Ministry of Agriculture, Lands, Irrigation, Animal Production & Health and Agrarian Development (Western Province)

DEPARTMENT OF ANIMAL PRODUCTION & HEALTH (WESTERN PROVINCE)

Animal Husbandry Training Centre, Kotadeniyawa

Recruitment of Apprentices for the Training Course of Dairy Farm Assistant (NVQ 4) - 2025

The Animal Husbandry Training Centre, Kotadeniyawa is a Provincial State Institution engaged in training and extension activities for Animal Husbandry and related fields administered under Western Provincial Department of Animal Production & Health. This institute has obtained registration under the Tertiary and Vocational Education Commission and has accreditation for National Vocational Qualification Level 04 for above training course. Applications are invited from qualified unmarried Sri Lankan candidates for the one-year full time Dairy Farming Assistant training course conducted by this institute.

01. Recruitment of Apprentices

Minimum qualifications

- The applicant should have studied upto G.C.E. (O.L) examination or have completed an NVQ Level 3 course in Agriculture or Animal Husbandry.
- II. The applicant should be above 16 years of age and below 45 years of age as on the closing date for applications and must be in good mental and physical health.

02. Method of Recruitment for Training

- 20 resident and 20 non-resident students will be recruited. In case of the number of applicants exceed the number of that could be admitted, those with minimum qualifications should face an interview.
- ii. Applicants who obtain highest marks will be recruited for the course.

03. How to forward applications:

- The relevant application forms could be downloaded from the website of the Department of Animal Production & Health (www.daph.wp.gov.lk)
- Application forms should be perfected in English language and duly completed forms should be sent by registered post to reach Office of the Provincial Director, Department of Animal Production and Health (Western Province), Welisara, Ragama.
- iii. Other details regarding this recruitment could be obtained from Telephone Number 0332272214.
- iv. Closing date of receiving applications will be 30th September 2025.

04. Specific Conditions:

- i. The training course will be conducted in Sinhala medium
- ii. All expenses for the studies of the course will be borne by the Western Provincial Council and hostel facilities too will be provided by the training institute. Nevertheless, food, physical and other personal expenses during the training period should be borne by the trainees themselves.
- iii. Selected trainees should enter into an agreement to the effect that they will adhere to the discipline and code of ethics during the training period and successfully complete the training session.
- iv. If a trainee withdraws from the training before the end of the term, he or she is bound to repay the cost borne by the Western Provincial Council and should enter into a security bond to the effect.
- v. A NVQ Level 04 certificate will be issued for those apprentices who pass the written and practical tests at the end of the training period and the department or the training institute is not bound to provide jobs relevant to the training.
- vi. Applicants should have not been registered for any other course.
- Completion of this training course is a qualification to follow the Higher National Diploma in Livestock Production Technology at NVQ-05/06 level.

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