



Ministry of Parliamentary Reforms and Mass Media

CONCESSIONARY CREDIT FACILITIES FOR JOURNALISTS TO PURCHASE EQUIPMENT - 2016

01. OBJECTIVE

- To upgrade professionalism of journalists in Sri Lanka

02. TARGET GROUP

- Journalists serving on the basis of full time or part time in recognized electronic and print media institutions islandwide
- Free-lance journalists
- Provincial Journalists
- Web Journalists

03. ITEMS AND CREDIT LIMITS

Item	Maximum Credit Limit	Maximum Recovery Period
Computers (laptop / desktop/ i pad)	Rs. 100,000.00	03 years
Cameras	Rs. 100,000.00	03 years
Fax Machines	Rs. 15,000.00	01 year
Digital Recorders	Rs. 15,000.00	01 year

- In accordance with loan conditions the journalists seeking credit facilities should enter in to an agreement with the People's Bank and the loan interest will be 4% per annum. The maximum credit limit granted for an applicant will be Rupees One Hundred Thousand (Rs. 100,000.00) and only one item can be purchased at a time.

04. SELECTION CRITERIA

Applicant,

- Should be a journalist stipulated in 02 above and should have fulfilled 03 years of service.
- Should be between 18 - 55 years of age
- Should possess Media Accreditation issued by the Department of Government Information
- Should have settled any previously obtained credit facility under this scheme
- Minimum annual income should be Rs. 144,000.00

05. MODE OF SELECTION

- Beneficiaries will be selected upon interviewing eligible applicants by a Selection Committee appointed by the Secretary to the Ministry of Parliamentary Reforms and Mass Media. The decision of the Secretary to the Ministry will be final and conclusive.

06. APPLICATION PROCEDURE

Duly filled applications as per specimen application given below should be sent under registered cover addressed to Director (Media), Ministry of Parliamentary Reforms and Mass Media, No. 163, Kirulapone Avenue, Polhengoda, Colombo 05 to reach on or before 30.04.2016. "Concessionary Credit Facilities for Journalists to Purchase Equipment - 2016" should be clearly indicated on top left-hand corner of the envelope.

(Inquiries - 011 2513645, 011 2513459, 011 251 3460)

Vajira Narampanawa
Secretary
Ministry of Parliamentary Reforms and Mass Media

SPECIMEN APPLICATION

Concessionary Credit Facilities for Journalists to Purchase Equipment - 2016

- Name in Full (Block letters) :.....
Full Name in Sinhala (Mr. / Mrs. / Miss) :.....
- Name with initials :.....
- Address :.....
- Telephone No. :- Mobile:..... Residence :.....
- Date of Birth :.....
- Age at the closing date of applications :- Years:..... Months:..... Days:.....
- National Identity Card No. :.....
- Details of the Credit facility required
 - Equipment to be purchased :.....
 - Credit Amount :.....
 - People's Bank Branch expected :.....
- Service Particulars
 - Employment status :- Permanent Temporary Provincial
Freelance Web
 - Monthly Income :.....
 - Designation :.....
 - Service Period :.....
 - Newspaper / Channel :.....
 - Address :.....
 - Telephone No. :-Office :..... Fax:.....
 - District :.....
 - Email Address (Personal) :.....
 - ID No. issued by the Department of Government Information - No..... Year :-.....
- Have you benefitted by this scheme earlier ? Yes No.
If yes, the equipment purchased :.....
Year :.....
- Other facilities received from this Ministry (Computers/Scholarships/Motor Vehicles/Other) :.....

I hereby certify that the above particulars are true and correct

Date:-.....

Signature of the Applicant:-.....

Recommendation of the Head of the Institution

Mr./Mrs./Miss..... is serving in this institution as a permanent / part-time / provincial / freelance / Web journalist from to and I recommend him / her to be eligible for the above Loan Scheme. I hereby certify that the above particulars are true and correct.

- Name :.....
- Designation :.....
- Address :.....
- Telephone No. :.....

Date:

Signature and official stamp

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