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**PUBLIC NOTICE**

**Scholarships for Indian students offered by the Government of the Russian Federation for the academic year 2026-27**

The Government of the Russian Federation has announced 300 scholarships for Indian citizens to pursue studies in Russian higher educational institutions for the academic year 2026-27. The scholarship covers a wide range of disciplines — including medicine, pharmacy, engineering, architecture, agriculture, management, economics, humanities and social sciences, mathematics, space, aviation, sports, and arts — across most universities in Russia (except Lomonosov Moscow State University and MGIMO). Students can apply for all levels of study: Bachelor's, Specialist's, Master's, PhD, and advanced training courses. The scholarship covers tuition fees. More information can be seen in the document enclosed.

2. All applications must be submitted only through the official website <https://www.education-in-russia.com>.

3. The Ministry of Education, Government of India has no role in nomination/selection of candidates. The Public notice is being published for wider dissemination of information purpose only. The final selection of the candidates will be done by the donor country.

  
(Sangeet Kumar)

Under Secretary (Scholarships)

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## **Information on the selection of Indian candidates for study in the Russian Federation for the 2026/27 academic year**

The Government of the Russian Federation annually provides scholarships for Indian citizens to study at Russian educational institutions.

This scholarship program covers almost all universities in Russia – from Moscow and St. Petersburg to Krasnodar, Kaliningrad and Vladivostok – with the exception of Lomonosov Moscow State University, MGIMO.

Students can apply for all levels of education: bachelor's, specialist's, master's and PhD programs, advanced training courses.

All courses are available (medicine, pharmacy, engineering, architecture, agriculture, management, economics, humanities and social sciences, mathematics, space, aviation, sports, art, etc.).

A number of programs, in particular in the field of medicine, are taught in English.

Proficiency in Russian is not required. If students don't speak Russian, they can simply select an additional option in their application about the need to learn Russian. In this case, they will study Russian for one year. After that, they will be able to move on to studying their chosen course.

All applications for scholarships of the Russian Government are submitted via the website <https://www.education-in-russia.com>. It is not possible to submit applications in any other way.

The scholarship covers tuition fees. Education under the government scholarship is free.

Students do not have to pass tests and exams. The assessment of the dossier consists of two assessments:

- the average grade for the diploma of the previous education;
- a portfolio (scientific publications; a letter of recommendation signed by the rector or vice-rector of the Russian university chosen by the candidate; certificates of the winner of international or national competitions, olympiads).

Students can choose up to 6 universities in the application in priority order. But they will be enrolled to the university of the six that chooses them.

The selection is carried out in two stages. The first stage ends on January 15. At this stage, the submitted documents are checked, on the basis of which it is determined who has passed to the second stage.

The second stage includes the distribution of selected students to universities and obtaining a visa. This stage is being implemented by the Ministry of Science and Higher Education of the Russian Federation in touch with Russian universities.