Important information for the Applicants

1. Admission to ICCR Scholarships will be online at A2A portal (www.a2ascholarships.iccr.gov.in). Detailed guidance on the ICCR grant application process and the procedure and standards governing it are available in given website.

2. According to A2A process, applications will be directly sent by students to respective universities instead of processing at Mission-level. This will automate the process and Universities will be able to see the applications received directly from the students.

3. Applicants have the option to apply to 5 Universities / institutes in the order of their preference of study. The admission, as far as possible, shall be given as per applicant's preference. However, there may be a scenario when students do not get admission in their preferred Universities / institutes due to limited number of seats on offer. Students should therefore be prepared to receive admission from any of their five preferences. Missions may to consult ICCR HQ in certain cases where some particular Universities / institutes are oversubscribed and the next preference will have to be exercised.

4. For AY 2022-23, a soo-word essay in English has been introduced to ascertain English proficiency. Besides, students can also submit their TOFEL / IELTS etc. Standardised Test scores, if available. ICCR is also requesting Unlversities / institutes to conduct interview of the applicants online, if so required. There will be no separate English test by Missions, as was earlier.

5. Student should obtain the Association of Indian Universities (AIU) equivalence also (if required). This would be stipulated by the concerned University / Institute in their Provisional Confirmation letter for the applicant (uploaded on A2A Portal). In case AIU equivalence is required the student may apply for the same at the link https://evaluation.aiu.ac.inlstudent/login and bear the fees incurred on obtaining the certificate at own expense (non-reimbursable). For any further details / queries, students may contact AIU at (+911123230059 / 23237097 I 23232305 Extn' 2tO, 234, 252, E-mail id : studentinfo@aiu.ac.in, ds-international@aiu.ac.in, evaluation@aiu.ac.in

6. Interested students may be advised to visit respective University / institute website regularly courses offered, eligibility criteria and general information about the University / institute before applying for admission. The students should ensure that they are eligible for the course and meet the eligibility criteria and should submit relevant documentation as required by the Universities, in addition to the basic certificates mentioned in the application form. They would be also

advised to refer to the University's Handbook / University Grants Commission's website etc.

7.   It may be noted that for BE / B. Tech courses, Physics, Chemistry and mathematics (PCM) are compulsory in 11 and 12 Grades and it is a mandatory requirement for Engineering courses. Mark sheets for each i,e., level 10 and 10+2 equivalent level of school should be uploaded alongwith the transcripts in English. The application will not be considered without English translation of documents if the original documents are not in English. It may also be noted that incomplete application can be summarily rejected by Universities. Students should be advised to thoroughly check their applications and attach requisite documents before submission of the application.

8.   The applicants mayb ensure that they must be 18 years age at the time of admission in Indian Universities / Institutes and not more than 30 years of age.

9.   Fot the academic yeat 2022-23, admissions in Medical/ Paramedical (Nursing/ Physiotherapy / anaesthesia etc,) / fashion / law courses / integrated courses such as BALLB (5 Years) / B Sc & M Sc (5 Years) etc. are not admissible.

10.   Please note that for Science courses, the expenditure on laboratory chemicals and other related incidental charges will be borne by the scholars themselves.

11.   It is compulsory for all ICCR scholarship students to procure Medical Insurance policy with minimum sum assured for Indian Rupees Five Lakhs which is equivalent to US$6520.09 per annum. Applicants must have medical insurance coverage on their own either before travel or immediately after reaching India, whichever is convenient. Students can purchase medical insurance from any of the insurance companies of their choice. However to facilitate students, A2A Portal has two insurance companies for referral purpose.

12.   In order to ensure security of the foreign students, ICCR advises students to stay in the campus hostel, if available. However, students are allowed to stay in private accommodation if the concerned institute does not insist on staying in their hostel.

13.   Detailed guidelines on the process of applying for ICCR Scholarships are available on the A2A Portal.

14.   <u>The deadline for receipt of applications is 31 May 2022.</u>