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**Subject: Australian Equity & Merit  
Scholarships for 1990**

Applications are invited from suitable qualified & bonafide citizens of Bangladesh for scholarships in any field of study commencing early 1990 at Australian Universities and other higher educational institutions, available through the Australian Government's Equity & Merit Scholarship scheme. The Scholarships will cover course fees; return economy class air travel to Australia & living and other relevant allowances. The scheme has two streams.

A. The Equity Stream Provides Scholarships to men and women of academic ability who do not have the same economic and social advantage as other Nationals (TRIBALS), and.

B. The Merit Stream to men and women of exceptional academic merit, drawn from any sector of the community.

**Equity scholarship**

1. Equity scholarships will be for any level of higher studies and applicants should:

- be from a recognised specially disadvantaged group.
- not be over 35 years of age on 1st July 1990.
- be at a minimum graduates with no 3rd class.

**Merit scholarships**

2. Merit scholarships will be for post graduate level studies and applicants should:

- not be over 35 years of age on 1st July 1990
- minimum educational qualifications are as follows:—

**General Subjects:**

(a) **Science**—Master's with two 1st class/Divn. and no 3rd class. Candidates must have had an average marks of at least 70% during their academic career.

(b) **Arts & Commerce**— Master's with two 1st class/Div. and no 3rd class. Candidates must have had an average marks of at least 60% during their academic career.

(c) **Engineering**— B.Sc. Engineering with two 1st divisions/class and no 3rd division and with minimum 70% average marks in their academic career.

(d) **Medical Science**— M.B.B.S./B.D.S.—M.B.B.S./B.D.S. with two first divisions and no 3rd class and with minimum 70% average marks in their academic career.

(e) **Agriculture**— B.Sc. (Ag.)— B.Sc. in Agriculture with two first divisions/class and no 3rd division and with minimum 70% average marks in the academic career.

(f) **Law: LL.B.**— Must be law graduates with two first divisions/class and no 3rd division & with minimum 60% average marks in their academic career.

- Persons in service must apply through the proper channel.
- Persons already availing of foreign scholarships for more than 3 months have to submit statements in the prescribed proforma available from the Ministry of Education.
- Applications in plain paper giving the following particulars together with attested copies of certificates/marksheets, testimonial must reach the undersigned by 9-7-89 at the latest. Applicants may also drop their applications in the wooden box kept in the Reception Room at Gate No. 5 of Bangladesh Secretariat, Dhaka.
- Incomplete applications and those received after the closing date will automatically stand cancelled.
- Filing of false information including false marksheets will make the candidates liable for prosecution as per provisions of the Penal Code.
- The names of the nominated candidates will be circulated through the Newspaper.

**Application forms for Australian Equity  
and Merit Scholarships for 1990**

- Name (in block letters)-----
- Father's/Husband's name -----
- (a) Date of birth -----  
(b) Exact age on 1-7-90 -----
- Mailing address with telegram -----  
office and telephone No. (if any) -----
- Academic qualifications -----  
(a) Examinations passed with the -----  
names of Board/University and  
Institutions -----  
(b) Year of passing -----  
(c) Division/Class -----  
(d) Roll No. -----  
(e) Registration No. -----  
(f) Total marks obtained in -----  
each examination with  
percentage -----  
(g) Average percentage of marks -----  
obtained in academic career -----
- Field of study for which -----  
applying -----
- Signature of the applicant with -----  
date -----

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Assistant Secretary.

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