

VACANCY FOR IMMEDIATE RECRUITMENT



Uva Wellassa
University

Research Assistant (Leading to an MPhil Degree)
Sri Lanka Council for Agricultural Research Policy (SLCARP) / National Agricultural
Research Plan (NARP)

Project Title : Enhancing Agricultural Productivity and Livelihoods: A Comprehensive Study on Integrating Farm Field and Business School Approaches within the 4Ps Extension Model Operating in Tea Smallholder Communities of Ratnapura and Badulla Districts

Applications are invited from suitably qualified graduates for the position of **Research Assistant (RA)** under the above SLCARP/NARP-funded research project. The selected candidate will have the opportunity to register for a Master of Philosophy (MPhil) degree while working on the project.

The appointment is for 36 months, and a monthly stipend will be provided according to the approved SLCARP rates. Please note that MPhil registration fees and any other additional expenses will not be covered by the project.

General Conditions

- Applicants should be **35 years of age or below** as of the closing date of applications.

Educational Qualifications

- A four-year Bachelor's degree with First Class Honours or Second Class Upper Division or BSc degree with a Second Class Lower Division from a recognized University

Specific Requirements

The position is primarily field-based and requires travel within the Ratnapura and Badulla Districts. The successful candidate is expected to:

- Conduct field surveys and collect research data.
- Assist in organising training programmes, workshops, and stakeholder meetings.
- Support data entry, data analysis, and report preparation.
- Prepare project documentation and progress reports.
- Work closely with the research team and project stakeholders.

The ideal candidate should be self-motivated, hardworking, willing to travel, and capable of working independently and as part of a team.

Research Location : Research activities will mainly be conducted in the **Ratnapura and Badulla Districts**.

Monthly Stipend

Educational Qualification	Before MPhil Registration (Rs./month)	After MPhil Registration (Rs./month)
Bachelor's Degree with First Class or Second Class Upper Division	50,000	60,000
Bachelor's Degree with Second Class Lower Division or Pass Degree (without a class)	40,000	50,000

Application Procedure

Interested candidates should submit a self-prepared application together with copies of relevant educational certificates and supporting documents.

Applications should be emailed on or before **10 August 2026**. (Email Subject: **Research Assistant/SLCARP/NARP/NUS/2026/04**)

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