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Ministry of Health & Mass Media

## "Asidisi - Mass Media" Scholarship Programme - 2026

### Provision of Financial Assistance for the Journalist Training Course

#### Objective

- Uplifting the professionalism of Sri Lankan Journalists

#### Target Groups

- Should be a journalist in the classification mentioned in Extraordinary Gazette No. 2413/44 dated 05.12.2024 who have completed two (02) years service (<https://www.news.lk/images/pdf/sinhala%20gazette.pdf>)

#### Criteria for Selection

- Should be a person who has been selected or already following any training offered by the stipulated institutions, doctorate, masters, bachelor's degree, Postgraduate diploma, Diploma long term and short term certificate course relevant to media field as the closing date of the application for the interview. (Letters issued by the relevant institutions that you have been selected or that you are following a course should be submitted at the interview)
- Course should be relevant to the media field
- Should be between 18 and 55 years as at the closing date of applications
- Should have obtained the Media Accreditation Card for year 2025/2026 issued by the Department of Government Information
- Reapplicant who have previously benefited from this scholarship scheme are required to have successfully completed the course funded under the previous scholarship.

#### Provision of Financial Facilities

- Scholarship amount paid for a course - For Doctorate Rs. 700,000/-, For Masters, Bachelor's and general degree to a maximum of Rs. 350,000/-, For the Postgraduate Diploma, Diploma, Long Term and Short Term Certificate Courses to a maximum of Rs. 200,000/-
- Applicants who are selected for scholarship will be paid 50% of the course fee at the start of the course as the first installment, 25% of the balance as the second installment and the balance 25% after the submission of the certificate upon on completion of their course

#### Subjects

- I. Mass Communication
- II. Technical Subjects

Example : Video Editing

Audio Production

Social Media Management

Web Content Creation

Multimedia Production

III. Political Science

IV. Economics

V. Sociology

VI. International Relations

VII. Law

VIII. Disaster Management

IX. Criminology

X. Language - Sinhala, Tamil and English only

XI. Data Journalism

- If applying for any other subject relevant to media in addition to the above, will be taken into consideration subjected to the approval of the Secretary

#### Method of Selection

- Candidates will be selected subject to an interview conducted by an Interview Panel appointed by the Secretary of the Ministry of Health and Mass Media. The final decision of the selection will be made by the Secretary of the Ministry.

#### Method of Applying

- Applicants may scan the QR Code given below, directly access the [www.media.gov.lk](http://www.media.gov.lk) website and complete the application or they may send their application by registered post addressed to "Director (Media), Ministry of Health and Mass Media, No. 163, "Asidisi Medura", Kirulapone Mawatha, Polhengoda, Colombo 05. The applicants should mention "Asidisi Mass Media Scholarship Programme 2026" on the left top corner of the envelope containing the application.
- Applications will be closed on 10th July 2026.

#### Note :

- Should enter into an agreement with the Ministry after the award of scholarship and should commence the course within a maximum of six (06) months. Failing to do so will result in the cancellation of the scholarship.

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Further Details: [www.media.gov.lk](http://www.media.gov.lk)

Secretary

Ministry of Health and Mass Media

