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An Act to amend the Medical Ordinance (Chapter 105)

BE it enacted by the Parliament of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka as follows: -

1. This Act may be cited as the Medical (Amendment) Act, No. 47 of 2024.

Short title

2. Section 20 of the Medical Ordinance (Chapter 105) (hereinafter referred to as the "principal enactment") is hereby amended as follows:-

Amendment of section 20 of Chapter 105

- (1) in subsection (5c) thereof, by the substitution for the words "provisionally registered as dentists." of the words "provisionally registered as dentists;";
- (2) by the addition immediately after subsection (5c) thereof, of the following: -

"(5D) The registrar shall enter in a separate part of the register specified in paragraph (aa) of subsection (1), the name of every person who proves his claim to be provisionally registered as a specialist under section 39BA, and, if that person is registered thereafter as a specialist under section 39B, the registrar shall strike off the name of that person from such part of the aforesaid register which contains the names of the persons provisionally registered as specialists."

3. The following new section is hereby inserted immediately after section 39B of the principal enactment and shall have effect as section 39BA of that enactment: -

Insertion of new section 39_{BA} in the principal enactment "Provisional registration as a medical specialist 39BA. (1) A person who possesses the qualification referred to in subsection (4) of section 39A may make an application to the Medical Council for the provisional registration as a medical specialist for obtaining the Board Certification issued by the Post Graduate Institute of Medicine in the manner as may be determined by the Post Graduate Institute of Medicine as a prerequisite to register as a medical specialist under section 39B.

(2) Such person shall -

- (a) be of good character; and
- (b) make an application to the Medical Council for the purpose specified in subsection (1) along with the following documents:-
 - (i) a letter of eligibility to practice issued by the Post Graduate Institute of Medicine;
 - (ii) the certificate of experience certifying the employment of the applicant in a resident capacity in one or more hospitals outside Sri Lanka as a Medical officer and as a specialist;

- (iii) registration certificate of the first degree in proof of registration with the Medical Council of the country where such person is graduated;
- (iv) a copy of specialist certification (Board certification) issued by the relevant authority of the country where the applicant has obtained his post graduate qualification; and
- (c) pay the fee as shall be determined by the Medical Council for such provisional registration.
- (3) The provisional registration obtained under this section shall be valid only for a period of one year from the date on which such provisional registration is granted.".
- **4.** The Second Schedule of the principal enactment is hereby amended as follows:-

Amendment of the Second Schedule of the principal enactment

(1) by the insertion immediately after the words "SECOND SCHEDULE" of the following:-

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"Part I"; and

(2) by the insertion, immediately after the Second Schedule, of the following:-

"Part II

[Section 39BA]

DECLARATION FOR REGISTRATION AS A PROVISIONAL MEDICAL SPECIALIST

*Where the applicant holds the qualification specified in subsection (4) of section 39A

I, (name and address of applicant) hereby declare as follows:-

I am the above-named person who possesses the qualification specified in subsection (4) of section 39A and has applied for provisional registration as a medical specialist under this Ordinance to obtain Board Certification issued by Post Graduate Institute of Medicine as a prerequisite to register as a medical specialist under section 39B.

Signature of applicant

Declared before me on the ... day of

Justice of Peace/Commissioner for Oaths".

Sinhala text to prevail in case of inconsistency **5.** In the event of any inconsistency between the Sinhala and Tamil texts of this Act, the Sinhala text shall prevail.

