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रेल मंत्रालय (MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS)
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No. 2026/E(Trg)/10/42 **New Delhi, dt.: As Signed**

TRAINING CIRCULAR

The General Managers
All Indian Railways including PUs
CORE/Allahabad
Metro Railway/Kolkata.

The Director Generals/Directors,
RDSO/Lucknow
All CTIs

The Pr. Chief Administrative Officer,
PLW/Patiala.

Sub: In-person Singapore Cooperation Programme on "**Supply Chain Resilience" from 25th to 29th January, 2027 in Singapore.**

Ministry of Finance, Department of Economic Affairs (DEA) is sponsoring In-person Singapore Cooperation Programme on "Supply Chain Resilience" to be held in Singapore from 25th to 29th January, 2027. Number of slots available for India are **Two (02)**. In this connection, please find enclosed Training Circular of DEA dt. 28th August, 2026.

2. The programme is intended for mid- to senior-level government officials, who are involved in developing strategies and implementing policies on supply chain resilience for their country.

3. The following forms need to be duly completed and certified by the participant and the competent authority.

(i) Sponsoring Government's application to be filled online (available at https://go.gov.sg/scr26). Printed copy of application submitted by the candidate online to SCP may be sent to DEA along with the other forms.

(ii) DEA's prescribed Performa – duly countersigned by competent authority **(Annex-III)**.

3.1 Other details (i.e. General Information, DEA proforma, Guidelines etc.) may be seen and downloaded from Ministry of Finance, Department of Economic Affairs (DEA)'s website **www.dea.gov.in** under the link **"Offerings→Careers→Employee Corner→Foreign Training" [https://dea.gov.in/foreign-training-and-employee-corner]**.

4. The application along-with other attachments duly approved by the GM/DG/Pr.CAO/Director etc. concerned (**along with the concurrence of associate finance**), should be sent to this office by **13th October, 2026, positively** on email: **trainingbranch.rb@gmail.com** for forwarding the same to DEA. Nomination of candidates should be regulated by guidelines prescribed by DEA attached as Annex-II. **Nominations received after the prescribed date will not be considered**.

Encls: Program Brochure.

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No.12/42/2026-BPC&T.
Government of India
Ministry of Finance
Department of Economic Affairs
(BPC&T Section)
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Kartavya Bhavan-I, New Delhi,
Dated the 28th August, 2026.

TRAINING CIRCULAR

Subject:- **In-person** Singapore Cooperation Programme on **"Supply Chain Resilience" from 25th January to 29th January, 2027 in Singapore.**

The Republic of Singapore has invited nominations for **In-person** Singapore Cooperation Programme on **"Supply Chain Resilience" from 25th January to 29th January, 2027 in Singapore** under the Technical Assistance Programme with India. The programme is intended for mid- to senior-level government officials who are involved in developing strategies and implementing policies on supply chain resilience for their country. The eligibility conditions and other information about the course are mentioned in the Information Brochure received from the sponsoring Government **(Annex-I).** Number of slots available for India is **Two.**

2. Nomination of candidates is regulated by the guidelines prescribed by DEA, a synopsis of which is attached as **Annex-II.**

3. **The course is sponsored by Government of Singapore and Japan under the Japan-Singapore Partnership Programme for the 21st Century (JSPP21),** who will provide accommodation, local transport, medical insurance and daily allowance. **An Economy Class round-trip air ticket between the respective international airports designated by JICA.**

4. The following forms need to be duly completed and certified by the participant and the competent authority of the nominating Ministry/Department:

(i) Sponsoring Government's application to be filled online (available at **https://go.gov.sg/scr26**). Printed copy of application submitted by the candidate online to SCP may be sent to DEA along with the other forms.

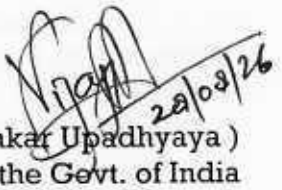
(ii) DEA's proforma - duly countersigned by competent authority **(Annex-IV).**

5. **Application Form complete in all respects alongwith check-list reach this Department <u>through the Administrative Ministry/Department of Govt. of India /State Government/UT, as the case may be,</u> not later than 18.10.2026** positively at the following address:-

Shri Vijay Shankar Upadhyaya,
Under Secretary (BPC&T),
Department of Economic Affairs, Ministry of Finance,
Hall No. 15051, Kartavya Bhavan -1, New Delhi-110001.
Ph:- 011 – 2401 2886,
Email- **vs.upadhyay@gov.in**
chourasia.anil@nic.in

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6. Incomplete applications and nominations received after the cut-off date will not be entertained. This may please be noted for strict compliance to avoid disappointment at a later stage. The candidates are advised to have their applications processed through their administrative Departments well in time and send complete information asked for in the forms specified above. Details of various short-term training programmes are regularly uploaded on Ministry of Finance's website www.dea.gov.in under the link "Foreign Training Programmes" **[https://dea.gov.in/foreign-training-and-employee-corner]**.



(Vijay Shankar Upadhyaya)
Under Secretary to the Govt. of India

1. Joint Secretary (Admn./Estt.), Department of Commerce, Udyog Bhavan, New Delhi.
2. Joint Secretary (Admn./Estt.), Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade, Udyog Bhavan, New Delhi.
3. Joint Secretary(Admn.), Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution, Krishi Bhavan, New Delhi.
4. Joint Secretary (Admn.) of all Ministries/Departments, Government of India.
5. Chief Secretaries of all States Governments/UTs.

TO BE UPLOADED ON website of Department of Economic Affairs' WEBSITE
[https://dea.gov.in/foreign-training-and-employee-corner].

SUPPLY CHAIN RESILIENCE

25 TO 29 JANUARY 2027

Jointly sponsored by the

SINGAPORE COOPERATION PROGRAMME

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JAPAN INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION AGENCY

under the

JAPAN-SINGAPORE PARTNERSHIP PROGRAMME FOR THE 21ST CENTURY

Singapore Cooperation Programme

The Singapore Cooperation Programme (SCP) was established in 1992 to share Singapore's development experiences with other developing countries, with an emphasis on development assistance. As a country whose only resource is its people, Singapore believes that human resource development is vital for sustained economic and social progress.

To date, over 165,000 officials from more than 180 countries, territories, and intergovernmental organisations have participated in SCP courses and study visits. The SCP is managed by the Development Partnerships Directorate of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Singapore.

Japan International Cooperation Agency

The Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA), one of Japan's Official Development Assistance (ODA) implementing bodies, has been extending technical cooperation in human resource development to facilitate the autonomous, sustainable development of developing countries since its establishment in 1974. From 2008, JICA was further strengthened to incorporate all activities of Japan's Official Development including concessional ODA loans and grant aid in an effective and efficient manner.

JICA will enhance the impact of assistance through (a) A More Strategic Framework to achieve medium-to-long term development goals of developing countries (b) More Predictable Aid as operational "rolling" plans will be utilised in policy dialogue with developing countries (c) Speedier Project Formulation through "Preparatory Survey" to ensure flexibility and speed at the project preparation stage (d) Assistance Tailored to Real Needs: Synergy of Aid Schemes to offer assistance that most effectively addresses the needs of developing countries.

Japan-Singapore Partnership Programme for the 21st Century (JSPP21)

As countries whose prime resources are their people, Singapore and Japan believe that human resource development is important for economic and social progress. With this mutual understanding, Singapore and Japan signed a Memorandum of Understanding in January 1994 to train participants from developing countries by sharing each country's expertise and experience from their economic development under the Japan - Singapore Partnership Programme (JSPP).

The Japan - Singapore Partnership Programme for the 21st Century (JSPP21) was established through a Memorandum of Discussion (MOD) signed in May 1997, to signify a widening of the scope of technical cooperation between Singapore and Japan. Since then, the MOD has been renewed three times, most recently in December 2018.

With a view to enhancing ASEAN integration and sharing the two countries' experience in their areas of expertise, both governments recognised, as areas of priority, training and capacity building for third countries in the fields of (a) security and peace, (b) addressing vulnerability, (c) private sector development, (d) connectivity, and (e) smart initiatives.

Since 1994, Singapore and Japan have implemented close to 400 training courses for more than 7,500 participants in diverse fields such as public governance, trade promotion, climate change and environment, community policing, disaster management, maritime navigation, tourism, and urban planning.

Course Objectives

This programme will draw on Singapore's and Japan's experience in economic security and supply chain resilience, examine the impact of recent major events on global supply chains, and explore approaches to strengthening supply chain resilience in an era of geopolitical uncertainty.

Synopsis

Topics to be covered include:

- Economic security and the impact of global events, digitalisation and emerging technologies on the resilience of supply chains.
- Singapore and Japan's approach to investment security and to strengthening national resilience of supply chains for economic security.
- The role of Government in facilitating private-public collaboration to build supply chain resilience.
- The possibility of regional collaboration to strengthen supply chain resilience.

Methodology

This course will be delivered for up to **30 participants**. It will include lectures, group discussions, site visits, country presentations and Q&A sessions.

Participants should bring along their own internet-enabled learning devices such as laptops or tablets (mobile phones are not recommended) for this course.

Country Presentation

Each represented country is expected to do a short country presentation. The topic(s) will be provided prior to commencement of the course.

Course Duration and Venue

The course will be held over 5 days from **25 to 29 January 2027** in Singapore**.**

Application Information

Applicants should be:

- Mid-to-senior level government officials who are involved in developing strategies and implementing policies on supply chain resilience for their country;
- Nominated by their respective Governments;
- Proficient in written and spoken English; and
- In good health.

In addition, as stipulated by the Government of Japan:

If your organisation and/or your status is related to the Military, you are required to email to 1rtd2@jica.go.jp with your name, country, organisation, the course name, and choose one option from below that best describes your relationship with the Military:

a) the Military, an active military personnel or a military personnel listed in the muster roll/military register;
b) an organisation affiliated with the Military, or a personnel who does not belong to the military at present but is listed in the muster roll/military register;
c) the Department or the Ministry of Defense, and organisation affiliated with the Ministry of Defense, or staff of the Ministry of Defense;
d) a civilian organisation but with military personnel or a military division within the organisation; or
e) an organisation which will be affiliated with or under the control of the Military in times of emergency as specified clearly in its organic law/law of establishment.

Qualifications of applicants who belong to the military or other military-related organisations and/or who are enlisted in the military will be examined by the Government of Japan on a case-by-case basis, consistent with the Development Cooperation Charter of Japan, taking into consideration their duties, positions in the organisation, and other relevant information in a comprehensive manner.

Carry out instructions and abide by conditions as may be stipulated by the nominating authority or Government and the Government of Singapore and its appointed trainer, with respect to the course.

Terms of Award

The course is sponsored by the Governments of Japan and Singapore under the Japan-Singapore Partnership Programme for the 21st Century.

Under this programme arrangement, the Governments of Japan and Singapore will bear the following expenses for successful applicants, thereafter known as "participants", during their training in Singapore.

These expenses include:

- Course fees;
- An Economy Class round-trip air ticket between the respective international airports designated by **JICA**;
- Visa application fees for entry into Singapore [Note: participants are responsible for their own transit visas (if any)];
- Accommodation for the entire duration of the course. Complimentary breakfast is provided in the accommodation from the first day of the course to one day after the course;
- Per diem of One Hundred and Thirty Singapore Dollars (S$130) from the first day to the last day of the course. A proportionate reduction in the per diem will be made if the participant is unable to attend the full duration of the course;
- Transportation between hotel and training venue (if any); and
- Basic insurance coverage (Group Hospitalisation and Surgical; Group Personal Accident) for participants during their stay in Singapore, in accordance with the policy of a local insurance company.

Note:

- Participants are to bear their personal expenses that might be incurred prior to receiving the per diem; and
- As the basic insurance coverage does not cover any pre-existing conditions/illnesses and/or any outpatient medical/dental treatment, participants are strongly advised to purchase comprehensive travel insurance which includes adequate coverage for medical evacuation in the event of any unexpected emergencies.

Regulations

Participants are required to comply with the following:

- For entry into Singapore, participants are required to adhere to the latest travel and health requirements/advisories as indicated at www.ica.gov.sg/enter-transit-depart;
- Strictly observe the course schedule and attend all training sessions. Participants will receive a certificate of completion from the SCP only upon **attaining full attendance of the course.** Any leave of absence must be substantiated with medical certificates or compelling reasons. Failure to attain full attendance will affect the eligibility for future SCP participations; and
- Carry out instructions and abide by conditions as may be stipulated by the nominating authority or Government and the Government of Singapore and its appointed trainer, with respect to the course.

Application Procedure

(Closing date for nomination: **25 October 2026**)

The Governments of Japan and Singapore are pleased to invite the respective National Focal Point for Technical Assistance (NFP) to nominate **two (2)** suitable applicants.

Selection of candidates will be based on merit. Should there be more applicants than training places, the Governments of Japan and Singapore seek the understanding of the respective NFP in the event that their nominee(s) is not selected.

All nominees are to submit their applications online at **https://go.gov.sg/scr26** by **Sunday, 25 October 2026.** NFPs are also required to endorse nominees via email links. Instructions and FAQs for Applicants and NFPs can be found at the links below:

- Applicants: https://go.gov.sg/start-guide
- NFPs: https://go.gov.sg/start-nfp

Note:

- Participants will receive a JSPP21 certificate of completion upon completion of the course;
- Please refrain from making telephone and email inquiries on the status of your application your application is being processed; and
- The **Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Singapore** will inform all applicants of the outcome of their applications. The NFP will also be informed directly.

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ANNEX-II

SUMMARY OF GUIDELINES PRESCRIBED BY DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC AFFAIRS

Before applying for the training programme, the candidates are requested to satisfy themselves whether they fulfill the eligibility conditions as per the guidelines on Foreign Training Programmes (FTP) administered by the Department of Economic Affairs(DEA), summarized below:-

Eligibility Conditions

Duration of Training	No. of years of service completed in Govt. as on the date of FTP	Upper age limit on the date of FTP	Cooling off period	Limit on participation in number of trainings in a year
Upto one week	5 years	Less than 58 years	Six months	Two FTPs of duration of less than one week in a calendar year
One to Two weeks	7 years	Less than 58 years	One year	One FTP of duration of one to two weeks in a calendar year
More than two weeks	9 years	Less than 55 years	Two years	One FTP of duration more than two weeks in a period of two years

Note:- Project-related training/official visits abroad are exempted from the provisions of cooling off.

2. Candidates and nominating authorities in Ministries/Departments/State Govts. Etc. should also satisfy themselves about the eligibility conditions prescribed by the sponsoring foreign Government/agency before sending the nomination to DEA.

HOW TO APPLY

3. **Filling up of application forms:-**

(i) Ensure that the **DEA proforma** is duly filled in and is complete in all respects. Without this proforma, application will not be entertained.

(ii) Ensure that the **application form prescribed by the sponsoring agency** is also complete in all respect, wherever the sponsoring agency asks for Country Report, the same should also be attached.

(iii) The column relating to **Vigilance Clearance** in DEA proforma should be filed in and certified by the competent authority. Alternately, vigilance clearance certificate by the concerned authority can also be attached. Applications without vigilance clearance at the time of applying will not be entertained.

(iv) In case of training programmes which ae not fully sponsored and where expenses on Air travel or any other expenses have to be borne by the candidate or his sponsoring Department, ensure that Part-A or Part-B, as the case may be, of the Undertaking Form is duly completed. Applications received without undertaking form will be summarily rejected. **It may be noted that submission f undertaking form is not necessary in respect of fully funded training programmes and the candidate can mention 'Not Applicable' in the form.**

4. **Nominations:-**

(i) In case there is more than one nomination for a particular course, the nominating authority State/Central Government should clearly indicate the prioritization of the nominees.

(ii) Application for the training programme is to be forwarded through the concerned Ministry/Department after completing all necessary formalities. Applications are not to be sent to the sponsoring foreign country/agency direct unless the same has been endorsed by the Nodal Department i.e. DEA.

5. **Clearance:-**

Once the nomination forwarded by DEA to the sponsoring Government is accepted and conveyed to the applicant, he/she will be responsible to complete all pre-departure formalities like obtaining political clearance from MEA and have the sanction order issued from his/her administrative Department etc.

Abbreviation:-

JICA - Japan International Cooperation Agency, SCPTA - Singapore Cooperation Programme Training Award, IMF - International Monetary Fund, MTCP - Malaysian Technical Cooperation Programme.

ANNEX-III

DEA PROFORMA FOR FOREIGN TRAINING

1. Name			
2. Date of Birth		**3. Male/Female**	
4.Educational Qualifications		**5. Date of Entry into Govt. Service**	
6.Service to which Officer belongs		**7. Date of Regular appointment**	

8. Details of Posts held during the last five years (starting from present) :

S.No.	Post held & Pay level	Period of Posting	Ministry/Department/ Organization	Nature of Work

9. Name of training programme applied for and its relevance to the candidate	
10. Papers etc, if any, published by the candidate	

11. Details of Foreign Training Programmes attended during the last two years :

S.No.	Dates & Duration Of Training	Subject/title of training	Name of the Training Institution	Source of funding

Signature of the candidate:	
Office Phone : **Mobile No. :**	
E-mail :	

CERTIFICATE

Certified that Shri/Ms. _____is clear from vigilance angle. In case the programme is not fully funded, Undertaking in the prescribed proforma (Part A/Part B) is attached.

Signature of the Competent Administrative Authority of the applicant with Name, Designation, Phone Number and Email (alongwith official seal)	

ANNEX-IV

CHECK LIST

Sl. No.	Required Documents	YES/NO
1.	**MTCP Application Form/ JICA Application Form / Online Submitted Singapore Application Form alongwith supervisor endorsement**	
2.	**Complete DEA Proforma alongwith Vigilance Clearance**	
3.	**Whether Application has been recommended/ nominated by Line Ministry/Department/State Government**	
4.	**Whether undertaking by Ministry/Department is given for bearing the air fare for the travel where training is not fully funded.**	