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Sub :-Master's Degree Programme in Strategic Management and Intellectual property Rights (IPR) at the Aoyama Gakuin University (AGU), Tokyo, Japan 2020/2021-Reg

The CBEC (Central Board of Excise and Customs) vide F.NO. 21000/29/2014- IC (ICD) dated. 21.06.2019 has invited officers from this commissionerate for the above mentioned Master's Degree Programme at Tokyo, Japan 2020/2021. The details are available in our website www.cochincustoms.gov.in.

The willing officers may submit their willingness to the undersigned on or before **13.07.2019**

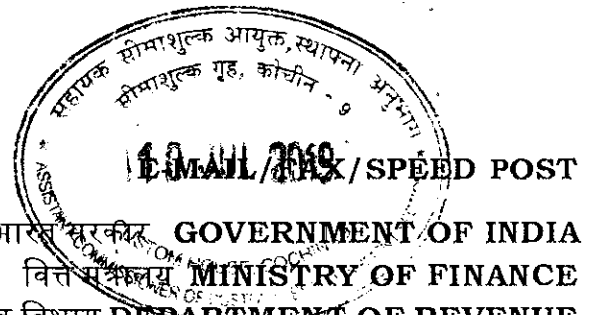
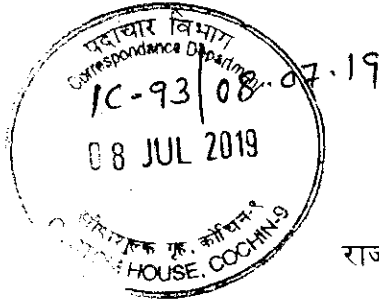
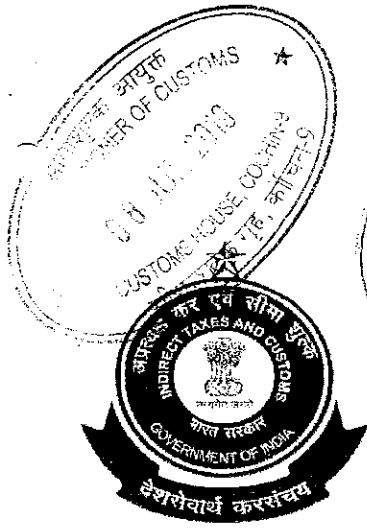
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Joint Commissioner of Customs

To,

Notice Board/ACC/Airport

Received on 12/07/2019
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Correspondence Dep.
सीमा शुल्क गृह, कोच्चि - 9
Custom House, Kochi - 9



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C.No.II/36/01/2019CC(TZ) I

Dated:03.07.2019

To

✓ 1. The Commissioner of Customs,
Custom House, Cochin.

2. The Commissioner of Customs Preventive, Cochin

Sir,

Sub: Master's Degree Programme in Strategic Management and Intellectual Property Rights (IPR) at the Aoyama Gakuin University (AGU), Tokyo, Japan 2020/2021 - reg.

Please find enclosed a copy of letter F.No. 21000/29/2014-IC (ICD) dated 21.06.2019 received from CBIC, WCO Cell, New Delhi on the above mentioned subject for information and circulation among staff members.

In this regard, the nominations of willing and suitable officers should be sent directly from Commissionerate to CBIC, New Delhi on or before 15th July, 2019 as per para-6 of said letter.

Encl: As above.

Handwritten notes:
JCC (Admin) please circulate by date 15/7/19
08/7

Yours faithfully,

Handwritten signature:
03/07/19

(Rani.C.R)

Joint Commissioner (CCO)

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100 (Rani)

Government of India
Ministry of Finance
Department of Revenue
Central Board of Excise and Customs
WCO Cell, 8th Floor, Tower II, Jeevan Bharti Building,
Connaught Circus, New Delhi-110001
Tel: +91-11-21400124
Email:- indiawco-cbec@nic.in

F. No.21000/29/2014-IC (ICD)

Dated: 21st June, 2019
New Delhi

To,

All Members of Central Board of Indirect Taxes and Customs
All Chief Commissioners of Customs and Customs (Preventive)
All Chief Commissioners of GST / Customs
All Director Generals
All Joint Secretaries/Commissioners working in the Board

Subject: Master's Degree Programme in Strategic Management and Intellectual Property Rights (IPR) at the Aoyama Gakuin University (AGU), Tokyo, Japan 2020/2021-reg.

Sir/Madam,

The Secretary General, World Customs Organization has invited nominations for the Master's Degree Programme in Strategic Management and Intellectual Property Rights (IPR) at the Aoyama Gakuin University (AGU), Tokyo, Japan. This Master's Degree programme will start in March 2020 and finish in March 2021. Administrative provisions governing the Programme, as well as the application procedures and other relevant information from the University are enclosed as Annex-I and Annex-II.

2. The Scholarship Programme is aimed at promising young managers from the Customs administrations of developing WCO member countries. Candidates should have demonstrated potential for growth and commitment to the service of their Administration and should be fully proficient in English.
3. Following are the conditions of candidacy and selection:-
 - i. The candidates should be in good health to productively pursue studies in Japan, preferably below 40 years of age as of 1 April 2019.
 - ii. The recipients of Scholarships under this Programme will enrol for the Master's Degree programme in Strategic Management and Intellectual Property Rights (IPR) programme at the AGU.
 - iii. This Scholarship is for one academic year starting from April 2019. There will be a preparatory course in March 2019 for a few weeks before the start of the Programme. The Scholarship period cannot be extended.
 - iv. The candidates should be Customs officers fully proficient in English (a minimum TOEFL score of internet Based Test (iBT) 79 / Paper Based Test (PBT) 550 or IELTS 6.0, to prove their language proficiency). They should have a university degree or equivalent qualification.
 - v. The candidates should have at least 3 years of work experience in Customs and should have assessed potential for advancement. In the selection, preference will be given to candidates who

- have experience in IPR border enforcement, and who are expected to work in the IPR-related section of their Customs administration after this Scholarship Programme.
- vi. Individuals who have already been awarded a scholarship under the Japan-WCO Human Resource Development Programme in the past will not be entitled to apply for this Scholarship Programme.
 - vii. After the completion of the Programme, the candidates should continue to work in their home Customs administration for 3 years at least.
 - viii. The candidates will be selected by the WCO in consultation with the AGU. The AGU shall inform the candidates about their selection or otherwise. The WCO will send a congratulatory letter to the administrations whose candidates have been selected.
 - ix. In accepting a Scholarship, the candidate undertakes to:
 - Work full time on the assigned Programme. It will not be possible to undertake other activities not related to the Programme.
 - Comply with the laws and show due respect for the culture and way of life of the host country.
4. The Master's Degree Programme comprises two segments: an academic segment and a practical segment.
- The academic segment starts with focused teaching of foundational skills in strategic management and IPR. It then moves to a range of applied topics which help scholars understand how to design, implement, and evaluate public policies, in particular Customs policy, in accordance with development strategies for organizations.
 - The practical segment is taught in co-operation with Japan Customs, including the Japan Customs Training Institute.
5. Funds for these scholarships will be provided by Japan Customs under the Japan-WCO Human Resource Development Programme (Scholarship Programme).
6. It is requested to forward nominations of willing and suitable officers who fulfill the criteria specified by the WCO along with vigilance clearance and APAR gradings for the last five years. The soft copies of the nominations in pdf format should also be sent by e-mail to indiawco-cbec@nic.in and copy to jscus@nic.in & Hardeep.Batra@icegate.gov.in The nominations should be sent as soon as possible but not later than 15th July, 2019.
7. It is also requested that the officers may be advised not to send their applications/ nominations to WCO directly. Further, they should not enter into any correspondence with WCO in this regard. The nomination of suitable officers will be sent to WCO after approval of the Board.

Yours faithfully,


(Hardeep Batra)
Additional Commissioner

1. Annex I Administrative Provisions
2. Annex II Application procedure

Japan-WCO Human Resource Development Programme
(Scholarship Programme)

【Strategic Management and Intellectual Property Rights】
2020/2021

ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS

Introduction

1. The Japan-WCO Human Resource Development Programme (Scholarship Programme) provides a grant covering travel, subsistence, admission, tuition and other approved expenses to enable promising young Customs managers from developing countries to undertake Master's level studies at the Aoyama Gakuin University (AGU) in Tokyo, Japan.
2. The following administrative provisions govern this Scholarship Programme. If a nominee or a concerned person in the nominating administrations has any questions, he/she should address them to the Capacity Building Directorate of the WCO Secretariat before the Scholarship is accepted.

Capacity Building Directorate,
World Customs Organization,
Rue du Marché 30, 1210 Brussels, Belgium
Tel : + 32 2 209 96 47
Fax : + 32 2 209 94 96
e-mail : scholarship@wcoomd.org

Conditions of candidacy and selection

3. The candidates should be in good health to productively pursue studies in Japan, preferably below 40 years of age as of 1 April 2020.
4. The recipients of Scholarships under this Programme will enrol for **the Master's Degree programme in Strategic Management and Intellectual Property Rights (IPR)** programme at the AGU.
5. This Scholarship is for one academic year starting from April 2020. There will be a preparatory course in March 2020 for a few weeks before the start of the Programme. The Scholarship period cannot be extended.
6. The candidates should be Customs officers **fully proficient in English** (a minimum TOEFL score of internet Based Test (iBT) 79 / Paper Based Test (PBT) 550 or IELTS Academic Module 6.0, to prove their language proficiency). They should have a university degree or equivalent qualification.
7. The candidates should have at least **3 years** of work experience in Customs and should have assessed potential for advancement. In the selection, preference will be given to candidates who have experience in IPR border enforcement, and who are expected to work in the IPR-related section of their Customs administration after this Scholarship Programme.

8. Individuals who have already been awarded a scholarship under the Japan-WCO Human Resource Development Programme in the past will not be entitled to apply for this Scholarship Programme.
9. After the completion of the Programme, **the candidates should continue to work in their home Customs administration for 3 years at least.**
10. The candidates will be selected by the WCO in consultation with the AGU. The AGU shall inform the candidates about their selection or otherwise. The WCO will send a congratulatory letter to the administrations whose candidates have been selected.
11. In accepting a Scholarship, the candidate undertakes to:
 - Work full time on the assigned Programme. It will not be possible to undertake other activities not related to the Programme.
 - Comply with the laws and show due respect for the culture and way of life of the host country.
12. The application process for candidates is as follows:
 - The nominated applicant requests website access via **online registration** option on the AGU's website (<http://www.aoyamasmiprp.jp/>), which should be completed **by 16 August 2019** whereupon applicant will be provided with an ID and Password to download application forms.
 - The applicant must then complete the **application forms** and **submit them with all the supporting documents** (including the Nomination Form from your Administration, which is downloadable from below-mentioned website) **by 23 August 2019** to the AGU Master's Programme Admissions Office at below indicated address.
13. **The original set of Application Forms with all supporting materials, including Nomination Form from your Administration,** should be completed and returned to:

Master's Program Admissions Office
 Graduate School of Business
 Aoyama Gakuin University
 4-4-25 Shibuya, Shibuya-ku
 Tokyo 150-8366
 Japan
 Telephone : + 81 3 3409 6239
 Fax : + 81 3 3409 4575
 e-mail : info_smiprp@busi.aoyama.ac.jp
 Website : <http://www.aoyamasmiprp.jp/>

with the envelope marked, "Application for the WCO Scholarship". For more detailed information, please see the "Application Procedures" of the AGU, as enclosed herewith.

14. A duplicate set will be made and sent to the WCO Secretariat by the AGU Admissions Office. Therefore, it is not necessary to send a duplicate set to the WCO Secretariat.
15. Please note that **applications received after the deadlines will not be considered.** As late submissions, including of supporting document such as proof of English proficiency, are not acceptable, applicants and nominating Administrations are encouraged to prepare for required documents well in advance.

FINANCIAL ARRANGEMENTS

Accommodation and living allowance

16. An all-inclusive allowance of 147,000 Japanese yen per month will be granted to cover the cost of accommodation, meals and incidental expenses for the study period. The amount of the allowance is subject to change according to the decision of the Japanese Government. (The allowance will be paid in Japanese yen.)
17. The Scholars will be offered assistance by the AGU to find residential accommodation at a reasonable rent.
18. The candidates should note that the allowance will not be sufficient to cover the expenses of any accompanying dependants. No family-related expenses will be paid or added to the monthly living allowance.

Health certificate

19. The Scholars selected will have to undergo a comprehensive medical examination and submit a certificate from a licensed physician **certifying that they are free from any medical condition that would impair his/her studies during the Programme.**

TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS

Travel costs

20. The cost of travel (return trip) between the Scholar's place of residence and Tokyo will be borne by the Programme budget. For this purpose, an economy class pre-paid air ticket by the most direct route will be arranged by the AGU through a local travel or airline office or by courier in the country of the selected candidate.

Insurance

21. No insurance coverage is provided by the WCO/Japan in respect of personal accidents or damage to or loss of personal effects during transport to or from Tokyo.

Passports - Visas

22. Persons entering Japan must hold a valid passport and visa. Vaccination requirements depend upon nationality, and the Scholar is personally responsible for complying with those requirements. The AGU will provide the selected candidates with a letter certifying enrolment in the Japan-WCO Scholarship in order that he/she may apply to the Japanese Embassy in his/her home country for a **college student visa**, authorizing temporary residence in Japan for the duration of the Programme.

COMPLETION OF THE PROGRAMME

23. Scholars are expected to complete the Programme as scheduled. Early repatriation may be authorized only on medical grounds or for other similarly important reasons. If a Scholar withdraws from the Programme before commencement of the Programme or before its scheduled completion, he/she shall not be entitled to any benefits from the date of the decision. The WCO may request for refund of any expenses that are incurred from his/her withdrawal to the Scholar or to the Organization to which the Scholar belongs.
24. On completion of the Programme, the Scholar is required to go back to his/her home country without delay. In the event of no return, the WCO may request for refund of the scholarship to the Scholar or to the organization to which the Scholar belongs. The WCO/Japan will pay travel costs, as described above, for the Scholar's return journey from Tokyo to the point of first departure. Entitlement to return travel expenses shall cease if the Scholar does not leave Tokyo within two weeks of completion of the Programme, unless he/she has any compelling reason for extending his/her stay.
25. In the event of a Scholar failing to complete the Programme, a request for partial refund may be sent to the Scholar.
26. After half a year and 3 years respectively from completion of the Programme, Scholars should report to the WCO and the AGU indicating the post they occupy in their home administration and how they have been utilizing the experience they acquired in Japan.