

Government of Pakistan
FINANCE DIVISION
HRM Wing
(Quality Assurance – I Section)

CIRCULAR

Subject: **AARDO-IIT MADRAS-SCHOLARSHIP FOR MASTER OF SCIENCE (MS) BY RESEARCH IN CHENNAI, INDIA, JANUARY 2024-DECEMBER 2025**

Akhtar Hameed Khan National Centre for Rural Development (AHKNCRD) an Executive Department of the Establishment Division, Islamabad vide letter No. 1(4)/2015-16/IL Trg dated 3rd November, 2023 has informed that African Asian Rural Development Organization, (AARDO) New Delhi, India is sponsoring scholarships for subject titled Master's Degree Programme (two years or four semester) in Indian Institute of Technology (IIT), Madras, Chennai, India. The master's programme is a research-intensive programme, which emphasizes on the use of logical, analytical, experimental and intuitive thinking skills, and targets young officers/students inclined towards research careers, R&D, design and conceptualization. The session will commence from January 2024, and can be completed in four semesters/two years.

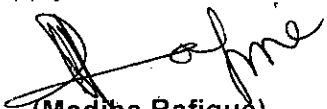
Eligibility Criteria:-

The candidates must:

- Be Government Officers (BS-17 or above) of Ministries /Divisions/ Attached Departments, Provincial Governments or Public-Sector Universities;
- Have bachelor's degree in Engineering/Technology/from a recognized institute or university for a minimum of four years' duration or M.Sc. Degree in appropriate Sciences or a relevant discipline from a recognized Institute or University for a minimum 3+2 years duration;
- Have a minimum CGPA of 7.0/10.0 or its equivalent / first class;
- Have proficiency in spoken and written English as the medium of instructions would be English only; and
- Be in good health both physically and mentally to undergo scholarship programme.

2. All interested Officers who fulfill the eligibility criteria are required to forward their nomination along with FTC Proforma, copy of CNIC & CV, official nomination form and copy of passport duly recommended by the head of respective Wing to **QA-I Section by 20.11.2023**. After approval from FTC the applicant will submit online application through the link: <https://admissions.ge.iitm.ac.in/aardo-application-form>. Advance scanned copied of the aforementioned documents may please be emailed at: ro2@ncrd.gov.pk and ahknocrd@gmail.com

Note:- "In addition to the eligibility criteria specified for a training, all officers who are working on contract basis/fixed pay package or having less than two years continuous government service or less than three months of service in Finance Division or against whom disciplinary proceedings/inquiry is in progress or on probation period, may need not apply"


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All Officers (BPS-17 & above), Finance Division Islamabad
Finance Division's U.O No.F.3 (9) QA-I/2014-367 dated 16.11.2023

- Webmaster, with the request to upload the circular on this Division's website.