



**SOUTH ASIAN ASSOCIATION
FOR REGIONAL COOPERATION
SECRETARIAT**

Message No. *265/08/047*
No. SAARC/ESC/208A/2021

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The Secretariat of the South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation (SAARC) presents its compliments to the Ministries of Foreign/External Affairs of the Member States of SAARC and with reference to its Notes Verbale of even number dated 08 February and 15 March 2021 regarding a **vacancy announcement** for the post of **Culture Specialist (Programmes)** in the SAARC Cultural Centre (SCC), has the honour to convey that the closing date for the applications has been **extended to 09 April 2021**. In this regard, a copy of Note Verbale No. SAARC/RC/14 dated 25 March 2021 received from the Foreign Ministry of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka, is attached.

The Secretariat has further the honour to inform the esteemed Ministries that the duly filled applications, prepared in prescribed form, along with the recommendation and the agreement to release from the primary employment (if the applicant is a government official) by the respective authorities/Head of Institute (as per paragraph 06 of the vacancy announcement), through their Ministries of Foreign/External Affairs, should be sent to the SAARC Secretariat to reach SAARC Cultural Centre **by 09 April 2021**.

The Secretariat of SAARC avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Ministries of Foreign/External Affairs of the Member States of SAARC, the assurances of its highest consideration.

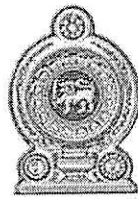
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Kathmandu, 29 March 2021

The Ministries of Foreign/External Affairs,
(SAARC Division),
Member States of SAARC.

Copy to the Director, SAARC Cultural Centre, Colombo, Sri Lanka.



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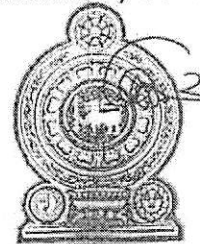
The Foreign Ministry of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka presents its compliments to the Secretariat of the South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation (SAARC) in Kathmandu and has the honour to refer to the latter's Note No. SAARC/ESC/208A/2021 dated 15th March 2021 regarding the vacancy announcement for the post of Culture Specialist (Programmes) in the SAARC Cultural Centre (SCC) in Colombo.

The Foreign Ministry of Sri Lanka takes this opportunity to convey to the esteemed Secretariat that the Ministry of Buddhasasana, Religious & Cultural Affairs, as the Sri Lanka's Focal Point, is still in the process of finalizing applications of the candidates for the above post. The SAARC Secretariat may, therefore, consider to extend the deadline by additional two weeks.

The Foreign Ministry of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Secretariat of the South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation (SAARC) in Kathmandu the assurances of its highest consideration.

25th March 2021, Colombo

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