

Circular Letter No. 35 /2014

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Postgraduate Institute of Medicine,
160, Norris Canal Road,
Colombo 7.
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To : Director/NHSL,
Directors of Teaching/General Hospitals,
Regional Directors of Health Services,
Deans of Faculties of Medicine/Medical Sciences,
Universities of Peradeniya/Colombo/Jaffna/Ruhuna/Kelaniya/
Sri Jayewardenepura,

**MD (ANAESTHESIOLOGY) PART IB (BASIC SCIENCES) EXAMINATION –
JULY/AUGUST 2014**

1. The above examination is scheduled to commence on **2nd July 2014**.
2. Applications are invited by me from medical officers in the state and non-state sectors possessing the following requirements to sit the MD (Anaesthesiology) Part IB Examination.
 - (a) A medical degree registered with the Sri Lanka Medical Council;
 - (b) satisfactory completion of internship acceptable to the Sri Lanka Medical Council;
 - (c) satisfactory completion of one year of post internship in medical/clinical practice in a University/Public Sector Institution /Private sector (see item 7) in Sri Lanka acceptable to the PGIM as at the date of closure of applications, ie. 2nd June **2014**; and
 - (d) any other requirement/s stipulated by the Board of Study concerned that has/have been approved by the Board of Management.

Notes :-

- i In respect of (c) above, those who have availed maternity or sick leave during this one year period could be considered eligible provided they have completed 80% of the post intern year.
 - ii. Candidates successful at the examination will be registered as PG trainees for the Part II in-service training programme provided they have successfully completed the MD (Anaesthesiology) Part IA.
3. The applicants to be eligible for enrolment to the training programme should pass the MD (Anaesthesiology) Part IA & Part IB examinations. The current format of the Part IB examination for the perusal of applications is described in the prospectus and relevant examination documents which are available at the PGIM.

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4. In the MD (Anaesthesiology) Part IB (Basic Sciences) Examination, subjects of Physiology, Pharmacology and Physics & Clinical Measurements shall be assessed. In each Subject there shall be 3 components. i.e. Multiple Choice Question (MCQ) paper, Essay Type Question paper and Oral examination.

5. Candidates should first obtain a minimum closed mark of 2 (50%) or more for the MCQ paper in each of the three subjects (Prospectus 2009 page 3) in order to proceed for the rest of the examination which will commence on 4th **August 2014**. All candidates will be informed in writing, their performance at the MCQ paper.

6. The candidate who pass the Part IB examination by obtaining minimum individual closed mark of 2,2,2,2,2,1+ in each of the six separate components in the Essay type Question paper and Oral examination of the three subjects only shall be considered to enrolment to the course.

7. Only a **maximum of 30** candidates from the Ministry of Health who pass the Part IB Examination and who are **above the “cut off line”** will be enrolled in the training programme in order of the merit. The details are available at the Examination Branch office of the PGIM.

8. Only a **maximum of 02** candidates from the **non state sector** who pass the Part IB Examination and who are **above the “cut off line”** will be enrolled in the training programme in order of the merit. The details are available at the Examination Branch office of the PGIM.

9. Only a **maximum of 01** candidate from the **state universities** who pass the Part IB Examination and who are **above the “cut off line”** will be enrolled in the training programme in order of the merit. The details are available at the Examination Branch office of the PGIM.

10. Only a **maximum of 02** candidates from the **Armed Forces (including Police)** who pass the Part IB Examination and who are **above the “cut off line”** will be enrolled in the training programme in order of the merit. The details are available at the Examination Branch office of the PGIM.

11. If the allocated number from other three sectors as per section 8,9,10 above are not enrolled due to non availability of qualified candidates the allocated number for the state sector shall be increased accordingly and candidates below the “cut off line” shall be enrolled based on merit to the vacant positions. The details are available at the examination branch of the PGIM.

12. However if extra candidate/s than the allocated number/s is/are available above the “cut off line” from the Non State Sector, Universities or Armed Forces all such candidate/s shall be enrolled though this may exceed the allocated number as per section 8, 9 and 10 above. The details are available at the examination branch of the PGIM.

13. In the event of extra number of candidates exceeding the allocated number from the other three sectors are selected as per section 11 above, a similar extra number from the State Sector below the “cut off line” based on merit shall be enrolled. The details are available at the examination branch of the PGIM.

14. Following the examination and release of results the above numbers shall not be changed nor shall requests for such changes be entertained.

15. Each year only the scheduled Selection Examination in the approved examination calendar shall be held. No repeat or additional examinations will be held.

16. The allocation of training units will be done as described in “Guidelines for enrolment of non-state sector trainees in to PGIM training programmes-2011” and according to the approved procedure by the PGIM based on merit. The allocated training unit/s shall not be changed for personal reasons.

17. When a candidate is selected, he/she should register in the same year. If this is not done another eligible candidate will be selected. And the candidate, who refused, will not be permitted to register in the programme in a subsequent year with the same results unless a valid medical certificate from a consultant acceptable to the PGIM is submitted.

18. For all fulltime training programmes fulltime release from Ministry of Health is a prerequisite for enrollment. When relevant it may be necessary to sign a bond before such enrollment if such a requirement has been decided by the Ministry of Health or University.

19. The relevant information of the training program, MD Examination, requirements for Board Certification are described in the Prospectus and other relevant documents. However if amendments have been made following printing of the Prospectus, the circulars with such amendments may be collected from the examinations branch office of the PGIM. These circulars will also be handed over to the selected candidates at the commencement of the training programme.

20. The candidates who shall commence the pre MD (Registrar) or Post MD (Senior Registrar) training after 1st August 2011 should pass the Pre- Board Certification Assessment to be eligible for Board Certification. The details are available at the PGIM for perusal.

21. There should be no delay in submitting the dissertation or research report within the stipulated period as prescribed in the prospectus. If there is a delay, the Board Certification will be delayed accordingly.

22. Following the completion of prescribed requirements for Board Certification including overseas training the prospective trainee applies for the Board Certification with the relevant documents within one month following the completion of such requirements. If this is not followed, the date of Board Certification will be delayed.

23. The prescribed fees for the examination for candidates in the state sector as follows :-

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| (a) Registration fee | - Rs. 4,000/= (Non Refundable) |
| (b) Examination fees | - Rs. 19,000/= |

(Candidates from non state sector will be charged 50% more of the above listed fees)

Candidates are required to pay Rs. 4,000/= the registration and Rs.9,500/- the examination fee for the MCQ paper, at the first instance. Those who qualify the MCQ Examination will have to pay the balance examination fee of Rs.9,500/- in order to proceed for the rest of the examination.

24. Eligible candidates should obtain the prescribed application forms from the Examinations Branch, Postgraduate Institute of Medicine on payment of Rs. 1,000/- or have it downloaded from the PGIM website www.cmb.ac.lk/pgim. Requests for application and other details by post should accompany a SASE 9" x 4" in size and a money order for Rs. 1,000/- drawn in favour of Postgraduate Institute of Medicine and payable at the Cinnamon Gardens Post Office, Colombo 7. The envelope should be marked "**Application for MD (Anaesthesiology) Part IB Examination**" at the top left hand corner.

25. Completed applications with **every cage duly filled** should be forwarded through the Head of Department, confirming that the applicants if selected would be released for postgraduate training in the PGIM. The applications should reach the Senior Assistant Registrar/Examinations, Postgraduate Institute of Medicine, 160, Norris Canal Road, Colombo 7 on or before **2nd June 2014**. **Incomplete applications and late applications will not be considered under any circumstances.**

26. The selected candidates should report to the training unit allocated to him/her within one month on receipt of the letter of selection to the training programme and allocation to the training unit.

27. The unofficial results of the examination will be only released following approval by the Board of Management. However for the results to be valid and official the **Senate of the University should approve the results.**

28. The candidates will be issued an "**Examination Feedback Form**" with the admission document which should be sent to Director/PGIM under confidential cover **within 48 hours after conclusion of the examination.** If the form is not received it will be confirmed that you do not have any concerns regarding the examination and it had been conducted according to the Prospectus/rules/regulations of the PGIM. **No complaints or concerns regarding the examination will be entertained after 48 hours or following release of results nor will these be investigated by the PGIM.**

29. Please bring the contents of the Circular Letter to the notice of all medical officers concerned in your department/division/faculty.

30. Please refer the new regulations laid down by Ministry of Health regarding release of Medical Officers of Department of Health in PGIM website – www.cmb.ac.lk/pgim

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Director

- c.c. 1. Secretary, Ministry of Health & Nutrition.
2. Director General of Health Services.
3. DDGHS/Medical Services.
4. Commanders of Armed Forces
5. Registrar, Sri Lanka Medical Council.
6. Secretary of Board of Study in Anaesthesiology.
7. Hony. Secretary, Sri Lanka College of Anaesthesiologists.
8. Hony. Secretary, GMOA.
9. PGIM Library
10. PGIM Branch Library, Peradeniya.

