



**MINISTRY OF PUBLIC SERVICE, ADMINISTRATIVE AND
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Ministry of Public Service, Administrative and Institutional Reforms
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From: Secretary for Public Service

To: Supervising Officers in charge of Ministries/Departments

**AARDO IIT Madras- Scholarship for Master of Science by Research (MS) Programme in
Chennai, India**

The African-Asian Rural Development Organisation (AARDO), in collaboration with the Indian Institute of Technology, Madras (IITM), is inviting applications for a two years full-time Master of Science by Research (MS) Degree Programme at IITM, Chennai, India, which will start in January 2023.

2. The scholarship offered under this programme covers admission and tuition fees, monthly living allowances for the whole period (two years) and onetime cost of air tickets for selected candidates to travel to India and back to their respective countries after completion.

3. The prospective applicants should be-

- (a) young officers inclined towards research careers, design and conceptualisation; and
- (b) holder of a Bachelor's degree in Engineering/Technology from a recognized Institute or University for a minimum of four years duration;

or

- (c) holder of a MSC degree in appropriate Sciences or a relevant discipline from a recognized Institute or University for a minimum 3 + 2 years duration.

4. The application process should be made online through the website: www.aardo.org (IITM AARDO Admission link). Deadline for submission of application to the Institute is **Thursday 10 November 2022**.

5. Interested candidates should submit, through their respective Supervising Officers, the duly filled in documents listed below to the Human Resource Development Division of this Ministry, attention Mrs J. Narayanasami Reddi, by **Thursday 13 October 2022, at latest** –

- i. Survey and Undertaking forms (original and 1 copy);
- ii. Application form (original and 2 copies);
- iii. Copies of educational and professional (Degree certificate and Mark Sheets) (3 copies);
- iv. Copy of Birth Certificate (3 copies);

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- 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 and 2 copies);
- x. Copy of passport (3 copies); and
- xi. Photo (Passport Size).

6. This Circular Letter together with a General Guide to Admissions from the IITM can be accessed on this Ministry's website at <https://civilservice.govmu.org/Pages/Circulars%202022/circular22.aspx> . The Survey and Undertaking forms are available on this Ministry's website on: <https://civilservice.govmu.org/Documents/TAPS/Survey%20forms.pdf> .

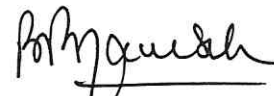
7. All necessary clearances, as appropriate, should be sought by the nominating Ministry/Department, and the procedures set out in this Ministry's Circular Letter No 41 of 2016 should be strictly complied with.

8. Given that **nominations for any of the programmes are subject to the exigencies of the service**, applicants should imperatively seek and obtain confirmation from their respective Responsible Officers that they would be released in the event they are awarded the scholarship before submitting their application. 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 2021 PRB Report 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 under this Ministry's Circular Letter No. 1 of 2022; and
- (c) where the officer does not satisfy the conditions for the grant of study leave with pay, he may take advantage of leave without pay for study purposes in accordance with paragraph 16.4.94 (G) of the 2021 PRB Report.

9. For all overseas (face to face) training, the conditions imposed by the Ministry of Health and Wellness, and highlighted in this Ministry's Circular Letter No. 50 of 2021, should be strictly observed.

10. 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.



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Secretary for Public Service

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