

# PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

## Open Competitive Examination for recruitment to Grade III of Sri Lanka Architects' Service - 2019(2020)

APPLICATIONS are hereby called for recruitment of qualified candidates to fill 16 vacancies in Grade III of Sri Lanka Architects' Service on the order of the Public Services Commission. Applications prepared in accordance with the specimen form of application indicated at the end of this notification should be sent by registered post on or before the date mentioned below to reach Commissioner General of Examinations, Organization (Institutional and Foreign Examinations) Branch, Department of Examination Sri Lanka, P.O. Box 1503, Colombo. "Open Competitive Examination for recruitment to Grade III of Sri Lanka Architects' Service" should be clearly indicated on the top left corner of the envelope. Further, the name of the examination should be indicated in English language as well, in applications prepared in both Sinhala and Tamil mediums.

(a) Closing date of applications is **19.10.2020**.

**Note :** No complaint that an application or a related document has been lost or delayed in post shall be considered. The candidate shall bear

the losses which may occur due to their delay in sending applications until the closing date.

1. *Method of recruitment.*— Number of candidates equivalent to the number expected to be recruited shall be called for the general interview on the order of the merit of the total marks obtained at the examination out of the candidates who have passed all the subjects at the written examination.

The number of appointments to be made and the effective date of the appointment shall be determined on the order of the Public Service Commission.

### 2. Conditions for employment in the service :-

- I. This post is permanent and pensionable. You are bound to the policy decisions taken by the government with regard to the pension scheme you are entitled to, in future. Further, you shall contribute to Widows' and Orphans'/ Widowers' and Orphans' Pension Scheme. You shall make the contributions as determined by the government from time to time.
- II. The officers who are appointed to the post shall be subjected to a probation period of three years (03) and the First Efficiency Bar Examination should be passed within the period of said three years.
- III. Officers, who join the service in a non-official language, should obtain the proficiency in one of the official languages within the probation period and the relevant proficiency level in other official language should be acquired within 05 years as per the Public Administration Circular No. 01/2014.
- IV. The appointment shall be subjected to the Procedural Rules of the Public Service Commission, Establishments Code of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka, Financial Regulations of the government and the conditions stipulated in the Minute of Sri Lanka Architects' Service and the revisions made to the same subsequently.

3. *Salary Scale.*— As per the Public Administration Circular No. 03/2016, this post is entitled to the Salary Scale SL-1- 2016 Rs. 47,615 -10 x1,335 - 8 x 1,630-17x 2170-Rs. 110,895/- (Monthly).

#### 4. Educational Qualifications :-

Shall have obtained a BSc. degree in Architecture of five years from a University recognized by the University Grants Commission

or

Shall have obtained a BSc. degree in Built Environment of three years from a University recognized by the University Grants Commission and a Post Graduate Diploma in the relevant field.

or

Shall have obtained a BSc. degree in Built Environment of three years from a University recognized by the University Grants Commission and 05 years experience in the relevant field.

5. *Professional qualifications.*— Shall have acquired the full professional qualification (Chartered Architect's Status).

This qualification shall apply only to the candidates, who are recruited under the note of No.06.

6. *Age Limit.*— Shall not be less than 21 years and not more than 36 years of age as at the closing date of applications.

**Note:** The maximum age limit shall not apply to the officers holding a post in the public service, which is permanent and pensionable, who have satisfied qualifications mentioned under No.05.

7. *Physical Fitness.*— Every applicant shall be physically and mentally fit

I. to serve in any part of the Island

II. to perform the duties of the post.

#### 8. Other Qualifications :-

I. Applicants shall be citizens of Sri Lanka.

II. Applicants shall be of excellent moral character.

III. Shall have satisfied all the qualifications required for the recruitment in each and every way as at the closing date of applications.

IV. Shall have not appeared for the Open Competitive Examination of Sri Lanka Architects' Service more than two times.

#### 9.2 Interview :

##### 9.2.1 General Interview:-

Qualifications mentioned in the Minute of Sri Lanka Architects' Service and the notice published in line with the same, shall be verified and the physical fitness shall be examined at the General Interview. (No marks shall be allocated).

Qualifications shall be examined by an interview board appointed by the Public Service Commission.

#### 10. Conditions of the examination :-

I. Examination will be held in Sinhala, Tamil and English media. Candidates can sit for the examination in a language medium of their preference. Candidates must answer all the question papers in one language. Candidates are not allowed to change the medium mentioned in the application. Every candidate must sit for all the question papers.

II. The examination fee is Rs. 1200/-. It should be paid before the closing date of applications at any Post Office/ sub Post Office to be credited to Revenue Head 20-03-02-13 of Commissioner General of Examinations. One edge of the receipt obtained thus in the name of the candidate should be pasted in the relevant cage of the application form. It is advisable to keep a photocopy of the receipt. Money Orders or Stamps are not accepted for examination fees.

III. The fee shall not be refunded under any circumstances.

IV. Applications which are not duly perfected will be rejected without notice.

**Note:** Candidates shall not be permitted to enter the examination hall without the admission card. Only the admission cards on which the signature has been attested shall be submitted to the supervisor of the examination on the first day of the examination.

Admission cards shall be issued by the Commissioner General of Examinations to the applicants those who have paid the prescribed examination fee on or before the closing date of applications and correctly perfected the application along with the receipt. The issuance of an admission card to a candidate does not mean that he or she has fulfilled the requisite qualifications to sit the examination.

V. Application should be prepared on papers of size 22-29 cm (A-4) and the sections 1.0 to 2.9 should appear on the first page, sections from 2.10 to 6.0 should appear on the second page and the rest should appear on the other page. The relevant particulars shall be furnished clearly by the candidates in his/her hand writing. Applications that do not comply with the specimen and that are not completed in every aspect shall be rejected without notice. It is advisable to keep a photocopy of the application with the candidate.

VI. The Commissioner General of Examinations shall issue admission cards to all the candidates, who are within the age limit indicated in the notification and who have sent the correctly perfected applications along with the receipt relevant to payment of the examination fees paid on or before the closing date of applications, on the assumption that only the individuals, who have satisfied the qualifications mentioned in the *Gazette* notification, have applied for the examination. A notice shall be published in the newspapers by the Department of Examinations as soon as admission cards are issued to applicants. If the admission card is not received even after 2 or 3 days of such an advertisement, steps shall be taken to inquire from the Organisations (Institutional and Foreign Examinations) branch of the Department of Examinations in the manner specified in the notification. When informing, the name of the examination applied for, full name, address and the NIC number of the candidate shall be indicated.

It would be advisable for candidates outside Colombo to fax a letter of request along with a fax number of the candidate to the Department of Examinations through the fax number mentioned in the notification, for sending a copy of the admission. Further, it would be advisable to keep a copy of the application, copy of the receipt relevant to payment of examination fee and the receipt of registration of the application to prove any information requested by the Department of Examinations.

VII. This examination will be held in Colombo and the date of examination will be informed in due course. Commissioner General of Examinations shall reserve the power to postpone or cancel the examination on the approval of the Public Service Commission.

VIII. Candidates are subjected to rules and regulations imposed by the Commissioner General of Examinations on conducting the examination. They are liable to be subjected to a punishment imposed by the Commissioner General of Examinations for breach of these rules.

IX. *Identity of Candidates.*— A candidate shall be required to prove his identity at the examination hall to the satisfaction of the supervisor for each subject he offers. For this purpose, any of the following documents shall be accepted.

- i. National identity card.
- ii. A valid passport.
- iii. Driving license valid in Sri Lanka

Candidates should enter the examination hall without covering their face and ears in order to prove their identity. Further, any candidate who refuses to assist for proving his/her identity will not be allowed to enter the examination hall. The candidates should remain in the examination hall from the time of entering up to leaving the examination hall without covering face and ears enabling the invigilators to identify the candidate.

**N.B.** (a) No document or a copy of the same should be attached to the application.

(b) The applications of the candidates who are unable to submit relevant documents at the interview shall not be considered.

X. Officers who are serving in the Public Service/ Provincial. Public Service, should send in their applications through respective Heads of Institutions/ Departments. It is compulsory for all the applicants to get their signature attested before appearing for the examination. Applicants who appear for the examination through an institution should get their signature attested by their head of the institution as well. Other applicants should get their signature attested by Principal of a Government School/ Retired Principal, Grama Niladhari of the Division, Justice- of Peace, Commissioner of Oaths, Attorney at Law, Notary Public, a Commissioned Officer of the Three Armed Forces, a permanent staff grade officer of the Public Service or Provincial Public Service, or a Chief Incumbent of a Buddhist temple or a clergy of any other religion who reserves a considerable status.

11. *Penalty for Furnishing False Information.*— If a candidate is found to be ineligible, his candidature is liable to be cancelled at any stage prior to, during or after the examination. If it is found that a candidate has furnished information with knowledge that they are false, or if he has willfully suppressed any material fact, he will be liable for dismissal from the Public Service.

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

On the order of the Public Service Commission,

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