

## DEPARTMENT OF CENSUS AND STATISTICS

### First Efficiency Bar Examination for Senior Statistician/ Statisticians of the Department of Census and Statistics - 2015(2023)

01. IT is hereby notified that an Efficiency Bar Examination for offers belonging to the Senior Statistician and Statisticians post will be held in **March, 2023** by the Department of Examinations, in accordance with the provisions of relevant approved Scheme of Recruitment.

02. (i) This examination will be held by the Commissioner General of Examinations and candidates are bound by the rules and regulations stipulated by him in respect of holding this examination and issuance of results. The decision of the Commissioner General of Examination will be the final decision with respect of holding examinations and issuing results.

(ii) A set of rules and regulations for candidates is published separately in the *Gazette* notification. Any candidate who violates these rules and regulations will be liable to a punishment imposed by the Commissioner General of Examinations.

03. *Examination Fees :*

Candidates can sit for the subjects at once or in several sittings. Candidates who are sitting this examination for the first time need not to pay any examination fee. However, at consequent sitting, candidates are required to pay Rs. 600/- for one Subject and Rs. 1200/- for two subjects or more or for the whole examination. This could be paid at any post office/ sub post office or any District/ Divisional Secretariat office in the island to be credited to Revenue Head 20-03-02-13 of the Commissioner General of Examinations and the original receipt should be firmly affixed in the place specified in the application form. Kindly be informed that in addition to examination fees, you will not be charged of any extra payment. Money Orders or stamps are not accepted as examination fees and under any circumstances this fee will not be refunded or transferred to any other examination. (It would be advisable to keep a photocopy of this receipt).

04. *Applications :*

The application should be prepared according to the format given at the end of this notice on A4 size paper.

Headings 01 to 04 should be entered on the first page and rest on the second page. Further, it is compulsory to indicate the title of the examination appearing the application in English language too in both Sinhala and Tamil application forms. Application form can be type written but the relevant particulars should be entered very clearly in candidate's own handwriting. The applications should be forward to the Commissioner General of Examinations, Institutional Examination Branch, Department of Examinations, Post Box 1503, Colombo. through the Head of Department under registered cover to be reached before **02nd December, 2022**. The top left hand corner of the envelope should clearly mentioned the name of the Examination. Incomplete applications and the applications received after the closing date of application will be rejected without any notice. Further, it is the responsibility of the candidate to make sure that the application form perfected by him/her compiles with the specimen given in the examination notice, if not application will be rejected. (It would be advisable to keep a copy of the complete application.)

05. *The identity of the candidate :*

All candidates should prove their identity for each subject they are sitting to the satisfaction of the supervisor of the examination hall. Any of the following documents will be accepted for this purpose:

- (i). The National Identity Card,
- (ii). Valid Passport,
- (iii). Valid Sri Lankan Driving License.

The candidates should expose their identity without covering their face and ears when enter into the examination hall. Applicants who refuse to do so will not be allowed inside the examination hall. Further, the applicants should remain uncovered of their face and ears till they leave the examination hall enabling the examination authorities to identify the applicant.

Candidates are kindly informed that due to the prevailing Covid - 19 pandemic condition, considering the safety of you and the Examination staff all the candidates should be wash their hands using soap or sanitize before entering into the Examination hall and should wear a face mask when entering to the examination hall and if any candidates is having any symptoms such as fever, cold or cough, the Hall supervisor should be informed before the examination begins.

06. The Commissioner General of Examinations will be issuing admission cards with a copy of the time table for the examination to all candidates who have paid examination fee on or before the closing date of application and submitted duly filled applications with the affixed receipt of the payment made on the assumption that all the applicants possess required qualifications stated in the *Gazette* Notification. A notification will be published in the newspaper and the official website of 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, an inquiry should be made from the Department of Examinations in the Manner specified in the paper notice. In the said inquiry, the name of the examination applied, full name of the applicant, National identity card number, and the address should be correctly mentioned. In such cases, it would be useful to keep the copy of the application, the copy of the receipt of examination fees and the receipt of the registered post in hand to provide the details if requested by the Department of Examinations. In case of applicant who live out of Colombo, a letter of request with the above details and a fax number can be sent to the Department of Examination in order to get a copy of the admission card through fax.
07. The candidate should get certified his/her signature on the admission card in advance and it should be certified by the Head of Department or an officer authorized to do so on behalf of him or principal of public school, Retired officer, Grama Niladhari officer, Justice of the Peace, Commissioner for Oaths, Attorney-at-law, Notary public, an authorized officer in Sri Lanka Armed forces or an officer in public sector, Provincial public service, or permanent Staff officer or Incumbent of Buddhist temple, Chief Reverend, clergy or person in charge of the Religious temple. And the certified Admission card with your own signature should be produced to the Hall supervisor at the first day of the examination.
08. Head of Department should grant duty leave to the candidates who are sitting for the exam for the first time. to whom admission card have been issued by the Commissioner General of Examinations enabling them to present themselves at the examination, Travelling expenses will not be paid in this respect. Candidates should sit the examination only at the relevant examination hall and Candidates without admission cards will not be allowed to sit for the examination.
09. The examination will be conducted in the Sinhala, Tamil and English media. The medium of examination for the applicants, who have joined the Public Service through a competitive examination, should be the medium they have sat for the competitive examination. For the applicants who have joined the Public Service without a competitive examination, the medium of entry qualification for joining the Public Service is considered as the medium of the examination. The candidate are required to sit for all the subjects in one medium and will not be allowed to change the medium of examination given in her/his application.
10. This examination will be held only in Colombo.
11. Examination procedure  
Examination relevant for the above post consists of following subjects:

<i>Subject</i>	<i>Duration</i>	<i>Marks</i>	<i>Pass Mark</i>
1. Administration	02 hours	100	40%
2. Financial Management in Public Sector	02 hours	100	40%
3. English	02 hours	100	40%
4. Applied Statistics	03 hours	100	40%

(01) Administration (Subject No. 1)

Part I - Administration

Part II - Organization of office and field activities and organizational methods are prepared based on following chapters of procedural rules of the Public Service Commission and Establishment Code.

VI, VII, IX, XI, XII, XXIII, XXV, XXVI, XXVII, XXVIII, XXIX, XXX, XXXI, XXXII, XXXIII, XLVII and XLVIII

• Structure of the question paper :-

- a) Question paper consist of 2 parts having 4 questions in each part, as structured, half-structured and essay type.
- b) Answers should be provided to only 5 questions by selecting at least 2 questions from each part I and II.
- d) Every question carries equal marks.

(02) Financial Management of public sector

(Subject No. 2)

Following chapters of the Financial Regulations.

- |     |   |                          |
|-----|---|--------------------------|
| I   | - | All sections             |
| II  | - | All sections             |
| III | - | All sections             |
| IV  | - | All sections             |
| V   | - | Section 1, 2, 3 and 4    |
| VI  | - | All sections             |
| VII | - | Section 1, 2, 3, 4 and 6 |

• Structure of the question paper :-

- a) Question paper consists of 6 essay questions. Questions are as structured, half-structured and essay type.
- b) Answers should be provided to only 5 questions.
- c) Every question carries equal marks.

(03) English (Subject No. 3)

**English Grammar**

A suitable level of proficiency on the following forms of grammar in spoken and written language is expected from the candidate.

- Tense and Number
- Sentences (Simple/ Compound/ Complex/ Compound Complex)
- Relative Clauses
- Reported Speech
- Adjectives and Adverbs
- Determiners
- Prepositions

**Writing Skills**

The knowledge on the modern formats and styles of writing is tested in this area of study.

- Internal modes of Communication
- Formal Correspondences skills
- Writing Descriptions/ Explanations
- Summary writing Skills
- Report Writing Skills
- Minutes of Meetings/ Agendas/ Invitations
- Comprehension

**Reading Skills**

Candidate's ability to comprehend a printed text; infer

meaning and verbal/ written interpretation is expected.

- Reading and understanding the specific and general meaning of the printed text.
- Reading and Interpretation (Verb/Written)
- Understanding the Cohesion and coherence of a passage

• Structure of the question paper :-

a) Question paper contains questions related to the following:

- I. Grammar
- II. Comprehension
- III. Vocabulary
- IV. Essay

b) All questions should be answered.

(04) Applied Statistics (Subject No. 4)

The objective of this paper is to test the the knowledge of the candidates on statistical tasks carried out by the Industry, Agriculture Statistics, National Accounts, Information Technology (Data Processing), Sample Surveys, Population Census and Demography, Price Index and Cartography divisions of Department of Census and Statistics.

• Structure of the question paper :-

- a) Question paper consists of 8 essay questions. Questions are as structured, half-structured and essay type.
- b) Answers should be provided to only 5 questions.

11.1 The candidate should score a minimum of 40 percent (40%) of marks or above to pass in each subject and should pass all the subjects in order to pass the efficiency bar examination. Candidates can complete subjects of the examination at once or several times.

12. Issuance of an admission card to a candidate should not be regarded as an acceptance of his/her eligibility to sit for the examination.

13. The decision of the Director Census and Statistics will be final in respect of any matter not provided in this *Gazette* notification.

14. In the event of any consistency between the Sinhala, Tamil and English text in this *Gazette* notification, the Sinhala text shall prevail as the accurate text.

Director General,

Department of Census and Statistics,  
"Sankyana Mandiraya",  
No. 306/71, Polduwa Road,  
Battaramulla.

## Specimen Application Form

**First Efficiency Bar Examination for Senior Statisticians/ Statisticians in  
the Department of Census and Statistics - 2015 (2023)**

(For office use only)

Language Medium of the Examination :-

Sinhala - 2

Tamil - 3

English - 4

01. 1.1 Full name (In English Block Capitals):-

(E.g.: HERATH MUDIYANSELAGE SAMAN KUMARA GUNAWARDHANA)

1.2 Surname written first and initials at the end :-

(E.g.: GUNAWARDHANA, H. M. S. K)

1.3 Full Name (In Sinhala/ Tamil) :

02. Service Station and Address

2.1 Name of the Service Station

:.....

2.2 Official Address

:.....

(In English Block Capitals) (Admission Card will be posted to this address)

03. 3.1 Sex :-

Male - 0

Female - 1

(Indicate the relevant number in the cage)

3.2 National Identity card No :-

3.3 Date of Birth :-

Year :

Month :

Date :

3.4 Mobile Number :-

04. Subject/ Subject applied for the Efficiency Bar Examination

(Please refer Paragraph 10 of the *Gazette Notification*)

Number	Subject	Subject No
1.		
2.		
3.		
4.		

05. Current Post :-

- 5.1 Number of the Appointment letter : .....  
5.2 Date of Appointment: .....

06. Are you sitting for the examination for the first time?

- 6.1 If not, value of the examination fee paid? .....  
6.2 Receipt No : .....  
6.3 Date: .....

Affix the cash receipt here (Only if applicable)  
(Keep the photocopy of the receipt)

I declare the the above particulars furnished by me are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and that I am eligible to sit for the examination in the language medium indicated above and that I agree to abide by the rules and regulations imposed by the Commissioner General of Examination regarding the conduct of this examination and issuance of results.

.....,  
Signature of the Applicant.

Date : .....

#### Attestation of the Signature

I hereby certify that Mr./Mrs./Miss ..... who serves at my Department is personally known to me and that he/she signed in my presence on ..... and that he/she has paid the examination fee with the cash receipt affixed.

Name : .....  
Designation : .....  
Address : .....  
Date : .....  
(Place the official frank)

.....,  
Signature of the Attesting Officer.

#### Certification of head of the department

I certify that,

1. The particulars furnished by the officer above have been checked by me, and that
2. He/She is eligible to sit for this examination.

.....  
Signature of the Head of Department,  
(Place the official frank).

Name : .....  
Designation : .....  
Address : .....  
Date : .....