

Circular Letter No. 41/2014

My No.PGIM/EX/14/MSc/HN (14)
Postgraduate Institute of Medicine,
160, Norris Canal Road,
Colombo 7.
27th May, 2014

To : Director/NHSL, Colombo,
Directors/MSS of Teaching/General Hospitals,
Provincial Directors of Health Services,
Deans of Faculties of Medicine/Medical Sciences,
Universities of Peradeniya/Colombo/Jaffna/Ruhuna/Kelaniya,
Sri Jayewardenepura,

MSc (HUMAN NUTRITION) EXAMINATION - SEPTEMBER 2014

1. The above examination will commence on **02nd September 2014**. The examination will be held in Colombo.
2. Applications for above examination are invited by me from medical officers possessing the following requirements.
 - Successfully completed the training programme conducted by the Board of Study in Community Medicine, PGIM with 80% satisfactory attendance in,
 - a. The classes conducted in of the 10 modules in taught course
 - b. The period of clinical/practical training
 - c. The weekly classes conducted during the period of clinical/practical training
 - Submission of satisfactory progress reports acceptable to the Board of Study in Community Medicine.
 - Submission of duly completed portfolio on or before 31st July 2014.
3. The end of course examination shall consist of four parts.
 - Theory Examination – MCQ & SEQ
 - Objective Structured Practical Examination (OSPE)
 - Assessment of the Portfolio
 - Portfolio based Viva
4. To pass the examination a candidate should obtain:
 - A minimum total aggregate of fifty percent (50%) for all component of the exam
 - A minimum of 45% for the theory component (MCQ & SEQ)
 - A minimum of 45% for the practical component (OSPE)
 - A minimum of 45% for the assessment of portfolio
 - A minimum of 25% for the Portfolio based viva
5. Candidates who are eligible to sit the MSc 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 reason not acceptable to the Board of Study, the examinations will be considered as an attempts.
6. Please note that **candidates are allowed 6 attempts only in the MSc which must be made within a period of 8 years from the date of the first examination**. This requirement will not apply to those candidates who have sat the Selection/Part I 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.

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

- | | |
|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| (a) Registration fee | - Rs. 4,000.00 (non refundable) |
| (b) Examination fees | - Rs. 23,500.00 |
| (c) Assessment fee of portfolio | - Rs. 2,000.00 |

10. Eligible candidates should obtain the prescribed application forms from the Examinations Branch, Postgraduate Institute of Medicine on payment of Rs. 1000/- or can be download 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. 1000/- drawn in favor of Postgraduate Institute of Medicine and payable at the Cinnamon Gardens Post Office, Colombo 7. The envelope should be marked “**Application for MSc (Human Nutrition)**” at the top left hand corner.

11. Applications with **every cage duly filled** should be forwarded to the Assistant Registrar/ Examinations, Postgraduate Institute of Medicine, No. 160, Norris Canal Road, Colombo 7 on or before **05th August 2014** through the Head of Department / Course Coordinator. **Applications will be entertained only subjecting to submitting the complete portfolio on or before 31st of July. Incomplete applications and late applications will not be considered under any circumstances.**

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

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

14. There shall be no repeat or additional examinations which are not scheduled in the approved examination calendar for the year 2014.

15. 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.**

16. The candidates will be issued an “**Examination Feedback Form**” with the admission documents. It 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, PGIM

- Copies:
1. Secretary, Ministry of Healthcare & Nutrition.
 2. Director General of Health Services
 3. Registrar, Sri Lanka Medical Council
 4. Secretary of Board of Study in Community Medicine
 5. Hony. Secretary, Sri Lanka College of Community Medicine
 6. Hony. Secretary, GMOA
 7. PGIM Library
 8. PGIM Branch Library, Peradeniya.