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Government of India  
Ministry of Human Resource Development  
Department of Higher Education  
ES.4 Section  
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**2020 COMMONWEALTH MASTER'S SCHOLARSHIP IN THE UNITED KINGDOM**

Online applications are invited from Indian nationals for '2020 COMMONWEALTH MASTER' SCHOLARSHIP TENABLE IN THE UNITED KINGDOM' for pursuing one year Master's Degree Courses commencing from September/October 2020. The Scholarships are offered by the Commonwealth Scholarship Commission (CSC), UK.

**Online Applications:**

Candidates are required to apply online at the following portals:

- **Ministry of Human Resource Development portal:**

Link for online application: <http://proposal.sakshat.ac.in/scholarship/>. The portal would be active from 01 October 2019 to 15 November 2019.

- **Commonwealth Scholarship Commission's Online Application System (OAS):**

Link for OAS: [https://fs29.formsite.com/m3nCYq/iy6rpgiqua/form\\_login.html](https://fs29.formsite.com/m3nCYq/iy6rpgiqua/form_login.html). The OAS is active from 28 August 2019 to 30 October 2019.

**Note :** It is compulsory for the applicant to apply on both the portals before their respective deadline, failing which his/her candidature would be deemed ineligible.

**Note :** The last date for applying on CSC OAS is 30 October 2019.

**Note :** CSC has offered scholarship for pursuing Master's Course (one year) only. Master Degree programs which are less than 2 years in duration, are not equivalent to Master Degree in India.

**Note:** CSC does not offer scholarship for pursuing MBA.

**Number of nominations:**

39 nominations would be made to the CSC. The CSC will tentatively inform this Ministry of the selected candidates by June 2020.

**Eligibility:**

- (i) The applicant must be a Citizen of India.
- (ii) The applicant must be a permanent resident of India.
- (iii) The applicant must be available to start his/her academic studies in the UK by the start of the UK academic year in September/October 2020.
- (iv) The applicant should have completed or is expected to complete his/her Bachelor Degree by October 2020.
- (v) The applicant must not be able to afford to study in the UK without this scholarship. *(Candidates are compulsorily required to sign a declaration that they do not have access to sufficient funds to study in the UK).*
- (vi) Candidates who have already been abroad for studies/training/ specialization either on scholarships or on their own, for a period exceeding six months are eligible to apply, if they have been in India for at least two consecutive years as on 'date' after returning from abroad.

Commonwealth Master's Scholarship is offered under the following themes:

- Science and technology for development
- Strengthening health systems and capacity
- Promoting global prosperity
- Strengthening global peace, security and governance
- Strengthening resilience and response to crises
- Access, inclusion and opportunity.

**Selection and nomination**

- Candidates who have received an offer of admission from any participating universities must upload a copy of the same on the Ministry's portal at the time of online application, failing which their candidature will not be considered.
- In case there are more number of students than the available nominations, in that scenario, ranking of the University as per the 'QS Ranking 2020' would be taken to draw up the merit list.
- Theme-wise nomination would be made.



**GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS:**

1. Candidates who do not possess the eligibility criteria need not apply.
2. Canvassing in any form will be a disqualification.
3. It is very important that applicants who are in employment to which they wish to return after completion of their studies in UK should have an assurance from their organization that on the final selection by the CSC, they will be granted sufficient leave to complete the study.
4. Candidates are requested to frequently visit the Ministry Website [www.mhrd.gov.in/scholarships](http://www.mhrd.gov.in/scholarships) as all further announcements will be uploaded there. Queries via e-mail may be directed to [es3.edu@nic.in](mailto:es3.edu@nic.in).
5. The nominated candidates will be informed through e-mail and public notice on the Ministry's website.

**Important links:**

- For applying online to Ministry of Human Resource Development:  
<http://proposal.sakshat.ac.in/scholarship/>
- For applying to CSC through OAS:  
[https://fs29.formsite.com/m3nCYq/iy6rpgiqua/form\\_login.html](https://fs29.formsite.com/m3nCYq/iy6rpgiqua/form_login.html)
- Details of Commonwealth Master's Scholarship 2020:  
<http://cscuk.dfid.gov.uk/apply/masters-scholarships/>

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## **Anti-fraud Policy**

### **Definition of fraud (in respect to the scholarship)**

*Use of deception to deprive, cause loss to another person or party; or secure unwarranted personal gain.*

Falsely claiming academic and other achievements, false documentation, concealing/distorting information/ material whether it is in electronic form, signature, photograph will be treated as fraud and action would be taken accordingly.

The Ministry of Human Resource Development will investigate all the issues relating to fraud and will take appropriate action which includes legal action. The Ministry will ensure in developing, implementing and maintaining adequate systems of internal control to prevent and detect fraud.

In case of actual, attempted or suspected fraud one should report his/her concerns in the first instance to the Under Secretary, Scholarship. There is also an online 'Centralized Public Grievance Redress And Monitoring System (CPGRAM)' where complaint can be made. The link of the grievance portal is <https://pgportal.gov.in>.

