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# OFFER OF SCHOLARSHIPS BY THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION FOR ACADEMIC YEAR 2016/2017

Applications are invited for the award of one scholarship offered by the Russian Federation for Academic Year 2016/2017 as follows:

| Fields of Study                                      | Numbers |
|--|---------|
| Residency training (Ordinatura) in Clinical Medicine | 1       |
| (Code – 31.00.00) – 2 years duration                 |         |

The scholarships offer is open to citizens of Mauritius as well as citizens of Russia or ex-citizens of the former USSR permanently residing in Mauritius.

#### Note 1:

Candidates are invited to consult the Medical Council of Mauritius to ascertain that the University applied for are listed on the following website:

## http://www.medicalcouncil.mu.org

The scholarship will be tenable only in a University listed on the website of the Medical Council of Mauritius.

- **Note 2:** Candidates are requested to provide an indication of Russian cities where they would prefer to study or indicate specific Universities of their choice. However, the final decision to allocate universities rests with the donor country.
- **Note 3:** Candidates should specify the 'code' of the course chosen in their application form.
- **Note 4:** All candidates, except for those proficient in Russian Language, will be expected to follow a one-year preparatory course in that language.
- **Note 5:** The Residency training (Ordinatura) in Clinical Medicine is normally a programme of 2 year duration, excluding the one-year preparatory course in Russian Language.
- **Note 6:** Applicants are advised to consult the Medical Council for the subsequent recognition of the course.

# 2. **Eligibility Criteria**

## 2.1 **Qualifications**

- (i) SC/GCE 'O' Level with credit in at least five subjects at one and the same sitting; and
- (ii) HSC/GCE 'A' Level in Science Side with three subjects at Principal Level obtained at one and the same sitting. Candidates should have a pass in Biology at 'A' Level, not necessarily at the same sitting.
- (iii) A first degree in Medicine/MBBS or equivalent.
- 2.2 Candidates should submit evidence of registration from the Medical Council of Mauritius as Medical Practitioner.

#### 3. **Conditions of Scholarships**

- 3.1 The scholarship covers a monthly allowance and accommodation in students' hostels on the same conditions as Russian students.
- 3.2 Nominated candidates will have to bear the costs associated with the travel to the place of study and the purchase of a medical insurance policy in Russia. In case of serious illness, when in Russia, they would be repatriated at their own expense.
- 3.3 Beneficiaries of scholarships will be required to sign an undertaking, thereby committing themselves to return to Mauritius immediately after completion of their studies and work for at least two years in the public or private sector.
- 3.4 Only the best-qualified candidates will be nominated. Candidates who have not been informed of their nomination within six weeks as from the closing date for application should consider that they have not been shortlisted.
- 3.5 The final decision regarding both the award of scholarships and the choice of University rests with the donor country.
- 3.6 Successful nominees would be expected to be in Russia shortly after delivery of their visa.

## 4. **Mode of Application**

4.1 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, or downloaded from the Ministry's website:

## http://ministry-education.govmu.org

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- 4.2 Candidates should ensure that certified copies of certificates, marksheets 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.
- 4.3 The completed Application Form along with all supporting documents should be submitted to the Scholarships Section of the Ministry by **Thursday 17 March 2016 at 14.00 hours at latest.**
- 4.4 Responsible parties of applicants not in Mauritius may apply on behalf of their wards.
- 4.5 Applicants already in employment, whether public or private, must fill in the application forms in duplicate. One copy thereof along with the relevant supporting documents should be submitted to the Scholarships Section and one copy to the applicant's employer to enable the latter to decide on the release of applicant for the course, and if so, on what terms and conditions. Such information should be made available by the closing date.
- 4.6 Additional information is available from the Scholarships Section of the Ministry as well as the Embassy of the Russian Federation.
- 4.7 A Communiqué will be placed on the website of the Ministry in due course to inform applicants that the nomination exercise has been completed.

Ministry of Education and Human Resources, Tertiary Education and Scientific Research MITD House, Phoenix 73544

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