



**National Aquatic Resources Research and Development Agency
(NARA)
Vacancies**



The National Aquatic Resources Research and Development Agency (NARA), functioning under the Ministry of Fisheries, Aquatic and Ocean Resources, is the principal national institute responsible for carrying out research and development activities related to aquatic resources in Sri Lanka.

NARA makes a significant contribution to the conservation, sustainable utilization, and management of aquatic resources by providing scientific research, technological development, and consultation services related to marine, coastal, and inland aquatic resources. Further, NARA also contributes greatly to the development of the fisheries and aquatic resources sector as well as to the national economic growth.

NARA invites applications from suitably qualified and experienced individuals for the following vacant positions.

Serial No	Position	Service Category	Number of Vacancies
01	Principal Scientist (Oceanography)	HM 1-3	01
02	Principal Scientist (Post-Harvest Technology)	HM 1-3	01
03	Principal Scientist (Fish Processing)	HM 1-3	01
04	Senior Scientist (Inland Aquatic Resources and Aquaculture Division)	AR-2	01
05	Senior Scientist (Oceanography Division)	AR-2	01
06	Senior Scientist (Post-Harvest Technology Division)	AR-2	01
07	Internal Auditor	MM 1-2	01
08	Assistant Director (Administration)	MM 1-2	01
09	Data Analyst	MM 1-2	01
10	Scientist (Inland Aquatic Resources and Aquaculture Division)	AR-1	02
11	Scientist (Socioeconomic and Marketing Division)	AR-1	01
12	Scientist (Marine Biological Resources Division)	AR-1	02
13	Scientist (Fishing Technology Division)	AR - 1	01
14	Scientist (Environmental Studies Division)	AR-1	02
15	Assistant Information Technology Officer	JM 1-2	01
16	Internal Audit Officer	JM 1-2	01

17	Assistant Project Monitoring Officer	JM 1-2	01
18	Technical Officer (Civil)	JM 1-2	01
19	Diving Officer	JM 1-2	01
20	Landscaping Officer	JM 1-2	01
21	Technical Assistant (Electrical)	MA 2-2	01
22	Research Assistant	MA 2-2	10
23	Field Research Assistant	MA 2-2	04
24	Engine Room Artificer	MA 2-2	01
25	Diver	MA 2-2	01
26	Management Assistant (Non-technical)	MA1-2	03
27	Electrician	PL -3	01
28	Boat Operator	PL -3	01
29	Motor Mechanic	PL -3	01
30	Laboratory Assistant	PL -2	04

Details of the required qualifications and other relevant information for the above positions are available on the official website of the National Aquatic Resources Research and Development Agency (www.nara.ac.lk).

Applications must be submitted through the **online application portal**. Applicants are required to visit the ‘Vacancies’ section of the www.nara.ac.lk website in order to submit applications.

A copy of the application completed via online must be downloaded and the hard copy must be duly signed by the applicant. The application along with copies of certificates verifying the basic educational and professional qualifications, as well as a copy of the Birth Certificate, should be sent by registered post to reach the **Director General, National Aquatic Resources Research and Development Agency, Crow Island, Mattakkuliya, Colombo 15** on or before **06th April 2026**. The post applied for should be clearly indicated on the top left-hand corner of the envelope.

Applicants will be shortlisted based on their highest educational qualifications and experience, and will be called for an open competitive examination and/or a structured interview conducted by a panel appointed by the Governing Board of NARA. Candidates are selected for positions based on their skills demonstrated in the interview. If the Governing Board of NARA decides that a competitive examination is required for the purpose of recruitment, you will be required to pay the prescribed examination fee.

Applicants from Government Statutory Boards, Corporations, or Departments must submit the downloaded copies of their applications through the Heads of their respective institutions. Applications that are not forwarded through the Heads of Institutions, received after the closing date, incomplete, unclear, or not fulfilling any other required conditions will be rejected without prior notice

In the event of any inconsistency or discrepancy among the Sinhala, Tamil, and English texts of this advertisement, the Sinhala text shall prevail.

In respect of any matter not specifically referred to in this notice or in the event of any issues arising during the recruitment process, the decision taken by the Governing Board of the National Aquatic Resources Research and Development Agency (NARA), being the Appointing Authority, shall be final.

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