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## PART I : SECTION (I) — GENERAL Government Notifications

#### SERVICE MINUTE OF THE SRI LANKA TECHNOLOGICAL SERVICE

4th Amendment

THE Service Minute of the Sri Lanka Technological Service published in the *Gazette Extraordinary* No. 1930/12 dated 01st September 2015 of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka is amended as stated in Part II below. Other matters and conditions stated therein remain unchanged.

By order of the Public Service Commission,

W. H. M. M. C. K. DAYARATNE, Secretary, Public Service Commission.

On 23rd April, 2025.

#### Part I

Amendment No. 1 - *Gazette Extraordinary* No. 1995/10 dated 29<sup>th</sup> November 2016 Amendment No. 2 - *Gazette Extraordinary* No. 2077/13 dated 25<sup>th</sup> June 2018 Amendment No. 3 - *Gazette Extraordinary* No. 2255/56 dated 26<sup>th</sup> November 2021



#### Part II

#### 08. Efficiency Bar Examinations and Departmental Tests:

#### 8.4 Departmental Tests

- I. The details of the Departmental Test relevant to each post shall be included in the Scheme of Recruitment of the respective Post.
- II. The respective Departmental Test shall be conducted by the relevant department and shall consist of at least two technical subjects and a subject related to departmental rules and regulations, acts and procedures. All Departmental examinations shall be written and practical, and each written question paper of not less than three hours in duration shall be provided for each subject. The time limits applicable for the practical tests shall be determined by the respective departments.
- III. Every officer shall complete both the first and the second Departmental Tests within not more than two sittings to pass the Departmental tests. A minimum of 40% shall be obtained for each question paper relevant to the technical Subjects of the Departmental Test while the average score for those subjects shall be 50% or higher. A minimum of 50% shall be obtained to pass the subject related to departmental regulations.
- IV. An officer who possesses a technical qualification relevant to the post mentioned in Section 7.2.1.3 (b) shall be exempt from the technical subjects of the departmental test. Such an officer should pass the subject relevant to the departmental regulations in order to pass the departmental test.

#### 10.1.2. Upon passing the departmental test

#### 10.1.2.1. Qualifications to be fulfilled.

- I. Should have been confirmed in the Service.
- II. Should have completed active and satisfactory period of service of at least five (05) years in Grade III of the service and earned five (05) salary increments.
- III. Should not have subjected to any disciplinary punishment in terms of the Public Service Commission Circular No. 01/2020.
- IV. Should have acquired proficiency in the other official language at the respective level.
- V. Should have passed the first efficiency bar examination on the prescribed date
- VI. Should have passed the first Departmental Test.

#### 10.1.2.2. Method of promotion:

- 1. Each officer who has completed three years of active service shall sit for the first departmental test.
- 2. An officer who passes the first departmental test within the first two consecutive sittings held after fulfilling the requirement mentioned in (1) above shall be promoted to Grade II from the date on which he fulfills the qualifications specified in 10.1.2.1. above.

#### 10.2.2. Upon passing the departmental test

#### 10.2.2.1 Qualifications to be fulfilled

I. Should have completed a minimum of four (04) years of active and satisfactory service in Grade II of the Service and earned four (04) salary increments.

- II. Should not have subjected to any disciplinary punishment in terms of the Public Service Commission Circular No. 01/2020.
- III. Should have passed the second efficiency bar examination on the prescribed date.
- IV. Should have passed the second Departmental Test.

#### 10.2.2.2. Method of promotion:

- I. Officers in Grade III who have been promoted to Grade II and have passed the first departmental test are eligible to sit for the second departmental test.
- II. An officer who passes the second departmental test within the first two consecutive sittings held after fulfilling the requirements mentioned in (1) above shall be promoted to Grade I from the date on which they fulfill the qualifications mentioned in 10.2.2.1 above.

#### 15. Interim provisions:

The facts mentioned under No. 15 shall be renumbered as 15.1

### 15.2 These interim provisions shall apply only to the officers who are in service on the effective date of this amendment.

- 15.2.1 An officer in Grade III who passes the first departmental test within the first two sittings of the tests conducted after the effective date of this amendment will be promoted to Grade II, effective from the date either from the effective date of this amendment or the date of fulfillment of the qualifications mentioned in Section 10.1.2.1, whichever occurs later.
- 15.2.2. The active and satisfactory service period in Grade III of an officer promoted to Grade II as specified in sub-section 15.2.1 above either from the date of fulfillment of the qualifications mentioned in 10.1.2.1. from the effective date of this amendment or from 01.06.2018, whichever occurs later, to the effective date of this amendment, shall be considered as an active and satisfactory period of service in Grade II, only for the promotional purposes.
- 15.2.3. An officer in Grade II who passes the second departmental test within the first two sittings conducted subsequent to the effective date of this amendment will be promoted to Grade I, effective from either the effective date of this amendment or the date on which the qualifications mentioned in section 10.2.2.1 are completed, whichever occurs later.
- 15.2.4. An officer in Grade II who passes the first and second departmental tests within the first two tests conducted subsequent to the effective date of this amendment will be promoted to Grade I, effective from either the effective date of this amendment or the date on which the qualifications mentioned therein, other than the qualification in section 10.2.2.1 (1) are completed, whichever occurs later.
- 15.2.5. In terms of the Section 15.1 of the Service Minute of the Sri Lanka Technological Service published in the *Gazette Extraordinary* No. 1930/12 dated 01.09.2015 of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka the interim provisions were in effect until 1<sup>st</sup> of June 2018, but the officers who were unable to sit any of the departmental tests due to the departments not conducting departmental tests shall grant two attempts under the implementation of the new amendments of service minute and the officers who were unable to sit one of the departmental tests shall grant one opportunity under the implementation of the new amendments of the service minute.

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