

## FINANCE COMMISSION

### **Open Competitive Examination for Recruitment of Technical Officer III in the Sri Lanka Technical Service of the Finance Commission - 2025**

APPLICATIONS are invited from qualified Sri Lankan citizens for the Open Competitive Examination for recruitment to the above-mentioned post in the Finance Commission. This examination will be conducted by the Commissioner General of Examinations in the Month of May 2026 in Colombo District. The Secretary of the Finance Commission has the authority to postpone or cancel this examination.

- ❖ The application has been published on the website of the Department of Examinations, Sri Lanka, at [www.donets.lk](http://www.donets.lk) under "Our Services" —> "Online Applications - Recruitment Exams/ E.B Exams", and applications can be submitted only through the online method. The online submission of applications will be open from 9.00 a.m. on 12<sup>th</sup> January, 2026 and will close at 9.00 p.m. on 06<sup>th</sup> of February, 2026.
- ❖ Officials currently serving in the Public/ Provincial Public Service must submit a copy of their application to the Head of their Institution for inclusion in their personal file, and when called for the interview, they

must produce a certified copy of the application and a service letter from the Head of the Institution.

- ❖ Any adverse consequences arising from the delay in submitting the application forms until the last date must be accepted by the applicant.

## 1.0 Qualifications for recruitment

All qualifications required for recruitment to the post must be fully completed by the applicants on or before the closing date for receiving applications specified in this notice.

### 1.1 General Qualifications

- 1.1.1 Must be a citizen of Sri Lanka.
- 1.1.2. Must possess an excellent character.
- 1.1.3. Any person holding a priesthood in any religion/ religious sect will not be eligible to sit this examination.
- 1.1.4. An applicant shall be accepted as having the necessary qualifications to sit for the competitive examination for recruitment to the service only if all the required qualifications and the prescribed age limit have been fully satisfied as of the date specified in the notice calling for applications.

### 1.2 Physical Qualifications

Applicants must possess adequate physical and mental fitness to serve in any part of Sri Lanka and to perform the duties of the post.

### 1.3 Age limit

On the closing date for receiving applications, the age of the applicant must not be less than 18 years and not more than 30 years.

### 1.4 Educational and Professional Qualifications

#### 1.4.1 Technical Officer - Grade III (Open) of the Sri Lanka Technical Service

##### 1.4.1.1. Educational Qualifications

- Having passed, at one and the same sitting, three (03) subjects either from the Mathematics

stream of the G.C.E. (Advanced Level) Examination, including Pure Mathematics/ Applied Mathematics/ Combined Mathematics and Physics, or from the Technology stream, including Engineering Technology and Science for Technology.

And

- Having passed the G.C.E. (Ordinary Level) Examination at one and the same sitting in six (06) subjects with credit passes in Sinhala/ Tamil/ English language, Science, Mathematics, and one other subject.

#### 1.4.1.2 Professional Qualifications

In addition to the educational qualifications mentioned above, applicants must possess at least one of the following professional qualifications.

- National Technical Diploma (Civil) awarded by the University of Moratuwa or the Ampara Hardy Institute.

Or

- National Diploma in Engineering Science (Civil) awarded by the National Apprentice and Industrial Training Authority.

Or

- National Higher Engineering Course (Civil) awarded by the Ministry of Education and Higher Education.

Or

- Technical Diploma (Civil) awarded by the Open University of Sri Lanka.

Or

- Successful completion of Part I of the Engineering Examination (Civil) conducted by the Institution of Engineers, Sri Lanka.

Science, Mathematics, and one other subject.

Or

- Possession of National Vocational Qualification (NVQ) Level 06 relevant to the employment field (in the Civil sector)

Or

- Having obtained other technical qualifications (from the civil sector) recognized by the Tertiary and Vocational Education Commission as equivalent in all respects to the above technical qualifications, after consulting and obtaining opinions from the Ministry of Higher Education and the Institution issuing the above technical certificates.

#### 1.4.2.2. Professional Qualifications

- Having Successfully completed the National Technology Certificate Course (Civil Engineering) at a technical college recognized by the Tertiary and Vocational Education Commission and obtained the National Technology Certificate.

Or

- Successfully completed the National Certificate Course for Technicians (Civil) from a technical college recognized by the Tertiary and Vocational Education Commission and obtained the relevant certificate.

#### 1.4.2. Training Grade (One-year training period)

##### 1.4.2.1. Educational Qualifications

- Passing in three (03) subjects including Pure Mathematics/ Applied Mathematics/ Combined Mathematics and Physics from the Mathematics stream or Engineering Technology and Science from the Technology stream in the General Certificate of Education (Advanced Level) Examination.

And

- Having passed the General Certificate of Education (Ordinary Level) Examination in six (06) subjects at once with Credit passes in Sinhala/ Tamil/ English Language,

## 2.0 Recruitment Method

- 2.1 In the open recruitment to the Technical Officer Grade III and Training Grade of the Sri Lanka Technical Service, recruitment to Grade III is made first, and only when there is no applicant eligible for recruitment to Grade III, an applicant who meets the relevant qualifications for the Training Grade is recruited for the vacant position.
- 2.2 Recruitment will be based on the results of a written competitive examination. A suitable candidate will be selected for the vacant post of Technical Officer (01) after a standardized interview conducted solely to test the qualifications of the candidates who pass the written examination in order of merit based on the total marks scored.
- 2.3 The written examination will be conducted in Sinhala, Tamil and English mediums and all questions must be answered in one language only.

#### 2.4. Written Examination

| <i>Subjects</i>                | <i>Marks</i> | <i>Maximum Marks</i> | <i>Pass Marks</i> |
|--------------------------------|--------------|----------------------|-------------------|
| Intelligence Test              | 01 hour      | 100                  | 40%               |
| Subject-related technical test | 03 hours     | 100                  | 40%               |

#### 2.5 Written examination syllabus

| <i>Name of the Question Paper</i> | <i>Syllabus</i>  |
|-----------------------------------|--|
| Intelligence Test                 | The paper will consists of questions to assess the applicant's logical reasoning, analytical thinking and decision-making ability  |
| Subject-related technical test    | The paper will consist s of questions to assess the capabilities that the applicant should acquire in with regard to principles of building construction, ability to prepare and read plans for construction works, ability to prepare estimates, water supply, drainage mechanisms and waste disposal procedures. |

- 2.6 Candidates who score 40% or more in each of the above papers will be selected, and a priority list for the general interview will be prepared based on the sum of their scores.
- 2.7 The applicant shall bring the geometrical equipment and other accessories required for answering the above Technology paper to the examination hall.
- 2.8 The General Interview Board will be appointed by the Secretary of the Finance Commission and marks will not be given for this interview, and it will be conducted only for the purpose of verifying the qualifications.
- 2.9 After receiving the approval of the Secretary of the Finance Commission, the Commissioner General of Examinations will take steps to notify

the results to all candidates who participated in the examination.

#### 3.0 Recruitment to Grade III at the end of the training period.

3.1 Applicant who have been enrolled to the Training Grade, will be recruited to Technical Officer Grade III of Sri Lanka Technological Service, after they have successfully completed the training period and submitted the certificate issued by Secretary of the Finance Commission.

3.2 The applicant who fail to complete the examination held at the end of the training period shall have the opportunity to extend their training period for a period not more than 06 months. The service of candidates who fail the repeat examination held at the end of the extended period will be terminated.

#### 4.0 Monthly salary scale or allowance

4.1 The monthly salary scale for the post of Technical Officer Grade III as per Schedule II of Public Administration Circular No. 10/2025 dated 25.03.2025.

Rs. 52,250-800x10-1119x11-1320x10-1350x10-  
Rs. 100,040/- (MN-3 2025).

The holder of this post will also be entitled to other allowances paid by the government from time to time.

4.2 In terms of Schedule VI of the above-mentioned Public Administration Circular No. 10/2025, Applicants recruited to the Training Grade will be paid a monthly allowance during the training period.

#### 5.0 Conditions of Employment

5.1 The selected candidates will be appointed to this post subject to the general conditions governing the appointment of public service, Procedural Rules of the Public Service Commission, provisions of the Establishments Code, Financial Regulations, provisions of the recruitment procedure for Supervisor Management Assistant-Technical Service Category as approve by the Public Service Commission, and the amendments made thereto and will be made from time to time.

5.2 The post of Technical Officer Grade III of Sri Lanka Technological Service is permanent and pensionable (subject to future policy decisions taken by the government regarding the pension scheme). The appointee shall make contributions to the Widows and Orphans Pension Scheme/ Widowers and Orphans Pension Scheme and pay the contributions for the scheme as may be prescribed by the government from time to time.

5.3 The appointment of Technical Officer Grade III of Sri Lanka Technological Service is subject to a probationary period of three (03) years, and the appointee, in terms of the Public Administration Circular No. 18/2020 dated 16.10.2020 and the Circulars incidental thereto, shall obtain official language proficiency before passing the three (03) years of being appointed to the post. The appointee shall pass the first efficiency bar examination before passing the three (03) years of being appointed to the post.

5.4 A Technical Officer in Grade III of the Sri Lanka Technological Service shall perform the maintenance and supervision of the office of the Finance Commission building and its electrical system, air conditioning systems, sewerage system, elevators, water supply system, fire extinguishing system, and power generator, as well as the supervision and maintenance of the building premises, drainage system, and wastewater disposal, together with any other duties relevant to the post that may be assigned from time to time.

#### 6.0 Method of Application

6.1 The Online Examination Application should strictly be filled in English language. Once the Examination Department receives application submitted online, the applicant will be notified *via* text message (SMS) to the mobile phone number used to access the system, or *via* e-mail, whether the application was accepted/ not accepted by the Department of Examination as a valid application. Before completing the online application, download the instructions sheet prepared for this purpose. Instructions therein should be strictly followed. No Alteration done after taking print-out the application will be considered as a valid modification. Incomplete applications will be rejected without any notice.

6.2 It is mandatory to clearly indicate using the mark (II) in the relevant place whether the

applicant expects to apply for the Technical Officer Grade III or Training Grade of the Sri Lanka Technological Service.

6.3 The applicant must get the signature attested on the admission card and shall present the duly attested admission card to the supervisor on the day of the examination. Applicant without a signature-attested admission card will not be allowed to sit the examination.

6.4 All applicants who have paid the prescribed examination fees and forward duly completed applications on or before the closing date of application will be issued the admission card only *via* online method by the Commissioner General of Examinations on the presumption that only those who possess such qualifications as indicated in the *gazette* notification have applied. Once the admission cards are issued, it will be published through a web notice/ the applicants will be notified through a text message (SMS) by the Department of Examination. An applicant, who has not received the admission card, should inquire thereof from the Institutional Examinations Organization Branch of the Department of Examinations, Sri Lanka, as specified in the notice. In making such an inquiry, it will be more effective to submit a letter of request stating the name of the examination that the applicant applied for, the Full Name of the applicant, National Identity Card Number, and the Address to the e-mail address indicated in this notice. When inquiring so, it will be advantageous to keep a copy of the application and a copy of the receipt for payment of examination fee in applicant's possession in order to prove any information requested by the Department of Examination. After reviewing the Admission card, if there are any corrections, the Examinations Department should be contacted without delay and appropriate corrections should be made as per the application form. Requests for corrections in the examination hall/ during the interview will not be entertained.

6.5 The issuance of an admission card to applicant should not be considered as an acceptance that he or she has fulfilled the required qualifications to sit the examination or for the post.

6.6 All applicants shall be bound to act in accordance with the general examination rules and regulations specified in this *Gazette*.

## 7.0 Examination Fee

- ❖ Examination fee is Rs. 600/- Payments should be made only under the following methods of payments provided by the online system.

- (i) Through a Credit Card from any bank
- (ii) Through the facility of Internet Transactions of any Bank Debit Card
- (iii) Through the Online Banking Method of Bank of Ceylon
- (iv) Through Any Branch of the Bank of Ceylon

Note :

- 7.1 The instructions on how make payments through the above methods have been published under the technical instructions relevant to the examination on the website.
- 7.2 Receipt of payments will be notified *via* a text message (SMS) or e-mail. The full amount of the examination fee should be paid, and the applications with lesser or higher amount fees will be rejected. The Department of Examinations, Sri Lanka, will not be responsible for any error that occurs in making payment of examination fee through the above-mentioned paying methods.
- 7.3 The amount paid for the examination will not be refunded or transferred to any other examination under any circumstances.

## 8.0 Identity of the candidates

- 8.1 The Candidates shall prove their identity to the satisfaction of the supervisor for all the subjects they appear for at the examination in the examination hall. The following documents will be valid only for that purpose.

- I. National Identity Card
- II. A valid Passport
- III. A valid Driving License

Furthermore, the candidate should enter the examination hall, that their identity can be verified, without covering their face and ears and also not wearing any electronic communication devices. The candidates, who refuse to confirm their identity in such a manner, will not be allowed

to enter in to the examination hall. Further, the candidates shall remain without covering their faces and ears from the time they enter in the examination hall until they leave the hall at the end of the examination.

## 9.0. Penalties for providing false information

- 9.1 If it is revealed that a candidate does not possess the required qualifications, his/her candidature will be annulled at any stage before, during, or after the examination. If it is revealed that a candidate has submitted any false information with his/her knowledge, or if he/she has willfully suppressed any important information, he/she will be dismissed from government service.

## 10.0 General Matters

- 10.1 The candidates shall be subjected to the rules and regulations imposed by the Commissioner General of Examinations for the purpose of conducting the examination and issuing the results. If any candidate violates those rules and regulations, he or she will be liable to be subject to punishment imposed by the Commissioner General of Examinations. The decision of the Commissioner General of Examinations regarding examination results is final.
- 10.2 If there is any matter not provided for in this notification, such matter and anything with regard to filling these vacancies will be determined by the Public Service Commission and Secretary of the Finance Commission.
- 10.3 In case of any inconsistency among the text of Sinhala, Tamil, and English languages published in this notification, the Sinhala text notification shall be treated as the correct one, and action will be taken accordingly.

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