

## Post - Vacant

### SRI LANKA ARMY

#### Calling for Applications for Cadet Officers in the Sri Lanka Army Volunteer Force

APPLICATIONS are invited for cadetship in the Volunteer Force of the Sri Lanka Army. Selected candidates will be trained at the Sri Lanka Military Academy, Diyatalawa.

2. After successful completion of the training period in the Sri Lanka Military Academy, cadets will be commissioned in the rank of **Second Lieutenant** as officers with the **Diploma in Military Studies** and posted to Arms or Service regiments in the Sri Lanka Army, based on the aptitude of the cadet and the requirement of the Army.

#### 3. Basic Qualifications.

- Citizenship: Should be a citizen of Sri Lanka.
- Marital Status: Unmarried.
- Age: Not less than 18 years and not more than 26 years as at 30<sup>th</sup> July 2025
- Height: Not less than 5'6" feet (170.6 cm).
- Weight: Not less than 50 kg (110 pounds).
- Eyesight: Both eyes 6/6 (without spectacles and lenses).
- Body Mass Index (BMI): Between 18.5 kg/m<sup>2</sup> – 25 kg/m<sup>2</sup>.

#### 4. Educational Qualifications.

- Should have passed six (06) subjects with four (04) credit passes including English and ordinary passes for Mathematics and Sinhala / Tamil in not more than two sittings at the GCE (O/L) Examination or any other international examinations (Pearson, Edexcel, GCSE, GCE and Cambridge) recognized by the Department of Examinations, Sri Lanka as an equivalent.
- Should have passed three (3) subjects and obtained 30% of marks from the Common General Test in not more than one sitting at the GCE (A/L) Examination or any other international examinations (Pearson, Edexcel, GCSE, GCE and Cambridge) recognized by the Department of Examinations, Sri Lanka as an equivalent.
- Any other higher educational qualifications or achievements in sports will be considered as added qualifications.

5. Other Qualifications. Sports, leadership and other achievements (District, Provincial and National and International levels) and proficiency in other languages (Other than Sinhala and English) will be considered as added qualifications.

#### 6. General.

- A person shall qualify for the commission as an officer of the Volunteer Force, only if he satisfies the conditions relating to the educational and other qualifications stipulated by the Commander of the Army and approved by the Minister of Defence.
- All officers commissioned in the service of the Sri Lanka Army Volunteer Force, on or after 25<sup>th</sup> September 1956 shall subscribe to the condition, that they will acquire the required degree of proficiency in the official language and will confirm to the requirements of the Official Language Act No. 33 of 1956 and any regulations and orders made thereunder.
- When an officer ceases to be a citizen of Sri Lanka, he shall forthwith inform the Commander of the Army of such fact.
- No officer shall whilst he is in the service of the Volunteer Force, enlist in the Sri Lanka Navy or Sri Lanka Air Force.
- No member of a Regular Force, Regular Reserve, Sri Lanka Police or the Sri Lanka Prisons shall be commissioned in the Volunteer Force.

- f. No person who had retired or discharged under the provisions of the Official Language Act from service in the Regular Force, the public service, a government corporation, institution or statutory body, shall be commissioned in a Regiment or Unit of the Volunteer Force.
- g. No person who has been convicted of a criminal offence shall be commissioned into a Regiment or Unit of the Volunteer Force.
- h. Cadets are not allowed to marry during the training period.
- i. Every applicant who is selected for the interview will undergo a medical examination conducted by the Sri Lanka Army and must be qualified from that prior to enlistment.

7. Conditions of Service.

- a. The enlisted candidates in the Volunteer Force must compulsorily serve for a period of 5 years in the Sri Lanka Army from the date of commission. Every candidate should enter into a contract/monetary bond with the Sri Lanka Army.
- b. The pay of a cadet while under training will be Rs. 91,551.80 per month (Inclusive of all allowances). He will not be entitled to any increment of pay during the period of service as a cadet.
- c. Cadets will be required to undergo basic military training at the Sri Lanka Military Academy for a period of 15 months.
- d. The status of cadets will be similar to other ranks during the training period and they will be subject to military law and civil law.
- e. Withdrawal of Cadetship.
  - (1) In the event of a cadet voluntarily terminates his candidature for a commission during his period of training, the parents or guardian will be required to refund all expenses incurred up to that time by the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka to the account of the cadet.
  - (2) If at any time during his course, a cadet is reported by the authorities to be unsuitable for the issue of the commission, for reasons of misconduct or negative Security Clearance for causes within his control, his parents or guardians will be required to refund to the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka all expenses incurred by the Republic of Sri Lanka to the account of the cadet.
  - (3) Any officer cadet who may resign or may be discharged on medical grounds will not be re-enlisted in the Army as a cadet on a subsequent occasion.

8. Pay and Allowances. On commissioning as officers in the Sri Lanka Army Volunteer Force in the rank of **Second Lieutenant**, they will be placed on the following salary scale applicable to the officers of the Sri Lanka Army.

Ser	Rank	M: S: C 3/2016	
		Consolidated Pay From 01.01.2020.	Salary Increments From 01.01.2020
1	Officer Cadet	Rs: 32,380.00	-
2	Second Lieutenant	Rs: 38,605.00	-
3	Lieutenant	Rs: 47,615.00	30 x 1335
4	Captain	Rs: 55,625.00	24 x 1335
5	Major	Rs: 60,965.00	22 x 1335
6	Lieutenant Colonel	Rs: 62,595.00	22 x 1630
7	Colonel	Rs: 76,175.00	17 x 2170
8	Brigadier	Rs: 80,515.00	15 x 2170
9	Major General	Rs: 88,000.00	12 x 2700
10	Lieutenant General	Rs: 93,400.00	10 x 2700
11	General	Rs: 101,500.00	7 x 2700

9. Other Allowances. The following allowances are payable monthly:

- a. Qualification pay.
- b. Free feeding or ration allowance.
- c. Disturbance allowance when order to live in (For married officers only).
- d. Uniform upkeep allowance.

10. The following facilities are available/allowances payable:

- a. Free accommodation when ordered to live in.
- b. A rent ceiling applies when living in rented quarters.
- c. Free uniforms.
- d. Batman allowance to married officers or batman service to unmarried officers.
- e. One return duty warrants per month from the place of work to the home station to those who are ordered to “live in”.

11. Parents or guardians will be required to sign a declaration as shown in paragraph 13 below, which should be forwarded with the application. Parents or guardians of the selected candidates will be required to enter into a bond substantially in the form of a declaration, with the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka before the candidates are appointed. Except in special cases, a cadet officer whose father is not alive the guardianship is vested in his mother or the guardian.

12. Declaration to be signed by the parents or guardians of the applicant:

- a. I am the parent/guardian of ..... who is an applicant for a cadetship in the Sri Lanka Army.
- b. I hereby undertake to be responsible, in the event of the above-named applicant being selected to attend a course of training in Sri Lanka or overseas for the following:
  - (1) All private expenses, which the applicant may incur during the period of his training.
  - (2) To refund the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka for all expenses incurred on his account by the state in the event of the above-named applicant voluntarily terminating his candidature for the commission during training.
  - (3) To refund the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka for all expenses incurred on his account by the state in the event of the above-named applicant is reported by the authorities to be unsuitable (For reasons of misconduct or causes within his control) for the commission during his training period.

***\*Strike out inappropriate words.***

Date .....

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Signature of parent/guardian

Name and Address (Clearly in block capitals) .....  
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Date .....

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Signature of Witness

Name and Address (Clearly in block capitals) .....  
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13. Language Requirements. The selected candidates will be required to comply with any rule already made or may hereafter be made for giving effect to the Language Policy of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka and in particular for implementing the provisions of the Official Language Act, No. 33 of 1956.

14. Proof of Identity. Candidates will be required to produce proof of their identity. Identity cards issued by the Department of Registration of Persons or Postmaster General and Driving licenses issued by the Commissioner of Motor Traffic will be accepted for this purpose.

15. Candidates who are currently employed in the Public Service (Or Provincial Public Service, Government Corporations, or Statutory Boards) must submit their applications through their respective Heads of Departments or Institutions including a certificate stating the candidate can be released if selected.
16. **Applications.** Applications should be submitted in the applicant's handwriting in terms of the forms specified below and should be forwarded to the **Headquarters, Sri Lanka Army Volunteer Force, Army Camp, Seethawaka, Kosgama** so as to reach not later than **12.00 hrs on 30.07.2025** by the registered post. The phrase “**Application for Cadetship in the Volunteer Force**” should be marked at the top left upper corner of the envelope. Applications received at the Army Headquarters after the closing date or those not conforming to the requirements of this notification will be rejected. Printed applications will not be issued from the Headquarters and further information is available on the website, [www.army.lk](http://www.army.lk).
17. Applications should be accompanied by photocopies of:
  - a. Birth certificate.
  - b. Certificates in support of educational qualifications claimed.
  - c. School leaving certificate.
  - d. Certificate issued by Grama Niladhari.
  - e. Police clearance certificate.
  - f. Certificates in support of sports/ extra-curricular activities.
  - g. At least two recent certificates of character from responsible persons (Who are authorized to issue a character certificate) who are personally acquainted with the applicant, one of whom should be the principal of the last school attended by the applicant.
  - h. Other relevant certificates.
  - i. A photocopy of the National Identity Card and a recently obtained photograph (Passport size 2” x 2 1/2”) attested by the Grama Seva Niladhari or an Attorney-at-law.
18. **Conducting Interviews.** Preliminary selections will be made from among those candidates who fulfill the above requirements. The selected candidates are required to undergo tests as may be prescribed by the Commander of the Army. The final selections will be made after an interview of the elected candidates, by a selection board appointed by the Ministry of Defence.
19. The selected candidates for interviews will be informed to personal emails of the candidates of the venue, time, and the date. The interviews will take place in the Headquarters of the **Sri Lanka Army Volunteer Force, Seethawaka, Kosgama**. No traveling or other expenses will be paid in this respect.
20. Anyone who desires to recommend a candidate, provide a testimonial instead of engaging in any form of canvassing or attempting to influence the selection process, as such actions will disqualify the candidate.
21. Applicants who are not qualified for enlistment will not be notified. Inquiries about such disqualification will not be entertained.

**Note:** This Gazette Notification is published in Sinhala, English and Tamil. In the event of any inconsistency between Sinhala, English and Tamil texts of this Gazette Notification, the Sinhala text shall prevail.

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