

Circular Letter No. 01/2022

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POSTGRADUATE INSTITUTE OF Indigenous Medicine,
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Cotta Road, Borella

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To: Commissioner of Ayurveda
Provincial Commissioners of Ayurveda
Vice Chancellor, University of Colombo
Vice Chancellor, Gampaha Wickramarachchi University of Indigenous Medicine
Director, Institute of Indigenous Medicine
Head, Unit of Siddha, University of Jaffna
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Director/NATH, Borella

MD AYURVEDA SELECTION EXAMINATION FOR ENROLEMENT TO THE FULL-TIME IN-SERVICE TRAINING PROGRAMME IN MD IN AYURVEDA AND BOARD CERTIFICATION

1. The above examination is scheduled to commence on **29/06/2022**.
2. Applications are invited by me from Ayurveda Medical Officers in the Department of Ayurveda, Universities, Armed Forces (including Police) and Non-State Sector possessing the following requirements to sit the Selection Examination for enrolment to the in-service training programme in MD in Ayurveda and Board Certification.
3. (a) BAMS/DAMS/DSAMS degree recognized by the Senate of a University established by UGC under the University Act.
(b) BAMS/DAMS/DSAMS degree registered with the Sri Lanka Ayurvedic Medical Council.
(c) Satisfactory completion of internship acceptable to the Sri Lanka Ayurvedic Medical Council.
(d) Satisfactory completion of one year work experience in Sri Lanka, after completion of internship (in the state or private sector).
(e) Complying with any other PGIIM general regulations relevant to selection of trainees.

4. The applicants to be eligible for enrolment to the training programme should pass the selection examination. The current format of the selection examination for the perusal of applicants is described in the prospectus and relevant examination documents which are available at the PGIIM.
5. The selection examination shall consist of a paper with 20 True/False MCQ questions (allocated time - 60 minutes) and 15 SBA MCQ questions (allocated time - 30 minutes). The content areas from which the questions are based on is described in the Annexure 01 of the Prospectus in Ayurveda and relevant documents available at the PGIIM (made available after registration).
6. The candidates who pass the selection examination by obtaining 50% shall only be considered for enrolment to the course.
7. The **number of candidates from the Department of Ayurveda** to be enrolled to each of the following specialties are given below.
Only the candidates who pass the selection examination shall qualify for enrollment as per order of merit.
 - i. Kayachikitsa – Two candidates
 - ii. Shalyatantra – One candidate
 - iii. Kaumarabhrithya – Two candidates
 - iv. Prasuthitantra streeroga – Two candidates
 - v. Shalaky Tantra – Two candidates
 - vi. Bhaisajyakalpana Rasashastra – Two candidates

Please note:

The “MD and Board Certification Prospectus” of the above last two programs (v and vi) are being reviewed at the UGC. The selection and enrollment to the two programs shall be done **only if the two programs are approved by UGC in 2022**. If approved the candidates who passed the selection examination **but not enrolled to the other four programs** (i to iv) shall be eligible to apply and selection shall be based on order of merit.

8. The **candidates from the State Universities** who pass the selection examination and **above the “cut-off” line** (a mark higher than the lowest mark of the selected candidate from the Department of Ayurveda) will be enrolled to the training programme in the order of merit up to a **maximum of 1 candidate**.
9. The candidates from the **Armed Forces (including Police)** who pass the selection examination and **above the “cut-off” line** (a mark higher than the lowest mark of the selected candidate from the Department of Ayurveda) will be enrolled in the training programme in the order of merit up to a **maximum of 1 candidate**.

10. The candidates from the **Non-State Sector** who pass the selection examination and **above the "cut-off" line** (a mark higher than the lowest mark of the selected candidate from the Department of Ayurveda) will be enrolled in the training programme in the order of merit up to a **maximum of 1 candidate**.
11. The allocation of training units will be done at the allocation meeting based on **merit, preference of the candidates and the maximum number of training slots** approved to each unit based on facilities available for training. If a candidate is unable to accept the allocated unit due to any reason such a candidate shall have to leave the training programme. No appeals will be entertained.
12. The relevant information of the training programme, MD Examination, requirements for Board Certification are **described in the Prospectus and other relevant documents** (Made available following enrollment). However, if amendments have been made following printing of the Prospectus, the circulars with such amendments may be collected from PGIIM. These circulars will also be handed over to the selected candidates at the commencement of the training programme.
13. The prescribed fees for the Selection Examination are as follows:

(a) Application fee	- Rs.	1,000.00
(b) Examination fees	- Rs.	10,000.00

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

14. **Eligible candidates should obtain the prescribed application forms from the Postgraduate Institute of Indigenous Medicine by payment of the application fee (Rs. 1000/-) to the Account No. 84061028 at any branch of the Bank of Ceylon and by submitting the payment receipt.** Request for an application and other details by post should accompany a SASE 9" x 4" in size and a cheque for Rs. 1000/- drawn in favor of the Postgraduate Institute of Indigenous Medicine. The envelope should be marked "**Application for Selection Examination for enrolment to the full time in-service training programme in MD in Ayurveda and Board Certification**" at the top left hand corner.
15. Completed applications with **every cage duly filled** should be forwarded through the Head of Department, confirming that the applicants if selected would be released for postgraduate training at PGIIM. The applications should reach the Senior Assistant Registrar, Postgraduate Institute of Indigenous Medicine, 5th floor, National Ayurveda Teaching Hospital, Borella on or before **23rd May, 2022**. **Incomplete applications and late applications will not be considered under any**

circumstances.

16. The selected candidates should report to the training units allocated within one month on receipt of the letter of selection to the training programme and allocation to the training unit. **Appeals for change of date of commencement or training unit will not be entertained.**
17. The selected candidates **shall be responsible to obtain the required leave (about 5 years) and fulltime release from the employee** (Department of Ayurveda/Universities/Armed Forces) to be registered for the course.
18. Please bring the contents of the Circular Letter to the notice of all Ayurveda Medical Officers/Academics concerned in your Department/Institute/Unit/Division.



Senior Professor Chrishantha Abeysena
Director, PGIIM

- Copies: 1. Secretary, Ministry of Indigenous Medicine.
2. Secretary of Board of Study in Ayurveda
3. Secretaries of Specialty Boards in Kayachitkithsa, Shalyatantra, Prasuthitantra, Kaumarabuthya, Shalakya Tantra, Bhaisajyakalpana Rasashastra