



**POSTGRADUATE INSTITUTE OF AGRICULTURE
UNIVERSITY OF PERADENIYA
SRI LANKA**

INVITATION FOR APPLICATIONS FOR THE POST OF DIRECTOR

Applications are invited from Sri Lankan citizens for the Post of Director of the Postgraduate Institute of Agriculture (PGIA), University of Peradeniya.

The prospective applicant should possess postgraduate qualifications, preferably a Ph.D. related to agriculture with administrative experience and shall be less than 63 years of age. The successful candidate will be responsible for providing academic leadership while establishing working relations with other organizations within the University and other national and international institutes, with excellent interpersonal skills necessary to perform duties in a multi-disciplinary academic environment and an understanding of the institute's commitment to the community.

The Director, in terms of the PGIA Ordinance, is a Full-Time Officer, the Principal Executive Officer, the Principal Academic Officer and the Accounting Officer of the Institute. The Director is an ex-officio member and Chairman of the Board of Management, Coordinating Committee and an ex-officio member of each Board of Study of the Institute. The appointed Director shall hold office for a period of three years from the date of appointment or until completion of the 65th year, whichever event occurs earlier.

The PGIA, the only institute of postgraduate studies in agriculture in Sri Lanka, has over the last 45 years expanded rapidly in many diverse fields of agriculture. The Institute envisages to expand and diversify its academic programmes further and embark on several outreach activities in keeping with changes foreseen in the agricultural sector in order to contribute significantly to the economic development of the country.

The Board of Management is seeking an individual with a sound academic background and an excellent record of research and management, with a vision to meet these challenges.

Prospective applicants should send in their applications along with the comprehensive curriculum vitae including the date of birth, a statement of vision for the development of the Institute, a brief account of what is proposed to achieve if appointed to the post. The application should be posted under registered cover or be personally handed over to the Deputy Registrar, Postgraduate Institute of Agriculture, Old Galaha Road, Peradeniya to reach him **on or before 28.10.2020**, indicating “**Post of Director, Postgraduate Institute of Agriculture, University of Peradeniya**” on the top left-hand corner of the envelop. A letter from the employer indicating whether the applicant could be released in the event of his/her appointment to the post in case of an applicant serving in Public Service Corporation, Statutory Bodies and Higher Educational Institutions other than the University of Peradeniya should accompany the application.

Further details could be obtained from the Deputy Registrar/PGIA on inquiry (Tel: 081-2388203) or visiting the website of the institute (www.pgia.ac.lk).

**Deputy Registrar
Postgraduate Institute of Agriculture
08.10.2020**