

Atal Bihari Vajpayee General Scholarship Scheme 2025-26

The Indian Council for Cultural Relations (ICCR) is pleased to announce scholarship slots under Atal Bihari Vajpayee General Scholarship Scheme (A1201) at Indian Universities/Institutes for the academic year 2025-26. Interested candidates may visit: <http://a2ascholarships.iccr.gov.in/>

Time Line

20 Feb 2025	Opening of ICCR A2A Portal for admissions.
30 April 2025	Last date of application to be submitted by students.
31 May 2025	Last date of Universities to inform the decision (if confirmed, intimation to Missions; if rejected, intimation to students).
15 June 2025	Last date for allocating scholarship and generating Offer Letters by Indian Mission abroad.
22 June 2025	Last date of acceptance by students.
01 July 2025	Based on the number of acceptances in the first round (if acceptances are less than the scholarship seats allocated) Indian Mission to offer scholarship to other students who were not considered in the first round.
10 July 2025	Second-round students to convey their acceptances.

2. Only Universities / Institutes having excellent academic reputation and providing requisite facilities to host foreign students have been selected. According to A2A process, applications will be directly sent by students to respective universities. Applicants have the option to apply to 5 Universities / institutes in the order of their preference of study. The admission, as far as possible, shall be given as per applicant's preference.

3. For admission, applicant will have to write a 500-word essay in English to ascertain English proficiency. Besides, students can also submit their TOFEL / IELTS etc. Standardised Test scores, if available.

4. The scholarship slots include return economy class air-fares to the nearest airport and 3rd AC Train fare to the place of study, if so required.

5. It is compulsory for all ICCR scholarship students to procure Medical Insurance Policy with minimum sum assured for Indian Rupees Five Lakhs per annum.

6. For any further clarification/query in this regard, **Mr. Amit Chaudhary, Attache (Culture)** may be contacted at **cons.tallinn@mea.gov.in**.