

**Circular Letter No 01/2016**

My No. PGIM/EX/07/MD/CM (15)  
Postgraduate Institute of Medicine,  
160, Norris Canal Road,  
Colombo 7.  
4<sup>th</sup> January 2016

To : Director/NHSL, Colombo  
Directors/MSS 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 (COMMUNITY MEDICINE ) THEORY EXAMINATION – FEBRUARY, 2016**

01. The above examination will commence on **1<sup>st</sup> February, 2016**. The examination will be held in Colombo.
  02. Applications are invited by me from medical officers possessing the following requirement to sit the above examination:
    - The “ Theory Examination” will be held two weeks after the completion of the taught course.
  03. The examination shall consist of Two components
    - A. Two Theory Papers
    - B. Structured Oral Examination (SOE)
- A. Theory papers**
- The two theory papers will consist of four (04) questions in each paper with a duration of two (02) hours per paper.
- B. Structured oral examination (SOE)**
- There will be two viva boards and each of 20 minutes duration. Each viva board will consist of two examiners who will award marks independently.
04. In order to pass the exam a candidate should obtain an overall aggregate of 50% or more with a minimum mark of 50% for each theory paper and an average of 50% for the SOE. Those who fail the examination will be allowed to follow the training programme but will have to pass this component before the submission of the thesis.
  06. The allocation of Pre and Post MD training units will be done as described in “General Regulations and Guidelines -2016 which is available on the PGIM web site <http://pgim.cmb.ac.lk>. The allocated training units shall not be changed for personal reasons.
  07. The minimum duration of post MD training required to be eligible for Board Certification shall be two years local and overseas.
  08. Following the completion of prescribed requirements for Board Certification including overseas training the prospective trainee should apply 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.

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

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| (a) Registration fee | - Rs. 4,000.00 (Non refundable) |
| (b) Examination fees | - Rs. 27,500.00                 |

09. Eligible candidates should obtain the prescribed application forms from the Examinations Branch, Postgraduate Institute of Medicine on payment of Rs. 1000/-. Requests for application forms and other details by post, should accompany a SASE 9” x 4” in size. The application form also could be downloaded from our website <http://pgim.cmb.ac.lk/> on payment of Rs. 1000/-. The envelope should be marked “**Application for MD (Community Medicine) Examination 2016**” at the top left hand corner.
10. Applications **with every cage duly filled** should be forwarded to the Assistant Registrar/Examinations, PGIM, 160, Norris Canal Road, Colombo 7 on or before **14<sup>th</sup> January, 2016** through the Head of Department. **Late applications will not be considered under any circumstances.**
11. Please refer the new regulations laid down by Ministry of Health regarding release of Medical Officers of Department of Health website –[www.health.gov.lk/](http://www.health.gov.lk/)
12. Please bring the contents of the Circular Letter to the notice of all medical officers concerned in your department/division/faculty.
13. There shall be **no repeat or additional examinations** which are not scheduled in the approved examination calendar year 2016.
14. The results will be valid and official after confirmation by the Senate of the University.
15. The Candidate will be issued an “**Examination Feedback Form**” with the appointment letter and this should be sent back to Director/PGIM under confidential cover **within 48 hours after conclusion of the examination**. If the form is not returned it will be assumed that you do not have any concerns regarding the examination and it was conducted according to the Prospectus/rules/regulations of the PGIM. **No complaints or concerns regarding the examination will be entertained 48 hours of conclusion of the examination or following the release of results** nor will these be investigated by the PGIM.

Professor H.Janaka de Silva  
Director, PGIM

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1. Secretary, Ministry of Healthcare & Nutrition
  2. Director General of Health Services
  3. Deputy Director General of Health Services/Dental Services
  4. Registrar, Sri Lanka Medical Council
  5. Secretary of Board of Study in Community Medicine
  6. Hony. Secretary, College of General Dental Practitioners
  7. Hony. Secretary, Government Dental Surgeons Association
  8. Hony. Secretary, College of Community Physician
  9. Hony. Secretary, College of Community Dentistry
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