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DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMY, PLANNING, AND DEVELOPMENT



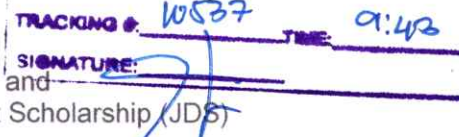
MEMORANDUM

FOR : Heads of Constitutional Bodies; Departments, Bureaus, Agencies of the National Government (NGAs); Local Government Units (LGUs); Government-Owned or Controlled Corporations with Original Charters (GOCCs); Government Financial Institutions (GFIs); and State Universities and Colleges (SUCs)



DATE: 10-24-25

FROM : JOSEPH J. CAPUNO  
Undersecretary, Investment Programming Group and  
Chair, Project for Human Resource Development Scholarship (JDS)  
Operating Committee



SUBJECT : Invitation to Apply – Project for Human Resource Development Scholarship (JDS Project)

DATE : October 23, 2025

1. We would like to formally invite your Offices to submit applications for the Master's Degree Programs covering Japanese Academic Year (AY) 2026-2027 under the JDS Project.
2. Since its inception in 2002, the JDS Project has dispatched 479 fellows from different Philippine Government agencies and organizations to various prestigious Japanese universities. Twenty fellows will be dispatched in 2026 to undertake the master's degree programs.
3. Detailed information on the qualification requirements, application procedures, and sub-programs and components of the JDS Project may be accessed through the project website: <https://jds-scholarship.org/country/philippines/index.html>.
4. The application documents, which are downloadable through the JDS website, should be submitted **on or before December 12, 2025** to the Japan International Cooperation Center (JICE) JDS Project Office in the Philippines through email: [jds.philippines1@jice.org](mailto:jds.philippines1@jice.org). Late submission and incomplete application documents will NOT be accepted.
5. The JICE JDS team will conduct an initial review of the submitted digital documents. A formal request will be sent by the JICE JDS team to the applicants for the final version of the required application documents.
6. Should you have further questions/concerns, please contact Ms. Rhina Encila of the JICE JDS Project Office in the Philippines through email: [jds.philippines@jice.org](mailto:jds.philippines@jice.org), or telephone number: (02) 5310-3548.



We look forward to your agencies' participation in the JDS Project.



**JOSEPH J. CAPUNO**

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