MINISTRY OF PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION PROVINCIAL COUNCILS AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Open Competitive Examination for Recruitment to Class 3 Grade III of Sri Lanka Information and Communication Technology Service - 2025

- 1.0 APPLICATIONS are hereby called from qualified citizens of Sri Lanka for the Open competitive examination for recruitment to the posts in Grade III of Class 3 of Sri Lanka Information and Communication Technology Service. The relevant application is published on the website of the Department of Examinations of Sri Lanka www.doenets.lk and the applications can only be submitted online. Receipt of online applications will be open from 21st October 2025 at 9.00 a.m. and will close on 21st November 2025 at 9.00 p.m. This examination will be held in 2026 February.
- 2.0 Applicants, who satisfy the prescribed qualifications, shall be selected on merit for appointment to the posts in Grade III of Class 3 of Sri Lanka Information and Communication Technology Service on the results of a written examination to be conducted by the Commissioner General of Examinations.
- 3.0 Number of vacancies expected to be filled is 555. Effective date of appointments shall be determined by the Director General of Combined Services. Further, the Director General of Combined Services reserves the right to refrain from filling any or all of the vacancies.
- 4.0 Three percent (3%) of the number of vacancies expected to fill will be reserved for persons with disabilities. 40% of marks should be secured for each paper of the examination to be qualified for this appointment. The marks of the selected candidates should be at least 50% out of the aggregate of marks. Public Administration Circular No: 27/88 is applicable for recruitment of persons with disabilities.
- 5.0 Salary scale:- In terms of Schedule II of the Public Administration Circular No. 10/2025 dated 25.03.2025, the monthly salary scale applicable to this post is Rs. 50,090 10x540 11x630 10x1,010 10x1,190 Rs. 84,420/= (MT-01-2025). You shall be entitled to this salary with effect from 01.01.2027. Until such time, you will be paid salary as per the provisions of Schedule II of this circular.
- 6.0 This post is permanent. The Officers, who are selected from this examination for the posts in Grade III of

- Class 3 of Sri Lanka Information and Communication Technology Service are subjected to the policy decisions taken by the Government with regard to the pension scheme to which they are entitled, in future.
- 7.0 Proficiency in the official language prescribed for the relevant post should be acquired as per the provisions in Public Administration Circular No. 18/2020 and the consequent circulars.
- 8.0 Officers who are appointed to this post should pass the first Efficiency Bar examination within three (03) years.
- 9.0 Qualifications :- Following qualifications are applicable for recruitment to Grade III Class 3 of Sri Lanka Information and Communication Technology Service
 - (a) Should be a citizen of Sri Lanka.
 - (b) Should be not less than 18 years and not more than 35 years of age on the closing date of applications. (Accordingly, only the persons whose birthdays fall on or before 21.11.2007 and on or after 21.11.1990 are qualified to apply for this examination.)
 - (c) Should be of good character and sound physical health.
 - (d) Should be bound to serve in any part of the island
 - (e) Educational qualifications.
 - Shall have passed six (06) subjects with five (05) credit passes including Language, Mathematics and English Language at the G.C.E. (Ordinary Level) examination <u>at not</u> <u>more than two sittings</u>.
 - (f) Professional Qualifications
 - (a) Shall have followed and completed a Diploma/Higher Diploma or any other course at higher level relevant to Computer Science/Information Technology/ Information and Communication Technology from a University recognized by the University Grants Commission or an institution recognized by the University Grants Commission as a degree awarding institute.

(b) Shall have followed and completed a Diploma or higher course or a course of which the duration is not less than 1500 hours in the field of Computer Science/ Information Technology/ Information and Communication Technology which is recognized by the University Grants Commission.

or

- (c) Shall have completed and obtained following qualifications from an institution recognized by and registered in the Tertiary and Vocational Education Commission or a statutory institution, which has been established by an Act passed by the Parliament.
 - National Vocational Qualification (NVQ) five (05) or higher NVQ certificate in the field of Computer/ Information Technology/ Information and Communication Technology.

or

(2) A course in the—field of Computer/ Information Technology/ Information and Communication Technology of which the duration is not less than 1500 hours.

It is compulsory for every applicant to satisfy all the qualifications relevant to the post on or before the closing date 21st of November 2025 of applications.

10.0 Scheme of the examination :-

- 10.1 The examination shall consist of two papers. This examination shall be held in Sinhala, Tamil and English medium. Candidates shall not be allowed to change the language medium applied once it is selected.
- 10.2 Subjects and the marks allocated for each subject are mentioned below:

		Marks	Duration (Hour/s)
	Information and Communication Technology	100	2
	Aptitude Test	100	1
	Total marks	200	

Information and Communication Technology:

The paper shall consists of structured and multiple choice questions to measure the general knowledge of the candidate on Information and Communication Technology, knowledge on operational systems/software/hardware, web and other system analysis, design, testing, implementation and maintenance, knowledge on creating and maintaining database, knowledge on network management, knowledge on fields such as internet and e-mail. All the questions should be answered.

Aptitude test:

This paper consists of questions to test statistical ability and logical reasoning of the candidate. It consists of 50 multiple choice questions and questions for short answers and all the questions should be answered.

Note :- These question papers shall be designed to test the eligibility and ability of the candidate for the duties of the service. Although this is a competitive examination, candidates should secure at least forty percent (40%) of the marks allocated for each subject and an aggregate of at least fifty percent (50%) of the total marks of the examination. Appointments shall strictly be made on the order of the marks scored, depending on the number of vacancies set apart to be filled on the results of the competitive examination.

11.0 Penalty for furnishing false information-

The candidate should be very careful to include the correct particulars in the application. If it is found that any candidate is not eligible according to the rules and regulations of this examination, his/her candidature can be cancelled at any time before, during or after the examination. Further, if it is found that any information furnished by a candidate is false he/she is liable to dismissal at any time from the public service.

12.0 Conditions of the Examination:-

- I. Officers, who are currently serving in the Public Service /Provincial Public Service, should submit a copy of the application to the Head of the Institution for inclusion in the personal file. They must present a copy of the application certified by the Head of the Institution and a letter confirming their service, when they are called for the interview.
- II. If candidates with special needs are appearing for this examination, it is compulsory to mention it in the application and they must submit

copies of the relevant medical certificates to the Commissioner General of Examinations, Institutional Examinations Organization Branch, Department of Examinations, P.O. Box 1503, Colombo along with a printed copy of their application.

- III. The examination will be held in the language medium of Sinhala, Tamil and English. Candidates shall sit for the examination in a language of their preference. A candidate should sit for all the papers of the examination in one and the same language A candidate shall not be permitted to change the language medium of the examination, indicated in the application. Every candidate shall appear for all two question papers.
- IV. Online Examination Application should attictly be filled in English. Once the Department of Examinations receives the sofl copy of the application submitted by the applicant online, the candidates will be notified wa SMS to the mobile phone number used to access the system or via email whether the application was accepted/ nat accepted by the Department as a valid application. Before completing the online application you should download the common instructions sheet and the instruction should be strictly followed. Any alteration done after taking the print out of the application will not be considered as a valid modification. Incomplete applications shall be rejected without any notice. The candidate should bear any unfavourable consequence caused by delaying the submission of application until the closing date.
- V. Examination fee is Rs. 1,200/-. Payments should be made only via following methods of payments provided by the online system.
 - i. Any Bank Credit Cards,
 - Debit Cards with online payments facilities,
 - Bank of Ceylon Online Banking Method.
 - iv. Bank of Ceylon Teller Slip Payment.

Note: Instructions on making payment through above methods are published under technical instructions relevant to the examination on the web site.

- VI. Receipt of payment will be notified via an SMS or email. The total of the examination fees should be paid and the applications with payment of lesser or higher amounts shall be rejected. Department of Examination shall not be responsible for any error occurs during the payment of examination fees via above methods of payments.
- VII. Under no circumstances the examination fee will be refunded or transferred to pay any other examination fee.
- VIII. The signature of the applicant placed on the admission card should be attested. An applicant of public service/provincial public service/ public corporation should get his/her signature attested by the Head of the Institution or any officer authorized by him. Other applicants should get their signamre attested by a School Principal/ Retited Officer, Grama Niladhari of the Division, Justice of Peace, Commissioner of Oatis, Attorney at Law, Notary Public, a commissioned officer in three armed forces, a permanent staff officer in the public or provincial public service or higher or a chief incumbent of a Buddhist temple or clergy of any other religion who holds a considerable position.
- Note: Entrance to the examination hall shall not be permitted without an admission card. Every applicant should furnish the admission card in which his/ her signature has been attested to the supervisor of the examination on the first day on which he/ she sits for the examination. Issuance of an admission card to an applicant does not necessarily mean that he/she has fulfilled the qualifications to sit for the examination and to hold the post
 - IX. Commissioner General of Examinations will issue admissions to applicants who are within the age limit mentioned in the notification and have paid relevant examination fee and submitted the perfected application online on or before the closing date of applications, on the assumption that only those who have satisfied qualifications mentioned in the Gazette have

applied. A notification will be published on the official website of the Department of Examinations as soon as the admission cards are issued to candidates. If the admission card is not received, steps should be taken to notify the Department of Examinations, Institutional Examination Organization Branch in the manner specified in the advertisement. When such inquiry is made, the candidate should clearly mention the name of the examination, full name of the applicant, National Identity Card number and address. It will be more effective to send a letter of request including the said details to the email address mentioned in the said advertisement. Further, it would be advisable to keep the copy of the application kept in your possession and the copy of the receipt relevant to payment of examination fee to prove any information requested by the Department of Examinations. If the candidate observes any revisions to be made in the admission card, he/ she should request the Department of Examinations, Sri Lanka to make the relevant revisions in accordance with the application in advance. The requests made for revisions at the examination hall will not be considered.

The town and number of the town in which the applicant wishes to sit for the examination as per Schedule 1 shall be indicated as first and second choice on the order of preference. Candidates are not allowed to change the town in which they apply to sit for the examination. At the instances where the number of candidates apply for a certain town, is not sufficient to maintain an examination center, they shall be directed to the town which they have indicated as second preference. If there is no sufficient number of candidates even at the second center, the candidates shall be directed to an adjoining city. However, the Commissioner General of Examination shall take action to conduct the examination only in Colombo if it is found that there is no sufficient number of applicants at all or most of examination centers. Commissioner General of Examinations shall reserve the right to postpone or to cancel the Examination.

- XI. All candidates are bound to comply with the rules and regulations imposed by the Commissioner General of Examination with regard to the conducting and issuing results of this examination. Further, candidates will be subjected to the punishment imposed by the Commissioner General of Examinations for violation of those rules and regulations. Issuance of an admission card to a candidate does not necessarily mean that the candidate has satisfied the qualifications for this post. If it is found at the interview that the applicant does not possess the required qualifications as per the *Gazette* Notification, his or her candidature shall be cancelled.
- XII. A candidate will be required to prove his/her identity at the examination hall to the satisfaction of the supervisor for each subject he offers. For this purpose, strictly the following documents shall be accepted.
 - i. National Identity Card,
 - ii. A valid passport,
 - iii. Valid driving license in Sri Lanka.

Candidates should enter the examination hall without covering their faces, enabling the verification of their identity and without covering ears enabling the verification of the fact that they are not wearing electronic devices used for communication. Those who refuse to verify their identity as such shall not be permitted to enter the examination hall. Further, candidates should remain with their face and ears uncovered until they leave the examination hall.

XIII. Issuance of results - Result sheet prepared on the order of the merit including the names of the candidates equal to the number of vacancies expected to be filled by selecting who have secured marks not less than 40% for each subject at the written examination and who have secured 50% or more out of the aggregate marks of the examination shall be submitted to the Director General of Combined Services by the Commissioner General of Examinations.

The results of all the applicants who have sat for the examination shall be informed personally or published on the website www.results.exams.gov.lk by the Commissioner General of Examinations.

- 13. Any matter not referred to herein shall be decided by the Director General of Combined Services. All candidates are bound to comply with the general examination rules published in this Gazette.
- In case of any inconsistency among Sinhala, Tamil and English texts of this notification, the Sinhala notification shall prevail

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14th of October 2025, Ministry of Public Administration, Provincial Councils and Local Government, Independence Square, Colombo 07.

Schedule I

Towns in which Examination Centers are arranged

No.	Town	Number of the Town	
1	Colombo	01	
2	Kandy	04	
3	Galle	07	
4	Jaffna	10	
5	Batticaloa	15	
6	Kurunegala	18	
7	Anuradhapura	20	
8	Badulla	22	
9	Rathnapura	24	