



PRMPU
PUNJAB RESOURCE
MANAGEMENT & POLICY UNIT

No. PRMPU/CB/DP/2023/04

Dated: Lahore; January 27, 2025

1. All Administrative Secretaries to Govt. of the Punjab.
2. All Divisional Commissioners in the Punjab.
3. All Deputy Commissioners in the Punjab.

SUBJECT: ANNOUNCEMENT FOR OPENING OF LOCAL MASTER/M.PHIL DEGREE SCHOLARSHIPS BY PRMPU

I am directed to refer to the subject cited above and state that Punjab Resource Management & Policy Unit (PRMPU) is awarding local Master/M.Phil degree scholarships under the scheme titled as "Institutional Strengthening of P&D Board and Capacity Building of Public Sector Employees". This initiative aims to advance sustainable professional development and improve governance within the province. PRMPU is offering local degree scholarships in following categories:

- Master degree program (only THE/QS ranked universities of Pakistan)
- M.Phil degree program (only THE/QS ranked universities of Pakistan)

2. In this regard, Scholarships for local Master/M.Phil degree are being offered once again to eligible officers serving in the Government of Punjab, with selection based on merit. Relevant documents to avail this opportunity are enclosed as under:

- Eligibility Criteria (**Annex-A**)
- Sample Undertaking and Surety Bond (**Annex-B1, Annex-B2**)

3. It is reiterated that this initiative is a good opportunity to train critical human resource of the Provincial Government and it is, therefore, requested to encourage your staff to make use of this opportunity. Prospective officers may apply online via scholarship portal <https://degreescholarship-prmp.punjab.gov.pk/>. Alternatively, nominations of eligible candidates may also be sent to 184-A, Upper Mall Scheme, Scotch Corner, Lahore. The deadline to receive applications is April 18, 2025 (Friday). Please note that incomplete applications will not be accepted. A checklist to be duly filled in for the required documents is attached (**Annex-C**) as a ready reference.

AHMAD RAJWANA (PAS)
Managing Director, PRMPU

A copy is forwarded for information to:

1. PSO to Principal Secretary to Governor, Punjab.
2. PSO to Principal Secretary to Chief Minister, Punjab.
3. PSO to Chief Secretary, Government of the Punjab.
4. PSO to Chairman, P&D Board, Government of the Punjab.
5. PSO to Additional Chief Secretary, S&GAD, Government of the Punjab.
6. PS to Secretary, P&D Board, Government of the Punjab.
7. PS to Secretary (Services), S&GAD, Government of the Punjab.

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Assistant Director, PRMPU



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Annex-A

Eligibility Criteria for Local Master's/M.Phil Degree Programs

The Officer should:

1. Hold a Bachelor's degree (14 years of formal education) for local Master's/M.Phil degree having at least five (05) years of public sector work experience in BS-16 or above.
2. Be an employee of the Government of Punjab in a regular/ permanent capacity belonging to Federal services (PAS only), Provincial services (PMS only) and technical cadre (includes S&GAD officers, P&D Board officers and technical cadre of Secretariat).
3. Not be more than 50 years of age.
4. Intended degree program of the applicant shall be relevant with the past experience of the officer and the kind of service he is expected to provide in the future. Decision of PSC shall be final in this regard.
5. Not be availing any other educational scholarship from the government of Pakistan/ Punjab or any other source.
6. Not be currently on deputation with a donor or international agency.
7. Not be on long leave at the time of application (equal to or more than one year).
8. Furnish an undertaking on a stamp paper (on given format) that she/he will serve the Punjab government for a period of at least three (03) years after training. Otherwise, he/she will be liable to refund entire expenditure incurred by the government on his/her degree.
9. Not be involved in an inquiry or disciplinary action. (However, officers facing minor punishments, inquiry or disciplinary action may apply for scholarship under this scheme, if otherwise qualified).
10. Scrutiny of applications and selection of scholars will be through approved Committee and processes.
11. Be in good mental and physical health.

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Annex-B 1

**TEMPLATE FOR UNDERTAKING FOR LOCAL DEGREE SCHOLARSHIPS UNDER
THE SCHEME "INSTITUTIONAL STRENGTHENING OF P&D BOARD AND CAPACITY
BUILDING OF PUBLIC SECTOR EMPLOYEES"**

I, _____ son/daughter of _____, presently working as
_____ in _____ of the Government of the Punjab, having not
availed PRMPU local degree scholarship during the last five years, do hereby undertake that : -

- i. I shall make myself available to proceed for degree program on the directions of the Government as and when required by the aid-giving agency.
- ii. I shall be liable after receiving the cheque amount to pay the university immediately within 1 week and submit/sent the original voucher/receipt of paid fee to Punjab Resource Management & Policy Unit for further record;
- iii. In case, I fail to submit the fee to university (paid voucher/receipt) within stipulated timelines (immediately) PRMPU will have right to deduct cheque amount along with 2% penalty charges from the scholar salary through Accountant General Punjab.
- iv. If after cheque receiving/reimbursement, I withdraw/cancel my nomination from degree program I shall be black listed from any future PRMPU degree program further I shall be liable to pay back the requisite received amount along with additional 2% fine or during complete duration of the study program.
- v. In case of advance payment, I shall be bound to pay fee to the concerned university/ institute. Otherwise PRMPU will not responsible for any extra dues on the payment.
- vi. I shall conduct myself at all times in a manner compatible with any status as a fellowship holder.
- vii. I will do any practical work or any other assignment which I may be required to do as part of my course diligently;
- viii. I shall not seek domicile in the foreign country and shall return to Pakistan immediately after the degree to serve the Government for a minimum period of three years and shall not seek employment with any other government, authority, body whether public or private outside the domain of the Government without the prior approval of the Government;
- ix. not apply for any other foreign degree program and shall inform the government, if apply for any degree program subsequent to this application;
- x. In case, scholar failed to comply with above mentioned requirements / instructions, PRMPU and concerned department may initiate inquiry against scholar under PEEDA ACT 2006.

(Signature of applicant)

(To be attested by Class I Gazette Officer)

Name: _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

Address: _____

NIC No: _____

NIC No: _____

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Annex-B 2

TEMPLATE FOR SURETY BOND FOR FOREIGN DEGREE SCHOLARSHIPS UNDER THE SCHEME "INSTITUTIONAL STRENGTHENING OF P&D BOARD AND CAPACITY BUILDING OF PUBLIC SECTOR EMPLOYEES"

Know all men by these present that we (i). _____ at present residing at _____ (hereinafter called "the Scholar") and (ii). _____ at present residing at _____ hereinafter called "the surety") bind ourselves jointly and severally to the Government of the Punjab (hereinafter called "the Government" which expression includes the competent authority) for payment to the Government. All money, charges, costs and expenses as may be determined by the Government as having been incurred in respect of the scholar for any default of the terms and conditions by the scholar as mentioned henceforth.

WHEREAS the Government has selected the scholar for the degree program in _____ at _____ under the "Institutional Strengthening Of P&D Board and Capacity Building of Public Sector Employees", funded by the Government of the Punjab. AND WHEREAS for the purpose of securing the desired objectives and for indemnifying the government against all losses and damages which the Government may suffer by reason of the scholar making default in the observance and performance of the conditions on his/her part, the scholar has agreed that he/she shall successfully complete his/her degree and serve with the Government for a minimum period of 03 years as may be directed by the Government and shall not seek employment with any other Government authority/body whether public or private outside the domain of the Government without the prior approval of the Government.

NOW the conditions of the above-written bond are that if the scholar shall duty and faithfully observe all these stipulations and conditions on his/her part to be observed and performed then this written bond shall be void otherwise the same shall remain in force.

Signed jointly and severally, by each of us this day/month/Year in the presence of the witness.

 (the scholar)

 (the surety)

WITNESS:

Name _____
 Signature _____
 NIC No. _____

Name _____
 Signature _____
 NIC No. _____

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CHECKLIST FOR LOCAL DEGREE SCHOLARSHIP

| SR. NO. | ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA OF 3RD REVISED PC-1 | STATUS (Yes/No) |
|----------------|--|------------------------|
| 1. | Hold a four-year bachelor's Degree, two years Bachelor's and Master's Combination (16 years of formal education). Furnished Degree Certificate and Transcript. | |
| 2. | Have five (5) years of public sector work experience in BPS 16 and above. Furnished Experience Certificate. | |
| 3. | Be a regular employee of Government of Punjab belonging to Federal Services (PAS only), Provincial Services (PMS only) and technical cadre (includes S&GAD officers, P&D Board officers and technical cadre of Secretariat). | |
| 4. | Furnished No Objection Certificate to apply from respective competent authority (PAS-EAD, PMS-S&GAD, Tech-AD) | |
| 5. | Furnished proof of admission from THE/QS ranked universities of Pakistan (Rankings of 2025 or whichever is latest) | |
| 6. | Not currently on deputation with a donor agency or international agency | |
| 7. | Not be on long leave from Government (equal for more than one-year) | |
| 8. | Furnished an undertaking on stamp paper to Serve Government for three (3) years at least | |
| 9. | Furnished No Inquiry Certificate. | |
| 10. | Already have a foreign/ local degree from PRMPU funding (mention in either case). | |
| 11. | Furnished duly filled application form of PRMPU | |

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