Government of Pakistan
Ministry of Economic Affairs
(Japan Wing)

No.1(43) Japan-II/2026 Islamabad, the July 08, 2026

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT: UNIVERSAL HEALTH COVERAGE (UHC) PROGRAM, HIROSHIMA UNIVERSITY (JFY2027).

The undersigned is directed to refer to the subject noted and to state that Japan International Cooperation Agency has offered fully funded **one seat** for the subject Master Degree 2 years program scheduled to be held w.e.f. **April, 2027 to March, 2029** and Ph.D Degree 3 years program scheduled to be held w.e.f. **April, 2027 to March, 2030 in Japan** All concerned Ministries / Divisions / Departments are requested to send nomination of suitable officer who fulfill the criteria to the undersigned by **07-09-2026.** The application form shall be accompanied with three (3) copies of each JICA's application form, CNIC, FTC Proforma, undertaking, surety bond, Passport, Graduation Certificates, Academic Transcripts, Statement of purpose and objectives, Recommendation letters as advised in the G.I Booklet.

Course Objective:
To strengthen the health policy formulation and the implementation and service provision capacity in the government academic/ health institutions and other relevant organizations to contribute to attain Universal Health Coverage (UHC) in respective partner countries and to build and strengthen strategic partnership between partner countries and Japan.

Eligibility Criteria: -
The applicants should: -

- Be mid-career government officer, prospective academics to contribute policy formulation or its implementation for tackling sustainable developmental issues related to UHC.
- For master's program be a bachelor's degree holder.
- Have command of spoken and written English.
- Master's degree program age limit is 35 years as of April 1st 2027.
- Ph.D. degree program age limit is 40 years as of April 1st 2027.
- Female candidates are encouraged to apply for this program.

2. New prescribed JICA Application Forms along with job report and specimen of surety bond, undertaking and FTC Performa can be downloaded from EAD's website 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.

3. In case of selection of the 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. Nomination of contractual employees will not be entertained.

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3. Chairman, Planning & Development Board, Government of Sindh, Karachi
4. Addl. Chief Secretary, Planning & Development Department, Government of KPK, Peshawar
5. Addl. Chief Secretary, Planning & Development Department, Government of Balochistan, Quetta
6. Addl. Chief Secretary, Planning & Development Department, Government of Gilgit-Baltistan, Gilgit
7. Addl. Chief Secretary, Planning & Development Department, Government of AJK, Muzaffarabad.
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C.C to:

i) Secretary, Primary & Secondary HealthCare Department, Government of Punjab, Lahore.
ii) Secretary, Health Department, Government of Sindh, Karachi.
iii) Secretary, Health Department, Government of Balochistan, Quetta.
iv) Secretary, Health Department, Government of the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Peshawar.
v) Secretary, Health Department, Government of the Gilgit Baltistan, Gilgit.
vi) Secretary, Health Department, Government of the AJ&K, Muzaffarabad.
vii) Executive Director, Pakistan Institute of Medical Sciences (PIMS), Islamabad.
viii) NEOC Coordinator, EPI Building, Block-C, Prime Minister's Health Complex, Chak Shahzad, 44000, Islamabad.
ix) Executive Director, National Institute of Health (NIH), Park Road, Chak Shahzad, Islamabad.
x) Joint Secretary (Training), Establishment Division, Islamabad.
xi) System Analyst (Computer Center), MoEA with request to upload this Circular and JICA's G.I Booklet on EAD's Website

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