

MINISTRY OF CIVIL SERVICE AND ADMINISTRATIVE REFORMS MAURITIUS

Ministry of Civil Service and Administrative Reforms Circular Letter No 68 of 2014 E/75/60/01/05

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From: Senior Chief Executive, Ministry of Civil Service and Administrative Reforms

To: Supervising Officers i/c Ministries/Departments

Australia Awards Scholarships 2016

The Australian Government is offering a number of Australian Development Scholarships (Masters' Programme) commencing in January 2016 in the following fields of study:

- ➤ Agriculture/Food Security
- > Infrastructure
- ➤ Natural Resource Management (including Environment, Climate Change, Urban Water Management and Ocean/Marine Management)
- Public Policy (including National and Municipal Public Policy, Finance Management, Public Sector Reform, Public Private Partnerships, Trade and International Diplomacy)
- 3. The scholarships cover airfares, tuition fees, medical cover and a living allowance. Study in Australia is subject to the successful applicant being issued with a visa by the Australian Department of Immigration and Citizenship (DIAC). As part of the visa application process, immigration authorities require candidates to undergo a full medical examination.
- 4. This Ministry will organize an Information Sharing session on Friday 17 October 2014 at 10.30 am at Fooks House, 6th Floor, Bourbon Street, Port Louis to better prepare prospective candidates, both for the application and interview exercise. Please note that Mrs D. Korlapu-Bungaree has been nominated as Australia Awards Alumni Ambassador and she will act as facilitator for this session. Interested candidates are required to show their expression of interest by email to jnarayanasami@mail.gov.mu at latest by Wednesday 15 October 2014.

- Applicants can thereafter download the preliminary application form and course 5. contents and other documents from the Mauritius page www.australiaawardsafrica.org from or this Ministry's website: http://civilservice.gov.mu . The scholarships offered, are subject to applicants satisfying the established criterias specified in the Desired Applicant Profile (DAP).
- 6. Applications should be submitted either electronically as per instructions on the website: www.australiaawardsaustralia.org or in hard copy directly to Australia Awards (Africa), Pretoria Office, Senior Manager Awards, GRM International Pty Ltd, 1140 Prospect Street, Level 3, Building 3, Hatfield Square, Hatfield, Pretoria, 0028, South Africa. A copy of the application should be submitted to The Senior Chief Executive, Ministry of Civil Service and Administrative Reforms, Attn: Mr S. Ramasawmy, 4th Floor, Atom House, Royal Street, Port Louis. The deadline for submission of preliminary applications is Friday 12 December 2014.
- 7. Before submitting their application, applicants should <u>imperatively need to obtain confirmation from their respective Supervising Officers that they would be released in the event they are selected for the scholarship.</u>
- 8. Upon selection, officers of the civil service would be granted study leave with pay. The awardee will be required to enter into a bond in accordance with the provisions laid down in the Human Resource Management Manual.
- 9. It would be appreciated if the content of this Circular Letter could be brought the soonest possible to the attention of all eligible public officers serving in the different Divisions of your Ministry/Department, including Statutory Bodies falling under the purview of your Ministry.

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Senior Chief Executive

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