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21st July 2026

Attn: Officer In-Charge Foreign Trainings

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Heads/ All other Special Spending Units
Secretaries / All Ministries
Chief Secretaries / All Provincial Councils
Heads / All Departments

Call for Nominations:

One year Master's Scholarship Programme of KDI School of Public Policy and Management in the Republic of Korea – Spring 2027

The Colombo Plan Secretariat has informed this Department that the KDI School of Public Policy and Management, Republic of Korea, in collaboration with the Colombo Plan Secretariat, is jointly organizing a Scholarship Programme for the Spring 2027 Intake and has invited nominations from eligible government officials to apply for the programme.

Detailed information regarding the programme, including the 2027 Application Guidelines, eligibility criteria, scholarship coverage, and application procedures, is annexed herewith. The relevant information may also be accessed through the following websites:

- Department of External Resources (ERD): www.erd.gov.lk
- KDI School of Public Policy and Management Admissions Website:
<https://www.kdischool.ac.kr/index.es?sid=a4>

In this regard, you are kindly requested to circulate the programme details among the Departments, Divisions, Institutes, and other institutions under your purview and to encourage suitably qualified and interested officers to apply through the online application portal of the KDI School.

Applicants should be advised to carefully study all programme-related information and ensure that they are fully aware of the nature of the scholarship, eligibility requirements, financial provisions, and application procedures before commencing the application process. Further, nominations should be processed in accordance with Treasury Circular No. 2013/2014 (ii) dated 24 October 2013 issued by the Ministry of Finance and Planning.

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After submitting their applications through the KDI School online portal, candidates are requested to forward a copy of the submitted online application together with the following documents to this Department on or before **2.00 p.m. on 30 July 2026**:

- Nomination Letter from the respective Ministry (covering letter with recommendation);
- Copy of the completed online Application Form;
- Duly completed ERD Application Form (available at www.erd.gov.lk);
- Copy of the applicant's passport; and
- Any other documents specified in the application procedure outlined in the attached programme information.

Please note that no consideration will be given to late, incomplete, or non-compliant applications. Accordingly, applicants and nominating institutions are requested to ensure that all required documents are submitted accurately and within the stipulated deadline. Applications received after the closing date and time, applications lacking the required documentation, and applications that do not meet the prescribed requirements will not be forwarded for consideration.

Applicants are further advised to retain copies of all documents submitted for their records, as this Department will not maintain copies of applications or supporting documents received in connection with this programme.

Any discrepancy in the nominee's name across application documents may result in administrative difficulties during the selection and processing stages. Accordingly, nominees are advised to ensure that their names are stated exactly as they appear in their passports in all documents submitted in connection with the programme.

All complete and eligible nominations received by this Department will be forwarded to the Colombo Plan Secretariat for onward submission to the KDI School for final consideration. The final selection of candidates will be made and announced by the KDI School.

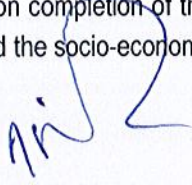
As informed by the Colombo Plan Secretariat, the Secretariat will bear the cost of return economy-class air tickets, while the KDI School will provide admission fees, tuition fees, accommodation, and a living stipend to support the selected candidates in accordance with the provisions of the programme.

This Department wishes to emphasize that these educational and training opportunities are extended for the benefit of the country and withdrawals after selection not only adversely affect the image and credibility of Sri Lanka as a reliable international partner but also result in the loss of valuable opportunities allocated to the country, thereby depriving other deserving officers of the opportunity to benefit from such programmes.

Accordingly, officers selected for the programme are expected to honour their acceptance and participate as committed. In view of the arrangements made by the donor agencies, selected nominees are kindly requested not to withdraw from the programme except under the most exceptional and unavoidable circumstances. Please note that any financial commitments incurred by the Colombo Plan Secretariat and the KDI School on behalf of a selected participant, including but not limited to airfare, accommodation, or other programme-related expenses, may be recoverable from the participant in the event of withdrawal.

In this regard, Ministries, Departments, and other nominating institutions are kindly requested to submit nominations only after obtaining all necessary internal approvals and ensuring a firm commitment on the part of both the nominee and the nominating institution to participate in the programme if selected. The nominating institution should also ensure that a suitably qualified officer is nominated and that the selected participant will be released to attend the programme, as the responsibility for nominating and facilitating the participation of the selected officer rests entirely with the respective institution.

Your assistance in identifying and nominating the most suitable and deserving candidates for this valuable scholarship opportunity generously offered by the Colombo Plan Secretariat and KDI School to the Government of Sri Lanka would be greatly appreciated. We look forward to receiving a strong and competitive pool of nominations comprising highly qualified officers who are well placed to benefit from the programme and who, upon completion of their studies, will contribute meaningfully to the strengthening of public sector institutions and the socio-economic development of Sri Lanka.



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Enclosure: Application Guideline

