (afternoon) 12-Jun-2024 tentative)

5. Question papers from the past year can be downloaded from:

https://www.studyinjapan.go.jp/en/planning/scholarship/application/examination/

6. Important Notes:

- Only those candidates who are committed to this scholarship should apply. If the candidate withdraws after the announcement of the interview/selection result, the candidate shall be liable for HR action;
- The application of recommended candidates will be forwarded to the Japanese Government for Final Selection. Confirmation of scholarship and date of commencement of course shall depend on the candidate fulfilling the admission criteria laid down by the Japanese Universities for securing admission. The award of the scholarship will be subject to the approval of the Government of Japan. Therefore, the candidates are advised not to make major changes to their home/office life (such as handing over of work, moving out of their house, etc) until the confirmation of scholarship/admission is received from RCSC;
- The scholarship application should be routed through the applicant's agency with a complete set of documents (for research students). Incomplete documents will not be accepted for shortlisting;
- The agency should ensure that the relevance of the course and only eligible candidates (research students) fulfilling requirements are forwarded to HRDD;
- For future career progression to Specialist position, Master course should be aligned to Super Structure; and
- The scholarship is provided under the funding of MEXT Scholarship and all scholarship entitlements are confined to those offered by them. Therefore, no additional financial benefits from the RCSC/RGoB shall be admissible to candidates under these scholarship programs.

For further information, please contact Mr. Jamyang Norbu, HRDD at 322491 (Ext. # 124) during office hours or email jamyangn@rcsc.gov.bt