

Government of Pakistan
Economic Affairs Division
(Japan Wing)

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT: RECRUITMENT FOR THE HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM (JDS)-2026 IN PAKISTAN.

The undersigned is directed to refer to the subject and inform that the Government of Japan has announced Human Resource Development Scholarship Program (JDS)-2026 for young capable federal government officers to pursue **sixteen (16)** Master's Degree (Two years) and **one (1)** Doctoral Degree (Three Years) Scholarship's in different universities of Japan. The aim of JDS is to strengthen the administrative capacities of Civil Servants/Ex-Cadre Officers of Federal Government of Pakistan and enable them to contribute to the socio-economic development of the country.

2. The Japan International Cooperation Center (JICE) will provide the services to execute this program. JICE has now circulated this facility for Master's and Doctoral degrees for Academic year starting from 2027 at designated Japanese universities. Fields of study and allocation of the slots are as Follows: -

S#	Field of Study/Slot allocation	Master	PhD
1	Enhancement of Public Administration and Finance (Disciplines of Public Policy and Development Studies)	11	1
2	Enhancement of Industrial Promotion and investment Climate	3	
3	Enhancement of Energy Policy and Response to Climate Change	2	
Total		16	1

Basic Eligibility:

The applicant should:

- i. Be Cadre officers of occupational groups (CSS) / Ex-Cadre Officer of the Federal Government of Pakistan in BPS 17 and above.
- ii. Have at least 3 years of work experience including period of probation after entering into public service at the time of application deadline.
- iii. Have a good command of both written and spoken English.
- iv. Be in good health, physically and mentally to participate in the program in Japan.
- v. Not currently availing any other foreign scholarship simultaneously.
- vi. Not be military personnel.
- vii. Have not obtained Master's or higher degrees overseas under support of foreign scholarship programs (for Masters' Degree candidates).
- viii. Have not obtained Doctoral degree overseas under support of foreign scholarship programs (for PhD candidates).

Eligibility for Master's Program:

- i. Be between 25 and 40 years as of April 1st, 2027.
- ii. Possess a bachelor degree from a university authorized by the Government of Pakistan or other countries.

Eligibility for PhD Program:

- i. Be between 25 and 45 years as of April 1st, 2027.
- ii. Have Master's Degree issued from Universities of member countries of Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD).

- iii. Have published at least one peer-reviewed article (published in internationally recognized academic journals).
- iv. Have a letter of recommendation from an academic advisor is required for acceptance into a doctoral program, most applicants are contacting the professors who supervised them during their JDS master's studies.

3. All Ministries/Divisions/ Departments are requested to circulate the subject facility in their respective organization and direct the desiring suitable federal government officers to apply online through JICE's website: <https://jds-scholarship.org/> and also send nominations along-with hard copy of online JDS Application form, original surety bond, undertaking, valid Passport (on priority basis) and CNIC to the undersigned **latest by 27-11-2026**.

4. The prescribed JDS Application Form, Application Guideline and other information is available for download from JDS Website; <https://jds-scholarship.org/country/pakistan/index.html> Both programs (Masters'/PhD are available to apply on JDS website <https://jds-scholarship.org>). The JICE focal person's contact information is as follow:

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NOTE: *Applications received without nomination letter / endorsement of parent Ministry/Division will not be entertained. Furthermore, nomination of contractual employees will not be considered. In case of selection of the candidates, the concerned Ministries/Divisions/Departments are requested to ensure timely relieving of the officers along-with NOC.*


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10. Secretary, Revenue Division, Government of Pakistan, Islamabad
11. Secretary, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Government of Pakistan, Islamabad
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30. Secretary, Ministry of Science & Technology, Government of Pakistan, Islamabad
31. Secretary, Ministry of Water Resources, Government of Pakistan, Islamabad
32. Secretary, Ministry of Poverty Alleviation and Social Safety, Government of Pakistan, Islamabad
33. Secretary, Ministry of Defence, Government of Pakistan, Islamabad
34. Director General (Admin), President Secretariate, Government of Pakistan Islamabad.
35. Joint Secretary (Admin). Prime Minister's Office, Government of Pakistan, Islamabad.
36. Chairman, Planning & Development Board, Government of Punjab, Lahore
37. Chairman, Planning & Development Board, Government of Sindh, Karachi
38. Addl. Chief Secretary, Planning & Development Department, Government of KPK, Peshawar
39. Addl. Chief Secretary, Planning & Development Department, Government of Balochistan, Quetta.
40. Addl. Chief Secretary, Planning & Development Department, Govt of Gilgit-Baltistan, Gilgit.
41. Addl. Chief Secretary, Planning & Development Department, Government of AJK, Muzaffarabad

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- i. Joint Secretary (Training), Establishment Division, Islamabad.
- ii. Joint Secretary (Admin), EAD, Islamabad.
- iii. System Analyst (Computer Center), EAD with request to upload this circular along-with attachments on EAD's Website.