

Hector Kobbekaduwa Agrariyan Research and Training Institute

Recruitment of an Editor (English) for a Six month period

Applications are invited from citizens of Sri Lanka to recruit an editor (English) for a Six month Period. If you are interested and qualified, please apply before 20th June 2026 to registrar@harti.gov.lk please refer the **Terms of Reference** for more detail attached along with.

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TERMS OF REFERENCE

Consultant - Editing of Institutional Publications and Other Documents (English)

Background and Context

The Hector Kobbekaduwa Agrarian Research & Training Institute (HARTI), established in 1972 under Act No. 05 of 1972, operates as a statutory body under the Ministry of Agriculture. For nearly five decades, HARTI has been a pivotal institution in the agrarian sector, contributing to socio-economic research, training, and the formulation of agrarian development policies.

The institute's Information & Communication Division plays a key role in disseminating targeted, user-friendly, and easily accessible information through diverse communication channels and highly automated systems. Annually, HARTI publishes 5–10 research reports, two issues of the *Sri Lanka Journal of Agrarian Studies*, and an Annual Report, all in English.

According to the Institutional Scheme of Recruitment (SOR), two editor positions (Sinhala & English) are identified. Currently, the position of English Editor is vacant.

1. Scope of the Consultant and Specific Tasks

The consultant's primary role is to provide editorial support for all English publications and official documents produced by HARTI's Information & Communication Division. Specific tasks include:

- Ensuring high-quality output for all documents.
- Editing English Research Reports, Occasional Reports, and other publications of HARTI.
- Copy-editing and managing the production of the *Sri Lanka Journal of Agrarian Studies*.
- Editing the HARTI Newsletter.
- Editing proceedings from English seminars and workshops for publication.

The tasks can be completed remotely or on-site, with office space provided if necessary.

2. Deliverables

The consultant is expected to edit the following documents during the consultancy period:

1. Research Reports
 2. Policy Brief
 3. Sri Lanka Journal of Agrarian Studies (biannual)
 4. Annual Report
 5. Newsletter
 6. Specific documents requested by the Ministry of Agriculture.
 7. Any other relevant documents.
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3. Time Frame

The consultancy is expected to take place from **1st July to 31st December 2026**.

4. Requirements

The consultant should meet the following criteria:

- A bachelor's degree from a university recognized by the U.G.C., with English as a subject; OR
 - A degree obtained through the English medium with at least three (03) years of post-qualifying experience in editorial work; OR
 - More than 15 years of experience in editorial work at a reputed institution.
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5. Proposal Submission

Interested applicants are requested to submit an Expression of Interest (EOI) in the form of a brief proposal, along with the following documents:

- i. **Profile/CV** or organizational profile highlighting suitability for the assignment and relevant experience.
- ii. **Expected deliverables and timelines**, including the number of days required.
- iii. **Financial Proposal** detailing professional fees on a monthly basis.

The EOI should be sent to **registrar@harti.gov.lk** on or before **20th June 2026** to ensure prompt selection and commencement of work.