



**Embassy of India  
Reykjavik**

**Press Release**

**“Lata Mangeshkar Dance & Music Scholarship Scheme” for pursuing study  
of Indian Culture for the academic year 2024-25**

Indian Council for Cultural Relations (ICCR) has announced 100 scholarship slots under the ‘Lata Mangeshkar Dance & Music Scholarship Scheme’ for pursuing study of Indian Culture in fields such as dance, music, theatre, performing arts, sculpture, Indian languages, Indian cuisine etc. in one of the 126 Indian Universities / Institutes for the Academic Year 2024- 25.

2. The interested international students for the academic year 2024-25 are required to register online on “Study in India” portal <https://www.studyinindia.gov.in>. The Portal will tentatively be operational from 20 February 2024 and the last date for submission of application will be 30th July 2024. Applicants will have the option to apply to five universities/institutes in the order of their preference of study. Proficiency in English is required. A 500-word essay in English has been introduced to ascertain the English proficiency of the applicants. Besides, students can submit the TOEFL / IELTS etc. standard test scores, if available. The list of Indian Universities / Institutes will be reflected in application Portal when opened.

3. Eligibility criteria includes applicant’s age between 18 and 40 years for Undergraduate / Postgraduate courses and for PhD programmes - 50 years maximum. Scholarship includes return economy air-fares to the nearest airport and 3<sup>rd</sup> AC train fare to the place of study, as required. For the Academic year 2022-23, admissions in Medical / Paramedical (Nursing / Physiotherapy / anaesthesia etc.) / fashion / law courses / integrated courses such as BALLB (5 years) / B. Sc & M. Sc (5 years) etc. are not admissible. It is compulsory for all ICCR scholarship students to procure Medical Insurance Policy with minimum sum assured (coverage) for Indian Rupees five hundred thousand which is equivalent to US \$ 6100 annually.

4. Detailed guidelines on the process of applying for ICCR Scholarships online and the procedure and norms governing the same will be available on the portal.

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