

Public Service Commission

**Filling of vacancies in the posts at Senior Level of the
Sri Lanka Animal Production and Health Service - 2026**

Applications are invited from officers currently in active service in Grade I of the Sri Lanka Animal Production and Health Service, to fill 13 existing vacancies in the scheduled Grade I posts of the Sri Lanka Animal Production and Health Service, in accordance with the provisions of the Service Minute of the Sri Lanka Animal Production and Health Service published in the Gazette No. 1840/51 dated 13.12.2013 of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka.

02. Accordingly, applications are called in accordance with the specimen form annexed herewith in respect of appointment of officers to fill vacancies in the said posts and all eligible officers who have fulfilled all required qualifications as at the closing date of applications may apply for these posts. Such applications and the relevant documents should be sent before the closing date of calling application i.e. **25.08.2026** along with the recommendation of the Head of the institution by the registered post or delivered by hand to the following address. Please note that **"Filling of vacancies in the posts at Senior Level of the Sri Lanka Animal Production and Health Service – 2026"** should be clearly written on the top left hand corner of the envelope in which the application is enclosed.

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Ministry of Agriculture, Livestock, Land and Irrigation
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Rajamalwatta Road
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03. Number of vacancies and details on the institutions in which such vacancies exist are as follows.

- Ministry of Agriculture, Livestock, Land and Irrigation
 - ❖ Director (Livestock Development) - 01 Post
- Department of Wildlife Conservation
 - ❖ Director (Wildlife Health) - 01 Post
- Department of Animal Production and Health
 - ❖ Director (Veterinary Research) - 01 Post
 - ❖ Registrar (Veterinary Drugs) - 01 Post
 - ❖ Chief Epidemiologist - 01 Post
 - ❖ Chief Agronomist - 01 Post
 - ❖ Principal Scientist - 02 Posts
 - ❖ Chief Livestock Economist - 01 Post
 - ❖ Livestock Extension Specialist - 01 Post
 - ❖ Animal Breeding Specialist - 01 Post
 - ❖ Veterinary Public Health Specialist - 01 Post
 - ❖ Dairy Engineering Specialist - 01 Post

04. General qualifications to be fulfilled

Should have completed an active service period of three (03) years in Grade I of the Sri Lanka Animal Production and Health Service and should have been engaged in active service as at the closing date of applications.

05. Out of the applications received, only the qualified candidates, who are in active service, will be called for a structured interview and the officers who have obtained highest marks will be appointed to the relevant posts based on their preference by the Public Service Commission. If the officer concerned is reluctant to accept the said appointment, the officer who has obtained the next highest marks will be appointed to the said post based on the order of marks and preference of the officer.

06. Fields of marks and maximum marks to be given at the structured interview are as follows.

S/No.	Fields for which marks are given	Maximum Marks
01	Seniority (Maximum of 40 Marks)	Marks will be given in the following manner for the total active and satisfactory period completed exceeding the 03 year active and satisfactory service period in Grade I of the Sri Lanka Animal Production and Health Service. $\left[\begin{array}{l} \text{Maximum marks allocated for seniority} \\ \text{Service period of the officer who has the} \\ \text{longest additional active and satisfactory} \\ \text{service in that grade} \\ \text{(Years X 12 + Months)} \end{array} \right] \times \left[\begin{array}{l} \text{Additional active and} \\ \text{satisfactory period of} \\ \text{service of the relevant} \\ \text{Officer} \\ \text{(Years X 12 + Months)} \end{array} \right]$
02	Merit (Maximum of 60 Marks)	2.1 Performance Appraisal (for immediate 05 years) - Maximum of 05 Marks • Excellent - 01 Mark • Above Average - 0.75 Marks • Satisfactory - 0.5 Marks 2.2 Presentation made in relation to the improvement of the field - Maximum of 15 Marks • Facts presented - 07 Marks • Design , Creativity , Style of presentation, Time Management - 04 Marks • Replies to the issues raised by the interview board - 04 Marks 2.3 Contribution made to the improvement of livestock sector and experience of the relevant field - Maximum of 15 Marks • Contribution made to the livestock sector (02 marks for each and every task. It should be confirmed in writing by the Head of the Institution.) - 10 Marks • Experience in the relevant field - 05 Marks

(After being satisfied with the answers to the questions raised by the Interview Board, the said Board will award marks to the officer for the above two sub-components.)

2.4 Educational Qualifications in respect of the Post – Maximum of 05 Marks

(a). Educational qualifications in the relevant field for Director and Registrar posts – Maximum of 05 marks

- Post graduate degree, equivalent or higher qualifications – 05 Marks
- Post graduate diploma – 03 Marks

(b). Educational qualifications in the relevant field for the posts of Chief Epidemiologist, Chief Agronomist, Principal Scientist, Chief Livestock Economist, Livestock Extension Specialist, Animal Breeding Specialist, Veterinary Public Health Specialist, and Dairy Engineering Specialist – Maximum of 05 marks.

- Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) – 05 Marks
- Postgraduate Degree (M.Phil./M.Sc. by Research) – 03 Marks
- Postgraduate Degree (MSc.) – 02 Marks
- Postgraduate Diploma – 01 Mark

2.5 Other Qualifications – Maximum 15 Marks

- For outstanding achievements obtained at international level - 05 marks each
- For outstanding achievements obtained at national level – 04 marks each
- For outstanding achievements obtained at provincial level – 03 marks each
- For Commendations (in General 230 b form) – 02 Marks
- For international research publications – 05 marks each
- For publications of national importance – 04 marks each
- For papers published in international scientific journals - 05 marks each
 - ✓ Full Paper in peer reviewed journals, Book Chapter- 05 Marks
 - ✓ Extended Abstract – 04 Marks
 - ✓ Abstract – 03 Marks
 - ✓ Newsletter/Leaflets – 02 Marks
- For papers published in national scientific journals – 04 Marks each
 - ✓ Full Paper in peer reviewed journals, Book Chapter - 04 Marks
 - ✓ Extended Abstract – 03 Marks
 - ✓ Abstract – 02 Marks
 - ✓ Newsletter/Leaflets – 01 Mark

(Out of each of the above instances, marks will be given for a maximum of 05 instances verified by documents certified as true copies by the Head of the Institution.)

2.6 Skills shown at the interview – Maximum of 05 Marks

- Leadership Skills – 02 Marks
- Communication Skills – 02 Marks
- Language Proficiency – 01 Mark

Total Marks : 100

Note :-

- I. Marks will be given only for the qualifications which were not considered as basic qualification in recruitment or promotion and/or Efficiency Bar Examinations.
- II. In case of higher educational qualifications, marks will be given only for the highest qualification.
- III. Marks will be given only for commendation certificates issued in the General 230 b format that are included in the personal file.

07. The officers, who have satisfied the required qualifications as at the closing date of calling applications and intend to apply for the said posts, should forward their applications prepared as per the specimen form annexed herewith along with a file containing the duly self-certified copies of relevant documents.

By order of the Public Service Commission,

Secretary

Ministry of Agriculture, Livestock, Land and Irrigation

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