



DEPARTMENT OF METEOROLOGY

Open Competitive Examination for Recruitment to the Post of Meteorological Observer/ Communicator (Training Grade) of Sri Lanka Technological Service - 2019

1.0 APPLICATIONS are invited from qualified citizens of Sri Lanka for the Open Competitive Examination for Recruitment to the Post of Meteorological Observer/ Communicator (Training Grade) of Sri Lanka Technological Service in the Department of Meteorology, to fill 30 vacancies in the post. Which will be held on July, 2019 and closing date is 06.05.2019.

2.0 Candidates who have fulfilled qualifications based on skill tested under results of a written examination to be conducted by the Commissioner General of Examinations are recruited as Meteorological Observers/ Communicators of Sri Lanka Technological Service for a 02 year period of training. The officers who pass the aptitude test to be faced at completion of such training are appointed as Meteorological Observers/ Communicators, Grade III of Sri Lanka Technological Service. This post is permanent

and pensionable and is subject to a three year probationary period.

3.0 General Terms and Conditions of Service :

3.1 The Appointing Authority will decide the number of appointments and the effective date of such appointments. The Appointing Authority is authorized to refrain from filling any number of vacancies or all vacancies.

3.2 A candidate selected subject to general conditions governing appointments in Public Service, amendments made or to be made hereafter to the Service Minute of Sri Lanka Technological Service as published in the *Gazette* Extraordinary No. 1930/12 of 01.09.2015 of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka, provisions in the Establishments Code and Code of Financial Regulations and Procedural Rules of the Public Service Commission as published in the *Gazette* Extraordinary No: 1589/30 of 20.02.2009 will be recruited to Training Grade of the Service for a period of 02 years.

3.3 Selected candidates should serve in any area in the island.

3.4 Hours of duty will not often be general office hours and may fall both day and night as well as on Saturdays, Sundays and Public Holidays. Duties may also have to be performed on functional schedules.

3.5 An agreement should be signed with the Department that the two year training will be fully completed and following such two year training, 05 years will be served in the Department and a bond should also be written and signed prior to commencement of the training with certification of two sureties accepted by the Department to the effect that, in case he/she vacates training after the date of commencement of the training, or fails to serve in the Department the agreed period of time, the amount spent by the Government for training and a valid sum of Rs. 250,000/- will be paid to the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka.

3.6 An officer recruited in a medium other than the Official Language should pass the Official Language test during the probation period. The

failure to pass this examination within the due period of time will result in deferment of the next salary increment.

3.7 Second Language Proficiency of the stage pertinent to the post should be obtained within 05 years of Confirmation in the Post as specified in Public Administration Circular No: 1/2004. Failure to achieve that proficiency within the relevant period of time will result in suspension of salary increments till achievement of such proficiency.

3.8 A proficiency equivalent to G.C.E. (O/L) should be obtained in English Language as the link language prior to completion of 05 years in Grade III.

4.0 Salary scale :

4.1 Monthly allowances and adjustment allowances will be paid as follows as per Schedule V of the Public Administration Circular 03/2016 of 25.02.2016 for the post of Meteorological Observer/ Communicator (Training Grade) of Sri Lanka Technological Service during the 02 year training period.

TABLE I

Post	Monthly allowance		
	From 01.01.2019 (Rs.)	From 01.01.2020 (Rs.)	From 01.01.2021 (Rs.)
Technological Service Year 1	21,532/-	24,336/-	27,140/-
Year 2	21,770/-	24,605/-	27,440/-

TABLE II

Post	Adjustment allowance		
	From 01.01.2019 (Rs.)	From 01.01.2020 (Rs.)	From 01.01.2021 (Rs.)
Technological Service Year 1	4,306/-	1,502/-	-
Year 2	4,235/-	1,400/-	-

As per Public Administrative Circular No. 03/2016 of 25.02.2016, the monthly salary scale pertaining to Meteorological Observer/ Communicator Grades III, II and I of Sri Lanka Technological Service is Rs. 31,040-10 x 445-11x660-10 x 730- 10x750 - Rs. 57,550 (MN 3 - 2016).

5.0 *Qualifications*.- following qualifications will apply for recruitment to Training Grade of the Meteorological Observer/ Communicator of Sri Lanka Technological Service:

- 5.1 Should be a citizen of Sri Lanka.
- 5.2 Should be not below 18 years and above 30 years of age by the closing date of applications. (Accordingly, only those who were born on or before 08.04.2001 and after 08.04.1989 are eligible to apply for this.)
- 5.3 Every candidate should possess a physical and mental fitness sound enough to serve and perform duties of the post in any area in Sri Lanka.
- 5.4 Should have completed following educational qualifications:
 - (A) Passing G.C.E. (Ordinary Level) Examination with six (06) subjects in one sitting with Credit Passes for Sinhala/Tamil/English Language, Science, Mathematics and another subject.
 - (B) Passing G.C.E. (Advanced Level) Examination with 03 subjects in one sitting. Subject composition should be one of the following:
 - (1) Physics, Pure Mathematics and Applied Mathematics
 - (2) With Physics
 - (i) One out of the subjects of Pure Mathematics/Applied/ Combined Mathematics and
 - (ii) One out of the subjects of Chemistry/ Agriculture/ Information Technology/ Computer Science

Note.- It is compulsory for every applicant to have completed the qualifications for the post on or before the closing date for receiving these applications.

6.0 *Examination procedure*:

6.1 This examination will be held in exam centers in Colombo city only. It will be conducted in Sinhala, Tamil and English mediums. An applicant should select one medium and all question papers in the examination should be answered in that language only. Later changes will not be permitted to the applied mediums. Examination will consist of two question papers.

	<i>Marks</i>	<i>Duration</i>
IQ	100	01 hour
Subjective Technical	100	02 hours

6.2 *Question Paper Syllabus* :

I. IQ Question Paper;

This question paper consists of 50 questions in the types of multiple choice and questions expecting short answers to determine logical reasoning, analytical level and power of decision making of the applicant and all questions should be answered.

II. Subjective Technical Question Paper:

Consists of a questionnaire to determine knowledge in the subjects of Mechanical Science, Units and Dimensions, Properties of Matter, Vibration and Waves, Heat and Electricity and all questions should be answered.

6.3 Applicants must score at least forty percent (40%) of the marks allocated for each paper to be qualified for appointment and recruitments will be made to fill the number of vacancies allocated for the competitive examination based on merit order of results. (Applicants who fail to prove basic qualifications at the Interview will not be recruited even if they have reached the specified level of skill).

6.4 *Examination results*.- Examination results will be notified to the applicants by the Commissioner General of Examinations through post or the website www.results.exams.gov.lk.

7.0 *Punishments for false information*.- Extra care must be taken to provide accurate information in filling the

application. In case any applicant is found to be disqualified as per rules and regulations of this examination, his/ her candidacy may be invalidated anytime before, during or after the examination.

8.0 *Examination fee.*— Examination fee is Rs. 750. The fee may be paid to any Post/ Sub-post Office in the island or any District / Divisional Secretariate to the credit of revenue head No. 2003-02-13 of the Commissioner General of Examinations and the receipt received in the name of the applicant must be well pasted with one of its edges at the allocated place in the application. Money orders or stamps are not accepted for examination fee and the fee so paid for examination will not be refunded or transferred for any other examination for any reason whatsoever. It may be beneficial to keep a photocopy of the receipt.

9.0 Applications :

9.1 Applications must be prepared in the medium of language in which you sit for the examination.

9.2 Name of the Examination appearing in the head of applications submitted in Sinhala and Tamil must also be written in English in addition to that language.

9.3 Application must be prepared by using both sides of 21 x 29 (A 4) sized papers in keeping with the specimen application given at the end of this notification. Application must be prepared in such a way as to contain heads 01 to 04(E) on page 01, heads 05 to 09.3 on page 02, heads 10 to 15 on page 03 and heads 16 to 17.3 on page 04.

9.4 Application must be filled in handwriting of the applicant.

9.5 It must be accurately filled since no later change of the medium of language to sit the examination will be permitted.

9.6 I. Applications which are not in conformity with given specimen, examination fees have not been paid by the due date and not filled duly and are incomplete will be rejected without information. Applicants must bear the loss incurred by non-completion of applications duly. It will be beneficial to keep a photocopy of the

application in your possession. Applicant must check whether the application filled conforms to the application appearing in the notice of examination. Or else, the application may be rejected.

II. Appointments will be issued only to the name with initials given in the application and, therefore, name must be mentioned accurately following the specimen given in the application. It will not be permitted to make any amendment to the name or insert/ remove any parts in it.

9.7 Issuance of an admission card by the Commissioner General of Examinations to all applicants who have forwarded their applications by the closing date to sit the Competitive Examination on the presumption that only those who have satisfied qualifications specified in the *Gazette* notification, will not be treated as an acceptance that the applicant has satisfied qualifications required for this post. In case it is revealed that any applicant has not fulfilled required qualifications at the occasion of verifying qualifications specified in the gazette notification by calling them for an interview, their candidacy will be invalidated.

9.8 Receipt of applications will not be notified. No complaint on disappearance of applications at the post will be considered.

9.9 Recruitment to Posts in Technical Service - Department of Meteorology" should be clearly written on top left hand corner of the envelope sent containing the application.

9.10 The duly filled application should be sent by registered post to reach the following address on or before 06.05.2019.

Commissioner General of Examinations,
Organization & Foreign Examination Branch,
Department of Examinations of Sri Lanka, P.O.
Box 1503, Colombo.

9.11 The applicants presently employed in Public Service or Provincial Public Service should send their applications through their respective Heads of Department while those who are employed in Government Corporations, Local Authorities etc., should send them through their respective Heads of Institution, on or before the due date.

10.0 *Sitting the examination :*

10.1 Soon after issuing admission cards to applicants, Department of Examinations of Sri Lanka will publish a paper notice to that effect. In case the admission is not received even after a passage of 2 or 3 days of such notice, the same must be informed to the Department of Examinations of Sri Lanka following the procedure specified in the notice. It will be informed in that notice to make such enquiries from the Department of Examinations by carrying the copy of the application kept in your possession, copy of the receipt of examination fees, receipt of registered post dispatch of the application and by providing name of the examination, full name of the applicant, his National Identity Card No. and address, and if you are an applicant from a remote area from Colombo, it will be more beneficial to make such inquiry by referring a letter of request containing your fax No. and your details above said to the fax No. given in the notice in order to receive a copy of the admission card by fax. It will be beneficial to keep photocopies of completed application and cash receipt in your possession.

10.2 Admission issuing to applicant should not be considered as a qualification when he or she face to exam or qualify to relevant designation.

10.3 Signature of the applicant must be certified in the application as well as in the admission card for the examination. An applicant applying for the examination from any institution must get his application certified by Head of his Institution or an officer authorized by him and other applicants must get their signature certified by a Principal of a government school / a retired officer, Grama Niladhari of the Division, a Justice of Peace, a Commissioner for Oath, an Attorney at Law, a Notary Public, a Commissioned Officer of the Three Forces, a permanent staff grade officer of the Public or Provincial Public Service . Viharadhipathi of a Buddhist temple or a Nayaka thero, any dignitary of clergy of any other religion in charge of a place of worship or holding a considerable position. Any applicant who fails to forward his application in that manner is not permitted to sit the examination.

11.0 One of the following documents should be presented to the Supervisor of Examination in proof of identity of the applicants :

- I. National Identity Card issued by the Department of Registration of Persons,
- II. Passport,
- III. Valid driving license.

12.0 Candidates are also subject to rules and regulations set out by Commissioner General of Examinations on conducting the examination, any violation of which will make him or her subject to a punishment imposed by the Commissioner General of Examinations.

13.0 A decision on any matter not mentioned herein will be taken by the Director General of Meteorology. All applicants are obliged to follow general rules and regulations of examination mentioned in this *Gazette*.

14.0 In the event of any incongruity or inconsistency is observed between Sinhala, Tamil and English texts of this notification, at such instances Sinhala text will prevail.

A.K. KARUNANAYAKE,
Director General (*Acting*),
Department of Meteorology.

Department of Meteorology,
Buddhaloka Mawatha,
Colombo 07,
On 29th March, 2019.

SPECIMEN APPLICATION

OPEN COMPETITIVE EXAMINATION FOR RECRUITMENT TO THE
POST OF METEOROLOGICAL OBSERVERS/COMMUNICATORS
(TRAINING GRADE) OF THE SRI LANKA TECHNOLOGICAL SERVICE
IN THE DEPARTMENT OF METEOROLOGY - (2019)

• Medium of Examination

Sinhala	- 2	<input type="checkbox"/>
Tamil	- 3	
English	- 4	

(Please state the relevant number in the box)

01. (a) Name in full (in block letters) : _____.
(Example: HERATH MUDIYANSELAGE SAMAN KUMARA GUNAWARDHANA)
- (b) Last name with initials: (in block letters with last name first) : _____.
(Example: GUNAWARDHANA, H.M.S.K)
- (c) Name in full (in Sinhala/Tamil) : _____.

09. Professional qualifications/Technical qualifications :

- 9.1 Degree/ Diploma : _____.
9.2 Institution which awarded the Degree/ Diploma : _____.
9.3 Effective date of the Degree/ Diploma certificate : _____.

(e) I will not change any information mentioned here by me.

_____,
Signature of the applicant.
Date : _____.

10. Other qualifications : _____.

Have you ever been found guilty of an offense at a court of law or is there any on-going judicial procedure against you? Yes/ No

11.1 If yes, please state details : _____.

12. If the applicant is already employed in public service or provincial public service, the designation and the name and address of the Department in which he/ she is currently employed : _____.

Name and address : _____.

13. If the applicant has resigned from public/ provincial public service, reason for such resignation : _____.

14. Payment of examination fees:

14.1 Name of the post office/ sub post office to which examination fee was paid : _____.

14.2 Receipt No. : _____.

14.3 Date of payment : _____.

Please paste the payment receipt here.
Please keep a photocopy of the receipt with you.

15. Attestation of the applicant:

(a) I declare that information furnished by me in this application is true and accurate.

(b) I understand that in the event the statement made by me is proven false, I shall become ineligible to be recruited to this position and that my employment shall be terminated if it is proven so after recruitment.

(c) Receipt for the payment of Rs. _____ as examination fee has been attached as specified.

(d) I declare that I am bound by the rules and regulations that may be imposed by the Commissioner General of Examinations regarding the holding of the examination and the issuing of results.

16. Certification of the signature of the applicant :

I certify that the applicant is personally known to me and that his/her signature was placed under para.15 of the above document on before me. I further certify that the examination fee has been paid and the relevant receipt has been attached.

_____,
Signature of the certifier.
Date : _____.

Name of the certifier : _____.

Designation : _____.

Address : _____.

(Must be affirmed with the official stamp)

17. Recommendation of the Head of Department:
(Applicable only to applicants employed in the public/ provincial public service)

17.1 I certify that Mr./ Mrs./ Miss whose details are mentioned above, is employed at in the capacity of with effect from

17.2 As per the personal file of the aforesaid officer, his/ her performance/ conduct and attendance is satisfactory/ not satisfactory, he/she has earned/ not earned all salary increments, he/she has/ has not been subjected to disciplinary action.
(if subjected to disciplinary action, please state details)
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17.3 If selected for the post applied for, it is possible/ not possible to release the officer from the position currently held by him/ her.

_____,
Signature of the Head of Department.
Official stamp.
Date : _____.