SOCIAL SECURITY COMMISSION DEVELOPMENT FUND (SSC-DF)

“CALL FOR APPLICATIONS”:
Bursaries and Study Loans Offer

BACKGROUND
The SSC-DF is established by Section 37 of the Social Security Act, 1994 (Act No. 34 of 1994). Its main objects are to:

a) Conduct training and employment schemes approved by the President of the Republic of Namibia for the benefit of socio-economically disadvantaged persons who are unemployed;

b) Grant bursaries, loans and other forms of financial aid to students enrolled at any recognized technical or academic institutions of higher education.

1. BURSARIES SCHEME:
The SSC-DF provides bursaries to academically deserving Namibians from socio-economically disadvantaged backgrounds who are unemployed.

Eligibility:
The SSC-DF will consider applicants who are:

a) pursuing full-time studies towards a first Diploma or a first Degree at a recognized institution of higher education in the SADC region.

b) Namibians from all regions and all ethnic groups with a Grade 12 or equivalent qualification.

Only children of parent(s) whose combined income does not exceed N$150,000 per annum may be considered. Other socio-economic considerations may also be looked at such as orphans, children whose parents are unemployed or children of pensioners.

Fields of study:

a) Social Work (Social Science)
b) Medical related fields
c) Engineering and
d) Artisan related fields

2. STUDY LOANS SCHEME:
The SSC-DF also provides low interest study loans of up to N$150,000 to academically deserving Namibians from socio-economically disadvantaged backgrounds who are unemployed.

Eligibility:

a) Refer to Bursaries eligibility. Further studies after the first Diploma or Degree can also be considered under study loans.

b) Preference will be given to orphans, children whose parents are unemployed or children of pensioners.

Subject to the relevance of the field of study, the SSC-DF may consider applications for any other fields of study.

HOW TO APPLY:
For a copy of the application guidelines and related documents, please contact the Development Fund Manager, Ms. Olga Katjiuongua at olga.katjiuongua@ssc.org.na or (061) 2807125 or the Development Fund M&E Officer, Mr. Duscan Kasika at dus.kasika@ssc.org.na or (061) 280-7095. These documents can also be obtained at any SSC office country-wide, Governors’ Offices or downloaded from www.ssc.org.na and must be studied carefully before a submission is made.

The closing date for the submission of proposals is 17h00 on Friday, 2 December 2011. Late submissions will not be considered. Applications sent in electronic form to olga.katjiuongua@ssc.org.na are preferred, but not compulsory. Otherwise applications must reach the SSC-DF in a sealed envelope clearly marked “SSC-DF (and the scheme of your choice)”, at the following address:

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Submissions can also be made at any SSC offices country-wide.