

**Circular Letter No. 106 /2016**

My No. PGIM/EX/3/MD/Rad/ (16)  
Postgraduate Institute of Medicine,  
160, Norris Canal Road,  
Colombo 7.  
11<sup>th</sup> October, 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 (RADIOLOGY) PART I (2015) PROSPECTUS) EXAMINATION – DECEMBER,  
2016**

1. The above examination will commence on **5<sup>th</sup> December, 2016.**
2. Applications are invited from medical officers possessing the following requirements to sit the examination.

(a) Satisfactory completion of the MD (Radiology) Part I training programme

(b) Attendance of not less than 80% at each of the following

- Practical components of work –this will be documented in the Log Book maintained by the trainee
- Lectures/film viewing sessions/tutorials
- Clinico-radiological meetings
- Journal club meetings

(c) Submission of the following documents

- (i) Attendance registers mentioned in 12.1.1a) and 12.1.1b) of the Prospectus 2015.

Attendance registers for all above compulsory activities have to be maintained. These have to be submitted to BOS in the month of October each year.

(ii) Log book

(iii) Recommendations made by the Supervisor/s, on the appraisal form for postgraduate trainees. Skills should be further assessed at this stage, in addition to the assessment of skills during the in service programme.

- (iv) Portfolio – completion of relevant components and certification by the trainer/s of satisfactory progress
  - (v) Progress reports
  - (vi) PTR forms
  - (vii) Approval of the Research Proposal and commencement of the project certified by the supervisor
- (d) Certificate of recommendation issued by the committee appointed by the Board of Study in Radiology after assessing above.

**Note :-**

A certificate from the Consultant, certifying the satisfactory completion of the candidate's work and attendance of the training programme, must be submitted with the application.

3. The examination shall consist of two components i.e. Theory & Practical
- \* Theory - Segment I – Two MCQ papers each comprising 60 questions to be answered in 90 min
  - Segment 2 – SEQ paper. 6 questions be answered in 2 hours.
  - \* Practical – Segment 3 - Spots (Image Viewing Session) 20 stations
  - Segment 4 - Viva – Viva board I & II
4. In order to pass the examination a candidate must obtain 50% or more of the total aggregate mark AND 50% or more in each of the four segments of the examination.
5. Procedures relating to candidates who failed MD Radiology Part I Examination
- A candidate with a total aggregate score of less than 50% or who has scored less than 40% in any one of the segments irrespective of the score for the other segments should sit for both Theory and Practical components.
  - A candidate who obtains a total aggregate score of 50% or more and obtained 50% or more for one component, but has obtained between 40 and 50% in one or both segments of the other component, will be required to sit for both segments of that component at the next attempt.

Trainees will be permitted not more than 2 attempts or a maximum period of 2 years from the date of commencement of a given examination (whichever is earlier) to pass that component

.Failing those two attempts, the trainee will have to re-sit the entire examination

A trainee not successful at MD Radiology Part I examination after 1<sup>st</sup> attempt will still be allowed to continue into the 2<sup>nd</sup> year of pre-MD training programme. Such trainees will be placed at the bottom of the merit list at the selection of 2<sup>nd</sup> year Short Training Rotations in selected specialized areas.

A trainee who does not pass the MD Radiology Part I examination after 2 attempts will have to leave the training programme temporarily. Such trainees can sit for exam as “external re-sits”. After being successful, the trainee will resume in-service 3<sup>rd</sup> year of training in his / her previous training centre. Such trainees will be placed at the bottom of the merit list at the selection of 3<sup>rd</sup> year Short Training Rotations in selected specialized areas.

Trainees who are unsuccessful at Part 1 are allowed to sit total of 4 attempts within period of 5 years. After which they will be deemed to have left the training programme

6. The relevant information of the training program, MD Examination, requirements for Board Certification are described in the Prospectus 2015 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.

7. Past question papers for section 11 of the component 1 are available for sale in the PGIM Library.

8. Candidates who are eligible to sit the MD Part I 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.

9. **Please note that candidates are allowed to sit 4 attempts within a period of 5 years from the date of first attempt.**

10. The allocation of training units will be done as described in “ General Regulation & Guidelines 2016” which is available on PGIM website <http://pgim.cmb.ac.lk/> The allocated training unit/s shall not be changed for personal reasons.

11. 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.

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

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

14. 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.

15. 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. 27 500/=                 |

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

16. Exempted candidates are required to submit the application together with a letter indicating whether they would sit again for the theory/Practical component of the examination before the closing date of applications. Candidates who sit for only one component need to pay the registration fee of Rs.4,000/= and 17,500.00 as the examination fees.

17. Eligible candidates should obtain the prescribed application forms from the Examinations Branch, Postgraduate Institute of Medicine on payment of Rs.1,000/-. The application form also could be downloaded from our website <http://pgim.cmb.ac.lk/> on payment of 1,000/-.

18. Completed applications with **every cage duly filled** should be forwarded through the Head of Department. The applications should reach the Assistant Registrar/Examinations, Postgraduate Institute of Medicine, 160, Norris Canal Road, Colombo 7 on or before **4<sup>th</sup> November 2016. Incomplete applications and late applications will not be considered under any circumstances.**

19. 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.

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

21. There shall be no repeat or additional examinations which are not scheduled in the approved examination calendar for the year 2016.

22. The results will be valid and official after confirmation by the Senate of the University.
23. The candidates will be issued an “**Examination Feedback Form**” with the admission documents 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 after 48 hours of conclusion of the examination or following the release of results** nor will these be investigated by the PGIM.

Professor Senaka Rajapakse  
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1. Secretary, Ministry of Health & Nutrition.
  2. Director General of Health Services.
  3. DDGHS/Medical Services.
  4. Registrar, Sri Lanka Medical Council.
  5. Secretary of Board of Study in Radiology.
  6. Hony. Secretary, Sri Lanka College of Radiologists.
  7. Hony. Secretary, GMOA.
  8. PGIM Branch Library, Peradeniya.