MAURITIUS PUBLIC SERVICE

PUBLIC ADVERTISEMENT NO. 100 of 2018

Vacancies for the Post of Clinical Scientist/Senior Clinical Scientist (Virology)
Ministry of Health and Quality of Life

Applications are invited from qualified candidates who wish to be considered for appointment as Clinical Scientist/Senior Clinical Scientist (Virology) in the Ministry of Health and Quality of Life.

II. AGE LIMIT

Candidates, unless already in the Service, should not have reached their 40th birthday by the closing date for the submission of applications.

III. QUALIFICATIONS

Candidates should possess –

A. A Cambridge Higher School Certificate or Passes in at least two subjects obtained on one certificate at the General Certificate of Education “Advanced Level”.

B. A degree in Biology or Biomedical Science or Microbiology from a recognised institution.

OR

Equivalent qualifications to A and B above acceptable to the Public Service Commission.

C. Candidates should -

(i) be computer literate; and

(ii) reckon at least one year’s experience in Clinical Virology and Molecular Biology obtained after graduation.

Note

1. Qualification at A above should have been obtained prior to qualification at B above. However, candidates who, as at 30 June 2003, did not possess the qualification at A above will also be considered provided they hold:

(a) a Cambridge School Certificate or passes obtained on one certificate at the General Certificate of Education “Ordinary Level” either (i) in five subjects including English Language with at least Grade C in any two subjects or (ii) in six subjects including English Language with at least Grade C in any one subject or an equivalent qualification acceptable to the Public Service Commission; and

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(b) a Master’s Degree or a postgraduate diploma from a recognised institution in one of the fields at B above or an equivalent qualification acceptable to the Public Service Commission.

2. Qualification at (a) under ‘Note’ should have been obtained prior to qualification at B above and at (b) under ‘Note’.

3. Candidates should produce written evidence of knowledge/experience claimed.

4. The onus for the submission of written evidence of knowledge/experience claimed and equivalence of qualification (if applicable) from the relevant authorities (Tertiary Education Commission or Mauritius Qualifications Authority) rests on the candidates. Applications will not be considered in case of non-submission of written evidence of knowledge/experience claimed and Equivalence Certificate, as appropriate, by the closing date.

5. Candidates may be required to sit for a written examination as part of the selection process.

6. The Commission reserves the right
   (i) to convene only the best qualified candidates for interview; and
   (ii) not to make any appointment following this advertisement.

IV. DUTIES AND SALARY

1. To carry out tests for the detection and confirmation of HIV antibodies among blood donors, patients and volunteers.

2. To set up biological tests for the confirmation of opportunistic infections among AIDS patients.

3. To set up cell cultures and to perform virus isolation and identification.

4. To perform detection of the different classes of specific antibodies among patients suffering from viral infections.

5. To conduct epidemiological surveys for the surveillance of viral infections among the local population.

6. To conduct applied research in the field of Virology.

7. To perform molecular biology technique, such as polymerase chain reaction (PCR), genotyping and CD4 cell count.

8. To use ICT in the performance of his duties.
9. To perform such other duties directly related to the main duties listed above or related to the delivery of the output and results expected from the Clinical Scientist/Senior Clinical Scientist (Virology) in the roles ascribed to him.

The permanent and pensionable post carries salary in scale Rs 26,300 x 775 – 32,500 x 925 – 37,125 x 1,225 – 40,800 x 1,525 – 49,950 x 1,625 – 62,950 a month.

V. MODE OF APPLICATION

1. Qualified candidates are advised to submit their application **electronically** via the website of the Public Service Commission at the following address:
   
   http://psc.govmu.org/English/Pages/PscHomepage.aspx

2. Candidates may also apply electronically at the Enquiry Counter of the Public Service Commission, 7, Louis Pasteur Street, Forest Side from 09.00 a.m. to 03.30 p.m. on weekdays and not later than 03.00 p.m. on the closing date.

3. Candidates are requested to follow the procedures that can be accessed through the “How To Apply” option on the above address.

4. Candidates already in the service should submit a printed copy of their electronic Application Form, **duly signed**, through their respective Supervising/Responsible Officer.

5. Acknowledgement of applications will be made by **e-mail**. Candidates are advised to submit their e-mail address.

6. For technical support, the Government Online Centre (GOC) may be contacted on the e-mail address: support@ncb.mu or on phone number 454 9955.

7. For any other query, the help desk of the Public Service Commission may be contacted on e-mail address pdsc@govmu.org, or phone number 670 9705 or fax number 670 3417.

8. Candidates are also advised to read carefully the “**NOTES AND INSTRUCTIONS FOR ONLINE APPLICATION (in response to Public Advertisement)**” before filling in the Application Form. Care should be taken to fill in the on-line Application Form correctly. **Incomplete, inadequate or inaccurate filling of the Application Form may entail elimination of the candidate.**
9. The Commission reiterates its request to candidates to submit their application electronically. However, qualified candidates not applying online may submit their application on **PSC Form 7** which may be obtained **either** from the Enquiry Counter of the Ministry of Civil Service and Administrative Reforms, Ground Floor, Emmanuel Anquetil Building, Port Louis **or** from the Enquiry Counter of the Public Service Commission, 7, Louis Pasteur Street, Forest Side **or** from the Chief Commissioner’s Office, Port Mathurin, Rodrigues **or** from the offices of the Mauritius High Commissions/Embassies overseas.

VI. **CLOSING DATE**

Applications should reach the Secretary, Public Service Commission, 7, Louis Pasteur Street, Forest Side, **not later than 3.00 p.m. (local time) on Thursday 18 April 2019**. Applications received after the specified closing date and time will not be considered.

**Public Service Commission,**
7, Louis Pasteur Street,
**FOREST SIDE.**

Date: 29 March 2019