Circular Letter No. 03 /2019

My No. PGIM/EX/7/MSc/MedToxi(19)
Postgraduate Institute of Medicine,
160, Prof Nandadasa Kodagoda Mawatha,
Colombo 7.
1st January 2019

To : Director/NHSL, Colombo,
    Directors/MSS of Teaching/General Hospitals,
    Regional Directors of Health Services,
    Deans of Faculties of Medicine/Medical Sciences
    University of Peradeniya/Colombo/Jaffn,/Ruhuna/Kelaniya/Sri Jayawardenapura

MSc IN MEDICAL TOXICOLOGY (PART 11) EXAMINATION – FEBRUARY 2019

1. The above examination will commence on 12th February 2019.

2. Applications are invited from Medical Officers possessing the following requirements to sit the above examination
   
   a. Passed the First Year Assessment
   
   b. Obtained a minimum of 80% participation for online discussion forums of elective modules.
   
   c. Obtained a ‘pass’ grading for the Case Book

Notes:-
   
   i. A candidate who is ineligible to sit the Part II examination due to less than 80% participation in online discussion forums would have to submit one or more assignment(s) designated by the Specialty Board and obtain ‘pass’ grading(s) (50 marks or more for each assignment) in order to be considered as eligible for sitting the Part II Examination.
   
   ii. A candidate who is deemed ineligible to sit the Part II Examination due to failure in submitting the case book or receiving a ‘fail’ grade for the case book, would have to re-submit the case book three months prior to the next Part II Examination.

3. The Part II Examination will consist of the following components:-

   i. Structured Essay Question (SEQ) paper (3 hours’ duration)

   SEQ paper will consist of two parts.

   • Part A will consist of 4 SEQs derived from the 4 core modules. All candidates are required to answer all 4 questions.

   • Part B will contain 8 SEQs derived from elective modules. Each candidate is expected to answer 2 of these questions.

4. 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 reasons not acceptable to the Board of Study, the examinations will be counted as attempts.

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5. Please note that candidates are allowed only 6 attempts in the MSc examination 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.

6. The prescribed fees for the examination, shall be as follows :-
   (a) Registration fee - Rs. 6,000.00 (Non refundable)
   (b) Examination fees - Rs. 34,500.00
   (d) Application Fee -Rs. 2,500.00 (Non refundable)
   (Private candidates are required to pay 50% more)
   \* Only online payments through the PGIM online portal will be accepted.

7. The Application form can be downloaded from our website www.pgim.cmb.ac.lk/pgim.

8. The completed applications with every cage duly filled should be forwarded to the Assistant Registrar/Examinations, PGIM, 160, Prof Nandadasa Kodagoda Mawatha, Colombo 7 on or before 31st January 2019 through the Head of Department. Late applications will not be considered under any circumstances. The envelope should be marked “Application for MSc in Medical Toxicology (Part II) Examination February 2019 (Prospectus – 2016)” at the top left hand corner.

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

10. There shall be no repeat or additional examinations which are not scheduled in the approved examination calendar.

11. The results to be valid and official only after they are approved by the Senate of the University of Colombo.

12. 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 behavior, 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.

13. Candidates are requested to visit the PGIM website for further updated details.

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Professor H. Janaka de Silva
Director, PGIM

C.c. 1. Secretary, Ministry of Healthcare and 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 Specialty Board in Medical Toxicology