



VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

Ministry of Digital Economy - Data Protection Authority of Sri Lanka



Applications are invited for positions at the Data Protection Authority of Sri Lanka, established under the Personal Data Protection Act, No. 9 of 2022. The Authority has been established with the objective of regulating the processing of personal data and protecting individuals' privacy. It ensures that all public and private sector organizations comply with the legal obligations stipulated under the Act. The establishment of the Authority aims to promote the growth and innovation of Sri Lanka's digital economy while ensuring the safety and trustworthiness of digital transactions and communications. Accordingly, applications are invited from qualified and experienced professionals for the following position.

POST OF ASSISTANT DIRECTOR – MARKET SUPERVISION

Area of Key Responsibilities

- Engage with designated Data Protection Officers of Public and Private Sector entities to provide guidance and instructions on data protection compliance.
- Monitor and examine all data processing operations to ensure adherence to data protection laws and regulations by controllers and processors.
- Issue-specific directives to controllers and processors as necessary to ensure compliance with data protection standards.
- Conduct periodic evaluations of data processing activities carried out by controllers and processors
- Collaborate with the Director and other relevant stakeholders to develop and implement policies, procedures, and guidelines related to data protection and market supervision.

Qualifications and Experience:

The candidate should have following qualifications;

- A Bachelor's Degree recognized by the University Grant Commission (UGC) in Sri Lanka in Information Technology, Computer Science, Computer Engineering, Data Science, Data Processing Management or any other Degree relevant to the post, and awarded by a university, recognized by the UGC of Sri Lanka

And

A Postgraduate Degree (Master's) in Information Technology, Computer Science, Computer Engineering, Data Science, Data Processing Management or any other field relevant to the post, or Associate Membership of a recognized professional Chartered institution in Information Technology or related field or be an Attorney-at-Law

With

At least six (06) years of managerial level experience in a corporation, statutory board/Institution or a reputed private institution with evidence of handling supervisory examination, data processing activity or stakeholder engagement practices

Age: Age should be not less than 30 years and not more than 55 years.

REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS:

- a) Fixed-term contract initially for a period of three (03) years with entitlement to Employees' Provident Fund (EPF) and Employees' Trust Fund (ETF).
- b) An attractive remuneration package along with other benefits, enjoyed by the fixed term employees of the Authority

OTHER REQUIREMENTS:

- a) Should be a citizen of Sri Lanka.
- b) Should be physically and mentally fit to discharge the duties of the post well and to serve in any part of the Island.
- c) Should be of excellent moral character.
- d) Should have a good command of the English language as interactions with international agencies and other institutions overseas is a job requirement for professional grades.
- e) Familiarity with the digital economy and social media will provide an advantage.

GENERAL CONDITIONS

Age: limit will not apply to applicants from public corporation, statutory board, fully government owned company

Method of Selection – Suitable candidate will be selected based on one or more interviews. Appointments will be made purely in order of merit. Candidates, applying for the post of Management Assistant will have to sit for a written examination, in addition to the structured interview.

Closing Date for Applications – 18th May 2026

Secondment: Any eligible officer in public service seeking secondment to this position is responsible for coordinating with their line Ministry to release him/her from the service on secondment basis under the prevailing provisions specified by the Ministries in charge of Public Administration, Finance and other authorities. They should submit their applications through the Heads of the respective Ministries/ Departments/ institutions.

The secondment period is initially for one (01) year, and the renewals will be subject to the job holder's performance and other organizational requirements.

APPLICATIONS:

Eligible candidates are invited to send their Curriculum Vitae with names and contact information of non-related referees through the email hr@dpa.gov.lk on or before 18th May 2026

The post applied for should be stated in the subject of the email

Please note that only shortlisted candidates will be contacted.

You should not attach scanned copies of your certificates to your CV. The Authority will contact you, if your application is shortlisted

All applications will be treated in strict confidence and any form of canvassing will be regarded as a disqualification.

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