GUIDELINES + SAMPLE QUESTIONS ON FEDERAL GOVERNMENT BILATERAL SCHOLARSHIP (BEA)

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PREFACE

This small unpublished e-book is on the general knowledge of federal government bilateral scholarship(BEA) ie bilateral education agreement between the federal government of Nigeria and some countries with good system of education such as Russia ,Ukraine etc. The first chapter emphasize on the meaning,inception of federal government bilateral education agreement,the requirements for both the undergraduate and postgraduate award,number of candidates taken per country and more information regarding the award.

The subsequent chapters are compiled sample questions of the award which will equip the applicant on the nature of questions he/she will

face on the day of interview.

INTRODUCTION

The federal government bilateral scholarship is an annual scholarship offered to Nigerians who have met the criteria needed. It started in far back 70's and the award is tenable in

Russia, China, Cuba, Morocco, Algeria, Romania, Ukraine, Turkey, Egypt, Japan, Serbia, Mexico, Macedonia e.t.c. The awards are for undergraduate (UG) and postgraduate (PG) studies.

For the undergraduate studies in medicine,paramedicine,Engineering,Geology,Agriculture,Sciences,Mathemati cs,Languages,Environmental Sciences,Sports,law,social sociences etc,the candidates must have minimum of 5As and Bs in his /her O'level ie Waec or Neco including English language and mathematics.The scoring is graded as follows A1=12 marks,B2=10 marks,B3=8 marks, C4=6marks,C5=4marks and C6=2marks.

Therefore for an individual score 5 of his core subjects are calculated. For example, if a candidate have 5 A1s in his core subjects ie

English(A1),Maths(A1),physics(A1),Chemistry(A1),further mathematics/Geography(A1). His certificate score is 5 times 12= 60 marks of his/her total score,the interview covers the remaining 40 marks. For postgraduate applicants, first class(60 marks) while 2nd class upper is 50 marks.

For Russian scholars,70 candidates are taken for undergraduate while 5 goes for postgraduate. Out of the 70 ug,10 are for medicine while the remaining 60 are for other courses. Russia takes candidates that has 80% of the total score. My advice for those applying for undergraduate to choose Russia because of the high in take of applicants. This means that 2 candidates are selected from each state for Russia. Always strive to be the best in your state.

For Ukraine scholars,20 candidates are picked which implies that 3 people are picked from each geo political states of Nigeria. For morocco ,20 are selected.for Algeria and Egypt,15 are selected respectively.Cuba ,Romania,Mexico,Serbia takes 5 applicants each. Age limit is 22 years. China and japan is for postgraduates studies only. For postgraduate studies in all levels(masters degree and phd),all applicants must hold first degree with at least 2nd class upper division .The applicants who are earlier recipients of foreign awards must have completed at least two(2) years post qualification or employment practice in Nigeria, this is mainly for those that schooled in Russia.

All applicants must have completed N.Y.S.C, age limit is 35 years for masters and 40 years for Phd.My advice for postgraduate applicants is to go for china and all others. Never you put Ukraine or Russia because it is a no go area if u didn't study there. The venue of the interview is usually in one of the states in each geopolitical zone in Nigeria. Applications start late January or early February, visit www.fsb.gov.ng to register first by creating a user name before you apply properly. Applicants are advised to apply early because of the error on the website.

The interview is from 24th-27th march, depending on when your day falls, you should know your venue in your geopolitical zone, and applicants should go to the venue of the interview with the following: two set of photocopies of the following documents packaged in a brown envelope, the originals will be presented at the interview. The documents requied are:

- 1, WAEC certificate and testimonial(2 copies each)
- 2,two copies of birth certificate
- 3, state of origin certificate duly signed, stamped and dated
- 4,eight(8) passport sized colour photographs on white background
- 5, Medical Certificate of fitness including Hiv/aids, and hepatitis B free certificates obtained from a teaching Hospital or National Hospital, Abuja
- 6, Police clearance certificate including finger prints from the police station nearest to place of residence
- 7, Data page of current international passport
- 8,academic transcripts and Nysc certificate will be required from applicants for postgraduates studies.

The interview has four stages:

1, ACCREDITATION BY THE STATE SCHOLARSHIP BOARD- in this stage, applicants are required to present their local government identification certificate before they will be accredited, some states like Enugu pose oral interview for the applicants. The applicants is expected to know the politics of the state like his present local government chairman, representatives in the

house of reps and others.

2,ACCREDITATION BY THE FEDERAL SCHOLARSHIP BOARD AND COLLECTION OF DOCUMENTS: in this stage, the documents of the applicant is collected by the staff of the federal scholarship board.

3,SCORING OF CERTIFICATE: the applicants o'level result is scored in this stage as mentioned earlier, if you do not have distinctions in either Geography or further maths, you won't go for engineering, rather another course will be chosen for you. It happened to a friend of mine during my own time.

4,EXAMINATIONS: you will face an objective test exam which comprises of 50 questions that will be written in 40 minutes. you have to be fast and accurate in order to get your required score. The exams is conducted by the joint admission and matriculation board(JAMB). For postgraduate scoring(masters), first class is 60% while second class upper is 50%, the same kind of exam is conducted for both undergraduate and postgraduate.

2014/2014beaInterview Venues and Dates From March 24th To 28th

March,2014

Zone/Venue----NW/FGC Sokoto

Mon March 24th---Kano & Kaduna State

Tues March 25th---Kebbi & Jigawa State

Wed March 26th---Zamfara & Katsina State

Thur March 27th---Sokoto State

Friday March 28th--Collation of Result

Zone/Venue----NE/Gombe

Mon March 24th----Borno & Yobe State

Tues March 25th---Adamawa & Taraba State

Wed March 26th----Bauchi State

Thur March 27th----Gombe State

Friday March 28th---Collation of Result

Zone/Venue----NC/FGC Minna

Mon March 24th----Benue & Kogi State

Tues March 25th---Plateau State & FCT

Wed March 26th----Kwara & Nasarawa State

Thur March 27th----Niger State

Friday March 28th---Collation of Result

Zone/Venue-----SW/Osun

Mon March 24th-----Lagos & Ondo State

Tues March 25th----Oyo & Ekiti State

Wed March 26th----Ogun State

Thur March 27th----Osun State

Friday March 28th----Collation of Result

Zone/Venue-----SS/FGGC Benin

Mon March 24th-----Delta State

Tues March 25th----Cross River & Bayelsa State

Wed March 26th----Akwa-Ibom & Rivers State

Thur March 27th----Edo State

Friday March 28th----Collation of Result

Zone/Venue----SE/FGGC Umuahia

Mon March 24th----Enugu & Ebonyi State

Tues March 25th---Imo State

Wed March 26th---Anambra State

Thur March 27th---Abia State

Friday March 28th--Collation of Result

Applicants are strongly advised to attend the interview at their zones of origin.

NB: Candidates nominated and finally selected by the awardingbeacountries will be required to submit to Federal scholarship Board the following:

Authenticated copies of academic certificates

Medical certificate of Fitness including HIV/AIDS, Tuberculosis, Hepatitis B free certificates and chest x-ray from a Teaching Hospital, General Hospital or National Hospital. Abuja, or any Hospital as designated by the awarding country.

Police clearance certificate with finger prints (on request)

TIME: 9.00 a.m. daily

scholarship .If you practice very hard with this questions, believe me with God on your side, success is rest assured for you. I oblige you to get the new current affairs book to boost this.

SAMPLE 1

Read the passage below and answer the following questions that follows

All over the world till lately and in most of the world till today ,mankind has been following the course of nature: that is to say ,it has been breeding up to maximum. To let nature take her extravagant course in the reproduction of the human race may have made sense in an age in which we were also letting her take her course in decimating mankind by the casualties of war ,pestilence and famine. Being human,we have at least revolted against that senseless waste. we have started to impose on nature's heartless play a humane new order of our own. But, when once man has begun to interfere with nature, he cannot afford to stop half way .We cannot, with impunity,cut down the death-rate and at the same time allow the birth-rate to go on taking nature's course. We must consciously try to establish an equilibrium,or sooner or later,famine will stalk abroad again.

The author observes that

War, pestilence and famine were caused by the extravagance of nature Nature was heartless and senseless

There was a time when uncontrolled birth made sense

It was wise at a time when mankind did not interfere with normal reproduction

Nature was heartless in its reproductive process

Which of these statements does not express the opinion of the author?

Mankind has started to interfere with the work of nature

Many people had died in the past through wand and disease

Mankind should not have the maximum number of children possible

Mankind should take care of its children

Man's present relationship with nature in matters of birth and death is a happy one

'humane', as used in the passage means

Sensible B.wise C. human D benevolent E thorough.

"We must consciously try to establish an equilibrium",implies that mankind must

Realistically find an equation.

Strive not to be wasteful

Deliberately try to fight nature

Try to fight nature

Purposely find a balance

5 The main idea of this passage is that

Nature is heartless

Man should control the birth rate

Mankind will soon perish of starvation

Pestilence causes more deaths than war

Man should change nature's course gradually

Choose the synonym that is the same with the one in bold letter 6 The number of **globetrotters** has increased after the second world war.

Foreign countries

Great persons People of importance Travellers around the world 7 The lady was shedding **crocodile tears** Silent tears Profuse tears False tears Tears of happiness It is difficult for me to believe you, so please put down everything in black and white A in detail B in written form C sequentially, as it happened D what you saw 9 one should not indulge in tall talks A flattering B boasting C ideal talk D irrelevant talk 10 Sachin has bitten of more than he can chew Is always hungry Is trying to do too much Is very greedy Has little regard for others 11. If the area of a square with sides of length 8 centimeters is equal to the area of a rectangle with a width of 4 centimeters, what is the length of the rectangle in centimeters? A. 4 B 8 C 12 D 16 E 18 12If a copier makes 3 copies every 4 seconds, then continues at this rate, how many minutes will it take to make 9000 copies? A 60 B 100 C 120 D 200 E 3.000 13 A standard veggiematik machine can chop 36 carrots in 4 minutes. How many carrots can 6 standard veggiematik chop in 6 minutes? 36 108 216 14 If Victory was 18 months old one year ago, how old was he in months, x

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months ago?

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A X-30
B X-12
C 18-X
D 24-x
E 30-X
15 Stella has 25 pairs of shoes. If she loses 9 individual shoes, what is the
greatest number of matching pairs she could have left?
   21
   B 20
C19
D 16
E 15
16 The ratio of two quantities is 5 to 6. if each of the quantities is increased by
15, what is the ratio of these new quanities
A 5:6
B 25:27
C 15:16
D 20:21
It cannot be determined from the information
17. if x is a positive number and \frac{1}{2} the square root of x is the cube root of
x,then x=
A. 64
B. 32
C.16
D. 4
E. 1
18. for any numbers w and z,w.z=w^3z(8-u^2) if both z and w.z are positive
numbers, which of the following could be a value of u?
A. 9
B. 3
C. 0
D. -2
E. -9
20. What price should a shopkeeper mark on an article costing him $153 to
gain 20% after allowing a discount of 15%?
A. $ 162
B. $184
C. $216
D. $224
21. Successive discount of 10%,12% and 15% amount to a single discount of
A. 35.38%
B. 36.68%
C. 37%
D. 32.68%
22. A man completes 5/8^{th} of a job in 10 days. At this rate ,how many more
days will it take him to finish the job?
A. 5
B. 6
C. 7
D. 7.5
23. A certain industrial loom weaves 0.128 metres of cloth every
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second. Approximately, how many seconds will it take for the loom to weave

25 metres of cloth?
A. 178 B. 195
C. 204
D. 488
24. Ada, Joel and Eze can do a job alone in 15 days, 10 days and 30 days
respectively respectively. Sam is helped by Bob and Kin every third day.in
how many days will the job be completed?
A. 9 days
B. 5 days
C. 8 days
D. 4 days
25. 15 men take 21 days of 8 hours each to do a piece of work .How many
days of 6 hours each would 21 women take, if 3 women do as much as 2 men?
A. 20
B. 18
C.25
D. 30
26. A boy read 3/8 th of the book on one day and 4/5 th of the remainder on
another day. If there were 30 pages unread, then how many pages did the book
contain?
A. 600
B. 300
C. 240
D. None of these
27. A machine is sold at a profit of 10%. Had it been sold for \$80 less, there
would have been a loss of 10%. The cost price of the machine is A. \$350
B. \$400
C. \$450
D. \$520
28. if the average (arithmetic mean) of a and b is 110, and the average of b
and c is 160, what is the value of a-c?
A220
B100
C. 100
D.135
E. it cannot be determined from the information given
29. if a three-digit number is selected at random from the intergers 100 to
999, inclusive, what is the probability that the first digit and the last digit of the
interger will both be exactly two less than the middle digit?
A. 1:900 B. 7:900
C. 9:1000
D. 1:100
E. 7:100
2. 7.100
30. Amber works 20 days a month in naira per day for m months out of the
year.which of the following represents her monthly pay?
A. m/20d

B. 20d

C. 10md/6 D. 20d/m E. 20 md 31. Somniloguy means A. Talking to one self B. Talking while sleeping C. day dreaming D. talking while eating 32. Soliloquy means A. Talking to spirits B. Talking to oneself C. Talking while sleeping D. Talking while eating 33. Puchritude means A. very beautiful B. very funny C. very handsome D. very kind 34. Grandiloquent means A. High sounding words B. funny words C. Vulgar words D. stupid words 35. Precocious means A. very intelligent B. naughty C. stupid D. happy 36 when was the first oil export done in Nigeria 1956 1954 1958 1960 37 Who is the director for national orientation agency Mike Omeri Jude Ugah Ejeh garry Wisdom udeh 38. When did Nigeria change from right-hand drive to left-hand drive A. 1977 B. 1972 C. 1973 D. 1975 39. Which of the following bank does Nigeria have the highest share A. African Development Bank B. World Bank C. Afri-Bank D. Oceanic Bank 40. Who is the speaker for the house of representative in 1975 A. Jaja Wachuku B. joseph asedu C.Akin Garba

- D.Pat Thomas
- 41. The third coup on 29th, july 1975 was led by
- A. Murtala Muhammed
- B. Muhanmmed Buhari
- C. Yakubu Gowon
- D. Col. Buka Suka Dimka
- 42. Coal was discovered in Enugu in
- A. 1901
- B. 1921
- C.1904
- D. 1902
- 43. Aba Women riot occurred in
- A.1928
- B.1935
- C.1911
- D.1934
- 44. Who was the Chief judge of Nigeria in 1975
- A.Adetokunbo Ademola
- B. Idris Legbo Kutigi
- C Taslim Oluwale Elias
- D. Dahiru Musdapher
- 45. Who was The senate President of Nigeria in 1983
- A. Nnamdi Azikiwe
- B. Nwafor Orizu
- C. Evan Enwerem
- D.Joseph Wayas
- 46. What is the full meaning of FAAN
- A. Federal Aviation Authority Of Nigeria
- B. Federal Airport Authority Of Nigeria
- C. Final Age Agregate Of Nigeria
- D. Federal Aviation Aeroplane Of Nigeria
- 47. The farthest planet from the sun is
- A. Jupiter
- B. Pluto
- C. Venus
- D. Earth
- 48. Who is the current Minister For Information
- A. Labran Maku
- B. Nyeson Wike
- C. Mike Odoh
- D. Jude ugehe
- 49. The new 500 naira note was introduced in what year
- A. 2002
- B. 2001
- C. 2003
- D. 2000
- 50. Keystone Bank was formal
- A. Bank PHB
- B. Fin Bank
- C. FCMB
- D. Diamond bank

ANSWERS

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CONCLUSION

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