

MINISTRY OF PUBLIC SERVICE AND ADMINISTRATIVE REFORMS

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Ministry of Public Service and Administrative Reforms
Circular Letter No. 73 of 2025
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From: Secretary for Public Service

To: Supervising Officers in charge of Ministries/Departments

Advanced Secretarial Course for officers in the grade of Confidential Secretary in Parastatal Bodies

The Pay Research Bureau has, at paragraphs 57 and 58 of its 2021 Report (Vol 2 Part II- Parastatal and other Statutory Bodies and Private Secondary Schools) recommended that this Ministry, in consultation with the Parastatal Organisations through their parent Ministries, should make arrangement for Confidential Secretaries of Parastatal Bodies to follow the Advanced Secretarial Course.

- 2. The Atal Bihari Vajpayee Institute of Public Service and Innovation will organise the Advanced Secretarial Course for officers in the grade of Confidential Secretary during the Financial Year 2025-2026. The course will be run on a combined mode, that is, online and face-to-face tutorials, with three half-day sessions of face-to-face tutorials per module/per semester.
- 3. The course will span over two semesters and will comprise the following modules:

Semester One

- (i) Roles and Responsibilities of the Confidential Secretary;
- (ii) Customer Care and Public Relations; and
- (iii) Information and Communication Technology.

Semester Two

- (i) Overview of Public Sector Management; and
- (ii) Communication.
- 4. In line with the above recommendations, Supervising Officers are requested to liaise with the Parastatal and Statutory Bodies falling under the aegis of their respective Ministries/Departments and submit to this Ministry a list of Confidential Secretaries who have <u>not</u> yet followed the Advanced Secretarial Course and who are willing to follow the course, as per the enclosed proforma. The list and the duly filled in forms should be submitted to the following address, **not later than Friday**, **05 December 2025**:

The Secretary for Public Service Ministry of Public Service and Administrative Reforms General Services Section Level 7, SICOM Building 2, Corner Chevreau and Reverend Jean Lebrun Streets, Port Louis



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- 5. All costs of participation will have to be borne by the Parastatal and Statutory Bodies concerned.
- 6. Officers who had already exercised their option in response to this Ministry's Circular Letter No.60 of 2024 and who have not yet followed the abovementioned course, should exercise their option anew.
- 7. Officers who enroll in the course and subsequently fail to attend same until its completion will have to refund, within a period of three months from the date they withdraw from the course, an amount representing the expenses incurred by the Parastatal and Statutory Body concerned for the Advanced Secretarial Course.
- 8. You are requested to bring the contents of this Circular Letter to the attention of all Parastatal and Statutory Bodies falling under the aegis of your Ministry.

Dr D. Kawol Secretary for Public Service

Copy to: Secretary to Cabinet and Head of the Civil Service

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Kindly fill in this form to express your willingness to follow the Advanced Secretarial Course.

Surname: Mr/Mrs/Miss
Other Name(s):
Designation:
Parent Ministry:
Parastatal/Statutory Body:
Office Address:
Tel No. (Office)
Fax No.: E-mail:
*(a) I am willing to follow the Advanced Secretarial Course.
*(b) I am not willing to follow the Advanced Secretarial Course.
(* Please strike out, as appropriate)
Signature:
Date: