

Announcement of ICCR Africa Scholarship Scheme for 2020-2021

The Indian Council for Cultural Relations (ICCR), Ministry of External Affairs is offering 27 slots to Egyptian students under its **Africa Scholarship Scheme** for the academic year 2020-2021 for studying in Under-graduate, Post-graduate and PhD courses in various Indian Universities/Institutes.

Interested students should register and apply on the ICCR **A2A Scholarship Portal** and submit the Application to the Embassy. Some of the main highlights of the Scholarship Scheme are as follows:

- (i) The applicant has to register and apply online on the ICCR Scholarship Portal **“Admission 2 Alumni”** at <http://a2ascholarships.iccr.gov.in/>
- (ii) Students between the age of 18 years to 30 years can apply for Under-graduate and Post-graduate courses. However, the age limit for **PhD courses** is 45 years. Students should exercise due diligence & research in a dedicated manner on the specific admission criteria laid down by various Universities for each subject and submit all relevant documentation as required by the Universities in addition to the basic certificates mentioned in the application form.
- (iii) Since the medium of instructions for the course is English, the applicant should be able to speak, read and write in English. A written English Test will be conducted in the Embassy of India for all the eligible Students after scrutiny of their applications. **Only students proficient in English may apply.**
- (iv) After completing all the details and successful online submission, a printed hard copy may be sent, along with necessary copies of the requisite enclosures to the **Embassy of India, 5 Aziza Abaza Street, Zamalek, Cairo**, latest by 15th January 2020 for Undergraduate and Postgraduate, and by 15th July 2020 for PhD courses.

- (v) All students will have to stay in University hostels in India.
- (vi) Only applications submitted through the A2A Scholarship Portal will be considered. All the instructions, guidelines, FAQs, Universities List and other details are available on the A2A Scholarship Portal. Students are also requested to browse for additional information and requirement of the proposed University, through its website.
- (vii) For BSc and BE/BTech courses, candidates should have taken **physics, chemistry, and mathematics (PCM)** in their school leaving examination as this is mandatory criteria for these courses. It may also be noted that for science courses, the expenditure on laboratory chemicals and other related incidental charges during their study will be borne by the students themselves.
- (viii) Scholarship for admission in medical / paramedical (nursing / physiotherapy / anaesthesia etc.) and fashion courses are not admissible under this scheme.
- (ix) The scholarship will cover airfare, tuition fees, living allowance, and basic health cover.
- (x) An initial **Briefing Session on ICCR Africa Scholarship Scheme 2020-21 for Under-Graduate, Post-Graduate, and PhD applicants** will be organized on 5th December 2019 at Embassy of India, Cairo (5 Aziz Abaza Street, Zamallek) at 1400 hrs. All interested applicants are requested to attend this session before submission of online applications.
