## High Commission of India Maputo

The Government of India is pleased to announce 38 (thirty eight) scholarship slots for Mozambican Students to pursue Undergraduate/Postgraduate/PhD courses at Indian Universities/Institutes under 'Africa Scholarship Scheme' (GO179)' of Indian Council for Cultural Relations (ICCR) for the Academic Year (AY) 2021-22.

- 2. The High Commission of India in Maputo invites applications from eligible Mozambican students to avail this excellent opportunity of educational scholarships to study in Indian universities/institutes for the AY 2021-22. The scholarships are administered through the ICCR.
- 3. The applications from interested Mozambican students for AY 2021-22 are now invited online through ICCR's A2A scholarship portal <a href="http://a2ascholarships.iccr.gov.in/">http://a2ascholarships.iccr.gov.in/</a>.
- 4. Before filling the application form, applicants are advised to go through the following important links:

ICCR guidelines can be seen on weblink http://a2ascholarships.iccr.gov.in/assets/site/docs/Policy%20Guidelines.pdf

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) can be seen on http://a2ascholarships.iccr.gov.in/home/page/fag

Instructions for filling the application form can be checked on <a href="http://a2ascholarships.iccr.gov.in/home/page/instructions-to-candidates-for-filling-the-application-form">http://a2ascholarships.iccr.gov.in/home/page/instructions-to-candidates-for-filling-the-application-form</a>

Financial terms and conditions can be checked <a href="http://a2ascholarships.iccr.gov.in/assets/site/docs/1615983478\_NOTIFICATION\_Financial\_terms.pdf">http://a2ascholarships.iccr.gov.in/assets/site/docs/1615983478\_NOTIFICATION\_Financial\_terms.pdf</a>

5. Applicants are advised to do due diligence & research about the universities and courses, and ensure that they fulfill the specific admission criteria laid down by various Universities/Institutes listed in the scholarship scheme. The list of universities are available on the A2A portal.

- 6. A few important points regarding the Indian scholarships are as below:
- a) According to new admission policy, applications will be directly sent by students to respective universities instead of processing at Indian Mission level.
- b) The application will be scrutinized by the respective universities/institutes for eligibility of admission of applicant in the applied course and stream.
- c) Applicants will now 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 situation when students do not get admission in their preferred Universities/Institutes due to limited number of seats on offer.
- d) For AY 2021-22, a 500-word essay in English has been introduced by ICCR to ascertain English Proficiency. Besides, students can also submit their TOFEL/ IELTS etc. standardised Test scores, if available. ICCR is also requesting universities/ institutes to conduct interview of the applicants online, if so required.
- e) Students should be advised to thoroughly check their applications and attach requisite documents before submission of the application. It may also be noted that incomplete application will be summarily rejected by universities.
- f) Please note that for science courses, the expenditure on laboratory chemicals and other related incidental charges will be borne by the scholars themselves.
- g) Rejected candidates will be intimated directly by Universities.
- h) More than one application of one candidate on A2A Portal will be rejected.
- i) It may be noted that the admission remains provisional till the time universities verify the authenticity of original documents. If original documents are not found in order on which provisional admission has been granted by university, the admission offer will be revoked and the student will have to return to their country at their own cost.

- j) In order to ensure security of the foreign students, ICCR advises students to stay in hostel, if available. However, students are allowed to stay in private accommodation, if the concerned institute does not insist on staying in their hostel.
- k) It should be noted that compulsory personal medical insurance is a mandatory requirement for availing of ICCR's scholarship. It is compulsory for all ICCR scholarship students to procure Medical Insurance policy.
- I) ICCR, as a policy, does not permit mid-term changes of Courses, College or University (with the exception of medical emergency). Applicants are advised to go through the courses offered by the Universities carefully before finally submitting the application form.
- m) Applicants age must be between 18 to 30 years at the time of application.
- n) Applicants should have scored good marks in each of the core subjects for the course that they are applying. Candidates applying for an engineering/Technology undergraduate course must have studied Physics, Chemistry and Mathematics in their 12<sup>th</sup> grade.
- o) All candidates are required to upload the following documents during the application process (by clicking on links on the online application form): <a href="http://a2ascholarships.iccr.gov.in/home">http://a2ascholarships.iccr.gov.in/home</a>

A recent passport size photograph not more than 3.5x4.5cm (25kb). The photograph should be front facing with white background and without spectacles.

A scanned copy of their signature.

A scanned copy of the Physical fitness certificate, duly signed and stamped by registered doctor (the format of the certificate can be downloaded from <a href="http://a2ascholarships.iccr.gov.in/assets/site/docs/Fitness.pdf">http://a2ascholarships.iccr.gov.in/assets/site/docs/Fitness.pdf</a>

Copies of all academic qualifications, certificates and marksheets, including those relating to school leaving examination. (Marks/Grade Card of Higher Secondary should be Equivalent to Grade XII in India)

English Translation of all Portuguese documents is compulsory. The translation should be done by government authorised translators (if documents are in Portuguese)

Age Proof (Birth Certificate /Any Unique Identity issued by the Government indicating clear date of Birth)

If available, copy of valid International passport (Front & Back Pages giving details of Personal Particulars & residence address)

In case of M. Phil /Ph.D/Post Doctoral courses, a synopsis of the research proposal.

Last date for submitting online application is 30th April 2021