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“The Project for Human Resource Development Scholarship (JDS) by Japanese Grant Aid for PhD”

The Royal Civil Service Commission (RCSC) is pleased to re-announce the availability of one scholarship for PhD under the Japanese Grant Aid for Human Resource Development Scholarship (JDS) funding for 2023 intake as follows:

1. Scholarship Areas:

- Economics
- Engineering
- Seismology
- Flood Disaster
- Data Analytics/Mining
- Artificial Intelligence

2. Eligibility:

- Should be a Bhutanese;
- Have obtained a master’s degree in relevant field from any country (as per JDS framework);
 - *The specialization will depend on the field of study chosen by the applicant and approved by the respective agency, according to the critical needs of the agency and the country.*
- Those who have a MA Degree in Economics in Japan or ex-participants of JICA training are preferable;
- 45 years of age and below as of 1st April, 2023;
- Be a regular civil servant and RUB Lecturer;
- Have a recommendation from the supervisor of his/her current duty office. (Reference Letter should contain evaluation of applicant’s performance at work and relevance of his/her research theme to his/her career.);



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- Have a recommendation from the expected academic advisor(s) of the applying university;
- Have published peer reviewed article/paper or
 - *Have submitted a article/paper to a journal and is being under reviewed.
 - *Have a concrete plan to publish article/paper in academic journal in collaboration with prospective supervisor in applying university.
- Not have already obtained a doctoral degree;
- Not be currently awarded or to be awarded a scholarship from other foreign donors, and
- Have proficiency in English, sufficiently fluent for studying in Japan.

3. Other Criteria:

- Present a research proposal relevant to the development issues of the country;
- Be in good health both physically and mentally, and
- Complete the course within, and not exceeding three (3) years.

4. Documents Required:

I. While submitting the documents to the RCSC

- [LTT nomination application/LTT review checklist form;](#)
- Performance Rating/Moderation Score for last two year;
- Copy of system generated CV;
- Class XII Certificate and Mark sheet;
- Degree Certificate and Mark sheet (Both Bachelors and Masters);
- Merit certificates (Leadership, Volunteerism, Publication, and Professional Recognition), and



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ii. While completing the online application process after getting shortlisted by RCSC:

Required documents	File type	Notes
1. Short Essays	PDF (ONE file only)	*Prescribed form
2. Research Plan	PDF (ONE file only)	*Prescribed form
3. University Certificate of Degree * <i>Master's degree course (Attested)</i>	PDF (ONE file only)	Must contain all the grades earned from the university. Written in English or accompanied with official translation.
4. University Transcript of Academic Records * <i>Master's degree course (Attested)</i>	PDF (ONE file only)	
5. Professional Reference Letter	PDF (ONE file only)	*Prescribed form
6. Academic Reference Letter	PDF (ONE file only)	*Prescribed form <i>Must be attached: a copy of a peer-reviewed Article / Paper or a concrete plan</i>
7. Passport (or CID) * <i>No need to attest</i>	PDF (ONE file only)	If you don't have Passport, please submit color soft copy of CID.



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8. Photo	JPG, JPEG, PNG, GIF	✓ A Color photo, taken within the last 3 months ✓ 4:3 (height: width) aspect ratio ✓ Must be taken against a plain background
9. [If any] IELTS Certificate	PDF (One file only)	The Test taken on/after 1 Nov 2021.

*[Prescribed form](#) can be downloaded from JDS Bhutan HP.

*Before proceeding with the Apply online system, please prepare the required documents above in PDF format.

For further details please access to: <https://jds-scholarship.org/country/bhutan/index.html>

5. Information to candidate

- Eligible candidates must fulfill the in-service training criteria of the BCSR 2018 (unless specified otherwise in the scholarship criteria) and **those from RUB should fulfill the MoLHR service book for non civil service sector;**
- Applicants should consult respective Agency/Authority before applying for the course;
- Agency should ensure relevance of the course and forward application of the eligible and relevant candidates only;
and
- In addition, the interested civil servants are asked to strictly adhere to the PhD notification issued by the RCSC.



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6. Application Procedure and deadline

SI #	Event	Dates	Remarks
1	Re-announcement date	17-Oct--2022	Application submission must be routed through the Working Agency and Parent Agency. Applications from RUB should be routed through MoLHR.
1	Application closing date	10-Nov-2022	Applications must be submitted to the RCSC on or before this date
2	Shortlisting Result Announcement on website	16-Nov-2022	The RCSC to screen and shortlist the candidates and submit the namelist to the JICE JDS Office. *JICE will provide the candidates with necessary information on JDS application.

7. General Information:

- For program details and application procedures, please visit <http://jds-scholarship.org/country/bhutan/index.html> (the website will be opened on 10th August 2021) or attend online seminar provided by JICE Office, Changzamtok, Thimphu.
* Online seminar (register in advance): <https://zoom.us/j/908781993>
- For clarification/queries, contact Jamyang Norbu, HRDD at 02-322491 (Ext. 223) or email at jamayangn@rcsc.gov.bt