

No.12/29/2024-BPC&T.  
Government of India  
Ministry of Finance  
Department of Economic Affairs  
(BPC&T Section)

North Block, New Delhi,  
Dated the 4<sup>th</sup> July, 2024.

**TRAINING CIRCULAR**

Subject:- **In-person** Singapore Cooperation Programme on “**Transforming Public Service with the Power of Artificial Intelligence (AI)**” from 23rd to 27th September, 2024 in Singapore.

The Republic of Singapore has invited nominations for **In-person** Singapore Cooperation Programme on “**Transforming Public Service with the Power of Artificial Intelligence (AI)**” from 23rd to 27th September, 2024 in Singapore under the Technical Assistance Programme with India. The programme is intended for mid-to senior-level government officials who are involved in policymaking and public service delivery. The eligibility conditions and other information about the course are mentioned in the Information Brochure received from the sponsoring Government (**Annex-I**). Number of slots available for India is **One**.

2. Nomination of candidates is regulated by the guidelines prescribed by DEA, a synopsis of which is attached as **Annex-II**.

3. **The course is sponsored by Government of Singapore**, who will provide accommodation, local transport, medical insurance and daily allowance. **The nominated candidate or his/her nominating authority shall have to bear the cost of round trip air fare and other travel related expenses**. An undertaking to this effect has to be given by the participant or his/her Ministry/Department/State Government in case they agree to bear the travel expenses in the prescribed format (**Annex-III**).

4. The following forms need to be duly completed and certified by the participant and the competent authority of the nominating Ministry/Department:

- (i) Sponsoring Government's application to be filled online (available at <https://go.gov.sg/scptps2024>). Printed copy of application submitted by the candidate online to SCP may be sent to DEA along with the other forms.
- (ii) DEA's proforma - duly countersigned by competent authority (**Annex-IV**).

5. **Application Form complete in all respects alongwith check-list reach this Department through the Administrative Ministry/Department of Govt. of India /State Government/UT, as the case may be, not later than 02.08.2024 positively at the following address:-**

**Ms. Charu Vijay,**  
**Under Secretary (BPC&T),**  
Department of Economic Affairs, Ministry of Finance,  
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6. Incomplete applications and nominations received after the cut-off date will not be entertained. This may please be noted for strict compliance to avoid disappointment at a later stage. The candidates are advised to have their applications processed through their administrative Departments well in time and send complete information asked for in the forms specified above. Details of various short-term training programmes are regularly uploaded on Ministry of Finance's website [www.finmin.nic.in](http://www.finmin.nic.in) under the link "Foreign Training Programmes" [<https://mofapp.nic.in/training/default.aspx>].



( Charu Vijay )

Under Secretary to the Govt. of India

1. Joint Secretary (Admn.) of all Ministries/Departments, Government of India.
2. Chief Secretaries of all States Governments/UTs.

TO BE UPLOADED ON website of Department of Economic Affairs' WEBSITE  
[<https://mofapp.nic.in/training/default.aspx>].

भारत सरकार  
वित्त मंत्रालय  
आर्थिक कार्य विभाग  
(बीपीसी एंड टी अनुभाग)

नॉर्थ ब्लॉक, नई दिल्ली,  
दिनांक 4 जुलाई, 2024.

प्रशिक्षण परिपत्र

विषय : सिंगापुर में 23 से 27 सितंबर, 2024 तक "आर्टिफिशियल इंटेलिजेंस (एआई) की शक्ति के साथ सार्वजनिक सेवा को बदलना" पर व्यक्तिगत रूप से सिंगापुर सहयोग कार्यक्रम ।

सिंगापुर गणराज्य ने भारत के साथ तकनीकी सहायता कार्यक्रम के तहत सिंगापुर में 23 से 27 सितंबर, 2024 तक "आर्टिफिशियल इंटेलिजेंस (एआई) की शक्ति के साथ सार्वजनिक सेवा को बदलना" पर व्यक्तिगत रूप से सिंगापुर सहयोग कार्यक्रम सिंगापुर को-ऑपरेशन प्रोग्राम के लिए नामांकन आमंत्रित किए हैं। कार्यक्रम का उद्देश्य मध्यम से वरिष्ठ स्तर के सरकारी अधिकारियों के लिए है जो नीति निर्माण और सार्वजनिक सेवा वितरण में शामिल हैं । पात्रता शर्तों और पाठ्यक्रम के बारे में अन्य सूचना प्रायोजक सरकार से प्राप्त सूचना विवरणिका (अनुलग्नक-I) में दी गई है। भारत के लिए उपलब्ध स्लॉट की संख्या एक है।

2. अभ्यर्थियों के नामांकन को आर्थिक कार्य विभाग द्वारा निर्धारित दिशा-निर्देशों द्वारा विनियमित किया जाता है, जिसका सारांश अनुलग्नक-II के रूप में संलग्न किया गया है।

3. पाठ्यक्रम सिंगापुर सरकार द्वारा प्रायोजित है, जो आवास, स्थानीय परिवहन, चिकित्सा बीमा और दैनिक भत्ता प्रदान करेगा। नामांकित अभ्यर्थियों या उसके नामांकन प्राधिकारी को राउंड ट्रिप हवाई किराया और यात्रा संबंधी अन्य खर्चों का खर्च वहन करना होगा। यदि वे निर्धारित प्रारूप में (अनुलग्नक III) यात्रा वहन करने के लिए सहमत हैं तो प्रतिभागी या उसके मंत्रालय/विभाग/राज्य सरकार को इस आशय का एक वचन पत्र देना होगा।

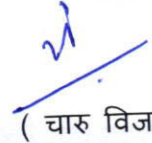
4. निम्नलिखित प्रपत्रों को विधिवत रूप से पूरा किया जाना चाहिए और प्रतिभागी तथा नामांकनकर्ता मंत्रालय/विभाग के सक्षम प्राधिकारी द्वारा प्रमाणित किया जाना चाहिए:

- (i) प्रायोजक सरकार के आवेदन को ऑनलाइन भरा जाना है (<https://go.gov.sg/scptps2024> पर उपलब्ध)। एससीपी को ऑनलाइन अभ्यर्थी द्वारा प्रस्तुत आवेदन की मुद्रित प्रति अन्य प्रपत्रों के साथ डीईए को भेजी जाए।
- (ii) डीईए का प्रोफार्मा-सक्षम प्राधिकारी द्वारा विधिवत प्रतिहस्ताक्षरित (अनुलग्नक-IV)।

5. चेक-लिस्ट के साथ सभी प्रकार से पूर्ण आवेदन पत्र प्रशासनिक मंत्रालय/भारत सरकार के विभाग/राज्य सरकार/संघ राज्य क्षेत्र जैसा भी मामला हो, के माध्यम से इस विभाग को 02.08.2024 तक अवश्य ही निम्नलिखित पते पर पहुंच जाने चाहिए:-

सुश्री चारु विजय,  
अवर सचिव (बीपीसीएंडटी),  
आर्थिक कार्य विभाग, वित्त मंत्रालय,  
कमरा नं 236, नॉर्थ ब्लॉक, नई दिल्ली -110001  
फोन:- 011 - 2309 5233,  
ईमेल- [charu.vijay@nic.in](mailto:charu.vijay@nic.in)  
[chourasia.anil@nic.in](mailto:chourasia.anil@nic.in)

6. अपूर्ण आवेदनों और अंतिम तिथि के बाद प्राप्त नामांकनों पर विचार नहीं किया जाएगा। इसका कड़ाई से अनुपालन किया जाए ताकि बाद में निराशा न हो। अभ्यर्थियों को सलाह दी जाती है कि वे अपने आवेदनों के संबंध में अपने प्रशासनिक विभागों के माध्यम से समय पर कार्रवाई करें और ऊपर निर्दिष्ट प्रपत्रों में मांगी गई पूर्ण जानकारी भेजें। विभिन्न अल्पकालिक प्रशिक्षण कार्यक्रमों का विवरण नियमित रूप से वित्त मंत्रालय की वेबसाइट [www.finmin.nic.in](http://www.finmin.nic.in) पर "विदेशी प्रशिक्षण कार्यक्रम" [<https://mofapp.nic.in/training/default.aspx>] लिंक के तहत अपलोड किया जाता है।



( चारु विजय )  
अवर सचिव, भारत सरकार

1. भारत सरकार के सभी मंत्रालयों/विभागों के संयुक्त सचिव (प्रशासन)।
2. सभी राज्य सरकारों/संघ राज्य क्षेत्रों के मुख्य सचिव।

आर्थिक कार्य विभाग की वेबसाइट पर अपलोड किया जाएगा  
[<https://mofapp.nic.in/training/default.aspx>]



# **TRANSFORMING PUBLIC SERVICE WITH THE POWER OF ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE**

**23 TO 27 SEPTEMBER 2024**

Sponsored by the

**SINGAPORE COOPERATION PROGRAMME**

under the

**SINGAPORE COOPERATION PROGRAMME TRAINING AWARD**

to be conducted by

**IPOS INTERNATIONAL**

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## **Singapore Cooperation Programme**

Singapore has provided technical assistance to other developing countries since the 1960s. As a country whose only resource is its people, Singapore believes that human resource development is vital for economic and social progress. Singapore itself has benefited from training provided by other countries and international organisations.

In 1992, the Singapore Cooperation Programme (SCP) was established to bring together under one framework the various technical assistance programmes offered by Singapore. Through the SCP, the range and number of training programmes were increased to share Singapore's development experience with other developing countries.

To date, over 150,000 officials from more than 180 countries, territories, and intergovernmental organisations have participated in our courses and study visits. The SCP is managed by the Technical Cooperation Directorate of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Singapore.

## **IPOS International**

IPOS International is a wholly owned subsidiary of Intellectual Property Office of Singapore (IPOS), committed to building Singapore's future growth as a global hub for intellectual property (IP) creation, commercialisation and management. Housing over 100 IP Experts in areas such as IP strategy and management, patent search and analysis, and IP education and training, its mission is to catalyse industry and enterprise growth by providing IP and intangible asset (IA) expertise. It aims to empower enterprises, public agencies, and professionals in unlocking tangible value from their intangible assets (IA) and intellectual property (IP), through patent search and analysis, professional development programmes and IP management services.

Together with IPOS, IPOS International works to anchor Singapore as a hub for global innovation flows where IA-rich enterprises can make today's ideas tomorrow's assets.

## Course Objectives

This course will equip participants with an understanding of AI that will enable them to stay current with technological changes and implement new operating methods to better serve the public.

## Synopsis

Topics to be covered include:

- Current developments and possibilities of AI, including the metaverse and creative AI;
- Creation and protection of intangible assets;
- Enablement of AI capabilities in government agencies;
- AI in the delivery of public services; and
- Privacy and security considerations in an AI-powered public sector.

## Methodology

The course will be conducted **in-person** in **Singapore** and in a variety of formats which may include, but not limited to, seminar-style sharing sessions, site visits, and group discussions.

## Course Duration and Venue

The course will be held over 5 days from **23 to 27 September 2024** in Singapore.

## Application Information

Applicants should be:

- Mid- to senior-level government officials involved in policymaking and public service delivery;
- Nominated by their respective governments;
- Proficient in written and spoken English; and
- In good health.

## Terms of Award

The course is sponsored by the Government of Singapore under the Singapore Cooperation Programme Training Award.

Under this programme arrangement, the Government of Singapore will bear the following expenses for the successful applicants (thereafter known as participants) during their training in Singapore. These expenses include:

- Course fees;
- Visa application fees for entry into Singapore [Note: participants are responsible for their own transit visas (if any)];
- Hotel accommodation for the entire duration of the course. Complimentary breakfast is provided in the hotel from the first day of the course to one day after the course;
- Per diem of One Hundred and Thirty Singapore Dollars (S\$130) in cash from the first day to the last day of the course. A proportionate reduction in the per diem will be made if you are unable to attend the full duration of the course;
- Transportation between hotel and training venue; and
- Basic insurance coverage (Group Hospitalisation and Surgical; Group Personal Accident) for participants during their stay in Singapore, in accordance with the policy of a local insurance company.

### Note:

- The nominating government will be responsible for its participants' round-trip airfares. Applicants are encouraged to verify the availability of funding for their round-trip airfares with their respective nominating government;
- Participants are to bear all expenses prior to receiving the per diem; and
- As the basic insurance coverage does not cover any pre-existing conditions/illnesses and/or any outpatient medical/dental treatment, participants are strongly advised to purchase comprehensive travel insurance which includes adequate coverage of COVID-19 related expenses and medical evacuation in the event of any unexpected emergencies.



## Regulations

Participants are required to comply with the following:

- For entry into Singapore, participants are required to adhere to the latest travel and health requirements/advisories as indicated at [www.ica.gov.sg/enter-transit-depart](http://www.ica.gov.sg/enter-transit-depart);
- Strictly observe the course schedule and attend all training sessions; and
- Carry out instructions and abide by conditions as may be stipulated by the nominating authority or government and the Government of Singapore and its appointed trainer, with respect to the course.

## Application Procedure

(Closing date for nomination: **09 August 2024**)

The Government of Singapore is pleased to invite the respective National Focal Points for Technical Assistance (NFP) to nominate **1** suitable applicant. Selection of candidates will be based on merit. Should there be more applicants than training places, the Government of Singapore seeks the understanding of the respective NFPs in the event that its nominee(s) is not selected.

All nominees are to submit their applications online at <https://www.go.gov.sg/scpts2024> by **09 August 2024**. NFPs are also required to endorse nominees via email links. Instructions and FAQs for Applicants and NFPs can be found at the links below:

- Applicants: <https://go.gov.sg/start-guide>
- NFPs: <https://go.gov.sg/start-nfp>

### **Note:**

- Participants will receive a certificate of completion from the SCP upon completion of the course.
- Please refrain from making telephone and email inquiries on the status of your application while your application is being processed.
- The Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Singapore will inform all applicants of the outcome of their applications. The NFP will also be informed directly.
- Flight arrangements should be made only upon receipt of the Letter of Acceptance to the course.

## Follow us at:

- SCP Website: [www.scp.gov.sg](http://www.scp.gov.sg)
- Facebook: [www.facebook.com/SCPFriends](https://www.facebook.com/SCPFriends)
- Instagram: [www.instagram.com/SCPFriends](https://www.instagram.com/SCPFriends)

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**SUMMARY OF GUIDELINES PRESCRIBED BY DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC AFFAIRS**

Before applying for the training programme, the candidates are requested to satisfy themselves whether they fulfill the eligibility conditions as per the guidelines on Foreign Training Programmes (FTP) administered by the Department of Economic Affairs (DEA), summarized below:-

**Eligibility Conditions**

<b>Duration of Training</b>	<b>No. of years of service completed in Govt. as on the date of FTP</b>	<b>Upper age limit on the date of FTP</b>	<b>Cooling off period</b>	<b>Limit on participation in number of trainings in a year</b>
Upto one week	5 years	Less than 58 years	Six months	Two FTPs of duration of less than one week in a calendar year
One to Two weeks	7 years	Less than 58 years	One year	One FTP of duration of one to two weeks in a calendar year
More than two weeks	9 years	Less than 55 years	Two years	One FTP of duration more than two weeks in a period of two years

**Note:-** Project-related training/official visits abroad are exempted from the provisions of cooling off.

2. Candidates and nominating authorities in Ministries/Departments/State Govts. Etc. should also satisfy themselves about the eligibility conditions prescribed by the sponsoring foreign Government/agency before sending the nomination to DEA.

**HOW TO APPLY****3. Filling up of application forms:-**

- (i) Ensure that the **DEA proforma** is duly filled in and is complete in all respects. Without this proforma, application will not be entertained.
- (ii) Ensure that the **application form prescribed by the sponsoring agency** is also complete in all respect, wherever the sponsoring agency asks for Country Report, the same should also be attached.
- (iii) The column relating to **Vigilance Clearance** in DEA proforma should be filed in and certified by the competent authority. Alternately, vigilance clearance certificate by the concerned authority can also be attached. Applications without vigilance clearance at the time of applying will not be entertained.
- (iv) **In case of training programmes which are not fully sponsored** and where expenses on Air travel or any other expenses have to be borne by the candidate or his sponsoring Department, ensure that Part-A or Part-B, as the case may be, of the Undertaking Form is duly completed. Applications received without undertaking form will be summarily rejected. **It may be noted that submission of undertaking form is not necessary in respect of fully funded training programmes and the candidate can mention 'Not Applicable' in the form.**

**4. Nominations:-**

- (i) In case there is more than one nomination for a particular course, the nominating authority State/Central Government should clearly indicate the prioritization of the nominees.
- (ii) Application for the training programme is to be forwarded through the concerned Ministry/Department after completing all necessary formalities. Applications are not to be sent to the sponsoring foreign country/agency direct unless the same has been endorsed by the Nodal Department i.e. DEA.

**5. Clearance:-**

Once the nomination forwarded by DEA to the sponsoring Government is accepted and conveyed to the applicant, he/she will be responsible to complete all pre-departure formalities like obtaining political clearance from MEA and have the sanction order issued from his/her administrative Department etc.

**Abbreviation:-**

JICA - Japan International Cooperation Agency, SCPTA - Singapore Cooperation Programme Training Award, IMF - International Monetary Fund, MTCP - Malaysian Technical Cooperation Programme.



**DEA PROFORMA FOR FOREIGN TRAINING**

<b>1. Name</b>				
<b>2. Date of Birth</b>			<b>3. Male/Female</b>	
<b>4. Educational Qualifications</b>			<b>5. Date of Entry into Govt. Service</b>	
<b>6. Service to which Officer belongs</b>			<b>7. Date of Regular appointment</b>	
<b>8. Details of Posts held during the last five years (starting from present) :</b>				
<b>S.No.</b>	<b>Post held &amp; Pay level</b>	<b>Period of Posting</b>	<b>Ministry/Department/ Organization</b>	<b>Nature of Work</b>
<b>9. Name of training programme applied for and its relevance to the candidate</b>				
<b>10. Papers etc, if any, published by the candidate</b>				
<b>11. Details of Foreign Training Programmes attended during the last two years :</b>				
<b>S.No.</b>	<b>Dates &amp; Duration Of Training</b>	<b>Subject/title of training</b>	<b>Name of the Training Institution</b>	<b>Source of funding</b>
<b>Signature of the candidate:</b>				
<b>Office Phone : Mobile No. :</b>				
<b>E-mail :</b>				
<b><u>CERTIFICATE</u></b>				
Certified that Shri/Ms. _____ is clear from vigilance angle. In case the programme is not fully funded, Undertaking in the prescribed proforma (Part A/Part B) is attached.				
<b>Signature of the Competent Administrative Authority of the applicant with Name, Designation, Phone Number and Email (alongwith official seal)</b>				

To be filled only in case the Training Programme is not fully sponsored

**PART-A**

**UNDERTAKING**

This is to certify that in the event of selection, Ministry/ Department/ State Government of \_\_\_\_\_ undertakes to bear the cost of round-trip airfare and other related expenses (which may also include the expenditure on local travel, accommodation, insurance, living and other expenses, depending upon the terms of sponsorship for each course/training, as specified in the brochure/letter of concerned sponsoring organization) in respect of Shri/Ms. \_\_\_\_\_ Designation \_\_\_\_\_ working in this Department/ Ministry/ State Government for attending Training Programme/Course on \_\_\_\_\_ sponsored by \_\_\_\_\_ from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_.

Signature of Competent Authority

Name

Designation

(SEAL)

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**PART- B**

**UNDERTAKING FOR SELF FINANCING**

This is to certify that in the event of my selection, I \_\_\_\_\_ holding the post of \_\_\_\_\_ in the Ministry/Department/State Government of \_\_\_\_\_ undertake to bear the cost of round-trip airfare and other related expenses (which may also include the expenditure on local travel, accommodation, insurance, living and other expenses, depending upon the terms of sponsorship for each course/training, as specified in the brochure/letter of concerned sponsoring organization) for attending Training Programme/Course on \_\_\_\_\_ sponsored by \_\_\_\_\_ from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_.

This issues with the approval of the Competent Authority.

(Signature of the candidate)  
Name, Designation (With seal)

Countersigned by:

Signature of Competent Authority  
Name, Designation (With seal)





**CHECK LIST**

<b>Sl. No.</b>	<b>Required Documents</b>	<b>YES/NO</b>
1.	<b>MTCP Application Form/ JICA Application Form / Online Submitted Singapore Application Form alongwith supervisor endorsement</b>	
2.	<b>Complete DEA Proforma alongwith Vigilance Clearance</b>	
3.	<b>Whether Application has been recommended/ nominated by Line Ministry/Department/State Government</b>	
4.	<b>Whether undertaking by Ministry/Department is given for bearing the air fare for the travel where training is not fully funded.</b>	