





# DEVELOPMENT ORIENTED RESEARCH GRANT (DOR) OF THE ACCELERATING HIGHER EDUCATION EXPANSION AND DEVELOPMENT (AHEAD) OPERATION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMICS, FACULTY OF SOCIAL SCIENCES – UNIVERSITY OF KELANIYA, SRI LANKA

# VACANCY ANNOUNCEMNET FOR RESEARCH STDENT SHIP M.Phil. & PhD

Applications are entertained from suitable persons for studentships on research leading to M. Phil and PhD assisted by the Development Oriented Research grant of the Accelerating Higher Education Expansion and Development (AHEAD) Operation of the Department of Economics, Faculty of Social Sciences – University of Kelaniya, Sri Lanka

## M.Phil

#### Objectives:

- 1. Assess the existing social protection system in Sri Lanka.
- 2. Evaluate the socio-economic impact of social protection programs on food security in the country.
- 3. Evaluate the impact of social protection programs on poverty reduction.
- 4. Analyze the impact of social protection programs on household precautionary savings.
- 5. Suggest policy implications to enhance positive impacts of social security system in Sri Lanka.

# Scope and coverage:

Required to undertake 2 years' full-time research leading to a MPhil degree. MPhil students should complete their degree within 24 months. The studentship under the AHEAD will cover the registration fees only. The institution will provide supervision, and data to carry out the proposed research work.

#### Qualifications

BA (Special/Honors) Degree in Economics with at least Second Class (Upper Division) from a recognized university.



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#### **PhD**

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Required to undertake 36 months of full-time research leading to a PhD. The studentship will cover the registration fees and the institution will provide supervision, and data to carry out the proposed research work.

## Qualifications:

First Degree in Economics or other related subject from a recognized university and Two years Master's Degree in Economics with research component from a recognized university.

**Note:** This is a fulltime research work and the selected candidates for both degrees shall be required to enter into a bond agreement with the University of Kelaniya. Candidates employed at Universities / other state or private sector organizations, should send their application through their respective Head of Departments / or Organizations.

Please send in self-prepared application indicating the interested research topic and the Degree (M.Phil. or PhD) along with detailed CV under registered post, to the address below, on or before 14.02.2020.

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