

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Ministry of Public Administration and Disaster Management

COMPETITIVE EXAMINATION FOR RECRUITMENT TO THE POSTS IN GRADE III OF SRI LANKA SCIENTIFIC SERVICE AT THE BANDARANAYAKA MEMORIAL RESEARCH INSTITUTE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF AYURVEDA, INDIGENOUS MEDICINE DIVISION, MINISTRY OF HEALTH, NUTRITION AND INDIGENOUS MEDICINE-2018 (2019)

APPLICATIONS are called, deviating from the scheme of recruitment only for this time, from the Research Assistants and Development Assistants (agriculture) serving in the Bandaranayake Memorial Research Institute for the competitive examination for recruitment which is due to be held for filling the following 8 vacancies in Grade III of Sri Lanka Scientific Service, approved for the Bandaranayake Memorial Research Institute of the Department of Ayurveda. The perfected applications prepared in conformity with the specimen form given at the end of this notification should be sent by registered post to reach Commissioner General of Examinations, Organization (Institutional and Foreign Examinations) Branch, Department of Examinations- Sri Lanka, P.O. Box 1503, Colombo, on or before the closing date of applications mentioned below. The words **“Competitive Examination for Recruitment to fill the vacancies in Grade III of Sri Lanka Scientific Service at the Bandaranayake Memorial Research Institute of the Department of Ayurveda”** should appear clearly on the top left hand corner of the envelope. Further, the name of the examination should be indicated in English language as well, on both Sinhala and Tamil application forms.

<i>Serial Number</i>	<i>Designation</i>	<i>Number of Vacancies</i>	<i>Code Number</i>
1.	Scientific Officer - (Quality Controller)	01	01
2.	Scientific Officer - (Pharmacognosy)	01	02
3.	Scientific Officer - (Agriculture)	01	03
4.	Scientific Officer- (Plant Breeding)	01	04
5.	Scientific Officer - (Drug Development)	01	05
6.	Scientific Officer - (Microbiology)	01	06
7.	Scientific Officer- (Chemistry)	02	07

(a) Closing date of applications is 05.03.2019.

Note: No complaint that an application or a related document has been lost or delayed in post shall be considered. The candidates shall bear the losses which may occur due to their delay in sending applications until the closing date.

In instances where a certain applicant applies for more than one post mentioned above, separate applications should not be submitted for each post and instead, the order of preference for each post should be mentioned in one and the same application. Similarly, applicants are not allowed to change the order of preference subsequently.

1. *Method of Recruitment to the Service.*– Candidates who score 40% or more marks for each question paper shall be recruited on the order of the highest marks obtained and the preference. The number of candidates who shall be called for the interview shall be determined by the Public Service Commission and the qualifications of the applicants shall be verified by a board of interview approved by the Public Service Commission. Marks shall not be allocated for the interview.

2. *Conditions for Engagement in Service :*

- I. This post is permanent and pensionable. Contributions have to be paid for the Widows’/Widowers’ and Orphans’ Pension (W&OP).
- II. The officers appointed to this post shall be subjected to an acting period of one (1) year.
- III. They are required to achieve the proficiency in other official language as per provisions in Public Administration Circular No. 01/2014 and consequent circulars within 5 years. Officers who have joined the service in a language medium other than an official language shall achieve the proficiency in one official language within the 03 years and in the other official language within five (05) years.
- IV. The officers are required to pass the first Efficiency Bar before the lapse of three years from the appointment.
- V. This appointment shall be subjected to the Procedural Rules of the Public Service Commission, Establishments Code of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka, Financial Regulations of the government, other orders of the Commission and the regulations of circulars issued by the government from time to time.

3. *Salary Scale.*– This post is entitled to a (monthly) salary scale of SL-1-2016, Rs.47,615-10x1335- 8x1630-17x2170-110895/= as per the Public Administration Circular No. 03/2016 dated 25.02.2016 on salaries. Salaries shall be paid to you as per the said circular in the manner stipulated in Schedule II of the same.

4. *Educational Qualifications :*

<i>Approved Designation</i>	<i>Educational Qualifications</i>
Scientific Officer - (Quality Controller)	Shall have obtained a Bachelor of Science (Special) Degree with a class including Chemistry or a Bachelor of Science (General) Degree with a class including Chemistry or a Bachelor of Science (General) Degree including Chemistry along with a Post Graduate Degree.
Scientific Officer - (Pharmacognosy)	Shall have obtained a special degree in Botany with a class from a recognized university (with Chemistry as the additional subject) or a Bachelor of Science (General) Degree in Biology with a class including Botany and Chemistry or a Bachelor of Science Degree in Biology including Botany and Chemistry and a Bachelor of Science (General) Degree in Herbal Plants along with a Post Graduate Degree.

<i>Approved Designation</i>	<i>Educational Qualifications</i>
Scientific Officer - (Agriculture)	Shall have obtained Bachelor of Science (Special) Degree in Agriculture with a class or a Bachelor of Science (General) Degree in Botany or Forestry with a class or a Bachelor of Science (General) Degree including Botany or Forestry along with a Post Graduate Degree
Scientific Officer - (Plant breeding)	Shall have passed the Degree in Agriculture with a class or shall have obtained a Bachelor of Science (General) Degree with a class including Botany or Forestry or a Bachelor of Science (General) Degree including Botany or Forestry along with a Post Graduate Degree.
Scientific Officer - (Drug Development)	Shall have obtained a Bachelor of Science (Special) Degree in Botany with a class from a recognized university (with Chemistry as an additional subject) or a Bachelor of Science (General) Degree in Biology with a class including Botany and Chemistry or Bachelor of Science Degree in Biology including Botany and Chemistry and a Bachelor of Science (General) Degree in Herbal Plants along with a Post Graduate Degree.
Scientific Officer - (Microbiology)	Shall have passed the special degree in Microbiology or special degree in Botany with a class including the subject of Microbiology or shall have obtained a Bachelor of Science (General) Degree with a class including Microbiology and Bio Chemistry or Bachelor of Science (General) Degree along with a Post Graduate Degree in Bio Chemistry.
Scientific Officer - (Chemistry)	Shall have passed the special degree in Chemistry with a class or Bachelor of Science (General) Degree with a class including Chemistry or Bachelor of Science (General) Degree including Chemistry along with a Post Graduate Degree.

5. *Physical Fitness.*— All the candidates shall have the physical and mental fitness to serve in any part of the Island and to perform the duties of the post.

6. *Other Qualifications :*

- I. Shall be citizens of Sri Lanka.
- II. Shall be of an excellent character.
- III. Shall not be a person who is ordained in any religious order.
- IV. Shall have completed all the qualifications required for recruitment to the post in each and every way, as at the closing date of applications prescribed in the Notification for calling applications.

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7.1. *Written examination :*

7.1.1 This examination will be conducted by the Commissioner General of Examinations.

<i>Question Paper</i>	<i>Duration</i>	<i>Maximum Marks</i>	<i>Pass Mark</i>
1. Intelligence Test	01 hour	100	40
2. General Test	03 hours	100	40

7.1.2 *Syllabus* :

<i>Name of the Question Paper</i>	<i>Syllabus</i>
1. Intelligence Test	This paper which is designed to test the candidate's ability of critical reasoning, general intelligence and ability of decision making shall consist of 50 questions of multiple choices and questions for short answers. All the questions should be answered.
2. General Test	This is a question paper which aims at testing general knowledge and it shall be designed to test the understanding of the candidate on political, social, cultural and economic environment of Sri Lanka, matters which are currently important in national and international aspects and national and international scientific and technical development. This question paper shall consist of two parts. The first part shall consist of questions for short answers and 25 marks shall be allocated. The second part shall consist of questions in semi structured nature. This part shall consist of 8 questions out of which 05 questions should be answered. 75 marks shall be allocated for this part.

7.2 *Examination Results.*– Results sheet containing the names of the candidates who were qualified from the written test shall be submitted to the Secretary of the Public Service Commission. Results shall be either informed by post to all the applicants who sat for the examination or published on the web site - www.result.exams.gov.lk

8. *Conditions of the Examination* :

- I. Examination shall be conducted in Sinhala, Tamil and English media. Candidates can appear for the examination in the language medium they prefer. Candidates shall answer all the question papers in one and the same language. Candidates are not allowed to change the language medium mentioned in their application. All candidates must appear for all the question papers.
- II. Examination fee is Rs.600. This fee can be paid to any Post Office/ Sub Post Office or District/ Divisional Secretariat in the island to be credited to Revenue Head 20-03-02-13 of the Commissioner General of Examinations and one edge of the receipt obtained thus in the name of the candidate should be affixed in the relevant cage of the application so as not to be detached. It is advisable to keep a photocopy of the receipt for future references.
- III. Under no circumstances the examination fee will be refunded or transferred to pay any other examination. Money Orders or Stamps are not accepted for examination fees.
- IV. Application should be prepared in A4 papers of 22x29 cm size in such a manner that the titles nos. 01 to 3.11 appear on the first page. The application should be filled in correctly and legibly by candidate's own handwriting. Applications that do not comply with the specimen given herewith and that have not been perfected properly will be rejected without notice. It would be advisable to keep a photocopy of the application. Further it is informed that it is the responsibility of the candidate to make sure that the application form perfected by him/her complies with the specimen given in the *Gazette* notification and otherwise the application will be rejected without any notice.

Note: For your convenience, accurately prepared application for the examination can be downloaded from the official web site of the Ministry of Public Administration and Disaster Management, (www.pubad.gov.lk)

Penalty for furnishing false information.– The candidates should be very careful to include the correct particulars in the application. If it is found that any candidate is not eligible according to the rules and regulations of this examination his/her candidature can be cancelled at any time before, during or after the examination.

- V. Receipt of the applications shall not be acknowledged to the applicants. On the assumption that only those who possess the qualifications mentioned in the *Gazette* notification have sent applications, the

Commissioner General of Examinations will issue Admission cards to all candidates whose complete applications have been received. A notification will be published in newspapers by the Department of Examinations as soon as the admission cards are issued to the candidates. If the admission card is not received even after 2 or 3 days of such advertisement, steps should be taken to notify the Organization (Institutional and Foreign Examinations) branch of the Department of Examinations in the manner specified in the advertisement. In case of applicants outside Colombo, it would be advisable to send a letter of request furnishing a fax number to which the admission card should be sent and further to keep the following in hand at the time of calling the Department of Examinations: i.e. Copy of the application form and the receipt kept at your possession relevant to payment of examination fee, receipt of registration.

Note: Candidates shall not be permitted to enter the examination hall without the admission card. Only the admission cards on which the signature has been attested shall be submitted to the supervisor of the examination hall on the first day of the examination.

VI. Commissioner General of Examination shall reserve the right to postpone or to cancel the examination on the approval of the Public Service Commission.

VII. All candidates are bound to comply with the rules and regulations imposed by the Commissioner General of Examination with regard to conducting of this examination. Further, candidates shall be subjected to a punishment imposed by the Commissioner General of Examinations for violation of those rules and regulations.

VIII. *Identity of the Candidate.* - All the candidates will be required to prove their identity at the examination hall to the satisfaction of the supervisor. For this purpose one of the following documents should be submitted to the supervisor :

- (i) The National Identity Card issued by the Department of Registration of Persons.
- (ii) Valid Passport
- (iii) Valid Driving License

N.B. - a. No document or a copy of such a document should be annexed to the application.

b. The applications of the candidates who are unable to submit relevant documents, whenever they are requested, shall not be considered.

9. All the candidates should submit their applications through the respective Head of Department/ Institution. All the candidates should get their signature attested in advance by the Head of the Institution where they serve, before sitting for the examination.

10. In case of any inconsistency or contradiction among Sinhala, Tamil and English texts of this notification, the Sinhala notification shall prevail.

On the order of the Public Service Commission,

J. J. RATHNASIRI,
Secretary,
Ministry of Public Administration and Disaster Management.

17th January, 2019.

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1.0 Medium :- Language medium of examination :
(Indicate the relevant number in the cage)

Sinhala	2
Tamil	3
English	4

(Application should be perfected in the language medium of examination)

2.0 Post/Posts applied for :

<i>Number of preference</i>	<i>Designation</i>	<i>Code Number</i>

3.0 Personal Information :

3.1 Name in full (In block capitals) : _____
(Example : HERATH MUDIYANSELAGE SAMAN KUMARA GUNAWARDHANA)

3.2 Name with initials at the end (In block capitals) : Mr./Mrs./Miss : _____
(Example : GUNAWARDHANA, H. M. S. K.)

3.3 Name in full (In Sinhala/Tamil) : _____

3.4 Permanent address (In block capitals) : _____
(Admission card will be posted to this address)

3.5 Permanent address (In Sinhala/Tamil)

3.6 Postal city : _____

3.7 National Identity Card No. :

3.8 Sex : Male - 0, Female - 1

(Indicate the relevant number in the cage)

3.9 Telephone Number :

Mobile :

Residence :

3.10 Date of birth : Year : Month : Date :

3.11 Age as at the closing date of applications : Years : Months : Days :

3.12 Ethnic Group : Sinhala - 1 Tamil - 2 I. Tamil - 3 Muslim - 4 Others - 5
(Indicate the relevant number in the cage)

3.13 Marital Status : Married - 1 Unmarried - 2
(Indicate the relevant number in the cage)

3.14 E-mail address : _____

4.0 Qualifications :

4.1 Date of graduation : _____.

(Please refer carefully Section 4 of this notification to verify whether you have possessed these qualifications)

<i>Examination/Degree</i>	<i>Class</i>	<i>Year</i>	<i>Subjects</i>	<i>University/Institution</i>

05. At the Bandaranayaka Memorial Ayurvedic Research Institute :

- 5.1 Post held at present : _____.
- 5.2 Grade : _____.
- 5.3 Date of Appointment : _____.
- 5.4 Date of Confirmation : _____.

06. Affix the receipt so as not to be detached :

It is advisable to keep a photocopy of the receipt.

Receipt Number : _____.
 Post Office to which the examination fee was paid : _____.
 Date : _____.

07. If you have been convicted of any criminal offence in a court of law, indicate the particulars regarding the offence and the punishment imposed : _____.

8.0 Declaration of the candidate :-

I declare that the information furnished by me in this application is true and accurate. I also declare that if any particulars contained herein are found to be false and inaccurate, I am liable to disqualification before appointment and to cancellation of appointment without any compensation if the inaccuracy is detected after appointment. Further, I agree to be bound by all the rules and regulations.

 Signature of Applicant.

Date : _____.

9.0 Attestation of the Head of the Institution :

I hereby certify that Mr/Mrs/Miss who is submitting this application has earned all the salary increments in the five years immediately preceding the closing date of the application (Except the increment where passing service or departmental tests is a condition) and that he/she has not been subjected to any type of disciplinary punishments (except warning) for any offense. I further declare that the particulars in this application have been taken from his/her personal file, that he/she is eligible to sit for the examination as per the regulations mentioned in the *Gazette* notification, that he/she has paid due examination fees and the relevant receipt is affixed herewith and necessary arrangements can be made to release him/ her from the post held at present in this institution, if selected for this post.

 Signature of the Head of the Institution.

Date : _____.
 Name : _____.
 Designation : _____.
 Address : _____.
 (Official Stamp)