

## **Translation**

### **PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

#### **Promotion to Special Grade of Sri Lanka Agricultural Service**

Applications are called from the Grade I officers of Sri Lanka Agricultural Service who have been qualified to be promoted to Special grade of Sri Lanka Agricultural Service as per the section 10.3 of the Minutes on the Sri Lanka Agricultural Service publish in the Gazette Extra Ordinary No.1880/26 dated 19.09.2014 as amended by the Gazettes Extraordinary No. 2277/58 dated 29.04.2022, 2264/11 dated 26.01.2022, No. 2234/12 dated 29.06.2021, No. 2165/14 dated 03.03.2020, No. 2162/10 dated 10.02.2020, No. 2146/22 dated 22.10.2019, No.2032/33 dated 17.08.2017 and No.1971/17 dated 15.06.2016 of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka. The number of vacancies is 06.

02. In accordance with Section 10.3.1 of the Minute of the Sri Lanka Agricultural Service, applications will be invited from officers who have completed the qualifications mentioned in 2.1 below and are in active service on the closing date for calling applications.

#### **2.1 Qualifications to be fulfilled for promotion to Special Grade**

- i. Post-graduation in relevant field (Post Graduation that had been applied for being upgraded from Second Efficiency Bar Examination of Sri Lanka Agricultural Service cannot be applied for this promotion.)
- ii. Having completed five (05) years of active and satisfactory period of service in Grade I of the Sri Lanka Agricultural Service and earned five (05) salary increments after promotion to the Grade I.
- iii. Having completed not less than eighteen years (18) of active and satisfactory period of service in the Sri Lanka Agricultural Service as at the date of eligibility for promotion.
- iv. Having shown a satisfactory level of or a higher level of performance during a period of five (05) years prior to the date of eligibility for promotion.
- v. Should not have received a disciplinary punishment as per the provisions set out in Public Service Commission Circular No. 01/2020 as the date of examination of eligibility for promotion.
- vi. Having passed the relevant Efficiency Bar Examination as at the due date.
- vii. An applicant must have been appointed to a post in the Sri Lanka Agricultural Service under the stream for which he or she intends to apply. The post which the vacancy exists and the streams to which the post belongs are mentioned below.

| <b>The post concerned for promotion</b>                                                                                       | <b>Relevant Streams</b>                                                   | <b>Date of the Vacancy occurred</b> |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Director General (SLAgS), Ministry of Fisheries, Aquatic and Ocean Resources                                                  | Agricultural Development/Agricultural Research/<br>Agricultural Economics | 16.01.2025                          |
| Additional Director General of Agriculture (Research ), Department of Agriculture, Peradeniya                                 | Agricultural Research/<br>Agricultural Economics                          | 18.02.2025                          |
| Director General (Agriculture Technology), Agriculture Division , Ministry of Agriculture, Livestock, Land and Irrigation     | Agricultural Development/Agricultural Research/<br>Agricultural Economics | 04.03.2025                          |
| Director General (SLAgS), Plantation Division , Ministry of Plantation and Community Infrastructure                           | Agricultural Development/Agricultural Research/<br>Agricultural Economics | 17.05.2025                          |
| Director General (SLAgS), Irrigation Division, Ministry of Agriculture, Livestock, Land and Irrigation                        | Agricultural Development/Agricultural Research/<br>Agricultural Economics | 19.05.2025                          |
| Additional Secretary (Agriculture Development), Agriculture Division, Ministry of Agriculture, Livestock, Land and Irrigation | Agricultural Development/Agricultural Research/<br>Agricultural Economics | 20.07.2025                          |

### 03. Method of promotion

3.1 An interview panel appointed by the Public Service Commission, after scrutinizing the qualifications and seniority, makes recommendations for promotion to the special grade, and for that, not more than thrice of the number of available vacancies and a number of Grade I applicants belonging to the streams prescribed for the vacancy will be interviewed according to the order of seniority.

3.2. Officers who have completed the qualifications will be promoted to the Special Grade of the Sri Lanka Agricultural Service with effect from the date of the interview. In cases where the interview takes more than one day, the first day of the commencement of the interview will be the date on which all promotions will be effective. The Seniority List of the Special Grade will be prepared based on the dates of such promotions.

### 04. Appointment to Special Grade Posts

Officers promoted to the Special Grade of the Sri Lanka Agricultural Service shall be appointed to Special Grade Posts by the Public Service Commission with effect from the dates of their assumption of duties in the relevant posts, on the recommendation of the Interview Board, taking into account the preference expressed for the vacant posts advertised and the stream to which the relevant posts belong.

05. You should send a duly completed application in the attached format to me by the Director General of Agriculture on or before 21.08.2025. Applications sent after that date will not be accepted for any reason and applications sent in error and incomplete will be rejected.

By order of the Public Service Commission,

A.U.K. Dodanwala,  
Additional Secretary,  
(Admin & Human Resources Development)  
15.08.2025

Sgd./ D.P. Wickramasinghe  
Secretary,  
Ministry of Agriculture, Livestock, Land and Irrigation