Occupation Sector–Agriculture & Livestock

Sub Sector - Agriculture / Dairy livestock / Production

Name of the Occupation/ Job - Milking Machine Operator Occupation/ Job description

The "Milking Machine Operator" is a person who operates and control machines designed to mechanically extract the milk from dairy animals by drawing quality milk complying with required standard by maintaining the temperature and agitation in storage tank.

Duties of the Occupation/Job

- Maintain personal hygiene
- Maintain hygienic condition of milking machine and pipeline installation
- Maintain hygienic condition of storage tank
- Maintain hygienic condition of working area
- Cleaning and care of milking herd
- Prepare milking animals for milking
- Operate milking machine
- Cleaning & Maintaining the machine

Expected Income per Month – Rs. 35,000.00 – 45,000.00

Working Environment -This may take place at Field or Farms.

Available Career Paths – Basic Skills and competencies

Skills/Attributes and training needed – NVQ Level 2 or willingness



EmploymentOpportunitiesavailableareasGovernment/Private/ SelfFarms & related Industry Fields & Foreign Farms

Entry Qualification for the Occupation/Job Literacy and numeracy / Physical fitness

Available Training paths NVQ Level 3 and above

No. of Local Jobs Available (Last Year) 100

Regions or countries of job availability - All Dairy Farm Areas in Sri Lanka and foreign countries

On the Job Training (OJT) 6th months At farms

Available web links/YouTube/videos /Experts to Clarify Occupation/Job relevant issues

www.tvec.gov.lk, www.youthjobs.lk, YouTube videos on operating Milking Machine



For More Information -

How to become a Milking Machine Operator

By following Milking Machine Operation and Maintenance, Competency Based Training (CBT), Enterprise Based Training (EBT) course at an approved training center.

By getting NVQ after successfully completing a NVQ level training course.

Related Occupations

Milking Farm operations related, exceptions

Work schedule

- Milking machine operator has to sign an agreement with owner of herd of cow.
- Operator has to report owner's premises/Farm and work according to the agreement

How to find job opportunities

The occupation of Milking Machine operator is becoming a highly demanding and profitable employment under the positive policy formation by the Government to encourage manufacturing of milk and dairy products at domestic level. Hence job opportunities for a well-trained milking machine operator would be found in both government and private dairy farms.

