

Examinations, Results of Examinations, &c.

NORTH WESTERN PROVINCIAL PUBLIC SERVICES COMMISSION

Open Competitive Exam for recruiting Tax Officers for the Provincial Revenue Department in the North Western Provincial Council Public Service – 2024

IT is hereby announced that applications are invited (online) for recruiting 04 tax officers for the vacancies existing in Grade II Class II of the North-Western Provincial Revenue Service. The above examination will be held in **August 2024 in Kurunegala City** by the North-Western Provincial Public Services Commission. Sri Lankans (males and females), who are permanent residents of the North-Western Province, and those qualified as per the provisions given in the scheme of recruitment and the promotion procedure of officers in the provincial revenue department of the North-Western Province are eligible to apply for this examination.

1. Salary scale :

As per MN 5 – 2016, the salary scale for this post is Rs. 34,605 –10 X 660 –11 X 755 –15 X 930 – Rs. 63,460

2. The following qualifications must be met before applying for this position.

(I) Should have obtained a degree from a university recognized by the University Grants Commission.

or

(II) Should have passed any of the following professional examinations, those are recognized by the North Western Provincial Council Public Services Commission as equivalent to a degree awarded by a university recognized by the University Grants Commission.

(a) Intermediate exam of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Sri Lanka.

(b) Diploma in Accountancy or Commerce in SLIATE

(c) ICMA - United Kingdom Part I, II, and III.

(d) ACCA - United Kingdom Part I, II, and III

or

(III) Being a lawyer

or

(IV) Officers who have completed 10 years of satisfactory service in a permanent post in Public/Provincial Public Management Service Officer's Service are also eligible to apply for this examination. **Only Twenty-five percent (25%) of the available vacancies will be filled under this.**

3. Other Qualifications :

- (I) Applicants must be of excellent character.
- (II) Every applicant must be a Sri Lankan.
- (III) Residency should be proved at the interview by a DS 04 certificate issued by Grama Niladhari to be a permanent resident in the North-Western Province for at least three (3) consecutive years by the closing date of applications.
- (IV) When the applicant cannot prove permanent residency for 03 years in the North-Western Province by the closing date of applications, he/she is still eligible to apply if the spouse has permanent residency in the North-Western Province for 03 minimum years. (Spouse's residential certificate (DS 04) along with the marriage certificate should be produced at the time of the interview)
- (V) Applicant's age as of the closing date of applications should be at least 18 years and not exceed 35 years. (This maximum age limit shall not apply to applicants who apply under condition 2 (IV) above.)
- (VI) Every candidate must be physically and mentally fit to perform the duties of the post and work in any part of the North-Western Province.

4. Conditions of Service :

- 4.1 This post is permanent. Appointees will be subjected to any policy decision taken by the Government about the pension scheme entitled for this post, in the future.
- 4.2 Appointees will be subjected to a probationary period of three years. They will be made permanent in their posts after the probationary period if they have maintained satisfactory service in performance and conduct during their probationary period, have completed the 1st efficiency bar examination, and have fulfilled other qualifications required.
- 4.3 The second language competency applicable to the post should be obtained within 03 years of the appointment as per the Public Administration circular No. 18/2020 dated 16.10.2020.
- 4.4 Officials who join the service through a medium of language other than the official language must acquire the required proficiency in the official language during the probationary period.
- 4.5 In addition to the provisions in the scheme of recruitment and the promotions procedure for this post, the appointees are subjected to the establishments' code and financial regulations of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka, further to the North Western Provincial Financial Regulations, North Western Provincial Council Disciplinary Procedure, North Western Provincial Council Procedural Rules and the Departmental Orders and to any other Order imposed by the Government and North Western Provincial Council.

5. Recruitment :

- 5.1 Method of Recruitment :
Recruitment is done based on the results of a written examination conducted by the North-Western Provincial Council Public Service Commission.

5.2 This written examination consists of two (02) papers.

| <i>Paper</i> | <i>Time</i> | <i>Total Marks</i> | <i>Pass Mark</i> |
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| General Knowledge | 02 hours | 100 | 40% |
| Aptitude Test | 01 ½ hours | 100 | 40% |

5.3 Syllabus :

(I) General Knowledge - 02 hours. (100 marks).

A question paper that measures general knowledge with more emphasis on economic and commercial knowledge in Sri Lanka.

(II) Aptitude Test - 1 ½ Hours (100 marks)

5.4 Exam Procedure :

(I) Applicants are allowed to apply for this Examination either in Sinhala, Tamil, or English medium.

(II) Every applicant should sit for both question papers.

(III) Every applicant should sit for all question papers in one language medium. This language medium should be the language expected for the appointment.

(IV) Applicants are not allowed to change the language medium mentioned in the application, at a later stage.

(V) A minimum of 40% marks should be obtained in each of the above subjects to pass this examination.

5.5 The interview :

(I) An equal number to the number of vacancies will be called for an interview to check qualifications, based on the order of the total marks obtained in the competitive examination.

(II) In the interview, the basic qualifications including educational, professional, and physical fitness will be checked, but marks will not be given.

6. Examination Fees :

A sum of **Rs. 1,200/-** as the examination fee should be paid to any Divisional Secretariat in North Western Province to be credited to Revenue Head 2003-02-13 of the North Western Provincial Council and the receipt W.P.S.M.02 obtained from the Divisional Secretariat in favor of the applicant's name should be affixed at the relevant place of the downloaded application. Receipts obtained by debiting to other institutions or Money Orders or Money will not be accepted other than W.P.S.M.02 receipt. Such applicants will not be allowed to sit for the examination. It should be noted that the examination fee is non-refundable under any circumstance and examination fees paid will not be allowed to transfer to any other examination. (Please keep a photocopy of the receipt for future reference)

7. Method of Application :

- 7.1 (a) Calling for applications for this recruitment will be done online through the **website : psc.nw.gov.lk**. The application should be completed by visiting the website psc.nw.gov.lk and following the instructions. In addition, the online application should be downloaded as a PDF, printed, and submitted as a hard copy.
- (b) An applicant will be allowed to submit only one online application.
- (c) The payment receipt should be attached to the prescribed place in the hard copy and sent to the North-Western Provincial Council Public Services Commission through registered post or courier service. (Keeping a photocopy of the downloaded hard copy will be useful)
- 7.2 Closing Date of Applications **08.07.2024**.
- 7.3 Duly filled downloaded hardcopy should be sent under registered post/courier service to reach the address mentioned below on or before **15.07.2024**.

Secretary,
North Western Provincial Council Public Service Commission,
Provincial Council Office Complex,
Kurunegala

"Open Competitive Examination for the Recruitment of Tax Officers in the Provincial Revenue Department of North Western Provincial Council Public Service - 2024" should be mentioned on the top left corner of the envelope.

8. An admission card for the examination will be issued to the applicants who have paid the examination fee and submitted the online application and the printed copy on or before the due dates, by the Secretary of North Western Provincial Public Service Commission, on the presumption that all applied applicants have fulfilled the required qualifications mentioned in the notification.

If the admission is not received at least 03 days before the examination date, it should be notified immediately to the Exams division by telephone at 0372233769.

9. Identity of the Applicants:

Every applicant should prove his / her identity for the examination, interview, and practical test using the below-mentioned documents.

- (a) National Identity Card issued by the Department of Registration of Persons.
- (b) Valid passport.
- (c) Valid Sri Lankan driving license.

Note: If an applicant fails to prove his identity at the examination hall, he/she will be considered ineligible to sit for the examination.

10. Applications should be filled with due consideration providing accurate information. Submitted information will not be allowed to be altered under any circumstances. If an applicant is found to be ineligible, his/her candidature is liable to be canceled before, during, or after the examination, or at any other stage. If it was found that an applicant has furnished false information or intentionally omitted accurate information even after his/her appointment, he/she shall be liable for dismissal or termination from the Public Service at any time.

11. The decision of the North Western Provincial Council Public Service Commission will be final and conclusive on the matters about this notification and the matters not covered in this notification or any other matter not provided for in the notification.
12. The North Western Provincial Council Public Services Commission reserves the right to decide on conducting, postponing, or revoking this examination, or selecting or not selecting or the number of vacancies.
13. If there is any mismatch or inconsistency among the language phrases of this notification which is published in Sinhala, Tamil, and English, the Sinhala text shall prevail in such instances.

By order of the North Western Provincial Public Service Commission,

E. M. P. EKANAYAKE,
Secretary,

North Western Provincial Public Service Commission,

North Western Provincial Council Complex,
Kurunegala.
29th May 2024.

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