

Southern Provincial Public Service Commission

Open Competitive Examination for recruitment to Vacancies in Grade III of Class 3 of the Southern Provincial Information and Communication Technology Service -2026.

1.0 It is hereby notified that the open competitive examination for recruitment to vacancies in Grade III of Class 3 of the Southern Provincial Information and Communication Technology Service will be conducted by the Southern Provincial Public Service Commission in the month of November 2026. The application for this examination has been published on the official website of the Southern Provincial Public Service Commission at www.psc.sp.gov.lk, and applications shall only be submitted online. The closing date for applications is 18th of September 2026.

Note 01 - Receipt of online applications will be opened at **9.00 a. m. on 21st of August 2026** and will be closed at **6.00 p. m. on 18th of September 2026**.

This examination will be conducted only at an examination center established in Galle Town.

2.0 The candidates who have met the qualifications based on merit according to the results of the written examination to be conducted by the Southern Provincial Public Service Commission, will be selected for recruitment to the mentioned vacancies.

3.0 (i) The total number of vacancies expected to be filled is 05.

(ii) The number of appointments to be made and the effective date of the appointments will be determined by the appointing authority. The appointing authority reserves right not to fill any number of vacancies or all the vacancies.

(iii) Selected candidates will be appointed to Grade III of Class 3 of the Southern Provincial Information and Communication Technology Service subjected to general conditions governing the appointments in the Public Service and the terms and conditions stipulated in the Service Minute of the Southern Provincial Information and Communication Technology Service, No. 254 (approved by the Hon. Governor of the Southern Province on 27.11.2015) and to any amendments made or to be made hereafter to the said Service Minute, and provisions of the Establishment Code and Financial Regulations/ Southern Provincial Financial Rules and the Procedural Rules of the Public Service Commission as published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2310/29 dated 14.12.2022.

(iv) If selected for an appointment, it is mandatory to serve for a minimum period of three (03) years at the place of first appointment. However, if the appointing authority deems it necessary to transfer an officer before the completion of this period due to any special reasons determined by the appointing authority, he reserves the right to do so.

- (v) This appointment shall be subject to a probation period of three years. The first efficiency bar examination shall be passed by the officer within a period of three (03) years after recruiting to Grade III of Class 3 of the Southern Provincial Information and Communication Technology Service, as per the Service Minute.
- (vi) If selected for appointment, you are required to acquire Official Language Proficiency in other language than the language in which you qualified for the appointment in accordance with the provisions of Public Administration Circular No. 18/2020 dated 16th October 2020, and any circulars incidental thereto.

4.0 The Salary Code MT 01-2025 in Public Administration Circular No. 10/2025 dated 25.03.2025 is applicable to this post and accordingly, the monthly salary scale related to this post is Rs. 50,090-10×540-11×630-10×1010-10×1190-Rs. 84,420/- .You are entitled to the said salary from 01.01.2027. You shall be paid the salary as per the provisions in Schedule III of this circular from the effective date of the appointment.

5.0 This post is permanent and pensionable .

6.0 Qualifications

6.1 Educational Qualifications :

- (i) Should have passed the General Certificate of Education (Ordinary Level) Examination in six (06) subjects with five (05) credit passes including Language, Mathematics and English Language, at not more than two sittings.

Note 02 -

- The final decision regarding the acceptance of a qualification obtained through an examination conducted by another local or foreign educational institution, which is equivalent to the General Certificate of Education (Ordinary Level) Examination, for the purpose of granting an appointment, shall be taken by the appointing authority after confirmation from the relevant educational institutions and the Commissioner-General of Examinations.

6.2 Professional Qualifications :

- (i) Shall have followed and completed a Diploma/ Higher Diploma or any higher course relevant to Computer Science/ Information Technology/ Information and Communication Technology from a University recognized by the University Grants Commission or an institution recognized by the University Grants Commission as a degree awarding institute.

or

- (ii) Shall have followed and completed a Diploma or higher course or a course of which the duration is not less than 1500 hours in the field of Computer / Information Technology/

Information and Communication Technology which is recognized by the University Grants Commission.

or

- (iii) Shall have followed and completed following qualifications from an institution recognized by and registered in the Tertiary and Vocational Education Commission or a statutory institution, which has been established by an Act passed by the Parliament,

(a) National Vocational Qualification (NVQ) five (05) or higher certificate in the field of Computer/ Information Technology/ Information and Communication Technology.

or

(b) A course of which the duration is not less than 1500 hours in the field of Computer/Information Technology/Information and Communication Technology

6.3 Experience : Not Applicable

6.4 Age :

The applicants should be not less than **18** years old and not older than **35** years as of the closing date for applications, which is **18.09.2026**. (Therefore, only those born on or before 18.09.2008 and on or after 18.09.1991 are eligible to apply for the position.)

6.5 Physical Fitness :

Every candidate must possess adequate physical and mental fitness to perform the duties associated with the position and to serve in any part of the Southern Province.

6.6 Other Qualifications :

- (i) Applicants shall be citizens of Sri Lanka, of excellent character and in good health.
(ii) The applicants shall have been a permanent resident continuously for a period of three **(03)** years within five (05) years immediately prior to the closing date of applications, in a district of Southern Province.

or

- (iii) In case where applicants have moved to the Southern Province upon marriage, the applicant's spouse must have resided in the Southern Province for at least three **(03)** calendar years from the date of marriage and before the date on which the qualifications for the examination were completed.

N.B -. It is compulsory that every applicant should have completed all qualifications applicable to this post in every aspect on or before 18th of September 2026.

7.0 Examination Procedure:

- (i) The examination will be conducted in Sinhala, Tamil, and English mediums. Candidates must select one medium that is relevant to them and must answer all question papers scheduled for the examination in that chosen medium. Once a medium is selected, it cannot be changed. The examination will consist of two question papers.

Subject	Duration	Total Marks	Pass Mark
Information & Communication Technology	02 Hours	100	40%
Aptitude Test	01 Hour	100	40%

(ii) Syllabus :

• Information and Communication Technology

The paper shall consist of structured and multiple-choice questions to measure the general knowledge of the candidate on Information and Communication Technology on the fields such as operating systems, software (including word processing, spreadsheets, power point presentations, and database management), hardware, the internet, and email. All questions must be answered.

• Aptitude Test

This paper consists of questions to test statistical ability and logical reasoning of the candidate. It consists of 50 questions in multiple choice and short answers and all the questions should be answered.

Note 03 -. These question papers shall be designed to test the eligibility and ability of the candidate for the duties of the service. Although this is a competitive examination, candidates should secure at least forty percent (40%) of the marks allocated for each subject and an aggregate of at least fifty percent (50%) of the total marks of the examination. Marks will be deducted for illegible handwriting and spelling errors of words in respect of every written answer script. Appointments shall strictly be made on the order of the marks scored, so as to fill the number of vacancies allocated for the competitive examination.

8.0 Results of the Examination : The examination results will be available for each applicant to download personally from the official website of the Southern Provincial Public Service Commission at, www.psc.sp.gov.lk Additionally, a list of candidates who have passed the examination will be prepared in order of district merit and issued to the Appointing Authority.

9.0 Examination Fee : The examination fee is Rs. 1000/-. The fee must be paid online. All payments shall be made only through VISA or MASRER cards and payments made through any other methods will not be accepted under any circumstances. The full examination fee must be paid, and applications with underpaid fees will be rejected. The Southern Provincial Public Service Commission will not be responsible for any error that occur during the payment process using the above-mentioned methods.

Please consider that examination fees paid will not be refunded under any circumstances or such fees cannot be transferred to any other examination.

Note 04 - Applicants are responsible for any adverse consequences resulting from delays in submitting applications until the final deadline.

10.0 Procedure to Apply :

All candidates are required to visit the official website of the Southern Provincial Public Service Commission at [www.psc.sp.gov.lk]. Applicants must select the correct examination, enter the relevant information, pay the examination fee, and submit the application to the Southern Provincial Public Service Commission. The application period for this exam will close on **18th of September 2025 at 6.00 p. m.**

(It is recommended to use a desktop or laptop computer with internet access for this process.)

10.1 The applicant must complete his/her application for this examination via online, and no applicant shall complete an application on behalf of another applicant without that applicant's knowledge.

10.2 No changes will be permitted to any information entered by applicants after submission. Therefore, it is crucial to verify the information carefully before submitting it to the Southern Provincial Public Service Commission.

10.3 All applications submitted through any means other than the specified online process will be rejected without notice. Candidates will bear any consequences resulting from mistakes, such as selecting the wrong examination while applying online.

10.4 Under no circumstances should hard copies of the application be sent to this Commission. However, it is mandatory for the applicant to keep a hard copy of the completed and downloaded application and it shall be presented at the interview.

10.5 Attestation of Applicant's Signature :

The applicant's signature shall be attested on the hard copy of the downloaded application submitted for the interview. An applicant who is already in government service shall get his/her signature attested by the head of the institution or an officer authorized by him and the other applicants can get their signatures attested by a Head of a Government School/Retired Officer, a Grama Niladhari of the Division, a Justice of Peace, a Commissioner of Oaths, Attorney-at-law, a Notary Public, Commissioned officer of the Armed Forces , a permanent staff grade officer in the Public Service or Provincial Public Service or a Viharadhipathi or Chief Incumbent of a Buddhist temple or a person in charge of a non-religious place of worship or a person holding a significant position in the clergy.

11.0 Admission Cards :

As applications are invited online, it is assumed that only those who meet the qualifications stated in the notification have applied and submitted completed applications by the due date. The Southern Provincial Public Service Commission will issue admission cards online through the official website (<http://www.psc.sp.gov.lk>) to all applicants who have paid the prescribed examination fees and submitted their applications online. Once the admission cards are issued, an announcement will be made via a notification on the official website of the Southern Provincial Public Service Commission. Applicants can download their examination admission cards by visiting the admission card issuance section on the website and entering their National Identity Card Number.

If a candidate needs to revise his/her admission card, he/she must indicate the necessary changes in the relevant section and affix his/her signature. Please note that requests for revisions made during the interview will not be considered.

Issuance of admission card to the candidates does not necessarily mean that he/she has fulfilled the qualifications to sit for the examination. The downloaded examination admission card must be printed on both sides of A4 size paper, the signature should be attested and submitted to the supervisor of the examination center. An applicant who is already in government service should get his/her signature attested by the head of the institution or an officer authorized by him and the other applicants can get their signatures attested by a Head of a Government School/Retired Officer, a Grama Niladhari of the Division, a Justice of Peace, a Commissioner of Oaths, Attorney-at-law, a Notary Public, Commissioned officer of the Armed Forces , a permanent staff grade officer in the Public Service or Provincial Public Service or a Viharadhipathi or Chief Incumbent of a Buddhist temple or a person in charge of a non-religious place of worship or a person holding a significant position in the clergy.

12.0 Admission to the examination

(i) Every applicant must get his/her signature on the admission card attested in advance and produce his/her admission card to the supervisor of the examination center on the first day he/she presents himself/herself for the examination. Any candidate who fails to produce his/her admission card shall not be allowed to sit for the examination.

(ii) The candidate must sit for the examination at the examination hall assigned to him.

13.0 Identity of Candidates:

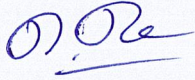
No applicant without an admission card shall be allowed to sit for the examination. Furthermore, candidates must prove their identity to the satisfaction of the supervisor of the examination for each question paper they sit in the examination hall. For this purpose, any of the following documents shall be presented to the supervisor of the examination.

- (i.) National Identity Card
- (ii) Valid Passport
- (iii) Valid Driving License

Candidates must enter the examination hall with their faces uncovered to allow their identity to be verified and with their ears uncovered to ensure that they are not wearing any electronic communication devices. Any candidate who refuses to comply with this requirement shall not be permitted to enter the examination hall. Furthermore, candidate must remain in the examination hall from the time of entry until departure, with their faces and ears uncovered.

- 14.0 **Method of Selection:** Applicants who pass the written examination held for selection to this post will be called for an interview in the order of merit based on the marks obtained by them. When making appointments, in the event of several applicants having obtained equal marks at the final priority level corresponding to the number of vacancies to be filled, a tie-breaker test will be conducted, and the applicants with the highest educational qualifications will be selected according to their educational qualifications.
- 15.0 **Furnishing false information:-** If it is found that any candidate is not eligible to sit for this examination, the Southern Provincial Public Service Commission reserves right to cancel his or her candidature at any stage, before, during or after the examination . Furthermore, if it appears that any particulars furnished by a candidate found to be false within his/her knowledge , legal action will be taken against him or her.
- i. While filling the application accurate information should be provided with consideration. According to the regulations applicable to this examination, if any candidate is found to be ineligible to appear for it, the Commission has the right to cancel his/her candidature at any stage before, during, or after the examination.
 - ii. If any of the particulars furnished by a candidate is later found to be incorrect, or if it is revealed that he/she has willfully suppressed any fact, he/she will no longer be considered for any appointment and may be subject to cancellation of any appointment given based on this examination or even dismissal from public service.
- 16.0 The candidates are bound by the rules and regulations imposed by the Southern Provincial Public Service Commission in conducting the examination and issuing the results. He/she is liable to be subjected to any punishment imposed by the Southern Provincial Public Service Commission for breach of these rules.
- 17.0 The decision of the Southern Provincial Public Service Commission shall be final regarding the conduct of the examination, the cancellation of the examination, the suspension of the examination results, and any other matter not specified in the rules and regulations of this examination notification, consequential thereto. All applicants are bound to act in accordance with the general examination rules and regulations mentioned in this notification.
- 18.0 In the event of any inconsistency between the Sinhala, Tamil and English text of this notification, the Sinhala text shall prevail as the accurate text.

By order of the Southern Provincial Public Service Commission,



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On this 21st day of August 2026,

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