



JOB VACANCY: RESEARCH ASSISTANTS (03 POSITIONS)

Commonwealth Blue Charter Project Incubator Research Work in Sri Lanka

We are seeking three motivated **Research Assistants** to join our team under the Commonwealth Blue Charter Project Incubator. Two will be assigned to the project's core research components, and one will support the project's financial, administrative, and research-related coordination work.

Contract duration: one year, with the possibility of extension for a further year based on performance and project needs

	Position I — Mangrove Carbon Stock Assessment	Position II — Faunal Pioneers & Seagrass-Mangrove Mapping	Position III — Research Assistant: Finance & Administrative Support
Project	Preliminary Mangrove Carbon Stock Assessments for Fiji and Sri Lanka	A Study on Faunal Pioneers in Restored Mangroves and Mapping the Seagrass-Mangrove Interphase Using Satellite and Drone Technology	Commonwealth Blue Charter Project Incubator (supporting both project components)
Role Summary	Support fieldwork, sample collection and analysis, and scientific writing related to mangrove carbon stock assessment, working closely with the project's academic and research team. an opportunity for postgraduate study based on the candidate's skills and performance during the assignment.	Support fieldwork on faunal recolonisation of restored mangrove sites, and assist with satellite- and drone-based mapping of seagrass-mangrove interphase, along with related data analysis and scientific writing. an opportunity for postgraduate study based on the candidate's skills and performance during the assignment.	Manage financial and administrative operations of the project budgeting, procurement, and record-keeping while supporting research-related coordination tasks.
Educational Qualification	A Bachelor's degree (Honours preferred) in Marine Biology, Fisheries, Environmental Science, Ecology, or a closely related field.	A Bachelor's degree (Honours preferred) in Biology, Fisheries, Environmental Science, Ecology, or a closely related field.	A Bachelor's degree
Relevant Experience / Aptitude	Demonstrated interest or prior experience in ecological or marine/coastal fieldwork and data collection, ideally including carbon stock or biomass assessment methods.	Demonstrated interest or prior experience in Aquaculture and Fisheries faunal/ecological survey work, and/or remote sensing and spatial mapping.	Interest in environmental/research project support, with an understanding of financial management, procurement, and record-keeping. Prior project administration experience is an advantage.
Language Proficiency	Good written and verbal command of English; scientific writing ability is an advantage.	Good written and verbal command of English; scientific writing ability is an advantage.	Good written and verbal command of English; report-writing ability is an advantage.
Other Skills (Desirable)	Familiarity with statistical analysis software and laboratory techniques relevant to coastal ecology.	Familiarity with field base data collection, sample collection techniques and statistical analysis software.	Proficiency in MS Office (particularly Excel); familiarity with financial or procurement software is an advantage.

We Offer (all positions):

- LKR 70,000.00 per month, all-inclusive remuneration
- The opportunity to work alongside leading ecologists and conservation specialists

How to Apply:

Interested candidates are invited to submit the following documents via email (blueincubatorsl@gmail.com) to by **22.10.2026**, indicating clearly which position (I, II, or III) they are applying for:

1. A concise Cover Letter outlining your suitability for the role.
2. Your Curriculum Vitae (CV) / Resume.
3. Contact details of two academic or professional referees.