## **ELIGIBILITY FOR MASTER'S DEGREE APPLICANTS**

## Applicants should be/have:

- 1. Nepali nationals.
- 2. between the ages of 25 and 40 (both inclusive) as of April  $1^{st}$ , 2025. (Should be born between April  $2^{nd}$ , 1984 and April  $1^{st}$ , 2000)
- 3. a Bachelor's degree. (Those who will apply to Kyushu University & Keio University have to have a Bachelor's degree in Law)
- 4. at least 3 years of work experience in Civil Service at the time of application.
- 5. gazetted civil servants governed by Civil Service Act of Nepal, currently employed in the following organizations
  - All ministries
  - · All agencies under ministries
  - All constitutional bodies
  - All other institutions and authorities
  - All courts
  - or civil servants (Level 7 and above) originally recruited by the federal government and deputed/adjusted to 7 provincial and 753 local governments.
- 6. a strong will to work for the development of Nepal after their return home.
- 7. in good health.
- 8. English language proficiency sufficiently fluent for studying in Japan.

## Applicants should not be/have:

- 1. serving in the military.
- 2. previously acquired a master's degree after studying abroad on a scholarship awarded by the Government of Nepal or any other development partners.
- currently receiving, or planning to receive, another scholarship to acquire a master's or doctoral degree through assistance from the Government of Nepal or any other development partners. \*
  - \* JDS Programme will request applicants to declare whether they would be applying to another scholarship before the Comprehensive Interview again.