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NOTICE

Urgent Attention Candidates/ Institutes:

This is for the information to all participating candidates of UG Counselling 2026 who want to apply under PwBD category that, the National Medical Commission has issued an **Addendum to the Notification dated 27.07.2026 regarding the "Guidelines on Assessment of Persons with Benchmark Disabilities (PwBD) for Admission to the MBBS Course, 2026"** (Copy Enclosed as **Annexure-I**). Candidates are advised to go through the document since it is to be read as integral part of the guidelines.

Further, it is informed that in compliance with directions of Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in respect of M.A. No. 378/2025 in CA No. 14333/2024, an Appellate Body has been constituted for disability assessment and facilitation of PwBD candidates. The venue for the Assessment Board in Delhi shall be **Safdarjung Hospital, New Delhi** (Constitution of board enclosed as **Annexure-II**).

The List of Appellate Boards is as follows:

- **VMMC & Safdarjung Hospital, New Delhi**
- **Grant Government Medical College & Sir JJ Group of Hospitals, Mumbai**
- **Banaras Hindu University, Banaras**
- **Madras Medical College, Chennai**
- **Institute of Post Graduate Medical Education and Research (IPGMER), Kolkata**

The List of Primary Medical Assessment Boards who will issue Eligibility Certificates as per NMC norms to PwD candidates in support of their claim to avail 5% PwD reservation is as follows:

S/No.	Name of Medical Assessment Board	City/State	Specialities Available for which Eligibility Certificate can be issued as per category of Disabilities mentioned in Eligibility Certificate
1.	All India Institute of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation (AIIPMR)	Mumbai	For Locomotor Disability only
2.	Goa Medical College	Goa	All Disabilities as mentioned in Eligibility Certificate except Speech Disability.
3.	Government Medical College, Thiruvananthapuram	Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala	All Disabilities as mentioned in Eligibility Certificate. Ophthalmology Tests to be conducted at Regional Institute of Ophtalmology, Thiruvananthapuram under GMC Thiruvananthapuram
4.	SMS Medical College	Jaipur, Rajasthan	All Disabilities as mentioned in Eligibility Certificate except: 1. Neurology- Genetic Testing 2. ENT- Speech & Language Disability Testing Orthopaedics/ PMR- GonitometerAdult. Plumb Line, Hand Dynamometer, Laser
5.	Govt. Medical College and Hospital, Sector32	Chandigarh	All Disabilities as mentioned in Eligibility Certificate
6.	Govt. Medical College, Agartala, State Disability Board	Agartala/Tripura	All Disabilities as mentioned in Eligibility Certificate
7.	Ali Yavar Jung National Institute of Speech and Hearing Disabilities, Bandra, Mumbai	Mumbai, Maharashtra	For Hearing Disabilities only

8.	AIIMS, Nagpur	Nagpur, Maharashtra	All Disabilities as mentioned in Eligibility Certificate
9.	Atal Bihari Vajpayee Institute of Medical Sciences & RML Hospital, New Delhi. (ABVIMS & RMLH)	New Delhi	All Disabilities as mentioned in Eligibility Certificate except ENT For Visual Disability: Candidates who use LVAs may bring their own LVAs which can be checked.
10.	Lady Hardinge Medical College & Associated Hospitals (LHMC)	New Delhi	All Disabilities as mentioned in Eligibility Certificate
11.	All India Institute of Speech and Hearing (AIISH), Mysuru	Mysuru, Karnataka	For Speech & Hearing Disabilities only

12	Uttar Pradesh University of Medical Sciences, Saifai, Etawah-206130	Uttar Pradesh
13	King George Medical University, Lucknow, U.P.	Uttar Pradesh
14	Civil Hospital, Ahmedabad	Gujarat
15	New Civil Hospital, Surat	Gujarat
16	PDU Hospital, Rajkot	Gujarat
17	Assam Medical College, Dibrugarh	Assam
18	Gauhati Medical College, Guwahati	Assam
19	Silchar Medical College, Silchar	Assam
20	Madurai Medical College & Govt. Rajaji Hopsital, Madurai	Tamil Nadu
21	Coimbatore Medical College Hospital	Tamil Nadu
22	Thanjavur Medical College, Thanjavur	Tamil Nadu
23	Zoram Medical College & Hospital Falkawn, Mizoram	Mizoram
24	Dr Sushila Tiwari Memorial Government Hospital (under Government Medical College, Haldwani)	Uttarakhand
25	Indira Gandhi Medical College & Hospital, Shimla-171001	Himachal Pradesh
26	Dr. Rajendra Prasad Govt. Medical College & Hospital, Kangra at Tanda.	Himachal Pradesh
27	Government Doon Medical College, Dekhrakhas Patel Nagar, Dehradun-248001	Uttarakhand
28	Pt. BD Sharma Post Graduate Institute of Medical Sciences, Rohtak	Haryana
29	AIIMS Bilaspur	Himachal Pradesh
30	All India Institute of Medical Sciences, Raipur, Chhattisgarh	Chhattisgarh

31	Pt. Jawahar Lal Nehru Memorial Medical College, Raipur Chhattisgarh	Chhattisgarh
32	Chhattisgarh Institute of Medical Sciences, Bilaspur	Chhattisgarh
33	Late Shri Baliram Kashyap Memorial Medical College, Jagdalpur, Chhattisgarh	Chhattisgarh
34	Bangalore Medical College and Research Institute (BMCRI), Bengaluru – State Capital Centre	Karnataka
35	Mysore Medical College and Research Institute (MMCRI), Mysuru – Regional Centre (South Zone)	Karnataka
36	Karnataka Institute of Medical Sciences (KIMS), Hubballi – Regional Centre (Central Zone)	Karnataka
37	Belagavi Institute of Medical Sciences (BIMS), Belagavi – Regional Centre (West Zone)	Karnataka
38	Gulbarga Institute of Medical Sciences (GIMS), Kalaburagi – Regional Centre (North-East Zone)	Karnataka
39	Rajendra Institute of Medical Sciences (RIMS) Ranchi	Jharkhand
40	Mahatma Gandhi Memorial Medical College, Jamshedpur	Jharkhand
41	SSG Hospital, Vadodara	Gujarat
42	G.G.Hospital, Jamnagar	Gujarat
43	Sir.T. Hospital, Bhavnagar	Gujarat
44	PMCH, Patna	Bihar
45	NMCH, Patna	Bihar
46	IGIMS, Patna	Bihar
47	DMCH, Darbhanga	Bihar
48	JLNMCH, Bhagalpur	Bihar
49	ANMMCH, Gaya JI	Bihar

50	SKMCH, Muzaffarpur	Bihar
51	GMC, Bettiah	Bihar
52	BMIMS, Pawapuri, Nalanda	Bihar
53	JKTMC&H, Madhepura	Bihar
54	Andhra Medical College/King George Hospital, Visakhapatnam	Andhra Pradesh
55	Guntur Medical College/Govt. General Hospital, Guntur	Andhra Pradesh
56	Kurnool Medical College/Govt General Hospital, Kurnool	Andhra Pradesh
57	RIMS, Imphal	Manipur
58	All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS), Bhubaneswar	Bhubaneswar, Odisha
59	Andaman & Nicobar Islands Institute of Medical Sciences	Andaman And Nicobar
60	AIIMS Bibinagar	Telangana
61	AIIMS Jammu	Jammu
62	JIPMER Pondicherry	Pondicherry
63	AIIMS Bhopal	Bhopal, Madhya Pradesh
64	NAMO Medical Education & Research Institute	Dadar & Nagar Haveli and Daman & Diu
65	NEIGRIHMS	Shillong, Meghalaya

**All the Primary Medical Assessment Boards have been instructed to include one PwBD Doctor/
Health Professional (regular employee) as Member of Medical Assessment Boards**

Standard Operating Procedure for appeal by NEET PwBD Candidates Appearing Before the Appellate Disability Assessment Board

The following process shall be followed for the appraisal and disposal of appeals submitted by NEET PwBD candidates:

Step 1: Submission of Appeal

The candidate declared ineligible by the Primary Disability Assessment Medical Board may submit the appeal on the email IDs given in the portal (disabilityappeal-chair@gov.in and disabilityappeal-convener@gov.in) along with the choice of Appellate Disability Assessment Board, **before the commencement of their respective round of NEET counselling**. The appeal received will be further shared with the chosen Appellate Board for its perusal and further necessary action. Following five are the authorized Appellate Disability Assessment Boards:

- VMMC & Safdarjung Hospital, New Delhi
- Grant Government Medical College & Sir JJ Group of Hospitals, Mumbai
- Banaras Hindu University, Banaras
- Madras Medical College, Chennai
- Institute of Post Graduate Medical Education and Research (IPGMER), Kolkata

Step 2: Scheduling of Assessment

Based on the candidate's availability, the date, time, venue and necessary instructions shall be communicated to the candidate by nodal officer of the concerned Appellate Board.

Step 3: Reporting and Verification

On the scheduled date, the candidate shall report to **concerned** appellate board for assessment. All relevant medical and disability-related documents shall be examined by the board during the course of examination.

Step 4: Appellate Disability Assessment

The Appellate Disability Assessment Board shall conduct the disability assessment in accordance with the prevailing **“Guidelines for assessing the extent of specified disabilities” 2024 by DEPwD**. Wherever required, the board may co-opt members for assessment.

Step 5: Final Decision of the Appellate Board

Upon completion of the assessment and review of all relevant records, the Appellate Disability Assessment Board shall record its final decision regarding the candidate's disability status with a speaking order, percentage of disability and eligibility under the PwBD category for NEET counselling. The decision of the Appellate Disability Assessment Board will stand final.

Step 6: Uploading and Communication of Decision

The final decision of the Appellate Board shall be communicated to Medical Counselling Committee (MCC) |India, with a copy to **Dte.GHS**.

Step 7: Completion of Process

Upon communication of the decision, the appellate process shall be deemed complete, and the candidate shall proceed with the **NEET counselling process** in accordance with the final decision of the Appellate Disability Assessment Board.

Notice posted on: 07.08.2026

Annexure-I



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U-11021/24204/PwBD/2026/UGMEB

Dated: 05.08.2026

ADDENDUM

Subject: Addendum to the Notification dated 27.07.2026 regarding the "Guidelines on Assessment of Persons with Benchmark Disabilities (PwBD) for Admission to the MBBS Course, 2026"

Attention is invited to Clause 9.2 of the Guidelines on Assessment of Persons with Benchmark Disabilities (PwBD) for Admission to the MBBS Course, 2026, notified vide Notification No. U-11021/24204/2026-UGMEB dated 27.07.2026, which provides that every candidate seeking admission under the PwBD category shall possess a valid Permanent Unique Disability Identity (UDID) Card. Attention is also invited to Office Memorandum No. 18-25/2024-Policy dated 17.12.2025 issued by the Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities (Divyangjan), Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment, regarding the validity of temporary UDID Cards/Disability Certificates for extending statutory benefits to eligible persons with benchmark disabilities.

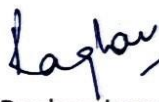
2. That, in order to provide clarity and to ensure that the provisions of the Guidelines are interpreted in consonance with the Office Memorandum No. 18-25/2024-Policy dated 17.12.2025 issued by the Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities (Divyangjan), Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment, the following addendum is hereby issued. The said Office Memorandum clarifies that persons with benchmark disabilities which are progressive, non-progressive or not likely to improve shall not be denied statutory benefits merely because their disability certificate is temporary in nature.
3. Accordingly, it is clarified that Clause 9.2 shall be read harmoniously with the Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016, the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (Amendment) Rules, 2024, and the aforesaid Office Memorandum dated 17.12.2025.
4. Therefore, for the purposes of admission to the MBBS Course under the PwBD category:
 - (i) A candidate shall not be denied consideration solely on the ground that the UDID Card or Disability Certificate is temporary, where the disability has been

categorized as "progressive, non-progressive or not likely to improve", subject to verification by the Medical Assessment Board in accordance with the Guidelines dated 27.07.2026.

(ii) In cases of Candidates holding Temporary UDID with a disability condition recorded as "likely to improve", the Medical Assessment Boards shall re-assess benchmark disability of the candidates as per the assessment methodology prescribed under the Notification dated 12th March, 2024 issued by the Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities (Divyangjan), Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment, apart from assessing the functional competency as per the provisions prescribed under the Guidelines dated 27.07.2026.

(iii) The Medical Assessment Board shall continue to independently assess the candidate's functional competency in accordance with the Guidelines dated 27.07.2026, before issuing the Eligibility Certificate.

5. This clarification is issued to ensure uniform implementation of the Guidelines dated 27.07.2026 and shall be read as an integral part of said Guidelines.

 5/8/26
(Dr. Raghav Langer)

Secretary
National Medical Commission

All stakeholders for admission to MBBS course, 2026

Annexure-II

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Subject: Constitution of Appellate Body for Disability Assessment Board

In compliance with directions of Hon'ble Supreme Court of India record of proceeding in respect of M.A. No. 378/2025 in CA No. 14333/2024, an **Appellate Body** is constituted for disability assessment. The venue for the Assessment Board shall be Safdarjung Hospital, New Delhi.

1.	Dr. Geetha Anandan, Additional Director General of Health Services, Directorate General of Health Services	geetha.anandan@cghs.nic.in 9869058444	Chairman
2.	Dr. Ajay Gupta, HoD, PMR-Safdarjung Hospital/ Representative / or Dr. Rita Majumdar, HoD, PMR-LHMC/ Representative,	drajaygupta@vmmc-sjh.nic.in drajaygupta@vmmc-sjh.nic.in 9810692375 ritu.majumdar35@lhmc-hosp.gov.in 9958389090	Member
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8.	Dr. Rupali Roy, Assistant Director General of Health Services, Directorate General of Health Services	dr.rupali@nic.in 9999333760	Convener

**The board includes 01 Doctor with Disability as Member

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