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Ministry of Civil Service Affairs and Administrative Reforms
Circular Letter No. 17 of 2004

To: Supervising Officers i/c Ministries/Departments

Sponsorship – Post-Graduate Courses run on part-time basis at the University of Mauritius, University of Technology, Mauritius (UTM) and other recognised local institutions

Reference is made to this Ministry’s Circular Letter No. 8 of 2004.

1. Following representations/suggestions received, it has been decided that the above-mentioned Scheme be amended inter-alia to allow Diploma holders who reckon a certain number of years in Government Service to benefit from the sponsorship to follow post-graduate courses run on part-time basis at the University of Mauritius, University of Technology, Mauritius (UTM) and other recognised local institutions. In this context paragraphs 2(iv), 2(v), 3(iv) and 5 of the circular letter are amended to read as follows:

3. (a) Paragraph 2(iv):

Field of Study

The field of study chosen should have a direct link with regard to the officer’s duties and the responsibilities of the position he holds.

(b) Paragraph 2(v):

Holder of a first degree

Officers should be holders of a first degree from a recognised University and should reckon at least five years’ service in their respective grade/cadre.

"Note
An officer not holding a first degree but who reckons at least 10 years service in Government and is holder of a Diploma and satisfies all other eligibility criteria of the scheme may also apply for the sponsorship.

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(c) **Paragraph 2 (vi)**

**Funding**

Officers will be refunded only once under the scheme. The sponsorship, which shall be of up to an amount of Rs 200,000, includes registration, examination and other related fees payable to the University of Mauritius or University of Technology, Mauritius (UTM) or other recognised local institutions. The payment will be effected on a **refund basis** on presentation of relevant evidence (original receipts). No re-sit will be funded, as this will have to be borne by the Officers. Officers not completing the course should refund the Government the amount sponsored.

(d) **Paragraph 5:**

The scheme shall be deemed to be effective as from **15 April 2002**.

4. It would be appreciated if this Circular Letter could be brought to the attention of all officers concerned in your Ministry/Department.

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