



**Smallholder Agribusiness
Partnerships Programme (SAPP)**

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Smallholder Agribusiness Partnerships (SAPP) Programme is a project, implemented under the Ministry of Agriculture jointly funded by the Government of Sri Lanka (GOSL) and the International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD). The total programme cost is US\$ 105 Million and it is designed to contribute to Sri Lanka's smallholders' poverty reduction and competitiveness. It mainly focuses on the development of 4P (Public, Private, Producer Partnerships) value chain projects in collaboration with private sector promoter companies, Farmer/Producer Organizations and farmers to develop production and marketing system with commercial orientation while increasing the income of rural communities for sustainable rural development. The programme is implemented islandwide.

Applications are invited from the citizens of Sri Lanka with the below mentioned qualifications to fill the vacancies in the Programme Management Unit.

PROCUREMENT SPECIALIST – 01 POST

Summary of Responsibilities

Procurement Specialist of SAPP is responsible for managing the project's supply of products, materials and or services (including consultancies). In order to strategize with team members to cut or effective utilization of procurement expenses, he/she should capitalize his/her all skills and competencies for the benefit of the project in consultation with the Higher Management.

Qualifications/Experience Required:

1. A Bachelor's Degree holder preferably in the field of Economics, Commerce, Business Administration, Management, Accounting or any other relevant field

OR

Associate membership / similar professional qualifications in a recognized Professional Body and

At least 12 years of post-qualifying practical experience at managerial level

2. **Corporate/Chartered Membership in a recognized Professional Body with 9 years post qualifying experience at managerial level**

OR

An Officer of the Government All Island Services Class I with at least 10 years' experience in Class I post with required experience specified above.

Experience with a professional qualification successfully completed by a recognized professional body in the relevant field would be a special advantage.

All the Qualifications should be in the relevant field of the post.

Note: Working experience in a similar or higher capacity in a donor funded project would be considered a significant advantage.

Languages- Excellent written and verbal communication skills in English and Sinhala/Tamil is a must with sound knowledge in Microsoft office packages as most of the work need to be done by him/herself. Working knowledge of another official language is desirable.

Salary Scale: Based on the Management Services Circular 01/2019

- Rs. 160,000 (Initial Salary scale) + CoLA

- Rs. 175,000 + CoLA (with two increments, salary scale at the 3rd Year and till end of the programme period)

General Conditions Applicable for the Above Mentioned Positions

Duration of services:

The incumbent will be appointed for the program period i.e. 30 June 2023, subject to annual renewal based on the performances reviewed.

Probation:

6 months of probation period and performance to be reviewed and confirmed in the post after the probation period.

Age Limit -

Below 64 years by the closing date of application.

Location- Programme Management Unit (PMU) is in Nawala. However, traveling to project locations are involved frequently.

Languages- Excellent written and verbal communication skills in English and Sinhala. Working knowledge of another official language is desirable.

Other terms

The employee will be member of the Employees' Provident Fund and Employee Trust Fund and contributions would be made to the said schemes by the Employer and Employee in accordance with the relevant Acts.

Method of Selection

Only shortlisted applicants based on the highest qualifications and experience, will be called for an interview and selection will be based on the performance at the interview.

Applications giving all particulars of qualifications, experience and other relevant information with **two non-related referees** should be sent under registered cover with the name of the post as appearing in the advertisement written on the top left hand corner of the envelope to the Programme Director, Smallholder Agribusiness Partnerships Programme, No. 214/A, Nawala Road, Rajagiriya or by an e-mail (info@sapp.lk) within 2 weeks of this advertisement date.

Applicants employed in Govt. Departments, State Corporations, Boards and Authorities will be given the highest priority and their applications should be sent through the Heads of their respective organizations.

Programme Director.

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