

MINISTRY OF EDUCATION

STATE DEPARTMENT FOR HIGHER EDUCATION & RESEARCH ANNOUNCEMENT

INDIAN SCHOLARSHIPS FOR THE ACADEMIC YEAR 2023-2024

The Ministry is in receipt of information that the Government of India informing of forty-eight (48) scholarships for Kenyans tenable in India through the Indian Council for Cultural Relations (ICCR) for undergraduate, postgraduate and PhD studies.

These scholarships are offered under the Africa Scholarship Scheme (ASS) for the academic year 2023-2024.

Applications from interested students will be submitted online through ICCR's A2A Scholarship Portal accessible at: https://www.a2ascholarships.iccr.gov.in. The portal will be open for application from 20th February, 2023 to 30th April, 2023.

The key highlights of the scholarships are as follows:

- 1. Applicants have the option to apply to 5 universities/institutions in order of their preference of study. List of participating Universities/Institutions can be accessed on A2A portal under 'University' link.
- 2. Each University/institute has unique eligibility criteria for courses offered. Candidates are advised to visit respective websites of preferred Universities to acquaint themselves with course requirements before initiating application. Students may also refer to the universities handbook/ University Grants Commission website at https://www.ugc.ac.in/
- 3. Physics, Chemistry and Mathematics {PCM} is a mandatory requirement for Engineering (BE/8.Tech) courses
- 4. Applicants for PhD courses should upload synopsis (proposal) of the research.
- 5. Applicants must be within the age bracket of 18-30 years for Undergraduate/postgraduate courses, and 18 to 45 years for PhD programmes at the time of opening the A2A portal.

- 6. A 500-words essay in English has been introduced to ascertain a candidate's English proficiency. Besides, applicants can also submit their TOFEL/IELTS etc. standardized Test scores if available. Universities may also conduct separate online interviews for applicants if so required.
- 7. Admission remains provisional until the time Universities verify the authenticity of original documents.
- 8. Once the admission is confirmed by the relevant university in India, the High Commission of India in Nairobi will decide on the award of scholarship to the applicant and issue a letter of award of scholarship. Decision of the Mission in award of scholarship will be final.
- 9. Students who have previously not availed ICCR scholarship will be given priority in award of scholarship.
- 10. Scholarship includes one return economy class airfare to the airport nearest to University/Institute.
- 11. Selected candidates will be required to produce a mandatory personal medical insurance valid in India with minimum sum assured for Indian Rupees Five Lakhs per annum (equivalent to US 6800) before travelling or on arrival in India from any of the insurance companies of choice
- 12. Selected students will be required to attend orientation/briefing at the High Commission, Education Wing before travelling to India.
- 13. For technical assistance, applicants may contact ICCR on email: a2asupport.iccr@gov.in or vipin.bisht@velocis.com.in; Tel.No.+91 8130516503 from 7:30AM to 3:30PM (EAT).
 - a. Any other inquiries regarding the scholarship may be sent to Education section, High Commission of India, Nairobi on email: education.nairobi@mea.gov.in