

# COMMUNIQUE

## **GOVERNMENT SCHOLARSHIP SCHEME ADDITIONAL SCHOLARSHIPS BASED ON MERIT AND SOCIAL CRITERIA**

Applications are invited from suitably-qualified Mauritian students who have sat for the Higher School Certificate in October/November 2017 for the award of scholarships *vice* vacant slots under the Additional Scholarships Scheme **on the basis of Merit and Social Criteria**.

### **(i) Scheme for the Award of 16 Additional Scholarships**

**3 vacant slots** are available under this scholarships scheme. The 3 scholarships under this scheme will be awarded to students ranked amongst the first 500 of the Cambridge Assessment International Examination (CAIE) Scholarship Rank Order and whose total income of parents does not exceed, in the aggregate, Rs 16,000 per month.

The Cambridge Assessment International Examination Scholarship Rank Order List for 500 candidates is available on the website of the Mauritius Examinations Syndicate at:

**<http://mes.intnet.mu>**

as well as on the website of the Ministry on

**<http://ministry-education.govmu.org>**

### **(ii) Scheme for the Award of 8 Additional Scholarships**

**4 vacant slots** are available under this scholarships scheme. The 4 scholarships under this scheme will be awarded to students based on the results of the Cambridge Higher School Certificate examinations (2017) and whose total income of parents does not exceed, in the aggregate, Rs 9,500 per month.

## **2. Conditions of Scholarship**

- (i) All beneficiaries of scholarships have the option to study either locally or abroad.
- (ii) Those opting to **study abroad** will get an all-inclusive yearly allowance of a maximum of Rs 360,000 for a first degree of a maximum duration of 4 years. They will, however, **not** be entitled to any postgraduate scholarship awarded by the Government of Mauritius.

- (iii) Those opting to **study locally** will get an annual allowance of Rs 105,600. The Scholarship Scheme also caters for the tuition fees and related charges up to Rs 150,000 per year for a first degree of up to 4 years duration in a locally recognized Tertiary Education Institution. They will, thereafter, benefit from a fully-funded postgraduate scholarship of 1 year duration abroad or not exceeding 2 years in Mauritius except if they opt for studies in Medicine or Medicine-related fields.
- (iv) Those who opt **to study Medicine or Medicine-related fields** in a locally recognized Tertiary Education Institution will get an annual allowance of Rs 105,600. The scheme also then caters for tuition fees and related charges up to Rs 150,000 per year for **a maximum of five years**. They will, however, not be entitled to any postgraduate scholarship awarded by the Government of Mauritius.
- (v) The students must also have secured a seat for a first degree in a University abroad or in a locally-recognized Tertiary Education Institution. Eligible students who have not yet secured a seat at a University abroad or in a locally-recognized Tertiary Education Institution by the time of application may still submit their applications. The final offer of the scholarships to shortlisted candidates will be subject to submission of evidence of admission.
- (vi) The attention of candidates is drawn to the Communiqué of the Ministry of Health & Quality of Life regarding eligibility of students for studies in Medicine, copy of which can be consulted on the website of the Ministry.
- (vii) **All** beneficiaries of the scholarships on the basis of Merit and Social Criteria under the Additional Scholarship Schemes will have to work for **at least 2 years** in a Ministry or Government Department in Mauritius immediately after completion of their first degree. Those who opt for studies in Medicine or Medicine-related fields will have to work for **at least 2 years** in a Ministry or Government Department in Mauritius **after being fully qualified**, that is, immediately after completing their first degree and internship.
- (viii) **All** beneficiaries of the scholarships on the basis of Merit and Social Criteria under the Additional Scholarship Schemes will have to sign an undertaking that they will serve the country upon completion of their studies for at least 2 years.

### **3. Mode of application**

Applications must be made on the prescribed form available at the Scholarships Section, Ministry of Education and Human Resources, Tertiary Education and Scientific Research, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor, MITD House, Pont Fer, Phoenix. The Form may also be downloaded from the Ministry's website at:

**<http://ministry-education.govmu.org>**

The completed application form, along with certified copies of **all** supporting documents (birth certificates and copy of SC results, HSC statement of results) should be submitted to the Scholarships Section, Ministry of Education and Human Resources, Tertiary Education and Scientific Research **not later than 14.00 hours on Friday 30<sup>th</sup> November 2018.**

#### **4. Additional Information**

All candidates should ensure that **certified** copies of certificates, statement of results/mark sheets and all other relevant documents relating to their qualifications are submitted to the Scholarships Section, along with their applications. Non-submission of same will result in elimination from the selection exercise. Certification of documents can be done at the Scholarships Section of the Ministry of Education and Human Resources, Tertiary Education and Scientific Research or at the Careers Guidance Service in Rose Hill. The certified copies of **all** documents (**if not in English**) **should be accompanied with their corresponding English translation.**

Additional information or clarifications may be obtained from the Scholarships Section, Ministry of Education and Human Resources, Tertiary Education and Scientific Research, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor, MITD House, Pont Fer, Phoenix, Phone No: 698 1584 and Fax No: 686 8581. The Communiqué has also been placed on the Ministry's website which is as follows:

**<http://ministry-education.govmu.org>**

Application forms received after the closing date will **not** be considered.

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