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SUBJECT

: Project for Human Resource Development Scholarship by Japanese **Grant Aid (JDS)** 

The Japan International Cooperation Center (JICE) Project Office in the Philippines is pleased to announce that the application for 2-year Master's Degree program covering Japanese Academic Years (AY) 2019 - 2020, and 3-year Ph.D. program covering AY2019 and AY2021 under the Project for Human Resource Development Scholarship by Japanese Grant Aid (JDS) is now open.

The Project for Human Resource Development Scholarship by JDS was established by the Government of the Republic of the Philippines with the assistance of the Government of Japan in 2002. The objective of JDS is to support human resources development of the Philippines, targeting young officials, who are expected to be leaders of the country, and to engage in formulating and implementing social and economic development policies after return. Participants of the JDS Project shall contribute to an expanded and enhanced foundation for bilateral relations between the Philippines and Japan.

Interested applicants must meet the following required qualifications:

- 1) A Filipino Citizen;
- 2) Between 22 and 39 years old as of April 1, 2019 (in principle);
- 3) Must be an employee of the Philippine Government and NOT a member of the military;
- 4) Currently employed in the Philippine Government, has permanent status, has 2 years of work experience particularly in work relevant to the selected Component, at the time of application;
- 5) Has bachelor's degree relevant to the applying target fields;
- 6) Has a performance rating of at least "Very Satisfactory" from July 1, 2017 to June 30 2018 in the organization;
- 7) English Proficiency of TOEFL PBT 550/ iBT 79-80 or IELTS 6.5 or higher:
- 8) Has not been awarded foreign scholarship for Master's degree.



In line with this, Promotion Seminars are scheduled on September 3-14, 2018 to provide detailed information on the JDS Project and on how to prepare application documents for prospective applicants. The schedule of the JDS Promotion Seminars are as follows:

Date	Time	Venue
September 3, 2018	1:00 pm – 4:00 pm	Auditorium, 4/F CSC Resource Center, IBP Road, Constitution Hills, Quezon City
September 6, 2018	1:30 pm – 5:00 pm	NEDA Regional Office Legazpi City, Bicol
September 12, 2018	10:30 am – 1:30 pm	NEDA Regional Office Iloilo City, Visayas
September 13, 2018	1:30 pm – 4:30 pm	SUBIC Bay Metropolitan Authority Olongapo City, Zambales
September 14, 2018	1:30 pm – 4:30 pm	JICA Philippine Office Makati City

Application guidelines/documents and university information can be downloaded at the JDS website (http://jds-scholarship.org). Accomplished form and all other required supporting documents must be submitted on or before October 31, 2018 to the JICE JDS Project Office located at unit 2-F1, Island Plaza Salcedo, 105 L.P. Leviste Street, Salcedo Village, Makati City, Philippines.

For further details and information, interested participants may coordinate with **Ms. Ruby Deanon** and **Ms. Joann Murillo**, JICE JDS Project Office, at telephone number (02) 753-3261 or through email at jds.philippines@jice.org.

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