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NOTICE

The Ministry of External Affairs, Government of India has introduced **Scholarship Programme for Diaspora Children (SPDC)**. To avail the benefits of these scholarship schemes, kindly go through the details given below and apply as per the eligibility criteria –

**SPDC SCHEME (SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAMME FOR DIASPORA CHILDREN)
FOR NRI, PIO & CIWG STUDENT COMMUNITY**

1. **SPDC Scholarship is awarded to following four categories:**
- (i) Children of Persons of Indian Origin/Overseas Citizens of India.
 - (ii) Children of Non-Resident Indians.
 - (iii) Children of Indian Workers in ECR countries studying outside India.
 - (iv) Children of Indian Workers in ECR countries studying in India

Under SPDC scheme financial assistance for specific undergraduate courses in Professional and Non-Professional courses (except Medical and related courses) is provided towards tuition fee, admission fee and post admission services. Only fresh year students (1st year) students should be eligible to get the scholarship.

2. **NUMBER OF SCHOLARSHIPS:**

Total No of Scholarships = 150

Scholarships for NRIs and PIOs = 100

Scholarships for CIWG = 50

33 Scholarships earmarked for Children of Indian workers (CIWG) in the 17 Emigration Check Required (ECR) countries who have studied outside India till +2 / Equivalent subject to fulfilling eligibility conditions

17 Scholarships earmarked for Children of Indian workers (CIWG) in the 17 Emigration Check Required (ECR) countries who have studied in India till +2 / Equivalent subject to fulfilling eligibility conditions

If any of these seats are not filled up, they will be made available to applicants from other categories under SPDC and vice-versa.

3. **Eligibility Criteria for Various Categories: -**

(a) **"Persons of Indian Origin" (PIOs)** shall mean the Persons who are citizens of other countries (except Pakistan and Bangladesh) who at any time held an Indian Passport, or who or either of his/her parent or any of his/her grandparent was a citizen of India by virtue of provisions of the Constitution of India or Section 2 (B) of Citizenship Act, 1955 (Act No. 57 of 1955).

(b) **"NRI"** - As defined in Income Tax Act, 1961 an individual is Non-Resident, when he/she is "not a resident" or who is "not ordinarily resident". A person is treated as "not ordinary resident" when any of the following conditions is satisfied. (i) If he/she has not been resident in India in nine out of ten preceding years; (OR) (ii) If he/she has not been in India for a period of 730 days or more during the preceding seven years.