

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION CIRCULAR NOTE No. 93 OF 2023

Vacancies for Post of Scientific Officer (Conservation)
Ministry of Agro-Industry and Food Security
(National Parks and Conservation Service)

Applications are invited from qualified officers of the Ministry of Agro-Industry and Food Security who wish to be considered for appointment as Scientific Officer (Conservation) in the National Parks and Conservation Service of the Ministry.

II. QUALIFICATIONS

By selection from among officers in the grade of Technical Officer/Senior Technical Officer (Conservation) who reckon at least four years' service in a substantive capacity in the grade and who possess -

- (i) a degree in Agriscience and Technology or Agriculture or Biology or Zoology or Botany or Ecology from a recognised institution or an equivalent qualification acceptable to the Public Service Commission;
- (ii) good organising and supervisory skills; and
- (iii) good interpersonal and communication skills.

NOTE

The onus for the submission of 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 Equivalence Certificate, as appropriate, by the closing date.

III. DUTIES AND SALARY

1. To be responsible to the Director, National Parks and Conservation Service or any senior officer designated by him for -
 - (i) conducting and monitoring research activities and experimental work on fauna and/or flora and their conservation in Mauritius, Rodrigues and offshore islets;
 - (ii) assessing populations and monitoring the status of wild populations of fauna and/or flora;
 - (iii) the management of the Government Captive Breeding Centre and/or the in-situ and ex-situ conservation of endemic species;
 - (iv) the release of captive-bred animals and/or reintroduction of plants raised in nursery to the wild and subsequent management of wild populations of fauna and/or flora;
 - (v) the conduct of interpretation activities, preparation of displays, brochures and dissemination of conservation information and creation of conservation awareness among the students and the public at large;
 - (vi) supervising and training of junior staff; and
 - (vii) the management of wetlands in Mauritius.

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 Scientific Officer (Conservation) in the roles ascribed to him.

The permanent and pensionable post carries salary in scale Rs 29,050 x 825 – 35,650 x 900 – 37,450 x 950 – 42,200 x 1,300 – 46,100 x 1,575 – 49,250 x 1,650 – 54,200 x 1,700 – 62,700 a month.

IV. MODE OF APPLICATION

1. Qualified candidates should submit their application **electronically** via the website of the Public Service Commission at the following address: **<https://psc.govmu.org>**
2. Candidates are requested to follow the procedures that can be accessed through the **“How to Apply”** option on the above address.
3. Candidates **should** also submit a printed copy of their Application Form, **duly signed**, through the Senior Chief Executive, Ministry of Agro-Industry and Food Security.
4. For queries regarding **Username and Password**, the Government Online Centre (GOC) may be contacted on the e-mail address **support@ncb.mu** or on phone number **454 9955**.
5. 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**.
6. Candidates are also advised to read carefully the **“NOTES AND INSTRUCTIONS FOR ONLINE APPLICATION (in response to PSC Circular Notes)”** 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.**

V. CLOSING DATE

Online Applications should be submitted **not later than 15.00 hours (local time) on Thursday 16 November 2023**. Applications received after the specified closing date and time will **not** be considered.

Date: 27 October 2023

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