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Examinations, Results of Examinations, &c.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF CENTRAL PROVINCIAL COUNCIL

Open competitive examination for recruitment of officers in Grade III of Technical Assistant (Agriculture Extension) in the service category of Management Assistant Technical Segment 03 (MT-1-2025) of the Provincial Department of Agriculture of Central Province - 2025

APPLICATIONS are hereby called from the candidates of either sex who reside within central province and having completed the qualifications for recruitment to Grade III of Technical Assistant (Agriculture Extension) in the service category of Management Assistant Technical Segment 03 (MT-1-2025) of the Provincial Department of Agriculture of Central Province

2. Salary scale :

In terms of Public Administration Circular No. 10/2025 dated 25.03.2025, the salary code for this post is MT 1- 2025 and the monthly salary scale is Rs. 50,090 - 10x540 - 11x630 - 10x1010 - 10x1190 – Rs. 84,420/-. You shall be paid the salary as per the provisions of Schedule III of this circular from the effective date of the appointment.

3. Service Conditions :

- 3.1. This post is permanent and pensionable. You shall be subjected to a policy decision taken by the Government in future in respect of the pension scheme entitled to you.
- 3.2. The officers, who are recruited to this post shall be on probation for a period of three (03) years.
- 3.3. The officers, who are appointed to this post should pass the relevant efficiency bar examination and obtain the proficiency in other official language in accordance with the provisions of the Scheme of Recruitment and Promotion of Technical Assistant (Agriculture Extension) in the service category of Management Assistant Technical Segment 03 (MT-1-2025) of the Provincial Department of Agriculture, Central Province.
- 3.4. Should serve minimum of 05 years within Central Province upon appointment and shall not be eligible for transfer from Central Province during this period, and should have also serve minimum of three (03) years in the institution of your first appointment.
- 3.5. The selected officer shall be subject to the provisions of the Establishments Code of Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka, Financial Rules and Regulations of Central Provincial Council, Service Minute of the Central Provincial Technological Service, Minutes of Procedural Rules, orders and regulations of Hon. Governor of Central Province, conditions and regulations issued by the Central Provincial Public Service Commission from time to time and the regulations of the Ministry and Department.

4. Details on Vacancies :

- 4.1. Recruitment will be carried out to fill the vacancies in Grade III of the Technical Assistant (Agriculture Extension) under the service category of Management Assistant Technical Segment 03 (MT-1-2025) in the Provincial Department of Agriculture of Central Province and the Central Provincial Public Service Commission reserves the right to take the final decision regarding the filling of these vacancies.
- 4.2. Closing date of application is **13.02.2026** and applicants must have completed all educational qualifications and technological qualifications as at **13.02.2026**.

5. Qualifications

5.1. Educational Qualifications :

Shall have passed G.C.E (O/L) Examination in six (06) subjects, including Language or Literature, Mathematics and Science, in not more than two sittings.

5.2. Professional Qualifications :

- I. Shall have possessed level 05 of National Vocational Qualification (NVQ) relevant to the field of employment, in terms of P.A. Circular No. 01/2012
Or
- II. Any other qualifications recognized by the Tertiary and Vocational Education Commission as being equivalent to the technological qualifications.

5.3. Experiences : Irrelevant

5.4. Physical Fitness :

Should possess the adequate physical and mental fitness required to serve in any area of the Central Province and to discharge duties of the post.

5.5. Other Qualifications:

- I. Shall be a citizen of Sri Lanka.
- II. Shall be of excellent moral character.
- III. Shall possess a continuous permanent residence of not less than three (03) years within Central Province immediately preceding the closing date of applications (13.02.2026). (Applicants who have married a person holding more than three (03) years of permanent residence within Central Province will be considered for the recruitment.
- IV. No member of clergy of any religion shall be permitted to apply for this post.
- V. The applicant will be deemed to have qualified to appear for the competitive examination only if he/she has fulfilled all the qualifications and age limit relevant to the post as at 13.02.2026.

6. Age limit :

Shall be not less than 18 years and not more than 35 years of age on the closing date of applications (13.02.2026).

7. Examination Procedure

- I. Examination will be held in Sinhala, Tamil and English medium. It is not allowed to change the medium of language applied by the candidate subsequently.
- II. Candidates should answer all question papers at the examination in one and the same language.
- III. Candidates shall be bound by the rules and regulations imposed by the Central Provincial Public Service Commission on conducting the examination and issuing examination result.
- IV. Examination Centre - will be held only in Kandy

8. Recruitment Procedure

Recruitment will be made based on the order of merit of marks obtained in the written examination and General interview. The candidates equal to the number of vacancies, based on their order of merit, will be called for an interview to ascertain their qualifications for recruitments. While filling vacancies on the order of merit, if, at any instance, where there are more qualified candidates who have secured equal marks than the number of vacancies remaining and there is a service requirement at the relevant time to fill such vacancies, the Central Provincial Public Service Commission may decide to make further selection out of the candidates who have secured equal marks. Relevant selections will be made in terms of Part I, Paragraph 02 of the Public Service Commission Circular No 01/2024.

9. Syllabus:

Question Paper	Time Period	Total Marks	Pass Marks
Intelligence Test	01 hour	100	40%
Subject Based Technological question paper	01 hour	100	40%

Question Paper	Syllabus
Intelligence Test	This paper consists of objective questions to assess the candidate's logical thinking, reasoning, analytical power, ability to decision making etc.
Subject Based Technological question paper	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Contribution of agriculture sector to the Economic Development of Sri Lanka <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1.1. Contribution of Agriculture sector for Gross National Product 1.2. Unemployment, 1.3. Export and Import Status of Agriculture. 2. Knowledge on Climatic Zones of Sri Lanka 3. Soil and plant nutrition <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 3.1. Soil Structure, Texture, Physical and Chemical Salinity and its impacts on crop cultivation 3.2. Plant nutrition and soil/ plant nutrition management 3.3. Special features of plant nutrition 4. Paddy Production <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 4.1. Soil and Climate Requirements 4.2. Varieties 4.3. Land Preparation and Nursery Management 4.4. Pests and Disease Control 4.5. Fertilizer Application 4.6. Water Management/Modern Methods of Yield Enhancement 4.7. Harvesting and Post-Harvest Technology

Question Paper	Syllabus
Subject Based Technological question paper	<p>5. Other Field Crop Production 5.1. Verities of Big Onions, Chillies, Potatoes, Maize, and Other Crops</p> <p>6. Vegetable Production 6.1. Vegetable Nursery Management 6.2. Propagation, cultivation, harvesting and processing of vegetable varieties to which the Department of Agriculture has paid special attention</p> <p>7. Fruits 7.1. Propagation and cultivation of fruits varieties to which the Department of Agriculture has paid special attention 7.2. Harvesting and processing</p> <p>8. Crop Protection 8.1. Identification of major diseases and pests to crop cultivation and control methods 8.2. Weeding, weed control methods 8.3. Safety measures to be followed in pesticide control</p> <p>9. Water drainage and its importance</p> <p>10. Soil chemistry 10.1. Importance of soil conservation and various soil conservation methods</p> <p>11. Irrigation and water management 11.1. Suitable irrigation methods for different types of crops and water management system 11.2. Micro irrigation methods</p> <p>12. Farm mechanization 12.1. Advantages and disadvantages of farm mechanization 12.2. Agro machineries used for land preparation 12.3. Agro machineries used for irrigation and plant protection 12.4. Operation and maintenance of the above machineries</p> <p>13. Beekeeping 13.1. Economic importance 13.2. Establishment and maintenance of bee hives 13.3. Harvesting and marketing</p> <p>14. Floriculture and landscaping 14.1. Economic importance 14.2. Landscaping methods 14.3. Production of cut flowers for the marketing and processing for marketing</p>

Question Paper	Syllabus
Subject Based Technological question paper	<p>15. Protected Crop Cultivation</p> <p>15.1. Importance</p> <p>15.2. Planning</p> <p>15.3. Crop Selection</p> <p>15.4. Maintenance and Harvesting</p> <p>16. Animal Husbandry</p> <p>16.1 Poultry Farming and Dairy Cattle Production</p> <p>16.2 Maintaining the above animal products under integrated farm management</p> <p>17. Agricultural Extension</p> <p>17.1 Agricultural Extension Strategies and Methodologies</p> <p>17.2 Agricultural Extension Communication Methods</p> <p>18. Tissue Culture</p> <p>18.1 Knowledge of basic principles and pass information of tissue culture</p> <p>18.2 Uses/Applications of Tissue Culture, Examples</p> <p>18.3 Advantages and Disadvantages of Tissue Culture</p> <p>19. Knowledge on Plant Quarantine</p> <p>19.1 Knowledge on Plant Quarantine Regulations</p> <p>19.2 Plant Quarantine Methods</p> <p>20. Plant Conservation</p> <p>20.1 Importance of Plant Conservation (Plants/Gene plasma)</p> <p>20.2 Plant Conservation Methods (Plants/Gene plasma)</p> <p>21. Biotechnology</p> <p>21.1 Importance of DNA</p> <p>21.2 What is a gene and its function</p> <p>21.3 Ability to improve plants through genetic engineering techniques</p> <p>22. Agricultural Development -</p> <p>Current agricultural development policies, their importance, agricultural development programs, departments and other institutions related to agricultural development under the line ministry, institutions and units under the Department of Agriculture of the Central Government and their functions, current issues and challenges in the agricultural sector, how agricultural development supports the development of the country, positive and negative effects of agricultural development programs.</p>

10. Method of application

- I. A specimen of the application for this examination is appended to the end of this notification. The application should accordingly be prepared only on A4 size paper, using both sides of the paper, so as to include paragraphs 01 to 03 on the first page, paragraphs 04 to 06 on the second page, paragraphs 07 to 11 on the third page, and the remaining paragraphs on the fourth page of the application, and it should be clearly filled in candidate's own handwriting. It is the responsibility of the candidate to ensure that the application is conform to the specimen given in the notice. Applications not conforming to the specimen, incomplete application for which Examination fee has not been paid by the due date, and application from the candidates who do not possess the basic qualifications mentioned in the notification will be rejected without any notice. Candidates should be responsible for any loss incurred by them due to incomplete applications. It would be advisable to keep a photocopy of the completed application form.
- II. The title of the examination appearing in the application should be indicated in the English language as well, on both Sinhala and Tamil application forms.
- III. A non-refundable examination fee of Rs. 600 should be credited to the Central Provincial Chief Secretary's Revenue Head 20-03-02-13 on or before closing date of applications. This fee may be paid at any Divisional Secretariat Office in Central Province, and the receipt (Blue in Colour) issued should be firmly affixed to the application. The applications with yellow coloured receipts relevant to Central Government and receipts obtained by payment to other revenue heads, will be rejected. It is advisable to keep a photocopy of the receipt with the candidate for future reference. The applications submitted without a receipt will be rejected. The paid examination fee will not be refunded under any circumstances, and money orders and stamps will not be accepted.
- IV. The signature of the applicant should be attested by a Principal of a Government School, Justice of the Peace, Commissioner of Oaths, Notary Public, Attorney-at-Law or an officer who holds tertiary or senior -level post , as per P.A. Circular No. 10/2025, in a permanent post in Government or Provincial Public Service.
- V. Duly perfected applications should be posted under registered cover so as to reach "**Secretary, Central Provincial Public Service Commission, No. 244, Katugastota Road, Kandy**" on or before **13.02.2026**. The caption of "Recruitment of officers in Grade III of Technical Assistant (Agriculture Extension) in the service category of Management Assistant Technical Segment 03 (MT-1-2025) to Provincial Department of Agriculture of Central Province - 2025" should be indicated on the top left hand corner of the envelope enclosing the application. Applications received after the closing date of applications, incomplete application from candidates who do not possess the basic qualifications mentioned in the notification will be rejected without any notice. The applicant's designation and service station at the time of applying will be relevant for all examination-related activities, and any changes in this regard after the submission of application will not be taken into account.
- VI. No complaint will be entertained in relation to the loss of applications or documents in post or delays in delivery.
- VII. The receipt of application will not be notified.(acknowledged)
- VIII. The issue of an admission card to a candidate does not necessarily mean that he/she possesses the required qualifications. If a candidate is found to be ineligible at the interview, his/ her candidature is liable to be cancelled
- IX. The Secretary to the Central Provincial Public Service Commission will notify the Examination Centre on the admission card. A notice will be published on the official website of the Central Provincial Public Service Commission (www.psc.cp.gov.lk) as soon as admission cards are issued to applicants. Admission cards will be sent 14 days prior to the examination date, via an email to the email address and we inform about it via a SMS to the mobile number mentioned in the application.

X. If the admission card is not received even after 04 or 05 days of such an announcement, steps should be taken to inform the Central Provincial Public Service Commission as specified in the notification. The applicant should correctly mention the name of the examination applied for, full name of the applicant, national identity card number and address when making such an inquiry. It would be useful to have copies of the application form, the receipt in your possession and the receipt of registration. Contact the examination branch of Public Service Commission for matters relating to admission cards. Telephone No. 081 – 2213097.

11. On the presumption that only candidates who possess the qualifications specified in the examination notification have applied, Central Provincial Public Service Commission will issue admission cards to the candidates who have forwarded duly perfected applications along with the receipt on or before the closing date of applications.

12. Candidates must sit for the examination at the examination hall assigned to them. They shall be bound by the rules and regulations imposed by the Central Provincial Public Service Commission in conducting the examination and issuing the results. Candidates are liable to be subjected to punishment imposed by the Central Provincial Public Service Commission for breach of these rules.

13. Identity of candidates:–

A candidate shall be required to prove his/ her identity at the examination hall to the satisfaction of the supervisor for each subject he/ she offers. For this purpose, any one of the following documents shall be accepted.

- National Identity Card issued by the Commissioner General of Registration of Persons
- Valid driving license.
- A valid passport.

Candidates must enter the examination hall without covering their face and ears, in a manner that allows clear identification and must ensure that they are not wearing any electronic communication devices. Candidates who refuse to prove their identity in the prescribed manner will not be admitted to the examination hall. Furthermore, from the moment they enter the examination hall until they leave after the examination is over, candidates must remain without covering their face and ears so that they can be identified by the examination authorities

14. Penalty for furnishing false information:

14.1. If a candidate is found to be ineligible, his candidature is liable to be cancelled at any stage prior to, during, or after the examination.

14.2. If any of the particulars furnished by a candidate are found to be false within his/her knowledge, or if he/she has willfully suppressed any material fact, he/she will be liable to dismissal from the Public Service.

15. The results of the applicants will be published on the official website of Central Provincial Public Service Commission. (www.psc.cp.gov.lk)

16. The Central Provincial Public Service Commission reserves the right to decide or clarify any matter not covered in the notification and to take final decision on the conduct of this examination, filling of vacancies, leave them vacant or filling only a portion of the vacancies.

17. Further information regarding this recruitment and the specimen application can be downloaded from the Central Provincial Public Service Commission's website (www.psc.cp.gov.lk).

18. In the event of any inconsistency between the Sinhala, Tamil and English text of this notification, the Sinhala text shall prevail as the accurate text.

By order of the Public Service Commission,

SUJANI R. WIJETHUNGA,
Secretary (Acting),
Provincial Public Service Commission,
Central Provincial Council.

26th of January 2026,
Central Provincial Public Service Commission,
No. 244, Katugastota Road,
Kandy.

SPECIMEN APPLICATION FORM

Open competitive examination for recruitment of officers in Grade III of Technical Assistant (Agriculture Extension) in the service category of Management Assistant Technical Segment 03 (MT-1-2025) to Provincial Department of Agriculture of Central Province - 2025

Examination No :-

(For office use only)

Medium Applied for the examination:
(Indicate the relevant code in the cage)
(Not allowed to change later)

(Sinhala - S, Tamil- T, English - E)

01.

1.1 Name with initials (in English capital letters):-

Mr./Mrs./Miss (Ex:- SILVA A.B.C.D.)

1.2 Name with initials (in Sinhala /Tamil):-.....

Mr./Mrs./Miss

1.3 Name denoted by initials (in English capital letters):-.....

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1.4 Name denoted by initials (in Sinhala /Tamil):-.....

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02.

2.1 Permanent Address: -

(In English)

2.2 Email Address: -

2.3 National Identity Card No.

2.4 Sex (Indicate the relevant number in the cage)
(Male – 0, Female - 1

2.5 Civil Status:-
Unmarried - 1 Married- 2 (Indicate relevant number in the cage)

03.

3.1 Date of Birth :-

3.2 Age as at closing date of application (13.02.2026):- Years : Months: days :

3.3 Telephone Nos. (To notify on examination)

Mobile: Fixed:

04. Permanent Residential District :-

Accordingly to electoral register	2022	2023	2024
Electorate District			
Electorate			
Polling Division			
Grama Niladari Division			
Residential No.			
Number order in front of the name			

05. Spouse's Permanent Residential District (If Applicant having married a person holding more than 03 years of permanent residence within Central Province) :-

Accordingly to electoral register	2022	2023	2024
Electorate District			
Electorate			
Polling Division			
Grama Niladari Division			
Residential No.			
Number order in front of the name			

06. Educational Qualifications : -

6.1. G.C.E. (O/L) Examination:

Year the Examination:

Index No.:

<i>Subjects</i>	<i>Results</i>	
	<i>1st sitting</i>	<i>2nd sitting</i>

07. Professional (Technological) Qualifications : - (Certified copies of documents proving professional qualifications should be attached)

<i>Institution</i>	<i>Course followed</i>	<i>Duration</i>	<i>NVQ level</i>	<i>NVQ Certificate No</i>	<i>Certificate No. and Effective date</i>

08. Other Qualifications:

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09. Particulars on payment of the examination fee Rs. 600/-:

- (a) Divisional Secretariat to which the payment was made:
- (b) Date:
- (c) Receipt No:

Receipt is to be affixed here so as not to be detached.
(It is advisable to keep a photocopy of the receipt)

10. Have you ever been convicted of any offence in the Court of Law?

If yes, give details:

Candidate's Certificate

11. I do hereby declare that the information furnished here by me true and correct. I am also aware that if any particulars contained herein are found to be false or incorrect before appointment, I am liable to be disqualified before selection or to be dismissed if such detection is made after selection. Furthermore, I agree to be bound by rules and regulations imposed by the Secretary to the Central Provincial Public Service Commission on conducting of the examination and issuing of the results.

Date:

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 Signature of the applicant

12. Attestation of Applicant's Signature :

I do hereby certify that Mr./Mrs./Miss., who submits this application, is known to me personally and that he/ she placed his/her signature in my presence on and further the applicant has paid the prescribed examination fee and pasted the receipt on the applications.

Date: -.....

.....
 Signature of the Officer attesting the signature
 (Place official Stamp)

Full name of Attester:

Post:

Address:

(Place official Stamp)

13. Certificate of the Head of Department (for applications who are currently in Public/ Provincial Public Service):

I do hereby submit the application of Mr./ Mrs./ Miss Further, it is hereby informed that he/ she is serving as in a permanent/temporary/ casual post of this Ministry/ Department/ Institute and he/ she can be released from service, if selected for this post.

.....
 Signature of the Head of the Department or
 Institute
 (Place official Stamp)

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 Date

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