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Islamabad, the 02<sup>nd</sup> April , 2026

## **OFFICE MEMORANDUM**

**SUBJECT: LOCAL GOVERNANCE FOR BUILDING RESILIENT STATES AND SOCIETIES.**

The undersigned is directed to state that the Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA) has offered fully funded **one seat** subject long-term two years Master's degree program scheduled to be held w.e.f **April 2027 to March 2029** in Japan. All concerned Ministries / Divisions / Departments are requested to send nomination of suitable officer who fulfill the eligibility criteria to the undersigned by **23-04-2026** along with three (3) copies of prescribed JICA Application Forms University Diploma, Research Plan, Graduation certificate, Academic Transcript, Score of English language proficiency certificate, surety bond, undertaking, CNIC, Passport, FTC Performa, as directed in G.I Booklet uploaded on EAD's website.

### **Program Objective**

To develop high level human resources who are capable of contributing to appropriate policy decisions and its implementation for tackling political and developmental issues in respective fields. This program is for regional / local and federal government officers to improve their comprehension with reference to the local development and governance for building resilient state / society in order to enhance their policy formulation, planning and implementation capacity.

### **Eligibility Criteria: -**

The applicant should:

1. Be young or middle-career government officials, prospective academics, who are expected to contribute in policy formulation or its implementation for tackling sustainable developmental issues in respective fields.
2. Age less than thirty-five (35) years.
3. Be a bachelor's degree holder.
4. Have a command of spoken and written English
5. Women are encouraged to apply for the training course.

2. New prescribed JICA's Application forms along and specimen of surety bond, undertaking and FTC Performa can be downloaded from EAD's website [www.ead.gov.pk](http://www.ead.gov.pk) under "Foreign Trainings" link in "Forms" ad also available on JICA's website [www.jica.go.jp/pakistan/english/index.html](http://www.jica.go.jp/pakistan/english/index.html).

3. In case of selection of officer, the concerned Ministries/Division/Department are requested to ensure timely relieving of the officer along with NOC. Furthermore, the concerned officer may be directed to submit **Post-Visit Training Report** to this Ministry on priority basis.

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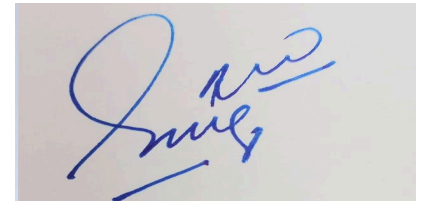
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