

## MEA-FRI SCHOLARSHIP:2026-2028 FOR BIMSTEC MEMBER STATES

### ADMISSION ANNOUNCEMENT FOR SESSION 2026-2028 MASTER OF SCIENCE PROGRAMMES

#### ABOUT INSTITUTE

Forest Research Institute (FRI), Dehra Dun made a humble beginning from the Forest School established in 1878. Initially named as Imperial Forest Research Institute, FRI came into being in 1906. Later renamed as Forest Research Institute and Colleges, it had a number of Centers located at different places all over the country administering research as well as training of Forest Officers and Forest Rangers. In 1988, on reorganization of Forestry Research in the Country and creation of Indian Council of Forestry Research and Education (ICFRE), the Training and Research Centres were given an independent status. FRI, now one of the institutes under ICFRE, was conferred the status of Deemed University in December 1991, on the recommendation of U.G.C., Ministry of Human Resource Development, Government of India.

#### MEA-FRI Scholarship (10 seats)

Ministry of External Affairs, Govt. of India has decided to award 10 Scholarships per year to the students of BIMSTEC Member States viz, Bangladesh, Bhutan, Myanmar, Nepal, Sri Lanka and Thailand. for pursuing Post Graduate Courses at Forest Research Institute Deemed to be University, Dehradun(Uttarakhand) India .

#### THE PROGRAMMES OFFERED

**MASTER OF SCIENCE  
(2 YEARS)**

**Forestry**

**Wood Science & Technology**

**Environment Management**

**Cellulose & Paper  
Technology**

#### ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

##### M.Sc. Forestry

B.Sc. degree in science with at least one of the subjects namely Botany, Chemistry, Geology, Mathematics, Physics, Zoology or a Bachelor's degree in Agriculture or Forestry. The candidate having 50% or above marks may apply.

##### M.Sc. Environment Management

B.Sc. degree in any branch of basic or applied Sciences or Bachelor's degree in Forestry or Agriculture or BE in Environment Science. The candidate having 50% or above marks may apply.

##### M.Sc. Wood Science & Technology

B.Sc. degree with Physics, Chemistry and Mathematics (PCM) or B.Sc. degree in Forestry. The candidate having 50% or above marks may apply.

##### M.Sc. Cellulose & Paper Technology

B.Sc. degree with minimum 50% marks in aggregate in Science with Chemistry as one of the subjects. BE/ B.Tech. (Chemical or Mechanical Engineering with minimum 50% aggregate).

**Candidates from BIMSTEC countries are exempted from appearing in the M.Sc. Entrance Examination provided they have passed the above mentioned eligibility requirements from a university outside India and fulfilled the following conditions.**

1. The candidates must have a valid residential permit in India granted for studies/ students Visa for the prescribed duration of the concerned programme,
2. The antecedents of the candidates must have been verified by the local Government/ Govt. of India and found in order,
3. The degree/certificate of the candidates must have been approved by the Association of Indian Universities (AIU) or equivalent to the corresponding degrees/ certificates of the AIU,
4. Candidates must have adequate knowledge of English (10+2) level as per requirements of the programme as the medium of instruction is English.

#### CHOICE BASED CREDIT SYSTEM

The FRI Deemed to be University has implemented the Choice Based Credit System for M.Sc. programmes of FRI Deemed to be University from the session 2016-2017.

#### NUMBER OF SEATS

**Total 10 seats are available for  
MEA-FRI Scholarship.**

#### APPLICATION PROCEDURE

**Application forms can be downloaded from the website [www.fridu.edu.in](http://www.fridu.edu.in)**

The Application duly filled in by the candidates must be sent to BIMSTEC & SAARC Division, Ministry of External Affairs, Govt. of India, New Delhi through the concerned Indian mission abroad, for its onward submission to the Registrar, FRI Deemed to be University, Post Office, I.P.E., Kaulagarh Road, Dehradun (India) by **25th May, 2026**. The Selected candidates would be informed latest by **20th June, 2026** and would be expected to join the programme by first week of July, 2026. The programme would end by June, 2028.

#### SCHOLARSHIP

The Ministry of External Affairs, Govt. of India will provide a modest Scholarship amounting to \$ 4230 for the full programme to each selected student to support Tuition, Sports & Magazine, Library/ Teaching Aid, Hostel and Degree Fees. The Mess charges will be paid by the students themselves. The caution money \$ 50 which is refunded after the completion of the programme, would also be paid by the candidates.

#### STUDENT FACILITIES

1. This is fully residential course and hostels will be provided.
2. The Institute provides basic medical facilities to its students.
3. The facilities for indoor games and common room are provided to the hostlers.
4. Institute library facility is available to the students