

Vacancy for a Research Assistant (Fulltime)

Applications are invited from graduates for a vacancy to the above position of a Sri Lanka Council for Agricultural Research Policy (CARP) funded research project on **Forage Agronomy and Ruminant Nutrition**.

Title of the research project:

- Development of an agronomic management package for fodder sorghum cultivation under lowland paddy fields during drier seasons in the dry zone of Sri Lanka.

Investigators:

- Dr. Malaviarachchi MAPWK (Principal Investigator), Mr. Kumara Mahipala MBP (Co-investigator), Dr. Weerasinghe WMPB (Co-investigator).

Terms of Reference:

- Conduct forage field research in the Dry-zone based on Field Crop Research & Development Institute (FCRDI) – Mahailuppallama.
- Conduct forage analysis at FCRDI, Dept. of Animal Science of University of Peradeniya and Veterinary Research Institute (VRI)
- Assist the research team in achieving the objectives of the research project.
- Enroll in an M.Phil. degree at the post Graduate Institute of Agriculture, University of Peradeniya.
- Commit for two years

Educational Qualifications:

- Graduate of B.Sc. degree in Agricultural Technology & Management, Animal Science & Fisheries or Agriculture from a recognized university (2nd class upper division pass).
- Majoring in Crop Production Technology, Agronomy, Forage Science, Animal Nutrition or related field of study will be an added advantage.

Period of appointment:

- Two years on annual-contract basis (i.e. annual extension based on performance).

Remuneration:

- Monthly allowance (i.e. Stipend) of LKR 40,000.

Closing date of application:

- March 17, 2021

Interested graduates are requested to forward (email) a CV with names and contact details of two non-related referees on or before the closing date to wmalavi@yahoo.com

More information could be obtained by contacting investigators on 071 815 6803 (Dr. Malaviarachchi MAPWK), 071 816 2491 (Kumara Mahipala) or 071 815 4286 (Dr. Weerasinghe WMPB).