
MINISTRY OF FISHERIES

Department of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources

OPEN COMPETITIVE EXAMINATION FOR RECRUITMENT TO THE POST OF ASSISTANT DIRECTOR (FISHERIES AND AQUATIC RESOURCES) GRADE III (IN THE DEPARTMENTAL EXECUTIVE CATEGORY) OF THE DEPARTMENT OF FISHERIES AND AQUATIC RESOURCES - 2024

APPLICATIONS are invited from eligible applicants for recruitment to the posts of Assistant Director (Fisheries and Aquatic Resources) Grade III in the Departmental Executive Category of the Department of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources. The examination will be held in **November 2024** in Colombo by the Commissioner General of Examinations.

The application has been published via “Online Applications - Recruitment Exams” under “Our Services” in the website of the Department of Examinations, Sri Lanka www.doenets.lk and applications can only be submitted online. Acceptance of online applications opens at **9:00 a.m. on 12 July 2024 and closes at 9:00 a.m. on 23 August 2024.**

Applications are hereby invited from eligible applicants who fulfill the required qualifications specified in this notification to fill 03 vacancies in the post of Assistant Director (Fisheries and Aquatic Resources) in the Department of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources (Departmental Executive Category). According to the general nature of this position, it is a category of service in which the tasks are assigned specifying the post from amongst the tasks included in the overall function assigned to the highest executive officer of the institution in relation to the tasks of policy making, ordering / commanding, management and related decision-making.

01. Terms of Service:

- I. This position is permanent. The pension scheme should be subject to a policy decision taken by the government in the future.
- II. Selected applicants will be appointed subject to a three-year probation period from the date of appointment.
- III. Proficiency in the prescribed other official language/languages should be obtained as per the provisions mentioned in the Public Administration Circular No. 18/2020 dated 16.10.2020.
- IV. This appointment is subject to the terms and conditions contained in the Procedural Rules of the Public Service Commission, the Establishments Code of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka, the Government Financial Regulations and the Scheme of Recruitment for the Executive Category of the Department of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources and the amendments made thereto.

02. Salary Group and Scale:

Salary Code Number: SL 1 – 2016

Salary Scale: Rs. 47,615 - 10×1,335-08×1,630-17×2,170-110,895

03. Educational Qualifications and Experience:

Should have a degree from a university recognized by the University Grants Commission with at least one principal subject from Zoology, Biology, Fish Biology, Marine Biology, Fisheries Biology, Microbiology, Food Science.

04. Professional Qualifications: Considered a special qualification.

05. Experience: Considered a special qualification :

06. Physical Requirements:

Every applicant should be physically and mentally fit to serve in any part of Sri Lanka and perform the duties in the post.

07. Others:

- (i) Every applicant should be a citizen of Sri Lanka.
- (ii) Should be of excellent character.
- (iii) The qualifications required for recruitment to the post should have been complied with in all respects before the closing date mentioned in the notice inviting applications.
- (iv) In case of an applicant already in the public service, he/she should not have been subject to disciplinary punishment in accordance with the provisions of the Public Service Commission Circular No. 01/2020
- (v) If applicants with special needs apply for the examination, the same must be mentioned in the application form and copies of the relevant medical certificates should be submitted with the application.

08. Age Limit:

Age should not be less than 21 years and not more than 35 years as on the closing date of applications.(Accordingly, the eligibility regarding the age is satisfied only if the date of birth falls on or before 23.08.2003 and on or after 23.08.1989.)

09. Method of Recruitment:

Having called 125% of the applicants in the ratio to the number of vacancies, who score the highest marks on the basis of the results of the written examination for the general interview, expected number of applicants will be recruited according to the merit order of the marks in the written examination.

- II. The number of appointments and the effective date of appointment will be decided by the Public Service Commission.
- III. The recruitment examination will be conducted in Sinhala, Tamil and English languages.
- IV. An applicant shall answer all the papers in the medium of language in which he or she applied for the examination for recruitment and no any applicant will be allowed to change the medium of language mentioned in the application later.

10. Written Examination:

<i>Question Paper</i>	<i>Duration</i>	<i>Maximum marks</i>	<i>Pass marks</i>
1. 1. Intelligence	01hr	100	40%
2. General Knowledge	01hr	100	40%

<i>Name of the Question Paper</i>	<i>Syllabus</i>
1. Intelligence	This paper is framed with the aim of gauging the applicant's logical reasoning and analytical power and ability to make correct inferences, and the general intelligence. This is a multiple-choice paper that includes questions in Maths, General Knowledge, Environment and related questions.
2. General Knowledge	Applicants are expected to answer several questions that will be prepared to gauge the basic understanding of the field of finance, economy, commerce, politics, international relations, science and technology, education, health, sports, environment, social and culture in Sri Lanka as well as in the world.

11. General Interview:

The basic qualifications will be checked by an interview board appointed by the Public Service Commission.

12. Examination Fee:

Examination fee is Rs.1200/-. When the examination fees are paid, the payment shall be made only under the following payment methods provided through the online system.

- i. Through any Bank Credit Card
- ii. Any Bank Debit Card with the Facility of Internet Transactions
- iii. Online Banking Method of Bank of Ceylon
- iv. Any Branch of the Bank of Ceylon

Note: -

- (a) Instructions on how to make payments through the above methods are published on the website under the technical instructions related to the examination.
- (b) Receipt of payment will be notified by SMS or e-mail. The full amount of examination fee shall be paid and applications with under or over payment of examination fee will be rejected. The Department of Examinations - Sri Lanka will not be held responsible for any errors occurring in the payment of examination fees through the above-mentioned payment methods.
- (c) The amount paid for the examination will not be refunded or transferred for any other examination by no means.

12. Method of Application:

Online application forms for examination should be completed only in English language. It will be informed the mobile phone number used to access the system by SMS or the e-mail address that the application submitted via online by the applicant was accepted/not accepted by the Department. Before completing the online application, it

is required to download the instructions prepared for applying for the examination. The instructions given therein shall strictly be followed when filling the application form. Incomplete applications will be rejected without any notice.

The applicants who are already employed in the Public Service / State Corporations / Statutory Boards should apply for this examination after obtaining the approval of the Head of the Institution and a letter certified by the Head of the Institution stating that he/she can be released from the current service/post should be submitted to the interview board at the time of calling for the interview after passing the written examination.

13. Eligibility for admission to the examination:

- (a) Admission cards will be issued by the Commissioner General of Examinations to those applicants within the age limit specified in the notification who have submitted their duly completed applications with the receipt having paid the prescribed examination fee before the closing date of application along with the medium of language sitting for the examination and the certification of the Head of the Department only if the signature of the applicant is to be attested, on the presumption that only those qualified as mentioned in the *Gazette* Notification have applied. As soon as the admission cards are issued to the applicants, an announcement stating the same will be published on the website of the Department of Examinations, Sri Lanka. If the admission cards are not received even after 2 or 3 days upon the publication of the announcement, it should be reported to the Department of Examinations Sri Lanka, as stated therein.

In such circumstances, applicant's full name, address, N.I.C number and the name of the examination should be mentioned and it is important to retain a photocopy of the application, a photocopy of the receipt related to the payment of the examination fee and the receipt issued when mailing the application in registered post. If the applicant is outside of Colombo, it would be useful to send a request letter containing the applicant's fax number and the above information to the fax number mentioned in the advertisement to obtain a copy of the admission card *via* fax. Applicant appearing for the examination shall submit his/her duly attested admission card to the supervisor examination hall. An applicant who fails to produce his/her admission card will not be allowed to sit for the examination.

- (b) Applicant shall sit for the examination in the examination hall assigned to him, and every applicant shall produce their attested admission card to the Supervisor of the Examination Centre on the day of his first appearance in that hall. General rules and regulations to be adopted by every applicant in respect of the examination are published in this advertisement.
- (c) Issuing of an admission card to applicant shall not be deemed as he or she has fulfilled the qualifications to sit the examination.
- (d) In case of violation of the rules prescribed by the Commissioner General of Examinations regarding the conducting of the examination, they will be subjected to a penalty imposed by the Commissioner General of Examinations.

14. Identity of the Applicant:

Applicants should prove their identity to the satisfaction of the Supervisor for each subject they sit in the examination hall. Any of the following documents will be accepted for that purpose.

- I. National Identity Card;
- II. Valid Passport;
- III. Valid Sri Lankan Driving Licence;

Also, applicants must enter the examination hall without covering their face and ears so that their identity can be verified. Applicants who refuse to prove their identity will not be admitted to the examination hall. Furthermore, from the moment of entering the examination hall until leaving it at the end of the examination, he or she shall stay his/her face and ears uncovered enabling the examination authorities to identify the applicant.

15. N.B:

- (a) Applications of the applicants who fail to produce documents when requested will not be considered.
- (b) All the applicants who are currently holding a post in the public service should send their applications through their heads of Departments/Institutions and it is mandatory for all applicants to get their signatures attested by the Head of the Institution where they are employed.

16. Release of Results:

The Results sheet of the qualified applicants containing the names of the applicants whose number is equal to the prescribed number of vacancies as notified by the Public Service Commission and prepared on the order of merit of the applicants after appearing in the written test and structured interview will be given to the Secretary of the Public Service Commission.

The Commissioner General of Examinations will arrange for the results to be communicated personally to all the applicants who appeared for the examination or publish on the website www.results.exams.gov.lk

17. Furnishing False Information:

If Applicant is found not to have required qualifications, his/her candidature may be cancelled before the examination or during the examination or after the examination or at any time. If any of the particulars furnished by a applicant is found to be false within his /her knowledge or if he/she has willfully suppressed any material fact he/she will be liable to dismissal from the public service. Any matter not considered in these regulations will be dealt with as determined by the Public Service Commission.

18. The Public Service Commission reserves the right to fill or not to fill the vacancies.

19. In the event of any inconsistency between the Sinhala, Tamil and English texts of this *Gazette* Notification, the Sinhala text shall prevail.

Secretary,
Ministry of Fisheries.

Maligawatta,
Colombo 10.
22nd July, 2024.

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