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2025 GOK IN-SERVICE SCHOLARSHIP ADVERTISEMENT.

PSO wishes to announce that applications for In-Service Scholarship for **2025** is now open. To be eligible applicants **MUST** meet the following criteria:

➤ **ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA:**

i. **The Program applied for must be consistent with the Academic In-service Priority List 2024-2026**

ii. **Age Limit:**

a. For Undergraduate Programs – must be **not 45 years or over** in the time of application- (undergraduate programs)

b. For Postgraduate Programs - **≤50 years**

IMPORTANT NOTE - Applicant should not be over 45 (if apply to an undergrad) and additional documents required if 50 (if apply to a postgrad) at the year when the award/studies commence.

c. Additional requirements ONLY for applicants who will be turning 50 years in 2025. The following documents MUST also be produced

i) A medical certificate

ii) A performance assessment (SPA (Staff Performance Appraisal) for 2024) or the ministry's official confirmation and support that the applicant is suitable and capable for undertaking an academic award;

iii) A Record of number of sick leaves taken during the year – to be confirmed by the Employer (eg. Ministry/SOE);

iv) Number of admissions to the hospital (if any) – to be confirmed by MHMS

v) Attendance Report for 2024 to date– to be confirmed by the Employer.

(NOTE: Failure to produce any of the above requirements will disqualify your application):

iii. **Must be a Kiribati Citizen**

a. Need Evidence of Citizenship (Birth Certificate (LONG) or Passport) or National ID card

iv. **Must have been an employee of the public sector (continuously) for at least 3 years**

a. 3 years' continuous employment either on contract or permanent appointment in the government agency (PSC appointment and SRO confirmation letter required) or

b. 3 years in government projects (contract appointment on project position and SRO confirmation letter required) or

c. At least 2 years continuous contract service on project (other than government) within Kiribati plus at least 1 year service (either contract/permanent) in government agency/Ministry (contract appointment on project position and SRO confirmation letter required).

d. Must have been on permanent position in the time of application.

- v. **Must have passed English and Computer skills required to undertake a tertiary study**
 - a. If applying for postgrad program- Bachelor Degree Certificate with proof that the program is conducted in English language.
 - b. If applying for undergraduate program-
 - to provide evidence pass of English Requirement- IELTS/TOEFL/UU114 or LL114/TAFE- must have all valid
 - to provide evidence pass of Computer requirement- UU100

IMPORTANT NOTE – Must provide academic transcripts as proof of the requirements above.

vi. **Must meet the entry requirement of the University or Program applied for:**

- a. Need proof through provision of an Offer Letter or Acceptance/Offer of Placement letter from the University.
- b. Provide Post Graduate Research proposal (if applicable)

➤ **IT IS A MANDATORY REQUIREMENT THAT ALL DOCUMENTS ARE CERTIFIED BY COURT. APPLICATIONS NOT COMPLYING WITH THIS REQUIREMENT WILL BE REGARDED AS INCOMPLETE AND SCREENED OUT.**

➤ **CLOSING DATE:**

- Application forms must be submitted to your Ministry/SOE/KANGO/KCCI by **Friday, 3rd January 2025.**
- Eligible Applications are to be submitted to the PSO no later than **Friday, 10th January 2025 before 5.15pm.**

IMPORTANT NOTE - Late Applications will not be considered.

Application forms can be obtained from Ministries/SOEs/KCCI/KANGO including PSO Office and website: www.pso.gov.ki. For further clarification/assistance, please contact PSO on 63030140 during working hours.

Thank you.

Secretary, PSO.