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To: Deputy Director/NHSL
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Universities of Peradeniya/Colombo/Jaffna/Ruhuna/Kelaniya/Uva Wellassa/
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MD (RADIOLOGY) EXAMINATION – NOVEMBER/ DECEMBER 2026 (Prospectus 2015)

1. The above examination will commence on **30th November 2026**

2. Applications are invited from medical officers possessing the following requirements to sit the above examination.

2.1 Successful completion of MD (Radiology) Part I Examination;

2.2 Satisfactory completion of 36 months of pre-MD training programme.

2.3 Attendance of not less than 80% at each of the following

2.3.1 Practical component of work
2.3.2 Lectures/film viewing sessions/tutorials
2.3.3 Clinico-radiological meetings
2.3.4 Journal club meetings.

Note :-

Attendance registers for all above compulsory activities have to be maintained. These have to be submitted to BOS in the month of October each year.

Programme coordinator and coordinators of respective training centers are responsible for submitting above documents.

2.4 The submission of the following

2.4.1 Logbook
This has to be assessed by two supervisors, (supervisor and an external assessor appointed by BOS in Radiology) at the appraisal assessment 3 months before the scheduled date of MD part II examination.

2.4.2 Publication of the research (full Paper) in a peer reviewed journal, or submission of the research report to BOSR (the report/publication shall be of the BORS approved Pre MD research) prior to the fourth appraisal.

2.4.3 Portfolio maintained by the trainee and acceptance by the BOS.

2.4.4 Recommendations made by the supervisor/s on the appraisal form for postgraduates
2.4.5 Certificate of recommendation issued by the committee appointed by the board of study in radiology after assessing above
2.4.6 Progress reports acceptable to BOS
2.4.7 PTR forms acceptable to the BOS

2.5 **Certificate of the Professionalism & Ethics in Medical Practices Strand organized by the PGIM should be submitted along with the application**.

3. The applicants to be eligible for enrolment to the Post MD training programme should pass the MD (Radiology) examination. The format of the MD (Radiology) examination for the perusal of applicants is described in the Prospectus 2015 and amendments.

4. Format of the examination – Component I (Theory) and Component II (Practical) are as follows: -

4.1 Component I - Segment I - SBA I and
(Theory) - Segment II - SBA II

4.2 Component II - Segment I - Rapid Reporting Session of films (RRS)
(Practical) - Segment II – Digital Film Packet Reporting (FPR)
– Segment III - Clinico -Radiological Oral I/Oral II

5. Requirement to pass the MD Examination

50% or more of the total aggregate

and

60% or more from Component I (Theory)

and

80% or more from Segment I (RRS) of Component II

and

50% or more from Segment II (FPR) of Component II

and

A total of 50% or more for Segment III of Component II, with more than 40% in each panel.

6 Failed candidates

6.1 A candidate with a total aggregate of less than 50% shall sit for both Theory and Practical components in the next attempt

6.2 A candidate who obtains 50% or more of the total aggregate but fails the exam obtaining less than 50% in segment I (RRS) of component II, or less than 40% in component I (Theory), segment II (FRS) or III of component II shall sit for both theory and practical component in the next attempt.

6.3 If a candidate obtains 50% or more of the total aggregate but fails the exam due to obtaining less than 80% (but more than 50%) in segment I (RRS) of component II, the candidate shall sit for only component II at the next attempt.

6.4 A candidate who obtains 50% or more of the total aggregate, 60% or more for component I (Theory) but fails the exam due to obtaining less than 50% but more than 40% in segment II (FPR), or segment III of component II, shall sit for only component II at next attempt.

6.5 A candidate who obtains 50% of total aggregate, and obtains minimum pass mark or more for all segments of component II but fails the exam due to obtaining less than 60% but more than 40% of the component I, shall sit for only component I at the next attempt.

6.6 A maximum number of 2 attempts (including the first attempt) or maximum period of 2 years, whichever is earlier from the date of commencement of that examination shall be permitted to pass that component. Failing those two attempts, trainees will have to leave the training center and re-sit the entire examination as external candidates.

7. 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.

8. Candidates who are eligible to sit the MD Part II 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 scheduled examination, or subsequent scheduled examinations for reasons not acceptable to the Board of Study, the examinations will be counted as attempts.

9. Please note that the **candidates are allowed only 6 attempts to pass the MD (Radiology) part II examination which must be made 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 of further training before permitted to sixth attempt.

10. The allocation of post MD training units will be done as described in "General Regulations and Guidelines -2026" which is available on the PGIM web site www.pgim.cmb.ac.lk The allocated training units shall not be changed for personal reasons.

11. 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 effective date of Board Certification. The trainee status of trainees will be terminated in those who delay commencing overseas post-MD training by more than four (04) years after the expected date of completing local post-MD training.

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

13. The minimum duration of post MD training required to be eligible for Board Certification in General Radiology 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.

14. The candidates should pass the Pre- Board Certification Assessment to be eligible for Board Certification. The details are available on the PGIM website for perusal.

15. The trainees must, within one (01) calendar month of satisfactory completion of the prescribed requirements, apply for Board Certification. All relevant documents must be submitted with the application. Failure to do so will result in a delay of the effective date of Board Certification.

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

a. Registration fee - Rs. 17,500/= (Non refundable)
b. Examination fees - Rs 152,000/=
c. Application Fee - Rs. 9,500/= (Non refundable)

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

Note that only payments made through PGIM online portal will be.

17. Repeat candidates who are exempted from one component are required to submit the application together with a letter indicating whether they would sit again for the theory or Practical component of the examination before the closing date of applications. Repeat candidates who are exempted from one component need to pay the registration fee of Rs. 17,500/=, Application fee of Rs. 9,500/= and Rs. 76,000/= as the examination fees.

18. The application form can be downloaded from our website www.pgim.cmb.ac.lk

19. All examination Applications and other documents are collected through a Google Form https://forms.gle/YFLuaJq229ksEgAn7 on or before 10th **November 2026**. Trainees have to 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.**

20. The results will be valid and official after confirmation by the Senate of the University**.**

21. Please refer to the new regulations laid down by Ministry of Health regarding release of Medical Officers of Department of Health in MOH website.

22. Each year only the scheduled MD examination in the approved examination calendar shall be held. No repeat or additional examination will be held,

23. 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.

24. Candidates are requested to visit the PGIM website for further updates (www.pgim.cmb.ac.lk)

25. 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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