Ministry of Education, Higher Education and Vocational Education

POSTGRADUATE SCHOLARSHIPS UNDER THE CHINESE GOVERNMENT SCHOLARSHIPS PROGRAMME – 2027/28

Applications are invited from eligible Sri Lankans for the award postgraduates **(Masters & PhD)** scholarships offered by the People's Republic of China for the academic year 2027/28.

- Total Number of Scholarships – 20 (For Postgraduate & Undergraduate)

For more information, please refer to China Scholarship Council (CSC) web site: **http://www.campuschina.org**

01. General eligibility requirements:

a) All applicants should be citizens of Sri Lanka.

b) Applicants should be in good health and ready to live in China during the period of study.

c) The government sector employees should submit their applications through the Head of the institute.

Special Notes

- Applicants are required to provide at least one **pre-admission document** issued by the universities applying at the selection interview (end of December 2026). Pre-admission documents include pre-admission notice issued by the international students' admission department or invitation letter from the schools or professors, etc. Candidates are required to contact their desired Chinese universities directly for a pre admission document(Pre – admission notice or tutor acceptance letter)

Master's Applicants,

a) Age should be below **35** years of age on **31.12.2026.**

b) Should possess 04-year (minimum duration) Bachelor's Degree (SLQF 6) with a First or Second Class Upper division in the relevant field of study from a university recognized by University Grants Commission in Sri Lanka.

PhD Applicants,

a) Age should be below **40** years of age on **31.12.2026.**

b) Should possess 04-year Bachelor's Degree (SLQF 6) with a First or Second Class Upper division in the relevant field of study with a Master's degree (SLQF 9/10/11) from a recognized university by University Grants Commission in Sri Lanka

02. Fields of study:

Designated Chinese universities offer scholarship recipients academic programmes in Science, Engineering, Agriculture, Medicine, Economics, Law, Management, Education, History, Literature, Philosophy and Fine Arts. etc. Please visit the website http// www.campuschina.org for further information about designated Chinese universities and majors they offer

03. Medium of instructions:

a) Applicants who apply for Chinese – taught postgraduate (Master's and PhD) programme should possess HSK (Level 04)

b) Applicants should meet the admission requirements of the University of Preference in terms of language proficiency and academic ability, among others, when applying for a programme taught in a language other than Chinese.

c) Applicants who apply for English language –taught prgramme shall provide relevant language proficiency certificate according to the university's requirements IELTS or TOEFL report…etc.)

04. Terms of Award:

a) Tuition fees.
b) Free university dormitory or accommodation subsidy.
c) Monthly Stipend:
   - ❖ For Masters's students - CNY 3,000 per month
   - ❖ For PhD students - CNY 3,500 per month
d) Comprehensive medical insurance: CNY 800 per person per year.

Note: - Travel expenses to China and back to Sri Lanka should be borne by the candidate

05. Special Notes:

a) Scholarship conditions laid down in this notification may vary as per the criteria imposed by the Chinese Government without prior notice.

b) Candidates who received scholarship would select the Higher Educational Institutes recognized by the University Grants Commission of Sri Lanka.

c) If any student declines the offer after the selection process, he/she shall not be considered for any future scholarships that offered by the Ministry of Education, Higher Education and Vocational Education

d) Extension of the period of the scholarship will not be recommended by this Ministry.

06. Applications:

a) **Online application** is available at: https://foreignscholarships.mohe.gov.lk

b) **Applicants should apply for the relevant programme through above online portal either Master or PhD.**

c) Applicants should submit only one application via online portal and not required to send downloaded application by post.

d) **The deadline of the application is 08th December 2026**

e) Any statement in the application, which is found to be incorrect at any time will liable to disqualification and will lead to the withdrawal of the award.

f) Incomplete applications in any aspect will be rejected.

07. Interview & Selection:

a) **Eligible applicants will be shortlisted** by this Ministry on the basis of Academic merit order (cumulative GPA) and the shortlisted applicants will be notified via email to attend a structured interview at short notice.

b) Generally, the interviews will be held within a short period after the closing date. The candidate should produce original certificates of qualifications, Certificate of Birth, National Identity Card/ Passport and any other documentary evidence in support of his/her candidature at the interview. Traveling or other expenses incurred in connection with this interview will not be paid.

c) All selected applicants must provide a pre admission document issued by the applying universities.

d) Selected candidates will be notified by this Ministry to apply through CSC Online web portal before the date prescribed by the People's Republic of China.

e) The final selections will be made by the Chinese Scholarship Council (CSC) as the awarding authority. Therefore, no candidate should treat his/her nomination for a scholarship as an acceptance for an award.

f) Any form of canvassing either written or verbal will be considered as a disqualification for a scholarship.

g) The final decision regarding the award rests solely at the discretion of the Secretary, Ministry of Education, Higher Education and Vocational Education.

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