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GOVERNMENT ODF INDIA DIRECTORATE GENERAL OF HEALTH SERVICES NIRMAN BHAWAN, NEW DELHI-110108

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Ref. U-12021/06/2021-MEC

NOTICE

Kind Attention Candidates:

All Candidates/ Institutes participating in the MDS Counselling 2021 are hereby informed that vide judgement dated 25.08.2021 in Contempt Petition No. 181 of 2021 in W.P(C) No. 8326/2020 in the matter of Dravida Munnetra Kazhagam Vs. UoI & Ors. before the Hon'ble High Court of judicature at Madras the Hon'ble Court has directed as follows:

"Accordingly, the present lis is decided by holding as follows:

- i. Since the committee required to be constituted by the order dated July 27, 2020 was constituted and such committee gave its opinion and the Union, or its appropriate agencies, have acted on the basis thereof- albeit not exactly in terms of the recommendations- no case of wilful or deliberate violation of the said order can be said to have been made out.
- ii. The notification of July 29, 2021 issued by the Union as a consequence of the order dated July 27, 2020b appears to be in order in sofar as it provides for reservation for scheduled castes, scheduled tribes and OBC categories. The horizontal reservation provided in such notification for persons with disabilities also appears to be in accordance with law.
- iii. The additional reservation provided for economically weaker sections in the notification of July 29, 2021 cannot be permitted, except with the approval of the Supreme Court in such regard."

In view of the order dated 25.08.2021 of the Hon'ble High Court of Madras, legal opinion is being sought by MCC of DGHS/ MoHFW from the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in this matter.

Hence, the Round-1 of MDS Counselling 2021 is temporarily being put on hold to seek clarification from Hon'ble Supreme Court in this regard. The counselling process will be resumed only after clarification and approval of the Hon'ble Supreme Court in this matter.

