MAURITIUS PUBLIC SERVICE

PUBLIC ADVERTISEMENT NO. 105 OF 2021

Enlistment as Trainee Meteorological Technician Mauritius Meteorological Services

Applications are invited from qualified candidates who wish to be considered for enlistment as Trainee Meteorological Technician in the Mauritius Meteorological Services.

II. <u>AGE LIMIT</u>

Candidates should be between **18 and 40** years of age by the closing date for the submission of applications.

III. QUALIFICATIONS

- 1. Candidates should possess:
 - **A**. (a) a Cambridge School Certificate with credit in at least five subjects including English Language, Mathematics and Physics obtained at not more than two sittings <u>or</u>
 - (b) passes not below Grade C in at least five subjects including English Language, Mathematics and Physics obtained at not more than two sittings at the General Certificate of Education "Ordinary Level" provided that at one of the sittings, passes have been obtained 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.

<u>Note</u>

Candidates not possessing a credit in English Language at the Cambridge School Certificate will also be considered provided they possess passes in at least two subjects at "Principal Level" and one subject at "Subsidiary Level" as well as the General Paper obtained on one certificate at the Cambridge Higher School Certificate Examinations.

B. a Cambridge Higher School Certificate with passes at "Principal Level" in Physics or Mathematics <u>or</u> passes in at least two subjects including Physics or Mathematics obtained on one certificate at the General Certificate of Education "Advanced Level".

<u>OR</u>

Equivalent qualifications to ${\bf A}$ and ${\bf B}$ above acceptable to the Public Service Commission.

2. Candidates should be computer literate.

NOTE

- 1. Qualification at **1.A** above should have been obtained prior to qualification at **1.B** above.
- 2. Candidates should produce written evidence of any knowledge claimed.
- 3. The onus for the submission of written evidence 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 knowledge claimed and Equivalence Certificate, as appropriate, by the closing date.
- 4. Candidates may be required to take part in a written examination.
- 5. The Commission reserves the right:
 - (i) to convene **<u>only</u>** the best qualified candidates for the interview; and
 - (ii) not to make any enlistment following this advertisement.

IV. CONDITIONS OF TRAINING AND ALLOWANCE

- 1. Selected candidates will be required to undergo training for a period of at least two years, both in theoretical and practical meteorology to cover the various aspects of the work of the Meteorological Services and to meet international obligations. The training will include:
 - (i) an in-service training course leading to the Basic Instruction Package for Meteorological Technicians (BIP-MT) of the World Meteorological Organisations;
 - (ii) an attachment for a period varying between three to six months in different sections of the Meteorological Services for on-the-job training; and
 - (iii) an approved course leading to a diploma in Meteorology from a recognised institution.
- 2. During their training period, Trainee Meteorological Technicians will draw an allowance in scale Rs 17,045 x 260 17,565 a month.
- 3. On successful completion of the training, including the obtention of a diploma in Meteorology, Trainee Meteorological Technicians will be eligible for appointment as Meteorological Technician, as and when vacancies occur.

The post of Meteorological Technician carries salary in the scale Rs 18,925 x 300 - 19,525 x 325 - 21,475 x 375 - 22,225 x 400 -23,425 x 525 - 26,050 x 675 - 27,400 x 825 - 35,650 x 900 - 37,450 x 950 - 40,300 QB 41,250 x 950 - 42,200 x 1,300 - 43,500 a month.

<u>Note</u>

- 1. Trainee Meteorological Technicians will be required to work on shift, covering a 24-hour service including Saturdays, Sundays and Public Holidays, officially declared cyclone days and during extreme weather events in Mauritius and the Outer Islands of the Republic of Mauritius.
- 2. Trainee Meteorological Technicians may be required to work in any part of the Republic of Mauritius including Rodrigues and the Outer islands (Agalega and St Brandon).

V. <u>BOND</u>

Selected candidates will be required, after serving a satisfactory trial period of fifteen days, to enter into a bond (which will start as from date of enlistment) together with two sureties in the sum of <u>five hundred and forty</u> <u>five thousand and one hundred and thirty rupees (Rs 545,130)</u> to the effect that they will follow and complete the course of training and thereafter serve the Meteorological Services for a period of five years from the date of substantive appointment in the grade of Meteorological Technician.

VI. MODE OF APPLICATION

- Qualified candidates should submit their application on <u>PSC Form 7</u> which may be obtained <u>either</u> from the Enquiry Counter of the Ministry of Public Service, Administrative and Institutional Reforms, Ground Floor, Emmanuel Anquetil Building, Port Louis <u>or</u> from the Enquiry Counter of the Public Service Commission, 7, Louis Pasteur Street, Forest Side <u>or</u> from the Chief Commissioner's Office, Port Mathurin, Rodrigues <u>or</u> 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 <u>https://psc.govmu.org</u>
- 4. Acknowledgement of applications will be made, as far as possible, by <u>e-mail</u>. Candidates are, therefore, advised to submit their e-mail address.

5. Candidates are also advised to read carefully the <u>"NOTES AND</u> <u>INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES"</u> before filling in the Application Form. Care should be taken to fill in the Application Form correctly. <u>Incomplete, inadequate or inaccurate filling of the Application</u> <u>Form may entail elimination of the candidate.</u>

VII. <u>CLOSING DATE</u>

Application Forms should reach the Secretary, Public Service Commission, 7, Louis Pasteur Street, Forest Side, <u>not later than 15 00 hours (local</u> <u>time) on Wednesday 02 February 2022</u>. Application Forms received after the specified closing date and time will <u>not</u> be considered.

Date: 20 January 2022

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