

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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Concessions/Scholarships to Indian Students
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of the countries which are providing concessions/scholarships to Indian students for higher education, country-wise;
- (b) the details of the concessions/scholarships provided by each of the said countries;
- (c) the number of students who have availed the benefits of the concessions during each of the last three years and the current year;
- (d) whether the Government has made any efforts to provide assistance in self-employment or to provide jobs to such students in the country and if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) whether the Government has constituted any committee to check the brain drain if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
(SMT. SMRITI ZUBIN IRANI)

(a) & (b) The Ministry of Human Resource Development facilitates the process for the award of External Scholarships offered by various countries under Cultural Exchange Programmes. At present, the following ten (10) countries are providing scholarships to Indian students:

(1) United Kingdom (2) New Zealand (3) China (4) Japan (5) Israel (6) Korea
(7) Italy, (8) Mexico (9) Sri Lanka and (10) Hungary.

The details of scholarships country-wise are as follows:

(1) Commonwealth Scholarship/Fellowship Plan- United Kingdom
(A) Round trip economy class ticket.

(B) Approved tuition and examination fees.

(C) Maintenance allowance at the rate of ₹977 per month (₹1,208 per month for those studying at institutions in the London Metropolitan area).

(D) Grant towards the expenses of preparing thesis or dissertation.

(E) An initial arrival allowance, incorporating in initial clothing grant for scholars from tropical countries.

(F) Grant to meeting the expenses for meeting the approved travel within the United Kingdom or overseas.

(G) Students pursuing doctoral studies and are required to undertake fieldwork outside United Kingdom are given one economy class return airfare to the fieldwork location.

(H) A paid mid-term fare to the scholars who are on three years doctoral award to travel to their home country.

(I) Spouse allowance of ₹ 220 per month is payable to Scholars if the study period exceeds 18 months. Scholars who are accompanied by their spouse and children are paid a child allowance at the rate of ₹138 per month for the first child and ₹108 per month for the second and third child under the age of 16, provided they are residing with their parents.

(2) New Zealand Commonwealth Scholarship: Awards

(A) Round trip economy class ticket.

(B) The tuition fee is fully funded.

(C) Financial support is provided which includes a fortnightly living allowance, an establishment allowance, medical and travel insurance.

(D) Assistance is provided towards research and thesis costs to postgraduate research students.

(E) Scholars who bring family members along with them are required to meet all their expenses. But, scholars may be eligible for

some non-financial help for immediate family members, such as a work visa (subject to immigration New Zealand requirements), access to New Zealand health care, and access to New Zealand primary and secondary education.

(3) Chinese Government Scholarship:

(A) Round trip economy class ticket is provided by Government of India.

(B) Government of China provides 2000 Yuans per month to all senior advanced students, 1400 Yuans per month to ordinary graduate students and 1100 Yuans per month to undergraduate students.

(C) Boarding, lodging, medical care, tuition and other fees are provided by the Government of China.

(D) In addition, Government of India provides 1170 Yuans per month to the scholars.

(4) Japanese Government [MEXT] Scholarship:

(A) Round trip economy class ticket.

(B) Government of Japan provides 143,000 Yen to Research Students (non-regular students), 144,000 Yen (regular students in Master's courses or professional graduate courses), or 145,000 Yen (regular students in doctoral courses) per month. 2,000 or 3,000 Yen per month is provided in addition if the research is in a designated region.

(C) Tuition and other fees are paid by the Japanese Government.

(5) Israel Government Scholarship:

(A) Travel cost is borne by the scholars himself/herself.

(B) The partial scholarship covers health insurance and tuition fees or monthly allowance for one academic year (8 months only). The full scholarship includes health insurance and tuition fees and monthly allowance.

(C) Accommodation and transportation in Israel are the applicant's responsibility.

(6) Korean Government Scholarship:

(A) Round trip economy class tickets.

(B) Monthly allowance of 9,00,000 Won per month is provided

(C) Research allowance of 2,10,000 Won is provided to scholars pursuing humanities and social sciences and 2,40,000 Won is provided to scholars pursuing natural and mechanic sciences, per semester.

(D) Full fee is provided towards language training.

(E) Relocation (Settlement) allowance of 2,00,000 Won is provided upon arrival (only for scholars from their own country, not the scholars who already currently live in Korea)

(F) All admission fees are waived and tuition fee is provided by the Government of Korea.

(G) 5,00,000 to 8,00,000 Won is provided towards dissertation Printing cost.

(H) 20,000 Won per month are provided towards medical insurance.

(I) 1,00,000 Won per month is provided to scholars who are proficient in the Korean language.

(7) Italian Government Scholarship:

(A) Air ticket is borne by the scholars themselves.

(B) A stipend amount of 700 Euro per month is provided by the Government of Italy.

(8) Mexican Government Scholarship:

(A) Round trip economy class tickets.

(B) Transportation from Mexico City to the host institution and back at the start and end of the scholarship, if studying outside of Mexico City

(C) Registration fees and tuition is provided.

(D) Health insurance from the Mexican Social Security Institute (IMSS), is provided starting in the third month of the scholarship period.

(E) Monthly stipend equivalent of 8,412.00 pesos (approximately US \$546.234) for undergraduate mobility scholarships,

specializations, master's degrees or master's-level research, Spanish language or Mexican culture courses.

(F) Monthly stipend equivalent of 10,515.00 pesos (approximately US \$681.90) for doctoral studies and research, postdoctoral fellowships and medical specializations and subspecialisations.

(9) Sri Lanka Presidential Scholarship:

(A) Round trip economy class tickets.

(B) Registration and tuition fees are provided.

(C) Rupees 30,000 is provided towards monthly living allowance.

(D) One-off settlement allowance of Rs. 10000 is provided.

(E) Medical benefits is provided at government hospitals.

(c) The number of students who have been nominated during each of the last three years and the current year is as follows:

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Name of the Country Year Number of students nominated

Israel 2012 15

2013 11

2014 13

2015 7

Korea 2012 3

2013 6

2014 9

2015 10

China 2012 25

2013 27

2014 23

2015 24

Japan 2012 52

2013 52

2014 52

2015 58

CSFP-UK 2012 56

2013 65

2014 52

2015 nil

New Zealand 2012 03

2013 02

2014 04

2015 04

South Africa 2012 Offer not received

2013 04

2014 Offer not received

2015 Offer not received

Kenya 2012 Offer not received

2013 02

2014 Offer not received

2015 Offer not received

Sri Lanka-CSFP 2012 Offer not received

2013 03

2014 Offer not received

2015 Offer not received

Sri Lanka Presidential Scholarship 2012 Offer not received

2013 1

2014 3

2015 Offer not received

Italy 2012 12

2013 35

2014 22

2015

Belgium 2012 7

2013 3

2014 Offer not received

2015 Offer not received

Mexico 2012 6

2013 3

2014 6

2015 On going
Split-site Scholarship- UK 2012 9
2013 3
2014 1
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(d) and (e) No madam.
