

Circular Letter No. 98 / 2019

My No. PGIM/EX/13/PGD/Med /Micro ('19)
Postgraduate Institute of Medicine,
160, Prof. Nandadasa Kodagoda Mw,
Colombo 7.
09th September 2019

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,
Director/MRI,

POSTGRADUATE DIPLOMA IN MEDICAL MICROBIOLOGY EXAMINATION
DECEMBER 2019

1. The above examination will commence on **Friday, 13th December 2019**.
2. Applications are invited by me from medical officers possessing the following requirements to sit the examination.
 - Show at least 80% attendance in;
 - a) The classes conducted in each of the 10 modules in the taught course
 - b) The period of in-service training in one or more hospital laboratories
 - c) The monthly classes conducted during the period of in-service training
 - Obtain a satisfactory progress report from the assigned trainer(s) for in-service training
 - Submit a duly completed portfolio
3. The examination consists of three components, **Theory Component** (MCQ and Structured Essay Paper), **Practical Component** (OSPE and the laboratory procedures in bacteriology tested over 2 half-days) and **Portfolio Assessment**.
4. A candidate must obtain a minimum of 50% or more for the theory component (MCQ and Structured Essay Paper), a minimum of 50% or more for the practical component (OSPE and Practical Examination) and a total average of a minimum of 50% or more to pass the examination.
5. The prescribed fees for the examination shall be, as follows:
 - (a) Application fee - Rs. 2,500.00 (Non refundable)
 - (b) Registration fee - Rs. 6,000.00 (Non refundable)
 - (c) Examination fees - Rs. 34,500.00
 - (d) Portfolio Assessment fee - Rs. 6,000.00

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

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

6. Please note that a candidate must complete the Diploma within six (06) attempts in not more than 8 years from the date of passing the selection examination.
7. The application form also can be downloaded from our website www.pgim.cmb.ac.lk.
8. 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 **12th November 2019** through the Head of Department. (The envelope should be marked **“Application for the Postgraduate Diploma in Medical Microbiology”** at the top left-hand corner.) **Late applications will not be considered under any circumstances.**
9. Please bring the contents of the Circular Letter to the notice of all medical officers concerned in your department/division/faculty.
10. The results will be valid and official after confirmation by the Senate of the University.
11. 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.
12. Candidates are requested to visit the PGIM website www.pgim.cmb.ac.lk for further updated details.



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- c.c. 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 Medical Microbiology
5. Hony. Secretary, GMOA
6. PGIM Library
7. PGIM Branch Library, Kandy