

## **Guidelines of Applying for Scholarships**

### **Awarded by the Government of the Arab Republic of Egypt**

### **To Indian Students for the academic year 2020-2021**

#### **1. Number and type of available scholarships**

- a) Al-Azhar Al-Shareef provides: University Under-graduate Studies Scholarships and Post-graduate Studies Scholarships. Scholarships for one term.
- b) The Ministry of Higher Education provides: University Under-graduate Studies Scholarships, Post-graduate Studies Scholarships, and Scholarships for the Study of Arabic language.

#### **2. Time framework for nomination process**

Deadline to receive nominations is 11<sup>th</sup> of September, 2020.

#### **3. General conditions apply for both the Ministry of Higher Education and Al-Azhar scholarships**

- The nominee should be of Indian nationality and neither of his parents is Egyptian.
- The nominee should never have a Scholarship from the Egyptian government before or previously dismissed from one for any reason.
- The nominee has to be fit physically and psychologically and carries no contagious diseases. (Medical certificate is necessary as well as a medical test will be made for the student upon arrival to Egypt).
- Only one person from same family is allowed to be nominated.
- Married nominee can bring his spouse to live with him in Egypt. The spouse will not be allowed a scholarship at the same period.
- The nominee should not register in any other scholarship in Egypt or elsewhere.
- No transfer is allowed from a Foreign University to an Egyptian University for any foreign student.

- All documents required for the scholarship application have to be sealed by the Indian MEA and the Egyptian Embassy in New Delhi and should be written in Arabic, English or French languages only. If document is of any other language, a certified translation into one of the three mentioned languages should be submitted along with the document.
- Students granted the scholarships should be in contact with the Indian Embassy in Cairo if encounter any difficulties during their stay in Egypt.
- The student shall be charged for any costs resulting from changing or cancelling the time of travel, as well as the cost of the returning ticket if the scholarship is not completed. In the later case, the student can not apply again for any Scholarship given by the Egyptian government.
- The nominee should fulfill the mandatory qualifying subjects and conditions for admission to the faculties wishing to enroll in at the Egyptian universities.
- Taking into account for the nominee:
  - Knowledge of the Arabic language, providing a certificate to stating it.
  - Ensure that the nominee is free from contagious diseases, providing a certificate to stating it.
  - The nominee should perform a PCR test 72 hours before arrival.
- The student will bear any costs resulting from changing the travel date or canceling it, as well as bearing the value of the return ticket in the event that the scholarship is not completed

#### **4. Al-Azhar scholarships**

##### **a) General regulations**

- The certificates obtained by candidates nominated to Al-Azhar scholarships (theoretical and scientific, except for “Sharia” and Arabic faculties) must be supported by a letter from the concerned authorities stating that the certificates are eligible for admission to universities in India.

- **Extra baggage weight up to 20kg is allowed for University Graduates and Post Graduate Students.**
- **Older academic certificates of maximum of 3 years back shall be accepted.**
- **The nominee must be Muslim.**
- **The nominee should not exceed 20 years old & applying for first/ preparatory year in the under graduate studies scholarships, 21 years old max. for second university year, 22 years old for third university year, and so on.**
- **The applying Indian student should be residing in India.**
- **Equivalency of Academic Certificates according to Al-Azhar rules is a must. (will be explained later).**
- **Changing the study specialty after obtaining the scholarship is not allowed.**
- **The student may study in Cairo or branches of Al-Azhar in other cities as well.**
- **The Student will have an Arabic language test upon arrival to determine his language level.**
- **Allowances for university students are:**
  - **500EP monthly if staying in Al-Azhar hostel and 600EP monthly if staying outside the hostel.**
  - **Extra one month stipend upon arrival.**
  - **Extra one month stipend for books every new academic year unless the student didn't successfully pass the past year.**
  - **Extra one month upon graduation**
- **Allowances for Post Graduate Study are:**
  - **500EP monthly if staying at Al-Azhar hostel and 600EP monthly if staying outside the hostel.**
  - **Extra one month upon Arrival.**
  - **Extra two months for printing the Thesis.**
- **The monthly allowance is deducted by 30% in case of the student failure to pass an academic year and it is totally cut of in case of the student failure to pass the same academic year for the second time. The deducted allowance by 30% is allowed for repetition of only 2 years**

during the whole studying period on a condition that the 2 years are not consecutive. Also the Allowance is totally cut during any period the student travels outside Egypt for any reason.

**b) Required documents for university study scholarships at Al-Azhar**

- The high school graduation certificate, certified by Indian MEA and Embassy of Egypt in New Delhi.
- List of subjects studied in the high school, certified by Indian MEA and Embassy of Egypt in New Delhi.
- Original birth certificate includes the name and nationality of both parents, certified by Indian MEA and Embassy of Egypt in New Delhi.
- 6 recent photos. Name and nationality to be written on the back.
- Photocopy of valid passport and a translation into Arabic.
- Recommendation letter from the nominating entity to certify the nominee's good conduct.
- Medical Certificate certified by the Indian Ministry of Health, Indian MEA and Embassy of Egypt in New Delhi. The certificate should indicate that the student is fit physically and psychologically and free of any contagious diseases.
- Filled in Al-Azhar Forms A, B & C in Arabic. (attached).

**c) Required documents for post-graduate studies scholarships at Al-Azhar:**

- The university graduation certificate, certified by Indian MEA and Embassy of Egypt in New Delhi.
- Statement of grades and marks obtained during the university study (for each academic year separate), certified by Indian MEA and Embassy of Egypt in New Delhi.
- Original birth certificate includes the name and nationality of both parents, certified by Indian MEA and Embassy of Egypt in New Delhi.
- 6 recent photos. Name and nationality to be written on the back.
- Photocopy of valid passport and translation into Arabic.
- Recommendation letter from the nominating entity to certify the nominee's good conduct.

- Medical Certificate certified by the Indian Health Ministry, MEA and Embassy of Egypt in New Delhi. The certificate should indicate that the student is fit physically and psychologically and free of any contagious diseases.
- Filled in Al-Azhar Forms A, B & C in Arabic. (attached).

**d) Required documents for the equivalency of university degree for post-graduate studies under Al-Azhar rules**

- Photocopy of High School Graduation certificate.
- Original University Graduation certificate with minimum overall grade "Good", certified by Indian MEA and Embassy of Egypt in New Delhi.
- Statement of grades and marks obtained during the university study (for each academic year separate), certified by Indian MEA and Embassy of Egypt in New Delhi.
- Faculty catalogue including the faculty/institute study plan and the scientific content and number of hours of each studied course, certified by the Faculty/ Institute.
- 5 photocopy sets of the above mentioned documents. If the documents are not in Arabic then a certified translation into Arabic of every document is a must to be submitted along with the documents.
- 5 recent photos.
- Fees of 500EP.
- Letter of no objection from the Embassy of India in Cairo for the student to join Al-Azhar.

**5. Scholarships awarded by the Ministry of Higher Education**

**a) Regulations**

- The student shall register on the website of Foreign Students [www.wafeden.gov.eg](http://www.wafeden.gov.eg) and of grants shall be distributed to all public universities without exception with the allocation of only 25% of the grants allocated for nomination to the top faculties.

- **The nominee must have an equivalent to the Egyptian High School Degree certified by the related Indian Ministry of Education and Embassy of Egypt.**
- **The Nominee must have studied and finished 8 courses in the mentioned certificate.**
- **The nominee to have the minimum grade required by the Faculty preferred to join.**
- **Older academic certificates of maximum of 4 years back shall be accepted.**
- **Scholarship to be cut off in case of the student failure to pass more than twice during studying period.**
- **Medical test to be conducted upon arrival to Egypt and in case the student not to be medically fit, student to be sent away on student's own expense.**
- **Student is not permitted to perform any work than full-time study.**
- **Student is not allowed to enroll in any other study other than the nominated one.**
- **Student shall be treated free of charge at university or governmental hospitals according to the available places.**

**b) Required documents**

- **Degree certificate to be certified by Embassy of Egypt.**
- **Original birth certificate.**
- **6 recent photos.**
- **Photocopy of valid passport.**
- **Medical Certificate certified by the Indian Ministry of Health, MEA and Embassy of Egypt in New Delhi. The certificate should indicate that the student is fit physically and psychologically and free of any contagious diseases.**

**c) Financial rules**

- **Exemption of the foreign currency tuition fees applied on foreign students.**

- Scholarship value is 500EP monthly if staying in university hostel and 600EP monthly if staying outside of university hostel.
- Extra one month stipend upon arrival, once.
- Extra one month stipend upon graduation at departure, once.

**d) Majors' choices**

Four choices to be selected from the following according to the student's qualifications (scientific or literary), noting that each Faculty has a minimum qualification for admission, taking into consideration the courses eligible for each Faculty.

**Scientific section**

1	Economics & Political Sciences	10	Education	19	Arts (Women)
2	Mass Communication	11	Tourism & Hotels	20	Fine Arts
3	Al Alson (Linguistics)	12	Nursing	21	Law
4	Veterinary Medicine	13	Applied Arts	22	Dar AL-Ulum (Linguistics)
5	Archaeology	14	Basic Education	23	Education (Childhood)
6	Computers & Information	15	Arts	24	Agriculture
7	Sciences	16	Commerce	25	Specific Education
8	Physical Education	17	Kindergarten	26	Home Economy
9	Social Work	18	Sciences (Women)	27	Education / Scientific Departments (Women)

### Literary section :

1	Economics & Political Sciences	8	Fine Arts	15	Arts
2	Mass Communication	9	Tourism & Hotels	16	Arts (Women)
3	Al Alson (Linguistics)	10	Commerce	17	Kindergarten
4	Archaeology	11	Basic Education	18	Dar AL-Ulum (Linguistic)
5	Education	12	Education (Childhood)	19	Law
6	Specific Education	13	Physical Education	20	Home Economy
7	Social Work	14	Education Arts (Women)		

### e) Arabic study scholarships

#### Regulations:

- **The nominee must be a student at Intermediate or Higher Education level or holds a university degree.**
- **It is preferable if the nominee has previous knowledge of Arabic Language or studied it.**
- **Study takes place at the Educational Center under the Ministry of Higher Education by university professors of Arabic Language and Literature.**
- **The student will be subject to test to determine the level of his Arabic study. Levels are: Beginner, Moderate and Advanced.**
- **The student is not allowed to register in any study other than the one he is nominated for.**
- **Study starts in the third week of September 2019 and finishes at the end of May 2020, for 8 months consecutive period.**
- **Allowances for students are 255EP monthly if staying in the hostel and 300EP monthly if staying outside the hostel.**
- **The student will pay for his international air ticket, local transportation and meals.**
- **The student is not allowed to work during his 8 months studying period.**



- **The Educational Center will issue a certificate for the student at the end of the course indicating his participation and result.**

**Required documents:**

- **The Academic Certificate the nominee holds.**
  - **Original birth certificate includes the name and nationality of both parents.**
  - **6 recent photos. Name and nationality to be written on the back.**
  - **Photocopy of valid passport.**
  - **Medical Certificate certified by the Indian Ministry of Health, MEA and Embassy of Egypt in New Delhi. The certificate should indicate that the student is fit physically and psychologically and free of any contagious diseases.**
  - **Filled in Higher Education Forms D&E. (attached).**
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- ❖ **More details to be checked out through the Embassy of Arab Republic of Egypt (Cultural Bureau) in New Delhi.**