

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Promotion of Officers in Grade 1 of Sri Lanka Scientific Service to Special Grade on the basis of Seniority and Merit and Appointment to the Post

AS per the provisions in Section 10.3 of the Minute of the Sri Lanka Scientific Service, effective from 01.01.2006, published on 28th August 2014 in *Gazette* No. 1877/27 and revised by *Gazette Extraordinary* No. 1996/25 dated 06th December 2016 and the provisions in the approved schemes of recruitment, applications are called for the promotion of qualified officers in Grade I of Sri Lanka Scientific Service who are in active service to Special Grade and appointment to the post to fill the vacancy in the post of Director General at the Ministry of Science and Technology.

01. Number of Vacancies:

<i>S/No.</i>	<i>Ministry/ Department</i>	<i>Post</i>	<i>Number of Vacancies</i>	<i>Subject</i>
01	Ministry of Science and Technology	Director General	01	Promotion to Special Grade and appointment to the post

02. Qualifications to be fulfilled for Promotion.

- I. Shall have obtained a Post Graduate Degree in Chemistry or Physics from a University recognized by the University Grants Commission or any other institution recognized by the University Grants Commission as a degree awarding institution.
- II. Shall have completed five (05) years of active and satisfactory service in Grade I of the Sri Lanka Scientific Service on the date of qualification for promotion and shall have earned five (05) salary increments after promotion to Grade I.
- III. Shall have completed at least 18 years of active service in Sri Lanka Scientific Service on the date of satisfying the qualifications for promotion.
- IV. Shall have proved an annual performance at satisfactory level or above within the five (05) years immediately preceding the date of satisfying the qualifications for promotion.
- V. Shall have not been subject to any disciplinary punishment as per the provisions in Public Service Commission Circular No. 01/2020.

VI. Qualifications to be fulfilled for appointment to the post

<i>S/No.</i>	<i>Department/ Ministry</i>	<i>Post</i>	<i>Qualification</i>
01	Ministry of Science and Technology	Director General	Shall be an officer in Special Grade of Sri Lanka Scientific Service at the Skills Development, Vocational Education, Research and Innovations Division of the then Ministry of Education, Higher Education and Vocational Education or present Ministry of Science and Technology, who has satisfied all the qualifications from I to V or an officer in Special Grade of Sri Lanka Scientific Service who has satisfied the qualifications under 7.4.2 of the Scheme of Recruitment in the absence of an officer of Sri Lanka Scientific Service who has satisfied the relevant qualifications at the present Ministry of Science and Technology

03. Method of Promotion

- (i) The Public Service Commission carries out the promotion to Special Grade considering the result of the interview conducted by an interview board approved by the Public Service Commission and the number of vacancies.
 - (ii) Seniority and merit will be evaluated at the interview. The marking scheme in Annex I is used for this purpose.
04. The officers who are selected after the above mentioned interview subject to the general conditions by which the appointments of the public service are governed (Published in the *Gazette of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka* No. 1877/27 dated 28.08.2014), terms and conditions of the Minute of Sri Lanka Scientific Service and the revisions made and to be made in the future to the said Service Minute, shall be promoted to the Special Grade in Sri Lanka Scientific Service with effect from the date of the structured interview in accordance with the number of existing vacancies.
05. The officer/ officers who are promoted to Special Grade of Sri Lanka Scientific Service upon securing the highest marks in respect of each post at the interview shall be appointed by the Public Service Commission to the posts of which the Commission is the Appointing Authority, with effect from the date of assuming duties in the relevant posts.
06. Only the officers who satisfy the minimum qualifications indicated in this notification and who are in active service at present shall be called for the interview.
07. Applications perfected in line with the format given below should be sent to reach Secretary, Ministry of Public Administration, Provincial Councils and Local Government, Independence Square, Colombo 07” on or before **28.03.2025** via registered post with the recommendation of the Secretary of the Ministry/ Head of the Department, having attested the signature placed before the Secretary of the Ministry/ Head of the Department or an authorized officer to sign for the Secretary of the Ministry/ Head of the Department, by the Secretary of the Ministry/ Head of the Department. The words “Promotion to the Special Grade in Sri Lanka Scientific Service” should be clearly indicated on the top left corner of the envelope in which the application is sent. No application received after the said date shall be accepted and complaints on misplaced or lost applications shall not be entertained.

08. In the event of any inconsistency between Sinhala, Tamil and English texts of this notice, Sinhala text shall prevail.

Application can also be downloaded via www.pubad.gov.lk

On the order of the Public Service Commission,

S. ALOKABANDARA,
Secretary.
Ministry of Public Administration,
Provincial Councils and,
Local Government,

21st February, 2025.

The marking scheme of the interview for promotion to Special Grade of the Sri Lanka Scientific Service and appointment to the post

01. Seniority

50 Marks

- Maximum marks shall be given to the most senior officer.
- Marks for the seniority of the other officers = $\frac{\text{Maximum marks allocated of for the seniority}}{\text{Extra service period of the most senior officer (Years x12+Months)}} \times \text{Extra service period of the relevant officer (Years x12+months)}$

02. Merit

50 Marks

I.

	Maximum Marks
I. Individual or group work relevant to the field: <ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ Research Publication (For group publications, the Head of the Department should confirm that the publications were made at the initiative of the relevant officer) - 04 marks for each publication (For maximum of 2 publications)	08
II. Abstracts <ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ Local - 01 mark for each abstract (for maximum of 03 abstracts)➤ International - 02 marks for each abstract (for maximum of 03 abstracts)	03 06
III. Dissertation – 4 marks for each dissertation (Marks will be awarded only for dissertations other than the dissertation submitted for the Second Efficiency Bar or Post Graduate degree considered for promotion to Grade I) (Maximum of 1 dissertation)	04
IV. Innovation - Head of the Department should ensure that the innovations are successfully implemented under the leadership of the relevant officers (04 points for each innovation) (Maximum of 2 innovations)	08

	Maximum Marks
V. Newspaper / Magazine Articles - Articles written by the officer himself/herself to educate the public (02 marks for each newspaper / magazine) (Maximum of 3 newspaper/ magazine articles)	06
Total Marks	35

II. Power Point Presentation of 10 minutes with the use of computer on the manner in which the officer intends to contribute to the role of the post to which he/ she is selected

(15 Marks)

i. Relevancy	-	03 Marks
ii. Creativity	-	03 Marks
iii. Innovations and suggestions	-	03 Marks
iv. Time Management	-	03 Marks
v. Proficiency in English	-	03 Marks

Note -

a) Marks under Criteria (v) above can be obtained only if the applicant conducts the presentation in English language.

b) The hard copy of the presentation should be submitted to the interview board at the same time. In addition, it is compulsory to submit a hard copy of the presentation prepared in English at the same time.