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OFFER OF SCHOLARSHIPS FROM THE JAPANESE GOVERNMENT (MONBUKAGAKUSHO:MEXT) FOR 2017

Applications are invited from suitably qualified Mauritian nationals for the award of scholarships at undergraduate and research levels in Japan for Academic Year 2017 as follows:

A. Undergraduate

Sectors of Study

Those who wish to study in Japan as an undergraduate student must choose a field of study (major) from (1) or (2) below. Applicants may enter a first, second, and third choice.

(1) Social Sciences and Humanities

Social Sciences and Humanities-A: Law, Politics, Pedagogy, Sociology, Literature, History, Japanese language, others.

Social Sciences and Humanities-B: Economics, Business Administration.

Note 1: Applicants who wish to major in fields other than those listed above ("others") may have difficulties in finding universities that can accept them.

Note 2: Any field related to "Economics" and "Business Administration" in Humanities B are not included in "others."

(2) Natural Sciences

Natural Sciences-A: Science (Mathematics, Physics, Chemistry), Electric and Electronic Studies (Electronics, Electrical Engineering, Information Engineering), Mechanical Studies (Mechanical Engineering, Naval Architecture), Civil Engineering and Architecture (Civil Engineering, Architecture, Environmental Engineering), Chemical Studies (Applied Chemistry, Chemical Engineering, Industrial Chemistry, Textile Engineering), other fields (Metallurgical Engineering, Mining Engineering, Maritime Engineering, Biotechnology).

Natural Sciences-B: Agricultural studies (Agriculture, Agricultural Chemistry, Agricultural Engineering, Animal Science, Veterinary Medicine, Forestry, Food Science, Fisheries), Hygienic studies (Pharmacy, Hygienics, Nursing), and Science (Biology).

Note: A student who intends to major in Natural Sciences and would like to choose more than one major is required to choose and select first-, second-, and third-choice subjects from the subjects in parentheses from within the same course (i.e. Natural Sciences A or B).

B. College of Technology Students

Sectors of Study

Those who wish to study in Japan as students at a college of technology must choose a field of specialization (major) from among (1) to (8) below.

- (1) Mechanical Engineering;
- (2) Electrical and Electronic Engineering;
- (3) Information, Communication and Network Engineering;
- (4) Materials Engineering;
- (5) Architecture;
- (6) Civil Engineering;
- (7) Maritime Engineering; and
- (8) Other Fields.

Note 1: Applicants must select a "Field of study" and "Majors and related key terms" from the Annex "Majors and Related Key Terms for Fields of Study". Applicants may enter a first, second and third choice of field of study. For each of the three choices be sure to enter your desired subject of study, referring to the Annex "Majors and Related Key Terms for Fields of Study."

Note 2: (4) Materials engineering may not be studied in combination with other fields of study. Applicants wishing to choose more than one major, should select their first, second and third choice of major from ones under "(4) Materials engineering."

Note 3: An Applicant who wishes to apply for (7) Maritime engineering must have vision of 0.5 or more in either eye with or without glasses, and no color-blindness.

Note 4: Applicants for a major in the fields categorized as (8) Other Fields (International Communication, Management Information Engineering, etc.) may have difficulties in finding colleges of technology capable of accepting them.

C. Specialized Training College Students

Sectors of Study

Those who wish to study in Japan as a student at a specialized training college should choose a field of study to major in from (1) to (7) below.

- (1) Technology
- (2) Personal Care and Nutrition
- (3) Education and Welfare
- (4) Business
- (5) Fashion and Home Economics
- (6) Culture and General Education
- (7) Other Fields

Note 1: Applicants may also refer to a separate sheet titled "Majors and related subjects for field of study", and enter a first and second choice of subjects from the same field of study.

Note 2: Applicants who choose (7) "Other Fields" are required to specify what kind of field they want to study in "Chosen field of study and subjects in Japan (Field of study)" on the application form.

Note 3: For applicants who choose (7) "Other Fields," there may be cases when there are no accepting colleges or it is difficult to be accepted at a college because the period of study exceeds that of the MEXT scholarship.

Note 4: Applicants who select "Other Fields" for a field of study should specify their chosen subject in "Chosen field of study and subjects in Japan (First choice of subjects, Second choice of subjects)" on the application form.

D. Research Students

Sectors of Study

Applicants should apply for the field of study they majored in at 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.

The fields of study may be restricted to particular fields by the Japanese Embassy/Consulate General (hereinafter referred to as the "Japanese diplomatic mission") in the applicant's country.

2. Eligibility Requirements

- 2.1 Applicants are strongly encouraged to apply in sectors whose field of study are specific to the prevailing scarcity areas and market demands of Mauritius and to courses that also appear on the List of Indicative Priority Fields of Study available for consultation on the Notice Board, Ministry of Education and Human Resources, Tertiary Education and Scientific Research, Ground Floor, MITD House, Phoenix and on the following website:

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

- 2.2 The conditions for eligibility will be as per details mentioned in the application's guidelines for each sector of study.
- 2.3 Candidates are expected to already possess a knowledge of Japanese Language and are to continue studying Japanese in case of selection.
- 2.4 Selected candidates will be expected to undergo a paper test and interview to ascertain their level of Japanese Language along with their subject knowledge.
- 2.5 Holders of dual nationality (Mauritius/Japan) are not eligible for the scholarship unless they are agreeable to formerly give up their Japanese Nationality by the time of arrival in Japan.

3. Scholarship Related Information

Detailed information regarding the scholarships for each sector of study is available on the respective application guidelines which is downloadable from the following websites:

<http://ministry-education.govmu.org>
<http://www.mg.emb-japan.go.jp/index.html>

4. Mode of Application

- 4.1 Applications must be made on the respective forms for each sector of study available for download from:

<http://ministry-education.govmu.org>
<http://www.mg.emb-japan.go.jp/index.html>

- 4.2 The completed application forms along with all supporting documents should be submitted to the Embassy of Japan in Madagascar, as per contact details below to reach by **Friday 27 May 2016** at latest.

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- 4.3 Applicants are reminded that the final scholarships would be carried by Japanese Authorities.

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