

Brief Outline of JDS

1. What is JDS

- JDS means “The Project for Human Resource Development Scholarship by Japanese Grant Aid”.
- Full scholarship is funded by the Government of Japan through ODA (by Japanese taxpayers).
- JDS targets mainly young government officials, who are expected to be leaders of the country, to engage in formulating and implementing social and economic development policies after their return.
- JDS selection is done in collaboration with the representatives of the recipient country and Japan
- JDS provides 2-year Master courses in Japanese Universities (in English).
- Up to September 2023, over 6000 scholars (fellows) have been sent to Japan for their studies from 22 countries since 2000

2. Objectives of the Project

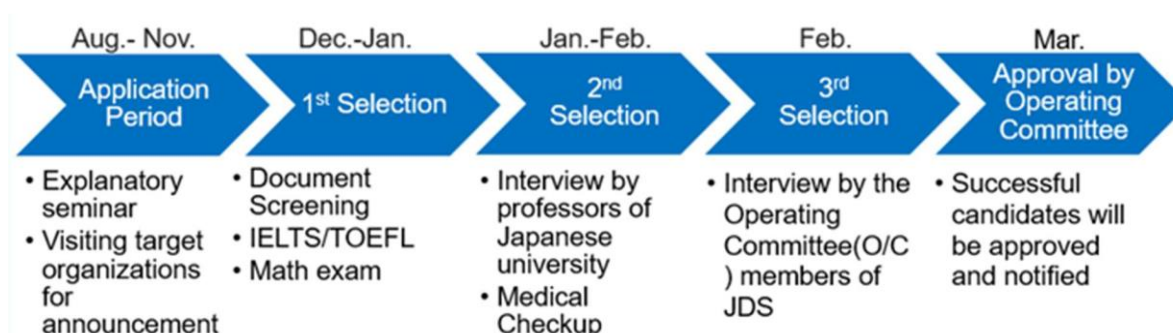
- To Support Human Resource Development
- To Enhance Bilateral Relationships

3. Benefit of JDS Fellows

- One round trip airfare between the recipient country and Japan
- Monthly living allowance in Japan
- Tuition at Japanese accepting universities
- Other designated allowances

4. Selection Process

Selection Process is as below.



5. Field of Study

- The Program mainly focuses on social science fields, such as public administration, public policy analysis, economics, and law, selected by the steering committee of each country based on relevance to their priority development sectors and issues.
- Based on the Japan's Country Assistance Policies and survey results, each country's priority development sectors and issues (sub-programs/components) are determined, and country-specific plans are developed including research fields and universities covered by this Program.

6. Appealing Points

- 98.7% of JDS fellows have successfully completed their own study and obtained degree.
- Accepting universities are selected very carefully and enable to provide best solutions against challenges in each country.
- JICA will provide additional values like Experiencing Development in Japan, Global Leader Development.
- Networking is also one of the core additional values of JDS. JDS provides chances to have networks with Japanese Government officials and JDS Fellows from all over the world.



Networking Event with
Japanese Government Officials



Networking among JDS Fellows
through Event