



ICRC IS RECRUITING

The International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) is an impartial, neutral, and independent organisation whose exclusively humanitarian mission is to protect the lives and dignity of victims of armed conflict and other situations of violence and to provide them with assistance.

JOB TITLE: LEGAL ADVISOR (BASED IN COLOMBO)

S/he advises the Sri Lanka delegation on International Humanitarian Law (IHL) and national and/or international legal matters and conducts related legal work. S/he initiates, formulates and implements strategies to address identified humanitarian issues and delegation objectives in the legal domain. S/he supervises and guides research on and analysis of specific legal matters and broader sectors of the national legal system. S/he drafts legal notes/analyses and contributes with legal aspects to working papers, summary reports produced by the delegation etc. related to delegation operational objectives and activities. H/she supports IHL dissemination activities directed at specialized audiences and the public at large and supports the implementation of strategies, programmes and action plans related to IHL treaty participation, the development of relevant domestic legal and policy frameworks and mechanisms for their implementation.

Main Responsibilities

- Contributes to formulating and achieving ICRC's objectives in Sri Lanka, notably those linked to legal and policy objectives pertaining to the respect for IHL/IHR laws.
- Contributes to the annual planning and budget process of ICRC in Sri Lanka, monitors and reports on the implementation of the legal and policy objectives, notably in the field of Prevention (IHL treaty participation, teaching of IHL at academic level and within the military, judiciary and targeted sectors of civil society) and Protection (focus on Missing).
- Supports the other departments of the delegation with legal advice as required
- Monitors developments in the national implementation of IHL and relevant IHRL norms in Sri Lanka and provides expert advice to the National IHL Committee.
- Provides legal advice and technical assistance to national authorities in areas of humanitarian interest as necessary.
- Contributes to meeting legal and policy objectives of ICRC in Asia Pacific.
- Heads the Legal team, comprising another legal adviser.
- Responsible for maintaining engagement with academic circles.

Selection requirement

- Master's degree in IHL or IHRL is essential, PhD in IHL or IHRL will be an advantage.
- Excellent legal drafting skills.
- Excellent command of written and spoken English; good knowledge of Sinhala /Tamil.
- 6 years' experience in a similar function with experience in teaching/dissemination at an academic level.
- Working experience in government or judicial sector, experience in multi-disciplinary, international setting will be an advantage.
- Prior experience with ICRC/Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement will be an advantage.

Date of employment : Immediate

Duration : One year and renewable

We offer a meaningful career with an international humanitarian organization with opportunities for learning and development and an attractive remuneration package.

How to apply: Please forward your CV (no longer than two pages) together with a cover letter, both in MS Word format (one document) in support of your application, including salary expectations to col_hr_services@icrc.org. Please name the file as **SURNAME First name_ Legal Advisor**.

Deadline for applications: 08th July 2024

If you have not heard from us by 30th August 2024, please consider your application unsuccessful.