



# Smallholder Agribusiness Partnerships Programme (SAPP)

Ministry of Agriculture

## VACANCIES

### Programme Management Unit (PMU)

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.

Applications are called from the citizens of Sri Lanka with the below mentioned qualifications to fill the following positions of the Programme Management Unit.

Please visit our website ([www.sapp.lk](http://www.sapp.lk)) for Terms of References (TORs) and other information.

#### 1. Agribusiness and Institutional Development Specialist (01 Post) – PS 03

##### *Qualifications and Experience Required*

(a). A successfully completed Bachelor's Degree in Agri-economics or related field which is recognized by the University Grants Commission and a Postgraduate Degree in the field of Agriculture, Agric Economics, Rural Development, Business Management with at least 09 years of post-qualifying experience at managerial level.

OR

(b) Class I Officer in the Government All Island Services or a similar status in the relevant field with at least 4 years' experience in the Class I post.

##### **Note:**

- Preference will be given to those having proven field experience in agribusiness value chain development related activities.
- Working experience in a donor funded project in a similar capacity is desirable.

#### 2. Programme Officer (Business Development & Institutional Strengthening) – (01 post) - PS 05

##### *Qualifications & Experience Required:*

A Bachelor's degree preferably in the field of **Procurement, Commerce, Business Administration, Economics, or any other degree related to the subject area.**

OR

A qualification recognized by the University Grants Commission as an equivalent qualification to the degree in the relevant field.

OR

An associate membership a similar professional qualification obtained from a recognized professional institute in the relevant field.

And

At least 05 years of experience in public procurement related activities and procedures, in a government or semi government organization or a foreign funded project.

OR

An Officer of the Government All Island Services Class 111/11 or above or similar status in the relevant field with at least 8 years relevant experience in Class 111/11

Post graduate qualifications in the relevant field with extensive field experience will be an added advantage.

##### **General Conditions applicable for the above mentioned position**

**Age Limit** - Below 64 years by the closing date of applications.

**Salary Scale** - Based on the Management Service Circular No. 01/2019 of the Treasury.

**Location** - Programme Management Unit (PMU) is in Nawala Road, Rajagiriya. However, extensive traveling to project locations is involved.

**Languages** - Proficiency in written and verbal communication skills in English and Sinhala is a must with sound knowledge in MS Office packages. Proficiency in Tamil Language will be an added advantage.

**Appointment:** Appointment is made on contract basis in accordance with the Management Services Circular No. 01/2019, renewable annually based on the performance and will be subjected to 06 months probationary period.

##### **Other terms**

The employee will be member of the Employees' Provident Fund and Employee's 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.212/A, Nawala Road, Rajagiriya or by an e-mail ([careers@sapp.lk](mailto:careers@sapp.lk)) within 14 days of this Advertisement date.

**Applicants employed in Govt. Departments, State Corporations, Boards and Authorities should send their applications through the Heads of their respective organizations.**

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