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**ROYAL CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION**

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### **Government of Japan (MEXT) Scholarship 2027 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 2027 as detailed below:

#### **A) Scholarship Details**

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

<b>Sl. No</b>	<b>Criteria</b>	<b>Requirement</b>
1	Age	Applicants, in principle, must have been born on or after April 2, 1992
2	Academics	Must be a University Graduate with a 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 that 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



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Applicants should submit:

1. Application Form (1 original & 2 copies); ([Click Here](#))
2. Field of study and Research plan (1 original & 2 copies); [Click Here](#)
3. Attested academic transcript of each academic year (1 original & 2 copies);
4. Attested Course completion certificate/ Degree Certificate (1 original & 2 copies)
5. Recommendation from principal/advisor of the last university attended (1 original & 2 copies) ([Click Here](#))
6. Recommendation from current employer (1 original & 2 copies); ([Click Here](#))
7. Medical certificate on the prescribed form (1 original & 2 copies); ([Click Here](#))
8. Abstracts of thesis (1 original & 2 copies);
9. Four recent passport size photographs
10. Placement preference application form (1 original) ([Click Here](#))
11. LTT nomination form and checklist (get from respective HROs) ([Click Here](#))

**Important Note:**

- Civil servants applying for the above mentioned programs must fulfill eligibility criteria prescribed in BCSR 2023
- Application guidelines for Research Students: ([Click here](#))



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

<b>Research Undergraduate</b>		
<b>Sl. No.</b>	<b>Criteria</b>	<b>Requirements</b>
1	Age	Applicants must have been born on or after April 2, 2002 (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
<b>Social Sciences and Humanities</b>		
	<b>Courses</b>	<b>Major</b>
A	Social Sciences and Humanities - A	1. Law 2. Politics 3. Pedagogy 4. Sociology 5. Literature 6. History 7. Japanese Language 8. Others (excluding "1. Economics", "2. Business Administration" and "3.Others" in Humanities B.)
B	Social Sciences and Humanities - B	1. Economics 2. Business Administration 3.Others (Accounting, Financial Economics, etc.)
<p><b>Note:</b> Applicants who choose "8. Others" in the Humanities - A course may have difficulties in finding universities that can accept them, depending on their majors. Fields of art, including music, are not majors eligible for application.</p>		
<b>Natural Sciences</b>		
	<b>Courses</b>	<b>Major</b>



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A	Natural Sciences - A	- Science (1. Mathematics 2. Physics 3. Chemistry) - Electrical and Electronic Studies (4. Electronics 5. Electrical Engineering 6. Information Engineering) - Mechanical Studies (7. Mechanical Engineering 8. Naval Architecture) - Civil Engineering and Architecture (9. Civil Engineering 10. Architecture 11. Environmental Engineering) - Chemical Studies (12. Applied Chemistry 13. Chemical Engineering 14. Industrial Chemistry 15. Textile Engineering) - Other Fields (16. Metallurgical Engineering 17. Mining Engineering 18. Maritime Engineering 19. Biotechnology)
B	Natural Sciences - B	- Agricultural Studies (1. Agriculture 2. Agricultural Chemistry 3. Agricultural Engineering 4. Animal Science 5. Veterinary Medicine 6. Forestry 7. Food Science 8. Fisheries) - Hygienic Studies (9. Pharmacy 10. Hygienics 11. Nursing) - Science (12. Biology)
C	Natural Sciences - C	1. Medicine 2. Dentistry

**Note:** An applicant who chooses Natural Sciences and would like to choose more than one major may select up to three majors from within the same course (i.e. Natural Sciences A, B or C). However, an applicant who selects Natural Sciences - C as his/her first choice may choose his/her second-choice major from Natural Sciences - B or C and a third-choice major from Natural Sciences – B, since Natural Sciences - C offers only two majors.

**Applicants should submit:**

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

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



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**Scholarship 3. Specialized Training College Students (for pre-service candidates only)**  
**Applicants should submit:**

Sl. No.	Criteria	Requirements
1	Age	Must have been born on or after April 2, 2002 (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
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 academic examinations and interviews: Japanese, English, and Mathematics.
5	No. of scholarships	Up to 12

Application Form (1 original and 1 copy); ([Click Here](#))

- 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); ([Click Here](#))
- Four recent passport size photographs; and
- Medical certificate (as per format given- (1 original and 1 copy). ([Click Here](#)))

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

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.



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#### 4. Application Deadline

Particulars	Deadline
Due date for submission of Application documents	15 May 2026
Announcement of Shortlisted applicants	20 May 2026 (Tentative)
Written Examination & Interview (Tentative)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● 15 June - MEXT Scholarship (Research) (Written test and interview)</li><li>● 16 June - MEXT Scholarship (UG and STC) (Written examination)</li><li>● 17 June - MEXT Scholarship (UG and STC) (Interview)</li></ul>

#### B. Important Notes (For all)

- 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



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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.

**C. Mode of Submission:**

The applications must be submitted through email at [hrdd@rcsc.gov.bt](mailto:hrdd@rcsc.gov.bt).

However, applicants are required to produce hard copies of the documents if you are shortlisted.

For further clarification, contact HRDD at 322941/322956 during office hours or email at [hrdd@rcsc.gov.bt](mailto:hrdd@rcsc.gov.bt).