

**Job Description.**— Organizing extension services, making awareness of herbal plants under the supervision of Chief Scientific Officer.

**Allowance.**— A monthly allowance of Rs. 9,568.

Selection for the posts will be made on the recommendation of the interview board and the approval of the Secretary, Ministry of Indigenous Medicine and any influence should not be made in this respect. Such influence will cause to remove/reject the application or disqualify the candidate for the post.

All candidates should submit their applications prepared in accordance with the specimen form. The applications perfected duly and clearly, should be sent in the envelope of size 22 x 10 c. m. to reach the Commissioner of Ayurveda, Department of Ayurveda,

Old Kottawa Road, Nawinna, Maharagama by Registered Post on or before 28.01.2005. The name of the post should be indicated at the top left corner of the envelope.

Applications received after 28.01.2005 will be rejected. Also incomplete/illegible applications or applications not prepared in accordance with the specimen form will be rejected.

Submission of false information in the application will be a punishable offence.

WAJIRA NARAMPANAWA,  
Commissioner of Ayurveda.

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## Examinations, Results of Examinations & c.

### MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE, LIVESTOCK, LANDS & IRRIGATION DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

#### Open Competitive Examination—2005 for Recruitment to the Post of Agricultural Instructors to Segment “B”, Class II of the Sri Lanka Technical Service to the Department of Agriculture

APPLICATIONS are invited from the citizens of Sri Lanka for the Open Competitive Examination for recruitment to the Post of Agricultural Instructors to Segment “B”, Class II of the Sri Lanka Technical Service to the Department of Agriculture. The applications prepared as per specimen appended at the end of the notification on 21.5cm. x 30cm. (8 1/2" x 12") size paper using both sides should be completed and sent only under Registered cover to reach the Director General of Agriculture, the Department of Agriculture, Peradeniya on or before 15.02.2005. “Post of Agricultural Instructor” should be marked on the top left corner of the envelope enclosing the application and along with the application a self - addressed stamped envelope of 9"x 4" size should be sent to post the Admission Card under Registered cover. Officers already in the Public Service or the Provincial Public Service should send their applications through the Head of the Department/Chief Secretary/Secretary to the Provincial Ministry.

N.B. :

The candidates should have fulfilled all the qualifications stipulated in the *Gazette* Notification by the closing date of applications. Any application not in accordance with the specimen appended to the Notification, not duly completed and not in order is liable to be rejected without any notice. Applications should not be addressed personally to officials of the Department and such applications sent by post or handed over will not be entertained. No complaint that an application has been lost or delayed in the post will be considered.

02. A notice will be published in the newspapers as soon as admission cards are issued to candidates. Any candidate who does not receive his/her admission card at least seven days before the day of the examination should notify immediately to the Deputy Director(Examinations), Extension and Training Division of the Department of Agriculture, Peradeniya:

- (i) Name of the Examination;
- (ii) Name of the Candidate (in full);
- (iii) Address;
- (iv) Date of posting the application;
- (v) Registration Number and the Post Office ;
- (vi) Money Order Number, Date and the Post Office.

#### 03. Salary Scale :

- (a) Class II Segment “B”  
Rs. 66,840-7x1,320-10x1,560 - Rs. 91,680 p. a.

The First Efficiency Bar Examination should be passed within three years from the date of first appointment.

- (b) Class II Segment “A”  
Rs. 73,440-1x1,320-13x1,560 - Rs. 95,040

The Second Efficiency Bar Examination should be passed within three years from the date of promotion to Class II Segment “A”.

- (c) Class I : Rs. 89,160 - 13x1,560 - 5x2,460 - Rs. 1,21,740 p.a.

- (d) Special Class : Rs. 1,07,580 - 15x2,460 - Rs. 1,44,480 p.a.

04. *Age Limit* .— The age of the applicants should not be less than 18 years of age and not more than 45 years of age as at the closing date of applications. The maximum age limit will not apply to those already in the Public Service or the Provincial Public Service.

05. The candidates should have fulfilled the following Educational and Professional Qualifications :

- (a) A pass in the G. C. E. (O/L) Examination with six (06) subjects including Language or Literature, Arithmetic/Mathematics-in not more than two sittings or at an equivalent Examination.

*Note.*—Those who have obtained a Diploma from the Open University of Sri Lanka and have passed the Foundation Course of the same Diploma from the same University could be exempted from the requirement of a pass in the G. C. E.(O/L) Examination.

and

- (b) The two year Agriculture Diploma Certificate obtained from the Schools of Agriculture at Kundasale, Angunakolapelessa, Pelwehera, Bibila, Labuduwa, Wariyapola, Vavuniya, Anuradhapura and Karapincha

or

The Agriculture Diploma Certificate obtained from the Hardi Technical Institute

or

The Agriculture Diploma Certificate from the Acqinas College

or

Other qualifications acceptable to the Sri Lanka Technical Services Board as equivalent to the above qualifications.

06. *Method of Recruitment :*

- I. The competitive examination for recruitment will be held in Sinhala and Tamil media. The candidates should answer both the papers of the competitive examination in the medium of language selected by him/her. The medium of language in which the candidates sit the examination will be treated as the medium in which they are appointed to the Public Service.
- II. The eligible candidates will be selected on the results of the competitive examination in order of merit of the highest marks secured and recruitment will be done after an interview in accordance with the provisions provided for in the Public Administration Circular No. 15/90 of 09.03.1999, the Public Administration Circulars, that will be issued in relevance to it and the Establishments Code. (No marks will be given at the interview).
- III. The syllabus of the competitive examination is given below :
  - (i) *Intelligence Test - 100 marks - One hour paper :*  
These questions are designed so as to make an assessment of the candidate's power of logical reasoning and analysis and the ability to draw sound inferences.

(ii) Question Paper (Technical) - 100 marks - Three hour paper :

1. Share of Agriculture in the Economic Development of Sri Lanka :—
  - (a) Share of Agriculture in the Gross Domestic Product ;
  - (b) Employment ;
  - (c) The place attributed to Exports and Imports in Agriculture.
2. The Knowledge of the Climatic Zones of Sri Lanka
3. *Soil and Plant Nutrition :—*
  - (a) Soil formation, texture, physical and chemical characteristics and its impact on crop cultivation;
  - (b) Plant Nutrition, Soil/Plant Nutrition Management;
  - (c) Significant facts on Plant Nutrition.
4. *Rice Production :—*
  - (a) Soil and Climatic requirements ;
  - (b) Varieties ;
  - (c) Land Preparation and Nursery Management ;
  - (d) Pest and disease control ;
  - (e) Fertilizer application ;
  - (f) Water Management/New Methodology of Increasing Harvest ;
  - (g) Harvesting and Post Harvesting Methods ;
  - (h) Seed Paddy Production.
5. *Other Field Crop Production :—*  
Big Onions, Chilli, Potatoe, Maize and other Crop Varieties, Soil and Climatic requirements, Planting Practices, Storage and Marketing, Post Harvesting Technology and Market Purpose processing ;
6. *Vegetable Production :—*
  - (a) Vegetable Nursery Management ;
  - (b) Planting, Harvesting and Processing and Propagation of vegetable varieties of which the special attention of the Department of Agriculture is focussed ;
7. *Fruits :—*  
Planting, Harvesting and Processing and Propagation of Fruit Varieties of which the special attention of the Department of Agriculture is focussed ;
8. *Crop Protection :—*
  - (a) Identification and the controlling methods of the main diseases and pests of crops ;
  - (b) Weed control and various weed control methods ;
  - (c) Protective measures adopted in the use of pesticides.
9. Importance of Soil Conservation and various methods of Soil Conservation ;

10. *Irrigation Methods and Water Management :-*  
(a) Irrigation Methods suitable for various crops and their Water Management ;  
(b) Micro Irrigation Methods ;  
(c) Drainage and its importance.
11. *Farm Mechanization :-*  
(a) Advantages and disadvantages of Farm Mechanization ;  
(b) Agro Machinery used in different stages of crop production ;  
(c) Agro Machinery used for Irrigation and Plant Protection ;  
(d) Operating and the maintenance of the above machinery.
12. *Apiculture :-*  
(a) Economic importance ;  
(b) Settlement of Bee Colonies and Nursing them ;  
(c) Harvesting and Processing for the market.
13. *Flower and Ornamental Plant Growing and Landscaping :-*  
(a) Economic importance ;  
(b) Landscaping Techniques ;  
(c) Cut flower production and processing for the market.
14. *Protective Crop Cultivation :-*  
(a) Importance ;  
(b) Planning ;  
(c) Selection of Crops and Crop maintenance and Harvest Processing.
15. *Animal Husbandry :-*  
(a) Importance of Poultry and Dairy industry ;  
(b) Carrying out the above animal production under Integrated Farm Management.
16. *Agricultural Extension :-*  
(a) Agricultural Extension Strategy and Methodology ;  
(b) Agricultural Extension Communication Methods.
07. *Terms of Engagement :-*
- (i) The post is permanent and is entitled to a Contributory Pension under the Contributory Pension Fund.
- Exception :*
- In the event of one who had held a pensionable post before 01.01.2003 being recruited to the post, he/she should contribute to the Widows' widowers' and Orphans' Pension Fund, since he/she is further entitled to a Pension under the Pension Minute.
- (ii) The candidates selected should be agreeable to serve in any part of the Island.
- (iii) Presently the vacancies exist in the following Districts and the Divisional Secretariat Divisions and therefore, in the first instance postings will be done to one of these service stations. The candidates should clearly indicate in Column 12 of the application 05 places, out of these stations in order of preference where he/she is willing to serve. In making appointments, attention will be paid to the applicants who have given the stations they prefer to be posted to those stations :
- | District  | Code No. |
|---|----------|
| Ampara  | 01       |
| Polonnaruwa   | 02       |
| Anuradhapura  | 03       |
| Hambantota  | 04       |
| Monaragala  | 05       |
| Nuwara Eliya  | 06       |
| Vavuniya  | 07       |
| Killinochchi  | 08       |
| Kandy (Divisional Secretariat Division, Minipe)                                       | 09       |
| Matale, (Divisional Secretariat Division Vilgamuwa)                                   | 10       |
| Badulla (Divisional Secretariat Division Mahiyangana, Kandakatiya, Ridi Maliyadda)    | 11       |
| Trincomalee (Divisional Secretariat Division Kantale)                                 | 12       |
| Mannar (Divisional Secretariat Division, Murukkan Manattan, Erarur Pattu, Chenkaladi) | 13       |
| Batticaloa  | 14       |
- (iv) Sections 10 and 12 of Chapter 11 of the Establishments Code are applicable as applicable to the post.
- (v) Reference is also requested to the general conditions applicable to appointments in the State Service published at the beginning of Part I Section (IIA) of the *Gazette*.
08. *Examination Fees.*—The fee for the examination is Rs. 250. A Money Order drawn in favour of the Director-General of Agriculture and payable at the Post Office, Peradeniya, should be attached to the application so as to be detachable. Examination fees will not be refunded under any circumstance.
09. In the Public Service The Head of Department at the instance of forwarding the application should state whether the candidate could be released in the event of his/her being selected.
10. *Place of Examination.*—The examination will be held at the centres given below. The candidate should select two centres where he/she is willing to sit the Examination. If an examination centre does not have an adequate number of candidates the examination will not be held in such a centre. Therefore, two preferences in regard to the examination centres should be indicated in the application :

No. of the Centre

Name of the Centre

## SPECIMEN APPLICATION FORM

1	Colombo
2	Galle
3	Matara
4	Ratnapura
5	Kandy
6	Anuradhapura
7	Polonnaruwa
8	Batticaloa
9	Trincomalee
10	Vavuniya
11	Jaffna
12	Kurunegala
13	Gampaha
14	Ampara
15	Kegalle
16	Hambantota
17	Kalutara
18	Monaragala
19	Matale
20	Chilaw
21	Badulla
22	Nuwara-eliya

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

APPLICATION FORM FOR THE OPEN COMPETITIVE EXAMINATION - 2005 FOR  
RECRUITMENT OF AGRICULTURAL INSTRUCTORS TO SEGMENT 'B' CLASS II OF  
THE SRI LANKA TECHNICAL SERVICE TO THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

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1. Centre chosen to sit the Examination and Centre No.

1st Choice:.....

2nd Choice : .....

2. Medium of Examination (indicate the relevant letter in the cage) Sinhala Medium - S, Tamil Medium - T

Letter relevant to the Medium .....

11. Travelling expenses on any other allowance will not be paid by the Government in respect of this examination or the interview.

12. *Identity of Candidates.*—A candidate will be required to prove his/her identity at the Examination Hall to the satisfaction of the Supervisor. For this purpose any of the following documents will be accepted :

- (i) National Identity Card issued by the Department of Registration of Persons ;
- (ii) A valid Passport ;
- (iii) Driving Licence.

13. *Furnishing False Information.*—If a candidate is found to be ineligible, his/her candidature is liable to be cancelled at any instance. If it is found that any false particulars have been furnished by a candidate wilfully or if he/she has wilfully altered any material fact, he/she will be liable for dismissal from the Public Service after selection.

14. The candidates will be issued with the Admission Cards having treated that the application had been forwarded after fulfilling the basic requirements given in the *Gazette* and the issue of an Admission Card will not necessarily constitute acceptance of eligibility.

15. The decision of the Director-General of Agriculture will be final, regarding any matter not provided for in the notification.

Dr. S. L. WEERASENA,  
Director-General of Agriculture.

Department of Agriculture,  
Peradeniya.  
22nd December, 2004.

3. Sex :

Male	-	M	
Female	-	F	

(Indicate ✓ in the relevant cage)

4. (i) Name with initials : \_\_\_\_\_.  
(in English Capital Letters)(ii) Name in full : \_\_\_\_\_.  
(in English Capital Letters)(iii) National Identity Card No. : 

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5. (i) *Permanent Address* :(in Capital Letters) : \_\_\_\_\_.  
(ii) Divisional Secretary's Division : \_\_\_\_\_.  
(iii) Grama Seva Division : \_\_\_\_\_.  
(iv) Official Address : \_\_\_\_\_.  
(In the event of a Public Servant his/her Official Address should be given . Any change of Address should be notified immediately).6. (i) Date of Birth : \_\_\_\_\_.  
(ii) Age :Years : \_\_\_\_\_. Months : \_\_\_\_\_. Days : \_\_\_\_\_.  
(as at the closing date of application).