#### MAURITIUS PUBLIC SERVICE

#### PUBLIC ADVERTISEMENT NO. 63 OF 2021

# <u>Vacancies for Post of Educational Psychologist</u> <u>Ministry of Education, Tertiary Education,</u> <u>Science and Technology</u>

Applications are invited from qualified candidates who wish to be considered for appointment as Educational Psychologist in the Ministry of Education, Tertiary Education, Science and Technology.

### II. AGE LIMIT

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

## III. QUALIFICATIONS

- **1.** Candidates should possess
  - **A.** a Cambridge Higher School Certificate <u>or</u> passes in at least two subjects obtained on one certificate at the General Certificate of Education "Advanced Level"; and
  - **B.** a degree in Psychology from a recognised institution.

#### OR

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

- 2. Candidates should have undergone post-qualification practice under the supervision of a practising psychologist or related professional either in a recognised health or educational institution locally or abroad, over a period of one year or for an aggregate of 1500 hours, with children and young people with learning difficulties or social or emotional/behavioural problems.
- **3.** Candidates should also
  - (i) be computer literate; and
  - (ii) possess good communication and interpersonal skills.

#### Note

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

- (a) a Cambridge School Certificate <u>or</u> 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; and
- (b) a Master's Degree or a postgraduate diploma in the field at **1.B** above from a recognised institution.

#### OR

Equivalent qualifications to (a) and (b) above acceptable to the Public Service Commission.

Qualification at **(a)** under **'Note'** should have been obtained prior to qualification at **1.B** above and at **(b)** under **'Note'**.

# **NOTE**

- 1. Candidates should produce written evidence of post-qualification practice as mentioned at **2** above and of knowledge claimed.
- 2. The onus for the submission of written evidence of post-qualification practice as mentioned at 2 above and of knowledge claimed and equivalence of qualification (if applicable) from the relevant authorities (Higher Education Commission or Mauritius Qualifications Authority) rests on the candidates. Applications will not be considered in case of non-submission of written evidence of post-qualification practice as mentioned at 2 above and of knowledge claimed and Equivalence Certificate, as appropriate, by the 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. DUTIES AND SALARY

- 1. To be responsible to the Director for:-
  - (a) giving psychological advice to teachers of pre-primary, primary and secondary schools (e.g. methods, educational psychology organisation, individualised instruction programmes, behaviours modification techniques);
  - (b) conducting in-service courses for pre-primary, primary and secondary schools staff after school hours and during school holidays in collaboration with Educational Social Workers;
  - (c) advising parents by way of visits, talks, pamphlets, booklets, guidelines;
  - (d) supporting, organising and co-ordinating remedial and special education programmes in normal schools;
  - (e) assessing children with special needs and ensuring follow-up measures with the assistance of Educational Social Workers;
  - (f) organising, co-ordinating and supervising special education programmes;
  - (g) promoting mental health programmes at school and counselling at pre-primary, primary and secondary levels;
  - (h) assisting in case conferences in connection with direction and placement of children with special needs;
  - (i) carrying out action research on areas related to under-achievement and submitting proposals/measures for improvement;
  - (j) initiating action on early identification of disabilities, providing proper advice and ensuring necessary follow-up in collaboration with Educational Social Workers;
  - (k) helping in the elaboration and adaptation of psycho-pedagogical tools;
  - (l) collecting and updating data and ensuring the upkeep of records on relevant cases; and
  - (m) working in close collaboration within teams including Pedagogical Inspectors, Educational Social Workers, Heads of School and relevant institutions to improve students performance and ensure their well-being.

- 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 Educational Psychologists in the roles ascribed to them.

The permanent and pensionable post carries salary in scale Rs  $26,300 \times 775 - 32,500 \times 925 - 37,125 \times 1,225 - 40,800 \times 1,525 - 49,950 \times 1,625 - 56,450$  a month.

#### V. 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 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.
- 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 Officer/Responsible Officer.
- 3. This advertisement together with the Application Form (PSC Form 7) are available on the website of the Public Service Commission at <a href="https://psc.govmu.org">https://psc.govmu.org</a>
- 4. Acknowledgement of applications will be made, as far as possible, by **e-mail**. Candidates are, therefore, advised to submit their e-mail address.
- 5. Candidates are also 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 candidate.

#### VI. CLOSING DATE

Application Forms should reach the Secretary, Public Service Commission, 7, Louis Pasteur Street, Forest Side, <u>not later than 15 00 hours (local time) on Monday 11 October 2021.</u> Application Forms received after the specified closing date and time will <u>not</u> be considered.

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

Date: 21 September 2021