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**National Council of Science Museums**  
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**ADMISSION TO TWO-YEAR M.TECH. COURSE IN SCIENCE COMMUNICATION  
BATCH 2025-26  
(Advt. No: 02/2025)**

**National Council of Science Museums (NCSM)**, an autonomous scientific organization under the Ministry of Culture, Govt. of India, engaged in popularization of Science & Technology among the people at large, invites application for **M.TECH. COURSE IN SCIENCE COMMUNICATION**. The Council offers Post Graduate Fellowships (**15 Nos.** excluding candidates sponsored by NCSM/ Other Institution) for the course commencing from **July, 2025**. The selected Fellows will undergo a two-year four-semester full-time **Master of Technology (M. Tech) Course in Science Communication** being conducted by NCSM under the recognition of the **Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi** on an off-campus mode. The lectures and tutorials would be held at National Council of Science Museums, Kolkata.

**Essential Qualification:** A Candidate shall be considered for admission to the M. Tech. program if he/ she possesses:

- a. **MSc in any subject** (including MSc in Museology) with at least 55% marks at MSc level for candidates belonging to General/General-EWS. For candidates belonging to SC/ST/OBC-NCL/PWD/ Third Gender categories, the cut off marks is 50% at M.Sc. level.

OR

- b. **BE/BTech in any subject** with at least 55% marks at BE/BTech level for candidates belonging to General/General-EWS. For candidates belonging to SC/ST/OBC-NCL/PWD/Third gender, the cut off marks is 50% at BE/BTech level.

OR

- c. **PhD (in Science or Engineering) or MTech in Engineering**

**Reservation of Seats:** Reservation policy applicable in JNU as per Government of India will be followed for admission of the Fellows.

**Age Limit:** The upper age limit for candidates is 30 years as on 01.07.2025. For sponsored candidates, the upper age limit is 45 years.

**Application Fee:** There is no application fee.

**Admission Procedure:** The admission to the course will be strictly based on all-India admission test and interview. The test will evaluate the candidates' scientific general knowledge, critical thinking ability and linguistic fluency. However, for candidates sponsored by NCSM or any other organization, no admission test will be taken, provided the candidates possess the essential qualifications.

**Admission Fee:** There is a nominal and non-refundable admission fee of Rs. 2000/- per candidate belonging to General/ General-EWS/ OBC categories. For candidates belonging to SC/ST/OBC-NCL/PWD/Third gender categories, the admission fee is Rs. 1000/- (Non-refundable).

**Semester Fee and Tuition Fee:** There is no Semester fee. For all candidates, the monthly Tuition Fee is Rs. 2000/- except for those belonging to SC/ST/OBC-NCL/PWD/Third gender categories, who are not required to pay any tuition fee.

**Fellowship:** NCSM will offer a monthly fellowship of **Rs. 12,000/-** to all candidates except to the sponsored candidates. The fellowship will be offered for two years subject to satisfactory performance by the student. NCSM will also offer Contingency Grant up to Rs 12,000/- per annum to all candidates (except sponsored candidates) for purchase of books, stationeries, etc., which will be paid on reimbursement basis on production of cash memo/ bills/ vouchers, etc. For sponsored candidates, such contingency expenditure may be reimbursed by the respective Institutions or zonal headquarters of NCSM as per the prevailing rules.

**Accommodation:** Free bachelors' hostel accommodation (both ladies and gents) will be available in Kolkata only.

Mere possession of requisite qualifications shall not entitle the candidates to be called for the Test and Interview. Decision of the Council in this regard shall be final and binding on the candidates. Canvassing in any form and/ or bringing in any influence, political or otherwise, will be treated as disqualification for the fellowship. Interim enquiries will not be entertained.

#### **Sponsored Candidates:**

Persons working in various Govt./ Semi Govt. organizations/ Schools/ Colleges/ etc. should apply through proper channel. If any such candidate is sponsored by the Employer, NCSM may accept applications of candidates from other disciplines of science or engineering also. However, the requirement of Essential Qualification will remain unchanged. The sponsored candidates shall not be considered for the fellowship and contingency grant. Admission Fee, Tuition Fee, and any other fees to be deposited to JNU for such candidates are to be borne by their sponsors or by the candidates themselves.

Students who will successfully complete the course, may apply for the post of Curators (Group 'A' post) in various Science Museums/Science Centres. However, they have to compete with other eligible candidates.

The last date for submission of the application is **7<sup>th</sup> April, 2025**. Interested candidates may view details and submit Online Applications through the Council's website [www.ncsm.gov.in](http://www.ncsm.gov.in).

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