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OFFER OF COMMONWEALTH SCHOLARSHIPS UNDER THE COMMONWEALTH SCHOLARSHIP AND FELLOWSHIP PLAN (CSFP) FOR 2013

Applications are invited from suitably qualified Mauritian nationals for the award of Commonwealth postgraduate scholarships offered by the following Commonwealth Countries/Institutions:

- Cameroon
- Kenya
- South Africa
- Swaziland
- Tanzania
- Sri Lanka
- University of South Pacific

The scholarship will be for a Master’s degree programme of a maximum of two years under the CSFP for 2013.

Details pertaining to the Scholarships may be found on the Ministry’s website at:

http://ministry-education.gov.mu

2. **Eligibility Criteria**

   (i) SC/GCE ‘O’ Level with credits in at least five subjects including English at one and the same sitting;

   (ii) HSC with three subjects at Principal level and a pass in GP obtained at one and the same sitting; and

   (iii) a minimum of Upper Second Class Honours Bachelor’s degree in a relevant field.

Candidates **must** indicate on their completed application form the Commonwealth Country/Countries regarding the scholarship(s) and the respective fields they are applying for. In case the space available at para. 1 and 2 of the application form is insufficient, candidates may attach additional sheets as required.

3. **Age Limit**

Candidates should not have reached 35 years of age as at closing date.
4. **General Conditions**

4.1 The scholarship covers full tuition fee, living stipend set at local rates, arrival allowance of USD 500 and one return economy class airfare from the home country of the student and the intended place of study.

4.2 Applicants are reminded that being nominated by the Ministry does not automatically guarantee final selection for an award. The final decision to award the scholarships rests with the donor institution.

4.3 Only the best-qualified candidates will be nominated. Candidates who have not been informed of their shortlisting within six weeks as from the closing date for application should consider that they have not been nominated.

5. **Mode of Application**

5.1 Applications must be made on the prescribed form available at the Scholarships Section, Ministry of Education and Human Resources, 1st Floor, MITD House, Phoenix, or downloaded from the Ministry’s website:

http://ministry-education.gov.mu

5.2 Applicants may also submit applications on-line on the following website:

http://citizen.gov.mu

However, applicants should submit to the Scholarships Section certified copies of all supporting documents after the online application which should not be later than the closing date specified below.

5.3 Candidates should ensure that certified copies of certificates, transcripts of final university results/marksheets and all other relevant documents relating to their qualifications are submitted to the Scholarships Section by the closing date. **Non-submission of these documents on time will result in their elimination from the selection exercise.** Certification of documents may be done at the Scholarships Section of the Ministry or at the Career Guidance Service in Rose Hill.

5.4 The completed Application Form along with all supporting documents should be submitted to the Scholarships Section of the Ministry by **Monday 15 April 2013 at 14.00 hours at latest.**

5.5 Responsible parties of applicants not in Mauritius may apply on behalf of their wards.
5.6 Applicants already in employment, whether public or private, must fill in the application forms in duplicate. One copy thereof along with the relevant supporting documents should be submitted to the Scholarships Section, and one copy to the applicant’s employer to enable the latter to decide on the release of the applicant for the course, and if so, on what terms and conditions. **Such information should be made available by the closing date.**

5.7 All documents/supporting evidence should be in English, or accompanied by a translation in English.

6. A Communiqué will be placed on the website in due course to inform applicants that the selection exercise has been completed.

Ministry of Education and Human Resources

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MITD House, Phoenix