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To : Director General Army Health Services
Director General Naval Health Services
Director Health Services - Sri Lanka Air Force
Director Generals / Directors of Foreign Military Medical Services

**SELECTION EXAMINATION FOR MASTER OF SCIENCE IN
MILITARY MEDICINE – NOVEMBER 2022**

1. The above examination is scheduled to commence on **16th November 2022**.
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 Foreign Military Medical Services 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

Please note the following with regard to **non-Sri Lankan nationals**:

1. Non-Sri Lankan nationals applying to register for selection examinations will be granted temporary registration by the Sri Lanka Medical Council (SLMC) under Section 67A (C) of the Medical Ordinance of the SLMC for their postgraduate training. Please refer the following for details:
[http://109.74.204.200/Applications/ApplicationTemporaryRegistrations\(Section67-A\)CategoryC.pdf](http://109.74.204.200/Applications/ApplicationTemporaryRegistrations(Section67-A)CategoryC.pdf)
2. Non-Sri Lankan nationals who apply for the selection examination should obtain written clearance from the Ministry of Defense, Sri Lanka **prior to application**.
3. The decision of the Board of Management of PGIM will be final in all such applications.

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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 programmed should pass the Selection Examination. The current format of the selection examination for ~~the~~ perusal of applicants is described in the relevant 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. A maximum of 12 candidates among those successful at the Selection Examination will be enrolled for the training programme as follows: 5 from Sri Lanka Army, 2 from Sri Lanka Navy, 2 from Sri Lanka Air Force and 3 foreign candidates. Placements will be made purely in the order of merit. If the stipulated number of vacancies for each Armed Force is not filled by the

respective Force, successful candidates from other two-Armed forces will be eligible to fill those vacancies. The details are available on the PGIM web site web site under “General Regulations and Guidelines 2022” (<https://online.pgim.cmb.ac.lk/regulation2022/trainee/>)

7. Non-Sri Lankan nationals who satisfy criteria stipulated in 2 above and apply for selection examination will be able to sit for the selection examination in their native country under the supervision of PGIM. They must pass the selection examination by obtaining the minimum pass mark. Such candidates will be placed as supernumerary for their training rotations. Their training will end with the completion of the first eligible exit examination, and if unsuccessful, they will be allowed to re-sit the examination according to the rules and regulations of the PGIM applicable at that time.
8. Following the examination and release of results, the above numbers shall not be changed nor shall requests for such changes be entertained.
9. Each year only the scheduled Selection Examination in the approved examination calendar shall be held. No repeat or additional examinations will be held.
10. The allocation of training units will be done as described in “General Regulation & Guidelines 2022”, available at PGIM website (www.pgim.cmb.ac.lk). The allocated training unit/s shall not be changed for personal reasons.
11. The selected candidates should report to the training unit allocated to him/ her within one month of receipt of the letter of selection to the training programme and allocation to the training unit.
12. 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 refuses will not be permitted to register in the programme in a subsequent year with the same result unless a valid medical certificate from a consultant acceptable to the PGIM is submitted.
13. A fulltime release from the respective Armed Force is a prerequisite for enrollment. It may be necessary to sign a bond before such enrollment if such a requirement has been decided by respective Armed Forces.
14. The relevant information of the training programme is described in the Prospectus and other relevant amendments which is on the PGIM web site. (<https://pgim.cmb.ac.lk/msc-military-medicine/>)

15. The prescribed fees for the examination are as follows:
- a. For candidates from the Sri Lankan Armed Forces:
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| (a) Registration fee | - Rs. | 8,000.00 |
| (b) Examination fee | - Rs. | 20,000.00 |
| (c) Application Fee | - Rs. | 3,500.00 |

- b. For non-Sri Lankan nationals:

- (a) Examination fee
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| - Non-SAARC | - US\$ | 956 |
| - SAARC | - US\$ | 532 |
| - Bhutan & Maldives | - US\$ | 386 |

Payments only made through the PGIM online portal will be accepted.

16. The Application form could be downloaded from www.pgim.cmb.ac.lk
17. All examination applications and other documents will be collected through a Google form <https://forms.gle/xAaMpenSB3vkXGNu7> on or before **26th August 2022**. All applicants should have a Gmail account to access the Google form. The exam application with all relevant documents must be attached as a single pdf document as the portal does not allow uploading of multiple documents. Please note that incomplete, handwritten, late submission and application sent via email will not be accepted.
18. 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.
19. The results will be valid and official only after they are approved by the **Senate of the University of Colombo**.

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. The orientation programme on 'PGIM library resources and services' is mandatory for all postgraduate trainees who enter PGIM training programmes. Please refer library.pgim.cmb.ac.lk for more information.
22. Candidates are requested to visit the PGIM website (www.pgim.ac.lk) for further updates.
23. Please bring the contents of this 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.


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