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Subject: **AARDO'S SCHOLARSHIP FOR MASTER'S DEGREE PROGRAMME
AT PARK CHUNG HEE SCHOOL OF POLICY AND SAEMAUL (PSPS)
YEUNGNAM UNIVERSITY, GYEONGSAN, REPUBLIC OF KOREA,
SPRING ADMISSIONS 2026**

Please find enclose herewith Establishment Division, Akhtar Hameed Khan National Centre for Rural Development O.M No.1(4)/2015-16/IL.Trg dated 18th September, 2025 on the subject cited above and to state that nominations if any, along with the requisite information/documents complete in all respects, may be furnished to quarter concerned.

Encl: **as above**


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Copy for information to:-

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Government of Pakistan
Establishment Division
Akhtar Hameed Khan National Centre for Rural Development
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F. No. 1(4)/2015-16/IL.Trg

18th September, 2025

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: AARDO's Scholarship for Master's Degree Programme at Park Chung Hee School of Policy and Saemaul (PSPS) Yeungnam University, Gyeongsan, Republic of Korea, Spring Admissions 2026

The undersigned is directed to inform that the African Asian Rural Development Organization (AARDO), New Delhi, India, is sponsoring scholarships for subject-titled Master's Degree Programme (one and a half years or four semesters) in Department of Saemaul and International Development, Department of Public Policy and Leadership, and Department of Sustainable Development, at Park Chung Hee School of Policy and Saemaul (PSPS), Yeungnam University, Gyeongsan, Republic of Korea. The master's programmes are offered in the majors of:

- Saemaul and International Development;
- Public Policy and Leadership; and,
- Forest and Environmental Policy.

2. The degree programme can be completed within a year and a half, or four semesters. One academic year consists of three semesters: 15 weeks of spring semester, 10 weeks of summer semester, and 15 weeks of fall semester.

3. Following is the detail of the scholarship inclusions as well as exclusions:

Sr. No.	Included (Borne by AARDO and Partner Institution)	Exclusion (to be borne by nominating government/institution or candidate)
1.	Admission Fee	Application Fee
2.	Tuition Fee	Boarding & Lodging
3.	Return Air Ticket by economy class (from capital city, i.e., Islamabad)	Passport, Visa Fee, Vaccination, Airport Taxes etc.
4.	Living Allowances to cover boarding & lodging (for 12 months@KRW 1 million/month)	Travel and Health Insurance Premium, Telephone calls, Laundry, Medical Expenses
5.		Extra Baggage Allowances (Above that provided by the airline)

4. During the first three semesters, students will be required to remain on campus to complete their coursework. However, in the last semester, the candidate(s) may choose to prepare for their thesis either in Korea or in their home country (Pakistan). In case, the candidate(s) needs to travel to Korea again, travel cost will have to be borne by the candidate(s) or the nominating department/organization represented by them.

Eligibility Criteria:

5. The candidate must:

- Have obtained a bachelors'/master's degree (4 years education) in a relevant field from a recognized institution, equivalent to 4-years Korean bachelor's degree;
- Have proficiency in spoken and written English language.
- Be in good health, suitable for the completion of the degree programme. (Please note that conditions such as pregnancy, tuberculosis or any contagious disease may disqualify an applicant from the selection process);
- Be below 50 (fifty) years of age; and

- Obtain travel and health insurance.

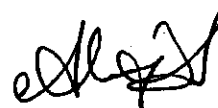
6. The last date to submit online application and admission forms through the website of the university: <http://psps.yu.ac.kr> is October 17, 2025. The copy of the application and duly endorsed form along with a copy of valid passport may please be forwarded to Director General, NCRD, latest by October 17, 2025. Advance scanned copies of the approved nomination(s) with the afore-mentioned documents may please be emailed at: ro2@ncrd.gov.pk and ahkncrd@gmail.com. The nominations may also be faxed at 051-9255157.

7. Only those nominations would be considered which are routed through proper channel to NCRD as per given details:

- Federal Government employees through their concerned Ministries;
- Provincial Government employees through their relevant Planning & Development Departments.

8. Incomplete/late nomination(s) will not be entertained. Nomination(s) directly sent to AARDO bypassing NCRD will NOT be entertained.

9. After scrutiny and approval of nomination(s) by the competent forum, the selected nominee will be informed accordingly. Likewise, other necessary details will also be shared later on. In case of any queries, please feel free to contact the undersigned (focal person).



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| 13. Chief Secretaries of Provinces (Punjab-Lahore, Sindh-Karachi, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa-Peshawar, Baluchistan-Quetta, Gilgit-Baltistan-Gilgit). | • Joint Secretary (Training), Establishment Division, Islamabad. |
| 14. Chairman, Planning & Development Board, Govt. of Punjab, Lahore. | • Assistant Director (T-I), NCRD, with the request to upload this OM on the NCRD website. |
| 15. Chairman, Planning & Development Board, Govt. of Sindh, Karachi. | |

AARDO's Scholarship for Master's Degree Programme at Park Chung Hee School of Policy and Saemaul (PSPS) Yeungnam University, Gyeongsan, R O Korea, Spring Admissions 2026

From : ro2@ncrd.gov.pk

Fri, Oct 03, 2025 10:44 AM

Subject : AARDO's Scholarship for Master's Degree Programme at Park Chung Hee School of Policy and Saemaul (PSPS) Yeungnam University, Gyeongsan, R O Korea, Spring Admissions 2026

1 attachment

To : secretary@establishment.gov.pk, secretary@cabinet.gov.pk, Secretarymocc@gmail.com, secretary@pc.gov.pk, secretarynfsr@yahoo.com, secretary@mofept.gov.pk, secretary@finance.gov.pk, secretary@moip.gov.pk, secretary@most.gov.pk, rabeel@hec.gov.pk, chair@comsats.net.pk, sibtainshah@yahoo.com, Imrankhan346@hotmail.com, Farooqmarri9@gmail.com, Pervalzahmad572@gmail.com, agriculture@balochistan.gov.pk, pacspb@gmail.com, chairmanpnd@gmail.com, Psoslgpunjab@gmail.com, agripunjab@hotmail.com, Pscm sindh22 <Pscm.sindh22@gmail.com>, Kaleemqureshi3000@gmail.com, Secylgd2015@gmail.com, Mnaeem7279@gmail.com, Psotochiefsecretary@gmail.com, pasecpnd@gmail.com, Secylgkp2013@gmail.com, csajkpk@hotmail.com, slgajk@gmail.com, secretary dev <secretary.dev@pndajk.gov.pk>, agriculture ajk <agriculture_ajk@yahoo.com>, ChiefSecretary@gilgitbaltistan.gov.pk, Sec Planning <Sec.Planning@gilgitbaltistan.gov.pk>, Sec LGRD <Sec.LGRD@gilgitbaltistan.gov.pk>

Assalam o Alaikum,

It is stated that Akhtar Hameed Khan National Centre for Rural Development (AHKNCRD) as an Executive Department of Establishment Division, Islamabad, as well as apex capacity-building institution, has been working for the cause of rural development and poverty alleviation in the country since 1983. As the Link Institution from Pakistan to work with an Inter-Governmental Organization, African-Asian Rural Development Organization (AARDO) comprising of 33 members from Asia and Africa - NCRD has not only been hosting international programmes in collaboration with AARDO but also facilitating participation of deserving and relevant Pakistani candidates to attend AARDO-sponsored international capacity-building programmes hosted by its member countries.

It is stated that AARDO has invited nominations (Invitation Letter attached) from Pakistan to avail the AARDO's Scholarship for Master's Degree Programme at Park Chung Hee School of Policy and Saemaul (PSPS) Yeungnam University, Gyeongsan, R O Korea, Spring Admissions 2026:

Programme Title	Duration	Deadline for Application
AARDO's Scholarship for Master's Degree Programme at Park Chung Hee School of Policy and Saemaul (PSPS) Yeungnam University, Gyeongsan, R O Korea.	Spring Admissions 2026	October 17, 2025

In this context, **NOMINATIONS** of candidates fulfilling the eligibility criteria as mentioned in the Office Memorandum attached with this email, are called to attend the above listed **ONLINE** international programme.

The candidates are required to apply online through website (<http://psps.yu.ac.kr>) as well as clearly scanned or printed copies of the duly filled and submitted online application forms, the official nomination letters, to Director General, NCRD, latest by **October 17, 2025**. The received nominations will be shared to AARDO for acceptance. Finally accepted candidates will be contacted by AARDO accordingly.

It is requested to furnish nominations as per stated procedure by the deadline preferably via emails or fax in wake of the paucity of available time.

Thank you.

Regards,

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