

General Circular Letter No: - 02-136/2024

Provincial Health Secretaries

Deputy Director Genaral - National Hospital of Sri Lanka, Colombo

Director, National Hospital - Kandy

Director, National Hospital - Galle

All of Hospitals Directors under the Line Ministry,

Provincial Directors of Health Services.

Regional Directors of Health services,

Heads of Institutions concerned.

Efficiency bar Examination and Departmental Examination for Pharmacists in Grade II/ Seg.II "A" – 2024 (Second Term)

It is hereby notified that the Efficiency Bar Examination and Departmental examination which should be passed before reaching the fourth salary step of the salary scale approved for Pharmacists Grade II/ Seg.II " A " will be held on 30.11.2024 and 01.12.2024 in Sinhala Tamil and English Medium. (The Subject related written question paper will be prepared only in English Medium) The venue and the time of the examination will be notified along with the Admission Card.

02. Qualifications

Only the Officers who have been appointed to a post of Pharmacists in Grade II/ Seg.II " A " and not yet completed this examination are only eligible to apply for this examination.

N.B. Please take necessary action to send me the applications of the officers only who has been promoted to Seg. II "A" / Grade II by 21.10.2024 and already received the appointment letters. (It is mandatory to attach a certified copy of Grade II appointment letter along with the application.)

03. Applications: - Applications prepared by the candidates in compliance with the form of specimen appended to this circular should be sent under registered cover to reach the Director (Examinations) "Suwasiripaya" No.385, Ven. Baddegama Wimalawansa Thero Mawatha, Colombo 10, on or before 21.19.2024 through their Heads of Institutions. The words "Efficiency Bar Examination and Departmental Examination for Pharmacists Grade II – 2024 (Second Term)" should be mentioned on the top left corner of the envelope. It is mandatory to have certified fact that the candidate had satisfied the qualifications required to sit for the said Efficiency Bar Examination by the officer in-charge of the subject of personal file and that all the particulars furnished in each application are correct by the Head of Institution. And, two (02) self-addressed envelopes (candidates can write their official or private address) in the size of 9" x 4" inches, affixed with stamps to the value of Rs.110.00 should be sent along with the application. Applications received after the closing date, incomplete or inaccurate will be rejected without any notice.

Note: The application should be prepared using an A4 paper based on the specimen form of the application so as to appear the Nos from 01 to 04 on the first front page and from 05 to 09 on the second page. Applications which do not confirm to the above specimen will be rejected without any notice.

04. Examination fees:-

- Candidates who sit the examination for the first time need not pay examination fees. However in every subsequent sitting they should affix stamps to the value of **Rs. 25**/= for each subject in the stamps cage provided for in the application and cancel same by placing their signature and the date.
- II The fees once paid will not be refunded or transferred to other examinations under any circumstances.

05. Admission to the Examination:-

- I Candidates whose applications have been accepted will be issued with Admission Cards. They should submit them to the Supervisor at the Examination center. Otherwise they will not be allowed to sit the examination.
- II Candidates should prove their identity to the Supervisor in the Examination center. For this purpose one of the following documents will be accepted.
 - (a) National Identity Card
 - (b) A formal Identity card issued by the Ministry of Health or relevant institution
 - (c) Valid Driving License
 - (d) Valid Passport

06. Scheme of the Examination:-

This examination consists of two parts viz: Departmental Examination and Efficiency Bar Examination. Departmental examination consists three parts viz: Written, Viva Voce and a Practical and each part are given 100 marks. Minimum 40 marks should be obtained for each part to pass the examination.

Efficiency bar examination consists of two subjects. Establishments Code and Financial Regulations. Each subject is given 100 marks and minimum of 40 marks should be obtained for one subject to pass the examination.

This examination can be completed part by part/subject by subject in one or several sittings. Applicants who sit for the examination for the first time should apply for all subjects.

07. Syllabus of the Examination

07.1.1 Subject related written

Duration for the question paper is 03 hours. The question paper consists of 08 essay type questions and candidates are required to answer any 05 question out of them.

Syllabus

- i. Pharmaceutics
- ii. Forensic Pharmacy (Poisons, Opium and Dangerous drugs ordinance)
- iii. Pharmacology
- iv. Annual estimates and indenting of drugs, dressings, surgical devices and medical gases etc.
- v. purchase of drugs, dressings and surgical devices Locally
- vi. Re-distribution of excess stocks of dated products.

Disposal of Withdrawn expired and non-moving drugs dressings and surgical device. Disposal of empty containers.

- vii. Procedure applicable for procurement, storage, issuing and accounting of drugs, dressings and surgical devices.
- viii. Procedure on disposal of unserviceable and spoilt drugs dressings and surgical devices.

07.1.2 Subject related Practical:-

This test is an Organized Structured Practical Examination (O.S.P.E.)) (Duration: according to the test)

Professional knowledge on the cosmetics, devices and drugs used for patients at hospitals and pharmacies will be assessed practically based on the samples/specimens provided. Sample prescriptions and bed head tickets will be provided and the practical knowledge on the subject matters related thereto will be checked. During the examination, it is allowed to refer authorized books as supporting materials.

07.1.3 Subject related Viva:-

Syllabus of the subject related written test is applicable for this also. Duration is 15 minutes.

07.2 Establishments code

Establishment Code is an essay type question paper of 02 hours. Four (04) questions out of 07 questions should be answered. Total Marks given is 100 of minimum 40 marks should be obtained for pass.

07.2.1 Questions will be based on following chapters of the Establishments Code

XV	2 6	Travel abroad for study, training or on duty
XVI	-	Holiday Travel
XXIII	⊙ =	Special Concessions and Conditions regarding officers suffering from
		special types of illnesses
XXIV	<u>=</u>	Salary Loans / Advances
XXV	-	Concessions to members of Trade union
XXVII	-	Channel of Communications
XXVIII	•	Administrative procedures
XXX		Right of Government over its officers
XXXIII	-	Legal advice and legal actions
XLVII	溪	General conduct and discipline
	XVI XXIV XXV XXVII XXVIII XXX XXXIII	XVI - XXIII - XXIV - XXV - XXVII - XXVIII - XXXIII - XXXX -

07.2.2 Financial Regulations

Duration for this paper is 02 hours. Four (04) questions out of 07 essay type questions should be answered and the total marks given are 100 Minimum of 40 marks should be obtained to pass the examination.

Rules of Disciplinary procedure

(1) Chapter VI

Chapter XLVIII

Custody of Public money Etc.

Imp rest and Bank Accounts – Security of public money, Board of survey, Bank draft, Bank Accounts. (F.R. 315 – F.R. 396)

(2) Chapter XIII

Supplies works and services: - Supplies / Purchasing Procedure, Contracts Deviation from tender • procedure (F.R 708 – F.R. 775)

08. Adherence to the Regulations Related to Examination Procedure

Candidates are forbidden to copying or attempting to copy from the answer script of another candidate, any book, paper contains notes or any other source. No candidate should attempt to look at the answer script of any other candidate and should retain from helping another candidate and also from getting help from another candidate or a person. Candidates should also retain from using mobile phones and the similar electronic equipment. Any candidate who break these rules are subjected to punishment

Please bring the contents of this circular to the notice of all relevant officers in your Institution. The information is also available on the website – www.health.gov.lk

Web Path :- www.health.gov.lk → Staff Access → Administration → Examination → Circulars

N.B. – In the event of any inconsistency between the Sinhala, Tamil, and English texts of these notification, the Sinhala text shall prevail.

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Deputy Director General (Admin) II

For Secretary

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Specimen Form of Application

For Office Use Only

Efficiency bar Examination and Departmental Examination for Pharmacists Grade II/ Seg.II "A" – 2024 Second Term

01.	(a)	i. Full Name of the Applicant (in Sinhala):										
		ii. I	Full Name of the Applicant (In English block letters)									
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	l	iii.	Names denoted by initials (In English block letters)									
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	(b)	i.	Date of promotion to Seg. II "A"/ Grade II :									
	2 2	ii. Promotion to Seg. II "A"/ Grade II Letter No :										
			(Attach a certified copy of Grade II appointment letter along with the application.)									
		iii. Is any disciplinary inquiry pending against you?										
		(Mark ✓ in the relevant cage)										
			Disciplinary orders, if any: Ref No Date									
		iv.	/. Present Annual Salary :									
		v.	National Identity Card No :-									
		vi.	. Mobile Telephone No :-									
		vii.	vii. E-mail address :									
02.		(a) Subjects Offered (Mark "✓" within the cages against the subjects you offer in this Examination.										
			ark "X" against the subjects not offered) Financial Regulations Subject Related Written									
			abilistiments code									
		Subject	ject Related Practical Subject Related Viva									
03.		(a)	Present Station of Service :- (In inhala)									
		21.5	(In English)									
		(b)	The service station is under the									
		(d)	If under provincial council, mention the province									
		(e)	Whether self - addressed two envelopes in the size of 9 X 4 inches with stamps affixed to the value of Rs110.00 have been attached to the application to post the Admission card? :-									
		(f)	i. Postal Address (In Sinhala):									
			ii. Postal Address (In English block letters)									
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05.	(a)	Have you sat this examination	before?	
	(b)	Have you affixed stamps for if	this is not the first attempt?	
			Stamp Cage	
06.	Certi	ification of the candidate:-		
	(i.)	knowledge and belief and I need the value of Rs since that and not used before.	ticulars furnished by me in this application are true and accurate according to my not affix stamps since I sit the Examination for the first time / have affixed stamps to is not the first attempt,* and the stamps affixed by me to the application are genuine	
	(ii)		I regulations stipulated by the Ministry of Health concerning this Examination and I en to cancel my candidature, if it is found that I am not eligible according to the rules	
	Da		Signature of the candidate	
07.	I hereby	fully completed by the candidate	of personal files ubmitted to me before the closing date of applications, that the application has / has according to the details of the personal file and that a copy thereof was filed in the	
	Date		Name and Signature	
08.	Certification of the Head of Institute I hereby certify that Mr./Mrs./Miss* is serving in this institute as a			
		Date	Signature of the Head of Institute (Rubber stamp	
09.	*Mr./Mrs in my ins	icate of the Head of Decentralize	d unit / specialized Campaign serves as a Medical Laboratory Technologist d by him/her* in the application are correct according to the particulars available in	
		Date (* - Delete ir:	Signature of the Head of Decentralized Unit / Specialized Campaign (Rubber stamp)	