

## PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

### Ministry of Public Administration and Management

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OPEN COMPETITIVE EXAMINATION FOR RECRUITMENT TO THE POSTS WHICH HAVE FALLEN VACANT  
IN GRADE III OF SRI LANKA SCIENTIFIC SERVICE - 2016

APPLICATIONS are hereby called, on the order of Public Service Commission, from the qualified citizens of Sri Lanka for the open competitive examination which is due to be held for filling 20 posts in Grade III of Sri Lanka Scientific Service that have fallen vacant in the following Departments/Ministries. Applications prepared in line with the specimen application indicated at the end of this notification and duly perfected shall be sent through registered post on or before the closing date of applications mentioned below to reach Commissioner General of Examinations, Organization and Foreign Examination Branch, Department of Examination Sri Lanka, P. O. Box 1503, Colombo. "Open Competitive Examination for Recruitment to the Posts which have fallen vacant in Grade III of Sri Lanka Scientific Service - 2016" shall be clearly indicated on the top left corner of the envelope. Further, the name of the examination shall be indicated in English in the Sinhala and Tamil applications in addition to Sinhala or Tamil languages. This examination is due to be held in the month of January 2018.

<i>Serial No.</i>	<i>Department/Ministry to which the vacated post belongs</i>	<i>Designation</i>	<i>Number of Vacancies</i>	<i>Code Number</i>
01	Ministry of Health, Nutrition and Indigenous Medicine	Entomologist	11	01
		Chemist	07	02
02	Department of National Museums	Assistant Director (Botany)	01	03
03	Department of Archaeology	Assistant Director (Chemical Conservation)	01	04
Total number of vacancies			20	

\* Closing date of the applications is 09.10.2017.

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**Note.-** No complaint that an application/relevant letter has been lost or delayed in post shall be considered. The loss that may be caused by delaying the applications until the closing date of applications shall be borne by the applicants themselves.

01. *Method of Recruitment to the Service.*- Recruitments shall be made on the results of a written examination and a general interview shall be conducted for the verification of qualifications. Recruitments shall be made to the posts which have fallen vacant on the order of merit of the marks secured by the applicants at the examination. Number of appointments to be made and the effective date of the appointment shall be determined on the orders of the Public Services Commission. The Public Service Commission shall reserve the authority to make a final decision with regard to filling of vacancies.

02. *Conditions for engagement in service :*

- (i) This post shall be permanent. You shall be subjected to the policy decision made by the government on the Pension Scheme entitled to you.
- (ii) The officers appointed to this post shall be subjected to a probation period of three (3) years and the officers are required to pass the first Efficiency Bar within the said three (3) years.
- (iii) They are required to achieve the proficiency in other official language as per provisions in Public Administration Circular No. 01/2014 dated 21.01.2014 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 probation period and in the other official language within five (05) years.
- (iv) This appointment shall be subjected to the Procedural Rules of Public Service Commission, conditions stipulated in Sri Lanka Scientific Service Minute published in the *Gazette* notification No. 1877/27 dated 28th August 2014 and accordingly the conditions of the Procedures of Recruitment relevant to each Department.

03. *Salary Scale.*- The monthly salary scale relevant to this post as per Schedule I of Public Administration Circular No. 03/2016 dated 25.02.2016 is Rs. 47,615 - 10x1,335 - 8x1,630 - 17 x 2,170 - Rs. 110,895 (SL-1-2016). Salaries shall be paid to you as per the said circular in the manner stipulated in Schedule II of the same.

04. *Educational Qualifications :*

<i>Serial No.</i>	<i>Department</i>	<i>Post</i>	<i>Educational and other Qualifications</i>
01	Ministry of Health, Nutrition and Indigenous Medicine	Entomologist	(a) Having obtained a BSc (Special) degree in Zoology with Entomology as a subject from a recognized University ; or (b) Having obtained a P.H.D./M.Sc./M.Phil in Entomology from a recognized University
		Chemist	(a) Having obtained a BSc. degree in Chemistry or the membership of Sri Lanka Institute of Chemistry or a qualification equivalent to the same with three years' experience in Food Analysis ; or (b) Having obtained a M.Sc. degree in Food Science and Technological Science or a degree equivalent to the same with two years' experience in Food Analysis

<i>Serial No.</i>	<i>Department</i>	<i>Post</i>	<i>Educational and other Qualifications</i>
02	Department of National Museums	Assistant Director (Botany)	(a) Having obtained an honours degree in Botany with a First Class or Second Class or a degree at a higher level from a University recognized by the University Grant Commission
03	Department of Archaeology	Assistant Director (Chemical Conservation)	(a) Having obtained a Special degree in Chemistry with a 1st or 2nd Class from a recognized University by the University Grants Commission or a degree awarding institution recognized by the University Grants Commission or Having obtained a Post Graduate Diploma in Chemistry with a Special degree in Chemistry or Having obtained a M.Sc. degree in Chemistry and a degree with Chemistry as a subject.

05. *Age limit.* \*

<i>Department</i>	<i>Post</i>	<i>Age Limit</i>
Ministry of Health, Nutrition and Indigenous Medicine	Entomologist	Shall not be less than 21 years and not more than 45 years
	Chemist	Shall not be less than 22 years and not more than 35 years
Department of National Museums	Assistant Director (Botany)	Shall not be less than 22 years and not more than 28 years
Department of Archaeology	Assistant Director (Chemical Conservation)	Shall not be less than 22 years and not more than 28 years

06. *Physical Fitness.*- Every candidate shall be physically and mentally fit to perform the duties of the post and to serve in any part of Sri Lanka.

07. *Other Qualifications :*

- (i) Shall be a citizen of Sri Lanka,
- (ii) Shall be of excellent moral character,
- (iii) Shall not be a person who is ordained in any religious order,
- (iv) Shall have not sat for the open competitive examination of Sri Lanka Scientific Service more than twice,
- (v) Shall have satisfied all the required qualifications for recruitment to the post in every aspect as at the closing date mentioned in the *Gazette*.

8.1 *Written Examination :*

8.1.1 This examination shall be conducted by the Commissioner General of Examinations :

<i>Question paper</i>	<i>Duration</i>	<i>Total marks</i>	<i>Pass Marks</i>
1. Intelligence Test	01 hour	100	40
2. General Question paper	03 hours	100	40

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8.1.2 *Syllabus :*

<i>Question paper</i>	<i>Syllabus</i>
1. Intelligence Test	This question paper consists of 50 multiple choice questions and questions for short answers to measure the ability of candidate on critical reasoning, general intelligence and the ability in decisions making. It is compulsory to answer all the questions.
2. General Question paper	A question paper to test the general knowledge on matters relating to political, social, cultural and economic environment of Sri Lanka, the matters important in national and international levels and the knowledge on national and international scientific and technical development. The question paper shall consist of two parts. The first part shall consist of question for short answers. 25 marks shall be allocated for this part. The second part shall consist of semi structured questions. This part shall consist of 5 questions and all the questions shall be answered. 75 marks shall be allocated for this part.

8.2 *Method of Appointment.*- Recruitments shall be made on the order of the merit of the marks secured by the candidates who have secured 40% marks or above for every question paper and order of preference. The number of candidates who are interviewed shall be determined by the Public Service Commission and the qualifications shall be verified by an interview board approved by the Public Service Commission. No marks shall be allocated for the interview.

8.3 *Results of the examination.*- As per Para. 8.2, the result sheet including the names of the candidates who have qualified from the written test shall be submitted to the Secretary, Public Service Commission. The results shall be informed personally to all the applicants who have sat for the examination or published on the website [www.result.exams.gov.lk](http://www.result.exams.gov.lk).

9. *Conditions of the Examination :*

- (i) Examination shall be conducted in Sinhala, Tamil and English media. Candidates shall sit for examination in a language of their preference. They shall answer all the question papers in one and the same language selected by them. The candidate shall not be allowed to change the medium of examination indicated in the application subsequently. Every candidate shall sit for all the question papers.
- (ii) The examination fee is Rs. 1,200. It shall be paid at any post office/sub post office to be credited to Revenue Head 2003-02-13 of the Commissioner General of Examinations. The receipt obtained in the name of the applicant shall be affixed by one edge of the receipt in the relevant cage so as not to be detached. It is advisable to keep a photocopy of the receipt with the candidate.
- (iii) Under no circumstance the examination fee is refundable. Stamps or money orders shall not be accepted for the purpose of examination fee.
- (iv) This examination shall be held in Colombo in the month of January. The date of examination shall be informed in due course.
- (v) Incomplete applications shall be rejected without notice.

**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 on the first day of the examination.

The issuance of an admission card to a candidate does not mean that he or she has fulfilled the requisite qualifications to sit for the examination.

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- (vi) Application shall be prepared on paper of size 21x29.7 cm (A-4) paper using both sides and the cages from 1.0 up to 3.10 shall appear on the first page and the cages from 3.11 onwards shall appear on the second page and the rest. The relevant particulars shall be furnished clearly by the candidates themselves. Applications that do not comply with the specimen and that are not complete in every aspect shall be rejected without notice. It is advisable to keep a photocopy of the application with candidate. 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 examination notice as otherwise the application may be rejected. Applications shall be prepared in accordance with the specimen application attached here with. A copy of degree certificate and Academic Transcript should be attached to the application form.

**Note.-** A specimen application prepared correctly can be downloaded for your convenience from the official website of the Ministry of Public Administration and Management ([www.pubad.gov.lk](http://www.pubad.gov.lk)).

**Penalty for furnishing false information.-** The candidate shall 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.

- (vii) Receipt of applications shall not be acknowledged. Admission cards shall be issued by the Commissioner General of Examinations to the applicants who have sent duly perfected applications on the presumption that only those who possess qualifications as indicated in the *Gazette* Notification have forwarded their applications. A notice shall be published in the newspapers by the Department of Examinations as soon as admission cards are issued to applicants. If the admission card is not received even after 2 or 3 days of such an advertisement, it shall be inquired from the Organization and Foreign Examination Branch of the Department of Examinations in the manner specified in the advertisement. When making such inquiry, the name of the examination applied for, full name, NIC number of the candidate and

address shall be indicated accurately. It would be advisable for candidates outside Colombo to send a letter of request along with the said details and a fax number of the candidate to the fax number mentioned in the advertisement for sending a copy of the admission promptly. Further, it would be advisable to keep a copy of the application, copy of the receipt relevant to payment of examination fee and the receipt of registration of the application to prove any information requested by the Department of Examination. The issuance of an admission card to a candidate does not mean that he or she has fulfilled the requisite qualifications to sit for the examination or for the post.

- (viii) The Commissioner General of Examinations shall reserve the power to postpone or cancel the examination on the approval of the Public Service Commission.

- (ix) Candidates are subjected to rules and regulations imposed by the Commissioner General of Examinations on conducting the examination. They are liable to be subjected to a punishment imposed by him/her for breach of these rules.

- (x) **Identity of Candidate.-** A candidate shall be required to prove his identity at the examination hall to the satisfaction of the supervisor. For this purpose, any of the following documents shall be accepted :

- (a) National Identity Card issued by the Department of Registration of Persons,
- (b) A valid passport.

**N. B.-** (a) No document or a copy of the same should be attached to the application.

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

Officers who are serving in Public Service/Provincial Public Service, Government Corporations shall send their applications through the respective Head of the Department/ Institution. It is compulsory for every applicant to get his/her signature attested before appearing for the examination.

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3.8 Sex : Male - 0 Female - 1  (Indicate the relevant number in the cage)

3.9 Date of Birth : Year  Month  Date

3.10 Age as at the closing date of applications :

Years  Months  Days

3.11 Ethnic group : Sinhala - 1, Tamil - 2, I. Tamil - 3, Muslim - 4, Other - 5   
(Indicate the relevant number in the cage)

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

3.13 Telephone No. : Mobile 


  
Residence 


3.14 E-mail address :\_\_\_\_\_.

4.0 Qualifications :

4.1 Effective date of the degree :\_\_\_\_\_.

(Please refer Section 4 of the notification to verify whether you possess this qualification)

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

5.0 Affix the receipt properly :

*It is advisable to keep a photocopy of the receipt.*

Receipt No. :\_\_\_\_\_.

Post office to which the payment has been made :\_\_\_\_\_.

Date :\_\_\_\_\_.

6.0 If you have ever been convicted of a criminal offense by a court, indicate the particulars of the offense and the punishment received :\_\_\_\_\_.

7.0 Certification of the Applicant :

I solemnly declare that particulars furnished by me in this application are true to the best of my knowledge and belief and the receipt No. .... dated ..... being the payment of the examination fee is affixed herewith. I also agree to be bound by the rules governing examinations and any decision that may be taken to cancel my candidature prior or during or after the examination if it is found that I am ineligible according to the conditions of this examination. Further, I shall be liable to be dismissed from service without any compensation, if it is found that any particular indicated in the application is found to be false or incorrect even after the appointment to this post and I agree to be bound by the rules and regulations imposed by Commissioner General of Examinations on conducting the examination and the decisions on issuing the results.

Date :\_\_\_\_\_.

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Signature of the applicant.

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8.0 Attestation of the applicant's signature (As per 9.x of the *Gazette* Notification) :

I hereby certify that ..... (Full name) who submits this application is known to me personally, that he/she has paid the prescribed examination fee and affixed the relevant receipt herein. He/she placed his/her signature in my presence on .....

\_\_\_\_\_,  
Signature of the Officer attesting the Signature.

Date :\_\_\_\_\_.

Full name of the officer attesting the signature :\_\_\_\_\_.

Designation :\_\_\_\_\_.

Address :\_\_\_\_\_.

(To be certified by placing the Official Stamp)

9.0 Attestation of the Head of the Institution :

(Only for applicants who are in Public Service/Provincial Public Service/State Corporations) :

Mr./Mrs./Miss ..... who submits this application, is serving as a ..... at this Ministry/Department/Institution and his/her application is recommended and submitted herewith. Necessary arrangements can be made to release him/her from the service of this institution, if selected for this post.

\_\_\_\_\_,  
Signature of the Head of the Institution.

Name :\_\_\_\_\_.

Designation :\_\_\_\_\_.

Date :\_\_\_\_\_.

(Official Stamp)