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Government of India
Ministry of Finance
Department of Economic Affairs
(IES Cadre)**

**Room No. 59, North Block,
New Delhi Dated: 21.06.2024.**

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: Inviting applications for Indian Economic Service - UK Government Economic Service Exchange programme, 2024

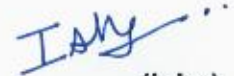
The Indian Economic Service (IES) Cadre invites applications from IES Officers belonging to the 2015-2021 batches to be a part of the Indian Economic Service (IES) - UK Government Economic Service (GES) Exchange Programme, 2024, tentatively to commence in August, 2024.

2. The programme aims at capacity building, knowledge transfer, evidence building, and collaborative working between India and the UK, thereby adding value to economic policy-making in both countries. The programme will pair 8 IES and UK-GES officers, with four from India and four from the UK, to work jointly on economic and policy questions that is of relevance to both countries such as impact of emerging technology, digital public infrastructure, climate mitigation and adaptation, prospects in global trade and investment.

3. Selected officers will visit the UK for two weeks to initiate the project. Following this, participants will collaborate online in pairs on their projects over the next three months. The program will conclude with a two-week visit of GES officers to India, during which participants will present their findings to senior officials from India and the UK. During the visits, participants will have the opportunity to meet with a range of government and external stakeholders to discuss their research topics.

4. Eligibility criteria for selection of officers for the Programme are at **Annexure-I**. Screening of applications and final selection will be made by a Selection Committee chaired by the Chief Economic Adviser, Ministry of Finance. The decision of the Committee shall be final and binding.

5. Eligible and willing officers who wish to apply for the Programme may forward their applications in the enclosed proforma (**Annexure-II**), through proper channel, (i.e. through the concerned administrative Ministry/Department where the officers are posted) accompanied with vigilance clearance, to the undersigned (Room No. 59, North Block, New Delhi; email: isha.singh10@gov.in), latest by 30.06.2024.



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To:

All IES Officers via e-mail

Annexure I

Eligibility criteria for selection of the officers for the Indian Economic Service - UK Government Economic Service Exchange programme, 2024

1. Minimum Service: Officers of batches 2015 (9 years) to 2021 (2 years), holding Cadre Posts (not on Deputation of any type) at the time of submission of application and for the duration of the Exchange Programme are eligible.

2. Foreign Training/ Conferences/Workshops/Seminars: The Officer should not have attended any Foreign Training/Conferences/Workshops/Seminars abroad of duration of more than or equal to two weeks (excluding travel time) during the last two years.

3. Performance: The officer should have Outstanding/Very Good grading in their previous year's APARs, with no adverse entries.

4. Departmental proceedings: The Officer should not have any Departmental proceedings/Vigilance cases pending or contemplated against him/her.

5. Desirable skills and knowledge:

1. In-depth knowledge and understanding of the Indian Economy, with clarity on economic theories and applied aspects.
2. Experience of working on MS Excel and use of econometric software.

Application Form

1. Name of the applicant (Dr/ Mr/Miss/Mrs):
2. Batch Year of entry into IES:
3. Date of superannuation:
4. Ministry/Department where currently working:
5. Designation:
6. Official Passport No.:
7. Mailing Address:
8. Telephone No.:
 - i. Office:
 - ii. Mobile:
9. Details of previously published research papers, if any. Please attach a separate sheet.
10. Whether attended any long-term/short-term training programs abroad in the last 2 years? If yes, give details.
11. Whether attended any Conferences/Workshops/Seminars abroad during the last 2 years? If yes, give details.
12. Why do you think you should be nominated for the programme (maximum 200 words). Please attach a separate sheet.
13. Write an essay of not more than 1500 words on - **"Should India choose to prioritise economic growth led by the Services Sector or attempt to grow the manufacturing share of GDP in the coming years?"**. Justify your answer with data-based, clearly written and cogent arguments. Please attach a separate sheet.

I hereby declare that all particulars given by me in this application are correct.

Name

(Signature of Applicant)

Enclosures:

Date :

Place:

Recommendation of IES Cadre

Name

Date

Signature of Cadre Controlling Authority