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## Application announcement for the 9<sup>th</sup> Batch of

## Japan Development Scholarship (JDS) 2010-2011

Application call for the 9<sup>th</sup> batch of Japan Development Scholarship (JDS) 2010-2011 is going to start. Application period is from 12<sup>th</sup> August, 2009 to 14<sup>th</sup> September, 2009. Detailed information is available at the website: http://sv2.jice.org/e/jds/index.htm. Minimum qualifications for JDS program are: being a BCS (Bangladesh Civil Service) Cadre or Class-1 officers of Bangladesh Bank who are below the age of 40. JDS offers following fields of study at Master's level in Japanese universities: Public Administration, Economics, Environmental Policy and International Relations.

JDS, formally called Japanese Grant Aid for Human Resource Development Program, is offered in 12 countries including Bangladesh. JDS was established by the Government of Bangladesh with the Japanese Government assistance in 2001. The JDS participants will acquire expert knowledge, conduct research and build human networks at Japanese universities and are expected to use such knowledge to take an active role in practically solving problems concerning the social and economic development issues of Bangladesh.

In the last eight years, a total of 167 JDS fellows were dispatched to Japan and over 110 fellows returned to Bangladesh with their accomplishments and ambitions to contribute to this country.

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