## **COMMUNIQUE**

# OFFER OF SCHOLARSHIPS FROM THE JAPANESE GOVERNMENT (MEXT) SCHOLARSHIP FOR 2025

- **1.0** The Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology (MEXT) of Japan is inviting applications from Mauritian nationals who wish to study in Japan as Undergraduate Students or Specialised Training College Students.
- **2.0** The Scholarship Scheme is tenable for enrolment in the following:
  - (i) Undergraduate Studies

An undergraduate course at a Japanese national university. This may be preceded by a one-year preparatory course in the Japanese language and other relevant subjects prior to placement at the university; and

(ii) Specialised Training

A post-secondary course at a specialised training college. This may be preceded by a one-year preparatory course in the Japanese language and other relevant subjects prior to placement at the specialized training college.

## 3.0 Fields of Study

(i) Undergraduate Students

Those who apply for an undergraduate program must choose a Field of Study from Social Sciences and Humanities or Natural Sciences, indicating the Major(s). Applicants may enter a first, second and third choice; More details on the field of study are available on the following website:

https://www.mu.emb-japan.go.jp/itpr\_en/11\_000001\_00544.html

(ii) Specialised Training College Students

Those who apply for a diploma in / or a specialized training college must choose a field of study from either Technology or Personal Care and Nutrition or Education and Welfare or Business or Fashion and Home Economics or Culture and General Education.

More details on the field of study and related subjects are available on the following website:

https://www.mu.emb-japan.go.jp/itpr en/11 000001 00544.html

3.1 Applicants are strongly encouraged to apply for fields of study that 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, Tertiary Education, Science and Technology, Ground Floor, MITD House, Pont Fer, Phoenix and on the following website:

https://education.govmu.org/

# 4.0 **Eligibility Requirements**

4.1 The conditions for eligibility are as per details mentioned in the application guidelines for the MEXT Scholarship which can be consulted on the following websites:

https://www.studyinjapan.go.jp/en/smap-stopj-applications-undergraduate.html https://www.studyinjapan.go.jp/en/smap-stopj-applications-specialized.html

A copy of the application guidelines for the MEXT Scholarships is also available for consultation from the Ministry's website:

https://education.govmu.org/

#### **5.0** Note to Candidates

- Applicants must be willing to learn Japanese. Applicants must be interested in Japan and be willing to deepen their understanding of Japan after arriving in Japan. Applicants must also have the ability to do research and adapt to living in Japan.
- 5.2 Selected candidates will be expected to undergo a paper test and interview to ascertain their language proficiencies in Japanese and English along with their subject knowledge. The result of the Japanese language examination will be used as reference for the Japanese language preparatory education to be provided after the grantee's arrival in Japan.
- 5.3 An applicant who has Japanese nationality at the time of application is not eligible for this scholarship. However, persons with dual nationality who hold Japanese nationality and whose place of residence at the time of application is outside of Japan are eligible to apply as long as they choose the nationality of the foreign country and give up their Japanese nationality by the date of their arrival in Japan.

#### **6.0 Scholarship Related Information**

6.1 Detailed information regarding the scholarship scheme is available on the following website:

https://www.mu.emb-japan.go.jp/itpr\_ja/11\_000001\_00438.html

## 7.0 <u>Mode of Application</u>

7.1 Applications must be made on the 2025 Application Form for the Japanese Government (MEXT) Scholarship available for download from the following websites:

https://www.studyinjapan.go.jp/en/smap-stopj-applications-undergraduate.html https://www.studyinjapan.go.jp/en/smap-stopj-applications-specialized.html

7.2 The completed application form along with all supporting documents should be submitted by registered mail to the Embassy of Japan in Mauritius, as per contact details below to reach it by **Friday 14 June 2024** at latest.

The Embassy of Japan in Mauritius MEXT Scholarship Information and Culture Section Level 6, Tower C 1 Exchange Square Wall Street Ebène 72201

7.3 Applicants are reminded that the final awards for scholarships would be made by the Japanese Authorities.

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