

MINISTRY OF PRIMARY INDUSTRIES

Department of Export Agriculture

OPEN COMPETITIVE EXAMINATION FOR
RECRUITMENT TO THE POST OF TECHNICAL
OFFICER (CIVIL) OF CLASS III
OF SRI LANKA TECHNOLOGICAL SERVICE FOR
DEPARTMENT OF EXPORT AGRICULTURE – 2017

APPLICATIONS are hereby invited from the citizens of Sri Lanka to fill the vacancies in the Post of Technical Officer

(Civil) of Class III of Sri Lanka Technological Service in the Department of Export Agriculture.

02. The applicants should not be less than 18 years and more than 30 years of age. The requirements related to the age are deemed to have met only if the applicants dates of birth fall on or before 08.01.2000 and on or after 08.01.1988.

03. This post is entitled to the monthly salary scale of Rs. 31,040- 10 x 445 – 11 x 660- 10 x 730 -10 x 750 – Rs. 57,550/- as per Public MN – 3- 2016 as at 01.01.2020. Actions will be taken to pay salaries as per Administration Circular No. is 03/2016.

04. This is a permanent and pensionable post. You will be subject to policy decisions made by the Government on this pension Scheme in the future. Further , you must make contribution to the Widow/ Widower and Orphans' pension Scheme. Contribution to this fund must be made by you as may be ordered by the Government from time to time.

05. It is essential that the applicants have fulfilled all the basic Educational Qualifications and professional qualifications mentioned below, by the closing date for receiving applications.

Educational Qualifications.– Should have passed the G.C.E. (O/L) Examination in 06 Subjects with Credits for Sinhala/ Tamil/ English Languages, Science, Mathematics and any other subject at one sitting.

and

Should have passed the G.C.E. (A/L) Examination in one sitting in three (03) Subjects including any Two (02) Subjects from Combined Maths, Chemistry, Physics, Civil Technology, Engineering Technology and Science for Technology.

Professional Qualifications :

- (i) National Diploma in Technology awarded by The University of Moratuwa of Hardy Advanced Technological Institute, Ampara.
- (ii) The National Diploma in Engineering awarded by the National Apprentice and Industrial Training Authority.
- (iii) The Higher National Diploma in Engineering awarded by the Ministry of Education and Higher Education.
- (iv) Diploma in Technology awarded by the Open University of Sri Lanka

- (v) Successful completion of Part I of the Engineering Examination conducted by Sri Lanka Institute of Engineering.
- (vi) Completion of National Vocational Qualification (NVQ) level 6 relevant to the field of profession concerned.
- (vii) Any other Technical qualification recognized by the Tertiary and Vocational Education Commission as equivalent in all respects to the above mentioned Technical qualifications, following the opinions obtained by consulting the Ministry of Higher Education and the institutes issuing above mentioned Technical certificates.

06. *Mode of Applying :*

- (a) Application forms should be duly prepared using both sides of an A4 (21 cm x 29 cm) sized sheet including Section 01 to 07 on the first page while the rest of the pages should carry the other pages respectively in accordance to the Specimen Application Form appended to this *Gazette* notification. Applications should be filled by the candidate himself / herself in clear hand writing, Application must be filled in medium language applicant is appearing for the examination.
- (b) Both Sinhala and Tamil medium applicants should have the name of the examination written in the title in English.
- (c) Duly filled application forms should be forwarded under registered post to the Director General, Department of Export Agriculture, P.O. Box 1095, Sirimavo Bandaranayaka Mawatha, Peradeniya on or before 08.01.2018 The caption "Open Competitive Examination for Recruitment to the Post of Technical Officer (Civil) of Class III of Sri Lanka Technological Service in the Department of Export Agriculture 2017" should be clearly written on the top left – hand corner of the envelope containing the application form.
- (d) The original receipt with the machine frank, obtained in respect of the examination fee of Rs. 500/- which could be payable at any branch of a bank to be credit to Account No. 7042612 of the Bank of Ceylon, Peradeniya Branch, must be affixed in the relevant space provided in the application.

- (e) Applications that are not in conformity with the Specimen Application Form included in this notification, or not complete in every respect, applications received after the closing date will be rejected without prior notice and the Department will not be liable for the loss of applications in the post or for any postal delays. It may be useful to retain a photocopy of the application with you.
- (f) The signature of the applicant must have been attested both on the application and the admission card for the examination. A person applying for the examination through a certain institute , must get his/her signature attested by the respective head of the department or by an officer authorized by the head of the department , and the other applicants must get their signatures attested by a principal of a Government School, The Grama Niladhari of the relevant Division, a Justice of the Peace, a Commissioner of Oath, a Lawyer, a Public Notary, a commissioned officer of the Tri – forces or an officer in the Provincial Public Service or in a permanent Staff Grade post.
- (g) The candidates who are already in Public Service should forward their application forms through the Head of the Department.

07. *Examination Procedure :*

- (a) This Examination will be conducted by the Department of Technical Education and Training.
- (b) Admission will be issued by the Director General of Technical Education and Training to the candidates who are within the age limits mentioned in the notification and have forwarded their application forms before the closing date for receiving application. The candidate should produce the admission containing to attested signature the Supervisor of the Examination Hall prescribed to him / her. Any candidate who fails to produce the admission card will not be allowed to sit for the Examination.
- (c) Travel or any other expenses incurred by the candidate in order to appear for the Examination will not be reimbursed.
- (d) *Identity.* – The candidate should prove his / her identity in a manner satisfactory to the Supervisor

in respect of all the subjects he / she sits for. For this purpose.

(i) The National Identity Card issued by the Department of Registration of Persons or;

(ii) A Valid Passport will be accepted.

The candidates who fail to produce documents to prove their identity will not be allowed to sit for the Examination.

(e) **Syllabus :**

Subject No.	Subject	Time (hours)	Total Marks	Pass Mark
01	Intelligence Test	1	100	40%
02	Common Test (Technical and Subject related Test)	3	100	40%

(i) **Intelligence Test :**

The exam consists of question to determine the candidate's ability of logical reasoning, analytical thinking, and decision making.

(ii) **Common Test (Technical) Subject related Test)**

- Knowledge on surveying and leveling
- Knowledge on the application and standard of building materials
- Methods and locations of the application of foundations, wall constructions, timber roofing, iron truss, pillar concrete beams and concrete pillars, foundation floors, stairs
- Construction of buildings and preparation of estimates.
- Estimating of the amount of building materials and worker labour required for relevant estimates and constructions
- Structure of Bending / Shear Force Diagram
- Knowledge on electricity, water and sewerage

(f) The examination will be held in Sinhala, English and Tamil media and the candidates who sit for the exam should appear for all the subjects of the examination in one Medium Language only.

08. Conditions of Employment :

(i) Even though Vacancies for this post exist only in the head office at Gatambe, the candidates selected are bound to serve in a manner covering all the Sub – offices on the Island.

(ii) The recruited officers will be subject to a probationary service period of 03 years.

09. Mode of Recruitment.– A number of candidates equivalent to four times the number of vacancies expected to be filled, will be called for the interview on the merit order of the total marks obtained by the candidates who obtained 40% or more marks for every question paper prescribed for the written Examination.

10. Issuing of Admission to appear for the Examination will not be considered as an acceptance that the candidate is qualified for the post. The candidature will be cancelled if it will be revealed that the candidate lacks necessary qualifications on the occasion the candidates are called for an interview and their qualifications are checked according to the *Gazette* notification.

11. In the event of any matter not mentioned herein will be decided by the appointing authority. Every candidate is obliged to follow the Examination rules and regulations mentioned in the *Gazette* notification.

12. The candidate who have paid the relevant Examination fee and forwarded the applications on or before the closing date will be allowed to sit for the Competitive Examination on the presumption that only those who have the qualifications mentioned in the *Gazette* notification have applied.

13. If any inconsistency exists among the texts of this notifications published in Sinhala, Tamil and English, the Sinhala Medium notification shall prevail.

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