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SCHOLARSHIPS FOR DIPLOMA/DEGREE COURSES FOR ACADEMIC YEAR 2017/2018 OFFERED BY:

(I) ST FELIX SUGAR FACTORY

- (II) EX-SUDS RICHE EN EAU OMNICANE SUGAR FACTORY
- (III) EX SUDS MON TRESOR 'OMNICANE' SUGAR FACTORY
- (IV) MON DESERT ALMA SUGAR FACTORY
- (V) UNION ST AUBIN 'OMNICANE'

(VI) CIE USINIÈRE DE MON LOISIR 'ALTEO MILLING'

(VII) DEEP RIVER BEAU CHAMP SUGAR FACTORY 'ALTEO MILLING'

Under the «Blue Print on the Centralization of the Sugar Milling Operations in Mauritius» and following the closure of the above-mentioned Sugar Factories, four scholarships per Sugar Milling Company are available as follows:

- (i) two scholarships to children of workers; and
- (ii) two scholarships to children of planters.

2. Fields of Study

Preference will be given to candidates whose Fields of Study are specific to the prevailing scarcity areas and market demands of the country and to courses appearing on the List of Indicative Priority Fields of Study 2017/2019 available for consultation at the Scholarships Section, Ministry of Education and Human Resources, Tertiary Education and Scientific Research and also at Ground Floor, MITD House, Phoenix, or on the following website:

http://ministry-education.govmu.org

3. Eligibility Criteria

A. For Undergraduate

(i) Candidates should have obtained admission for diploma/degree courses for intake of January or August 2017 in any locally recognized Tertiary Education Institution.

B. For Technical and Vocational Education Training (TVET) Courses

Candidates should have secured a seat for a **fully accredited full time/part time** National Diploma/Higher National Diploma in a **local** training institution duly registered with the Mauritius Qualifications Authority.

C. For Professional Courses

Candidates should have secured a seat in a fully accredited full-time professional programme of not less than one full year of study at a recognized local training institution duly registered with the Tertiary Education Commission.

Note:

- I. Candidates who have enrolled for a part-time diploma/degree course may also apply. However, **priority will be given to full-time students**.
- II. Foundation courses will **not** be covered under the Scholarship Scheme.
- III. The list of recognised accredited courses in registered TVET institutions is available on the MQA website <u>www.mqa.mu</u> and affixed at the seat of the respective institutions.
- IV. The list of fully accredited courses at undergraduate level is available on the Tertiary Education Commission website <u>www.tec.mu</u>
- 3.1 Candidates should show evidence that their parent(s) were workers or planters in one of the above-named Sugar Milling Company, within a period of 10 years.
- 3.2 Students should not be more than **30 years** old on the closing date for submission of application.

4. <u>General conditions</u>

- (i) Selected candidates will be required to:-
 - (a) sign a contract with the Sugar Milling Company;
 - (b) submit relevant documents as required by the Mauritius Cane Industry Authority (MCIA)/Policy Planning Unit (PPU);
 - (c) submit their progress reports to the Sugar Company and MCIA/PPU; and
 - (d) inform the MCIA/PPU and the Sugar Company of the completion date of their courses.
- (ii) Beneficiaries will receive a yearly allowance of **Rs 18,000** for a maximum of **four years**. The modalities of payment will be mutually agreed upon between the student and the Sugar Milling Company/Sugar Factory.
- (iii) In the event a candidate discontinues his/her course, he/she shall inform the MCIA/PPU and the Sugar Milling Company giving the reasons thereof.

5. Mode of application

(i) Applications must be made on the prescribed form available at the Scholarships Section, Ministry of Education and Human Resources, Tertiary Education and Scientific Research, 1st Floor, MITD House, Phoenix and also downloaded from the Ministry's website:

http://ministry-education.govmu.org

- (ii) Along with applications, the candidates should **also** submit **certified** copies of the following documents:
 - (a) Their Birth Certificate and National Identity Card;
 - (b) Birth Certificate and National Identity Card of Parent(s);
 - (c) Documentary evidence of their Responsible Party/ies being former workers or planters of the sugar factory;
 - (d) SC or GCE 'O' Level Certificate;
 - (e) HSC or GCE 'A' Level Certificate; and
 - (f) Evidence of enrolment in a recognized Post Secondary Education Institution in Mauritius.
- (iii) Candidates should ensure that certified copies of certificates and all other relevant documents relating to their qualifications are submitted to the Scholarships Section by the closing date. Non-submission of these documents on time will result in their elimination from the selection exercise. Certification of documents may be done at the Scholarships Section of the Ministry or at the Career Guidance Service in Rose Hill.
- (iv) The completed Application Forms along with all supporting documents should be returned to the Scholarships Section, 1st Floor, MITD House, Phoenix *by 29 September 2017 at 14.00 hours at latest.*
- 6. Candidates are strongly advised not to wait for the last day to submit their application.
- 7. Candidates who have not been informed of their nomination within two months as from the closing date for application should consider that they have not been selected.
- 8. A Communiqué will be placed on the website in due course to inform applicants that the selection exercise has been completed.

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