## GOVERNMENT OF ODISHA SKILL DEVELOPMENT & TECHNICAL EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

## NOTIFICATION

No. HTE-I-12/2021 17-69 /SDTE, Bhubaneswar, Dated the 26th March, 2021

Sub: Reservation for the students of Government High School in Medical/Engineering courses of the State

Whereas, it has come to notice that the students studying in Government High Schools are found to be at a disadvantageous position compared to their counterparts in private schools while appearing in entrance examinations like NEET and JEE for their career growth, as they do not have the access, nor the economic capacity to avail coaching for Medical and Engineering entrance examination for which the success rate in the said entrance examinations is not proportionate to their number;

And whereas, in order to remove the inequalities and to facilitate entry of students of Government High schools in Engineering and Medical Courses of the State, a High-Power Committee was constituted vide Notification No. 150/SDTE-SDTE-HTE-HTE-I-0001-2021 dated 8<sup>th</sup> January, 2021 under the Chairmanship of Hon'ble Dr. Justice A.K. Mishra, retired Judge of Orissa High Court to make necessary recommendation regarding reservation of seats for the students of Government High Schools in the Engineering and Medical Courses of the State;

And whereas, the High-Power Committee so constituted have submitted its report to the State Government with following recommendations:

- "1. 15% (fifteen percentage) of reservation in favour of the students of Government High Schools in the admission to Medical/Technical Education courses of the State be extended.
- 2. Such reservation is to be operated horizontally, covering all vertical reservation as well as general UN-RESERVED GROUPS.
- The Government can issue Notification in exercise of power under Section-9 of the Odisha Professional Education Institutions (Regulation of Admission and Fixation of Fee) Act, 2007 to give effect to the above."

Now, therefore, in exercise of the power conferred by sub-section (1) of Section-9 of the Odisha Professional Educational Institutions (Regulation of Admission and Fixation of Fee) Act, 2007 (Odisha Act 4 of 2007) and having regard to the recommendation of the High-power Committee, the State Government do hereby direct that 15% of seats in Medical and Engineering Colleges of the State shall be reserved for the students who have passed the 10<sup>th</sup> Board Examination under the Board of Secondary Education, Odisha from Government High Schools and also have passed the 12<sup>th</sup> Board Examination under the Council of Higher Secondary Education, Odisha from any Government Higher Secondary School/Government Junior College and such reservations shall be horizontal covering all vertical reservations as well as Unreserved Group.

Explanation I.— For the purpose of this Notification, the expression 'the Government High School', includes the aided High Schools, Higher Secondary Schools, Junior Colleges of the State as defined in the Odisha Education Act, 1969. (Odisha Act 15 of 1969)

## Explanation II. —

- (a) Medical courses in relation to a Medical College, includes MBBS, BDS, BHMS, BAMS, BSMS and BUMS.
- (b) Engineering courses in relation to an Engineering College, includes B. Tech, B. E. and B. Arch.

Explanation III.— For the purpose of removal of doubts, it is hereby clarified that—

- (a) Such eligible students shall also be entitled to compete for the unreserved seats.
- (b) Where adequate number of such eligible students are not available for seats so set apart, such unfilled seats shall be filled up by the other students of respective category.

BY ORDER OF THE GOVERNOR

(S. K. SINGH)

**Commissioner-cum-Secretary to Government** 

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