

MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE, LIVESTOCK, LAND & IRRIGATION

Survey Department

**OPEN COMPETITIVE EXAMINATION FOR RECRUITMENT TO
POSTS IN SRI LANKA TECHNOLOGICAL SERVICE – 2025**

1.0 APPLICATIONS are invited from eligible citizens of Sri Lanka for the Open Competitive Examination to be held in Colombo in 2025 for recruitment to the following posts which remain vacant in the Sri Lanka Technological Service of the Survey Department.

1.1 Posts to be recruited

Table- No.01

<i>Serial No.</i>	<i>Designation</i>		<i>Number of vacancies to be filled</i>	<i>Recruitment grade</i>
01	Map Technological Officer		45	Training grade
02	Photogrammetric Technician	Since duties pertaining to these posts are limited to the Head Office in Colombo, the entire period of service should be served at the Head Office.	13	
03	Remote Sensing Technician		04	
04	Litho Technician		05	

1.2 Nature of duties of posts

Table- No.02

<i>Serial No.</i>	<i>Designation</i>	<i>Nature of duty / Main functions</i>
01	Map Technological Officer	Data processing in thematic maps, topographical maps, and other maps, data entry into databases, map production using databases, other mapping-related technical activities including revision, quality control, sales, office preliminary and final activities related to surveying, issuance of copies of plans to the public, maintaining related documents, preparation of progress reports and activities in survey data bases.
02	Photogrammetric Technician	Collecting of data related for preparation of maps with help of aerial photographs and computers
03	Remote Sensing Technician	Interpretation, analysis of aerial photographs and satellite data and collection of data relating to preparation of maps through them, computerization of them, issue of data required
04	Litho Technician	Maps and other printing work of the department

2.0 The number of appointments and the date of appointment will be determined by the appointing authority. The appointing authority has the power to keep all or some of the vacancies without filling.

3.0 Salary:

Table- No. 03

<i>Grade</i>	<i>Salary Scale</i>
Training Grade	First year allowance monthly Rs.41,317 / - Second year allowance monthly Rs.41,689 / - (As per provisions in schedule VI of P.A. circular 10/2025)
Grade III	Monthly Rs.52,250 - 10 x 800 - 11 x 1,190-10 x 1,320 - 10 x 1,350- Rs.100,040 (MN3 – 2025)

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Grade II	Monthly Rs.52,250 - 10 x 800 - 11 x 1,190-10 x 1,320 - 10 x 1,350- Rs. 100,040 (Starting from 12th salary step) (MN3 – 2025)
Grade I	Monthly Rs.52,250 - 10 x 800 - 11 x 1,190-10 x 1,320 -10 x 1,350 - Rs.100,040 (Starting from 23rd salary step) (MN3 – 2025)
Special Grade	Monthly Rs.71,240 - 11 x 1,360 - 18 x 1,850 - Rs.119,500 (MN 7 – 2025)

4.0 Service Conditions of the post:

- 4.1 Candidates recruited to the training grade will be appointed to grade III of Sri Lanka Technological Service subsequent to passing the Two Year Diploma in Technology with theoretical and practical training conducted by the Institute of Surveying and Mapping Diyatalawa for respective posts.
- 4.2 Posts in grade III of Sri Lanka Technological Service are permanent and pensionable and shall be subject to policy decisions taken by the Government in future regarding the pension scheme. Further, you shall contribute to the widows' and orphan's pension fund. You shall pay contributions to this fund as declared by the government from time to time.
- 4.3 The appointment in Grade III of Sri Lanka Technological Service is subject to 03 years of probationary period.
- 4.4 Candidates who selected to the post of Map Technological Officer should be ready to serve in any part of the Island.
- 4.5 Selected candidates are subject to general conditions applicable to appointments in public service specified at the beginning of this *gazette* notification, Establishment Code, Financial Regulations and the Service Minute of Sri Lanka Technological Service and the amendments made thereto from time to time, Procedural Rules of Public Service Commission and other terms and regulations that has been issued and may be issued by the government regarding of the public service.
- 4.6 The officers who joined the service in a language other than official language should obtain prescribed official language proficiency within the probationary period.
- 4.7 The other official language proficiency should be obtained in terms of the provisions of Public Administration Circular No. 18/2020

4.8 Credit level proficiency of G.C.E.(O/L) in link language of English should be obtained before expiry of 5 years in grade III.

4.9 You Should enter into an agreement with the Surveyor General stating that you will fully complete the two-year training and that you will serve for six (06) years in the department after the two-year training and a bond should be written and signed with the assurance of two sureties recognized by the department prior to commencement of the training stating that the amount of Rs.150,000.00 spent by the Government for the training is paid to the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka if officer leaves the training after the date of commencement of the training or fails to serve the contractual period.

5 Qualifications:

5.1 Educational Qualifications for all posts

Should have passed the G.C.E.(A/L) examination in three subjects in Science / Mathematics / Technology subject stream with two subjects of Combined Mathematics and Physics at one sitting.

And

Should have passed the G.C.E.(O/L) examination in six (06) subjects with credit passes for Sinhala / Tamil / English language, Science, Mathematics and for one more subject at one sitting.

5.2 Physical Fitness

Every candidate should have physically and mentally fit adequate to serve in any part of Sri Lanka and perform duties in the post.

5.3 Other

I) Should be a citizen of Sri Lanka.

II) Should be of excellent character.

III) Any person ordains in any religious denomination, will not be eligible to appear for the examination.

IV) Candidates are deemed to have fulfilled qualifications to appear for the competitive examination for recruitment to the service, only if they have satisfied all the qualifications and prescribed age limit in all respects as at the date mentioned in the notice calling for applications.

6 Age

- 6.1 Minimum age limit :Not less than 18 years
6.2 Maximum age limit :Not More than 30 years

7.0 Method of recruitment to the training grade.

Recruitments will be made on the results of a written examination and a general interview conducted by the Surveyor General. In order of merit of aggregate marks secured by the candidates who have passed the written examination and the preference expressed for the post, a number of candidates equivalent to the number of recruitments expected to be made will be called for a general interview and eligible candidates will be selected.

7.1 Written Examination

The examination is a written Examination consisting of two subjects. This Examination will be held in Sinhala, Tamil and English mediums and the medium applied for will not be allowed to change subsequently.

Table No - 04

Subjects	Total marks that can be obtained	Minimum percentage of marks that should be secured to pass	Time
Intelligence Test	100	40%	01 hour
Subject related Technological paper	100	40%	02 hours

7.1.1 Syllabus

1) Intelligence Test

It consists of questions to judge the rationality of thinking, analytical ability of thinking and decision making- ability of the candidate.

II) Subject related Technological Paper

Mathematics

- Algebra (inequalities, variables, series, logarithms)
- Trigonometry (equations, solving of triangles)
- Statistics (Mean, Mode, Standard Deviation, Probability)

Physics

- Light and optics (Reflection and Refraction, Mirrors, Curved Surfaces, Prisms, Lenses, Formulas in optics, Microscope and Telescope)
- Newtonian mechanics (scalar and vector, Newton's law of motion, momentum)

Miscellaneous Topics

- Introduction to geography (shape of the earth, topography etc...)
- The angle view of solid substances and derivation of projections

7.2 Examination results

Candidates will be notified the examination results by the Surveyor General by post or through the website www.survey.gov.lk to

7.3 General Interview

An interview will be held only for ascertaining the qualifications and no marks will be given for the interview.

8.0 Recruitment to the grade III at the end of the training period.

- The candidates selected to the training grade will be recruited to the grade III subsequent to successful completion of two -year diploma in Technology conducted by the Institute of Surveying and Mapping, Diyathalawa and upon the submission of the certificate issued stating that they have passed the examination held by the same institution.
- If there are apprentices, who are unable to pass the Examination held at the end of the training, there is an opportunity to get their training period extended for a period for not more than 6 months. The post of apprentices who are unable to pass the examination held again at the end of the period so extended, will be terminated.

9.0 Preparation and Completion of Applications

- Application should be prepared by the candidate himself/herself in the form of the specimen application appearing at the end of this notice using both sides of a 21x29 (A4) size paper. The application should be prepared so that headings from 01 to 3.8 are included on the first page, headings from 04– 9.1 on second page and headings from 10 – 14 on page 03.
- Applications should be prepared in the same medium in which the candidate intends to appear for the examination and they should be perfected

correctly since the medium of language will not be allowed to change subsequently.

9.3 The name of the examination mentioned in the title of the applications submitted in Sinhala and Tamil languages should be written in English in addition to Sinhala and Tamil.

9.4 Candidate's signature in the application should have been attested. A candidate who applies for the examination through an institution should get his signature attested by either the head of the institution or any officer authorized by him. The other candidates should get their signature attested by a Principal of a Government School, a Justice of Peace, a Commissioner for Oaths, a Notary Public, a Commissioned Officer in the Three Forces, an officer holding gazetted post in the Police Service or an officer holding a permanent post in public service in senior level as per the grading of Public Administration Circular No. 03/2006.

10.0 Acceptance of applications and Issuance of admission cards

10.1 Applications that do not comply with the specimen, examination fees have not been paid before the due date and incomplete and of improper filling will be rejected without any notice. Candidates should bear consequences of improper filling of application. It would be useful to retain a photocopy of the application. Candidate should check whether the completed application complies with the specimen given in the notice. If not, the application can be rejected.

10.2 Receipt of applications will not be acknowledged. No complaints regarding loss of applications in post will be considered.

10.3 On the presumption that only the candidates fulfilling qualifications stipulated in paragraph 5 in the *gazette* notification have applied, Surveyor General will allow all candidates who have paid prescribed examination fees and submitted application on or before the due date to appear for the examination. Issuance of an admission card to a candidate does not mean that the candidate has satisfied the qualifications required for appearing the examination or for the post. If a candidate found to be ineligible at the interview called to ascertain qualifications as per the *gazette* notification his/her candidature will be cancelled.

11.0 Examination Fees

Examination fee is **Rs. 800/=**. The receipt obtained by paying this fee at the cashier of head office of the Survey Department at No. 150, Kirula road,

Colombo 05 or at any of District Survey office or at the Institute of Surveying and Mapping – Diyathalawa should be pasted in the relevant cage in the application. (It is advisable to keep a photocopy of the receipt with candidate for future use). The fee is not refundable under any circumstance and money orders and cheques will not be accepted. Applications without receipts will be rejected.

12.0 Submission of application

12.1 Perfected application should be sent by registered post to reach to the following address on or before

Surveyor General,
Examination Branch,
Survey Department,
No. 506,
Colombo 05.

12.2 Candidates who are already in the Public Service or Provincial Public Service should submit their applications through their heads of the departments and the candidates who are in State Corporations, Local Government Institutions should submit their applications through their heads of the institutions on or before the due date.

12.3 "Recruitment to the Posts in Sri Lanka Technological Service - Open competitive Examination 2025" should be clearly written on the top left hand corner of the envelope containing the application.

N.B.- Applications received after to the Survey Department will not be accepted under any circumstances.

12.4 A notification on issuance of admission cards will be published in the official website of the Survey department immediately after issuing admission cards to candidates. A candidate who does not receive his/her admission card three or four days after publishing the notification may inquire from the Examination Branch of the Survey Department.

13. Furnishing false information

If it is revealed that any candidate is not eligible to appear for this examination, his/her candidature will be cancelled at any instance before the examination, at the conduct of the examination or after the examination. If it is found that a candidate has purposely furnished false information or willfully suppressed any material fact, after the recruitment he/she will be dismissed from the public service.

14.0 Appearing for the examination :

The candidates must get their signature attested in the admission card before the examination. The attested admission card should be submitted to the supervisor in the examination hall. If not, you will not be allowed to appear for the examination. Further, a candidate must appear for the examination only at the examination hall assigned to him.

15. Identity of a Candidate :

Candidates are required to prove their identity for each subject they are appearing at the examination hall to the satisfaction of the supervisor. The following documents will be accepted for this purpose :

I. Valid National Identity Card issued by the Department of Registration of Persons ;

II. Valid passport.

16.0 Any matter not specified in this notice will be determined by the Surveyor General. All candidates are bound to act in conformity with the rules and regulations published in this *gazette* notification.

N. K. U. ROHANA,
Surveyor General.

On the date of
Survey Department,
Colombo 05.