

Circular Letter No. 05./ 2024

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Postgraduate Institute of Medicine,
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To : Deputy Director General/NHSL

Directors/MSS of Teaching/General Hospitals, DMOs/Base Hospitals,
Provincial Regional Directors of Health Services,
Deans of Faculties of Medicine Medical Sciences
University of Peradeniya/Colombo/ Jaffna/ Ruhuna/ Kelaniya/Sri Jayewardenepura/
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MSc IN MEDICAL TOXICOLOGY (PART - 1) EXAMINATION – FEBRUARY 2024
(Prospectus 2016)

1. The above examination will commence on **14th February 2024.**
2. Applications are invited from Medical Officers possessing the following requirements to sit the above examination
 - a. A candidate should obtain a minimum of 80% participation for online discussion forums of core modules.
 - b. A candidate who is deemed ineligible to sit the Part 1 Examination due to less than 80% participation in online discussion forums would have to submit one or more assignment(s) designated by the Specialty Board and obtain “Pass” grade(s) (50 marks or more for each assignment) in order to be considered as eligible for sitting the exam.

3. The first year assessment comprises of two components:-

(a) Continuous Assessment of the Core Modules (50% of the final mark)

- i. Discussion Forums (*50/150 of the Continuous Assessment*)
- ii. Mid Module Assignments (*50/150 of the Continuous Assessment*)
- iii. End Module Assignments (*50/150 of the Continuous Assessment*)

(b) Part 1 Examination (50% of the final mark)

- Multiple Choice Questions Paper (2 ½ hours duration)
 - 30 Single Best Response Questions
 - 30 True/False Type Questions

The Part I Examination will consist of a Multiple-Choice Question Paper, based on 4 core modules as stated above. This can be attempted in any PGIM - approved center, one of which will be in Colombo.

4. In order to pass the First Year Assessment, a candidate should obtain,

1. 50% or more for the continuous assessments and
2. 50% or more for the Part 1 Examination

5. Candidates who are eligible to sit the MSc examination are required to be present for the first scheduled examination after completion of the training programme. If a candidate does not apply or does not sit the first schedule examination or subsequent schedule examinations for reason not acceptable to the Board of Study the examinations will be counted as an attempt.

6. Please note that candidates are allowed only 6 attempts at the Msc Part 1 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 being permitted to sit the sixth attempt.

7. The prescribed fees for the examination, shall be as follows :-

I.	Registration Fee	- Rs. 12,500.00 (Non-refundable)
II.	Application Fee	- Rs. 5,500.00 (Non-refundable)
III.	Examination Fee	- Rs. 67,500.00

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

Note that Only payments made through the PGIM online portal will be accepted

8. All examination Applications and other documents will be collected through a Google form <https://forms.gle/jgzFfrtRi4ATLb6i6> on or before **31st January 2024**. Trainees must use the email account created by the PGIM. The exam application with all relevant documents must be attached as a single pdf document since this portal does not allow uploading of multiple documents. **Please note that incomplete, handwritten, late submission and application sent via email will not be accepted.**

9. 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.

10. The Results will be Valid and official after confirmation by the senate of the university.

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

12. Please refer the new regulations laid down by Ministry of Health regarding release of Medical officers of Department of Health. - www.health.gov.lk/
13. Please bring the contents of the Circular Letter to the notice of all medical officers concerned in your department/ division/ faculty.



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