



MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND MASS MEDIA

FINANCIAL GRANT FOR TRAINING COURSES OF JOURNALISTS

Asidisi Media Scholarship Programme - 2025

01. OBJECTIVE

- To upgrade professionalism of Sri Lankan journalists

02. TARGET GROUP

- Journalists serving on the basis of full time or part time in recognized electronic and print media institutions islandwide
- Freelance Journalists
- Provincial Journalists
- Web Journalists
- Media Technicians

03. SELECTION CRITERIA

- Should be a journalist stipulated in 02 above and should have completed 03 years of service.
- Applicants must have been selected for or currently following a Postgraduate (Master's) Degree, Diploma, Long Term or Short Term Certificate Course related to the field of media conducted by recognized Universities, higher educational / training institutes at the date of calling for interviews. (A letter issued by the respective institution mentioning the selection to the course or currently following the course should be submitted at the interview).
- The course applied for should be directly related to the field of media.
- Age should be between 18 - 55 years
- Should possess Media Accreditation issued by the Department of Government Information for the year 2025
- A Journalist can obtain benefits twice under this Scholarship Scheme and may apply for the second time 05 years having been qualified for the first scholarship.

04. GRANTING FINANCIAL FACILITIES

- Maximum scholarship amount paid for a degree or postgraduate degree course is Rupees Two Hundred Thousand (Rs. 200,000/-) and the maximum scholarship amount for a long term or short term Certificate Course is Rupees One Hundred Thousand (Rs. 100,000/-)
- Journalists selected for the Scholarship will be paid 50% of the scholarship amount at the beginning of the course as the first instalment and 25% of the balance 50% as the second instalment and the remaining 25% will be paid after the submission of the certificate obtained on the completion of the course.

05. MODE OF SELECTION

- Shortlisted applicants will be interviewed by a Selection Committee appointed by the Secretary to the Ministry of Health and Mass Media. The decision of the Secretary to the Ministry shall be final and conclusive.

06. APPLICATION PROCEDURE

- The completed application should be submitted by May 23, 2025, or before that date, either by scanning the QR code below and applying online or by sending it via registered post to the following address: Director (Media), Ministry of Health and Mass Media, No. 163, "Asidisi Medura", Kirulapone Mawatha, Colombo 05. "**Asidisi Media Scholarship Program 2025**" should be clearly mentioned at the top left corner of the envelope.

N.B.

- Should enter into an agreement with the Ministry after the award of scholarship and the relevant course should commence within six (06) months to the maximum failing will result in cancellation of the scholarship.

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