



**EMBASSY OF INDIA
KATHMANDU**

The Embassy of India, Kathmandu invites online applications for the following scholarship schemes of ICCR from Nepali nationals to study in Indian Universities/Institutes for the academic year 2026-27:

<u>ATAL BIHARI VAJPAYEE GENERAL SCHOLARSHIP SCHEME (ABVGSS) 2026-27</u>	<u>SUSHMA SWARAJ SILVER JUBILEE SCHOLARSHIP SCHEME (SSSJSS) 2026-27</u>	<u>LATA MANGESHKAR DANCE & MUSIC SCHOLARSHIP SCHEME (LMD&MSS) 2026-27</u>
The scholarship scheme is for pursuing Under Graduate courses in India under Atal Bihari Vajpayee General Scholarship Scheme (ABVGSS).	The scholarship scheme is for pursuing Post-Graduate & Doctorate courses in India under Sushma Swaraj Silver Jubilee Scholarship scheme (SSSJSS).	The scholarship scheme is for pursuing study of Indian Culture such as Dance, Music, Theater, Performing Art, Sculpture, Indian Languages, Indian Cuisine, Yoga etc. in India. Depending on the Institute's requirement, student may have to submit additional documents/evidence of knowledge in the specialized field of Dance, Music, Theater, Art, etc. for this scholarship.

The Last Date for submission of application for these scholarships is April 15, 2026 (Wednesday).

How to Apply:

1. The Online Applications may please be submitted through A2A Portal www.a2ascholarships.iccr.gov.in. The procedures and norms governing these scholarships are given on the Portal. The A2AScholarship Portal is operational from 27th February, 2026 (Friday).
2. Candidates are advised to go through the ICCR instructions and guidelines carefully before filling up the online application form with respect to each scholarship scheme.
3. For selection of University/Institute and course, applicants are advised to exercise due diligence and research in a dedicated manner on the specific admission criteria laid down by various Universities for each subject, and ensure that they submit all relevant documents as required by the Universities/Institutes in addition to the basic certificates mentioned in the application form. For this, they may refer to the Universities Handbook/University Grants Commission's website and the concerned institute's website for eligibility criteria. **Please note that the Course/Institute allotted to the candidate under any scholarship scheme will not be changed.**

How to submit application:

1. The applicant should deposit application fee of **NRs. 400/-** in favor of Education Wing, Embassy of India, Kathmandu in **Account No. 17725240200331** at any branch of Nepal SBI, located in Nepal. After deposit of application fee, the applicant should write online application registration number and his/her name on the top of the counterfoil/receipt for identification.
2. Thereafter, the applicant should submit the original counterfoil along with the copy of the application and documents uploaded online, directly to (i) the Embassy of India, Kathmandu (all the districts except the districts mentioned under the Consulate General of India, Birgunj); or (ii) Consulate General of India, Birgunj (for those hailing from districts - Bara, Chitwan, Dhanusha, Mahottari, Makwanpur, Parsa, Rautahat & Sarlahi), as the case may be. Application fee once deposited will not be refunded or adjusted. Submission of application fee and print out of application form along with requisite documents to the Embassy/Consulate (as applicable) is mandatory requirement. Applicants who fail to submit the fee and print out of application form along with requisite documents will be considered ineligible for these scholarship schemes.

Please Note:

1. The above schemes do not include the courses on Medical / Paramedical (**Nursing / Physiotherapy / Anesthesia / Lab Technicians etc.**) /Law Courses and Integrated courses such as BALLB (5Years)/B.Sc. & M.Sc. (5 years) etc.
2. Candidates opting for admission in science/engineering UG level courses may ensure that they have studied Physics, Chemistry & Mathematics (PCM) at the final/High School level (Standard XII). Candidates opting for admission in science courses with biology as a major subject may ensure that they have studied Biology, Physics & Chemistry at the final/High School level (Standard XII). Mark-sheets issued by the respective education board for each, i.e., level 10 and 10+2 level of school should be uploaded along with the transcripts in English. **Mark-sheets not reflecting the grades/marks of the students will not be accepted.**
3. For candidates opting for MBA, GMAT score is mandatory.
4. The application will not be considered without English translation of documents if the original documents are not in English.
5. The incomplete application will be summarily rejected by Universities if documents are not in English or English translation is not provided. Therefore, students are advised to thoroughly check their application and attach requisite documents before submission of the application.
6. Those applying science courses may please note that the expenditure on laboratory chemicals and other related incidental charges will be borne by the scholars themselves.
7. Submission of an essay of 500 words in English on one of the topics/subjects listed on A2A portal is mandatory. An undertaking in the given format regarding English Proficiency duly signed by the Principal/Head of Institute of school last attended is mandatory to be submitted with application form to the Embassy/Consulate. Besides, students can also submit their TOFEL/IELTS etc. standardized test score, if available.
8. Applicant's age for availing scholarship as on 1st July, 2026:
18 Years – Minimum Age for any level of courses
35 Years – Maximum Age for UG, PG, Certificate and Diploma level courses
40 Years – Maximum Age for Ph.D. level courses
No upper age limit for courses in Hindi, Sanskrit, any of the Indian performing arts courses

(such as Kathak, Bharatnatyam, Vocal/Instrumental music, etc.) unless prescribed by the concerned institution).

9. Submission of incorrect information or/and incomplete application forms or/and non-submission of copy of application and documents in the Embassy/Consulate by the candidate may result in cancellation of the candidature at any stage and no review will be considered.

Important Information

The Embassy of India, Kathmandu entertains applications directly from the applicant himself/herself only. The Embassy does not recognize or receive applications through any so called Education Consultants/Middle- men/Agencies in Nepal. Students are advised to beware of such unscrupulous persons/agencies. Applications found to have been received through such agencies/persons are liable to be rejected.