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More scholarships for Indonesians to study in Australia

From today, Indonesians interested in shaping the future of their country can apply for a new round of up to 350 awards to study for Masters or Doctorate degrees in Australia.

Australia's Ambassador to Indonesia, Bill Farmer, said the increase in Australian Development Scholarships is evidence of the strong commitment to achieving long-term human resource development goals in Indonesia.

"The Australian Government will increase the annual number of scholarships provided to Indonesia from 300 to up to 500 by the year 2014. This is testament to the talent so evident in Indonesia and to the strong partnership between Australia and its closest neighbour", said Mr Farmer.

"More Indonesians will have the opportunity to gain higher education qualifications while experiencing life in Australia and sharing Indonesian heritage and culture with Australians."

Fields of study supported through the scholarships are reviewed annually based on Indonesia's development needs. In 2011 these include economic management, health, education, democracy and justice, and safety and peace.

At least half of Australia's scholarships will be allocated to women and up to thirty per cent to people from the development priority provinces of East Nusa Tenggara, West Nusa Tenggara, Papua, West Papua and Aceh.

Applications for the 2011 intake close on 27 August 2010.

For more information visit www.adsindonesia.or.id or www.australiaawards.gov.au

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