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To : Director/NHSL,  
Directors of Teaching/General Hospitals,  
Regional Directors of Health Services,  
Deans of Faculties of Medicine/Medical Sciences,  
Universities of Peradeniya/Colombo/Jaffna/Ruhuna/Kelaniya/ Rajarata/  
Sri Jayewardenepura/EUSL/KDU,

**SELECTION EXAMINATION IN MD (ANAESTHESIOLOGY)**  
**JANUARY/MARCH 2022**

1. The above examination is scheduled to commence on **28<sup>th</sup> January 2022**.
2. Applications are invited by me from medical officers in the state and non-state sectors possessing the following requirements to sit the Selection Examination in MD (Anaesthesiology).
  - a. A medical degree registered with the Sri Lanka Medical Council;
  - b. Satisfactory completion of internship acceptable to the Sri Lanka Medical Council;
  - c. Satisfactory completion of one year of post internship in medical/clinical practice in a University/Public Sector Institution /Private sector in Sri Lanka acceptable to the PGIM as at the date of closure of applications, ie.18<sup>th</sup> January 2022;
  - d. A Medical certificate from a specialist physician in a Teaching Hospital to confirm general mental and physical fitness.
  - e. Following requirements stipulated by the Board of Study, relevant to a particular field of study, which have been approved by the Board of Management.
    - i. Six (6) month of work experience in Anaesthesiology and intensive care.
    - ii. Certification in advance life support (ALS) by the COAISL (annexure I – prospectus 2021)

**Notes :-**

The criteria prescribed in paragraphs (a, b, c) must have been satisfied by the applicants as at the date of closure of applications provided that where a short-fall has occurred due to any reasons including sick, maternity or other leave, the doctor concerned should complete such shortfall in order to become eligible to apply for the Selection Examinations.

3. To be eligible for enrolment to the training programme, applicants should pass the selection examination in MD (Anaesthesiology). The current format of the selection examination is described in the prospectus 2021.

4. In the selection examination in MD (Anaesthesiology), subjects of Applied Physiology, Applied Pharmacology and Applied Physics & Clinical Measurements shall be assessed. In each Subject, there shall be 2 components. i.e. Theory – multiple choice questions (MCQs) and Objective Structured Viva Examination (OSVE). In addition, there would be an Objective Structured Clinical Examination (OSCE) in the Clinical Sciences.

5. Candidates should first obtain a minimum closed mark of 3 or more in all three subjects (i.e.. Applied Physiology, Applied Pharmacology and Applied Physics & Clinical Measurements) in the MCQ paper to be allowed to proceed for the OSCE and OSVE examination .

6. **Requirements to pass the Selection examination.**

Obtain a minimum total rounded off closed mark of 9 **for the 3 components of the examination**

**AND**

Not obtain a non-rounded off closed mark of **less than 3** in more than **1 component**.

**AND**

Not obtain a non-rounded off closed mark of **less than 2** in any **single** component.

**AND**

Obtain a minimum closed mark of 3 in each of the **three (3)** subjects of the theory component.

**AND**

Obtain a minimum closed mark of **3** for **six (6)** out of the **ten (10)** OSCE stations

**AND**

Obtain a minimum closed mark of **two (2)** in **all** OSVE stations

**AND**

Obtain a minimum closed mark of 3 for **three (3)** out of the four **(4) OSVE** stations

7. **25 Candidates** from the **Ministry of Health (MOH)** who pass the Selection Examination as prescribed in Section 6 will be enrolled in the training programme. Placements will be made purely in the order of merit. The details are available on the PGIM website under “General Regulations and Guidelines 2021”. The **25<sup>th</sup> MOH candidate’s marks will be taken as a cut-offline and the candidates in sections 9, 10, 11 and 12 will have to obtain a mark similar to this or above to be offered a place in the training programme.**

8. The final number of available training placements will be determined based on the total number of candidates above the cut offline.

9. All candidates attached to **Other Government Ministries** who are above the cut- offline will be enrolled in the training programme in the order of merit.

10. All candidates from **State Universities** who are above the cut- offline will be enrolled in the training programme in the order of merit.

11. All candidates from the **Armed Forces (including Police)** who are above the cut- offline will be enrolled in the training programme in the order of merit.
12. All **Non-State Sector** candidates who are above the cut- offline will be enrolled in the training programme. They will be placed below the order of merit for candidates from the MOH, Other Government Ministries, State Universities and Armed Forces (including Police) based on the merit within the non-state sector category.
13. Following the examination and release of results the above numbers shall not be changed nor shall requests for such changes be entertained.
14. Each year only the scheduled Selection Examinations in the approved examination calendar shall be held. No repeat or additional examinations will be held.
15. The allocation of training units will be done as described in “General Regulation & Guidelines 2021” which is available on PGIM website [www.pgim.cmb.ac.lk](http://www.pgim.cmb.ac.lk) The allocated training unit/s shall not be changed for personal reasons.
16. At the point of post MD allocation, the base specialty and any available subspecialties which are approved at the time of the post MD allocation will be offered to candidates, according to merit. The number of available base specialty and subspecialty training vacancies offered for Post MD training if any will be determined based on the vacancy list provided by the MOH prior to the post MD allocation. The number of available subspecialty training vacancies offered for Post MD training if any will be determined based on the vacancy list provided by the MOH prior to the allocation.
17. **The permitted number of attempts of an eligible candidate at a particular MD Selection Examination is limited to six (06). However, candidates who have already exhausted four (04) or more attempts would be allowed only two (02) more attempts. Those who have sat less than four (04) attempts would be allowed up to a maximum total six (06) attempts. This regulation comes into effect from 27.05.2020.**
18. When a candidate is selected, he/she should register in the same year. If this is not done another candidate will be selected. And 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.
19. For all fulltime training programmes fulltime release from Ministry of Health is a prerequisite for enrollment. It may be necessary to sign a bond before enrollment if such a requirement has been decided by the Ministry of Health, University, Armed Forces or Other Government Ministries.
20. The relevant information of the training program, MD Examination, requirements for Board Certification are described in the Prospectus and other relevant documents. However if amendments have been made following printing of the Prospectus the circulars with such amendments may be downloaded from the PGIM website.
21. 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.

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22. 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. The details are available at the PGIM for perusal.

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

24. 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.

25. 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.

26. 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.

27. The prescribed fees for the examination for candidates in the state sector as follows: -

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| a. Registration fee | - Rs. 8 000/= (Non-Refundable) |
| b. Examination fees | - Rs. 46,500/=                 |
| c. Application fee  | - Rs. 4 000/= (Non-Refundable) |

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

Candidates are required to pay Rs. 4,000/= the application fee, Rs. 8,000/= the registration fee and Rs. 29,000/- the examination fee for the MCQ paper, at the first instance. Those who qualify the MCQ Examination will have to pay the balance examination fee of Rs. 17,500/- in order to proceed for the rest of the examination. **Only online payment through the PGIM online portal will be accepted by the PGIM.**

28. The application form could be downloaded from our website [www.pgim.cmb.ac.lk](http://www.pgim.cmb.ac.lk)

29. All examination applications and other documents are collected through a Google Form. <https://forms.gle/VXtfveNcquHW5mHJ6> on or before **18th January 2022**. All applicants should have a Gmail Account to log into the google form. PGIM trainees have to use the email account created by the PGIM. You should attach your exam application with all the relevant documents as a **single PDF** document since this portal does not allow you to attach multiple documents. **Please note that incomplete, handwritten, late submissions and applications sent via email will not be accepted.**

30. The selected candidates should report to the training unit allocated to him/her within one month on receipt of the letter of selection.

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

32. Please refer the new regulations laid down by Ministry of Health regarding release of Medical Officers of Department of Health website – [www.health.gov.lk/](http://www.health.gov.lk/)

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33. The results will be valid and official after confirmation by the Senate of the University.
34. 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.
35. Candidates who pass the Selection Examination and are selected for the MD programme should undergo the Professionalism Strand organized by the PGIM. Please note that this is compulsory for all MD trainees and should be completed within first two years of pre-MD training. A certificate will be issued to trainees who completed this strand successfully
36. 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.
37. Candidates are requested to visit the PGIM website for further updates.



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