

Circular Letter No 55/2020

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Postgraduate Institute of Medicine,
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Colombo 7.
06th July 2020

To : Director General Army Health Services
Director General Naval Health Services
Director Health Services - Sri Lanka Air Force

SELECTION EXAMINATION FOR MASTER OF SCIENCE IN MILITARY MEDICINE (MSc in MILITARY MEDICINE) - 2020

1. The above examination is scheduled to commence on **7th September 2020**.
2. The training program for Master of Science in Military Medicine is open only to serving personnel in the Sri Lanka Army, Sri Lanka Navy and Sri Lanka Air Force and who can be employed in all military medical establishments from advanced dressing station onwards. Prospective applicants for the Selection Examination must satisfy the following requirements.

1. A medical degree registered with the Sri Lanka Medical Council (SLMC)
2. Satisfactory completion of internship acceptable to the SLMC
3. Satisfactory completion of one year of post internship in clinical practice in the military health sector acceptable to the PGIM

Or

1. A four-year dental degree registered with the Sri Lanka Medical Council (SLMC)
2. Satisfactory completion of three years of full-time work in dental practice in the military health sector acceptable to the PGIM.

Or

1. A five-year dental degree registered with the Sri Lanka Medical Council (SLMC)
2. Satisfactory completion of one-year internship acceptable to the SLMC
3. Satisfactory completion of one year of post internship in dental practice in the military health sector acceptable to the PGIM

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- The criteria prescribed above must have been satisfied by the applicants as at the date of closure of applications. Where a short fall has occurred due to any reason, including sick, maternity or other leave, the doctor concerned should complete the shortfall in order to become eligible to apply for the Selection Examination.

3. The applicants to be eligible for enrolment to the training programme should pass the Selection Examination. The current format of the selection examination for the perusal of applicants is described in the prospectus 2020.
4. The selection examination for MSc in Military Medicine will consist of 30 true/false type multiple choice questions (MCQ) and 20 single best answer (SBA) type questions. The duration of the paper shall be 150 minutes.
5. The candidates who pass the selection examination by obtaining an overall mark of 50% or more only shall be considered for enrolment to the course.
6. Only a maximum of 10 candidates will be enrolled for the training programme. 6 from Sri Lanka Army, 2 from Sri Lanka Navy and 2 from Sri Lanka Air Force who pass the Selection Examination will be enrolled in the training programme. Placements will be made purely in the order of merit. If stipulated number of vacancies from each Armed force is not filled by respective force, successful candidates from other two Armed forces will be eligible to fill those vacancies. The details are available at the Examination Branch office of the PGIM and on the PGIM web site under “General Regulations and Guidelines 2020”.
7. Following the examination and release of results the above numbers shall not be changed nor shall requests for such changes be entertained.
8. Each year only the scheduled Selection Examination in the approved examination calendar shall be held. No repeat or additional examinations will be held.
9. The allocation of training units will be done as described in “General Regulation & Guidelines 2020” which is available on PGIM website (www.pgim.cmb.ac.lk). The allocated training unit/s shall not be changed for personal reasons.
10. When a candidate is selected, he/she should register in the same year. If this is not done another eligible candidate will be selected. The candidate who refused, will not be permitted to register in the programme in a subsequent year with the same results, unless a valid medical certificate from a consultant acceptable to the PGIM is submitted.
11. For all fulltime training programmes fulltime release from Sri Lanka Army, Sri Lanka Navy and Sri Lanka Air Force is a prerequisite for enrollment. When relevant, it may be necessary to sign a bond before such enrollment if such a requirement has been decided by respective Armed Forces.
12. The relevant information of the training programme is described in the Prospectus and other relevant amendments.
13. The prescribed fees for the examination for candidates are as follows:

(a) Registration fee	- Rs. 6,000.00
(b) Examination fees	- Rs. 16,000.00
(c) Application Fee	- Rs. 2,500.00

❖ **Only online payments through the PGIM online portal will be accepted.**

14. The Application form could be downloaded from our website www.pgim.cmb.ac.lk

15. Completed applications with **every cage duly filled** should be forwarded through the Director General/Director Health Services of respective Armed forces, confirming that the applicants if selected would be released for postgraduate training in the PGIM. The applications should reach the Senior Assistant Registrar/Examinations, Postgraduate Institute of Medicine, 160, Prof Nandadasa Kodagoda Mw, Colombo 7 on or before **20th August, 2020. Incomplete applications and late applications will not be considered under any circumstances.**
16. 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
17. Please bring the contents of the Circular Letter to the notice of all medical officers and dental officers concerned in health services of Sri Lanka Army/ Sri Lanka Navy/ Sri Lanka Air Force.
18. The results will be valid and official only after they are approved by the **Senate of the University of Colombo.**
19. 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.
20. A trainee following a PG Certificate or PG Diploma or MSc or MD programme shall not be permitted to sit another selection examination for a PG Certificate or PG Diploma or MSc or MD. If the trainee leaves the course before completion of a programme/course of study, he/she shall not be permitted to sit for another selection examination for a minimum period of two years from the date of leaving the programme/course of study. This rule shall not apply for online and part time courses.
21. Candidates are requested to visit the PGIM website (www.pgim.ac.lk) for further updates.



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