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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 announce the availability of one scholarship for Ph.D under the Japanese Grant Aid for Human Resource Development Scholarship (JDS) funding for 2024 intake as follows:

1. Scholarship Areas:

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

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;
- 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.
- 45 years of age and below as of 1st April, 2024;



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- Be a regular civil servant or 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.);
- Have a recommendation from the expected academic advisor(s) of the applying university;
- Have proficiency in English, sufficiently fluent for studying in Japan.
- Be in good health both physically and mentally, and
- Complete the course within, and not exceeding three (3) years.

Note: The candidate should comply to the Ph.D notification previously issued by the RCSC ([click here](#)) and those from RUB should fulfill the MoLHR service book for non civil service sector and route their application through MoICE.

3. Documents Required:

I. While submitting the documents to the RCSC

- [Duly filled in LTT form](#)
- Copy of system generated CV;
- Class XII Certificate and Mark sheet; and
- Degree Certificate and Mark sheet (Both Bachelors and Masters)

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



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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.
8. Photo	JPG, JPEG, PNG, GIF	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ 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 JICE JDS website.



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*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>

4. Information to candidate

- Eligible candidates must fulfill the in-service training criteria of the BCSR 2018 (unless specified otherwise in the scholarship criteria);
- 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
- Strictly adhere to the Ph.D notification issued by the RCSC.

5. Application Procedure and deadline

SI #	Event	Dates	Remarks
1	Application re-opening date	3-Oct-2023	Application submission must be routed through the Working Agency and Parent Agency.
1	Application closing date	27-Oct-2023	-
2	Shortlist	9-Nov-2023	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.

- For clarification/queries, contact Jamyang Norbu, HRDD at 02-322491 (Ext. 129) or email at jamayangn@rcsc.gov.bt