

# UK Turing scheme

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**In News:** Having left the European Union's flagship Erasmus scholarship programme after Brexit, the UK on Friday launched its own replacement called the Turing scheme to enable UK students to study abroad.

## About UK Turing scheme

- Named after the celebrated English mathematician and codebreaker Alan Turing, the scheme will enable schools, colleges and universities in the UK to apply for government funding to allow students to study and work across the globe, including in India.
- Supporting the government's Global Britain objectives, the Turing Scheme unlocks the opportunity for UK organisations to offer life-changing experiences across the world for their students, learners and pupils.
- Funding is open to UK and British Overseas Territories organisations from across the education and training sector through higher education, further or vocational education and training, and schools projects.
- This funding allows organisations to provide students, learners and pupils with the chance to develop new skills, gain vital international experience and boost their employability.
- The Turing Scheme will contribute to the UK Government's commitment to a Global Britain, by helping organisations enhance their existing international ties and forge new relationships around the world.

## Objectives

- **Global Britain** – In line with the UK Government's vision of a Global Britain, Turing Scheme projects support high-quality placements, enhance existing partnerships

and encourage the forging of new relationships across the world.

- **Levelling up** – Turing Scheme projects widen participation and support social mobility across the UK. They should help and promote equal access and opportunities to all students, learners and pupils regardless of background.
- **Developing key skills** – These projects offer unique, career-building opportunities. They give participants the hard and soft skills sought by employers, and bridge the gap between education and work.

### **Impact on India**

- The UK's Department for Education (DfE) said that India, already a top source of international students to the UK.
- India among the leading list of countries with which UK universities seek to strike student exchange projects.
- The government aims to generate 35 billion pounds per year, and bring 6 lakh international students to the country by 2030.