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Circular Letter No.34 of 2023

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From: Secretary for Public Service

To: Supervising Officers in charge of Ministries/Departments

**African-Asian Rural Development Organisation and Shobhit Institute of Engineering and Technology
Partial Scholarship Programmes**

The African-Asian Rural Development Organisation (AARDO) and the Shobhit Institute of Engineering and Technology (SIET) is inviting applications for partial scholarship opportunities at the SIET in Meerut, Uttar Pradesh, India in the following programmes-

Under Graduate Programmes

SN	Course	Duration
1	Bachelor of Science (BSc) in Agriculture	4 years (8 Semesters)
2	Bachelor of Technology (B. Tech) <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Agricultural Technology (Agri-Information)• Computer Science & Engineering• Biomedical Engineering• Biotechnology	4 years (8 Semesters)

Master Degree Programmes

SN	Course	Duration
1	Master of Technology (M. Tech) - <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Agricultural Technology (Agri-Information)• Computer Science and Engineering• Biomedical Engineering• Biotechnology	2 years (4 Semesters)
2	Master of Business Administration (MBA) - Agri-Business Management	2 years 4 (Semesters)

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2. The Scholarship offered under this programme will cover 50% waiver on the total tuition fees and hostel fees up to an upper ceiling of Indian Rupees 20,000/- (approximately US \$250 each year) only for the period of study (2/4 years as applicable). The cost of both-way air tickets will have to be met by the nominee, except for five(5) candidates who will be sponsored by AARDO, based on the merit list to be provided by the selection committee of Shobhit University.

3. The General Guidelines of the Partial Scholarship programmes, which includes the eligibility criteria and application guidelines, is at Annex.

4. Interested candidates should-

- (a) seek clearance as mentioned at paragraph 7 below and thereafter submit their applications online for the respective course through the link:
<https://www.shobhituniversity.ac.in/shobhit-aardo-scholarship-form.php>
- (b) submit, through their respective Supervising Officers, a printed copy of their applications together with the relevant documents listed below to the Human Resource Development Division of this Ministry (attention: Mrs J. Narayanasmi Reddi), by **Thursday 17 August 2023**, for onward transmission to AARDO, for consideration:
 - (i) Survey and Undertaking forms (original + 1 copy);
 - (ii) Application form (original + 2 copies);
 - (iii) Copies of educational and professional qualifications [Degree certificate (if applicable) and mark sheets (3 copies)];
 - (iv) Copy of Passport and Birth Certificate (3 copies);
 - (v) *Curriculum Vitae* (3 copies);
 - (vi) Statement of purpose (800-1000 words) (3 copies);
 - (vii) Two letters of reference (3 copies);
 - (viii) Proof of language proficiency (3 copies);
 - (ix) Medical Certificate and x-ray reports (original + 2 copies);
 - (x) 2 photos (Passport size); and
 - (xi) any other documents required by the Organisers.

5. Applications should be submitted by the prescribed deadline to enable the donor country/agency to process the application on time. **The final decision for the selection of applicants rests solely with the donor agency/country.**

6. All necessary clearances, as appropriate, should be sought by the nominating Ministry/Department and the procedures set out in this Ministry's Circular Letter No. 41 of 27 September 2016 should be strictly complied with.

7. In view of the fact that **nominations for any programme are subject to exigencies of the service**, applicants should imperatively seek and obtain approval from their respective Responsible Officers for their release in the event they are awarded the scholarship. The conditions for the release of an officer are as follows:-

- (a) an officer shall be eligible for study leave with pay in accordance with paragraph 16.4.81 of the PRB Report 2021, where he is nominated for an open scholarship which is considered as in-service training and the course is a priority field of study;
- (b) where an officer is granted study leave with pay, he will be required to enter into a bond with the Government of Mauritius in accordance with the provisions laid down in this Ministry's Circular Letter No. 1 of 2022; and

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- (c) where the officer does not satisfy the conditions for the grant of study leave with pay, he may opt for leave without pay for study purposes in accordance with paragraph 16.4.94 (G) of the PRB Report 2021.
8. For all overseas (face-to-face) training, the conditions imposed by the Ministry of Health and Wellness and issued in this Ministry's Circular Letter No. 50 of 2021, should be strictly complied with.
9. It would be appreciated if the content of this Circular Letter could be brought to the attention of all eligible public officers serving in your Ministry/Department including those in Local Authorities, Statutory Bodies and State-Owned enterprises falling under the purview of your Ministry/Department.



K. Conhye
Secretary for Public Service

Copy to: Secretary to Cabinet and Head of the Civil Service



Shobhit

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Deemed to-be-University

EDUCATION EMPOWERS



AARDO AND SHOBHIT INSTITUTE OF ENGINEERING AND TECHNOLOGY (SIET) PARTIAL SCHOLARSHIPS

S.No.	Name of the Programme	Tuition fees	Tuition fees after 50% Scholarship
A. Undergraduate Programme			
I. Bachelor of Science (B.Sc.)			
1)	Agriculture	USD 2500	USD 1250
II. Bachelor of Technology (B.Tech)			
1)	Agricultural Technology (Agri-Informatics)	USD 3000	USD 1500
2)	Computer Science & Engineering		
3)	Biomedical Engineering		
4)	Biotechnology		
B. Master Degree Programme			
III. Master of Technology (M.Tech)			
1)	Agricultural Technology (Agri- Informatics)	USD 3000	USD 1500
2)	Computer Science & Engineering		
3)	Biomedical Engineering		
4)	Biotechnology		
IV. Master of Business Administration (MBA)			
1)	Agri- Business Management	USD 3000	USD 1500

Cost for University Housing & Dining Services

The Scholarship will cover hostel charges up to an upper ceiling of Rs. 20,000/- (approximately US \$250) only each year for the period of study programme (2/4 years as applicable).

Hostel Boarding and Mess charges (Per Academic Year)	
Room Type	Sharing accomdation
Air-Cool	USD 1250
Air-conditioned	USD 1750

Hostel Security Amount (Refundable): Rs. 5000/- INR

Email: international@shobhituniversity.ac.in

WhatsApp: +91 – 7042108064

Website: www.shobhituniversity.ac.in

Payments Options

The Fees are payable on annual basis. The University will not accept any cheque or cash. Fees could be paid either through crossed Demand Draft in favour of Shobhit University, payable at Meerut, Uttar Pradesh, India or money transfer through bank which is to be done before the commencement of Semester. In India the only currency accepted is INR but for the convenience, international students may deposit fees in USD also.

Bank Details :

Name of Account :	Shobhit Institute of Engineering & Technology (Shobhit University)
Address:	NICE Society Campus, Dulhera Marg, Roorkee Road, Meerut
Bank Name:	Union Bank of India
Bank: Address:	Union Bank of India, Shastri Nagar, Meerut, Uttar Pradesh, India
Account No. :	496604010029158
IFSC/RTGS Code:	UBIN0549665
Swift Code:	UBININBBMRT
MICR Code:	250026007
Branch Code:	549665



**AFRICAN-ASIAN RURAL DEVELOPMENT ORGANIZATION (AARDO)
AND
SHOBHIT INSTITUTE OF ENGINEERING AND TECHNOLOGY(SIET)
PARTIAL SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAMMES**

General Guidelines of

**BACHELOR OF SCIENCE (B.SC.)/ BACHELOR
OF TECHNOLOGY (B.TECH.)/ MASTER OF
TECHNOLOGY (M.TECH.)/ MASTER OF
BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION (MBA)**

AARDO AND SHOBHIT INSTITUTE OF ENGINEERING AND TECHNOLOGY (SIET) PARTIAL SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAMMES

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE (B.SC.)/ BACHELOR OF TECHNOLOGY (B.TECH)/ MASTER OF TECHNOLOGY (M.TECH)/ MASTER OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION(MBA)

The African-Asian Rural Development Organization (AARDO) and The Shobhit Institute of Engineering and Technology (SIET) are pleased to invite applications through the SIET and AARDO "Partial Scholarships to Bachelor of Science (B.Sc.)/ Bachelor of Technology (B.Tech)/ Master of Technology (M.Tech)/ Master of Business Administration (MBA) Programmes" offered by SIET.

The programmes offered by AARDO and SIET under Engineering & Technology (B.Tech/ M.Tech) are designed to enable students to Gain sufficient knowledge and understanding of the appropriate scientific and mathematical fundamentals necessary to develop their professional skills. Business Studies (MBA) is designed with extensive industry consultation and academic experts' advice drawn from premier management institutes and emphasis of curriculum rests on the premise of grooming leaders with thought, vision and knowledge. B.Sc. (Hons)- Agriculture to bridge the developments gaps in human resources for Agricultural and Rural Development Sector, through higher education.

Scholarship Benefits



* each year for the period of study programme (2/4 years as applicable).

**only for five candidates based on the merit list to be provided by the selection committee of SIET and on status of membership contribution of participant's country.

Scholarship Eligibility

- Citizens of an AARDO member country.
- Only applicants living/working in AARDO countries are eligible
- Applicants should be enrolled in the programme full time
- All applications will be screened and evaluated by a selection committee

COURSES OFFERED UNDER EACH PROGRAMMES AT SIET

Under Graduate Programmes

Details	Bachelor of Science (B.Sc.)	Bachelor of Technology (B.Tech)
Duration	4 Years 8 Semester	4 Years 8 Semester
Courses	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Agriculture	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Agricultural Technology (Agri-Information)• Computer Science & Engineering• Biomedical Engineering• Biotechnology

Master Degree Programmes

Details	Master of Technology (M.Tech)	Master of Business Administration (MBA)
Duration	2 Years 4 Semester	2Years 4 Semester
Courses	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Agricultural Technology (Agri-Information)• Computer Science & Engineering• Biomedical Engineering• Biotechnology	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Agri-Business Management

Eligibility

Minimum qualifications:

B.Sc. Agriculture Honors – Bachelor of Science (4 Years)

Admission to B.Sc. (Hons) Agriculture Programs is open to candidates who have Passed (10+2) / Intermediate / Higher Secondary from any approved Board with Physics, Chemistry, and Mathematics / Physics, Chemistry, and Biology/Agriculture.

B.Tech. -Bachelor of Technology (4 Years)

Admission to B.Tech. Programs is open to a student who passed / appeared Intermediate / Higher Secondary (10+2) from any approved Board with minimum 50% marks in Physics, Chemistry, and Mathematics /Physics, Chemistry, and Biology.

M.Tech. –Master of Technology (2 Years)

Admission to M. Tech Programs is open to a student who passed B.Tech. or an equivalent degree in the

Qualified branch of Engineering with a minimum of 55% marks from a recognized University or MCA or M.Sc. degree in a related branch with 60% or higher aggregate marks from a recognized University.

MBA – Master of Business Administration (2 Years)

Admission to MBA Program is open to candidates who have passed a Bachelor's degree or its equivalent in any discipline from a recognized university with at least 50% aggregate marks.

Please note:

- Foreign nationals with an eligible degree from Indian Universities will be treated on par with Indian nationals for admission.
- Foreign nationals with foreign degrees must meet the minimum educational requirements equivalent to an Indian Master's degree in the relevant disciplines.
- Foreign students are expected to have a working knowledge of English.
- If the medium of instruction for their qualifying degree was not English, applicants must produce proof of proficiency in English - IELTS with a minimum score of 6.5 (overall) or a TOEFL score of 80 (overall). Test results should be dated no earlier than 15 September 2019.
- Foreign nationals can only register as full-time scholars.
- All the applicants should have a good academic record.
- The Selection Committees may set higher evaluation criteria than the minimum eligibility criteria listed.
- The selection, admission, and award of the Bachelor/Master degree shall be governed by the ordinances of the senate of Shobhit University.

Scanned Documents required with the online application

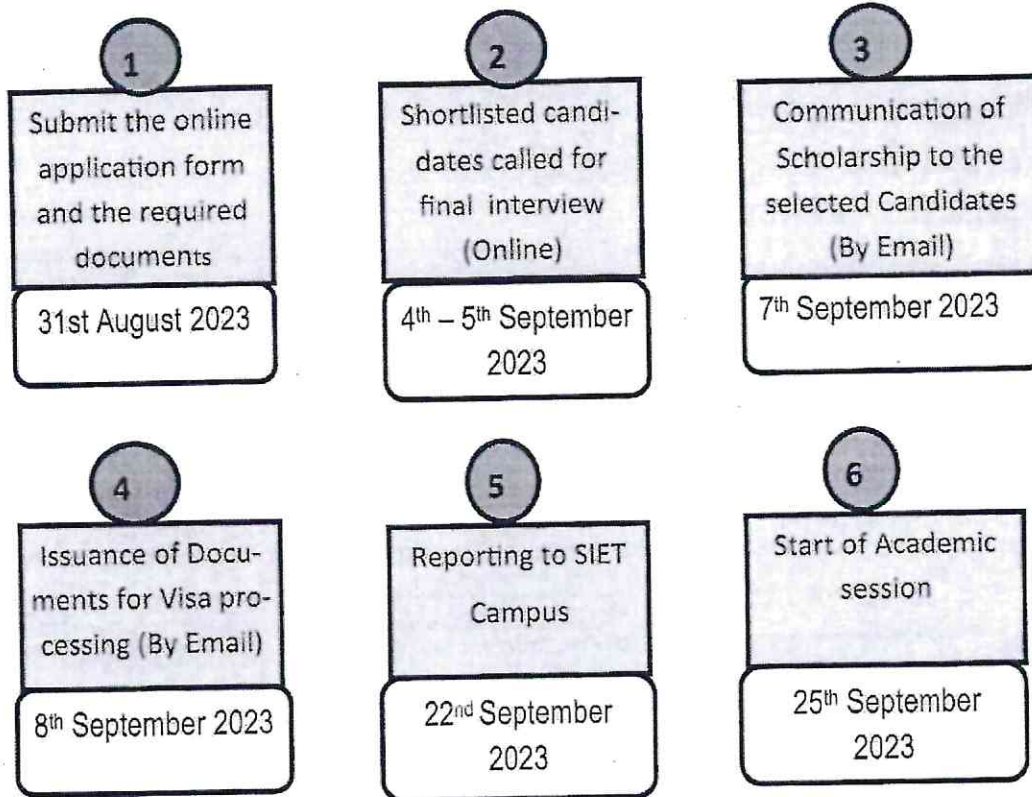
- Educational Qualifications – Degree Certificates and Mark sheets
- Proof of Nationality - Passport
- Curriculum Vitae
- Statement of Purpose (800-1000 words)
- Two Letters of Reference
- If employed, a Relieving Certificate from your employer
- Proof of Language Proficiency
- Photo (Passport size)
- Endorsement from AARDO

Please note:

- Incomplete applications or those submitted after the deadline will not be accepted.
- Documents submitted in a foreign language should be accompanied by a full English language translation. The translation should be certified by the translator and bear their certification credentials
- If you have a long-term health condition, disability, specific learning difficulty or mental health condition we encourage you to disclose this in your application with any relevant information.

APPLICATION GUIDELINES

Applications are invited through the AARDO and SIET Partial Scholarships. All candidates seeking admission to the program must submit their initial application in a prescribed form along with attested copies of relevant testimonials in the website <https://www.shobhituniversity.ac.in/shobhit-aardo-scholarship-form.php> of the University as per the following timeline.



TIMELINE OF SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAMME

Selected candidates shall be enrolled for the program only after submitting medical fitness certificate and after arrival at SIET campus they need to undergo medical fitness.

Scholarship Details

Students selected to AARDO and the SIET Scholarship will be offered the following

- 50% waiver on the total tuition fees
- Hostel charges up to an upper ceiling of Rs. 20,000/- (approximately US \$250 each year) only for the period of study (2/4 years as applicable).
- Both way air-tickets, sponsored by AARDO, for joining in and on successful completion of the programme, only for the five candidates on the merit list to be provided by the selection committee of Shobhit University.

*For 2/4 years from the start of the programme subject to terms and conditions

LINKS FOR FURTHER INFORMATION

SIET Website: <https://www.shobhituniversity.ac.in/>

Online Application Link for partial scholarship : <https://www.shobhituniversity.ac.in/shobhit-aardo-scholarship-form.php>

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ABOUT AARDO

The **AFRICAN-ASIAN RURAL DEVELOPMENT ORGANIZATION** is a rural centric inter-governmental autonomous organization located at 2, State Guest Houses Complex, Chanakyapuri, New Delhi 110 021, India .

African Asian Rural Development Organization is mandated to develop understanding among members for better appreciation of each other's problems and to collectively explore, opportunities for coordination of efforts for the welfare and eradication of thirst, hunger, illiteracy, disease and poverty amongst rural people in the African-Asian region. The Organization comprises thirty four (34) members, which include thirty one (32) countries namely, Burkina Faso, Egypt, Ethiopia, Eswatini, Gambia, Ghana, Kenya, Liberia, Libya, Malawi, Mauritius, Morocco, Namibia, Nigeria, Sierra Leone, Sudan, Tunisia and Zambia from Africa, and Bangladesh, R.O. China (Taiwan), India, Iraq, Jordan, R.O. Korea, Lebanon, Malaysia, Oman, Palestine, Pakistan, Sri Lanka, Syria and Yemen from Asia, as the full members, and Korea Rural Community Corporation (KRC), R.O. Korea and The Agricultural Bank of Sudan (ABS), Sudan as Associate Members.

AARDO is promoting South-South Triangular cooperation in the domain of agricultural and rural development. As such, AARDO is championing and advocating more science to rural societies for inclusive transformation of rural areas in Africa and Asia.

**ABOUT THE HOST TRAINING INSTITUTE
SIET**

Shobhit Institute of Engineering & Technology (previously known as Shobhit University) is a NAAC 'A' Grade Accredited multi-disciplinary, research-centric Deemed-to-be University notified by the Government of India, Ministry of Human Resource Development, Department of Higher Education vide its Notification No. F-9-37/2004-U.3(A) dated November 8, 2006, under section 3 of the University Grants Commission Act 1956. Under Section 3 of the UGC Act, Deemed-to-be University status is granted by the Central Government of India to those educational institutions of repute, which fulfill the prescribed standards and comply with various requirements laid down by the UGC.

On behalf of the University, we with pleasure welcome students from different friendly nations to pursue quality higher education in India at Shobhit Institute of Engineering Technology (Deemed to be University), The University is in historical city Meerut, which is the second largest city of National Capital Region after Delhi.