

## **Embassy of India**

### **Direct Admission of Students Abroad (DASA) Scheme**

#### **Press Release**

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The Ministry of Education has notified that undergraduate admissions under Direct Admission of Students Abroad (DASA) Scheme for year 2022-23 will be made on the basis of the ranks obtained by students in the Joint Entrance Examination- Main (JEE - Main) conducted by National Testing Agency (NTA). Nearly 15% of total seats at National Institute of Technology (NITs), International Institute of Information Technology (IIITs), & centrally funded technical institutions (except IITs) have been reserved for this category of students. The scheme is available in different disciplines proportionately. At present, approximately 3900 Undergraduate and 1300 Postgraduate seats are offered under the Scheme.

Under DASA Scheme, the registration / application fee for the undergraduate programmes is US\$300 while the tuition fee is US\$8000. The students belonging to children of Indian workers in the Gulf (CIWG) category and taking admissions in the undergraduate programmes of the NITs and Indian Institute of Engineering Science and Technology, Shibpur under the DASA Scheme can pay tuition fee of Rs.1,25,000/- per annum either in Indian Rupees (INR) or equivalent US Dollars at existing exchange rate. The parents, living in India or abroad and willing to pay fee(s) prescribed under the DASA scheme in Indian Rupees at existing exchange rate in place of US Dollars, are allowed to pay the prescribed fee in INR. The nationals of SAARC countries (except India) are eligible for 50% tuition fee waiver provided they have passed the qualifying examination (JEE Main) in SAARC countries.

For the postgraduate programmes under DASA scheme, only foreign Nationals, PIOs, OCIs who have completed undergraduate programme in any country (including India) are eligible to apply. The applicants must have passed the qualifying examination i.e. four / five year undergraduate programme in engineering / technology or equivalent in relevant discipline for M.Tech. / M.Arch. / M.Plan. / M.Des. / MURP and an appropriate UG degree for MBA programme from any stream of education recognized as equivalent by the Association of Indian Universities, UGC, AICTE or other statutory bodies as applicable. Further, the applicant must have a valid minimum total of 300 GRE Revised General Test Score (Verbal + Quantitative) for eligibility for M.Tech./M.Arch./M.Plan./M.Des. and minimum of 480 GMAT Test Score for MBA programme. For the postgraduate programmes, the non-refundable registration fee is US \$300 and the first semester tuition fee is US \$4000. Foreign Nationals, who are nationals of SAARC countries, are eligible for 50% Tuition Fee waiver provided they have passed the qualifying examination (as mentioned above) in SAARC countries.

Indian Nationals having at least two years of education, inclusive of 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> or equivalent (not beyond), in a foreign country during the last 8 years with valid qualifying exam (JEE-Main) rank / score from abroad, are also eligible under the scheme.

DASA Scheme allows foreign nationals studying in any country (including India), wards of Persons of Indian Origin (PIOs), Overseas Citizen of India (OCI) and Non – Resident Indians (NRIs), to pursue technical education in India in NITs and other centrally funded technical institutions (excluding IITs).