



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 – Master’s Degree Programme at Park Chung Hee School of Policy and Saemaul, Yeungnam University, Gyeongsan, Republic of Korea – Spring Admissions 2024

The African - Asian Rural Development Organisation (AARDO), in collaboration with the Park Chung Hee School of Policy and Saemaul (Community), University of Yeungman, Gyeongsan, Government of the Republic of Korea, is inviting nominations for the enrolment of Master’s Degree Programme as follows –

Department	Major	Degrees offered
Saemaul and International Development	Saemaul and International Development	Master of Saemaul Development Studies
		Master of Arts in Saemaul International Development
		Master of Public Policy and Saemaul
Public Policy and Leadership	Public Policy and Leadership	Master of Arts in Development Economics
		Master of Public Policy
Sustainable Development	Forest and Environmental Policy	Master of Public Policy
		Master of Public Administration
		Master of Science

2. The admission, tuition fee for the four semesters and monthly living allowance for a period of twelve months would be covered under the fellowship of the University while AARDO would meet the cost of the two-way air tickets for the selected candidates.
3. The duration of the Masters is one and a half year or four semesters. The nominees will be required to complete the first three semesters on campus in the Republic of Korea and may choose to prepare for their thesis either in Korea or in Mauritius.
4. Interested candidates should meet the criteria laid down by AARDO, i.e, they should have:
 - (a) a bachelor’s degree from a recognised institution or University equivalent to a 4 - year Korean bachelor’s degree;
 - (b) High level of English proficiency; and
 - (c) must be in good health, suitable for completing the degree programme.

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5. Prospective applicants may apply for admission directly to the University, through the website: <http://psps.yu.ac.kr>. The last date of submission of online admission forms through the website is **Friday 13 October 2023**. A copy of the application must be forwarded to AARDO Secretariat at cbdp@aardo.org and copied to this Ministry on trainingmcsar@govmu.org.

6. Applicants should submit, through their respective Supervising Officers, the duly filled in documents listed below, to the Human Resource Development Division of this Ministry, to the attention of Mrs J. Narayanasami Reddi, at latest by **Monday 16 October 2023-**

- (a) Application form (3 copies)
- (b) Survey and Undertaking forms (original and 2 copies) available on: <https://civilservice.govmu.org/Documents/TAPS/Survey%20forins.pdf>;
- (c) Copies of educational and professional certificate, including transcript, to be apostilled by government authorities (2 copies);
- (d) Copy of Birth Certificate and Passport (2 sets);
- (e) Recommendation letter indicating how the training programme will be beneficial to the applicant and the organisation he/she is working for (2 copies); and
- (f) Personal statement (2 copies).

7. This Circular Letter and the Admission General Guide from AARDO may be download from this Ministry's website: <https://civilservice.gov.mu.org/Pages/Circulars%202023/circular23.aspx>

8. 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.

9. 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 before submitting their applications. 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 in the list of 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
- (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.

10. 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.

11. 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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