Embassy of India Thimphu

Press Release: The Scholarship slots under the NUSS enhanced from 05 to 30 for students from Bhutan

- 1. The Nalanda University Scholarship Scheme (NUSS) for students from Bhutan was instituted in 2015. The NUSS covers all fees, residential and other charges, and travel grant. The Scheme covers academic programmes, namely: (i) M.Sc. in Ecology and Environment Studies; (ii) MA in Buddhist Studies, Philosophy and Comparative Religion; Historical Studies; World Literature; (iii) MBA in Sustainable Development Management; and (iv) Ph.D. programmes.
- 2. Since its inception in 2015, the Nalanda University has continued to attract a number of meritorious students from Bhutan. Given the increasing demand for pursuing higher studies at the prestigious Nalanda University at Rajgir, the Government of India has decided to award 25 additional scholarships annually for the Bhutanese students. The total scholarship slots now available to the Bhutanese students at Nalanda University have been increased from 05 to 30 (20 slots for MA/M.Sc. Courses; 05 slots for MBA; and 05 slots for Ph.D. programmes).
- 3. India-Bhutan enjoy long-standing, strong partnership in the education field. This six-fold increase in the NUSS demonstrates the commitment of Government of India to customise its scholarship schemes as per the requirements of the courses from the Bhutanese students and to expand India-Bhutan collaboration in the education sector.



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