

CIRCULAR No. 21 OSC Ref. C.485844

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Permanent Secretaries, Heads of Department and Chief Executive Officers are asked to invite applications from suitably qualified officers in their Ministries/Departments/Agencies to fill the **vacant** post of **Auditor (FMG/AS 2)** in the **Internal Audit Unit, Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries**, salary range \$3,332,803 - \$4,482,249 per annum.

Job Purpose

Under the general direction of the Senior Auditor (FMG/AS 3), the Auditor (FMG/AS 2) conducts audits in accordance with the provisions of the Financial Administration and Audit Act, laws issued in the Public Service and International Standards by examining the effectiveness of the internal controls.

Key Responsibilities

Management/Administrative:

• Recommends items for inclusion and assists in preparing the Unit's Annual Financial Budget.

Technical/Professional:

- Assists the Team Leader in conducing Risk Assessment in order to determine areas to be audited;
- Assists the Team Leader in preparing Time Budgets, Risk Matrices, Itineraries and Audit Reports;
- Accurately interprets and carries out the instructions given in the Time Budget issued by Team Leader;
- Verifies the adequacy and accuracy of financial records; examines and appraises financial and accounting practices, systems and procedures and evaluates operational practices and departmental policies;
- Discusses findings of Audits with Team Leader, Audit Manager and Chief Internal Auditor;
- Prepares and maintains adequate Working Papers in accordance with guidelines laid down from time to time;
- Ensures that Working Papers are properly prepared and submitted timely for review;
- Clears any queries on the Working Papers prepared;
- Consults with Team Leader on technical matters in principles of accounting practice and/or of law in order to develop knowledge of the methodology of auditing;
- Ensures the security of Audit files;
- Maintains confidentiality, professionalism and integrity of the Unit;
- Performs other related functions assigned from time to time.

Required Knowledge, Skills and Competencies

Core:

- Excellent oral and written communication skills
- Analytical thinking skills
- Ability to work in a team
- Ability to use initiative
- Integrity
- Compliance
- Excellent interpersonal skills
- Excellent problem-solving and decision-making skills
- Customer and Quality Focus

Functional/Technical:

- Excellent report writing skills
- Knowledge of Government operations
- Knowledge of accounting and auditing principles

Minimum Required Qualification and Experience

• First Degree preferably in Accounts, Finance, Business Administration, Management or Economics;

OR

ACCA Fundamentals or equivalent and no experience;

OR

• Associate of Science Degree, AAT Diploma, ACCA-CAT Level 3, or equivalent qualification, plus at least two (2) years Auditing or Accounting experience.

Special Conditions Associated with the Job

- Potential physical threat;
- Encounter potentially dangerous situations when conducting physical count of livestock, etc.;
- Possible exposure to adverse environments when conducting investigations in the field, such as infestation of lice, attack of rodents, inhalation of toxic fumes, etc.

Applications accompanied by Résumés should be submitted <u>no later than Wednesday,</u> <u>25th January, 2023 to:</u>

> Senior Director Human Resource Management and Development Division Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries Hope Gardens Kingston 6

E-mail: <u>hrm@moa.gov.jm</u>

Please note that only shortlisted applicants will be contacted.

<u>Please ensure that a copy of this circular is placed at a strategic position on the Notice</u> <u>Board of the Ministry/Department/Agency and brought to the attention of all eligible</u> <u>officers.</u>

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Merle I. Tam (Mrs.) for Chief Personnel Officer