

JDS 2023

The Project for Human Resource
Development Scholarship



Japanese Scholarship for Master and Ph.D. Program

MA Application Closing Date: 27th October 2023

Ph.D. Application Closing Date: 1st December 2023

Study Component

- 1-1 Public Policy Studies
- 1-2-1 Macroeconomics Studies
- 1-2-2 Public Finance and Investment Management
- 1-2-3 Industry Development Policy and Investment Promotion
- 1-3 Urban and Regional Development

Eligibility

- Citizen of Sri Lanka
- Below the age of 40, as of April 1st 2024
- Possess a Bachelor's Degree
- Have special interest in studying in Japan, as well as motivation to utilize their experience and human network developed through JDS in their career

Please refer to the website for Doctoral Program details!

Promotion Seminar Schedule

- 15th September (Fri) 14:00-15:00
- 22nd September (Fri) 14:00-15:00
- 06th October (Fri) 14:00-15:00
- 17th October (Tue) 14:00-15:00

University promotion Seminar is also available!



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Heads of all Divisions of the Ministry

Japanese Grant Aid for Human Resources development Scholarship Programme (JDS) – Call for Applications for the Academic Year 2024/2025

I enclosed herewith a copy of the letter No. TA/JDS/L/2023 dated 07.09.2023 addressed to the Secretary by the Director General of Department of External Resources on the above subject. (A Letter can be downloaded from our web site of www.fisheries.gov.lk)

Therefore, The Government of Japan has planned to provide 15 Scholarships for Master's Degree programme and 02 Scholarships for Doctoral Courses in academic year 2024/2025. The fields of study and universities for the Master's Degree programme are attached herewith.

Accordingly, you are kindly requested to submit dully completed applications for the Master's degree programme on or before 10th October 2023 and PhD programme received on or before 16th November 2023, with covering letter of the Institute/Division, Ministry Form (can be downloaded from www.fisheries.gov.lk) and other relevant documents.

Your early action in this regard is highly appreciated.

N.A.A.P.S. Nissanka
Additional Secretary (Admin & HR)
For Secretary, Ministry of Fisheries

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Attn: Officer In-charge of Foreign Trainings

Dear Sir / Madam,

Japanese Grant Aid for Human Resource Development Scholarship Programme (JDS) - Call for Applications for the Academic Year 2024/2025

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 2024/2025 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 Studies		Meiji University
		International University of Japan
1.2 Economics	1.2.1. Macro Economics Studies	International Christian University Hiroshima University
	1.2.2. Public Finance and Investment Management	Nagoya University
	1.2.3. Industry Development Policy and Investment Promotion	International University of Japan
1.3 Urban and Regional Development		The University of Tokyo
		University of Tsukuba

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Please note that only the duly completed applications for the Master's Degree programme received by ERD before 4.00 p.m. on 26th October 2023 and PhD programme received by ERD before 4.00 p.m. on 01st December 2023, with the line ministry covering letter and other relevant documents as stipulated above, will be processed. The qualifications and requirements for these programme 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 2024
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 CP 1-2-3 "Industry Development Policy and Investment Promotion"
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 1-3 "Urban and Regional Development"
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 2024
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 the 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 Universities information can be downloaded at the following website <https://jds-scholarship.org/> 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, (Please contact JDS to join the programme jds.srilanka@ice.org)

Date	Time	Language
15 th September 2023	14.00 - 15.00	Sinhala Medium
22 nd September 2023	14.00 - 15.00	Sinhala Medium
06 th October 2023	14.00 - 15.00	Tamil Medium
17 th October 2023	14.00 - 15.00	English Medium

You are kindly requested to circulate this letter among the 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 is highly appreciated.

Yours faithfully



W.D.R. Crishantha
Director / Technical Assistance
for Director General

About 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.

Eligibility

- (1) To be citizens of Sri Lanka
- (2) Should have a good command of both written and spoken English
- (3) "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
- (4) Semi-government staffs (BOI, NBRO, CEA, NWSDB, WMA) can also apply under limited components
- (5) 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

Benefits

- One round trip airfare between Sri Lanka and Japan
- Monthly living allowance
- Full tuition fee at accepting university
- Other designated allowances (ex. buying books, shipping, travelling and seminar attendance, overseas travel insurance, etc.)

Voice from a Returned Fellow



Mr. Ravindra Wijenayake
Meiji University
GS of Governance Studies,
Master of Public Policy
Deputy Director,
Department of Pensions

As a JDS scholar in 2020, I embarked on an inspiring academic journey pursuing a Master of Public Policy degree at Meiji University, Tokyo, Japan. This opportunity not only enriched my knowledge in public policy and governance but also presented me with a unique chance to address an essential component of our society – providing pension benefits to all individuals of the elderly population. Empowered with this knowledge, I returned to my homeland, Sri Lanka, ready to contribute to implement positive changes in our pension system to ensure a secure and dignified life for our senior citizens.

Beyond the academic realm, Japan offered me a world of diverse and incredible experiences. From scaling the majestic peak of Mount Fuji to immersing myself in the magic of theme parks like Universal Studios and Disneyland, every moment was a testament to the beauty of life and exploration. The joy of witnessing snowfall and engaging in snow games, the excitement of bowling, and the wonder of witnessing cutting-edge technological developments such as modern bullet trains and robotics left an indelible impression on my soul.

More than attractions, I fostered meaningful connections with fellow scholars and professionals. As the Vice President of the Sri Lanka Students' Association in Japan (SLSAJ), I had the privilege of expanding my human network and this invaluable network solidified my commitment to collaborative efforts in the pursuit of positive change.

As I reflect on my time in Japan, I am humbled by the peace, harmony, and invaluable qualities of Japanese society that have left an enduring impact on my way of life. The ethos of compassion, dedication, and innovation ingrained in their culture has inspired me to bring these principles to my work and personal life, contributing to the growth of my beloved country.

Doctoral Degree Course is also available!

Information

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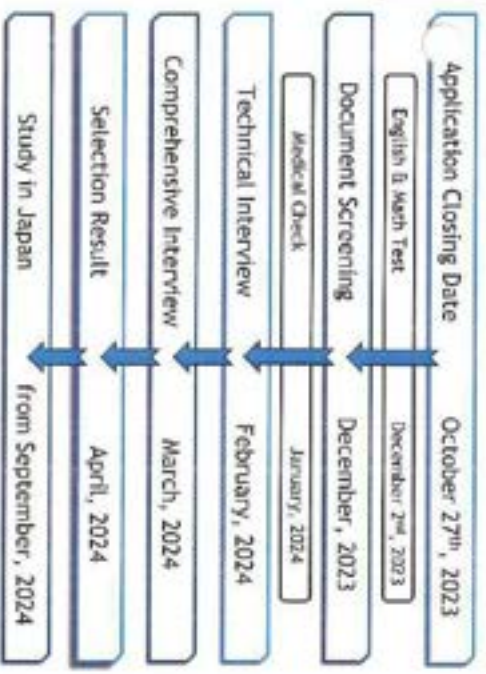
Study in Japan

The Project for Human Resource Development Scholarship (JDS) in Sri Lanka



Sub Program Target Priority/ Areas	Component Development Issues	Expected Research Areas	Accepting University	Graduate School	Course/Program	Slots	Target
1. Building a Strong Basis for Inclusive and Sustainable Economic Growth	1-1 Public Policy Studies	International Relations, Social and Welfare Policy, International Development, Environmental Policy, Administration, Governance, Local Autonomy, etc.	Meiji University	Graduate School of Governance Studies	Major in Governance Studies (1) Public Policy (2) International Development Policy (3) Community Planning and Management (4) Community Management and Policy Analysis Program (CPMAP) (or Applied-Global Development Program (AGDP) (Governance/ Public Management))	2	*Detailed 'Senior Exchange' mentioned in the Public Administration Circular No.06/2006, Attachment I, Page 2, IV Senior Level, and Page 5, 3.10 & 3.11. *Detailed 'Senior Exchange' mentioned in the Public Administration Circular No.06/2006, Attachment I, Page 2, IV Senior Level, and Page 5, 3.10 & 3.11. (* BOJ staffs can apply for 1-2.3)
			International University of Japan	Graduate School of International Relations		2	
	International Christian University	Graduate School of Arts and Sciences	Public Policy and Social Research Program, Public Economics	2			
	Hitotsubashi University	(1)Graduate School of Humanities and Social Sciences (2)Graduate School of Innovation and Practice for Smart Society		2			
1-2	1-2-1 Macroeconomics Studies	Economic Development Including Sustainable Growth and Job Creation, Macroeconomics, Economics, Statistical Statistical Analysis, Evaluation, Agricultural Economics, etc.	Nagoya University	Graduate School of International Development	International Development and Cooperation Program in Economic Development Policy and Management*	2	*Detailed 'Senior Exchange' mentioned in the Public Administration Circular No.06/2006, Attachment I, Page 2, IV Senior Level, and Page 5, 3.10 & 3.11. (* BOJ staffs can apply for 1-2.3)
				Graduate School of International Management	MBU/Japan-Global Development Program	2	
1-3	1-3-1 Public Finance and Enterprise Management	Fiscal Policy, Fiscal Management Policy, Public Investment Management Policy, Infrastructure Management, etc.	The University of Tokyo	Graduate School of Science and Technology	Master's Program in Environmental Sciences (M.Sc.EDP Program)	2	*Detailed 'Senior Exchange' mentioned in the Public Administration Circular No.06/2006, Attachment I, Page 2, IV Senior Level, and Page 5, 3.10 & 3.11. (* BOJ staffs can apply for 1-2.3) *Detailed 'Senior Exchange' mentioned in the Public Administration Circular No.06/2006, Attachment I, Page 2, IV Senior Level, and Page 5, 3.10 & 3.11. (* BOJ staffs can apply for 1-2.3)
				School of Engineering	Department of Civil Engineering	1	
1-4	1-4-1 Urban and Regional Development	Urban and regional development, Priority Policy, Agricultural and Development, Rural Problem, Environmental Management, Public, Disaster Prevention and Crisis Management, Disaster Prevention Policy, Community Infrastructure Development Management, Urban Economics, Land Use Planning, Transportation and Traffic Planning, etc.	The University of Tokyo	Graduate School of Science and Technology	Master's Program in Environmental Sciences (M.Sc.EDP Program)	2	*Detailed 'Senior Exchange' mentioned in the Public Administration Circular No.06/2006, Attachment I, Page 2, IV Senior Level, and Page 5, 3.10 & 3.11. (* BOJ staffs can apply for 1-2.3) (* BOJ staffs can apply for 1-2.3)
				School of Engineering	Department of Civil Engineering	1	

Selection Procedure



Promotion Seminars

- Online promotion seminars are scheduled as below,
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 - September 22nd (Fri) 14:00-15:00 - Sinhala Medium
 - October 06th (Fri) 14:00-15:00 - Tamil Medium
 - October 17th (Tue) 14:00-15:00 - English Medium

University promotion Seminar is also available!
Please visit our website for more information!

Contact ids.srlanka@jice.org to join!

How to Apply

1. Access the JDS website
2. Download the Application Form (AF) and other designated forms from the website
3. Complete the Application Form and arrange the all the required documents
4. Submit the application documents as instructed in the Application Guide

<http://jds-scholarship.org/>



Application Guideline (AG), Application Form (AF) and University Information can be downloaded from the website above.