

MINISTRY OF EDUCATION

Indian ICCR Undergraduate Scholarships offered under Nehru Memorial/Rajiv Gandhi Scholarship Scheme-2023/24

Applications are invited from eligible Sri Lankans for the award of **95** undergraduate scholarships offered by the Government of India under the Nehru Memorial/Rajiv Gandhi Scholarship Scheme for the academic year 2023/24.

01. General eligibility requirements:

- (a) Should be a citizen of Sri Lanka.
- (b) Age limit should be 18-30 years by the deadline 08.03.2023.
- (c) The applicant should have a minimum of three passes at the G.C.E. (A/L) examination in the relevant fields conducted by the Department of Examinations, Sri Lanka.
- (d) Should possess a good knowledge of English. (Should have obtained at least a "C" pass in English at the G.C.E. O/L examination and "S" pass at the G.C.E A/L examination)
- (e) Should be in good health and ready to live in India during the period of study.
- (f) The applicant should not be registered or following a course at a state university in Sri Lanka as an internal student (a student selected by UGC based on the G.C.E. A/L results).

02. Fields of study:

| Se. No | Scholarship Scheme | Fields of Study | Number of |
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| | | | Scholarships |
| 01 | Nehru Memorial Scholarship Scheme | Engineering(BE/B.Tech), Science, Business, Economics, Commerce, Engineering, Humanities and Arts, | 75 |
| 02 | Rajiv Gandhi Scholarship Scheme | Information Technology Bachelor of Engineering (BE) Bachelor of Technology (B. Tech) *Only applicants in the Mathematical stream can apply for this program | 20 |

- Only one scholarship program, either the Rajiv Gandhi Scholarship Program or the Nehru Memorial Scholarship Program, is open to applicants for the Engineering (BE/B. Tech) stream.
- The ICCR scholarship council does not arrange admission in Medical/Paramedical (Nursing/Physiotherapy/Anesthesia etc.)/ Fashion Design/Law.

03. Medium of instructions: English

04. Terms of award:

The Scholarship covers full tuition fees for the entire duration of the course, monthly sustenance allowance, and an annual grant for books and stationery. In addition, air fare to the nearest destination in India and an annual grant for educational tours to various parts of the country, apart from several other auxiliary benefits are also offered. Selected candidates would also be provided hostel facility inside the respective campus.

05. Special notes:

- (a) Candidates who are awarded this scholarship would not be considered for university admission process of the University Grants Commission of Sri Lanka.
- (b) Award of the scholarship conditions laid down in this notification may vary as per the criteria imposed by the Indian authorities without prior notice.
- (c) Candidates who received scholarship would select the higher educational institutes recognized by the University Grants Commission of Sri Lanka.
- (d) If any student declines the offer after the selection process, he/she shall not be considered for any of the scholarships offered by Ministry of Education.
- (e) A student will not be given consideration for any future scholarships offered by this Ministry, if he/she has already been nominated for one of the scholarship offered by the Ministry.
- (f) Extension of the period of the scholarship will not be recommended by this Ministry.

06. Applications:

- a) Online application is available at: https://foreignscholarships.mohe.gov.lk/
- b) The deadline of the submission of the application is 08th March 2023
- c) Applicants should submit only one application via online portal and not required to send by post.
- d) Any statement in the application, which is found to be incorrect/false will liable to disqualification at any time and will lead to the withdrawal of the award.
- e) Incomplete in any respect or received late, will be rejected.

07. Nominations & selections:

- Eligible candidates will be called for an interview by the Ministry of Education, Sri Lanka.
- The nomination will be forwarded to the Indian ICCR scholarship awarding authority through High Commission of India. No candidate should treat his/her nomination for this Scholarship as the confirmation of award is a matter entirely within the discretion of the awarding authority.
- Any form of canvassing either written or verbal will be considered as a disqualification for a scholarship.

Secretary Ministry of Education No.18, Ward Place Colombo 07.

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