## **LOCAL GOVERNMENT SERVICE COMMISSION**

#### **PUBLIC ADVERTISEMENT NO. 39 OF 2024**

# VACANCY FOR THE POST OF GARDENER DISTRICT COUNCIL OF GRAND PORT

(Details of this advertisement are also available at <a href="http://lgsc.govmu.org">http://lgsc.govmu.org</a>)

Applications are invited from qualified candidates residing within the boundaries of the District Council of Grand Port who wish to be considered for appointment as Gardener in that District Council.

The permanent and pensionable post carries salary in the scale of Rs  $14725 \times 250 - 15225 \times 260 - 17825 \times 275 - 18925 \times 300 - 19525 \times 325 - 21475 \times 375 - 22225 \times 400 - 23425 \times 525 - 23950$  a month.

Appointment to the grade in a temporary capacity carries salary at the flat rate of Rs 14, 725 a month.

## 2. AGE LIMIT

Candidates should have reached their <u>18<sup>th</sup></u> birthday and unless already in the Local Government Service/Public Service/ Approved Service, should not have reached their <u>48<sup>th</sup></u> birthday by the closing date for the submission of applications.

## 3. **QUALIFICATIONS**

By selection from among candidates residing within the boundaries of the District Council of Grand Port who:

- (a) possess the Certificate of Primary Education; and
- (b) have proven knowledge of gardening.

#### NOTE:

- 1. The onus for the submission of written evidence of experience/knowledge claimed and equivalence of qualification and recognition of institution (if applicable) from the relevant authorities (Higher Education Commission or Mauritius Qualifications Authority) rests on the candidates. Applications will not be considered in case of non-submission of written evidence of experience/knowledge claimed and Equivalence Certificate, as appropriate, by the closing date.
- 2. Candidates should enclose photocopies of their National Identity Card and academic/ professional qualifications and proof of residential address.

- 3. Candidates may be requested to submit a Certificate of Character.
- 4. Candidates are informed that they may be outposted to any sub office of the Local Authority, and also, with the approval of the appropriate authority, to any other Local Authority where their services will be required.

## 4. **DUTIES**

- 1. To perform the basic operations of gardening which consist of digging, hoeing and raking of soil during the preparation of flower beds, application of fertilizers and manures, planting of seedlings for seasonal flowering, mulching, weeding and watering.
- 2. To maintain and upkeep gardens in an orderly and attractive manner which comprise the following: -
  - (a) a general control of common pests and diseases attacking plants by careful application of insecticides and fungicides;
  - (b) cutting of grass with scythe blades, lawn mowers, brush cutters, shears and Ride-on;
  - (c) cutting of grass vergers with bill-hooks and hedge shears;
  - (d) pruning of shrubs and trimming of hedges with hedge shears, hedge trimmers or other appropriate tools; and
  - (e) lopping of trees with forester's knife, chain saw or other appropriate tools.
- 3. To prepare sites for sports-grounds and children playgrounds.
- 4. To embellish all green spaces, recreational parks and other areas within the aegis of the Council.
- 5. To perform general gardening works such as preparation of plants by seeds, cutting, grafting, potting, layering and other propagation practices.
- 6. To perform landscaping works as and when required.
- 7. To perform green and floral decorations for all official functions and as and when required.

8. To perform such other duties directly related to the main duties listed above or related to the delivery of the output and results expected from Gardeners in the roles ascribed to them according to their postings.

## 5. MODE OF APPLICATION

- (i) Qualified candidates should submit their applications on LGSC Form 7a which may be obtained <u>either</u> from the Office of the Local Government Service Commission, Louis Pasteur Street, Forest Side <u>or</u> from the District Council of Grand Port.
  - Note: Details of this advertisement as well as the application form (LGSC Form 7a) are also available on the website of the Local Government Service Commission at the following address: <a href="http://lgsc.govmu.org">http://lgsc.govmu.org</a>
- (ii) Candidates already in the Local Government Service should submit their applications <u>in duplicate</u>, the original should be sent directly to the **Secretary** of the Local Government Service Commission and the duplicate one to their Responsible Officer, who will forward it to the Commission <u>within a week after the closing date</u>.
- (iii) Candidates are advised to read carefully the 'NOTES AND INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES' before filling in the application form.
- (iv) The envelope should be clearly marked on the top left-hand corner:-

# "Post of Gardener -District Council of Grand Port"

#### 6. **CLOSING DATE**

Qualified candidates should submit their applications to the **Secretary**, Local Government Service Commission, Louis Pasteur Street, Forest Side so as to reach him <u>not later than 15.00 hours on Thursday 29 August 2024</u>.

## **IMPORTANT**

- (i) Applicants should state their personal residential address on their application form. Applications bearing the postal address of another person will neither be acknowledged nor taken into consideration.
- (ii) Qualifications/equivalence of qualifications and recognition of institution obtained <u>after</u> the closing date will <u>not</u> be accepted. Only qualified persons should apply.

- (iii) Incomplete, inadequate or inaccurate filling of the application form may cause the elimination of candidates from the competition.
- (iv) Applications <u>not</u> made on the prescribed form will <u>not</u> be considered.
- (v) Applications received <u>after</u> the closing date and time will <u>not</u> be accepted. The onus for the prompt submission of applications so that they reach the Secretary of the Commission in time lies solely on applicants.
- (vi) The Commission reserves the right:
  - (a) not to make any appointment following this advertisement; and
  - (b) to convene only the best qualified candidates for interview.

Local Government Service Commission Louis Pasteur Street FOREST SIDE

Date: 16 August 2024