**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.

Selection process has been completed for UG-PG programs. But the deadline for submission of applications for the PhD courses has been extended till 24th August 2020.

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 A2A Scholarship Portal “Admission 2 Alumni” at http://a2ascholarships.iccr.gov.in/

(ii) 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) After completing all the details and successful online submission, a printed hard copy may be sent, along with necessary copies of the requisite enclosures(Document attached) to the Embassy of India, 5 Aziza Abaza Street, Zamalek, Cairo, latest by 24th August 2020 for PhD courses.

(iv) Since the medium of instructions for the course is English, the applicant should be able to speak, read and write in English. A written test to ensure functional knowledge in English will be conducted at the Embassy of India for all the eligible Students after scrutiny of their applications. **It is advised that only those students proficient in English may apply.**

(v) Online written exam to test English proficiency shall be conducted on 25th August 2020 for the candidates who have completed the registration process including the submission of the hard copy of application. Interview shall be conducted on 27th August 2020 via Zoom application for all the candidates who gave written exam on 25th August 2020.
(vi) All students shall stay in University hostels in India.

(vii) 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.

(viii) The scholarship will cover airfare, tuition fees, living allowance, and basic health cover.

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