

# TECHNICAL VOCATIONAL EDUCATION AND TRAINING (TVET): THE SINGAPORE EXPERIENCE

# 5 TO 9 MARCH 2018

Sponsored by the

# SINGAPORE COOPERATION PROGRAMME

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to be conducted by the

#### ITE EDUCATION SERVICES PTE LTD

# **Singapore Cooperation Programme**

Singapore has provided technical assistance to other developing countries since the 1960s. As a country whose only resource is its people, Singapore believes that human resource development is vital for economic and social progress. Singapore itself has benefited from training provided by other countries and international organisations.

In 1992, the Singapore Cooperation Programme (SCP) was established to bring together under one framework the various technical assistance programmes offered by Singapore. Through the SCP, the range and number of training programmes were increased to share Singapore's development experience with other developing countries.

To date, Singapore has sponsored training courses and study visits for over 115,000 officials from more than 170 countries. The SCP is managed by the Technical Cooperation Directorate of the Singapore Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

#### ITE Education Services Pte Ltd

ITE Education Services (ITEES), Singapore is a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Institute of Technical Education (ITE) Singapore. ITEES was established in 2003 with the objective of sharing ITE's experience in Technical and Vocational Education and Training (TVET) with the international community. Over the past decade, ITEES has pooled together a wide spectrum of ITE core competencies and intellectual property to assist international organisations, government agencies, TVET institutions and private organisations to raise the quality of skills development and vocational training.

To date, ITEES has extended the brand name of ITE to more than 25 countries globally. ITEES provides a flexible and responsive business model to meet the needs of industries with six core services: TVET Infrastructure Development, TVET Leadership Development, TVET Capability Development, TVET Quality Assurance, and TVET Licensing and Certification.





# **Course Objectives**

The overall objective of this programme is to allow TVET Principals and Leaders to gain an insight into Singapore's policy frameworks and systems for TVET, including its experience in TVET administration and delivery.

#### **Synopsis**

Topics to be covered include:

- Overview of TVET in Singapore;
- ITE College Management:
- ITE's Holistic Hands-on, Minds-on, Hearts-on TVET Education:
- ITE Curriculum Development & Pedagogic Model;
- Engaging with Partners and Stakeholders;
- Sharing Sessions with ITE Management and Teaching Staff; and
- Paper Presentation by Colombo Plan Staff College.

# Methodology

This five-day programme will be carried out through formal lectures and sharing sessions conducted by our experienced ITE senior management team. Apart from lectures and sharing sessions, participants will also get the opportunity to visit TVET institutions. On the last day of the programme, participants will be expected to share their learning journey and draw down key lessons and adapt them to suit the needs of their own TVET institutions.

#### **Duration**

The course will be held from 5 to 9 March 2018.

#### **Application Information**

Applicants should be:

- Principals, educators and mid- to senior-level officials from government education institutions, education ministries and related government agencies;
- Nominated by their respective Governments:
- Proficient in written and spoken English; and
- In good health.

#### **Terms of Award**

The course is sponsored by the Government of Singapore under the Singapore Cooperation Programme Training Award and the Small Island Developing States Technical Cooperation Programme.

Under this programme arrangement, the Government of Singapore will bear the following expenses for the successful applicants (thereafter known as participants) during their training in Singapore. These expenses include:

- A daily training allowance of One Hundred and Twenty Singapore Dollars (S\$120) from first day to last day of the course to cover meals and daily expenses. [Complimentary breakfast is provided in the hotel from the first day to one day after the course.]
- Transportation to course venue and site visits:
- Medical insurance for participants to cover accident and hospitalisation during their stay in Singapore in accordance with the policy of a local insurance company; and
- Accommodation for the entire duration of the course.

#### Note:

- (i) The nominating government will be responsible for its participants' round-trip airfares.
- (ii) Participants are to bear their personal miscellaneous expenses that might be incurred prior to receiving the allowance.
- (iii) Any expenses for out-patient medical/dental treatment will be borne by the participants themselves.

#### Regulations

Participants are required to comply with the following:

- (a) Strictly observe course schedules and not miss training sessions.
- (b) Not bring any member of their family and/or aide for the duration of the course.
- (c) Carry out instructions and abide by conditions as may be stipulated by the nominating Authority or the Government of Singapore with respect to the course.

- (d) Refrain from engaging in political activities, or any form of employment for profit or gain while in Singapore.
- (e) Discontinue the course, in the event they fall seriously ill and are considered unable to continue the training or have committed an improper act.
- (f) Return to their respective home countries upon completion of the course.

# **Application Procedure**

(Closing date for nomination: 5 February 2018)

The Government of Singapore is pleased to invite the respective National Focal Point for Technical Assistance to nominate <u>one (1)</u> suitable applicant. Selection of candidates will be based on merit. Should there be more applicants than training places, the Government of Singapore seeks the understanding of the respective National Focal Point for Technical Assistance in the event that its nominee(s) is not selected.

All nominations are to be submitted by the respective Government Institutions using the official Application Form. The application forms should reach the **Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Singapore** through the National Focal Point and the Singapore Embassy in the nominating country not later than **Monday, 5 February 2018**.

Please address the forms to:

Director-General
Technical Cooperation Directorate
Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Singapore
Tanglin
Singapore 248163

Attn:

Ms Jasmine Loy

Tel:

(65) 6379 8472

E-mail:

Jasmine\_Loy@mfa.gov.sg

- To expedite the process, a copy of the completed application forms can be scanned and sent via email to the email address stated above. The original application forms can be mailed through diplomatic or normal channels.
- All application forms should be completed in full and <u>must</u> bear the endorsement of the respective Ministry of Foreign Affairs or National Focal Point for Technical Assistance.

- Incomplete application forms or forms which are not endorsed will not be accepted.
- Applicants should refrain from making telephone and email inquiries on the status of their applications.
- The Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Singapore will inform all applicants of the outcome of their applications. The National Focal Point will also be informed directly or through Singapore's diplomatic representations in the nominating country.
- Flight arrangements are to be made only upon receipt of the Letter of Acceptance to the course.

# Information on Singapore

For more information about Singapore, you may wish to visit the Singapore Tourism Board website at <a href="https://www.yoursingapore.com">www.yoursingapore.com</a>



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