Applications are invited from qualified candidates who wish to be considered for appointment as Veterinary Officer in the Ministry of Agro-Industry and Food Security.

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 be –

(a) fully registered as Veterinary Surgeon in accordance with legislation in force in Mauritius; and

(b) computer literate.

Note

Candidates should submit a copy of their certificate of registration as Veterinary Surgeon together with their application form.

IV. DUTIES AND SALARY

1. To be responsible to the head of the Division of Veterinary Services for the performance of the following duties -

   (i) treatment of sick animals;
   (ii) veterinary applied research and diagnostics;
   (iii) prevention of animal diseases;
   (iv) artificial insemination, pregnancy assessments and attending to infertility cases;
   (v) inspection of quarantine stations;
   (vi) meat inspection at abattoirs and other meat processing plants;
   (vii) inspection of imported animals and animal products as well as issue of Veterinary Certificates;
   (viii) inspection and certification for export of animals and animal products;
(ix) certification and inspection of food items of animal origin meant for human and animal consumption;

(x) active participation in Government projects and programmes dealing with animal welfare including sterilisation of dogs and cats;

(xi) supervision of the work of technical and other subordinate staff;

(xii) enforcement of appropriate legislations in force;

(xiii) inspection, sampling analysis and certification of fresh and frozen fish as well as any other seafood products;

(xiv) inspection, monitoring and auditing of fish processing plants, fishing/freezer/factory vessels and cold stores; and

(xv) inspection of fish farms.

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

3. 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 Veterinary Officer in the roles ascribed to him.

**Note**

Veterinary Officers are required to work outside normal working hours, at night, on Saturdays, Sundays and Public Holidays.

The permanent and pensionable post carries salary in scale Rs 32,375 x 900 – 34,175 x 1,200 – 37,775 x 1,500 – 52,775 a month. However, for the year 2014, incumbents would draw salary at the discounted rate of Rs 32,080 in accordance with the Master Conversion Table of the Errors, Omissions and Anomalies Committee Report 2013.

**V. FRINGE BENEFITS**

The Veterinary Officer is entitled to the following benefits:-

(a) 100% duty remission for the purchase of a car with petrol engine capacity of up to 1500 c.c. once every seven years or

   a monthly car allowance of Rs 3,750 in lieu of duty remission;

(b) loan facilities for the first purchase of a car equivalent to 21 months’ salary with interest at the prevailing repo rate, refundable in 84 monthly instalments;
(c) a monthly travelling allowance of Rs 10,200 both for attending duty and for official travelling;

(d) passage benefits at the rate of 5% of annual salary drawn; and

(e) refund of the full amount of annual subscription fee payable to the Veterinary Council of Mauritius.

NOTE

1. On having reached the top of their salary scale, Veterinary Officers will be allowed to move in the salary scale of the grade of Senior Veterinary Officer.

2. Veterinary Officers are required to be on-call after working hours in relation with the 24-hour service provided to the breeding community, against payment of:

   (a) an allowance as follows:-

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   (b) an allowance of Rs 200 per hour when attending work while on call, subject to the following maxima:

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VI. MODE OF APPLICATION

1. Qualified candidates should 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 Commission/Embassies overseas.

2. Candidates already in the service should submit their application in duplicate, the original to be sent directly to the Secretary, Public Service Commission and the duplicate through their respective Supervising/Responsible Officers.

3. This advertisement together with the application form (PSC Form 7) are available on the website of the Public Service Commission at http://psc.gov.mu

4. On-line application can also be submitted through the government web portal at http://www.gov.mu

5. Acknowledgement of applications will be made as far as possible by e-mail. Candidates are therefore encouraged to submit their e-mail address.

6. Candidates are advised to read carefully the “NOTES AND INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES” before filling in the application form. Care should be taken to fill in the application form correctly. Incomplete, inadequate or inaccurate filling of the application form may entail elimination of the applicant.

VII. CLOSING DATE

Applications should reach the Secretary, Public Service Commission, 7, Louis Pasteur Street, Forest-Side, not later than 3.00 p.m. on Wednesday 02 April 2014.

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

Date: 13 March 2014