



Smallholder Agribusiness and Resilience Project (SARP)

Ministry of Agriculture, Livestock, Lands and Irrigation



Vacancies

The Smallholder Agribusiness and Resilience Project (SARP) is co-funded by the International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD) and the Government of Sri Lanka is for a period of 6 years (2021 to 2027). It aims to contribute to reduce poverty among small-scale farmers and increase food security and nutrition in dry zones by building resilience and enabling rural households to access markets in geographies affected by climate change. The project is focused in select hotspots in Vauniya, Mannar, Puttlam, Kurunegala and Mathale districts aligned across the Deduru oya, Mee oya and Malwathu Oya river basins. Total project finance value is USD 82 Mn.

Applications are invited from citizens of Sri Lanka for the post of Deputy Project Director (PS 02), Internal Auditor (PS 04) and Administration Officer (PS 06) for Project Management Unit at Battaramulla.

Deputy Project Director (PS 02) - 01 position at PMU

Qualifications/Experience Required:

Education Qualifications and other Experience

- Bachelor Degree in Business Management or Agriculture field in a recognized University or qualification similar to Degree recognized by UGC or Associate membership / similar professional qualifications in the relevant field in a recognized Professional Body and at least 11 years post qualifying experience at managerial level out of which 05 years should be in the senior Managerial Level.

OR

- Bachelor Degree in Business Management or Agriculture field in a recognized University or equivalent qualification to degree recognized by UGC or Associate Membership/ similar professional qualifications from a recognized Professional Body and Post Graduate Degree or Corporate / Chartered Membership or similar qualifications in a recognized Professional Body with at least 09 years post qualifying experience at managerial level out of which 04 years should be in the senior Managerial post.

OR

- Bachelor Degree in a recognized University in Business Management or Agriculture field or qualification similar to Degree recognized by UGC and a Post Graduate Degree in Business Management or Agriculture field with Corporate/Chartered Membership / similar professional qualifications in a recognized Professional Body with at least 07 years post qualifying experience at managerial level out of which 03 years should be in the senior Managerial post.

Other required Qualifications & Experience

- Senior managerial level experience in Agriculture, Agri-Business, and Irrigation Management for five years would be highly desirable.
- Ability to analyze information, evaluate options, and think and plan strategically.
- Strong strategic leadership, management, and coordination skills.
- Proven experience in financial oversight, procurement, M&E, and working with government and donor-funded projects.
- Experience in building partnerships with the private sector and government agencies.
- Excellent oral and written communication skills in English and working knowledge of Sinhala and/or Tamil.

General Conditions Applicable for the Above-Mentioned Positions

All the Qualifications should be in the relevant field of the post.

Salary Scale: Based on the Management Services Circular 01/2019

Languages

Excellent written and verbal communication skills in English and Sinhala/Tamil is a must with sound knowledge in Microsoft office packages as most of the work need to be done by him/herself (Except Office Assistant). Working knowledge of another official language is desirable.

Age Limit

Any person above 64 years of age shall not be considered for recruitment in projects.

Conditions of Employment

Officers belonging to government services will be recruited on secondment basis and persons outside the government services will be recruited on contract basis. All appointments will be initially for a period of one year and extension of services will be based on successful performance.

Location

Project Management Unit (PMU) in Battaramulla. Frequent travel to project sites is required when necessary.

Other terms

The employee will be member of the Employees' Provident Fund and Employee Trust Fund and contributions would be made to the said schemes by the Employer and Employee in accordance with the relevant Acts.

Method of Selection

Only shortlisted applicants based on the highest qualifications and experience, will be called for an interview and selection will be based on the performance at the interview.

Applications

All Applicants are requested to forward their Curriculum Vitae along with two non-related referees and certified copies of the certificates and experiences under **registered post** to reach the address given below **and email a soft copy of the registered post** application with all the documents to procurementsarp@gmail.com on or before 14th July 2025.

Applicants currently in government/semi government services should forward their applications through their relevant Heads of Departments.

Applied post and name of the project should be clearly stated on the top left-hand corner of the envelope and the subject line of the email.

Any form of canvassing will be resulted as immediate disqualification.

Address

**Project Director,
Smallholder Agribusiness and Resilience Project,
No. 2/2/1, Kandewaththa Road, Pelawaththa, Battaramulla.**