

## Post - Vacant

### DEPARTMENT OF NATIONAL ZOOLOGICAL GARDENS - 2026

#### **Calling Applications for the Posts of Assistant Controller/ Cashier Assistant/ Electrician/ Animal Keeper/ Elephant Keeper at the Department of National Zoological Gardens - 2026**

APPLICATIONS are hereby invited for the following posts at the Department of National Zoological Gardens.

#### 01.

Serial No.	Post	Number of Vacancies	Qualifications for Recruitment	Salary Scale
01.	Assistant Curator (Animal/ Fish/ Reptile/ Garden) (MN - 01)	02	<p><b>Educational Qualifications -</b></p> <p>Shall have passed the General Certificate of Education (Ordinary Level) Examination in six (06) subjects at one sitting with Credit Passes for Sinhala/ Tamil/ English Language/ Mathematics and two other subjects.</p> <p>I. Shall have passed two (02) subjects in the Biological Science Stream (excluding the Common General Test) at the General Certificate of Education (Advanced Level) Examination.</p> <p>II. Shall have passed three (03) subjects in the Biological Science Stream at the General Certificate of Education (Advanced Level) Examination under the old syllabus.</p> <p><b>Professional Qualifications :-</b>            Any professional qualifications obtained relevant to the post will be considered a special qualification.</p>	Rs. 45,230 - 10x540- 11x630 - 10x890 - 10 x 1,190 -Rs. 78,360/-
02.	Cashier Assistant (MN - 01)	02	<p><b>Educational Qualifications -</b></p> <p>Shall have passed the General Certificate of Education (Ordinary Level) Examination in six (06) subjects at one sitting, with Credit Passes for Sinhala/ Tamil/ English Language/ Mathematics and two other subjects.</p> <p>Shall have passed at least one (01) subject (excluding the Common General Test) at the General Certificate of Education (Advanced Level) Examination.</p> <p><b>Professional Qualifications -</b> Not Applicable</p>	Rs. 45,230 -10x540 - 11x630 - 10x890 - 10 x 1,190 -Rs.78,360/-
03.	Electrician (PL - 03)	04	<p><b>Educational Qualifications -</b></p> <p>Shall have passed six (06) subjects with at least two (02) Credit Passes at the General Certificate of Education (Ordinary Level) Examination in not more than two sittings.</p>	Rs. 42,780 - 10x490 - 10x540 - 10x590 - 12x630 - Rs. 66,540/-

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			<p><b>Professional Qualifications -</b></p> <p>Electrician - Shall have obtained certificates relevant to the National Vocational Qualification (NVQ) Level 4 in relation to the electrical industry.</p>	
04.	Animal Keeper (PL - 02)	10	<p><b>Educational Qualifications -</b></p> <p>Shall have passed six (06) subjects with at least two (02) Credit Passes at the General Certificate of Education (Ordinary Level) Examination in not more than two sittings.</p> <p><b>Professional Qualifications -</b></p> <p>Shall have possessed at least the National Vocational Qualification (NVQ) Level 2 competence as determined by the Tertiary and Vocational Education Commission for the relevant post.</p>	Rs. 41,800 - 10x490 - 10x540 - 10x590 - 12x630 - 65,560/-
05.	Elephant Keeper (PL - 02)	02	<p><b>Educational Qualifications -</b></p> <p>Shall have passed Grade 8</p> <p><b>Professional Qualifications -</b></p> <p>Knowledge of taking care of elephants and the ability to administer traditional medicine to elephants</p>	Rs. 41,800 - 10x490 - 10x540 - 10x590 - 12x630 - 65,560/-

**02. Method of recruitment :**

Experience

- i. Assistant Controller/ Cashier Assistant/ Electrician/ Animal Keeper/ Elephant Keeper.
- Three (03) years of experience in the field relevant to the post applied for.

**03. Physical Fitness :-** Every applicant should have adequate physical fitness and mental soundness to serve in any part of Sri Lanka.

**04. Other Qualifications :-**

- i. Must be a citizen of Sri Lanka.
- ii. Applicants must possess an excellent character.

**05. Age :-**

Assistant Controller/ Cashier Assistant : Not less than 18 years and not more than 30 years as at 27.02.2026 which is the closing date of application.

Electrician/ Animal Keeper/ Elephant Keeper: Not less than 18 years and not more than 45 years as at 27.02.2026 which is the closing date of applications.

**06. Method of recruitment :-**

Assistant Controller / Cashier Assistant - Through a written examination and a general interview.

Electrician - Through a professional and structured interview.

Animal Keeper / Elephant Keeper - Through a practical and a structured Interview.

07. Scheme of Examination and Medium of Examination  
 - The examination will be conducted strictly in the Sinhala and Tamil media.

**Note** - An applicant must answer all question papers they sit for in the examination in the same language. No applicant will be allowed to change the medium of the examination indicated in their application.

08. Identity of Candidates :

One of the following documents must be submitted to the Board of Interview on the day of the interview to prove the identity of the candidates.

- I. National Identity Card issued by the Department for Registration of Persons
- II. Valid Passport

Further, applicants are bound to submit the following documents whenever requested during the interview.

- I. Birth Certificate.
- II. National Identity Card.
- III. Educational Certificates and leaving certificate.
- IV. Certificates relevant to the experience.
- V. Two character certificates (Certificate issued by Grama Niladhari and Police report).

**N.B. :-**

- (a) Candidates should refrain from attaching any documents or copies of the application to the application form.
- (b) Applications of candidates, who fail to submit the certificates relevant to the educational and professional Qualifications when requested, will not be considered.

09. Manner in which applications should be submitted

- i. Applications should be submitted by registered post to the address "Director General, Department of National Zoological Gardens, Dehiwala" to be received on or before 27.02.2026 Applications received after the said date will be rejected.

- ii. Specimen application form is attached at the end of this notification.
- iii. The "relevant post" must be indicated in the upper left-hand corner of the envelope containing the application.
- iv. The signature of the candidate in the application form should have been attested by a Principal of a Government School/ Commissioner of Oaths/ Notary Public/ Attorney-at-Law/ Commissioned Officer in the Armed Forces or Staff Officer holding a permanent post in public service or provincial public service who received a monthly consolidated salary of Rs. 71, 240/-.
- v. Applications that do not conform to the specimen application form will be rejected without notice. Complaints on lost or delayed applications will not be accepted.
- 10. All required qualifications for recruitment shall have been satisfied in each and every aspect as at the date specified in the notification on calling applications.
- 11. **Furnished false information** - If it is revealed that a candidate does not possess the above qualifications, his/her candidature is liable to be cancelled at any stage prior to, during or after the examination. If it is revealed that a candidate has purposely furnished false particulars, his/ her candidature is liable to be cancelled.
- 12. In the event of any inconsistency between the Sinhala, Tamil and English text of this notice, the Sinhala text shall prevail.

*N.B.* - The relevant interviews and examinations will be held only in the Colombo District as per the order of the Director General.

On the order of the Committee of Officers appointed by the Cabinet of Ministers to review the recruitment process in the Public Service.

Director General.  
 Department of National  
 Zoological Gardens.

08<sup>th</sup> of January, 2026.  
 Dehiwala.