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### Press Release

## Scholarships offered to Malaysians under the Atal Bihari Vajpayee General Scholarship Scheme (formerly known as the General Scholarship Scheme) for Academic Year 2023-24

The Indian Council for Cultural Relations (ICCR) is offering three scholarships to Malaysians under the Atal Bihari Vajpayee General Scholarship Scheme (ABVGSS) for the Academic Year 2023-24 to pursue UG, PG, and PhD courses in 122 universities and institutions in India.

2. **Eligibility Requirements:** The qualification required for admission to UG courses is schooling equivalent to 12<sup>th</sup> standard in India i.e. STPM or A-Levels, etc., which are recognized by the Association of Indian Universities (AIU); and the qualification required for admission to PG and PhD courses is the relevant basic degrees. For admission to UG engineering and technical courses, Physics, Chemistry, and Mathematics is compulsory in the 11th and 12th standards i.e. STPM or equivalent qualification. The candidates are required to submit a 500-word essay in English to ascertain their English proficiency, or they can submit their TOFEL / IELTS / Standardized Test score for English. If the original transcripts or documents are not in English, their English translations must be uploaded.

3. **Timelines:** The last date for submission of applications by the students on the ICCR's 'A2A Scholarship Portal' <<http://a2ascholarships.iccr.gov.in>> is **30.04.2023**. Applicants can apply to 5 universities / institutions on the A2A Scholarship Portal, in the order of their preference of study. The universities / institutes will inform the applicants of the selection / rejection of their applications by 31.05.2023, and the Mission will decide on allocating the scholarships and generating the Offer Letters for the selected students by 30.06.2023 (first round) / 22.07.2023 (second round). The selected students will convey their acceptance of the scholarships latest by 15.07.2023 (first round) / 30.07.2023 (second round).

4. In the new/revised scholarship scheme since last year, return air tickets will also be offered for students. Applicants should be of sound health. It is compulsory for all ICCR scholarship students to procure Medical Insurance policy with minimum sum assured for Indian Rupees Five Lakhs per annum.

5. This scholarship does not cover medical / paramedical (nursing, physiotherapy, anaesthesia, etc.), fashion, law, and integrated courses (combination of two courses such as BA and LLB or BSc and MSc, etc.)

6. For more information about the scholarship, contact the Education Wing, High Commission of India, Kuala Lumpur (Tel: +60 3 4021 8939; Email: edu.kl@mea.gov.in).

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