

**High Commission of India  
Kuala Lumpur**

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**Press Release**

**QUAD STEM Scholarship Scheme offered by Government of India  
for the academic year 2025-26**

The Government of India is offering the QUAD STEM Scholarship Scheme for the academic intake 2025-26 (to be administered by the Indian Council for Cultural Relations, New Delhi), for students to pursue 4-year bachelor's level engineering programme for the Academic year 2025-26, at the following universities / institutions:

- i. Malaviya National Institute of Technology, Jaipur (Rajasthan)
- ii. National Institute of Technology, Durgapur (West Bengal)
- iii. National Institute of Technology, Tiruchirappalli (Tamil Nadu)
- iv. Delhi Technological University, New Delhi (Delhi)
- v. National Institute of Technology, Warangal (Telangana)
- vi. Cochin University of Science and Technology, Kochi (Kerala)
- vii. Anna University, Chennai (Tamil Nadu)
- viii. Indraprastha Institute of Information Technology, New Delhi (Delhi)

2. Interested students may apply via ICCR's "A2A Scholarship portal" <<http://a2ascholarships.iccr.gov.in>>. The **last date for submission of application is 30<sup>th</sup> April 2025**. Applicants have the option to apply to 5 Universities/Institutes in the order of their preference of study.

3. A 500-word essay in English has to be submitted to ascertain the applicant's English proficiency. Besides, applicants can also submit their TOFEL/ IELTS etc., Standardized Test scores, if available. Universities/Institute could conduct interview of the candidates online, if so required.

4. Interested students are advised to visit University/Institute website and do thorough research of the courses offered, eligibility criteria and general information about the University/Institute before applying for admission. The students should ensure that they are eligible for the course and meet the eligibility criteria and should submit relevant documentation as required by the Universities/Institutes in addition to the basic certificates mentioned in the application form. Physics, Chemistry, and Mathematics are compulsory in grades 11 and 12 to apply for for engineering / technical courses. They should always refer to the Universities Handbook / University Grants Commission's website and the concerned University/Institute's website for the eligibility criteria, etc.

5. The general guideline to apply for the scholarship provided by ICCR are as follows:

- Age criteria: For Undergraduate courses – between 18-40 years and 18 years as on 1.7.2025.
- The application will not be considered without English translation of the documents, if the original documents are not in English.

- The student must be physically and mentally fit. They should submit a Fitness Certificate duly filled by a medical practitioner in the format prescribed by ICCR.
- It is compulsory for all ICCR scholarship students to procure a **Medical Insurance policy** with minimum sum assured for Indian Rupees Five Lakhs per annum. Applicants are advised to ensure that they must have medical insurance coverage on their own either before travel or immediately after reaching India, whatever is convenient to students. Students can purchase medical insurance from any of the insurance companies of their choice. However to facilitate students, A2A Scholarship Portal has two insurance companies for reference. Applicants are advised to be aware of the change in medical insurance policy. ICCR has uploaded the revised norms on its A2A Scholarship Portal.
- If stipulated by the University/Institute in their offer letter, the applicants must obtain an **Equivalence Certificate** from the Association of Indian Universities (AIU), by applying at <https://evaluation.aiu.ac.in/student/login> and bear the fees incurred on obtaining the certificate at own expense (non-reimbursable). For details about obtaining the Equivalence Certificate, students may contact AIU by telephone at +91 11 2323 0059 / 2323 1097 / 2323 2305 extn 210, 234, 252; and by email to <studentinfo@aiu.ac.in, ds\_international@aiu.ac.in, evaluation@aiu.ac.in>. The AIU recognizes Malaysia's STPM qualification as equivalent to India's 12th standard.
- It is essential for the applicants to familiarize themselves with living conditions at their destination/University.
- ICCR advises students to stay in campus hostel, if available. However, students are allowed to stay in private accommodation if the concerned institute does not insist on staying in their hostel.
- Students selected under the scholarship must obtain their visa and register with the Foreigners Regional Registration Office (FRRO) via the **Study In India (SII) portal**.
- The scholarship candidates must provide the required details (arrival details, passport particulars, Joining Report filled by the university / institute, student's India bank account details, and e-FRRO registration details) on the **Gyan Setu app** launched by ICCR, within 15 days of their arrival in India, in order to obtain the scholarship.
- These scholarship slots include return economy class air-fares to the airport nearest to the place of study and 3<sup>rd</sup> AC trainfare from airport to the place of study, if so required.

6. Following are the timelines for filing applications and acceptance of the same:

<b>20 Feb 2025</b>	Opening of ICCR's A2A Scholarship Portal <a href="http://a2ascholarships.iccr.gov.in">http://a2ascholarships.iccr.gov.in</a>
<b>30 Apr 2025</b>	Last date for submission of applications by students
<b>31 May 2025</b>	Last date of universities to inform the decision (if confirmed, intimation to Missions; if rejected, intimation to students)
<b>15 June 2025</b>	Last date for allocating scholarship and generating Offer Letters by Indian Mission abroad
<b>22 June 2025</b>	Last date of acceptance by students

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