

## **AFRICA DAY- SCHOLARSHIP SCHEME 2011-12**

Indian Council for Cultural Relations offers **ONE** scholarship slot on rotational basis for the year 2011-12 under the special Indian Scholarship Scheme to mark the “Africa Day” in the memory of (Late) Dr. Amilcar Cabral. The scholarship is awarded to a national of any of the African Countries. The selected candidate can take up study either at Undergraduate/postgraduate, PhD or Postdoctoral level in any discipline in India. The duration of study/research of the scholar will depend upon the course for which he/she is admitted.

The candidate should be a serious student having proficiency in English and should not have any health problem.

In case of scholars pursuing Science course, the expenditure on laboratory chemicals and other related incidentals charges will be borne by him/her.

Economy class air fare by shortest route is provided to the candidate.

Six complete sets of application forms (**properly tagged**) should be submitted. Application should be properly filled-up and sent with complete supporting documents. Candidate should clearly mention the course and university to which he/she is seeking admission. Certified copies of all documents should be accompanied with English Translation, a syllabus of the qualifying examination should be enclosed with application.

Students wishing to study performing arts should enclose Video/Audio cassettes of their recorded performances wherever possible.

ICCR will not entertain applications which are sent to ICCR directly by the students or which are sent by local Embassies/High Commission in New Delhi

Indian universities/educational institutions are autonomous and independent and hence their own eligibility criteria. Forwarding of applications is thus not a guarantee of admission. A scholarship is awarded only when admission is confirmed by ICCR.

Hostel accommodation is not guaranteed and is exception rather than an assured facility. The small accommodation allowance that ICCR gives, allows 2 to 3 students to “*chum-up*” and share a small flat. It is important that the students are aware of this situation

Scholars are advised to carry some money to meet some incidental expenditure on arrival.

All intending candidates must obtain a certificate that they are free from AIDS prior to their departure for India. Even in India, the applicant would have to go for AIDS test before the admissions is finally given to overseas scholars. In case any of the nominees is found HIV positive in India the scholar will be repatriated immediately and the Council would not bear any expenses on this account.

**LAST DATE OF ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS AT HIGH COMMISSION OF INDIA, 15 RIO NEGRO CLOSE, MAITAMA, ABUJA IS 21 FEBRUARY 2011.**