

## **FOREIGN TRAINING**

Department of Personnel and Training (DoP&T) is the nodal department for sponsoring officers of All India Services (AIS), Group 'A' Central Services, the Central Secretariat Services (CSS), the State Civil Services (SCS) etc., for training programmes abroad under the Scheme of Domestic Funding of Foreign Training (DFFT). The training programmes under the DFFT fall under the following categories:

### **(a) Long term Foreign Training:**

These programmes would be for a minimum duration of six months and a maximum of 12 months and would preferably lead to the granting of a certificate, diploma or degree.

### **(b) Short term Foreign Training:**

These programmes are of the duration of two weeks to six months.

The international component of the long term public policy programmes being conducted at the IIMs at Bangalore and Ahmedabad, MDI, Gurgaon, and TERI School of Advanced Studies, New Delhi are also funded through the DFFT Scheme.

### **(c) Partially funding for pursuing foreign study:**

While long term and short term programmes are fully funded by the DoP&T, the scheme of 'partial funding for foreign study' was instituted to better meet the specific requirements of the officers for skill up gradation and knowledge advancement as well as to enable a larger number of officers pursue foreign study. In order to obtain financial assistance under this Scheme, officers would have to secure admission on their own in universities/institutions figuring in the list of top-200 universities/institutions as per the ranking given by THES-QS. Such funding may be considered for post graduation/Ph.D. and all regular MBA courses undertaken by the officers of Group 'A' services. For detailed information about the partial funding scheme and its implementation, the DoP&T's Circular No:12038/1/2008-FTC (Trg.) dtd.17/3/2008 may please be referred to.

**[DoP&T Circular No: 12038/1/2008-FTC \(Trg\) dtd. 17/3/2008](#)**

**[On-line Application Form for the Scheme of Partial Funding of Foreign Study](#)**

**[Format of the Bond prescribed under the Scheme](#)**

**Application/Nomination procedure:**

The training circulars for long term and short-term programmes under the Scheme of DFFT, indicating the eligibility criteria and other conditions, are issued by the EO's Division. The EO's Division finalises the nominations for the programmes and forwards the same to the Training Division for further necessary action.

The applications for 'partial funding of foreign study' are received , 'on-line' as well as in 'hard copies', duly recommended by the respective cadre controlling authorities , by the Training Division, DoP&T, and subsequently processed and placed before the Central Establishment Board (CEB) for consideration.

In addition to the programmes funded under the DFFT Scheme, the EO's Division also invites applications for certain externally funded programmes.

For more details, kindly refer to 'Training Circulars' ([http://persmin.gov.in/Training Circular/Training Circular\\_LT.html](http://persmin.gov.in/Training%20Circular/Training%20Circular_LT.html)).