Circular Letter No./2020

My No. PGIM/EX/12/MD/Med/Ad/II (20) Postgraduate Institute of Medicine, 160, Prof. Nandadasa Kodagoda Mawatha, Colombo 7. 03 February 2020

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/Rajarata/EUSL/KDU

MD (MEDICAL ADMINISTRATION) PART II (BY THESIS) EXAMINATION MAY 2020

- 1. The above examination will commence on 27th May, 2020. The examination will be held in Colombo.
- 2. This will be the last examination scheduled for MD (Medical Administration) Part II (By Thesis).
- 3. Applications are invited by me from Medical Officers / Dental Surgeons who have satisfactorily completed the MD (Medical Administration) Part II training programme of 1 year and 9 months.
- 4. The examination will consist of 3 components;

Part A - Thesis Based of a research project

Part B - Oral Examination

Part C - Portfolio

- 5. In order to pass the examination a candidate should obtain an overall average score of 50% or more (500 marks or more out of 1000 marks) and score 45% or more for each of the Parts A and C.
- 6. You are required to give notice of your intention to enter the examination through your Supervisor/s on or before 13th March 2020. The final title of your thesis and portfolio and the name/s of your supervisor/s should also be indicated for consideration by the Board of Study. The candidates are required to submit a soft copy and three hard copies of the thesis and portfolio one month before the examination. The Thesis and Portfolio will undergo a plagiarism check by the PGIM.
- 7. Please note that candidates are required to submit the MD thesis and a portfolio on or before 3.00 p.m. by 24th April 2020. No extension of time will be allowed under any circumstances. The thesis has to be submitted in triplicate in loose bound form in the first instance to enable the candidate to attend to any corrections and other deficiencies.
- 8. Candidates who are eligible to sit the MD Part II 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 6 attempts only in the MD which must be completed within a period of 8 years from the date of the first examination. However after failing the fifth attempt the candidate should undergo a minimum period of one year further training before being permitted the sixth attempt. These requirement will not apply to those candidates who have sat the Selection/Part I examinations before 1998.
- 10. The allocation of training units will be done as described in "General Regulations & Guidelines 2020" and according to the approved procedure by the PGIM based on merit. The allocated training unit/s shall not be changed for personal reasons.
- 11. Post-MD trainees should commence post-MD overseas training within two (02) years after the expected date of completing local post-MD training. Any delay will be added to the date of effective Board Certification.
- 12. Post-MD trainees who delay commencing overseas post-MD training by more than four (04) years after the expected date of completing local post-MD training will have their trainee status terminated.
- 13. There shall be no delay in submitting the thesis within the stipulated period as prescribed in the prospectus. If there is 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 Post MD (Senior Registrar) training after January 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 requirement 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. Candidates who submit the notice of intention to enter the examination and wish to submit the Thesis and Portfolio, should pay the Registration fee and Examination fee and produce the receipt to the Examinations Branch of the PGIM on or before Friday 13 March 2020, along with the notice of intention.

(a) Registration fee - Rs. 6,000.00 (Non refundable)

(b) Examination fees - Rs. 59,000.00

(c) Assessment fee - Rs. 26,500.00 (Non refundable)

(d) Application fee - Rs. 3,000.00 (Non refundable)

(Private candidates will be charged 50% more on each fee)

Only online payment through the PGIM online portal will be accepted by the PGIM.

Please note that the Examination fee will not be refunded in the event of the candidate not sitting the examination, without a valid reason acceptable to the Board of Study in Medical Administration.

If the PGIM does not receive the payment slip before the said date it will be assumed that you will not be sitting the examination in 2020.

The Application fee of Rs. 3000.00 and Assessment fee of Rs. 26,500.00 can be paid when submitting the Application form on or before 17th April 2020.

- 18. The application form also could be downloaded from the website www.pgim.cmb.ac.lk.
- 19. The applications should reach the Assistant Registrar/Examinations, PGIM, 160, Professor Nandadasa Kodagoda Mawatha, Colombo 7 on or before 17th April 2020. The envelope should be marked "Application for the MD (Medical Administration) Part II (By Thesis)" at the top left hand corner. 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 website http://www.health.gov.lk/en/
- 21. Please bring the contents of the Circular Letter to the notice of all medical officers concerned in your department/division/faculty.
- 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. Feedback in Part II should be limited to concerns, if any, regarding the conduct of the examination (eg. perceived biases, discriminatory behaviour, harassment, intimidation) and NOT regarding the format or content of the examination. The form should be sent back to Director/PGIM under confidential cover within 48 hours after conclusion of the examination. No 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.
- 24. Candidates are requested to visit the PGIM website http://pgim.cmb.ac.lk/ for further updates.

Professor H. Janaka de Silva

Director, PGIM

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 - 2. Director General of Health Services

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- 3. Registrar, Sri Lanka Medical Council
- 4. Secretary of Board of Study in Medical Administration
- 5. Secretary, College of Medical Administration
- 6. Hony. Secretary, GMOA
- 7. PGIM Library
- 8. PGIM Branch Library, Peradeniya