

## Post - Vacant

### PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

#### Recruitment on Open Basis for The Post of Legal Officer Grade iii of the Executive Service Category in Survey Department under the Ministry of Agriculture, Lands, Livestock, Irrigation, Fisheries and Aquatic Resources

BY order of the Public Service Commission, applications are invited from the citizens of Sri Lanka who have fulfilled the qualifications set out in this notice to fill the vacancy existing in the post of Legal Officer Grade III of the Executive Service Category in Survey Department.

#### 1. Method of Recruitment:

The candidate who obtains highest marks from among those who are meeting with qualifications set out in the notice will be recruited to the vacancy upon the results of an interview for evaluating the eligibility conducted by a Board of Interview appointed by the Public Service Commission.

The interview for evaluating the eligibility will be held in conformity with the marking scheme (prescribed under No. 06) approved by the Public Service Commission.

The effective date of the appointment will be determined by the Public Service Commission.

#### 2. Required qualifications:

##### i. Educational/ Professional Qualifications:

Should have sworn in as an Attorney at Law in the Supreme Court of Sri Lanka.

##### ii. Experience:

Should have obtained an active professional experience not less than three (03) years subsequent to swearing in as an Attorney at Law in the Supreme Court. (The period of experience, official seal of the attester and the date attested should be clearly mentioned in documents provided to prove active professional experience)

or

Should have obtained experience in a \*legal post in not less than 03 years in a public institution subsequent to swearing in as an Attorney at Law in the Supreme Court.

(These matters should be proved through a letter issued by the Secretary/Head of the Department/Head of the Institution)

**Note:** Documents proving the basic qualifications, certified by the Candidate himself should be attached to the application form. The applications which do not contain the certificates clearly stating the date of commencement of the service period and the last date of service shall be rejected without notice.

\*Legal post means a post where a degree in law or having been sworn in as an Attorney at Law of the Supreme Court is considered as a basic qualification for recruitment.

##### iii. Physical Fitness:

Every candidate should be physically and mentally fit to serve and perform duties of the post in any part of Sri Lanka.

##### iv. Other Qualifications:

- Should be a citizen of Sri Lanka
- Should be of excellent moral character
- Qualifications required for recruitment to the post should have been completed in every respect as at the date on which the applications are closed.

**3. Terms of engagement and conditions of service:**

- i. This post is permanent and pensionable. You are subject to the policy decision made by the Government in the future on the Pension Scheme entitled to you. You are required to contribute to the Widows'/ Widowers' and Orphans Pension Scheme. You shall pay the contribution for the same as prescribed by the Government from time to time.
- ii. This appointment will be subject to a probationary period of three (03) years. Officers should pass the first efficiency bar examination within 03 years from the date of recruitment as prescribed in the Scheme of Recruitment.
- iii. You are required to acquire the proficiency in the prescribed other official language/official languages in terms of the provisions of Public Administration Circular 18/2020 dated 16.10.2020.
- iv. This appointment will be subject to the Procedural Rules of the Public Service Commission, Establishments Code of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka, and Financial Regulations of the Government, provisions of the scheme of recruitment for the executive officer category (Legal Officer) of the Survey Department and to the other departmental orders.
- v. The medium applied for shall not be allowed to change later and the medium of language for which you are eligible for the appointment shall be the medium of language mentioned by you in the application.

**4. Age Limit:**

Should not be less than 21 years and not more than 45 years of age as at the closing date of applications.

**5. Salary Scale:**

This post carries the monthly salary scale of Rs.47,615-10x1,335-8x1,630-17x2,170- Rs.110,895 (SL-1-2016) in terms of the schedule I of the Public Administration Circular No.03/2016 dated 25.02.2016.

**6. Interview for evaluating the eligibility will be on the basis of the marking scheme below:**

Serial No.	Subject		Maximum Marks
01	Additional Educational Qualifications:		25
	(a.) The Postgraduate Degree in Law obtained from a university recognized by the University Grants Commission.	25	
	(b.) A Postgraduate Diploma in Law obtained from a University recognized by the University Grants Commission or Postgraduate Diploma in Law from the Institute of Advanced Legal Studies of Sri Lanka Law College	20	
	(c.) From a University recognized by the University Grants Commission		
	• Degree in Law with First Class pass	15	
	• Degree in Law with Second Upper Class pass	10	
	• Degree in Law with Class pass	07	
	• Degree in Law with General pass	05	
	(d.) First Class pass in the final year of the Law College	10	
	Second Class pass in the final year of the Law College	05	
	<i>Note I :</i> If the final examination of Law College has been passed with Honors pass the above mentioned 05 marks will be awarded		
	( Marks will be awarded only for highest qualification)		

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02	<p><b>Additional Experience</b></p> <p>Preparation of documents pertaining to the cases and appearing before the open court</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="233 533 1007 831"> <thead> <tr> <th></th> <th>Marks for the cases filled (Per case)</th> <th>Marks for appearing before the court (Per case)</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Supreme Court</td> <td>2</td> <td>5</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Appeal Court</td> <td>2</td> <td>4</td> </tr> <tr> <td>High Court</td> <td>2</td> <td>3</td> </tr> <tr> <td>District Court</td> <td>4</td> <td>5</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Tribunal</td> <td>2</td> <td>3</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p><i>Note</i> The copies of the relevant judgments or a certified copy of the case report on the date of last hearing of the case should be submitted to the interview board in proof of the above qualifications.</p>		Marks for the cases filled (Per case)	Marks for appearing before the court (Per case)	Supreme Court	2	5	Appeal Court	2	4	High Court	2	3	District Court	4	5	Tribunal	2	3		35
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03	<p><b>Knowledge in Information Technology/ Information and Communication Technology Law</b></p> <p>(a) Should have followed Information Technology or Computer Science as a main subject of a degree from a University recognized by the University Grants Commission</p> <p>(b) Diploma in Information and Communication Technology Law from a University recognized by the University Grants Commission or Sri Lanka Law College or other Vocational Institution recognized by the government.</p> <p>(c) Diploma in Computer Science or Information Technology from a University recognized by the University Grants Commission or diploma in Computer Science or Information Technology in level NVQ-5 or above from other institution.</p> <p>(d) Certificates obtained from a university recognized by the University Grants Commission or Sri Lanka Law College or other Vocational Institution recognized by the government, having followed courses and attended for trainings in the field of Information &amp; Communication Technology Laws (marks will be awarded for maximum of two certificates, awarding 02 marks each, )</p> <p>( Marks will be awarded only for highest qualification)</p>	10 08 05 04	10																		
04	<p><b>Language Proficiency:</b></p> <p>(a) A degree obtained from a university recognized by the University Grants Commission, with English Language as a main subject.</p> <p>(b) Fluency in English Language demonstrated at the recognized international or national level Moon Court Competitions</p>	15 12	15																		

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	<p><u>Individual</u></p> <p>i. First Place/ Merit – 12 ii. Second Place-10 iii. Third Place/Other skills – 08</p> <p><u>Groups</u></p> <p>i. First Place/ Merit – 10 ii. Second Place-08 iii. Third Place/Other skills – 06</p> <p>(c) Diploma in English Language obtained from a university recognized by the University Grant Commission or a diploma in English Language of SLQF Level 3 or higher level obtained from any other institution or a diploma in English Language obtained from a government training institute/institution affiliated to a government training institute having followed a course of minimum 1500 study hours.</p> <p>(d) Having obtained at least distinction pass for English Language in G.C.E. (Advanced Level) Examination (Local or London) or IELTS - an overall score of 6.5 or above. TOFEL- IBT 79 or above, TOEFL-CBT 213 or above or TOEFL-PBT 550 or above</p> <p>(e) An Advanced Certificate in English Language obtained from a university recognized by the University Grants Commission or certificate in English Language at SLQF Level 2 obtained from any other institution.</p> <p>(Marks will be awarded only for the highest qualification)</p>	10     08   05	
05	<p>Merit shown in the interview</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Strength questions</li> <li>• Situational questions</li> <li>• Competency questions</li> </ul> <p>of the applicant that assist to perform duties of the post</p> <p>Marks are awarded according to the answers given to the questions intended to be evaluated</p>	02 03 10	15
	<b>Total Marks</b>		<b>100</b>

#### 7. Identity of the Candidates:

Only those who have completed the application in every respect are invited for the interview for evaluating eligibility. Originals of all certificates and copies of the certificates duly certified by the candidate himself should be furnished at the interview.

The following identity cards are accepted to establish the identity of the candidate at the interview.

1. Valid National Identity Card issued by the Commissioner General of the Department of Registration of Persons.
2. Valid Passport.

**8. Method of Application:**

- i. Applications should be sent by registered post to reach the address “Surveyor General, No.150, Narahenpita, Colombo 05” on or before **17.11.2024** Applications received after the closing date will be rejected.
- ii. A specimen of the application to be preferred is appended at the end of this notice. Applications should be prepared in A4 size papers indicating the items No. 01 to 04 on the first page and the items No. 05 to 07 on the second page and No.08 to 09 on the third page and perfected in candidate’s own handwriting.
- iii. The top left corner of the envelope containing the application should be marked as **“Recruitment for the Post of Legal Officer in grade III”**.
- iv. The signature of the applicant should be attested by a Principal of a Government School/ Justice of Peace/ Commissioner for Oaths/Attorney-at-Law/Notary Public/ Commissioned Officer of the Three Armed Forces or a permanent staff officer in the Public Service or Provincial Public Service drawing a consolidated monthly salary of Rs.47,615/- or above.
- v. Candidates who are already in the Public Service or the Provincial Public Service should forward their applications through the respective Heads of Departments in which they are presently serving.
- vi. The applications not conforming to the prescribed specimen application will be rejected without notice. No complaints will be entertained over loss or delay of applications.

**9. Furnishing false information:**

If any information furnished by you in the application is found to be false or erroneous before the recruitment, your candidature will be revoked. In case any such false or erroneous information is detected after the recruitment, you will be dismissed from service subject to the procedure related thereto.

**10.** The Public Service Commission reserves the right to fill or not to fill the vacancies.

**11.** In the event of any inconsistency or discrepancy between the Sinhala, Tamil and English texts of this *Gazette* Notice, the Sinhala text shall prevail.

**12.** In the case of any matter not stated in this Notice or where it may cause a problematic situation in the process of recruitment, the decisions made by the Public Service Commission thereon will be final.

By order of the Public Service Commission,

Secretary,  
Ministry of Agriculture, Lands, Livestock, Irrigation, Fisheries and Aquatic Resources,  
On 04th October 2024.