

My No. PGIM/EX/3/MD/A/2 (14/2)
Postgraduate Institute of Medicine,
160, Norris Canal Road,
Colombo 7.
30th May 2014

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) FINAL EXAMINATION – AUGUST 2014

The above examination will commence on **1st August 2014**. The examination will be held in Colombo.

2. Applications are invited by me from medical officers possessing the following requirements to sit the above examination.

- (a) passed the MD (Anaesthesiology) Part IA and MD (Anaesthesiology) Part IB (Basic Sciences) examinations;

and

- (a) Satisfactory completion of the 2 ½ years full time clinical training programme as prescribed in the regulations.

Note :-

- (a) candidates possessing recognized foreign specialist qualification/s should make a formal application with documentations in order to be considered for exemption from the Parts IA and B and the Clinical training period, to sit the Final examination. Certified copies of the clinical appointments completed as prescribed in the regulations and the certified copies of primary/final examination certificates, must be forwarded for scrutiny by the Board of Study.
- (b) Only those whose Case Books have been already accepted and approved by the Board of Study would be eligible to sit the Final examination. Case Books should have been submitted at least 6 months before the examination.

3. The applicants to be eligible for enrolment to the Stage IV and V training programme should pass the MD (Anaesthesiology) Final examination. The format of the MD (Anaesthesiology) final examination for the perusal of applicant is described in the Prospectus 2009 and Examination documents which are available at the PGIM.

4. The MD (Anaesthesiology) examination shall consist of five components. ie Essay Paper, Short Answer Question Paper, Viva I, Viva 2 and Clinicals.

5. In order to pass the examination a candidate must obtain a minimum individual closed mark of (ICM) 2, 2, 2, 2, 1+ in each of the above five separate components (Essay, SAQ, Viva I, Viva II, Clinical) of the examination.
6. The following special training will be offered to the candidates who pass the MD final examination who may wish to do so; Cardio-thoracic Anaesthesia, Neuro Anaesthesia, Paediatrics Anaesthesia, Obstetrics Anaesthesia, Intensive Care, Pain Management. The detail of above special training programme available in MD (Anaesthesiology) Prospectus- 2009. The Ministry of Health shall inform the available training posts before the results of the MD Examination are released or after. The selection will be based on merit.
- 7 Training leading to Board certification in Critical Care will be offered to candidates who pass the MD final examination and who may wish to do so. The Ministry of Health shall inform the available training posts before the results of the MD Examination are released or after. The details of the above programme is available in Prospectus – Board Certification in Critical Care-2013. The selection will be based on merit.
8. Past question papers are available for sale in the PGIM Library.
- 9 Candidates who are eligible to sit the MD final examination are required to be present for the first scheduled examination after completion of the training programme. If a candidate does not apply or does not sit the first scheduled examination, or subsequent scheduled examinations for reasons not acceptable to the Board of Study, the examinations will be counted as attempts.
10. Please note that **candidates are allowed only 6 attempts at the Final examination which must be made within a period of 8 years from the date of first examination.** This requirement will not apply to those candidates who have sat the MD (Anaesthesiology) Part IB examination before 1998. However after failing the fifth attempt the candidate should undergo a minimum period of one year further training before permitted the sixth attempt.
11. The allocation of post MD training units will be done as described in “ Guidelines for enrolment of non state sector trainees in the PGIM training programmes -2011” and according to the approved procedure by the PGIM based on merit. The allocated training units shall not be changed for personal reasons.
12. The candidates should commence the overseas training within five years after passing the MD Examination and if not the date of Board Certification will be delayed.
13. 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.
14. The minimum duration of post MD training required to be eligible for Board Certification shall be one year local and one year overseas. However the duration may be more than two years in certain specialties and the information is available in the prospectus.
15. 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.
16. Following the completion of prescribed requirements for Board Certification including overseas training the prospective trainee applies for 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.

17. The prescribed fees for the examination, shall be as follows :-

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| (a) Registration fee | - Rs. 4,000/= (non refundable) |
| (b) Examination fees | - Rs. 40,000/= |
| (c) Case book Ass. Fee | - Rs. 2,000/= |

18. Eligible candidates should obtain the prescribed application forms from the Examinations Branch, Postgraduate Institute of Medicine on payment of Rs.1,000/- or can be downloaded from our 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 Garden Post Office, Colombo 7. The envelope should be marked “**Application for MD (Anaesthesiology) Final**” at the top left hand corner.

19. Applications with **every cage duly filled** should be forwarded through the Head of Department confirming that the applicant if selected would be released for Postgraduate training in the PGIM. The applications should reach the Asst. Registrar/Examinations, Postgraduate Institute of Medicine, 160, Norris Canal Road, Colombo 7 on or before **27th June 2014**. **Incomplete applications and late applications will not be considered under any circumstances.**

20 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

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

22. 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.**

23. 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.**

Professor H. Janaka de Silva
Director.

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2. AR - Academic
3. Secretary, Ministry of Healthcare.
4. Director General of Health Services.
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