



VACANCY – AUDITOR-GENERAL

Applications are invited from suitably qualified individuals for the position of the Auditor-General.

The Auditor-General is the independent auditor of the Fijian public sector.

The Auditor-General reports directly to Parliament on the audits and examinations of State and local government agencies covering financial reports and operations, controls and matters of public interest.

The Auditor-General contributes to public sector financial accountability and performance for the benefit of all Fijians.

The Auditor-General's Role and Responsibilities

Under section 152(1) of the Constitution of the Republic of Fiji (**'Constitution'**), the Auditor-General is responsible for inspecting, auditing and reporting to Parliament annually on the following:

- (a) Public accounts of the State;*
- (b) The control of public money and public property of the State; and*
- (c) All transactions with or concerning the public money or public property of the State.*

Under section 152(7) of the Constitution, the Auditor-General has the authority to determine all matters pertaining to the employment of all staff in the office of the Auditor-General, including –

- (a) The terms and conditions of employment;*
- (b) The qualification requirements for appointment and the process to be followed for appointment, which must be an open, transparent and competitive selection based on merit;*
- (c) The salaries, benefits and allowances payable, in accordance with its budget as approved by Parliament;*
- (d) The total establishment or the total number of staff that are required to be appointed, in accordance with the budget as approved by Parliament.*

Requirements for Appointment

To be appointed as Auditor-General, applicants must –

- (a) Have a degree in Accountancy/Finance/Public Finance from a recognised University which is acceptable for membership with the Institute of Certified Public Accountants of Australia or New Zealand (ICPAS) or the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Australia or New Zealand;
- (b) Be registered as a member of the Fiji Institute of Accountants;
- (c) Have at least 10years' experience in Audit, of which a minimum 5 years at a Audit Director or Partner of a reputable Chartered Accounting Firm;
- (d) Have extensive knowledge and understanding of auditing and code of ethics; It would be essential for the ideal candidate to have International Public Sector Accounting Standards (IPSASs), accrual-based standards used for the preparation of general purpose financial statements by governments and other public sector entities around the world;
- (e) Demonstrate working proficiency in information technology applications, specifically relating to finance;
- (f) Proven discretion and ability to work effectively and efficiently under pressure;
- (g) Applicants must be able to demonstrate thorough understanding of Auditing and Financial Management and also have extensive experience in financial budgeting and strategic planning;
- (h) Have extensive working knowledge of the Government audit office, Government audit techniques, policies and procedures will be an added advantage;
- (i) Have high standards of professionalism, including professional ethics and integrity;
- (j) Be apolitical and be free from corruption;
- (k) Be accountable for administrative conduct; and
- (l) Be transparent in order to accurately disclose information to the public and provide prompt, complete and candid reporting to Parliament as required by law;

Appointment

Pursuant to section 151(2) of the Constitution the Auditor-General is appointed by the President on the advice of the Constitutional Offices Commission.

An attractive salary remuneration package shall be offered to the selected candidate.

Information

For any other information, please contact Ms Seema Chand on telephone: (679) 3309866; facsimile (679) 3305421, or email seema.chand@govnet.gov.fj

Applications

Applications together with a comprehensive CV and names of at least 3 referees are to be marked as “**VACANCY – AUDITOR-GENERAL**” and sent to the Secretary of the Constitutional Offices Commission c/- Office of the Solicitor-General in one of the following ways:

- Posted to the Secretary of the Constitutional Offices Commission c/ - Office of the Solicitor-General, PO Box 2213. Government Buildings, Suva, Fiji.
- Hand delivered to the Secretary of the Constitutional Offices Commission c/ - Office of the Solicitor-General, 7th Floor, Suvavou House, Victoria Parade, Suva, Fiji; or
- Emailed to the email address: seema.chand@govnet.gov.fj

Applications must be received no later than 16.30 hours (Fijian standard time) on 20 July 2015.