

AMENDMENT TO THE RULES FOR THE CONDUCT OF UNDERGRADUATE DEGREE PROGRAMMES OF KDU UNDER ANNEX 03: MEDICINE AS SECTION 46 FOR THE AWARD OF FALL- BACK QUALIFICATION, THE HIGHER DIPLOMA IN HUMAN BIOLOGY AT GENERAL SIR JOHN KOTELAWALA DEFENCE UNIVERSITY

46. The Award of Fall-back Qualification – The Higher Diploma in Human Biology:

46.1 Candidates who have not been able to fulfill the requirement for award the MBBS degree due to inability to complete the 3rd MBBS part I and/or part II examinations within 10 years of registration for the MBBS course, but have completed the academic programme of MBBS degree to the end of the 5th semester or more are eligible to apply for the award of the Higher Diploma in Human Biology.

46.2 Candidates who are eligible shall apply to the Dean, Faculty of Medicine within three months of the confirmation of the 3rd MBBS examination results (whole examination). The application can be downloaded in the Faculty of Medicine website.

46.3 The application will be assessed by a committee appointed by the Faculty Board to assess if the applicant has fulfilled the requirements to be eligible to sit for the exit interview for the award of the Higher Diploma in Human Biology.

46.4 Candidate shall

- (i) pass the 2nd MBBS examination and
- (ii) obtained a minimum of 40% marks for the each of the subjects Microbiology and Parasitology of the 3rd MBBS Part I examination and
- (iii) obtained a minimum of 40% marks for the 4th and 5th semester examinations of the Public Health and Pathology and 4th semester examination of Pharmacology.
- (iv) obtained satisfactory performance at the exit interview conducted by the Faculty of Medicine after fulfilling the requirements i, ii and iii

46.5 A candidate who was awarded the Higher Diploma in Human Biology shall not be eligible for the Diploma in Human Biology or Bachelor of Science Degree in Health Science or the MBBS degree at KDU.

46.6 Once a student is awarded the Higher Diploma in Human Biology, the student will forfeit his/her right to continue in the MBBS degree program of the KDU and will not be allowed to surrender the Higher Diploma in Human Biology at a later date and rejoin the MBBS program.

46.7 The Higher Diploma in Human Biology will not entitle the holder to register with the Sri Lanka Medical Council to work as a medical practitioner.

46.8 A candidate shall sign an affidavit stating that he/she has understood the conditions stipulated above.

46.9 Candidates who were awarded a Diploma in Human Biology or Bachelor of Science Degree in Health Science or the MBBS at KDU are not eligible to apply for Higher Diploma in Human Biology.