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Government of Japan (MEXT) Scholarship (2026 intake)

The Royal Civil Service Commission (RCSC) is pleased to announce the availability of various scholarships under the Government of Japan, MEXT (Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology) Scholarships for the academic year 2026 as detailed below:

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

Sl. No.	Criteria	Requirement
1	Age	Must have been born on or after April 2, 1991 (As required by the Government of Japan)
2	Academics	Must be a University Graduate with minimum 50% aggregate marks
3	Fields of study	Applicants should apply for the field of study they majored in at the university or its related field. Moreover, the fields of study must be subjects which applicants will be able to study and research in graduate courses at Japanese Universities. A student who studies medicine, dentistry or welfare science will not be allowed to engage in clinical training such as medical care and operative surgery until he/she obtains a relevant license from the Ministry of Health, Labor and Welfare under applicable Japanese Law.
4	Mode of Selection	Document screening, written examination and Interview
5	No. of slots	To be decided

Applicants should submit:

1. Application Form (1 original & 2 copies);
2. Field of study and Research plan (1 original & 2 copies);
3. Attested academic transcript of each academic year (1 original & 2 copies);
4. Attested Course completion certificate/ Degree Certificate (1 original & 2 copies)



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5. Recommendation from principal/advisor of the last university attended (1 original & 2 copies)
6. Recommendation from current employer (1 original & 2 copies);
7. Medical certificate on the prescribed form (1 original & 2 copies);
8. Abstracts of thesis (1 original & 2 copies);
9. Four recent passport size photographs
10. Placement preference application form (1 original)
11. LTT nomination form and checklist (get from respective HROs)

Note:

- Civil servants applying for the above mentioned programs must fulfill eligibility criteria prescribed in BCSR 2023
- Non-civil servants should route through the Department of Workforce Planning and Skills Development, MoESD.

Application guidelines for Research Students: [\(Click here\)](#)

Forms and other information: [Research Students Information](#)

2. Undergraduate Scholarship (for pre-service candidates)

Sl. No.	Criteria	Requirements
1	Age	Must have been born on or after April 2, 2001 (but must be 18 years of age or older at the time of admission to a university in Japan)
2	Academics	Class XII passed with 70% academic marks (English and relevant Science, Commerce or Arts Subjects) and with at least 70% in Mathematics
3	Field of Study	<u>1. Social Sciences and Humanities (SS)</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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



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		<p>(Accounting, Financial economics).</p> <p>Note 1: Applicants who choose 'Others in A' may have difficulties in finding universities that can accept them depending on their majors.</p> <p><u>2. Natural Sciences (NS)</u></p> <p>NS A:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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) <p>NS B:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Agricultural Studies (Agriculture, Agriculture Chemistry, Agriculture Engineering, Animal Science, Veterinary Medicine, Forestry, Food Science and Fisheries) • Hygienic Studies (Pharmacy, Hygienics and Nursing) • Science (Biology) <p>NS C:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Medicine and Dentistry <p>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, 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.</p>
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4	Mode of Selection	Interview and Written Tests in: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 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.
5	No. of slots	Up to 12

Applicants should submit:

1. Application Form (1 original and 1 copy);
2. Attested academic transcripts of class X and XII along with completion certificate (1 original and 1 copy);
3. Recommendation letter from the Principal or Advisor of last school attended (1 original and 1 copy);
4. Direct Placement Preference form (1 original);
5. Medical certificate (as per format given- 1 original and 1 copy); and
6. Four recent passport size photographs

Application guidelines for Undergraduate Students: [\(Click here\)](#)

Forms and other information: [Undergraduate Students Information](#)

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

Sl. No.	Criteria	Requirements
1	Age	Must have been born on or after April 2, 2001 (but must be 18 years of age or older at the time of admission to a specialized training college in Japan)
2	Academics	Class XII passed with 70% in English and relevant subjects



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3	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
4	Mode of Selection	Written Test in English, Mathematics & Japanese Language and Interview
5	No. of scholarships	Up to 12

Applicants should submit:

- Application Form (1 original and 1 copy);
- Attested academic transcripts of class X and XII along with completion certificate (1 original and 1 copy);
- Recommendation letter from the Principal or Advisor of the school attended (1 original and 1 copy);
- Four recent passport size photographs; and
- Medical certificate (as per format given- (1 original and 1 copy).

Application guidelines for Specialized Training College Students: [\(Click here\)](#)

Forms and other information: [Specialized Training College Students Information](#)

Notes:

Pre-service candidates who secure the scholarship shall be governed by the general undertaking (bond) for ex-country undergraduate scholarship.

4. Application Deadline

Particulars	Deadline
Due date for submission of Application documents	27-May-2025
Announcement of Shortlisted applicants	02-June-2025 (tentative)
Written Examination	16-17 June 2025 (tentative)



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Selection Interview

18- July-2025 tentative)

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

<https://www.studyinbharat.gov.in/en/planning/scholarship/application/examination/tion/>

6. Important Notes:

- Only those candidates who are committed to this scholarship are encouraged to apply. If the candidate withdraws after the announcement of the interview/selection result, candidate shall be liable for HR action;
- 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. Award of 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, 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 short listing;
- The agency should ensure that the relevance of the course and only eligible candidates (research students) fulfilling requirements are forwarded to HRDD, RCSC on or before the deadline. In the event any discrepancies are found after the selection, the respective agency shall be held accountable;
- For future career progression to Specialist position, Master course should be aligned to Super Structure;
- The scholarship is provided under the funding of MEXT Scholars 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 scholarships.

7. Mode of Submission:

The applications must be submitted through email at hrdd@rcsc.gov.bt or gpkhadal@rcsc.gov.bt for now. However, applicants are required to produce hard copies of



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the documents if you are shortlisted.

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