

Circular Letter No 104 / 2023

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Postgraduate Institute of Medicine,
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Colombo 07.
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To: DGHS,
DDG/PHS,
Directors/Epidemiological Unit/MCH/Special Campaigns,
Director/NHSL, Colombo,
Directors/MSs of Teaching/General Hospitals,
Provincial Directors of Health Services,
Deans of Faculties of Medicine/Medical Sciences,
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MSc COMMUNITY MEDICINE EXAMINATION – DECEMBER 2023

1. The above examination will commence on **Friday, 15th December 2023**.
2. Applications are invited from MSc (Community Medicine) trainees who have satisfied the following criteria:
 - a. Satisfactory completion of one-year training.
 - b. Attendance of equal or more than 80% for each of the modules.
 - c. Acceptance of the “Logbook and Portfolio” by the BOS.
 - d. Completion of all the assignments.
3. The MSc (Community Medicine) examination consists of four components,
 - Theory Papers (Paper I & Paper II)
 - Clinical examination
 - Dissertation
 - In-course Assessments
4. To pass the MSc (Community Medicine) Examination, A candidate should obtain an overall aggregate of 50% or more and minimum mark 50% from Theory, 45% from clinical examination and 50% from Dissertation.

5. Please note that candidates are allowed only 6 attempts at the MSc examination which must be completed within a period of 8 years from the date of the first examination. 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:

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| a) Registration Fees | - 12,500.00 (Non refundable) |
| b) Examination Fees | - 67,500.00 |
| c) Assessment Fee of Dissertation | - 13,000.00 (Non refundable) |
| d) Application Fee | - 5,500.00 (Non refundable) |

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

Only payments made through the PGIM online portal will be accepted.

7. The Application form can be downloaded from the PGIM website, www.pgim.cmb.ac.lk

8. All examination applications and other documents are collected through a Google Form (Link is - https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScjz5wcJ_DESwOL6U9DIL-5_VSSv17UVjDgDYPlEvOv7qmfYw/viewform?usp=pp_url) on or before **24th November 2023**. All applicants should have a Gmail account to access the Google form. The exam applications with all the relevant documents must be attached as a single PDF document since the portal does not allow uploading of multiple documents. Please note that incomplete, handwritten, late submission and applications sent via email will not be accepted.

9. Each year only the scheduled examination in the approved examination calendar shall be held. No repeat or additional examinations will be held.

10. The results will be valid 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 (e.g. 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.

12. Please refer the new regulations laid down by the Ministry of Health regarding release of Medical Officers of Department of Health web site - www.health.gov.lk/
13. Candidates are requested to visit the PGIM website (www.pgim.cmb.ac.lk) for further updates.
14. Please bring the contents of this Circular Letter to the notice of all medical officers concerned in your department / division / faculty.

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