Vacancies for the Post of Scientific Officer (Environment)
Ministry of Environment, Solid Waste Management and Climate Change

Applications are invited from qualified candidates who wish to be considered for appointment as Scientific Officer (Environment) in the Ministry of Environment, Solid Waste Management and Climate Change.

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

A. Candidates should possess a degree from a recognised institution in one of the following subjects –

- Biology
- Chemical and Environmental Engineering
- Chemistry
- Microbiology
- Biotechnology
- Agriculture

or

an equivalent qualification acceptable to the Public Service Commission.

B. Candidates should -

(i) be familiar with laboratory analytical instruments; and

(ii) be computer literate.
NOTE

1. Candidates should produce written evidence of knowledge claimed.

2. The onus for the submission of written evidence of knowledge 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 claimed and Equivalence Certificate, as appropriate, by closing date.

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

4. 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. ROLE AND RESPONSIBILITIES

To be responsible to scientifically monitor and assess the quality of the environment and provide scientific support in controlling or minimising the harmful effects of the environment.

V. DUTIES AND SALARY

1. To plan and conduct research into the physical and biological nature of the Environment.

2. To analyse pollutants, identify their sources and assess their effects on the environment and submit report thereon.

3. To be responsible for testing and adapting analytical methodologies for environmental analyses.

4. To assist with environmental emergencies, such as chemical spills and environmental accidents.

5. To carry out laboratory audits within accreditation schemes.

6. To maintain the quality management system in accordance with MS ISO/IEC 17025 and MS ISO 9001.
7. To undertake and work in collaboration with other divisions of the Department of Environment (DOE) in carrying out environmental surveys.

8. To carry out site visits and collect samples, as and when required.

9. To assist in developing environmental policies, strategies and codes of practice.

10. To train and supervise junior technical staff in the performance of their duties.

11. To ensure that the laboratory equipment is properly calibrated and maintained.

12. To attend technical meetings, as and when required.

13. To use ICT in the performance of his duties.

14. 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 Scientific Officer in the roles ascribed to him.

**Note:**

Scientific Officers may be required to work outside normal working hours including Saturdays, Sundays and Public Holidays.

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 – 56,450 a month.

**VI. MODE OF APPLICATION**

1. Qualified candidates are advised to submit their application **electronically** at the following address:

   [http://psc.govmu.org/English/Pages/PscHomepage.aspx](http://psc.govmu.org/English/Pages/PscHomepage.aspx)

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

3. Candidates may also apply electronically at the Enquiry Counter of the Public Service Commission, 7, Louis Pasteur Street, Forest Side from 9.00 a.m to 3.30 p.m on weekdays and not later than 3.00 p.m. on the closing date.

4. Candidates already in the service should also submit a printed copy of their electronic Application Form, **dually signed**, through their respective Supervising Officer/Responsible Officer.
5. Acknowledgement of applications will be made by e-mail. Candidates are encouraged to submit their e-mail address.

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

7. For technical support and other queries, the helpdesk of the Public Service Commission may be contacted on the 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 online 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 Public Service, Administrative and Institutional 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.

VII. CLOSING DATE

Applications should be submitted, not later than 3.00 p.m. (local time) on Monday 06 January 2020. Applications received after the specified closing date and time will not be considered.

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

Date: 17 December 2019