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NOTIFICATION FOR E-COUNSELLING OF ANM & GNM-2026

Notification of Counselling for admission to undergraduate courses for admission in B. Sc.-Nursing and in various undergraduate paramedical courses under WBUHS in Government/ Self-financing Colleges/Institutions in West Bengal.

In 2014, the Government of West Bengal enacted the West Bengal Act XIV of 2014 to form The West Bengal Joint Entrance Examinations Board (hereinafter called 'Board') and empowered it to conduct Common Entrance Examinations for selection of candidates for admission to undergraduate and postgraduate Professional, Vocational and General Degree Courses in the State of West Bengal and to conduct on-line e-counselling process or otherwise adopting a single-window approach.

Accordingly, the WBJEEB is authorised to conduct the Common Entrance Examination– ANM(R) & GNM for admission in various Government/ Self-financing Colleges/ Institutions in the State of West Bengal for two (2) years' Auxiliary Nursing & Midwifery (Revised) course and three (3) years' General Nursing & Midwifery course. So, aspiring candidates must appear in the ANM(R)&GNM-2026, for academic session of 2026-27, and obtain a valid rank in order to be admitted to the ANM(R) & GNM Courses.

The ANM & GNM-2026 examination was conducted on 7th June, 2026, and the results have already been declared. The centralised online counselling (e-counselling) process for admission will now be conducted by the WBJEEB.

The e-counselling process will facilitate seat allotment to colleges, institutions, and courses based on candidates' merit ranks and the choices they submit. By registering for e-counselling, candidates agree to abide by all the rules, regulations, and guidelines prescribed by the Board. Candidates are advised to read and understand

these guidelines carefully. The Board shall not be responsible for any inconvenience arising from a candidate's failure to understand or comply with the prescribed rules.

This notification aims to ensure a fair, transparent, and efficient admission process through a single-window counselling system, providing all eligible candidates with an equal opportunity to secure admission to their preferred courses and institutions.

The following rules and guidelines will be followed for e-counselling.

	RULES & GUIDELINES
1.0 Introduction	1. Centralised online process: (i) The ANM & GNM-2026 e-counselling process will be done entirely online in three rounds. (ii) Each round includes fresh registration, choice filling, seat assignment, fee payment, and provisional acceptance. 2. Rank-Based Eligibility: 3. Any candidate meeting the eligibility criteria and securing a rank (GMR) in the common entrance Examination ANM(R)&GNM-2026 held for the purpose can register for counselling. 4. The counselling will be for admission in the institutes and courses as mentioned in the approved Seat Matrix 5. Registration and Fees: To participate, the candidates must register by the deadline given, and who haven't registered will not be considered under any circumstances. There is a required one-time fee of Rs. 500/- that can't be refunded, and the Board is not responsible if the payment fails technically. 6. Seat Matrix and Reservations: The approved seat matrix received from the Dept. of H&FW, Govt. of WB and will be published at the Board's web site before counselling; for the academic session 2026-27, it will be declared in due course after verification by WBNC. 7. Gender Eligibility: (i) In most colleges, both men and women can apply for most courses. However, only female candidates are eligible for admission in ANM course. (ii) Male candidates are eligible for admission in only GNM course in Male institutes.

	(iii) Female candidates are eligible for admission in GNM Courses except Male institutes. 8. De-reservation: The Board will not convert/de-reserve any vacant seat in any reserved categories i.e. SC, ST, OBC, EWS Civil Defence, Orphanages & Inmates of destitute Homes, PwD etc. to general/unreserved category in any round of this counselling.
2.0 Registration	a) Eligibility and Ranking Criteria: Applicants must possess a legitimate General Merit Rank (GMR) in ANM & GNM-2026 to qualify for registration. b) Academic Credentials: Candidates are required to have completed the 10+2 educational setup and have obtained the requisite aggregate percentages according to their classification, specifically 40% for General/EWS and 35% for reserved categories . c) Registration Information: Applicants must provide their ANM & GNM-2026 application or roll number, together with precise personal information, a legitimate address, and banking data for any reimbursements. d) Academic Reporting: At the time of registration, applicants are required to submit their overall passing status for Class 12, total marks, and marks achieved. Furthermore, they are required to enter subject-specific passing statuses and scores for English. e) Precise Data: Utmost attention to detail is required when providing the requisite information, as no opportunities for amendments or alterations exist post-final submission. The WBJEEB assumes no legal liability for any inaccuracies provided by the candidate that lead to unavailability of college or course selections or a lack of seat allocation.
3.0 Eligibility for admission	Eligibility and academic qualification criteria (Ref. Information Bulletin) a) The following sub-sections describe the criteria as per the latest communications received from the concerned Authorities (i.e., the Dept. of H&FW, Govt. of W.B.). b) Candidates must be aware of the latest applicable rules of the Universities, Institutions, Government Departments, and regulatory bodies at the time of admission. The Board will not be responsible in any way if any candidate fails to become aware of regularly updated information.

	c) The Board would notify any revisions, corrections, modifications, addenda, or corrigenda received from the concerned authorities until the start of counselling.		
3.1 Eligibility criteria for appearing in ANM(R) & GNM-2026	Eligibility criteria for appearing: (Ref. Information Bulletin)		
	a) The applicant must be a citizen of India. Must be a domicile of West Bengal. b) The applicant must have passed or be appearing in the 2026 class 12 examination in the (10+2) system only. c) The applicant’s age must be at least 17 (seventeen) years as on 31.12.2026.		
	Eligibility criteria for admission (As intimated by the concerned Authorities)		
	Criteria	ANM(R)	GNM
	1. Gender	Only Female	Female and Male ⁽¹⁾
	2. Maximum age	No Upper Age Limit	No Upper Age Limit
	3. Residence	Must be a permanent resident of West Bengal uninterruptedly for at least the last ten years till 31.12.2025	Must be a permanent resident of West Bengal uninterruptedly for at least the last ten years till 31.12.2025.
	4. Language	Must be able to read, write and express in Bengali and/or Nepali	
	5. Minimum educational qualification	a) Must pass ‘10+2’ examination from any recognised Board ⁽²⁾ with at least 40% marks in aggregate. b) 5% of total marks is relaxed for SC/ST/OBC c) Must pass ⁽³⁾ in English in the (10+2) examination. d) Vocational Stream i. CBSE Board: Candidates passing (10+2) in the Vocational Stream must be from the Health Care Science discipline. ii. The candidates passing West Bengal Higher Secondary (Vocational) Examination, 2023 onwards, who opted for “Healthcare Science” under “Community Healthcare” Group must pass in any two of the following combination of Subjects: • Community Health Counsellor (COHC) • Patient Care Assistant (PTCA)	

		- Public Health and Emergency Care Assistant (PHEC)* iii. The candidates who passed the West Bengal Higher Secondary (Vocational) Examination before 2023 with "Community Healthcare" Group under "Home Science" Discipline, with a combination of 3 vocational papers, namely: - Community Nutrition - Hospital Management - Public Health & First Aid shall also be eligible to make an application for the ANM/GNM Entrance Examination, 2026, as per the Notification No. WBSCTVESD/VED/748 Dated, 29.01.2024 and the notification no. WBSCTVESD/VED/2024/279 Dated, 24.11.2025 of the West Bengal State Council of Technical & Vocational Education and Skill Development. N.B. * New course
	6. Medical Fitness Certificate	All candidates must be medically fit for the course and must produce a Medical Fitness Certificate in the format given in APPENDIX-3(attached in Information Bulletin) at the time of admission.
	Note: - There are 02(two) government Institutions for males and a few private Institutions for males. - Recognised Board: Refer to the list of recognised Board/Council given on the Board's website www.wbjeeb.nic.in 'Passed' means passed in both theory and practical/ project as applicable. See the concerned sections of the Information Bulletin	
4.0 Domicile criteria	Requirements in terms of Domicile Criteria Candidates being permanent residents of West Bengal uninterruptedly for at least the last ten years till 31.12.2025. - They are eligible for both ANM (R) and GNM. - They must submit a Domicile Certificate (as per PROFORMA A1, PROFORMA A2, or PROFORMA B, given in APPENDIX-2, APPENDIX – 3, and APPENDIX- 7, respectively- attached in the concerned sections of the Information Bulletin).	
5.0 Reservation of seats	For SC/ST/OBC/EWS/PwD categories of students: a) Reservation policies will be according to the extant rules of the Govt. of WB for admission in reserved seats for SC/ST/ As per the Kolkata Gazette Notifications. The OBC reservation will be in	

	accordance with the two Gazette Notifications published by the Backwards Classes Welfare Department, Govt. of West Bengal. The OBC candidates belonging to the Non-Creamy Layer (NCL) are eligible for consideration as reserved candidates only. OBC candidates must produce an updated NCL certificate during Counselling/ Admission. Additional information regarding OBC reservation and Non-Creamy Layer (NCL) status for admission, vide Memo No. 1037(64)/Secy-BCW/MR-33/2025(Pt.V), Dt. 20-05-26 is available on the Board's website. b) The number of category-wise reserved seats is reflected in the Counselling portal. c) Such reservation shall be restricted to candidates who are Indian citizen and domiciled in West Bengal only. d) Candidates claiming reservation must submit a relevant Certificate issued by the competent Authorities. e) Certificates are to be produced for verification by the allotted Institute during counselling, admission, etc. If at that time, it is found that any information given by the candidate is/are not correct or if the candidate is unable to produce certificate/document/ proof valid as per the then applicable rules as on the date of its verification, his/her information will be corrected/modified accordingly and the candidate may be reconsidered in the next round of counselling (if any).
6.0 Choice filling	a) During registration, once academic scores are given and registration fees paid, the candidate can view all Institutes and courses available to him/her according to his/her eligibility criteria based on the inputs provided by him/her. b) After selecting the institutes/courses, the candidate will arrange his/her choices in order of his/her priority. c) If a candidate does not give any choice, obviously, he/she will not be given any allotment for the concerned round. d) The choices are shown in alphabetical order to make the search easy. Candidates can also search for details by Institute and Branch. e) Candidates must be very judicious and cautious while selecting the choices. Candidates are advised to select the maximum possible number of Institutes/branches. This increases the chance of allotment. The candidate can either opt for UPGRADATION after accepting the current allotment or opt

	for a fresh choice fill-up for the next round, if any. Candidates are advised to select at least 20 choices
7.0 Choice locking	Candidate must lock his/her choices within the pre-announced date (as per the schedule provided). Candidates can also take a printout of his/her locked choices. If a candidate fails/forgets to lock his/her choices within the pre-announced deadline, his/her last saved choices will be considered final and will be locked automatically after the scheduled date and time.
8.0	ROUND-1 COUNSELLING
8.1 Purpose of Round-1	Round-1 shall be the initial seat allotment round in which all candidates who have successfully completed registration, paid the prescribed counselling registration fee, submitted their choices, and completed choice locking. Such candidates may be considered for allotment of seats, as per his /her eligibility.
8.2 Basis of Allotment	Seat allotment in Round-1 shall be carried out strictly on the basis of: - General Merit Rank (GMR) ; - Eligibility criteria prescribed for the respective institute and course; - Reservation rules and category status of the candidate; - Availability of seats; and - Order of choices submitted and locked by the candidate. Candidates belonging to reserved categories may be allotted seats in the Unreserved (UR) category if they satisfy the eligibility requirements prescribed for UR candidates, with respect to merit rank, eligibility, and vacancy status.
8.3 Publication of Allotment Result	- Round-1 allotment results shall be published on the notified date. - Candidates may also be informed through SMS and/or other electronic means. - Candidates must log in to the counselling portal to view their allotment status and download the allotment letter.
8.4 Allotment in Round-1	Candidates allotted in 1st choice: All the candidates must complete the document verification and take admission to the allotted institute within the stipulated time. In case of failure of the above, the candidate will be debarred from the entire counselling procedure and will not be eligible for any further round.

	b) Candidates in allotted in 2nd or later choice: Such candidates may pay the seat acceptance fee and complete the document verification with “Yes” or “No” upgradation. The ‘No’ upgradation candidates must complete the admission procedure, failing which, the candidate will be debarred from the entire counselling procedure and will not be eligible for any further round. The ‘Yes’ upgradation candidates will be eligible automatically for the next round with the existing choice, and they are not eligible for fresh choice fill-up in the very next round. c) Candidates did not get any seats: Such candidates are automatically eligible for the next round with their existing choice fill-up. Those candidates may also opt for fresh choice fill up in the very next round. d) Candidates allotted in 2nd or later choice but non-responsive: Such candidates, either paid the seat acceptance fee but did not verify the document or did not pay any seat acceptance fee, will be eligible for the next round with their existing choice fill-up. Those candidates may also opt for fresh choice fill up in the very next round. e) Eligible for fresh choice fill up in Round 2: - Freshly registered candidates in Round 2. - Not allotted any seats in Round 1. - Allotted in 2nd or later choice in Round 1 but non-responsive (Seat acceptance fee paid or not). - Seat cancelled in Round 1 during document verification.
9.0	Round 2 Counselling
9.1 Allotment in Round-2	a) Candidates allotted/upgraded in 1st choice: All the candidates must complete the document verification and admission to the allotted institute within the stipulated time. In case of failure of the above, the candidate will be debarred from the entire counselling procedure and will not be eligible for any further round. b) Candidates 1st time allotted in 2nd or later choice: Such candidates may pay the seat acceptance fee and complete the document verification with “Yes” or “No” upgradation. The No upgradation candidates must complete the admission procedure, failing which, the candidate will be debarred from

	the entire counselling procedure and will not be eligible for any further round. The Yes upgradation candidate will be eligible automatically for the next round with the existing choice, and they are not eligible for fresh choice fill-up in the very next round. c) Candidates upgraded in 2nd or later choice: Such Candidates may opt for “No” upgradation and complete the admission procedure in respective institutes, failing which the candidate will be debarred from the entire counselling procedure. In case of “Yes” upgradation for the next round, the candidate need not do anything. d) Candidates did not get any seats: Such candidates are automatically eligible for the next round with their existing choice fill-up. Those candidates may also opt for fresh choice fill up in the very next round. e) Candidates allotted in 2nd or later choice but non-responsive: Such candidates either paid the seat acceptance fee but did not verify the document or did not pay any seat acceptance fee, will be eligible for the next round with their existing choice fill up. Those candidates may also opt for fresh choice fill up in the very next round. Such candidates from both Round 1 and Round 2. f) Eligible for fresh choice fill up in Round 3: - Freshly registered candidates in Round 3. - Not allotted any seats in Round 1 and Round 2. - Seat cancelled in Round 2 during document verification. - Allotted in 2nd or later choice in Round 2 but non-responsive (Seat acceptance fee paid or not). - Candidates who have allotted a seat in 2nd or later choice in Round 1, completed document verification with “Yes” upgradation and retain the seat in Round 2 or upgraded in 2nd or later choice in Round 2.
9.2 General rules for 2nd and 3rd Round registration	If any existing eligible candidate opts for a fresh choice in Round 2 or Round 3, his/her previous choice fill up/previous allotment (if any) will be cancelled. Such candidates must fill new choices for possible allotment for the respective round.

10.0 Exit Rules from Counselling	a) Candidates withdrawn from Counselling during 2nd round. b) Candidates who have been allotted a seat in their 1st choice in any round and did not complete document verification and admission procedure at the respective institute will be debarred from the entire counselling process. c) After document verification, if the candidate does not match the minimum eligibility criteria, the candidate will be exited from the counselling procedure. d) Candidates with “No” upgradation status after document verification in any round must complete the Admission procedure/PI reporting for the respective round(s). Failing which, the candidate will be debarred from the entire counselling procedure and will not be eligible for any future round.
11.0 Round-3 Counselling	a) Final Round: Round-3 shall be the final round of the Online Centralised Counselling and shall be conducted against the vacancies remaining after completion of Round-2. b) Reporting and Admission: Candidates receiving allotment shall complete Seat Acceptance (where applicable), reporting, document verification and admission within the notified schedule. c) No Further Upgradation: Since Round-3 shall be the final counselling round, no further upgradation or change of allotted seat shall ordinarily be permitted. d) Non-reporting: Candidates failing to complete the prescribed admission formalities within the stipulated period shall forfeit their claim to the allotted seat. e) Closure of Counselling: Upon completion of Round-3 admissions, the Online Centralised Counselling process for the Academic Session 2026-27 shall stand concluded.
12.0 Document Verification	Physical document verification by the allotted institute is a mandatory part of the admission process. Candidates must present printed allotment letters, rank cards, 10th admit cards (for DOB), 12th mark sheets, domicile certificates, category certificates, and a Medical Fitness Certificate. Verification Outcomes: - If WB domicile status is cancelled, the allotment is cancelled and carried over to the next round as an Outside WB candidate.

	- If a reserved category (SC/ST/OBC/EWS) is rejected, the allotment is cancelled and carried over to the next round as a General candidate. - If the PwD certificate is not accepted, the allotment is cancelled and carried over to the next round as a General candidate. If the CD/Orphan certificate is not accepted, the allotment is cancelled and carried over to the next round as a General candidate.
13.0 Exit Conditions	After successful document verification, candidates shall exercise either the "YES (Upgradation)" or "NO (No Upgradation)" option, wherever such option is applicable under the counselling process. The option of "YES (Upgradation)" shall be available only to those candidates who remain eligible for consideration in a subsequent counselling round in accordance with the approved counselling rules. Candidates who have been allotted their first preferred choice, or who are not eligible for any further round of counselling, shall not be required to exercise the upgradation option. Failure by an eligible candidate to exercise the applicable option within the prescribed period shall be treated as unwillingness to continue in the counselling process, and the candidate shall forfeit the right to participate in any subsequent round, wherever applicable.
14.0 Cancellation Rules	Allotments shall be liable to cancellation if, at any stage of scrutiny or verification, it is found that a candidate is not eligible for the allotted seat or has furnished incorrect, false, or misleading information [cite: 3, 4]. Present allotment may be cancelled and candidates considered in the next round with their revised academic scores/categories.
15.0 Refund Provisions	Refund, withdrawal, and forfeiture of the Seat Acceptance Fee shall be governed exclusively by the refund policy notified separately by the Board. A candidate may withdraw during the specified withdrawal period; upon successful withdrawal, the full amount will be refunded through online banking within 60 to 90 days after all rounds conclude, but the candidate ceases to be eligible for future rounds.
16.0 Reserved	Reservation policies apply strictly for candidates who are Indian citizens and domiciled in West Bengal. The OBC reservation will follow relevant Gazette Notifications; OBC

Category Rules	candidates must produce NCL certificates. PwD candidates must verify their status at designated Government Medical Colleges for physical verification. Certificates are verified during counselling, and invalidation modifies the candidate to the General category for subsequent rounds.
17.0 Institute Responsibilities	Document verification is entirely the responsibility of the allotted Institute. WBJEEB shall not be responsible for any mistakes in document verification and subsequent admission.
18.0 Candidate Responsibilities	Whenever a candidate is required to produce counselling documents (allotment letters, locked choices, receipts), only the original documents printed directly from the counselling portal shall be treated as valid. Screenshots, photographs, or manually reproduced copies shall not be accepted. Securing a rank does not guarantee admission if candidates fail to comply with criteria.
19.0 General Rules	a) Seat allotment results for each counselling round shall be published on the notified date as per the counselling schedule. b) All allotments shall be made strictly on the basis of the information furnished by the candidate during registration, the applicable merit rank, eligibility criteria, reservation status, availability of seats and the order of choices submitted and locked by the candidate. c) Candidates shall be required to log in to the counselling portal to view their allotment status and download the relevant allotment letter and other counselling documents. d) Candidates shall be required to log in to the counselling portal to view their allotment status and download the relevant allotment letter and other counselling documents. e) A candidate receiving a seat allotment for the first time in any counselling round shall be required to pay a 'Seat Acceptance Fee' of Rs.1,000/- (Rupees Five Thousand only) through the prescribed online payment modes and download the allotment letter. f) Failure to pay the Seat Acceptance Fee within the stipulated period shall result in cancellation of the allotment. The candidate's further participation in subsequent counselling rounds(except 1st choice allotment) shall thereafter be governed by the approved counselling rules applicable to the concerned category of candidate.

	g) After payment of the Seat Acceptance Fee, wherever applicable, the candidate may report to the allotted Institute within the notified period for physical verification of documents. h) Failure to complete document verification within the stipulated schedule shall result in cancellation of the current allotment. Eligibility for participation in subsequent rounds shall be governed by the approved counselling rules. In such case, if the candidate has already paid registration fee/seat acceptance fee, no additional fee is required for participation in any subsequent round(s) of counselling/allotment. i) If, at any stage of scrutiny or verification, it is found that a candidate is not eligible for the allotted seat or has furnished incorrect, false or misleading information, the allotment and/or admission shall be liable to cancellation. j) Whenever a candidate is required to produce counselling documents such as allotment letters, locked-choice statements, participation confirmations, admission letters, physical reporting receipts or similar records, only the original documents generated through the counselling portal shall be treated as valid. Screenshots, photographs or manually reproduced copies shall not be accepted. k) Automatic category upgradation within the same Institute and the same course may occur if vacancies arise in a higher-preference reservation category for which the candidate is eligible. l) If a candidate receives an upgraded allotment in any counselling round, the earlier allotment shall stand automatically cancelled and released for allotment to other eligible candidates according to merit and reservation rules. Such upgradation shall be irreversible, and the candidate shall not be entitled to reclaim the earlier allotment. m) If no upgradation occurs, the candidate shall continue to retain the previously accepted allotment, subject to compliance with the applicable counselling rules. n) Refund, withdrawal and forfeiture of the Seat Acceptance Fee shall be governed exclusively by the refund policy notified separately by the Board from time to time.
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	o) If any change occurs in domicile reservation in any institutions, these changes have to be reflected in the seat matrix. Candidates are advised to follow the seat matrix available on the Board's websites, which will be treated as final. p) Candidates are advised to regularly visit the Board's website and counselling portal for notifications, corrigenda, schedules and counselling-related updates.
20.0 Seat Matrix	The counselling portals at www.wbjeeb.nic.in and www.wbjeeb.in provide information on seat availability across various institutions, branches, and categories, as per the Seat Matrix issued by the WBUHS, Government of West Bengal.
21.0 Information Disclosure	The WBJEEB shall provide a candidate with information relating to his/her own status in the common entrance examination and the e-counselling process upon request. For this purpose, candidates may contact the Board individually through the prescribed mode. However, the Board shall not disclose any information pertaining to the candidature, rank, allotment status, or any other personal details of any other candidate.
22.0 Legal Jurisdiction	a) All matters relating to the ANM & GNM-2026 e-counselling process shall be subject to the exclusive jurisdiction of the Hon'ble High Court at Calcutta. b) The Board shall not be a party to any dispute arising out of, or in connection with, the admission process to any course of study after allotment through the ANM & GNM-2026 e-counselling process. Any such dispute shall be resolved between the concerned candidate and the respective admitting institution or other competent authority, as applicable.
Sd/- Registrar West Bengal Joint Entrance Examinations Board	