

**Medical Counselling Committee: Ensuring
transparency & fairness in Counselling**



NEET-PG (MD/MS/DNB) COUNSELLING 2026

**INFORMATIONBULLETIN
&
COUNSELLINGSCHEME**

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LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS

S. No.	Abbreviations	Full Form
1	ABVIMS & RML	Atal Bihari Vajpayee Institute of Medical Sciences & Ram Manohar Lohia Hospital
2	AFMS	Armed Forces Medical Services
3	AIQ	All India Quota
4	AMU	Aligarh Muslim University
5	BHU	Banaras Hindu University
6	DGHS	Directorate General of Health Services
7	DU	Delhi University
8	ESIC	Employees State Insurance Corporation
9	EWS	Economically Weaker Section
10	GGSIU	Guru Gobind Singh, Indraprastha University
11	LHMC	Lady Hardinge Medical College
12	MCC	Medical Counseling Committee
13	MoHFW	Ministry of Health & Family Welfare
14	NDMC	New Delhi Municipal Corporation and Hindurao Hospital
15	NBE	National Board of Examination
16	NEET	National Eligibility –cum- Entrance Test
17	NMC	National Medical Commission
18	Ors.	Others
19	PG	Post Graduate
20	PwBD	Persons with Benchmark Disabilities
21	SC	Scheduled Caste
22	ST	Scheduled Tribe
23	UR	Unreserved Category
24	UCMS	University college of Medical Sciences
25	VMMC & SJH	Vardhaman Mahavir Medical College & Safdarjung Hospital
26	V/s	Versus
27	W.P.	Writ Petition

CHAPTER-1: INTRODUCTION

Medical Counselling Committee (MCC) Brief:

The Medical Counselling Committee (MCC) of DGHS has been entrusted by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India to conduct counselling for 15% Under Graduate (MBBS/ BDS/ B.Sc Nursing) and 50% Post Graduate (MD/MS/ Diploma/ PG DNB) All India quota seats. Also, counselling for 100% medical seats (UG/ PG courses) for Central and Deemed Universities is conducted by MCC. In addition, MCC is conducting counselling for 100% MBBS seats of AIIMS institutes across the country and JIPMER (Puducherry & Karaikal) since 2019. Also, counselling of B.Sc (Nursing) seats of Central Institutes and Institutes affiliated to I.P University is conducted by MCC of DGHS.

Furthermore, MCC conducts counselling for 100% Super Specialty (DM/ M.Ch / DNB SS) seats across the country. The allotment of seats to eligible and qualified candidates is conducted by MCC in a transparent manner within specified time frame as per policy devised by MoHFW/ NMC and approved by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India.

PROCEDURE FOLLOWED BY MCC FOR COUNSELLING:

I. PRE COUNSELLING STAGES -

- NEET UG result is shared by NTA and NEET PG/ NEET SS result is forwarded by NBE to MCC. Allotment of UG/ PG & SS seats by MCC is made on the basis of details of candidates and merit/ ranking given by the examination conducting bodies.
- Every year MCC follows a rotating roster as per DoPT norms to prepare the seat matrix in UG/ PG counselling.
- The reservation rules are also followed as per DoPT norms for All India Quota seats.

II. COUNSELLING STAGES (04 Rounds of Counselling are conducted for UG/ PG seats and 02 rounds for Super Specialty seats. Additional rounds if any, are conducted in compliance to decision of MoHFW or as directed by Hon'ble court) –

- a) Main counseling Registration includes payment of Non-refundable Registration fee and

Refundable Security Deposit (to be refunded only in the account from which payment has been made).

- b) Exercising of Choice filling and locking of choices.
- c) Process of Seat Allotment by MCC
- d) Publication of result on MCC website.
- e) Physical Reporting at the allotted medical college/ Institutes with original documents.

III. OTHER ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS OF MCC-

Reply to RTIs, Parliament Questions, VIP References and legal cases pertaining to counselling. Continuous monitoring of technical problems faced by candidates during counselling process and their resolution.

Medical Counselling Committee (MCC) is in pursuit of digitalizing the whole counselling process with minimum human intervention and is committed to allotment of medical seats in a transparent and fair manner to meritorious candidates over the years.

<u>UG</u>				
Basis	2022	2023	2024	2025
Total Number of Seats	20225	25007	26801	27551
Total Number of Participating Institutes	482	507	548	649
Total Number of Candidates participated in the Counselling process	104449	109517	145921	186729

<u>PG</u>				
Basis	2022	2023	2024	2025
Total Number of Seats	22818	24917	26894	28750
Total Number of Participating Institutes	1283	1425	1599	1985
Total Number of Candidates participated in the Counselling process	61014	83156	89864	103596

<u>SS</u>				
Basis	2022	2023	2024	2025
Total Number of Seats	5096	5808	6359	7569
Total Number of Participating Institutes	517	578	758	865
Total Number of Candidates participated in the Counselling process	11252	8010	10391	Counselling in progress.

As may be seen, over the years the work of MCC is increasing, consistently.

CHAPTER-2: INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

- 2.1 All the participating Candidates are hereby informed that all important communications issued by the Medical Counselling Committee (MCC) are posted on the official website of MCC i.e. [www.https://mcc.nic.in](https://mcc.nic.in) . The authenticity of communication may be confirmed from the official website of MCC before relying upon any message circulating in social media.
- 2.2 Candidates are advised to be in touch with the MCC website (<https://mcc.nic.in>) for Schedule / latest updates / Results / Notices / News & Events pertaining to counselling as MCC /DGHS will not be individually contacting the candidates for the same.
- 2.3 Only Qualified/ eligible candidates are required to register on the MCC website ([www.https://mcc.nic.in](https://mcc.nic.in)) to participate in the counselling process for allotment of seat. MCC does not allot any seat either on nomination basis/ manually or on offline mode.
- 2.4 All questions in the scheme of counselling are mandatory in nature and not optional. Candidates are advised to go through these important questions related to the scheme of counselling (refer Bulletin) before registering on MCC website, in order to understand the scheme of counseling.
- 2.5 Candidates are deemed to have read, agreed and accepted the Scheme of Counselling and the terms and conditions of the counselling scheme for NEET-PG Counselling, 2026 on completing the online submission of application/registration form.
- 2.6 Registration for NEET – PG Counselling conducted by MCC can only be submitted online through Medical Counselling Committee website [www.https://mcc.nic.in](https://mcc.nic.in). Registration submitted through any other mode shall be summarily rejected.
- 2.7 Candidates are advised to confirm their eligibility/domicile status before registering on MCC website for Institutional Quota seats of Central Universities/Institutes/ Deemed University before opting for their seats.
- 2.8 Candidates are further advised to fill the application form on their own/self on the MCC website and not through any agent or third party.
- 2.9 A candidate can submit NEET-PG Counselling application/registration form only once. Any candidate found to have submitted more than one application/registration form for NEET-PG Counselling shall be debarred from NEET-PG Counselling allotment process, his/her candidature shall be cancelled and further action as deemed appropriate by the MCC of DGHS, MoHFW shall be taken.

- 2.10 The Security Deposit of candidates who have been allotted a seat in the Second Round or subsequent rounds but do not join the respective institution or surrender the seat due to any unforeseen reason, will be forfeited. Also, the Security Deposit will be forfeited if the admission gets cancelled due to any reason. E.g. in case the candidate gives wrong information at the time of registration on the basis of which a seat may be allotted and later cancelled by the Admission Authorities or fails to produce the required documents at the time of admission (within stipulated time).
- 2.11 Candidate may kindly note that registering for NEET-PG Counselling does not confer any automatic rights to secure a Post Graduate seat. The selection and admission to Post Graduate seats in any medical Institution recognized for running Post Graduate courses as per Indian Medical Council Act, 1956 is subject to fulfilling the merit, admission criteria, eligibility, and such criteria as may be prescribed by the respective universities, medical institutions, National Medical Commission of India (NMC), State/Central Government.
- 2.12 Candidate should ensure that all the information filled during the online submission of application/registration form is correct and factual. Information provided by the candidates in the online application/registration form shall be treated as correct and self-certified and MCC shall not entertain, under any circumstances, any request for change in the information provided by the candidates.
- 2.13 MCC does not change/ edit /modify/alter any information entered by the candidates at the time of online submission of application/registration for Counselling under any circumstances. (refer to NBE for any query)
- 2.14 The information regarding Stipend /fee structure/ course duration / bond amount / rendering of service in rural / tribal area/other conditions etc. has been provided by Medical Colleges on MCC website. MCC/ DGHS takes no responsibility regarding the above information including Fees/ Bond/ Mode of Payment or any typographical error/ data etc. Candidates are advised to visit College website or contact the College Authorities directly for any query regarding above information before filling choices. Choices once locked cannot be modified and any request to MCC/DGHS regarding change/alteration of choices will not be entertained.
- 2.15 Candidates are advised to confirm the fee structure/ any other additional fee from the colleges especially Deemed Universities before filling up choices for the same. Some All-India Quota colleges might have high fee structure, therefore confirmation about the fee should be made before hand, MCC of DGHS takes No responsibility of the fee structure of the colleges and will not entertain any request or complaint regarding Fee Structure. The above information may be confirmed by the candidate before filling the choices.

- 2.16 No communication will be sent directly to the Candidate(s) by the MCC. They are advised to be in touch with the website on regular basis for any updates.
- 2.17 It has come to the knowledge of the Authorities that there have been instances wherein some persons/agents have claimed to provide a seat in any of the participating colleges in the Counselling process. The Candidates are advised not to fall prey to the said claims as there is no direct entry/nomination in any of the participating colleges in the NEET Counselling. MCC of DGHS will not be responsible for any such type of fraud/treachery/trickery.
- 2.18 Candidates are advised to use the Mobile number/email id used by them during registration on NBE website for MCC counselling registration process. The said Email ID and Mobile number shall only be used/pre-populated during the Counselling registration process. OTPs etc. will only be sent to the registered mobile number and email ids.
- 2.19 Refund process will commence only after the completion of all the rounds of Counselling. MCC will not entertain any query either through email or phone call with regard to refund before the completion of all the rounds of counseling.
- 2.20 Candidates are informed that they will be shown only the Clear-cut Vacancies in Round 1.
- 2.21 Also, the vacancy position of the seats will be shown in two categories during Round 2, which are as follows:
- 2.22 Clear-cut vacancies- The seats which have not been allotted in Round 1.
- 2.23 Virtual Vacancies- Any Candidate who has been allotted a seat in Round 1 and has opted for up-gradation in Round 2, the allotted seats of Round 1 will be shown as virtual vacancy in Round 2 and Candidates can fill the said seat during the choice filling in Round 2. However, such seats will be allotted in Round 2 if the allottee of Round 1 vacates/upgrades in Round 2.
- 2.24 Each round of counselling is a separate round and the rules of each round are different. Once any round commences, the rules of that round will apply to all the candidates even if they were allotted/admitted in the previous round(s) of counselling. Once round 2 commences the rules of Round 2 shall apply and the rules of round 1 will not apply. Similarly, the rules of third round will apply only in third round and the rules of Stray Vacancy round will apply only on stray vacancy round.
- 2.25 No Offline admissions and no offline resignations- all admissions and resignation (if provided) will be made through online mode. Any admission or resignation taken in offline mode will not be accepted. Colleges taking offline admission or resignation may face the legal action or any other consequences at their own level. The seat will be considered as vacant for the next round of

counselling where offline admission is taken. The vacated seat due to offline resignation will not be taken in the next round of counselling.

- 2.26 Candidates should make sure that while taking admission/resignation in the allotted college their admission/resignation is generated through online mode i.e. through intra-mcc portal by the college authorities. Any other letter of admission/resignation will not be accepted.
- 2.27 Candidates who have international number must provide an alternative Indian number at the time of registration for the counselling process.
- 2.28 Eligibility certificate- the Candidates must obtain their online Eligibility certificate from designated Medical Assessment board in an online mode generated by the Center as per the NMC norms before the choice filling commences. Only Candidates who have made their Eligibility certificate through online mode from the designated centers will be eligible to fill in the PwD choices. MCC of DGHS does not issue/authenticate/verify and has no role in generation of online Eligibility certificate.
- 2.29 The MCC, DGHS reserves its absolute right to alter, amend, modify or apply any or some of the instructions/ guidelines contained in this information bulletin.
- 2.30 In case of any ambiguity in interpretation of any of the instructions/ terms/ rules/criteria regarding the determination of eligibility/conduct of counselling/ registration of candidates/ any information contained herein, the interpretation of the MCC, DGHS shall be final and binding in nature.

CHAPTER-3: “Changes” Allotment, Reporting, Upgradation & Withdrawal (Resignation) of Allotted Seat

As per the counselling scheme followed till last year 2025, all the steps of counselling like reporting, upgradation and resignation required all the candidates to physically report at the allotted institute and complete the admission/ upgradation/ resignation formalities on the portal provided to institutes by MCC. Candidates willing to upgrade from Round 1 to Round 2 or Round 2 to Round 3 had to report at the allotted institute/college with original documents and complete the admission formalities. The candidate's willingness for upgradation from one round to another was submitted by the allotted institute on the portal.

However, this year following changes have been made in the counselling scheme in larger interest of candidates and to make counselling process convenient and hassle free.

Depending on Willingness for Upgradation, candidates will be divided in two categories:

- **Freeze Candidates – No Upgradation.** (Candidates who are satisfied with their allotted seats and do not want to upgrade in next round (i.e. Round 1 to Round-2 or Round-2 to Round-3) will fall under this category. **Candidates who want to join the allotted seat, will have to visit the allotted institute physically for joining.**
- **Float Candidates – Want to Upgrade**
Candidates who have been allotted seat but want to upgrade in next round (i.e. Round 1 to Round-2 or Round-2 to Round-3) will fall under this category. **They will give willingness for upgradation and have to upload required documents for online document verification by allotted Institute. (No need to visit the allotted institute physically).**

The stepwise process of counselling will be as follows:

1. Registration & Fee Payment

Candidates will complete online registration and pay requisite counselling fee online through secure payment gateway. Only candidates who have paid full fee will become eligible for further process.

2. Choice Filling

Candidates will select course and institute preferences. They will save and lock choices within schedule.

3. Seat Allotment

Based on merit and preferences, seat will be allotted to candidates by MCC.

a. If Seat NOT Allotted:

If no seat is allotted, candidate will become eligible to participate in next round (as per criteria).

b. If Seat Allotted:

- **Freeze Candidates – No Upgradation** Candidates who are satisfied with their allotted seats and do not want to upgrade in next round (i.e Round 1 to Round-2 or Round-2 to Round-3) will fall under this category. **Candidates who want to join the allotted seat, will have to visit the allotted institute physically for joining.**
- **Float Candidates – Wants to Upgrade (online joining procedure).** Candidates will **Submit Willingness** for upgradation through online mode on MCC portal.

4. Submission / Uploading of Mandatory Documents (one-time upload for all rounds):

It is mandatory for both category of candidates i.e Freeze & Float to upload the clear scanned copies of documents on the portal provided by MCC in stipulated time of reporting as per schedule. It is mandatory that candidates should upload necessary documents on MCC portal within 2-3 days after declaration of final allotment to have adequate time for candidates to resolve queries/ discrepancy raised by institute.

➤ **Freeze - Proceeds for Physical joining /reporting and Document Verification at the Allotted Institute:**

- i) **Submission of Physical documents at the institute**
- ii) **Physical Document verification at the institute**
- iii) **Admission Fee deposit at the institute**
- iv) **Institute Decision regarding finalization of admission TWO conditions as follows if:**
 - **Documents Valid-** Admission Confirmed and Seat Finalized
 - **Discrepancy Found in documents-** Admission Cancelled

- **Float – Candidates will NOT Proceed for Physical Document Verification at the Allotted Institute.**
- i) **Verification of uploaded documents by the Allotted Institute in online mode only by the allotted institute nodal officer.**
- ii) **Detection of Anomalies by institute nodal officer like:**
- Blurred copies
 - Incorrect certificates
 - Mismatch in claims in category etc.
 - Missing documents
- iii) **Query Resolution Mechanism in case of Detection of Anomalies: Document Verification Committee (DVC) of Allotted Institute may raise query regarding anomalies in documents to the candidate.**
- iv) **Candidate must re-upload corrected documents within stipulated time as early as possible in reporting schedule time to avoid cancellation of seat.**
- v) **Re-verification of correct uploaded documents conducted by institute nodal officer/DVC.**
- vi) **Document Verification Committee (DVC) Outcome:**
- **Provisional Seat Confirmation if documents are found in order and Candidate becomes eligible for next round.**
 - **Seat is Cancelled due to discrepancy between claims and documents. As documents not in order.**
- Eligible for next round (as per criteria).**
- vii) **Candidate will exercise choices for next round.**
- 5. After Round-3 provisional allotment result declaration → Mandatory reporting for all allotted candidates of Round 3 and Float Candidates of Round 1 / Round 2 who did not get upgradation.**

Seat Resignation (Withdrawal) / Surrender Process

Candidates with provisional admission may submit seat surrender request with supporting documents online to the Nodal Officer of allotted institute.

The process of resignation/ seat surrender based on willingness of candidate will be as follows for Freeze/ Float Candidates:

➤ **FREEZE CANDIDATE- will have to visit physically to the allotted institute for resignation**

- a) Candidate will physically report at the allotted institute and submit Resignation within stipulated time period prescribed by MCC as per schedule.
- b) Candidate can resign/exit the seat and become eligible for next round as per the resignation rules for round 1 and round 2. Candidates **cannot** resign/ exit Round 3 allotted seats. Refund will be processed as per counselling Scheme once all the rounds are completed.
- c) Once a seat is surrendered/resigned, candidate will have **NO** claim on that particular seat.

➤ **FLOAT CANDIDATE**

Candidates with provisional admission may submit an **online seat surrender** request with **supporting documents**.

1. **Candidate goes to ‘Candidate Login’ on the MCC portal**
2. **Select “Resignation/ Surrender”**
3. **Candidate will submit Resignation online.**
4. **Seat resigned/ surrendered provided resignation is tendered within stipulated time period prescribed by MCC.**
 - a) Candidate can resign/exit the seat and become eligible for next round as per the resignation rules for round 1 and round 2. Candidates **cannot** resign/ exit Round 3 allotted seats. Refund will be processed as per counselling Scheme once all the rounds are completed.
5. **Once a seat is surrendered, candidate will have no claim on that particular seat.**

COUNSELLING SCHEME FOR AIQ (FLOW CHART) COUNSELLING STAGES

AIQ Round 1-AIQ, Deemed, Central Universities & DNB



AIQ Round 2-AIQ, Deemed, Central Universities & DNB

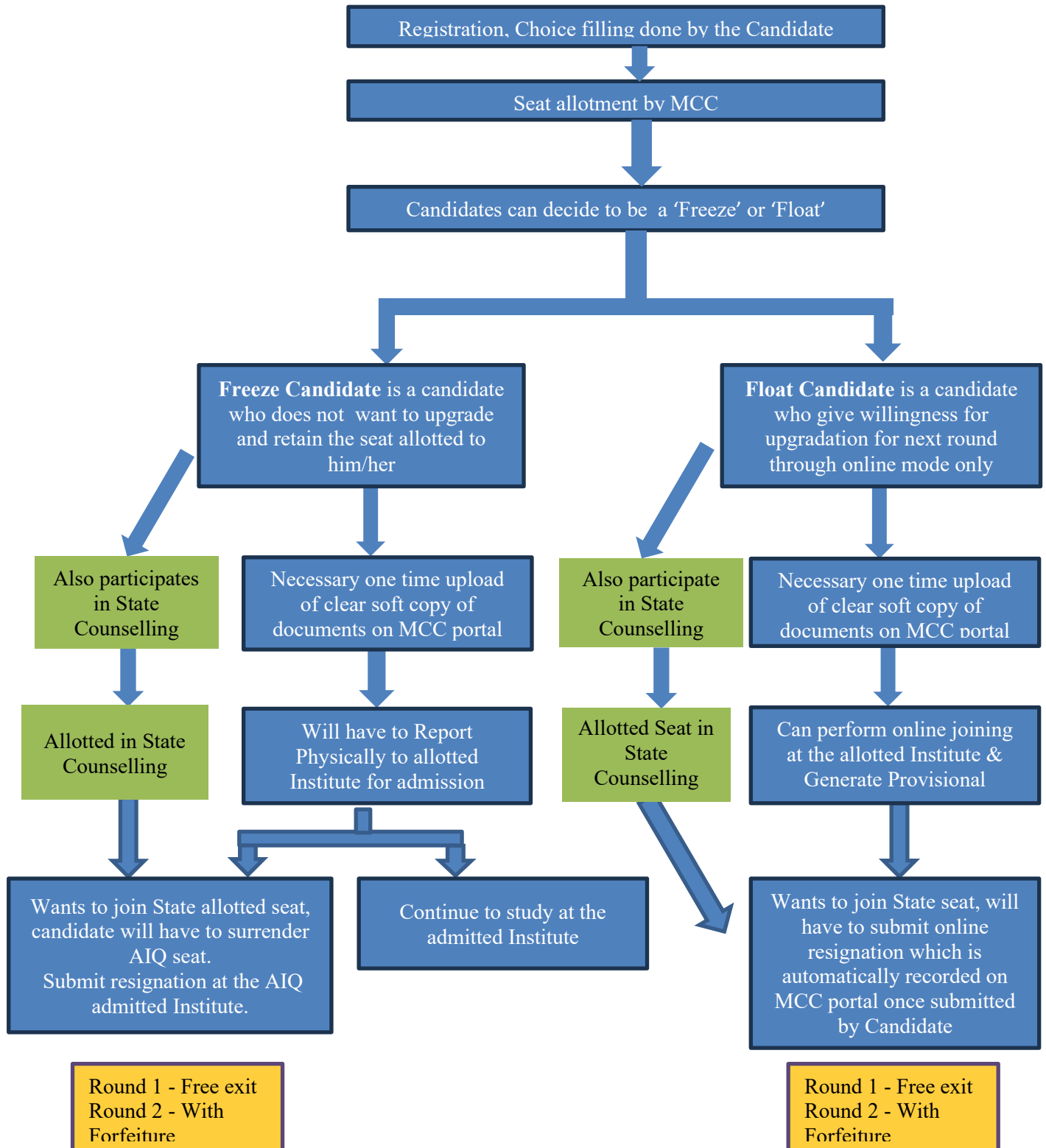


AIQ Round 3- AIQ, Deemed, Central Universities & DNB



**Stray Vacancy- AIQ, Deemed, Central Universities & DNB.
For AIQ and Central Universities/Institutes /Deemed Universities - MCC will
conduct the counselling**

Round 1 and 2



Round - 3

Registration, Choice filling done by the Candidate

Seat allotment by MCC

Fresh allotment of round 3

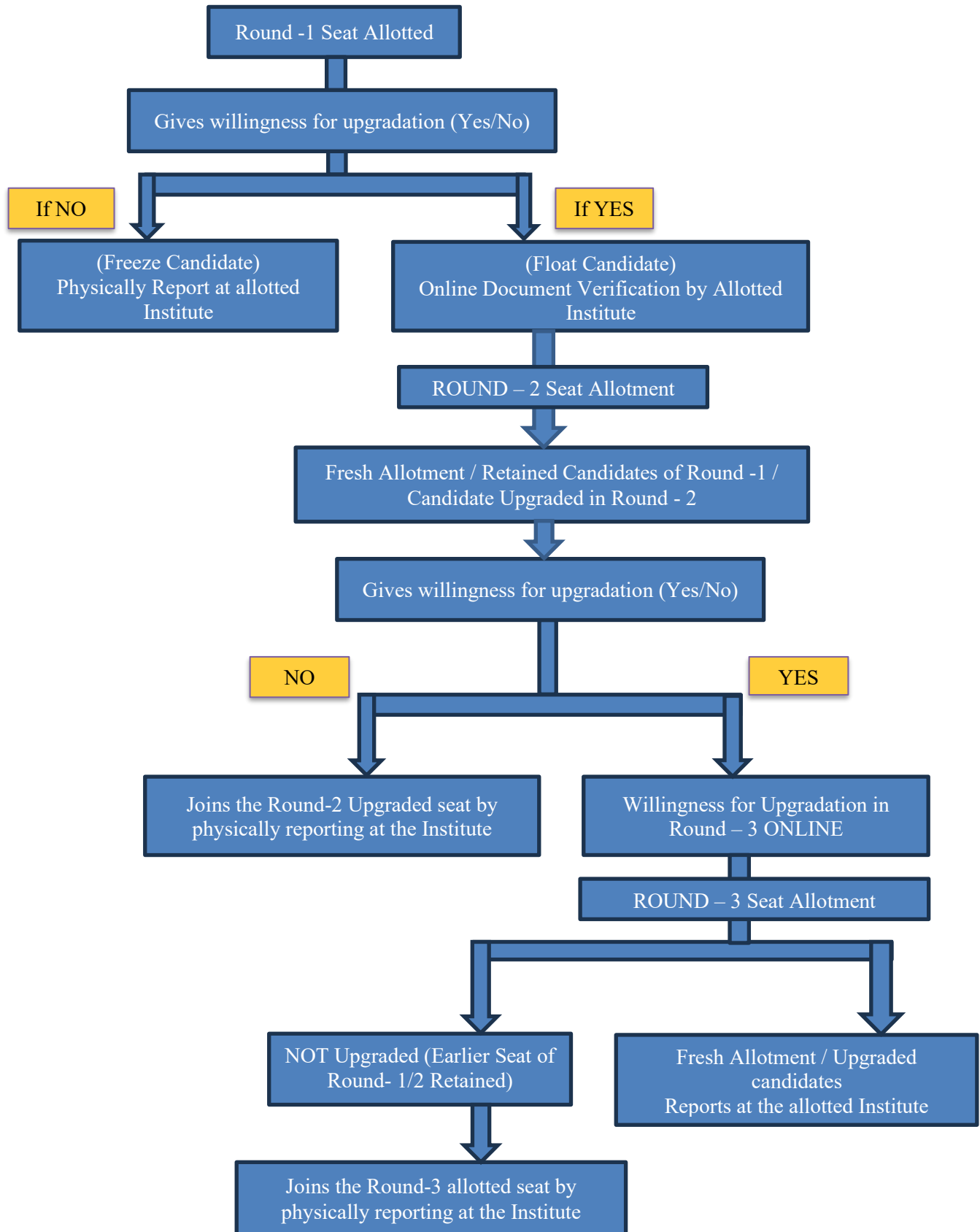
Seat Retained of Round 1 & 2 (No Upgradation)

Float Candidates of round 1 and round 2 who upgraded

Will have to Report Physically to allotted Institute for admission

Candidate will have to join the Allotted Seat , Non joining candidates Security Deposit will be forfeited. No Resignation is Allowed
(Also cannot participate in further Rounds)

Flowchart for Retained/ Upgraded Candidates



CHAPTER 4: NRI

In 2017, Hon'ble Supreme court in Dar-Us Salam case directed DGHS, MoHFW, Govt of India to conduct 100 % seats Counselling for All Deemed Universities under UGC as per their existing reservation policy including NRI, Muslim minority and Jain Minority.

MCC is successfully conducting the counselling for Deemed Universities till date for 100% seats of Deemed Universities, out of which 15% seats are allocated to NRI candidates as per directions issued by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in W.P.(C) No.689 of 2017 in the matter of Consortium of Deemed Universities in Karnataka & Anr. v/s Union of India & Ors.

Further, the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India referred to the Division Bench decision of the High Court of Madhya Pradesh rendered in Anshul Tomar vs. State of M.P. and Others (2008) 2 MPLJ 450, wherein the High Court after referring to the authority in Ruchin Bharat Patel (supra) has referred to a set of guidelines drafted by Pravesh Niyantran Samiti (Medical Education), Mumbai the said guidelines read as follows:

1) "If the mother or father of student is NRI and residing abroad ordinarily, then, either of the situations so held will be considered to be proper.

2) If the first-degree relation of the student is NRI and residing abroad ordinarily, then in such circumstances also, qua this year, should be considered eligible. It is natural that such definition would include the real brother and sister over and above the mother-father of the first-degree relation.

3) *As per the definition revised by the Hon'ble Apex Court, interpretation of clause 3 thereof as not made limited but if made in a broad perspective, then, it is clear that the person who wanted to consider such student as ward (Palya), then, he be considered to be proper subject to compliance of the following conditions:*

a) He should be the nearest relation.

b) In the definition of the nearest relation, committee has considered following relative having blood relations.

- *Real brother and sister of father i.e. real uncle and real aunt.*
- *Real brother and sister of mother i.e. real maternal uncle and maternal aunt.*
- *Father and mother of father i.e. grandfather and grandmother.*
- *Father and mother of mother i.e. maternal grandfather and maternal grandmother.*
- *First degree-paternal and maternal cousins.*
- *Such person should be NRI*

c) Such persons should ordinarily be residing abroad.

d) Such person should have looked after such student as the guardian of the student and evidence to that effect must have been produced before the committee by such person.

e) There should be affidavit with aforesaid fact.”

MCC will seek evidential proof; a document - from the candidates/guardian as in point 3 (d) & (e) of the guidelines during counselling as evidence demonstrating that the sponsor has looked after the candidate as a guardian.

Hence, the candidates applying for NRI Quota seats have to comply with the above-mentioned eligibility criteria for change of their category from Indian to NRI

The list of documents for different categories of NRI candidates/ Foreign National

Category I: NRI Candidate/ Parents/ Real Brother/ Real Sister

1. Date of Birth Certificate.
2. 10th mark sheets and passing certificate/Equivalence Certificate for Class X from Association of Indian Universities (AIU)/ Certified Transcript.
2. 12th mark sheets and passing certificates/ Equivalence Certificate for Class XII from Association of Indian Universities (AIU)/ Certified Transcript.
3. MBBS 1st, 2nd, 3rd Professional Examination marksheets.
4. If MBBS from out of India then FMGE scorecard is required.
5. NEET- PG Score Card issued by NBE.
6. Valid Passport of candidate.
7. NRI Certificate issued by the Competent Authority (Embassy / Indian Consulate).
8. Affidavit (on Rs 100 stamp paper Notarized) by the NRI parent/ Real Brother/ Real Sister stating that they will sponsor the entire course fee and living expenses of the candidate (son/daughter) during the period of study supported by NRE/NRO Bank Account Passbook.
9. Relationship to be verified by competent revenue authority officer (Tehsildar/ Patwari/ Government Officer in Revenue Department).
10. In cases of first degree relative as per point 1 and 2 laid in the principles laid in Anshul Tomar vs. State of M.P W.P No. 13393 of 2007. 19

Category II: OCI CANDIDATES

1. Date of Birth Certificate.
2. 10th mark sheets and passing certificate/Equivalence Certificate for Class X from Association of Indian Universities (AIU)/ Certified Transcript.
3. 12th mark sheets and passing certificates/ Equivalence Certificate for Class XII from Association of Indian Universities (AIU)/ Certified Transcript.

4. MBBS 1st, 2nd, 3rd Professional Examination marksheets.
5. If MBBS from out of India then FMGE scorecard is required.
6. NEET- PG Score Card issued by NBE.
7. Valid Passport of candidate.
8. Overseas Citizen of India (OCI) Card.

Category III: FOREIGN NATIONAL

1. Date of Birth Certificate.
2. 10th mark sheets and passing certificate/Equivalence Certificate for Class X from Association of Indian Universities (AIU)/ Certified Transcript.
3. 12th mark sheets and passing certificates/ Equivalence Certificate for Class XII from Association of Indian Universities (AIU)/ Certified Transcript.
4. MBBS 1st, 2nd, 3rd Professional Examination marksheets.
5. If MBBS from out of India then FMGE scorecard is required.
6. NEET- PG Score Card issued by NBE.
7. Valid Foreign Passport of candidate.
8. Citizenship certificate.

Category IV: Indian to NRI

(Candidates who filled their category as Indian in NEET PG form and now want to change to NRI category for counselling)

1. Date of Birth Certificate.
2. 10 th mark sheets and passing certificate/Equivalence Certificate for Class X from Association of Indian Universities (AIU)/ Certified Transcript.
2. 12 th mark sheets and passing certificates/ Equivalence Certificate for Class XII from Association of Indian Universities (AIU)/ Certified Transcript.
3. MBBS 1st, 2nd, 3rd Professional Examination marksheets.
4. If MBBS from out of India then FMGE scorecard is required.
5. NEET- PG Score Card issued by NBE.
6. Valid Passport of candidate.

7. NRI Certificate issued by the Competent Authority (Embassy / Indian Consulate).
8. In case of sponsorship by a legal guardian (in the past) Evidence of relationship between the NRI and the candidate.

Candidates shall be required to submit an Affidavit (on Rs 100 stamp paper duly notarized) from the person claiming to be their guardian, affirming that:

- i. The guardian has been a bona fide guardian of a candidate and has been taking care of the candidate for the past few years.
- ii. The guardian has been providing the necessary financial, educational and other support to the candidate.
- iii. The NRI that he/she will sponsor the entire course fee and living expenses of the candidate during the period of study duly supported by NRE (Non Resident External) Bank Account Pass Book.
- iv. The particulars furnished in the affidavit are true and correct and the guardian shall be responsible for the authenticity of the claim.
- v. **The candidate/guardian shall also be required to submit documentary evidence in support of the claim of guardianship**, such as, but not limited to:
 - i. School/college fee receipts showing payment by the claimed guardian;
 - ii. Educational records or other documents reflecting the guardian's involvement in the candidate's education;
 - iii. Bank/payment records evidencing financial support;
 - iv. Any other relevant documentary evidence establishing that the person has been genuinely taking care of and supporting the candidate for the requisite period.

The Affidavit and supporting documents shall be subject to verification by the Competent Authority/MCC. Mere submission of the Affidavit shall not, by itself, confer eligibility or establish the claim of guardianship if the supporting documents are found inadequate, inconsistent or otherwise not genuine.

As the candidates are majors, they will not be required to submit court order as per the Guardian and Wards, Act 1890 to convert from Indian to NRI category. This clarification is issued in the larger interest of candidates and in compliance with the observations/directions of the Hon'ble High courts.

PROCESS FOR THE NRI DOCUMENT SUBMISSION, VERIFICATION AND CONVERSION OF CATEGORY IS AS FOLLOWS:

STEP:1 Selection of the NRI Quota: Candidate will select NRI Quota at the time of Registration for 2026 counselling. Candidate who selected NRI option during NEET exam conducted by NBE will also have to select the NRI Category at the time registration on MCC portal.

STEP:2 Selection of subcategory: Candidate will select subcategory (I to IV), as mentioned in previous paragraphs.

STEP:3 Uploading of Supporting documents as per updated list mentioned above: Candidate who wants to get category converted from Indian to NRI will upload supporting documents as mentioned in the above list at the time of Registration on MCC portal.

STEP:4 Online Document Verification: The NRI Document Verification Committee (DVC) of MCC will scrutinize the uploaded documents online. (It is mentioned that the online verification will convert the category to NRI provisionally, however the candidates are expected to produce physical copy in original of all the documents at the time of admission at the allotted institute.)

STEP:5 Discrepancy Found: If discrepancy is found in online verification, the scrutiny committee raises document discrepancy query.

STEP:6 Notification to Candidate: Candidate will be notified through SMS and Email regarding the discrepancy/ deficiency found in the documents.

STEP:7 Correction Window: A correction window will be provided to candidates to resolve the query within stipulated time as per schedule. During this period, candidates will be allowed to edit/ modify their uploaded documents w.r.t discrepancy found by the scrutiny committee and submit correct documents online, if any within stipulated time as per schedule.

STEP:8 Category Converted Online: If all documents are found to be in order, category of candidate will be converted from Indian to NRI.

STEP:9 Eligible for NRI Choices: Once category of candidate is converted from Indian to NRI, candidate will become eligible to access NRI category seats list and select choices of NRI quota seats.

STEP:10 A candidate can also participate in round 2 if not able to produce the document in round 1 as mentioned in step 7 in stipulated time as per schedule.

CHAPTER 5: Persons with Benchmark Disabilities

In exercise of the powers conferred by Sections 10 and 24 of the National Medical Commission Act, 2019, read with Section 57 thereof, and in furtherance of the Graduate Medical Education Regulations, 2023, the National Medical Commission has issued the PwD Guidelines, namely “**Guidelines on Assessment of Persons with Benchmark Disabilities (PwBD) for Admission to the PG Course, 2026**”. (Enclosed as ANNEXURE 2)

In view of the PwD Guidelines forwarded by NMC vide **Letter No. E-8365532/2026-PGMEB dated 16.09.2026**, PwBD candidates participating in PG Counselling 2026 are advised to note the following points w.r.t obtaining Eligibility Certificate for the purpose of upcoming NEET PG Counselling, from designated Medical Assessment Boards of MCC:

1. Candidates who wish to claim seat under PwBD category are required to visit one of the Primary Medical Assessment Boards of MCC (List of Centers enclosed as **Annexure-1**) and submit following documents at the Centre to obtain the Eligibility Certificate
 - i. NEET PG 2026 score card demonstrating eligibility for the PG course. UDID card issued by the Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities (Divyangjan) (DEPwD), Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment, GoI.
 - ii. Self-certified affidavit declaring his or her functional abilities in the format specified in **Schedule-I** which shall be verified by Medical Assessment Board during the course of assessment.
 - iii. Self-Certification Affidavit (**Appendix-A**) and Affidavit specific to the candidate's disability category, in the prescribed format of NMC as provided in **Appendix-B to F**.
2. The Eligibility certificate will be generated by the designated medical assessment board as per details of disability mentioned on the UDID card and affidavit submitted by the PwBD candidate and subject to fulfillment of eligibility criteria.
3. Only those candidates who have been declared eligible in the portal by a designated Medical assessment board of MCC can avail PwD benefits.
4. In case the UDID Card or Affidavit submitted by the candidate is found to be 'FAKE', the seat of the candidate will be 'CANCELLED'; and legal action will be taken against the candidate.
5. The Eligibility Certificate will be valid for this academic session only.
6. Any candidate aggrieved by the findings or decision of the Medical Assessment Board may seek a review. (ANNEXURE: 2)

CHAPTER 6 - 50% ALL INDIA QUOTA

There will be four rounds of AIQ counseling i.e. Round 1, Round 2, Round 3 and Stray Vacancy Round (SLA(C) No. 10487 of 2021 before the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India). All candidates who have qualified for All India Quota seats on the basis of their rank in NEET PG conducted by the National Board of Examination (NBE) will be eligible for participation in the counselling process. Eligible candidates may download the Rank letter/ Result from NBE website. Cut-off rank of eligible candidates will also be available on the MCC website (<https://www.mcc.nic.in>)

Open seats-domicile free includes:

- i. 50% All India Quota seats contributed by states
- ii. 50% Seats of BHU
- iii. 50% Seats of AMU
- iv. 50% All India Quota seats of DU/Central Institutes (VMMC & SJH, ABVIMS & RML, ESIC-Basaidarapur)
- v. 100% DNB
- vi. 100% Deemed Universities seats

1. Reservation Policy

- ❖ Reservation Policy of the Central Government for the NEET-PG Counselling in All India Quota is as follows:
 - S.C.- 15%
 - S.T.- 7.5%
 - O.B.C.- (Non-Creamy Layer) as per the Central OBC list- 27%
 - EWS- as per Central Government norms- 10%
 - PwD- Horizontal Reservation as per NMC norms- 5%
- ❖ Reservation of seats under PwD Category is 5% in AIQ and the 21 Benchmark Disabilities as envisaged under the regulations of Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act 2016 and as per the NMC norms. For range of disabilities included, please see **Annexure 1**.
- ❖ Candidates who want to avail 5% PwD reservation in PG seats of Govt. /Central medical institutions should obtain Eligibility certificate as per NMC norms, from the designated medical assessment board as per the list enclosed as **Annexure- 2**. The certificate issued by any other hospital/ board **will not be** accepted.
- ❖ Candidates declared Qualified/Eligible for All India Quota Postgraduate Seats only will be eligible for online allotment process for All India Quota Seats, which is conducted by the Medical Counseling Committee (MCC), Ministry of Health & Family Welfare, & Government of India. For State Quota, Private medical college seats the candidates are required to contact the appropriate State Government/Admission Authority & Directorate of Medical Education. Medical Counseling Committee (MCC) **will not be** able to guide candidates in this matter.

2. Roster:

- ❖ The 3200-point roster on the 50% AIQ seats shall be applied by the MCCof DGHS, MoHFW as per the reservation policy.

3. Eligibility Condition:

- The Candidate should have qualified NEET PG.
- Domicile free.
- ❖ The conversion of seats will be carried out during the online third round. The said conversion will be done only when the eligible Candidates belonging to the said Category have been exhausted. The algorithm for conversion of category is as follows:

CONVERSION ALGORITHM

S.NO.	CATEGORY	CATEGORY CONVERTED TO
1.	ST (PwD)	ST
2.	SC (PwD)	SC
3.	UR (PwD)	UR
4.	OBC (PwD)	OBC
5.	ST	SC
6.	SC	UR
7.	EWS	UR

CHAPTER 7- 100% DEEMED UNIVERSITY

- ❖ From, 2017 the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in W.P.(C) No.267 of 2017 (Dar-Us- Slam Educational Trust case) directed the MCC of DGHS, MoHFW to conduct counseling of 100% seats of Deemed Universities.
- ❖ There will be four rounds of Counseling i.e., Round 1, Round 2, Round 3 & Stray Vacancy Round and all the rounds will be conducted by MCC.
- ❖ As per the directions of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India vide **order dated 12.12.2022** passed in "I.A NO. 132614/2022 IN W.P (c) NO. 267/2017 in Dar-us Slam Educational trust and Ors. vs. Medical Council of India & Ors.",
"2. Having heard Ms. Aishwarya Bhati, Additional Solicitor General, we direct that for 100% deemed universities:
 - (i) *There shall be four rounds of common counselling for the All-India Quota seats conducted by the Medical Counseling Committee; and*
 - (ii) *The Medical Counseling Committee is permitted to conduct an online counselling for the stray vacancy round.*

3. The above directions shall take effect from the ensuing academic year 2022-23."

In light of the above directions, as passed by the Hon'ble Supreme Court, the Medical Counselling Committee (MCC) of DGHS, MoHFW, shall conduct the counselling for the Stray Vacancy Round of **100% (ALL) seats of Deemed Universities.**

- ❖ All the candidates who have qualified for All India Quota seats on the basis of their rank in NEET PG conducted by NBE including candidates from Union Territory of J&K will be eligible. Eligible candidates may download the Rank letter/ Result from NBE website.

- **Reservation Policy:**

- ❖ The eligible Indian National Candidates wanting to participate in NRI category will have to submit the following documents as and when the same are called for by the MCC:
 - i) NEET-PG Admit Card and Score Card
 - ii) Proof of NRI Status of the parent/relative:
 - Valid Passport
 - Visa / Residence Permit / Work Permit
 - Overseas Citizen of India (OCI) card, if applicable
 - NRI Certificate issued by the Competent Authority (Embassy / Indian Consulate).
 - iii) Certificate of Relationship between the NRI relative and the candidate issued by the competent Revenue Authority through Family Tree.
 - iv) Affidavit (100.Rs Stamp Paper & Notarized) by the NRI relative stating that they will sponsor the entire course fee and living expenses of the candidate during the period of study duly supported by NRE (Non-Resident External) Bank Statement.

- v) 10th & 12th mark sheets + passing certificate
- vi) Birth certificate
- vii) Valid Passport of candidate

There might be reservation for Jain Minority or Muslim Minority in certain deemed universities. Candidates are requested to verify their eligibility for the same before applying under the said category.

Candidates claiming reservation under NRI Quota will not be able to claim reservation status under any other quota i.e. Jain Minority/Muslim Minority/any other quota.

2. As per the directions of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India dated **03.02.2023** passed in ***W.P (Civil) 891 of 2021 in the matter of 'Anushka Rengunthwar & Ors. Vs Union of India & Ors.'***,

"57. Hence, the notification being sustainable prospectively, we hereby declare that the impugned portion of the notification which provides for supersession of the notifications dated 11.04.2005, 05.01.2007 and 05.01.2009 and the clause 4(ii), its proviso and Explanation (1) thereto shall operate prospectively in respect of OCI cardholders who have secured the same subsequent to 04.03.2021.

58. We further hold that the petitioners in all these cases and all other similarly placed OCI cardholders will be entitled to the rights and privileges which had been conferred on them earlier to the notification dated 04.03.2021 and could be availed by them notwithstanding the exclusion carved out in the notification dated 04.03.2021. The participation of the petitioners and similarly placed OCI cardholders in the selection process and the subsequent action based on the interim orders passed herein or elsewhere shall stand regularized."

Keeping in view of the directions passed hereinabove, the OCI cardholders will now be eligible to the rights which were provided to them earlier to the impugned notification dated 04.03.2021. They will be treated at par with Indian citizens and will be eligible for UR (General) category seats as well as NRI seats for the purpose of NEET (PG)-2026 for counselling conducted by MCC.

iii) Eligibility Condition:

- The Candidate should have qualified NEET PG.
- Domicile free.

Conversion of seats:

NRI seats/ Jain Minority seats/Muslim Minority seats- Seats for NRI/Jain Minority/Muslim Minority will be converted to Deemed University Merit seats for UR Category after exhaustion of all the eligible candidates for NRI seats/ Jain Minority seats/Muslim Minority seats during third round.

***Candidates applying under NRI category are advised to go through the NRI Chapter- 4 carefully.**

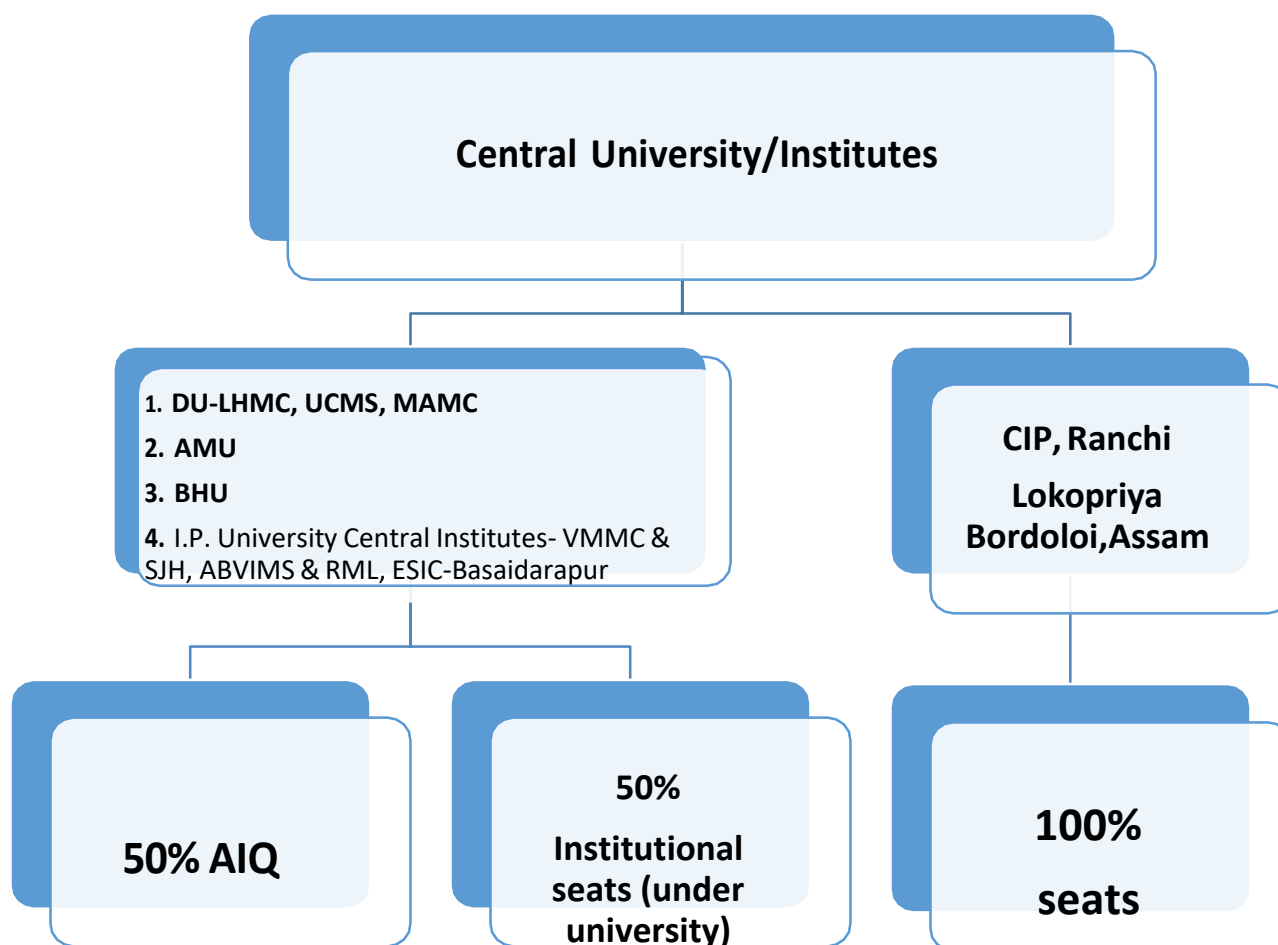
CHAPTER 8- ARMED FORCES MEDICAL SERVICES (AFMS)

1. Armed Forces Medical Services (AFMS) conducts Post Graduate training in AFMS PG Teaching Institutes primarily for the in-service medical and dental officers of the Armed Forces Medical Services so as to fulfill the specialist requirements. Surplus seats, if any, are offered to other eligible candidates as per priority system sanctioned by the Govt of India. The civilian doctors who get admission in Post Graduate courses (MD/MS/DNB/MDS) at any AFMS institution shall be liable to serve as Short Service Commissioned Officers (SSC) for 05 years in AFMS.
2. As sanctioned by the Govt of India, after fulfilling the AFMS requirements, the remaining seats in the AFMS PG Teaching Institutes, if any, are made available to other eligible candidates as per the priority system outlined below (Govt of India, Ministry of Defence letter No letter No 10(4)/2024/D(Med) dt 25 Jul 2025 & it's corrigendum dt 02 Sep 2025) :-
 - Priority – IA: Permanent Commissioned (PC) AFMS Officers detailed on Advance Specialist/PG Courses.
 - Priority – IB: Short Service Commissioned (SSC) AFMS Officers detailed on Advance Specialist/PG Courses.
 - Priority – II: Candidates sponsored by Friendly Foreign Countries and AFMS Officers granted Study Leave.
 - Priority – III: Medical Officers sponsored by Para Military organizations and other Govt. of India organizations.
 - Priority – IV: Ex-SSC Officers of AFMS within 3 years of their release from service.
 - Priority – V: Civilian candidates.
2. Counselling for Priority-I A, I B & II candidates will be conducted by O/o DGAFMS during the first round of MCC counselling and counselling of Priority-III, IV & V candidates will be conducted by MCC in the second round of MCC counselling. Candidates of all priorities are advised to register themselves on the MCC portal for counselling as per published schedule. More information in this regard will be available on the MCC website [www.https://mcc.nic.in](https://mcc.nic.in) and the AFMS website www.afmcdgld.gov.in. Seat allotment during counselling by MCC is provisional and subject to fulfillment of all eligibility criteria as mentioned in the 'Information Bulletin for PG Courses in AFMS Institutions through NEET PG-2026 and NEET MDS-2026' as uploaded on www.afmcdgld.gov.in. AFMS reserves the right to deny admission to any candidate who is found to be ineligible as per the eligibility criteria enumerated in the Information Bulletin mentioned above and the FAQs enclosed as Annexure to this bulletin. The redressal of disputes, if any, shall only be through courts having jurisdiction of **New Delhi** alone.

CHAPTER 9 - CENTRAL UNIVERSITY/INSTITUTE

There will be four rounds of counseling i.e., Round 1, Round 2, Round 3 & Stray Vacancy Round to be conducted by MCC of DGHS.

All the candidates who have qualified for All India Quota seats on the basis of their rank in NEET PG conducted by NBE will be eligible for the Fifty percent (50%) AIQ seats of Central University.



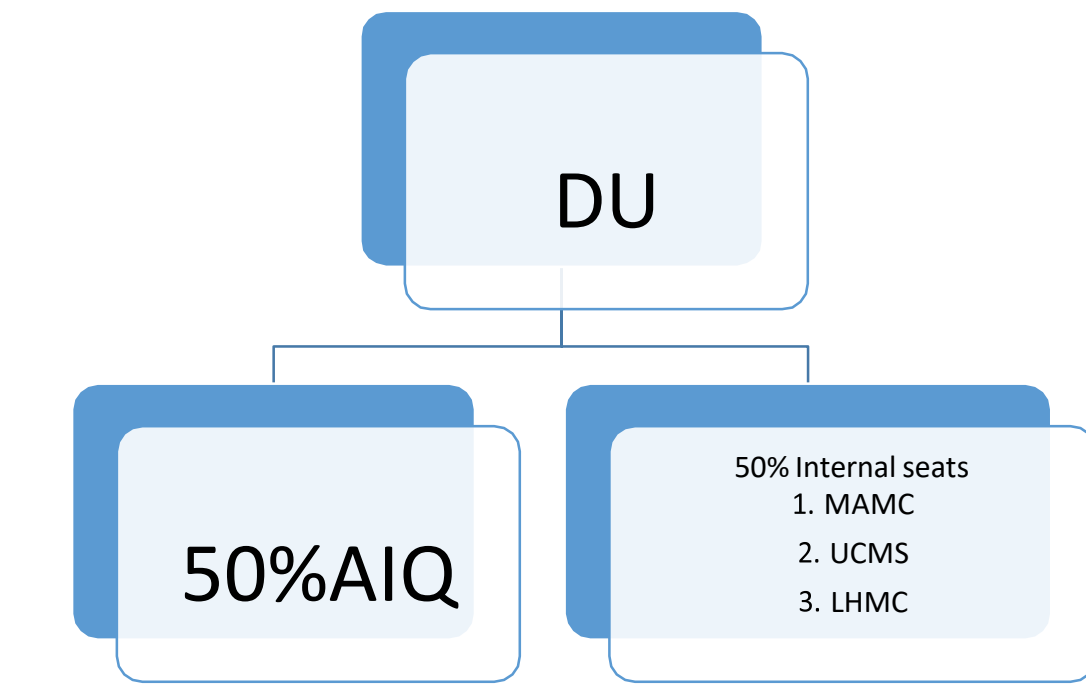
Disclaimer:

- The counseling for 50% AIQ is domicile free.
- The eligibility conditions for the internal quota are given by the colleges/institutes, MCC has no role to play in determining the eligibility conditions for the internal quota of the Central Universities/Institutes.
- The Candidate are requested to go through the eligibility conditions before applying for the internal quota of the Central Universities/Institutes and ensure that they meet the prescribed eligibility conditions.
- If any Candidate at any stage of the counseling process is found to have furnished any incorrect/wrong information with regard to his/her eligibility condition, his/her **candidature shall be cancelled** for the further rounds of the counseling and the security deposit shall be forfeited.
- Reservation of seats under PWD Category is 5% in Central Universities and the 21 Benchmark Disabilities as envisaged under the regulations of Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act 2016 and as per NMC norms. For range of disabilities included in the Medical Assessment Board, please see **Annexure -1**.
- Candidates who want to avail 5% PwD reservation in PG seats of Govt. Central medical institutions should obtain eligibility certificate as per NMC norms, from the designated assessment board as per the list enclosed as **Annexure- 1**. The certificate issued by any other hospital/ board **will not be** accepted.
- The conversion of seats will be carried out during the third Round for Central Universities/Institutes. The said conversion will be done only when the Candidates belonging to the said Category have exhausted.
- The algorithm for conversion of category is as follows:

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1.	ST (PwD)	ST
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4.	OBC(PwD)	OBC
5.	ST	SC
6.	SC	UR
7.	EWS	UR

9.1 DELHI UNIVERSITY (DU)



Fifty percent (50%) seats will be contributed by Delhi University to All India Quota. For the remaining 50% seats, candidates who have completed their MBBS from DU are eligible for Internal Quota of 50% in Delhi University.

9.1.1 Reservation Policy for AIO seats and Internal seats of DU:

- ❖ The reservation policy of the Central Government is followed:
 - S.C.- 15%
 - S.T.- 7.5%
 - O.B.C.- (Non-Creamy Layer) as per the Central OBC list- 27%
 - EWS- as per Central Government norms- 10%
 - PwD- Horizontal Reservation as per NMC norms- 5%
- ❖ Reservation of seats under PwD Category is 5% in AIQ and the twenty one (21) Benchmark Disabilities as envisaged under the regulations of Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act 2016 and as per NMC norms. For range of disabilities included in the Medical Assessment Board, please see Annexure 1.
- ❖ Candidates who want to avail 5% PwD reservation in PG seats of Govt./Central medical institutions should obtain Eligibility certificate as per 21 Benchmark Disabilities given under RPwD Act 2016 and as per NMC norms, from the designated medical assessment board as per the list enclosed as Annexure- 2. The certificate issued by any other hospital/ board **will not be** accepted.

9.1.2 Roster:

- ❖ The roster on the 50% AIQ as well as 50% Internal seats will be applied by the MCC of DGHS, MoHFW.

9.1.3 Eligibility Condition for DU Internal Quota:

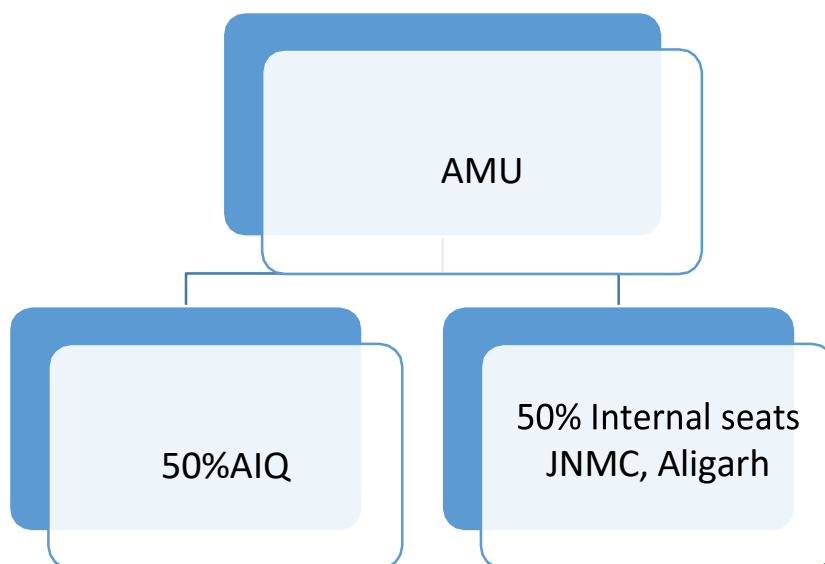
❖ For Delhi University Quota: -

Candidates seeking admission under the Delhi University Quota must have passed the final MBBS examination (for MD/MS/Diploma courses) or the final BDS examination (for MDS courses) from the University of Delhi. They must have satisfactorily completed the compulsory rotating internship of one year on or before 31 July 2026* and must produce the internship completion certificate at the time of admission. Eligibility shall be subject to the internship completion cut-off date and other requirements as notified by the National Medical Commission (NMC) from time to time.

*“The internship completion date is subject to any modification by the NMC. Candidates are advised to refer to the NMC website for the latest notifications and guidelines(<https://www.nmc.org.in/>).

(The eligibility condition for internal quota is provided by DU. **MCC has no role** to play in this regard).

9.2 ALIGARH MUSLIM UNIVERSITY (AMU)



Fifty percent (50%) Seats will be contributed by the AMU to All India Quota. For the remaining 50% seats, candidates who have completed their MBBS from AMU are eligible for internal seats of 50% in AMU.

9.2.1 Reservation Policy for AIQ seats:

- The reservation policy of the Central Government is followed:
 - S.C.- 15%
 - S.T.- 7.5%
 - O.B.C.- (Non-Creamy Layer) as per the Central OBC list- 27%
 - EWS- as per Central Government norms- 10%
 - PwD- Horizontal Reservation as per NMC norms- 5%
- For the **Reservation Policy of 50% Internals seats of AMU**, there is no reservation.
- Reservation of seats under PWD Category is 5% in AIQ and the 21 Benchmark Disabilities as envisaged under the regulations of Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act 2016 and as per NMC norms. For range of disabilities included, please see **Annexure- 1**.
- Candidates who want to avail 5% PwD reservation in PG seats of Govt./Central medical institutions should obtain Eligibility certificate as per 21 Benchmark Disabilities given under RPwD Act 2016 and as per NMC norms, from the designated medical assessment board as per the list enclosed as **Annexure- 1**. The certificate issued by any other hospital/ board **will not be** accepted.

9.2.2 Roster:

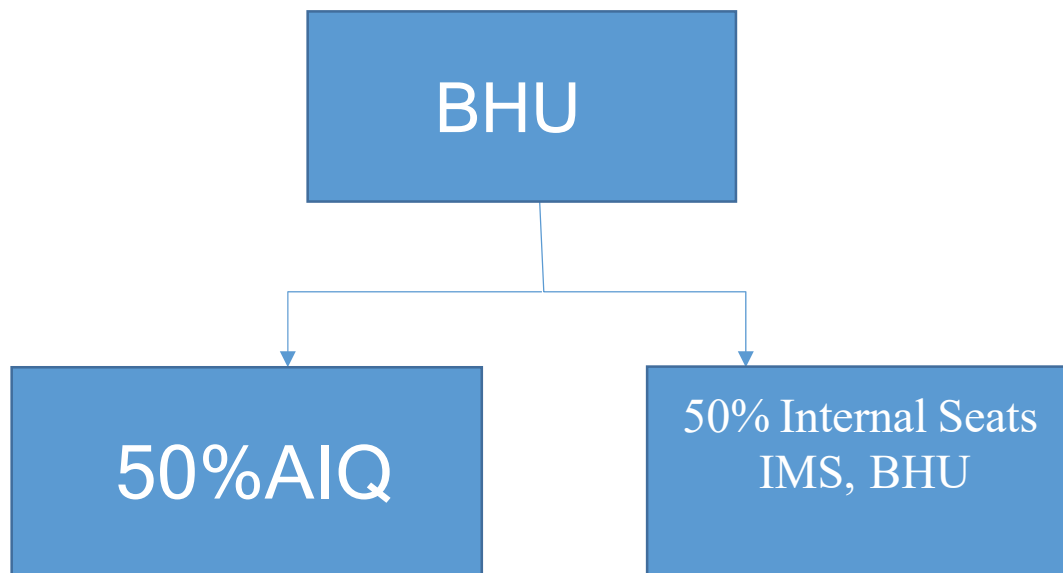
- The roster on the 50% AIQ seats shall be applied by the MCC of DGHS, MoHFW.
- For the 50% seats of Internal seats of AMU, there is no reservation.

9.2.3 Eligibility Condition for AMU Internal seats:

- An Institutional (Internal) Candidate is one who has passed the Qualifying examination conducted by this University as a regular student not Earlier than three (3) academic years from the date of admission to the Course, he/she is seeking admission to. And all other candidates shall be treated as external.
- For admission to M.D./M. S/ P. G. Diploma Courses, 2026 in the Faculty of Medicine, candidates who complete their Internship between April 01, 2003 and March 31, 2026 (both days inclusive) shall be considered as Internal Candidates.
- However, for the session 2026-27, the cut-off date for internship will be September 30, 2026 for M.D/M.S/PG Diploma courses.

(The eligibility condition for internal quota is provided by AMU. **MCC has no role** to play in this regard).

9.3 BANARAS HINDU UNIVERSITY **(BHU)**



Fifty percent (50%) Seats will be contributed by BHU to All India Quota. For the remaining 50% seats, candidates who have completed their MBBS from BHU are eligible for internal seats of 50% in BHU.

9.3.1 Reservation Policy for AIO and internal seats of BHU:

- The reservation policy of the Central Government is followed:
 - S.C.- 15%
 - S.T.- 7.5%
 - O.B.C.- (Non-Creamy Layer) as per the Central OBC list- 27%
 - EWS- as per Central Government norms- 10%
 - PwD- Horizontal Reservation as per NMC norms- 5%
- Reservation of seats under PwD Category is 5% in AIQ and the 21 Benchmark Disabilities as envisaged under the regulations of Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act 2016 and as per NMC norms. For range of disabilities included, please see Annexure- 1.
- Candidates who want to avail 5% PwD reservation in PG seats of Govt./Central medical institutions should obtain Eligibility certificate as per 21 Benchmark Disabilities given under RPWD Act 2016 and as per NMC norms, from the designated Medical assessment boards as per the list enclosed as Annexure- 2. The certificate issued by any other hospital/ board **will not be** accepted.

1.3.2 Roster:

- The roster on the 50% AIQ seats shall be applied by the MCC of DGHS, MoHFW.
- For the 50% seats of Internal seats of BHU, MCC will apply the roster.

1.3.3 Eligibility Condition for BHU Internal seats:

- Only those candidates who have passed MBBS from Institute of Medical Sciences, BHU in February & March-2025 and have completed compulsory rotatory **internship before 30.09.2026** will be considered for admission to MD/MS Course-2026 in IMS, BHU under internal (institutional) Quota pool, provided the candidate has appeared and qualified in NEET-PG 2026 examination.
- Candidates who are already pursuing MD/MS course in IMS, BHU through internal (Institutional) quota OR passed MBBS from Institute of Medical Sciences, BHU earlier academic years (i.e. before February 2025) are not eligible for admission to PG Course-2026 under BHU internal (institutional) quota”.

(The eligibility condition for internal quota is provided by BHU. MCC **has no role** to play in this regard)

9.4 CENTRAL INSTITUTE OF PSYCHIATRY, RANCHI

The Institute contributes hundred percent (100%) seats for NEET-PG Counselling. There are **no** Internal /State quota seats in this Institute/College.

9.4.1 Reservation Policy:

- The reservation policy of the Central Government is followed:
 - S.C.- 15%
 - S.T.- 7.5%
 - O.B.C.- (Non-Creamy Layer) as per the Central OBC list- 27%
 - EWS- as per Central Government norms- 10%
 - PwD- Horizontal Reservation as per NMC norms- 5%
- Reservation of seats under PWD Category is 5% in AIQ and the 21 Benchmark Disabilities as envisaged under the regulations of Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act 2016 and as per NMC norms. For range of disabilities included, please see Annexure- 1.
- Candidates who want to avail 5% PwD reservation in PG seats of Govt./Central medical institutions should obtain Eligibility certificate as per 21 Benchmark Disabilities given under RPWD Act 2016 and as per NMC norms, from the designated Medical assessment boards as per the list enclosed as Annexure- 2. The certificate issued by any other hospital/ board **will not be** accepted.

9.4.2 Roster:

- The roster on the seats shall be applied by the MCC of DGHS, MoHFW.

9.5 LOKOPRIYA GOPINATH BORDOLOI REGIONAL INSTITUTE OF MENTAL HEALTH, TEZPUR

The Institute contributes 100% seats for NEET-PG Counselling.

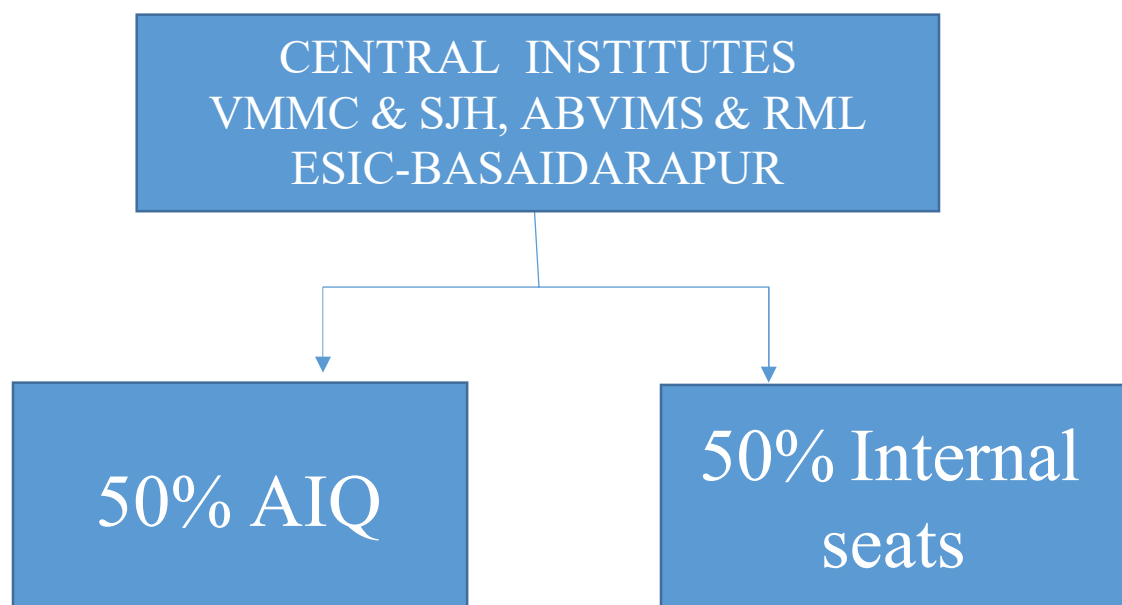
9.5.1 Reservation Policy:

- The reservation policy of the Central Government is followed:
 - S.C.- 15%
 - S.T.- 7.5%
 - O.B.C.- (Non-Creamy Layer) as per the Central OBC list- 27%
 - EWS- as per Central Government norms- 10%
 - PwD- Horizontal Reservation as per NMC norms- 5%
- Reservation of seats under PWD Category is 5% in AIQ and the 21 Benchmark Disabilities as envisaged under the regulations of Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act 2016 and as per NMC norms. For range of disabilities included, please see Annexure- 1.
- Candidates who want to avail 5% PwD reservation in PG seats of Govt./Central medical institutions should obtain Eligibility certificate as per 21 Benchmark Disabilities given under RPWD Act 2016 and as per NMC norms, from the designated Medical assessment boards as per the list enclosed as Annexure- 2. The certificate issued by any other hospital/ board **will not be** accepted.

9.5.2 Roster:

- The roster on the seats shall be applied by the MCC of DGHS, MoHFW.

9.6. CENTRAL INSTITUTES UNDER GURU GOVIND SINGH INDRARAPRASTHA UNIVERSITY- VMMC & SJH, ABVIMS & RML, ESIC-BASAI DARAPUR



Fifty percent (50%) seats will be contributed by the Central Institutes (VMMC & SJH, ABVIMS & RML, ESIC-Basaidarapur) to All India Quota. For the remaining 50% seats, candidates who have completed their MBBS from I.P. University (VMMC & SJH; ABVIMS & RML; Dr. Baba Saheb Ambedkar Medical College & Hospital, New Delhi; Army College of Medical Sciences, Delhi; North Delhi Municipal Corporation (Medical College) Hindu Rao Hospital) are eligible for Internal seats of 50% in Central Institutes (VMMC & SJH, ABVIMS & RML, ESIC-Basaidarapur).

9.6.1 Reservation Policy for AIO seats and Internal seats of Central Institutes (VMMC & SJH, ABVIMS & RML, ESIC-Basaidarapur):

- The reservation policy of the Central Government is followed:
 - i. S.C.- 15%
 - ii. S.T.- 7.5%
 - iii. O.B.C.- (Non-Creamy Layer) as per the Central OBC list- 27%
 - iv. EWS- as per Central Government norms- 10%
 - v. PwD- Horizontal Reservation as per NMC norms- 5%
- Reservation of seats under PWD Category is 5% in AIQ and the 21 Benchmark Disabilities as envisaged under the regulations of Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act 2016 and as per NMC norms. For range of disabilities included, please see Annexure- 1.
- Candidates who want to avail 5% PwD reservation in PG seats of Govt./Central medical institutions should obtain Eligibility certificate as per 21 Benchmark Disabilities given under RPWD Act 2016 and as per NMC norms, from the designated Medical assessment boards as per the list enclosed as Annexure- 2. The certificate issued by any other hospital / board **will not be** accepted.

9.6.2 Roster:

- The roster on the 50% AIQ seats shall be applied by the MCC of DGHS, MoHFW.
- For the 50% seats of Internal seats of Central Institutes (VMMC & SJH, ABVIMS & RML, ESIC-Basaidarapur), MCC will apply the roster.

9.6.3 Eligibility Condition for Central Institutes (VMMC & SJH, ABVIMS & RML, ESIC, Basaidarapur) Internal seats:

The Candidates should have completed their MBBS from I.P. University (VMMC & SJH; ABVIMS & RML; Dr. Baba Saheb Ambedkar Medical College & Hospital, New Delhi; Army College of Medical Sciences, Delhi; North Delhi Municipal Corporation (Medical College, Hindu Rao Hospital) are eligible for Internal seats of 50% in Central Institutes (VMMC & SJH, ABVIMS & RML, ESIC-Basaidarapur)

(The eligibility condition for internal quota is as per the rules of Central Government. MCC **has no role** to play in this regard)

CHAPTER 10- DIPLOMATE OF NATIONAL BOARD (DNB)

- Medical Counseling Committee conducts counseling for the DNB courses which are domicile free and All India in character in compliance of the Judgment dated 26/05/2020 of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in W.P. of 2020 (Diary No. 11011 of 2020) in the matter of Alapati Jyotsana & Ors. v/sUoI & Ors.
- The Counselling for In-service seats of DNB is not conducted by MCC of DGHS, MoHFW.
- There will be four rounds of counseling i.e. Round 1, Round 2, Round 3 & Stray Vacancy Round which will be conducted by MCC.
- All the candidates who have qualified NEET PG conducted by NBE will be eligible.
- **After allotment of seats by MCC of DGHS, the admission fee is collected by NBE Authorities. Hence for any query refer to NBE, MCC has no role in the same, hence MCC will not entertain any requests for refund.**
- Stipend /fee structure/ course duration / bond amount / rendering of service in rural / tribal area/other conditions etc. may vary from State to State and Institute to Institute.

10.1 Reservation Policy

- There will be no reservation in Private DNB Colleges/Institutes.
- The reservation policy for the Govt. institutes /Colleges seats contributed by DNB of the Central Government is as follows:
 - S.C.- 15%
 - S.T.- 7.5%
 - O.B.C.- (Non-Creamy Layer) as per the Central OBC list- 27%
 - EWS- as per Central Government norms- 10%
 - PwD- Horizontal Reservation as per NMC norms- 5%
 - Reservation of seats under PWD Category is 5% in AIQ and the 21 Benchmark Disabilities as envisaged under the regulations of Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act 2016 and as per NMC norms. For range of disabilities included, please see Annexure- '1'.
 - Candidates who want to avail 5% PwD reservation in PG seats of Govt. / Central medical institutions should obtain Eligibility certificate as per 21 Benchmark Disabilities given under RPWD Act 2016, from the designated Medical assessment boards as per the list enclosed as Annexure- 2. The certificate issued by any other hospital/ board **will not be** accepted.

1.2 Eligibility Conditions

- Candidate must have qualified NEET-PG.

10.3 Roster

- The roster for Govt. DNB Institutes/colleges shall be applied by the MCC of DGHS, MoHFW.

CHAPTER 11- REGISTRATION: INSTRUCTIONS FOR FILLING ONLINE APPLICATION FORM

- Candidates are informed that e-mail ID and Mobile Number provided in the Online Application Form of NBE will be used for registration on the MCC portal for Counselling. The said fields will be pre-populated in the Application/Registration form of the Counselling. All the information/communication will be sent by MCC of DGHS, MoHFW through email on the registered e-mail address or SMS on registered Mobile Number only.
- **Any complaint with regard: to the change of registered mobile number or email address shall not be entertained by the MCC of DGHS, MoHFW.**
- Candidates are advised to use Laptop or Computer along with the latest registered version of Chrome/Internet Explorer/Firefox/Windows/IOS and a good internet connection during the Registration and Choice-Filling process to avoid any technical complications.
- Please note that registration facility will be available at the beginning of first round, second round, third round and stray vacancy on notified dates. Under no circumstances any request (for any reason) for registration, shall be entertained after closing of registration.
- It is **mandatory** for candidates to carry their original documents during physical reporting to college / institute for confirmation /joining of seat.
- Kindly refer to details of counselling scheme as mentioned below before filling the online forms etc.

❖ **ROUND-1 (Start & End)**

❖ **ROUND-2 (Start& End)**

❖ **ROUND-3 (Start& End)**

❖ **STRAY VACANCY ROUND**

(kindly see next page onwards)

ROUND-1 (Start)

(Please refer to Chapter-3 for details regarding FREEZE & FLOAT candidates)

- a) Main counseling Registration which will include payment of Non-refundable Registration fee and Refundable Security Deposit (to be refunded only in the account from which payment has been made).
- b) Exercising of Choice filling and locking of choices.
- c) Process of Seat Allotment Round-1
- d) Publication of result of Round-1 on MCC website.
- e) Physical Reporting at the allotted Medical college/ Institutes with original documents against Round -1 (one).
- f) Candidates who have been allotted a seat in round one (1) can opt for free exit and can directly participate in round two.
- g) Candidates who have been allotted a seat in round one (1) can opt for willingness to upgrade from round 1 to round 2 only online and information to the Nodal officer of the college/institute telephonically.
- h) If a registered candidate is not allotted a seat in round one (1), he can participate in round 2 directly without fresh registration.
- i) Candidates willing to upgrade from Round 1 to Round 2 is done in online mode on the portal with information to the Nodal officer of the college/institute telephonically. The documents are also uploaded online.

END OF ROUND 1

ROUND-2 (Start)

(Please refer to Chapter-3 for details regarding FREEZE & FLOAT candidates)

- a) Candidates who registered for Round-1 and did not get any seat allotted are **not** required to register again.
- b) New/fresh Registration for Round-2 is to be done by those candidates who
 - Have not registered in Round-1 (with full payment of fees).
- c) Candidates who have Resigned / Not reported in Round-1 need not register again.
- d) Fresh Choice filling and locking of choices for Round-2 needs to be done.
- e) Publication of result of Round-2 on MCC website.
- f) Physical Reporting with original documents at the allotted Medical College/ institute against Round 2.
- g) If upgraded in Round 2, the candidate must take relieving online from Round 1 seat and join Round 2 seat.
- h) If a candidate freshly registered in round 2 is **not** allotted a seat, he/she can participate in round 3 directly without fresh registration.
- i) Candidates getting upgraded in Round 2 **Shall NOT** have any claim on Round 1 seat.
- j) Candidates who have been freshly allotted a seat in round 2 can opt for willingness to upgrade from round 2 to round 3, for which first they will have to upload documents online at the allotted college/institute and thereafter opt for willingness.

END OF ROUND 2

CONVERSION ALGORITHM (applicable in third round)

S.NO.	CATEGORY	CATEGORY CONVERTED TO
1.	ST (PwD)	ST
2.	SC (PwD)	SC
3.	UR (PwD)	UR
4.	OBC(PwD)	OBC
5.	ST	SC
6.	SC	UR
7.	EWS	UR
8.	NRI/Jain Minority/Muslim Minority	UR

Round-3 (Start)

(Please refer to Chapter-3 for details regarding FREEZE & FLOAT candidates)

- a) Eligibility criteria for Round 3 candidates:
- b) Fresh Registration with payment of registration fee for Round-3.
- c) Fresh/New Registration Round 3 for those candidates who
 - Have not registered in Round-1 or Round 2 (with full payment of fees).
 - Have Resigned from Round 2 can participate with full payment of fees.
- d) Who registered in Round-2 and exited with Forfeiture of fees without joining can proceed with fresh payment of fees.
- e) Those who registered but were not allotted a seat in Round-1 & Round-2 need not register again.
- f) Exercise Fresh Choice filling and locking of choices needs to be done.
- g) Publication of result of third Round on MCC website.
- h) Physical Reporting at the Allotted Medical College/institute after third Round with original documents.
- i. If upgraded, the candidate must take relieving from Round 2 seat and join Round 3 seat. Once joined, he cannot upgrade or resign from this third-round seat.
- ii. If any candidate does not join Round 3 seat, he may exit with forfeiture of security deposit and elimination (cannot participate in further rounds of counselling conducted by MCC, DGHS).
- iii. If a candidate freshly registers in round 3 and is **not** allotted any seat, he/she is eligible to participate in stray/further rounds.
 - a) Candidates getting upgraded in Round 3 **shall Not** have any claim on earlier round allotted seat.

END OF ROUND 3

STRAY VACANCY ROUND (Start)

(Please refer to Chapter-3 for details regarding FREEZE & FLOAT candidates)

- a. Fresh registrations and fresh choice filling for Final Stray Vacancy Round. The choices filled during third round **will not be** considered for allotment in Stray Vacancy Round.
- b. Eligibility for Stray vacancy round: Candidates who are not holding any seat or did not participate in Round-1, Round-2, and Round-3 (AIQ, State, Deemed) can participate in Stray Vacancy Round.
- c. Candidates who were freshly allotted seats in round 3 and did not join cannot participate in Stray Vacancy Round.
- d. Data will be shared between Centre and States after Round 3 of states and if any candidate has his/her name in the list provided by State after round 3, such candidates will be eliminated from counseling before processing for All-India Stray Vacancy Round.
- e. For Deemed Universities the Stray Vacancy Round will be conducted by MCC of DGHS, MoHFW as per the directions of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India *vide order dated 12.12.2022 passed in I.A NO. 132614/2022 IN W.P (c) NO. 267/2017 in Dar-us Slam Educational trust and Ors. vs. Medical Council of India & Ors.*,”
- f. If a candidate is allotted a seat in Stray round, he/she has to report & join the allotted seat at college/institute else there will be forfeiture of security deposit.
- g. Allotment of seats are 'Online' by running software.

END OF STRAY VACANCY ROUND

CHAPTER 12- RESULT & ADMISSION

12.1 RESULT

The counseling for NEET-PG is conducted by MCC based on the result of qualified candidates sent by NBE. The whole counseling process is completely automated and online in nature.

MCC uploads the **provisional result initially in every round** for verification of the candidates/college/institute based on their choices, merit and eligibility. They will also be given an opportunity to reach out to MCC if there is any discrepancy in the result. If no discrepancy is found or if the discrepancy is rectified, then the **final result** is uploaded on the MCC website. The provisional result is only indicative in nature and is subject to change. It may not be utilized for any legal purpose. **Candidates are advised not to proceed for booking tickets after the declaration of the provisional result. They should wait for the final allotment letter to be issued by the MCC of DGHS.**

Once the Candidates are allotted a seat based on their merit, choice & eligibility, in any of the Rounds of counseling conducted by MCC, the Candidates will be required to download their '**allotment letter**' from the MCC website ([www.https://mcc.nic.in](https://mcc.nic.in)). If the Candidate is satisfied with his/her allotment he/she may approach the allotted college/institute for completing the admission formalities within the reporting time schedule.

However, it is clarified that, the allotment made by MCC in any of the rounds is purely provisional subject to physical verification of documents of the candidate by the allotted college/institute authorities.

12.2 ADMISSION (Please refer to Chapter-3 for details regarding FREEZE & FLOAT candidates)

If the Candidate is satisfied with his/her allotment he/she may approach the allotted college/institute for completing the admission formalities. Original documents required at the time of joining in allotted Medical College are as mentioned below:

- i. Allotment Letter issued by MCC (**Essential document**).
- ii. Admit Card issued by NBE.
- iii. Result/Rank Letter issued by NBE.
- iv. Mark Sheets of MBBS 1st, 2nd & 3rd Professional Examinations.
- v. MBBS Degree Certificate/ Provisional Certificate. (**Essential document**).
- vi. Internship Completion Certificate/Certificate from the Head of Institution or College that the candidate shall complete the Internship by 30th September, of the year of admission/or if required the date as decided by the Competent Authority. However, for this academic year the internship completion date may be treated as 30th September, 2026.

Permanent / provisional Registration Certificate issued by State Medical Council. Provisional Registration Certificate is acceptable only in cases where candidate is undergoing internship and likely to complete the same on or **before 30th September, 2026** (for this academic year). **(Essential document)**

- vii.** 10th Class Certificate/Birth Certificate as proof of date or birth. **(Essential document)**
- viii.** Candidates allotted seat must carry one of the identification proofs (ID Proof) to the allotted college at the time of admission (as mentioned in the information Bulletin published by the National Board of Examinations (NBE) for NEET i.e. Driving License, Voter ID, Passport or Aadhaar Card).
- ix.** The Candidate should also bring the following certificates, if applicable:
 - a)** SC/ST Certificate issued by the competent authority (in the format as specified in this Information Bulletin) and should be in English or Hindi language. Sub caste should be clearly mentioned in the certificate. The translated certificate must be certified by a Gazetted Officer. **(Essential document)**
 - b)** EWS Certificate as per the Central Govt. Norms (in the format as specified in this Information Bulletin) and should be in English or Hindi language. The translated certificate must be certified by a Gazetted Officer. **(Essential document)**
 - c)** OBC certificate issued by the competent authority. The sub-caste should tally with the Central List of OBC. The OBC candidates should not belong to Creamy Layer. The OBC certificate must be in the format as mentioned in the Information Bulletin. **Annexure - 4** The translated certificate must be certified by a Gazetted Officer. **(Essential document).**
 - d)** Eligibility Certificate issued from a duly constituted and authorized Medical Board for 21 Benchmark Disabilities as per the Rights of Persons with Disability Act, 2016 and NMC Norms. No other certificate, issued by any other Authorities/ Hospital will be entertained. The format of Eligibility Certificate is annexed as Annexure 2) in the Information Bulletin. **(Essential document)**
 - e)** **NRI/OCI candidates to bring relevant documents in original (same as uploaded on MCC portal) at the time of reporting/ admission.**

The physical verification of the documents will be done by the respective college authorities and MCC has no role to play in the same. However, it is once again clarified that, the allotment made by MCC in any of the rounds is purely provisional subject to physical verification of documents of the candidate by the allotted college authorities.

Also, the information regarding Stipend/fee structure/course duration/bond amount/rendering of service in rural/tribal area/other conditions etc. has been provided by Medical Colleges. MCC/ DGHS takes no responsibility regarding the said information including Fees/Bond/Mode of Payment or any typographical error/ data etc. Candidates are advised to visit College website or contact the College Authorities directly for any query regarding above information before filling choices.

CHAPTER 13- FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS(FAQs)

13.1 - FAQs RELATED TO COUNSELLING PROCESS

Rounds (By MCC)	Types of Counselling
Round 1	AIQ, Deemed University, Central University/Institutes, DNB
Round 2	--do--
Round 3	--do--
Stray Vacancy Round	--do--

Q. No. 1: When will online allotment process for this year start?

Ans: Online allotment process will start as per counseling Schedule for PG online Counseling for the current academic year.

Please See Schedule available on [www.https://mcc.nic.in](https://mcc.nic.in) website.

Q. No. 2: Do I have to report to any counselling center for registration or choice filling?

Ans: No. Online registration and choice filling can be done from place of convenience (Including from home) using internet. Uninterrupted internet facility should be ensured.

Q. No. 3: What information do I require for online registration?

Ans: Please note that you will be asked to fill some of the information (we are not showing it here for security reasons) that you have given in your application form of NBE, admit card of examination during online registration and provided by the examination conducting agency (NBE). Therefore, keep a copy of your application form and admit card ready for reference. These documents may be retained as they may be required till you complete your PG course.

Q. No. 4: How do I get password for logging in?

Ans: During the process of online registration, you will generate your own password. Candidates are advised to keep the password that they have created, confidential to them till the end of the counseling process. The password can also be changed after creation by candidate himself/herself. Password is very important for participating in online allotment process. Sharing of password can result in its misuse by somebody else, leading to even exclusion of genuine candidate from online allotment process.

Q. No. 5: How much time will I be given to join the allotted course?

Ans: Candidates who are allotted seats will be required to join the allotted college/course within stipulated time from the date of allotment as mentioned in the counseling schedule. However, candidates are advised to join as early as possible and not to wait for last day of joining, due to different schedule of holiday/working hours in various Medical Colleges/Institutes, also keeping in view that medical colleges will have to furnish information about joining/non-joining status of candidates on Medical Counseling Committee portal. In some of the Colleges it may take 2 to 3 days' time for completion of admission formalities.

Q. No. 6: What documents are required at the time of joining the allotted Medical College/institute?

Ans: Original documents required at the time of joining in allotted Medical College are as mentioned below:

- i. Allotment Letter issued by MCC **(Essential document)**
- ii. Admit Card issued by NBE **(Essential document)**
Result/Rank Letter issued by NBE **(Essential document).**
- iii. 10th Class/Birth Certificate as proof of date of birth. **(Essential document).**
- iv. Mark Sheets of MBBS 1st, 2nd & 3rd Professional Examinations.
(Essential document)
- v. MBBS Degree Certificate/Provisional Certificate. **(Essential document)**
Internship Completion Certificate/Certificates from the Head of Institution or College that the candidate shall complete the Internship by **30th September, 2026** of the year of admission. **(Essential document).**
- vi. Permanent / provisional Registration Certificate issued by State Medical Registration council. Certificate is acceptable only in cases where candidate is undergoing internship and likely to complete the same on or before **30th September, 2026** of the year of admission.
(Essential document)
- vii. Candidates allotted seat must carry one of the identification proofs (ID Proof) to the allotted college at the time of admission (as mentioned in the information Bulletin published by the National Board of Examinations(NBE) for NEET i.e. Driving License, Voter ID, Passport or Aadhar Card). **(Essential document)**
- viii. The Candidate should also bring the following certificates, if applicable

(Essential document)

- a) SC/ST Certificate issued by the competent authority (in the format as specified in the Information Bulletin) and should be in English or Hindi language. Sub caste should be clearly mentioned in the certificate. The translated certificate must be certified by a Gazetted Officer. **(Essential document)**
- b) EWS Certificate as per the Central Govt. Norms (in the format as specified in the Information Bulletin) and should be in English or Hindi language. The translated certificate must be certified by a Gazetted Officer. **(Essential document). The annual income/status of the parents of the applicant should be based on financial year ending March 31, 2026.**
- c) OBC certificate issued by the competent authority. The sub-caste should tally with the Central List of OBC (NCBC Website). The OBC candidates should not belong to Creamy Layer. The OBC certificate must be in the format as mentioned in the prospectus (Annexure - 4). The translated certificate must be certified by a Gazetted Officer. **(Essential document). The annual income/status of the parents of the applicant should be based on financial year ending March 31, 2026.**
- d) Eligibility Certificate issued from Designated Medical Assessment Board of MCC by a duly constituted and authorized Medical Board for twenty-one (21) Benchmark Disabilities as per the Rights of Persons with Disability Act, 2016 and NMC Norms. No other PwD certificate, issued by any other Authorities/ Hospital will be entertained. The format of Certificate of Disability is annexed in the Information Bulletin. **(Essential document) (Annexure – 2)**
- e) **NRI/OCI candidates to bring relevant documents in original (same as uploaded on MCC mail) at the time of reporting/ admission.**

Candidates without original certificates / documents shall not be allowed to take admission in allotted Medical College.

Candidates who have deposited their original documents with any other Institute / College/ University and come for admission with a certificate stating that “their original certificates are deposited with the Institute / College / University” shall not be allowed to take admission in allotted Medical College/Institute.

Please note that the required documents at the time of admission may vary as per College/ Institute Policy. Hence candidates may verify the same from allotted college before Reporting.

Q. No. 7: What are the various fees to be paid at the time of registration?

Ans: The following table explains the answer to the question

Payment Scheme for Different categories	Non- Refundable (Fees)		Refundable (Security Deposit)	
	Unreserved (UR/EWS candidates)	Reserved (ST/SC/OBC/PwD)	Unreserved (UR/EWS candidates)	Reserved (ST/SC/OBC/PwD, Applicable-jain/ muslims)
AIQ	Rs. 1000/-	Rs.500/-	Rs. 25000/-	Rs. 10000/-
Deemed Universities	Rs. 5000/-	Rs. 5000/-	Rs. 2,00,000/-	Rs. 2,00,000/-

For examples:

Example 1: Any SC candidate opting for AIQ will pay registration fee of Rs 500/- + Rs. 10,000/- (Refundable Security Deposit.)

Example 2: Any Unreserved candidate opting for AIQ will pay registration fee of Rs 1000/- + Rs. 25,000/- (Refundable Security Deposit.)

Example 3: Any candidate opting for Deemed Universities will have to pay registration fee of Rs 5000/- + Rs 2,00,000/- (Refundable Security Deposit)

Q. No. 8: What are the circumstances wherein the refundable security deposit will be forfeited?

Ans. Under the following circumstances the refundable security deposit will be forfeited by MCC:

- Where a Candidate has been allotted a seat in Round 2 or subsequent rounds (round3, stray vacancy/further rounds) and does not report/joins at the allotted college to complete the admission process.
- The Security Deposit will be forfeited if the admission gets cancelled after allotment due to any reason. E.g., in case the candidate gives wrong information at the time of registration on the basis of which a seat may be allotted and later cancelled by the Admission Authorities at the time of reporting or fails to produce the required documents at the time of admission.

Q. No. 9: In case candidate must apply for both AIQ and for Deemed University should the candidate pay the fee for both?

Ans: No, in such case the candidate has to pay only the higher fee i.e. of Deemed University Rs. 5000/- and 2 Lakh Refundable Security Deposit.

Q. No. 10: What are the instructions regarding OBC, SC, ST, PwD & EWS certificates?

Ans: Candidates are advised to see Annexure(s) in this Information Bulletin. In case the candidate fails to produce proper Caste, PwD, EWS Certificate, if applicable, at allotted Medical College then he/she will not be permitted to join and the seat will be cancelled by the allotted Medical College.

Further, the reservation of seats under PwD Category is 5% in AIQ and the 21 Benchmark Disabilities as envisaged under the regulations of Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act 2016 and as per NMC norms, have been included presently, where only the lower motor disabilities were included earlier.

The qualified Persons with Disability (PwD) candidates should get themselves certified at one of the Medical Assessment Boards, constituted in various states (refer annexures). The list of Centers who will issue Eligibility certificates as NMC norms is attached as Annexure-II. The extent of “specified disability” in a Person with Disability (PwD candidate) shall be assessed in accordance with these guidelines for the purpose of issuing Eligibility certificate and at the time of admission in the college. Further, all the PwD candidates participating in the PG Counselling are required to get themselves assessed for their disability and obtain a Eligibility certificate from any one of the designated Medical assessment boards.

IMPORTANT: Qualified PwD candidates are advised to get themselves examined immediately before the conduction of any of the round(s) at one of the above-mentioned disability assessment boards and to obtain eligible Disability (PwD) Certificate in an online mode. The candidates are advised to keep a copy of the Eligibility certificate with them. Only Candidates who have made their Eligibility certificate through online mode from the designated centres will be eligible to fill in the PwD choices.

OBC/EWS Certificate must be during the financial year as specified in the certificate attached in the annexure of the information bulletin.

Q. No. 11: Is there any restriction for filling up number of choices of Institutions (Colleges) or subjects in choice filling form?

Ans: No, you can give as many choices as you wish. However, choices should be in order of preference, as the allotment is done on the basis of choices submitted by the qualified candidate in order of preference given by the candidate and as per availability.

However, it is advisable that the participating candidates fill-in the choices up to a total of 30-40 choices.

Q. No. 12: Can I have some idea about the seat I am likely to get at my rank?

Ans: Yes, the previous year allotment results are available on the MCC website “under the head of Archives sub headers – PG” i.e. www.https://mcc.nic.in. This will only be indicative (without any guarantee for the current year).

Q. No. 13: Is it necessary to fill up the choices and lock the choices to get seat allotted? Or I will be allotted seat automatically from available seats?

Ans: After online registration (registration is compulsory to take part in online allotment process), you have to fill in choice of subjects and Institutions/colleges in order of preference. Once choices are filled in, it can be modified before locking it. During the choice locking period it is necessary to lock the choices to get a print of your submitted choices. If candidate does not lock the choice submitted by him/her, they

will be automatically locked on notified date at notified time, however you will be allowed to take a print of your choices after locking, but you will not be permitted to modify your choices after locking.

IMPORTANT: Don't wait till the last minute to lock your choices and to take a print out. Please go through your submitted choices before locking as once you lock the choices the same cannot be changed or even modified if you have made a mistake. Mistake in filling choices may result in allotment of a seat which you never wanted. Also, it won't be possible to unlock your choices at MCC's end.

Q. No. 14: Is it necessary to join allotted Medical College/Institute in Round-1 to get chance to participate in next round (2nd Round)?

Ans: If a candidate does not report at the allotted institute in Round-1 freeze category, this will be considered as 'Free Exit' (option available only in Round-1). However, candidates who have not joined (the Round-1 allotted seat) by availing the free exit option may participate again in Round-2 after logging in with their earlier Registration details.

In case of Float candidates who wants to ensure /retain his/her Round -1 seat and wants to upgrade his/her allotted seat, he/she should join Round-1 seat online and give willingness for Up-gradation on the portal.

However, if a candidate wants to participate directly in Round-2 without retaining the Round-1 seat he/she may not join the college and should exercise choices for Round-2 since Round-1 has free exit option. In the above said case he/she **cannot claim the Round-1 seat.**

Please note that in case you are satisfied with the seat allotted to you in Round-1 and do not give willingness for up-gradation in Round-2 as 'Yes', you will not be considered eligible for participating in Round-2 i.e. for up-gradation of your choice.

Q. No. 15: What is second round of online allotment process & who are eligible for the same?

Ans:

- Round-2 of online allotment process is fresh allotment and up-gradation round wherein the candidates who have not registered initially during round-1 can register and participate for round-2.
- Candidates who have joined Round-1 allotted seat can opt for up-gradation during Round- 2. And, candidates who were allotted Round-1 seat but did not join it, can also participate without fresh registration.

For upgradation the candidate(s) will have upload documents online and telephonically inform the Nodal officer no need for physical reporting.

Therefore, the following categories of Candidates are eligible for seat allotment in 2nd round:

Category-I: Registered candidates who did not get any seat allotted in the 1st round.

Category-II: Registered candidates, whose 1st round of allotted seat got Cancelled during the document verification on reporting for admission, who have secured seat under reserved quota, due to change of Category from reserved to Unreserved or PwD status from Yes to No, but are still eligible in the next round of seat allotment, with changed Category, subject to fulfillment of eligibility conditions. Conversion algorithm is given below (*)

Category-III: Candidates who have reported/joined at allotted institute during the joining period of round-1 of allotment and submitted willingness for participating in second round up-gradation as 'Yes'.

Category-IV: Candidates who exited during Round-1 availing 'Free Exit' can log in again with their earlier Registered details.

Category-V: Candidates who did not register in Round-1 can do fresh registration and participate directly in Round-2.

(*) **Conversion algorithm:** The conversion of seats will be carried out during the third (earlier Mop Up) Round for **AIQ, Deemed, Central Universities/Institutes and DNB**. Accordingly, the candidates are required to keep this aspect also in mind while filling up the seats during choice filling period before allotment of third Round. The conversion of vacant reserved seats will be done as per the following algorithm:

S.NO.	CATEGORY	CATEGORY CONVERTED TO
1.	ST (PwD)	ST
2.	SC (PwD)	SC
3.	UR (PwD)	UR
4.	OBC(PwD)	OBC
5.	ST	SC
6.	SC	UR
7.	EWS	UR
8.	NRI/Muslim Minority/Ja in Minority	UR

Q. No. 16: Do I have to fill-up choices of subject and College to participate in Round 2 & 3 of allotment process separately?

Ans: Yes, for Round-2 & 3 of Deemed/ Central Universities, candidates are required to submit fresh choices. During the second round of online allotment process, the choice of higher preference will be considered for up-gradation for those candidates who gave option to upgrade their choice at the time of reporting of Round-1.

During Round-2, fresh allotment will be considered for those eligible candidates who **could not be** allotted seat due to non-availability of seat in Round-1, (subject to availability of seat) and for candidates who have logged in again in Round-2 after 'Free Exit' from Round-1

Q. No. 17: If sufficient number of qualified PwD candidates are not available then, what will happen to those un-allotted PG seats, reserved for PwD candidates?

Ans: The un-allotted PG seats earmarked for UR-PwD, SC-PwD, ST-PwD and OBC- PwD will be reverted/converted to respective categories like SC-PwD to SC and so on third round (refer to algorithm) of allotment process after processing choices to PwD category candidates in third round.

Q. No. 18: If I give consent for up-gradation of my choice during Round-1 and if my choice is upgraded, is it necessary to join at college allotted during second round? Or in case I change my decision of upgrading choice, can I continue to study in college allotted through first round of allotment?

Ans: In case candidate is allotted seat during the Round-1 of allotment process and his choice is upgraded in Round-2, the seat allotted during the first round will be automatically cancelled immediately (and allotted to somebody else eligible as per merit) and candidate will have to join the college / seat allotted during second round. If candidate does not join the college/seat allotted during the second round, within stipulated time, as per schedule, his/her Refundable Security Deposit will be forfeited. However, after joining the allotted institute in Round-2 the candidate can opt for up gradation in 3rd round.

Seat can also be up-graded in the same college by change of category (i.e. ST / SC / OBC to UR or PwD to non-PwD seat) in such a case the candidate has to take fresh admission on the up-graded seat.

Q. No. 19: If I give option to participate in ROUND-2 at the time of joining college from first round allotment, but later change my decision and want to continue study at already allotted Medical College of Round-1, what is the procedure to avoid change (cancellation) of already allotted college/seat?

Ans: In such a case, the candidate need not fill any fresh choices for Round-2 and the earlier seat will be retained.

Q. No. 20: If I forget my password that I have created during the process of registration, how to retrieve it?

Ans: To retrieve the forgotten password, system facilitates the following process:

The candidate is required to enter the information that he/she filled at the time of registration and then the security question & answer thereon to be entered as given during New Candidate registration process. The above data submitted by candidate will be validated with the registered candidates' database. If the above entries match, then only the candidate would be permitted to enter new password to proceed further.

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Candidates are advised to remember the password and also retain their application form and admit cards printout ready till completion of admission process. It is not possible for MCC/NIC to retrieve such password.

Q. No. 21: In case I have Birth Certificate/Caste Certificate/other certificate(s) in regional language, will it be acceptable at the time of reporting/joining?

Ans: Certificates issued by the competent authority should be in English or Hindi language. Please remember that some of the states insist for certificate in English language only. Candidates are advised to carry Certified Copy of English version of the original certificate, in case certificate issued is in other language than English along with original certificate.

Q. No. 22: If there is discrepancy in spelling of name in documents and application form, what do I do?

Ans: If there is discrepancy in spelling in documents candidate must carry proof that the documents belong to same person, in form of an affidavit/undertaking.

Q. No. 23: What about condition of Stipend / fee structure / course duration / bond amount / rendering of service in rural / tribal area / other conditions. NB

Ans: Stipend /fee structure/ course duration / bond amount / rendering of service in rural / tribal area/other conditions etc. may vary from State to State and Institute to Institute. Some seats may be approved/ permitted but not yet recognized by NMC.

However, MCC does not differentiate between Recognized / Permitted Seats and the allotment is made only on NMC APPROVED Seats. The allotment made through online allotment process will be firm and final as per Hon'ble Supreme Court's directions. Therefore, the candidates should well examine these points before opting for a seat at a medical college. The Medical Counseling Committee (MCC) shall neither be responsible nor shall entertain any case on above grounds, if any. The information received from various participating Medical Colleges has been made available on Ministry of Health & Family Welfare / MCC website (under the Medical Counseling - Post-graduate Counseling - Information about college, fee, bond information etc.). Candidates are advised to visit the website of college/ institution to check the information. In case they require any additional information, they can contact the college / institution on telephone. **MCC has no role in fixation of Fee Structure of participating colleges including Deemed Universities. Therefore, MCC of DGHS will not entertain any request or complaint regarding fee Structure of participating colleges including Deemed Universities. The Candidates may also verify the address of the selected colleges at the time of choice-filling.**

Q. No. 24: How to use registration and Choice filling form on website?

Ans: Candidates will have to log on to website [www.https://mcc.nic.in](https://mcc.nic.in) to **get registered (Registration facility will open on dates as mentioned in Schedule)** and then fill in choices. It is advised that after going through the seat matrix, a tentative list may be prepared first as per your preference of subjects and colleges, before attempting to fill choices on-line.

Q. No. 25: Difficulty in login, what may be the problem(s)?

Ans: Follow the instructions about use of browser (**Mozilla Fire Fox, Internet Explorer - (Latest Version), Google Chrome**), use of same spellings, same format of date (Use digits for day, month and year with - in between) as in application form submitted to **National Board of Examination (NBE)**, New Delhi. The internet connection should be uninterrupted. If internet connection interruption takes place, the IP address which is being monitored will change and session expired message will be displayed. Please try to login from other computer from which other candidate(s) has logged in successfully, if possible.

Q. No. 26: I have difficulty in Creating Password, what may be the problem(s)?

Ans: Creation of password should be as per password policy. Please follow the password policy. Please use the internet browser as suggested in user manual, as it is difficult to login from some of the other browsers. While creating password avoid using Caps Lock key, instead of Caps Lock use shift key.

Q. No. 27: When I try to login for choice filling/submission, it says wrong roll number password, what may be problem(s)?

Ans: This can happen if Roll Number typed is incorrect or password typed is incorrect. Password is case sensitive, therefore use password which was created by user exactly same as typed while creating. In case password is forgotten, try to generate new password by using security question and its answer.

Q. No. 28: Can I modify my choices during the choice submission period for counseling?

Ans: Yes, you can modify, add or delete your choices during this period, before you lock your choices. However, the registration (of New Users) is permitted up to the specified date and time specified in counselling Schedule, only.

Please note that you have to lock your choice by **date and time specified in Counseling Schedule**.

If, not then the choices will be automatically locked by the server as per the schedule.

Q. No. 29: I have not locked my choices before the time specified in counseling schedule on last date of choice locking, what will happen to my choices?

Ans: The choices submitted and saved by you will be locked by the system at the time of last date/date of choice locking as mentioned in Counseling Schedule, automatically. Once locked, the choices cannot be altered/modified/changed.

Q. No. 30: How can I get print out of my choices which system has locked?

Ans: After the specified time of last date/date of choice locking (or after choice locking) print out can be taken from MCC website after login by the Candidate, link is available on the page as "Print Lock Choice".

Q. No. 31: If I get an up-graded seat during second round of AIQ/ Deemed /Central University/DNB from Round-1, can I join that college directly?

Ans: No, Float candidates will have to get a relieving letter generated on- line from the earlier institute/college (of ROUND-1), before they can join the next college/institution.

Q. No. 32: At the time of admission will my original certificates be retained by the allotted college/institution?

Ans: Yes, all the participating colleges/institutions have been instructed to retain original certificates of admitted students in order to prevent blocking of seat and prevention of multiple admissions by one candidate and release them only on up-gradation of the seat or resignation by the candidate (during the specified timelines).

Q. No. 33: In case some of the post-graduate seats are sanctioned by the NMC/ Central Government after start of Counseling (as per Counseling Schedule) will they be added in seat matrix(available seats)?

Ans: As per the "Time Schedule for completion of Admission Process for PG (Broad Speciality) Medical Courses for All India and State Quota" notified in the Gazette of India: Extraordinary, notification dated 29th December 2015, approved by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in I.A. Number 7 & 8 in Writ Petition (Civil) no. 76 of 2015 in Ashish Ranjan & Ors. Vs Union of India & ors. Case vide order dated 18.01.2016, As per Counseling Schedule the 50% All India Quota Counseling will start after last date of issue of permission for starting new courses/ increase of PG seats including existing and new PG seats. New seats will be added as per approval of competent authority.

Q. No. 34: Will there be any further round after completion of Round two of All India Quota Counseling?

Ans: Yes. As per the modified scheme of AIQ in SLA(C) No. 10487 of 2021 before the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India, it has been directed by the Hon'ble Court for conduction of 04 rounds of counselling. Hence, 3rd round and fourth round i.e. stray vacancy round (AIQ/ Central Institutes / University/ DNB/ Deemed University) will be conducted by MCC.

Q. No. 35: What is the procedure for third Round Counseling which will be conducted by MCC of DGHS?

Ans: The net vacant seats due to Non-Allotted, Non-Joining, Non-Reporting of Round-2 will be published in the seat matrix and eligible candidates have to submit fresh choices and the result will be processed as per Choice & Merit for third Round.

Q. No. 36: Who will be eligible for third Round?

Ans: The Following categories of candidates are eligible for third Round

Candidates who are registering for the first time.

Candidates who have registered **but not been** allotted a seat in Round-1 & Round 2.

Candidates who exit with forfeiture in round 2 can participate in 3 round but with fresh payment of fees.

Q. No. 37: Who will not be eligible for third Round of Counseling?

Ans: Candidates who are holding any seat in Round-1 or Round-2 of AIQ and have not given willingness to upgrade in round 3 will not be eligible.

Q. No. 38: What is the schedule for Counseling and Admission to PG Courses?

Ans: As per the schedule uploaded on the Website (<https://mcc.nic.in>)

Q. No. 39: What is the permissibility to students to exercise fresh choice filling

Ans. Fresh choice filling can be done in every round of counselling.

******The policy related to choice filling option, forfeiture etc will be in tune with the modified scheme of AIQ in SLA(C) No. 10487 of 2021 before the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India wherein it has been directed to conduct 04 rounds of AIQ counselling. *Gazette No. MCI-18(1)/2018-Med./100818 dated 5th April, 2018.*

******As decided/approved by competent authority (MoHFW) in 2026 Scheme of counseling.

Q. No. 40: Whether counseling will be conducted for 50% State Quota seats of Central Universities also, and for which universities?

Ans: Yes, counseling for 50% State quota seats as per the University eligibility conditions will be conducted by MCC of DGHS, MoHFW for DU, AMU, BHU, VMMC & SJH, ABVIMS & RML Hospital and ESIC-Basaidarapur & Institutional Preference will be given to the candidates in 50% Institutional Quota. It is to be noted that Rules & Regulations of Central Universities will apply. MCC of DGHS is only responsible for allotment of seats.

MCC of DGHS will be conducting counselling for 50% institutional quota seats of central institutes (VMMC & Safdarjung Hospital and ABVIMS & RML Hospital and ESIC-Basaidarapur) affiliated to IP University.

Q.No. 41: Is it required to confirm domicile status before filling up choices?

Ans: Candidates are advised to confirm their institutional eligibility before registering on MCC website for 50% Institutional Quota seats of Central Universities/Institutes before opting for their seats.

Q. No. 42: Whether Up-gradation is allowed from 2nd round counseling of Deemed/ Central Universities/DNB to third round Round counseling of DGHS for Central / Deemed Universities/DNB?

Ans: Yes, Up-gradation is allowed. (refer to process of counselling)

Q. No. 43: Whether the Security Deposit which was submitted at the time of Registration will be refunded back in case the candidate is not allotted any seat during the rounds of online counseling conducted by MCC?

Ans: Yes, in case the candidate is not allotted any seat in such case the Security Deposit will be refunded back to the same account of the candidate from which payment had been made. **No interest will be paid on the refund amount.**

Q. No. 44: Whether there will be two separate counseling for All India Quota and 50% Institutional Quota on separate days and separate platform?

Ans: There is common counseling software for AIQ and Institutional Quota. Hence, the candidates of 50% Institutional Quota who are eligible for counseling should opt for the choices in order of preference between AIQ, 50% Institutional Quota. The computer will allot the seat in order of merit and choice from the choices filled by the candidate.

Q. No. 45: Who is Eligible for Stray Vacancy Round?

Ans: Fresh registration who did not register in round 1,2,3 and All registered candidates who were not allotted any seat in any of the previous rounds are eligible for stray vacancy round. However, Candidates are advised to check their eligibility conditions before applying.

Q. No. 46: Who are eligible for “Exit with Forfeiture” option?

Ans:

a) Candidate who has been allotted a seat in Round-2 and further Round but do not report at the college may Exit with Forfeiture. (i.e. The Security Deposit will not be refunded in such a case)

Please refer to Gazette Notification No. MCI-18(1)/2018-Med./100818 of Medical Council of India dated 5th April, 2018.

Q.No.47: Whether NRI category candidates are eligible for Self-financed merit seats of Deemed Universities?

Ans: Yes, the NRI category candidates are eligible for Self-financed merit seats of Deemed Universities as well. The seats will be allotted to candidates in order of merit, preference or choices filled by the candidate as per merit only.

Q. No. 48: What are the helpline numbers for PG Counselling & Finance related queries?

Ans: The following are numbers for PG Counselling & Finance related queries: 1800 1027637, 0120-4073500.

Q. No. 49: How much money will be deducted as Transaction fee/Service fee by the College in case of Up-gradation in the next round or after Resignation?

Ans: Candidates are advised to contact college authorities regarding Transaction fee/Service fees or other related fees before joining the college as MCC **would not be** responsible for any Refund related issues with the college.

Q. No. 50: I have not registered with the MCC during first, second and third round, now I want to register in the Stray Vacancy round during the ongoing counselling schedule, can I do fresh registration?

Ans: Yes, fresh registration can be done during stray vacancy round with payment of fees.

13.2 - FAOs RELATED TO REFUND

Important questions regarding Refund Issues:

Note: Neither the Financial Custodian nor Medical Counselling Committee shall be responsible for the delay in refunding security deposit due to candidate initiating chargeback claim and/or closing the bank/card account before the completion of Counselling.

Q. No.51: When and where this Security Deposit will be refunded?

Ans: Security amount will be refunded only after the completion of **all** rounds of Counseling. MCC will notify about the completion counselling on their portal "[www.https://mcc.nic.in](https://mcc.nic.in)". The Financial Custodian will initiate the refund of security deposit within 15 days of such notification and complete within 30 days of such notification.

- a. The security amount will be refunded to the same account from where the security amount was initially deposited by the candidate. E.g. If the security amount was deposited through Card#1234XXXXXXX5678, then the refund will go to Card #1234XXXXXXX5678 only.
- b. If the security amount was deposited from account # 123456789012 of State Bank of India IFSC Code SBIN0003567 then the refund will go to account #123456789012 of State Bank of India IFSC Code SBIN0003567 only.
- c. **Hence, the candidate must keep their card/bank account ACTIVE till refund process is completed. If card/bank account is closed before the completion of refund, the bankers will not be able to complete the refund process. The bankers will take long time to identify & return the failed refunds to Financial Custodian and lot of legal formalities are to be complied for initiating refund to different bank account. Hence the refund to new bank account will take very long time. Neither Financial Custodian nor MCC will be responsible for such delay.**
- d. **Kindly refer to bulletin chapters for fees details and terms & conditions of refunds.**

Q.NO.52: If the security deposit is remitted through unrelated card/bank account can the candidate request for refund to different card/bank account?

Ans: NO. MCC will not entertain such requests. The security deposit will be refunded only to the account from where the security deposit was initially deposited. **The candidates are advised to not use unrelated card/bank accounts for remitting security deposit.**

Q. NO. 53: What happens if the candidate, by mistake, makes more than one payment for the same Roll# number?

Ans: Candidate can approach the Financial Custodian after 10 days of closing of Registration Window. The Financial custodian will refund the excess payment, if any, within 30days of closing of RegistrationWindow. The financial custodian will deduct 50% of the Regn Fees or Rs.500/ whichever is less from eachexcess receipt refund towards Admn. expenses

Q.NO.54: Do I have to request the Financial Custodian to refund the security amount? What Is the schedule for refund of security amount?

Ans: NO. Candidate need not approach the Financial Custodian for refund of security amount. The **Medical Counselling Committee will publish the list of candidates who are eligible for the refund** of security amount on their portal "[www.https://mcc.nic.in](https://mcc.nic.in)" once all rounds of counseling are completed. The Financial

Custodian will initiate the refund of security amount within 15 working days and complete the refund of security deposit within 30 days of publishing the eligible list in the MCC Portal. Once the Financial Custodian completes the refund, MCC will publish the refund details along with refund date & transaction # on their portal "www.https://mcc.nic.in" within 30 days of publishing the eligible list in the MCC portal. The refund will be credited, depending upon the level of digitalization of candidate's bank, to the candidates account between 2 to 15 days from the date of refund by Financial Custodian.

Q.NO.55: Can candidate initiate refund proceedings through chargeback claim through the card Issuing bank?

Ans: NO. Candidates who have been allotted Roll # should not initiate charge back claim through the card issuing bank. If the charge back claim is initiated, the Financial Custodian / MCC will be restrained by the Payment Gateway Service Providers from initiating direct refund. The candidate has to approach only their card issuing banks for refunds if the chargeback claim is raised. For initiating manual refund by Financial Custodian, the candidate should withdraw the charge back claim and produce a no objection certificate from card issuing bank stating that the charge back claim is withdrawn & card issuing banker do not have any objection in Financial Custodian refunding the deposit. As this process takes lot of time, the refund will be inordinately delayed. **Neither Financial Custodian nor MCC will be responsible for such delay. Hence candidates are advised to not to initiate chargeback claim.**

Q.NO.56: Who is the Financial Custodian?

Ans: HLL Lifecare Ltd, a Govt. of India Undertaking under Ministry of Health and Family Welfare is the Financial Custodian. They will, on behalf of MCC, collect non- refundable Registration Fees and refundable security deposit from the candidates and refund the security deposit to the eligible candidates.

Q.No.57: How to contact the Financial Custodian?

Ans: For Refund Related Issues: "financemcc@lifecarehll.com"

1. **For all other issues:** "callcentremcc@lifecarehll.com" or 18001027637.
2. The Financial custodian will respond only to the mails through mail id registered with MCC.
3. **Direct queries to MCC will not be entertained.**
4. For refund related issues, Candidate can approach Financial Custodian only after 10 days of closing Counselling Window or 15 days of publication of "Refund Details" in MCC Portal.

Q. No.58: Will Medical Counselling Committee bear the bank charges incurred by the candidate while registering for counseling?

Ans: NO. Bank Charges if any, incurred by the candidate should be borne by the candidate only. However it is advised that the candidate should prefer to use the method wherein the bank transaction charges are minimal; like net banking.

Q. No. 59: Can candidate remit the Registration Fee and Security Deposit from NRI Account?

Ans: NO. MCC cannot, as per Reserve Bank of India (RBI) Rules, refund security deposit to NRI Account. If the candidate wants to use the funds available in his/ her NRI Account for registering for counseling, he /she has to first transfer funds from NRI Account to NRO Account and from NRO Account to MCC. The refund from MCC will be credited to NRO Account only.

Q. No.60: Will MCC pay interest on the refundable security deposit?

Ans: NO. MCC will not pay interest on the refundable security deposit.

13.3 - FAQs RELATED TO AFMS

Q. No.61: Who all can register on MCC for counselling for admission into AFMS PG Teaching Institutes?

Admission into the Post Graduate courses (MD/MS/DNB/MDS) at AFMS institutions, subject to the priorities laid down in the 'Information Bulletin for PG Courses in AFMS Institutions through NEET PG-2026 and NEET MDS-2026' as uploaded on www.afmcdgld.gov.in, is open to the graduates of medical/dental colleges recognized by NMC/ DCI/ NDC and who have registered themselves as Registered medical/dental practitioners with any State Medical/ Dental Council recognized by NMC/ DCI/ NDC. All candidates, except Priority-II, must be citizens of India.

Q. No.62: Do candidates of all priorities have to register with MCC?

Yes, candidates of all priorities have to register on MCC website for AFMS Institutions as per priority. Further, candidates under Priority-III, IV & V would also have to select and lock the preferred institute and seat as per instructions and schedule stipulated by the MCC.

Q. No.63: What is the minimum qualifying criteria with respect to NEET PG exam and the score for all candidates?

Appearance in NEET PG and securing the minimum marks as indicated by NBEMS.

Q. No.64: What is the eligibility of a candidate who has 'cancelled'/ 'failed to report for admission within the stipulated time'/ 'vacated a seat mid course in the past', which has resulted in lapse/ wastage of a seat in the past?

Candidates applying under Priority-III, IV & V shall not be eligible to take admission in AFMS Institutions if he/ she has 'cancelled'/ 'failed to report for admission within the stipulated time'/ 'vacated a seat mid-course in the past', which has resulted in lapse/ wastage of a seat. The effective period of debarment will be three years from the year of joining the seat.

Q. No.65: What are the liabilities on a candidate vacating a seat mid-course in the past, which has resulted in lapse/ wastage of the said seat?

The liabilities of vacating an allotted seat in respect of **Priority-III, IV & V** candidates admitted under any priority on conclusion of the counselling will be as per the policy and directions of the NBE/ NMC/ DCI/ NDC/ MoHFW/ MCC/ DGAFMS/ Hon'ble Court. Candidates leaving a seat mid-session after the commencement of course as a result of which a seat gets wasted, will not be considered eligible to participate in the AFMS counselling for three years from the year of joining the seat. They will be liable to

pay the University charges to which the college is affiliated and bond money as laid down in the Surety Bond executed at the time of admission, as applicable.

For Priority-I A and I B candidates

Serving AFMS Officers. The priority specific eligibility criteria are guided by extant training rules.

For Priority-II candidates

Candidates of ‘Friendly Foreign Countries’ sponsored by respective countries and approved by the GoI.

As per NMC guidelines, Priority-II candidates are required to apply for temporary registration in NMC under the NMC Act.

For Priority-III candidates

Medical/ dental officers sponsored by Para Military Organizations/ other Govt of India organizations.

- (i) ‘Sponsorship Certificate’ of candidates with necessary supporting documents will be forwarded to the O/o DGAFMS by the respective Ministries/ Departments/ HQ of the Para Military organizations/ Head office of other GoI organizations, duly endorsed by the competent authority. Correspondence in this regard will only be accepted from official channels and correspondence by individual candidates will not be entertained.
- (ii) The format, timeline and methodology of forwarding the Sponsorship Certificate in respect of medical officers only is outlined in detail vide letter No 38217/NEET PG-2026/DGAFMS/DG-1D dt 24 Apr 2026 addressed to respective Ministries/ Para Military Organizations. The same has been notified on the official website www.afmcdgld.gov.in vide notification No 38217/NEET PG-2026/I/DGAFMS/DG-1D dt 24 Apr 2026.
- (iii) Priority-III candidates will be considered eligible for admission in AFMS Institutions only for those subjects, which are mentioned in their sponsorship certificate as forwarded by the respective sponsoring authority. In case a Priority-III candidate is allotted a seat during the counselling conducted by the MCC which is not mentioned in the Sponsorship Certificate forwarded by the sponsoring organization, admission in AFMS PG Teaching Institutes would not be granted and the candidate would be liable to suffer the consequences.
- (iv) List of eligible candidates sponsored by respective sponsoring authorities will be forwarded to MCC for the seat allotment.
- (v) Any Priority-III candidate leaving the allotted seat after conclusion of AFMS PG admission will have to submit an application duly signed & recommended by competent authority of the Sponsoring Organization. Any application, vide which a Priority-III candidate is requesting to leave the seat without the recommendation of the sponsoring authority will not be accepted.

For Priority-IV candidates

Ex- SSC AFMS Officers after completion of contractual service and within three years of their release from service.

- (i) SSC officers who have finished or are likely to finish their initial contractual service on or before the date of NEET PG Exam-2026 may appear under this category subject to having submitted their application for release along with the Appx 'C' to the O/o DGAFMS letter No 38217/NEET PG-2026/DGAFMS/DG-1D dt 25 Mar 2026. At the time of admission, they will have to produce documentary proof of them having attained Ex-SSC status without which they will not be considered for admission.
- (ii) SSC Officers who have resigned their commission/ dismissed/ removed from service/ not completed their initial contractual service or have been removed from PG course (MD/MS/DNB/MDS) on disciplinary grounds while in service are NOT ELIGIBLE as Priority-IV candidates in this priority.
- (iii) However, SSC Officers who have being removed from PG Course (MD/MS/DNB/MDS) on medical grounds while in service, are eligible to pursue PG courses as Priority-IV candidates in AFMS Institutions.
- (iv) Ex-SSC officers will have to send their release order via mail (oicexams.afmc@nic.in) to this office to determine their eligibility as and when notified vide notice/ notification uploaded on our website, afmcdgld@gov.in. The list of eligible candidates, who have submitted their release order within the stipulated time period, will be forwarded to MCC for the provisional seat allotment.

Priority-V candidates

Civilian candidates willing to serve in the Armed Forces Medical Services (AFMS) subject to their fulfilling the eligibility criteria mentioned in the 'Information Bulletin for PG Courses in AFMS Institutions through NEET PG-2026 and NEET MDS-2026' as uploaded on www.afmcdgld.gov.in.

- (i) Due to the service liability, eligibility criteria for Priority-V candidates includes the age & medical fitness. Priority-V candidates, are expected to be conversant with the medical standards, available on www.afmcdgld.gov.in, for entry into the AFMS as a commissioned officer. Priority-V candidates will undergo medical examination by a duly constituted medial board before grant of admission, so as to assess their fitness for commissioning as per laid down criteria and will be admitted only if found MEDICALLY FIT.
- (ii) Seat allotment during MCC counselling is purely provisional and final admission will be subject to the candidate successfully fulfilling the age criteria and medical fitness examination in conjunction with the general eligibility criteria promulgated vide this Information Bulletin. Candidature of candidates found to be unfit or over-aged at the time of admission, will be deemed to be cancelled/ forfeited.
- (iii) Maximum permissible age for Priority-V candidates is less than 30 years as on 31 Dec 2026 (i.e., date of birth being on or after 01 Jan 1997) in order to fulfill the service liability.

- (iv) The candidate shall be liable to serve the AFMS for 05 years on successful completion of PG Course (MD/MS/DNB/MDS) subject to fulfilling other eligibility criteria.
- (v) For admission into PG (MD/MS/DNB) courses, the candidate will have to execute a bond agreement at the time of admission, to pay a sum of Rs. 60,50,000/- (Rupees Sixty Lakh and Fifty Thousand only) for the session 2026-29, to Govt of India, in case unwilling to join AFMS when offered commission on completion of the course.
- (vi) For admission into MDS courses, the candidate will have to execute a bond agreement at the time of admission, to pay a sum of Rs. 55,50,000/- (Rupees Fifty Five Lakhs Fifty thousand only) for the session 2026-29, to Govt of India, in case unwilling to join AFMS when offered commission on completion of the course.
- (vii) A candidate who fails to complete the course successfully before crossing 35 years of age, due to any circumstances, WILL NOT BE ELIGIBLE for commission in the Armed Forces and rendered Non Service Liability (NSL). Such candidates will be liable to pay the bond money to the Govt of India as applicable.

Q. No.66: What are the list of certificates to be submitted in original by the selected candidates at the AFMS PG Teaching Institute on the day of admission along with the same as a scanned (.pdf format) softcopy on a CD?

- (i) 06 (Six) Passport size photographs.
- (ii) NEET PG/MDS 2026 Admit card and printed copy of the DGHS website registration slip.
- (iii) NEET PG /MDS 2026 rank card allotted by NBE.
- (iv) Class X/ SSLC/ ICSE certificate as valid certificate of proof of age.
- (v) Nationality Certificate/ Xerox copy of valid passport/ Domicile Certificate (where applicable)/ Birth Certificate endorsed with **INDIAN** nationality on it.
- (vi) First to Final year MBBS/ BDS Mark Sheets of respective university. Priority – V candidates (Dental only) should have secured a min of 55 % marks in final BDS.
- (vii) MBBS/ BDS Pass Certificate/Degree Certificate.
- (viii) Internship Completion Certificate.
- (ix) Permanent/ Provisional State Medical/ Dental Council registration certificate.
- (x) Attempt Certificate.
- (xi) Transfer Certificate/ Migration certificate.
- (xii) Educational Gap affidavit, if any.
- (xiii) Provisional allotment letter issued by the MCC.
- (xiv) Priority - III candidates only: Permission to proceed on Study Leave from the employing/ sponsoring organization is mandatory for Priority-III candidates and admission without the same will not be granted under any circumstance.
- (xv) Priority - IV candidates – Release order from AFMS and movement order from last unit for proceeding on release.
- (xvi) Declaration by the candidate is placed at **Appx 'E'** of Information Bulletin uploaded in www.afmcdgld.gov.in for PG Courses in AFMS Institutions through NEET PG-2026 and NEET MDS-2026.

CHAPTER 14- HELP DESK

11.1. The Information Bulletin and the information uploaded on the MCC website fromtime to time will lead you through the whole process of registering for Counselling process.

11.2. For any further communication you may contact MCC: -

MCC CALL CENTRE: 24x7

Phone No. : 0120-4073500

TOLL FREE NUMBER : 1800 102 7637

MCC: E-MAIL

1. mcc2026@gov.in – For counselling related matters
2. adgme@nic.in - Only for administrative queries and Legal matters
3. callcentremcc@lifecarehll.com - Only for Counselling related queries
4. financemcc@lifecarehll.com - Only for Queries regarding Finance/Accounts / Refund related matters of counselling NEET PG

Note: All the emails must be sent to the respective email IDs for respective queries / grievances only and any email sent to any other email ID other than the concerned email IDs would not be considered in any case. Also, mails will be answered during office hours only i.e. 10:00 AM to 6:00 PM, Monday to Friday and Saturday from 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM. Sundays and Gazette Holidays will be a holiday.

11.3 While sending the queries the Candidates must specify the following details:

- i. Name
- ii. Application Number
- iii. Roll Number
- iv. Rank
- v. Contact Number

Emails sent without the afore-stated information may not be entertained.

The Candidates are informed that the queries whose answer is available in theInformation Bulletin will not be answered.

ANNEXURE-1

List of 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 in Broad Specialty PG Courses

S/ No	State	City	Medical Assessment Board	Specialities Available for which Eligibility Certificate can be issued as per NMC Guidelines	Nodal Officer Name	Email id	Contact Number
1	Andaman & Nicobar Islands	Andaman & Nicobar Islands	Andaman & Nicobar Islands Institute of Medical Sciences	Medicine, Physiology	Dr Ajay Raj	ajay.rms@gmail.com	0319-2232605 0319-2232058
2	Andhra Pradesh	Visakhapatnam	Andhra Medical College/King George Hospital, Visakhapatnam	ENT, Ophthalmology, Orthopaedics, Neuro Medicine, Psychiatry, General Medicine, Obstetrician and Gynaecologist	Dr. I. Vani, MD (OBG)	kghsuperintendent@gmail.com	8912707060
3		Kurnool	Kurnool Medical College/Govt General Hospital, Kurnool	Locomotor, Hearing, MI/SD/AS/SLD/, Visual	Dr. K. Venkateswarlu, MS (Ortho)	supdt.gghknl@gmail.com	9849903109
4		Guntur	Guntur Medical College/Govt. General Hospital, Guntur	Locomotor, ENT, Psychiatry, Ophthalmology, Neurology, Blood Disorder	Dr.S.S.Srinivas Prasad	gghgtr2011@gmail.com	8331921275
5	Assam	Silchar	Silchar Medical College, Silchar	Ophthalmology, Orthopaedics, ENT, Psychiatry	Dr Vikas Agarwal	drvickyagar@yahoo.co.in	9435016300
6		Guwahati	Gauhati Medical College, Guwahati	Orthopaedics, ENT, Neurology, Ophthalmology, Psychiatry	Dr Prashanth Kumar Das	dr.dsp1978@gmail.com	9435043408
7		Dibrugarh	Assam Medical College, Dibrugarh	Orthopaedics, Ophthalmology, ENT, Psychiatry, PM&R	Dr. Reema Nath	viceprincipalamch@gmail.com	9435031619
8	Bihar	Muzaffarpur	SKMCH, Muzaffarpur	Orthopaedics, Ophthalmology, Psychiatry, ENT, General Medicine, Administration	Dr. Kumari Bibha	principalskmcmuzaffarpur@gmail.com	9470003497
9		Gayajee	ANMMCH, Gaya JI	Orthopaedic, Ophthalmology	Dr Lata Shukla Dwivedy	princ_anmc@rediffmail.com	09470003290 08409285296
10		Pawapuri, Nalanda, Patna	BMIMS, Pawapuri, Nalanda	Locomotor	Dr. Sarbil Kumari	principal.vims.pawapuri@gmail.com	9955570488
11		Patna	IGIMS, Patna	Ophthalmology, Orthopaedics, ENT, Psychiatry, PMR	Dr. Ranjit Guha	principal@igims.org	9430988996
12		Patna	PMCH, Patna	ENT, Ophthalmology, Psychiatry, Orthopaedics, PMR	Dr. (Prof.) Geeta Sinha	principalsoffice@rediffmail.com	612-2300343
13		Nalanda, Patna	NMCH, Patna	Ophthalmology, Psychiatry, Otorhinolaryngology, Neurology, General Medicine, PMR, Orthopaedics	Dr. (Prof.) Usha Kumari	nmcpatna1980@gmail.com	9470003569
14		Darbhanga	DMCH, Darbhanga	Orthopaedics, Psychiatry, Ophthalmology	Dr. Umesh Chandra Jha	principaldmc202@gmail.com	09470003251
15		Bhagalpur	JLNMCH, Bhagalpur	Locomotor	Dr. Sandeep Prasad Lal	principal.jlnmc@rediffmail.com	064-12401078 9470003142
16		Bettiah, West Champaran	GMCH, Bettiah	Locomotor, Vision, ENT and Medicine	Dr. (Prof.) Dinesh Kumar	gmcbettiah01@gmail.com	9431496448
17	Chandigarh	Chandigarh	Govt. Medical College, Chandigarh	Locomotor, Visual, Hearing, SLD/Autism/Mental Illness, Chronic Neurological Conditions, Chronic Blood Disorder.	PROF. A. K. ATTRI	attriak@yahoo.com	017-22676037 09815655555
18	Chhattisgarh	Raipur	Pt. Jawahar Lal Nehru Memorial Medical College, Raipur Chhattisgarh	Medicine, Radiodiagnosis, Psychiatry, Gynaecologist, Ophthalmology, ENT	Dr. D P Lakra	ptjnm_mcr@rediffmail.com	07712890145 07712890001

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19		Raipur	All India Institute of Medical Sciences, Raipur, Chhattisgarh	Department of Neurology Department of Psychiatry Department of ENT Department of Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation Department of Ophthalmology Department of General Medicine	Md Sabah Siddiqui	dr.sabah@aiimsraipur.edu.in	7712278211
20		Jagdalpur	Late Shri Baliram Kashyap Memorial Medical College, Jagdalpur, Chhattisgarh	All Specialities except Ophthalmology, ENT, Orthopaedics	Dr. Pradeepa Back	gmcdjagdalpur02@yahoo.com	9827107039
21		Bilaspur	Chhattisgarh Institute of Medical Sciences, Bilaspur	General Medicine, ENT, Orthopaedics, Obstetrics and Gynecology, Ophthalmology, Psychiatry, DVL	Dr. Ramanesh Murty/ Dr Lakhani Singh	deancims@gmail.com	7752230030
22	DELHI	NEW DELHI	Lady Hardinge Medical College & Associated Hospitals, New Delhi	All Specialities	DR Ritu Majumdar	hodpmr.ksch@gmail.com	011-23408127
23		NEW DELHI	ABVIMS & Dr RML Hospital, New Delhi	Orthopedic (Locomotor), Eye (Ophthalmology), Thalassemia/ Sickle/ Cell Anemia / Haemophilia (Medicine), Psychiatry, Neurology and PMR.	Prof. C.M. SINGH	deanrmlims@gmail.com	8176007736
24	Goa	Goa	Goa Medical College Goa	General Medicine, Ophthalmology, Orthopaedics and General Surgery.	Dr Dhaval Faterpenkar	dhaval.faterpenkar@goa.gov.in	9960438778
25	Gujarat	Vadodara	SSG Hospital, Vadodara	Orthopaedics, ENT, Psychiatry, Ophthalmology, Medicine	Dr. R.G. Aiyer	medsup.ssg@gmail.com	204-02652424848
26		Surat	New Civil Hospital, Surat	Ophthalmology, Orthopaedics, ENT, Psychiatry, Medicine	Dr Parul Vadgama	ms.health.surat2@gmail.com	261-2208329
27		Rajkot	PDU Hospital, Rajkot	Orthopaedics, ENT, Psychiatry, Pediatrics, Ophthalmology, Medicine, Clinical	DR Harshad Dushara	Residentmedicalofficer2017@gmail.com	02812471118
28		Jamnagar	G.G.Hospital, Jamnagar	Orthopaedics, Ophthalmology, ENT, Medicine, Surgery	Dr. Pramod R. Saxena	praxena66@gmail.com	9227704551
29		Bhavnagar	Sir.T. Hospital, Bhavnagar	Orthopaedics, Medicine, Ophthalmology, ENT, Psychiatric, Physiotherapist	Dr. Ashok Vala	ms-health-bhv@gujarat.gov.in	027-82510455
30		Ahmedabad	Civil Hospital, Ahmedabad	Orthopaedic, Psychiatry, ENT, Medicine, Ophthalmology (In campus), Paediatric etc	Dr Jagdish Solanki	ms.health.ahmedabad.civil@gmail.com	9825387497
31	Haryana	Rohtak	Pt. BD Sharma PGIMS, Rohtak	ENT, Orthopaedics, Ophthalmology, PMR, Psychiatry and Neurologist.	DR Vivek Mallik	vivekmalik@uhsr.ac.in	9255169924
32	Himachal Pradesh	Shimla	Indira Gandhi MC and Hospital, Shimla	Orthopedics and ENT	DR Rahul Rao	Msigmc-shimla@gov.in	01772658845
33		Kangra, Tan da	Dr Rajendra Prasad Govt MC and Hospital	Orthopaedics, ENT, Ophthalmology, Neurology	DR MILAP SHARMA	Principal@rpgmc.ac.in	189-2267115
34		Bilaspur	AIIMS Bilaspur	Ophth- 1. Full battery (LVA) Low Vision Aids 1. Edridge Green Lantern 2. Visual electro diagnostics (VEP, ERG & EOG) (B)ENT- Language Disability Testing (C) Orthopaedics/ PM&R- Plumb Line	Dr Himanshu Agrawal	office.ms@aiimsbilaspur.edu.in	70186 58001
35	J&K	Jammu	AIIMS Jammu	Ophthalmology, ENT, Orthopaedics, TMBB, Psychiatry, Clinical Psychology	Dr Bhavani Raina / Shailender Salithia	bhavani.raina@aiimsjammu.edu.in / Registrar@aiimsjammu	9419364999

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36	Jharkhand	Jamshedpur	Mahatma Gandhi Memorial Medical College, Jamshedpur	Vision, Locomotor, ENT-Hearing, Psychiatry and Others	Dr. (Prof) Balram Jha / Dr. Yakub Sanga	superintendentmgmmch@gmail.com	6572360859
37		Ranchi	Rajendra Institute of Medical Sciences (RIMS) Ranchi	Orthopaedics, Ophthalmology, ENT, Psychiatry, Medicine, Urology, Neurology	Dr. Hirendra Birua	msrimsranchi@gmail.com	6512540064
38	Karnataka	Mysore	All India Institute of Speech & Hearing, Mysore	Speech, Audiology and ENT	Dr Prashanth R	prashanth@aiishmysore.in	8212502175
39		Kalaburagi	Gulbarga Institute of Medical Sciences (GIMS), Kalaburagi – Regional Centre (North-East Zone)	General Surgery, General Medicine, Ophthalmology, Orthopaedics, ENT, Psychiatry	Dr. Shivakumar C R	msgimgulgulbarga@gmail.com	08472251991
40		Hubballi	Karnataka Medical College and Research Institute (KMCRI), Hubballi – Regional Centre (Central Zone)	Locomotor, ENT, Ophthalmology, Psychiatry	Dr. Ishwar Hasabi	medsuptdkimshubli@gmail.com	08362372681
41		Bengaluru	Bangalore Medical College and Research Institute (BMCRI), Bengaluru – State Capital Centre	Clinical Psychologist, ENT, Hematology, Ophthalmology, Orthopedics, Psychiatry	Dr. Puttamadaiah G M	drgmputtamadaiah@gmail.com	080-26701033
42		Belagavi	Belagavi Institute of Medical Sciences (BIMS), Belagavi – Regional Centre (West Zone)	General Medicine, Orthopaedics, Paediatrics, General Surgery, Ophthalmology, ENT, Psychiatry, Neuro Surgery	Dr. Eranna R. Palled	msbims.belagavi@gmail.com	98807 41759
43		Mysuru	Mysore Medical College and Research Institute (MMCRI), Mysuru – Regional Centre (South Zone)	Locomotor, ENT, Ophthalmology	Dr. Shobha H P	krhmedicalmysore@gmail.com	9036700389
44	Kerala	Thiruvananthapuram	MC Thiruvananthapuram	ENT, Ophthalmology, Orthopaedics, General Medicine and Hematology, Psychiatry, Neurology etc	DR BINDU P	principalgmct@gmail.com	0471-2528500 / 0471-2444279
45	Madhya Pradesh	Bhopal	AIIMS Bhopal	Orthopedics, Ophthalmology, General Medicine, ENT, General Surgery, Psychiatry, Neurology	Dr. Pankaj Prasad / Dr. Mayank Dixit	pankaj.cfm@aiimsbhopal.edu.in / dms@aiimsbhopal.edu.in	075-52672355 / 075-52831082
46	Maharashtra	Nagpur	AIIMS Nagpur	Orthopaedics, Ophthalmology, ENT, Psychiatric, Pediatrics, General Medicine	Dr Manish Giriwar	drmanishshrigiriwar@aiimsnagpur.edu.in	8888839510
47		Bandra, Mumbai	Ali Yavar Jung National Inst. Of Speech and Hearing Disability, Bandra	ENT, Audiology	Dr Shivraj L Bhimte	reader.aud@ayjnihih.nic.in	022-69102113 / 022-69102115 / 02269102106 / 022-69102107
48		Mumbai	All India Institute of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation (AIIPMR), Mumbai	Locomotor	Dr Vivek Pusnake	drvivek.pusnake@gmail.com	022-23544341
49	Manipur	Imphal	RIMS, Imphal	PMR, Ophthalmology, ENT, Neurology, ENT, Psychiatry, Medicine, Paediatrics	Dr. L. Nilachandra Singh	rims.imphal@gov.in / drnilalong@gmail.com	7005018045
50	Meghalaya	Shillong	NEIGRIHMS	Orthopaedics, ENT, Psychiatry, Ophthalmology	Prof. Sharat Agarwal	drsharat88@yahoo.com	364-2538013

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51	Mizoram	Falkawn,Aizawl	Zoram Medical College	Locomotor, Hearing, Visual	Dr. C. Zonunsanga	pwdenablingunit@zmc.edu.in	87943 63886
52	Odisha	Bhubaneswar	All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS), Bhubaneswar	ENT, Orthopaedics, Ophthalmology, PMR, Psychiatry and Neurologist.	Dr Prabhas Ranjan Tripathy	ms@aiimsbhubaneswar.edu.in	067-42476700 9438884060
53	Puducherry	Puducherry	JIPMER Pondicherry	Orthopaedics, PMR, Psychiatry, Ophthalmology, ENT and Oncology	DR ELAMURGAN	ada3@jipmer.ac.in	9443648918
54	Rajasthan	Jaipur	SMS Medical College, Jaipur	All except ENT-Speech and Language	Dr R.K Verma	rkverma.fm@gmail.com	9413622969
55	Tamil Nadu	Thanjavur	Thanjavur Medical College, Thanjavur	Orthopaedics	Dr Senthil Kumar	ksmsdortho@gmail.com	04362240822/ 04362240951
56		Madurai	Madurai Medical College & Govt. Rajaji Hospital, Madurai	Orthopaedics, ENT, Ophthalmologist and PMR.	DR S MALLIGA	deanmdumc@gmail.com	452-2526028
57		Coimbatore	Coimbatore Medical College Hospital	Visual/ Locomotor.	Dr Vivekanandan	orthovivekramasamy@gmail.com	042-22574375
58	Telangana	Telangana	AIIMS Bibinagar	PMR,Neonatology,Orthopaedics, Ophthalmology,Psychiatrics,ENT	Dr. Sandip Ramesh Rao Dhole	drsandipdhole@gmail.com	8685293300
59	Tripura	Agartala	Govt MC Agartala	Medicine, ENT, Ophthalmology, Orthopaedics and Psychiatry.	Dr. Manash Debbarma	drmanashz5@gmail.com	7005590835
60	U.T. of Dadra Nagar Haveli & Daman and Diu	Silvassa	NAMO Medical Education & Research Institute	Hearing Impairment 2. Locomotor Disability 3. Mental Illness/SLD/ASD 4. Visual Disability	Dr. Darshankumar K Mahyavanshi	ms-namo-dnh@ddd.gov.in	9099019805
61	Uttar Pradesh	Lucknow	King Georges Medical University, Lucknow	PMR and Orthopaedic Surgery	Dr B K Ojha	cms@kgmcindia.edu	522-2258880
62		Etawah	UPUMS Saifai Etawah	Hearing Impairment · Locomotor Disability (Upper Limb Extremity & Lower Limb Extremity), Visual Disability	Dr Vinay Kanaujiya	msupumsdaisai@gmail.com	7275254542
63	Uttarakhand	Haldwani	Dr Sushila Tiwari Memorial Government Hospital-under Government Medical College, Haldwani	ENT, Orthopaedics, Ophthalmology, General Medicine	Dr Ajay Arya	principal-gmchld-uk@gov.in	059-46234104 09997192786
64		Dehradun	Govt. Doon Medical College	ENT, Orthopaedics, Ophthalmology	Prof. (Dr.) Geeta Jain	doonmedicalcollege@gmail.com	9412905449
65	West Bengal	Kolkata	NRSMCH&H	Locomotor, Visual Impairment, Hearing Impairment and Speech Disability, Blood disorders, Chronic Neurological Conditions and Multiple disabilities	DR ARUMROY BHOIMALI	arumoybhuimali@gmail.com	8250861984/9 43484694

List of Designated Appellate Boards

The candidate declared ineligible by the Primary Disability Medical Board may submit the appeal on the email IDs given below along with the choice of appellate Disability Assessment Board, before the commencement of their respective round of NEET counselling.

Email ID:

1. disabilityappeal-chair@gov.in
2. disabilityappeal-convener@gov.in

Hospital Name	Nodal Officer	Phone Number	Venue
VMMC & Safdarjung Hospital	Dr. Piyush K Thayal	9899981466	VMMC & Safdarjung Hospital, Ansari Nagar East, near to AIIMS Metro Station, New Delhi, Delhi 110029
IPGMER	Dr Vasundhara Ghoshal	03322041760 (10 AM to 2 PM)	IPGMER and SSKM Hospital, 244, Acharya Jagadish Chandra (AJC) Bose Road, Bhowanipore, Kolkata, West Bengal, PIN 700020.
Grant Govt. Medical College	Dr Gajanand Chavan	8355912891	GGMC, J.J. Marg, Nagpada, Mumbai Central, Mumbai, Maharashtra 400008, India
Madras Medical College	Dr. R. Sudhakar	9380745533	MMC, No. 1, E.V.R. Periyar Salai (Poonamallee High Road), Park Town, Chennai, Tamil Nadu, 600003
Banaras Hindu University	Dr. Nilesh Kumar	9889655100	Banaras Hindu University Lanka, Varanasi, Uttar Pradesh, India

The appellate body after re-assessment will forward the report of the student to MCC with a copy to DGHS for necessary action.

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.



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National Medical Commission



Dated: 16.09.2026

Subject: GUIDELINES ON ASSESSMENT OF PERSONS WITH BENCHMARK DISABILITIES (PwBD) FOR ADMISSION TO THE POST GRADUATE MEDICAL COURSE, 2026

In exercise of the powers conferred by Sections 10 and 25 of the National Medical Commission Act, 2019, read with Section 57 thereof, and in furtherance of the Post Graduate Medical Education Regulations, 2023, the National Medical Commission hereby issues the following Guidelines, namely "**Guidelines on Assessment of Persons with Benchmark Disabilities (PwBD) for Admission to the Post Graduate Medical Courses, 2026**"

2. The Guidelines shall come into force on the date of its publication by the National Medical Commission.

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(Dr. Raghar Langer)

Secretary,

National Medical Commission

GUIDELINES ON ASSESSMENT OF PERSONS WITH BENCHMARK DISABILITIES (PwBD) FOR ADMISSION TO THE POST GRADUATE MEDICAL COURSES (MD / MS / DNB).

WHEREAS the National Medical Commission recognizes that Post Graduate Medical education, particularly in disciplines involving emergency and critical care, requires the treating physician to respond with speed, precision, and sound clinical judgment in situations where timely intervention is critical to preserving life; and the assessment of functional competency under these Guidelines shall have due regard to this imperative, in accordance with the objectives set out herein;

Therefore, in exercise of the powers conferred under the National Medical Commission Act, 2019 read with Post Graduate Medical Education Regulations, 2023, the National Medical Commission hereby issues the following Guidelines, namely:—

1. Short Title and Commencement

1.1 These Guidelines may be called the "Guidelines on Assessment of Persons with Benchmark Disabilities (PwBD) for Admission to the Post Graduate Medical Courses, 2026".

1.2 They shall come into force on the date of their publication by the National Medical Commission.

2. Objectives

2.1 The National Medical Commission recognizes that Persons with Benchmark Disabilities constitute an integral part of society and are entitled to equality, dignity, non-discrimination and reasonable accommodation in all spheres of life, including medical education, in accordance with the Constitution of India and the Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016 and other related Statutory Regulations etc.

2.2 These rights are also recognized by the National Medical Commission, which is entrusted with maintaining the highest standards of medical education, including in Postgraduate (PG) medical courses. Post Graduate Medical education is inherently more complex than undergraduate training, owing to the diversity of disciplines medical, surgical, pre-clinical, para-clinical, and super-specialty fields and the corresponding higher level of clinical competence, decision-making ability, and procedural skill it demands. Several disciplines further require the capacity to perform emergency procedures with speed and precision, as timely intervention can be lifesaving, alongside strong interpersonal and communication skills essential for effective patient care and clinical teamwork. Such competency must be capable of being demonstrated, performed, and executed in all situations, including emergency situations, given that timely intervention in such settings can be life-saving.

2.3 Post Graduate Medical courses are specialty-specific and require independent clinical judgment. Certain disciplines, particularly the surgical branches, call for advanced technical and procedural skills, and their training requires adequate clinical exposure, infrastructure, and supervision to ensure competence.

2.4 Accordingly, there is a need for a discipline-specific, competency-driven framework for assessing PwBD candidates in Post Graduate Medical courses. The assessment of candidates

with benchmark disabilities must balance the rights guaranteed under the Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016 with the statutory obligation to maintain academic standards, professional competence, and patient safety.

2.5. For the purposes of these Guidelines, the certificate presently issued by the designated Medical Boards for admission to PG courses though commonly referred to as a "Disability Certificate" shall be known as the "Eligibility Certificate", since it is intended to certify the candidate's eligibility or otherwise for admission to Post Graduate Medical Courses based on functional assessment, rather than merely certifying the existence or extent of disability.

2.6. In order to facilitate greater accessibility, transparency, and uniformity in the assessment process, the Directorate General of Health Services (DGHS), Ministry of Health and Family Welfare or any other competent authority, has designated medical boards across the country to undertake the functional assessment of candidates in accordance with these Guidelines.

2.7 These Guidelines accordingly establish a transparent, uniform, evidence-based, and competency-oriented framework for assessing Persons with Benchmark Disabilities seeking admission to Post Graduate Medical courses throughout the country, with the objective of ensuring equal opportunity for PwBD candidates while preserving academic standards, professional competence, and patient safety.

3. Definitions

In these Guidelines, unless the context otherwise requires—

3.1 "Act" means the National Medical Commission Act, 2019 (30 of 2019).

3.2 "Medical Assessment Board" means an Assessment Board designated or constituted by the Medical Counseling Committee or any other competent authority for assessing the functional competency and eligibility of Persons with Benchmark Disabilities for admission to the MBBS Course under these Guidelines.

3.3. "PwBD Candidate" means a person seeking admission to the Post Graduate Medical Course under the Persons with Benchmark Disabilities (PwBD) category through the National Eligibility-cum-Entrance Test (Post Graduate) [NEET (PG)].

3.4. "Post Graduate Medical Education Regulations" or "PGMER" means the Post Graduate Medical Education Regulations, 2023, as amended from time to time.

3.5. "CBPGT" means the Competency Based Post Graduate Training Programme prescribed by the National Medical Commission from time to time.

3.6 "Competency" means the knowledge, skills, attitudes, values and professional behaviors prescribed under the Competency Based Post Graduate Training Programme required to successfully complete the Post Graduate Medical Course.

3.7 "Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities (Divyangjan)" means the Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities under the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment, Government of India.

3.8 "Disability Certificate" means the certificate issued by the Medical Assessment Board designated by the Medical Counseling Committee (MCC) under the Directorate General of Health Services (DGHS), Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Government of India, certifying the eligibility or otherwise of a Person with Benchmark Disability for admission to the Post Graduate Medical Course in accordance with these Guidelines.

NOTE: For the purposes of these Guidelines, the certificate presently issued by the designated Medical Boards for admission to the Post Graduate Medical courses, though commonly referred to as a **"Disability Certificate"**, shall be known as the **"Eligibility Certificate"**, as it is intended to certify the candidate's eligibility or otherwise for admission to the Post Graduate Medical Course based on functional assessment rather than merely certifying the existence or extent of disability.

3.9 "Essential Competencies" means the minimum competencies prescribed under the Competency Based Post Graduate Training Program that every medical graduate is required to acquire and demonstrate whenever asked for the safe and effective practice of medicine within the concerned discipline or specialty.

3.10 "Functional Competency" means the demonstrated ability of a candidate, with or without reasonable accommodation or assistive technology, to acquire and perform the Essential Competencies required as per the Competency Based Post Graduate Training Program issued under the Post Graduate Medical Education Regulations, from time to time.

3.11 "Condition-Specific Functional Assessment" means an individualized assessment of functional abilities relevant to the candidate's disability or medical condition in regard to the specific Post Graduate Medical Course.

3.12 "Functional Assessment Domains" means the domains for evaluating the candidate's ability to acquire and demonstrate the essential competencies prescribed for the relevant Post Graduate Medical Education course.

3.13 "Guidelines" means these Guidelines on Assessment of Persons with Benchmark Disabilities (PwBD) for Admission to the Post Graduate Medical Courses, 2026.

3.14 "Medical College" means a medical institution recognized under the National Medical Commission Act, 2019 for conducting the Post Graduate Medical Course.

3.15 "Medical Counselling Committee (MCC)" means the Medical Counselling Committee constituted by the Directorate General of Health Services, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Government of India.

3.16 "National Medical Commission" or "NMC" means the National Medical Commission established under Section 3 of the National Medical Commission Act, 2019.

3.17 "NEET (PG)" means the National Eligibility-cum-Entrance Test (Postgraduate) conducted for admission to postgraduate medical education in accordance with the applicable law.

3.18 "Notification of 12th March, 2024" means the Notification dated 12th March, 2024 issued by the Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities (Divyangjan), Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment, published in the Gazette of India on 14th March, 2024.

3.19 "Person with Benchmark Disability" or "PwBD" shall have the same meaning as assigned to it under Section 2(r) of the Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016.

3.20 "PwBD Candidate" means a person seeking admission to the Post Graduate Medical Course under the Persons with Benchmark Disabilities (PwBD) category through the National Eligibility-cum-Entrance Test (Post Graduate) [NEET (PG)].

3.21 "Reasonable Accommodation" shall have the same meaning as assigned to it under Section 2(y) of the Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016.

3.22 "Rules" means the Rights of Persons with Disabilities Rules, 2017, as amended from time to time.

3.23 "Specified Disability" shall have the same meaning as assigned to it under the Schedule to the Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016.

3.24 "State Counseling Authority" means the authority designated by the respective State Government or Union Territory Administration to conduct counseling for admission to the Post Graduate Medical Courses.

3.25 "Self-Certified Affidavit" means the affidavit furnished by a candidate in the format prescribed in Schedule-I declaring the candidate's functional abilities and other particulars required under these Guidelines.

3.26 "Speaking Order" means a written order containing the reasons, findings and conclusions of the Medical Assessment Board in support of its decision.

3.27 "Reasoned Decision" means a decision supported by objective findings, functional assessment and reasons recorded in writing.

3.28 "UDID Card" means the Unique Disability Identity Card issued through the Unique Disability Identity (UDID) Portal by the Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities (Divyangjan), Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment, Government of India.

CHAPTER I

PRELIMINARY

4. Scope and Application

4.1. These Guidelines shall apply to—

(a) Every candidate seeking admission to the Post Graduate Medical Course under the Persons with Benchmark Disabilities (PwBD) category;

(b) Every Medical College recognized under the National Medical Commission Act, 2019;

(c) The Medical Counseling Committee (MCC);

(d) All State Counseling Authorities;

(e) All Medical Assessment Boards and Appellate Authority constituted for assessment of PwBD candidates; and

(f) Every authority or institution involved in the assessment, counseling, admission or certification of candidates under the PwBD category.

5. Statutory Framework

5.1. These Guidelines shall be read in conjunction with—

- (a) National Medical Commission Act, 2019;
- (b) Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016;
- (c) Post Graduate Medical Education Regulations, 2023, as amended from time to time;
- (d) Notification dated 12th March, 2024 issued by the Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities (*Divyangjan*), Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment;
- (e) All applicable Regulations, Guidelines, Notifications and Circulars issued by the National Medical Commission from time to time; and
- (f) All binding judgments, directions and orders of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India and other competent Courts governing admission of Persons with Benchmark Disabilities to the Post Graduate Medical Course.

6. Purpose

6.1 The purpose of these Guidelines is to—

- (a) Establish a uniform national framework for assessment of Persons with Benchmark Disabilities seeking admission to the Post Graduate Medical Course;
- (b) Ensure transparency, consistency and objectivity in disability assessment;
- (c) Facilitate implementation of the Post Graduate Medical Education Regulations, 2023;
- (d) Ensure compliance with the Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016;
- (e) Promote equality, inclusion and reasonable accommodation while preserving patient safety and academic standards.

7. Equality and Non-Discrimination

7.1. The minimum degree of disability should be 40% (Benchmark Disability) in order to be eligible for availing reservation in the category for persons with specified disability.

7.2. No authority shall discriminate against any PwBD candidate solely by reason of disability.

7.3. Disability shall never be treated as a disqualification unless such disability demonstrably prevents the acquisition of essential competencies despite reasonable accommodation.

7.4. Disability shall be understood in accordance with the rights recognized under the Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016.

7.5. Assessment shall recognize that disability arises from the interaction between an individual's impairment and environmental, institutional, social and attitudinal barriers.

7.6. All reasonable efforts should be undertaken, to the extent reasonably practicable, to provide appropriate reasonable accommodations, assistive technologies, and accessible educational practices to enable the candidate to pursue medical education successfully, while ensuring that applicable academic, clinical, and patient-safety standards are maintained.

CHAPTER II

ELIGIBILITY, DOCUMENTATION AND DISABILITY ASSESSMENT

8. General Eligibility and Documentation

8.1. A candidate seeking admission to the Post Graduate Course under the Persons with Benchmark Disabilities (PwBD) category shall possess a benchmark disability of not less than forty per cent (40%), in accordance with the Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016 and the rules made there under.

8.2. Every such candidate shall possess a valid Unique Disability Identity (UDID) Card issued through the UDID Portal by the Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities (*Divyangjan*), Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment, Government of India. The UDID Card shall serve as the primary documentary evidence of the existence, nature and extent of the specified disability for the purposes of these Guidelines.

8.3. While the particulars recorded in the UDID Card, including the category, percentage and validity of the specified disability, shall ordinarily form the basis of consideration by the Medical Assessment Board, the Board shall independently determine the candidate's functional competency vis-à-vis specific Post Graduate Medical courses in accordance with these Guidelines. The determination of eligibility shall not be based solely upon the category or percentage of disability recorded in the UDID Card.

8.4. Every such candidate should have a duly established diagnosis (DSM-5/ICD-11) in accordance with the applicable recognised diagnostic and assessment framework;

8.5. Every such candidate's clinical condition should be stable and should not involve acute deterioration or frequent exacerbations which would materially interfere with participation in Post Graduate Medical course;

8.6. Every such candidate should be able to demonstrate essential functional competencies required for the relevant postgraduate course, either independently or with reasonable accommodation;

8.7. Every such candidate should be able to participate regularly and consistently in academic, clinical and training activities and perform assigned responsibilities with reasonable support, where necessary;

8.8. Candidates with multiple disabilities or blood disorders shall be assessed on a case-to-case basis by the Medical Assessment Board.

8.9. The Functional capability with reasonable accommodation and patient safety shall be given paramount weight and Disability percentage alone shall not confer eligibility.

8.10. Reasonable accommodation should be provided wherever feasible, **without dilution of academic or clinical standards.**

8.11. Final eligibility shall be determined by a Designated Medical Assessment Board.

8.12. They shall be discipline-specific and competency-driven framework for assessing PwBD candidates in Post Graduate Medical Courses, as per the table given below. However, for Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) and Mental Illness; Specific Learning Disorder (SLD); Intellectual Disability (ID); Chronic Neurological Disorders, the criteria given at Clauses 10.2 to 10.5 of these Guidelines shall also be taken into consideration.

A. SPECIALITIES REQUIRING SURGICAL SKILLS & MANIPULATIONS

(Anesthesiology, General Surgery, Obstetrics and Gynaecology, Ophthalmology, Orthopedics, Otorhinolaryngology, Traumatology and Surgery, Emergency Medicine, Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation, Sports Medicine)

Disability Category	Essential Requirements (but not limited to)	Functional not	Reasonable Accommodation	Suitable Disability (≥40%) Benchmark
Upper Limb Disability	Fine motor skills, bimanual dexterity		Limited adaptive tools	Generally, Not suitable
Lower Limb Disability	Prolonged standing, OT mobility		Orthotic or Prosthetic support	May be suitable provided the candidate possesses essential and demonstrable functional competencies as required.
Acid attack victims, leprosy cured person, cerebral palsy, dwarfism, muscular dystrophy]	Fine motor skills, bimanual dexterity			May be suitable provided the candidate possesses essential and demonstrable functional competencies as required.
Visual Impairment	Depth perception, hand-eye coordination		Corrective lenses only	Suitable, if Vision impairment can be brought down to less than 40

Disability Category	Essential Requirements (but not limited to)	Functional Accommodation	Suitable Benchmark Disability ($\geq 40\%$)
			percent, by using a Corrective lenses only otherwise not suitable.
Hearing Impairment	Patient & team communication, auscultation	Hearing aids, cochlear implants while having an acceptable and intelligible speech function.	Yes, provided such a candidate is able to function with the help of hearing aids, cochlear implant while having an acceptable and intelligible speech function.
Speech & language	OT communication,		Not suitable
• Mental Illness • ASD/SLD /ID	Judgment, continuity of care/ preserved communication, comprehension, and social reciprocity/ Ability to follow and give instructions, engage in structured learning, and function independently with supports if needed/ Intact intellectual functioning and adaptive behavior	Flexible schedules (not affecting the function of department), mentoring	Yes, if functional competency present.
Blood Disorders	Long OT hours, Physical Stamina	Shift regulation	Case by case.
Chronic Neurological	Fine motor skills, coordination, postural stability		Yes 1. Conditions such as epilepsy, cerebral palsy, neuromuscular disorders with stable disease course. 2. No frequent exacerbations; functional abilities compatible with participation

Disability Category	Essential Requirements (but limited to)	Functional not Reasonable Accommodation	Suitable Benchmark Disability (≥40%)
			Not to be included if: 1. Uncontrolled seizures, frequent relapses, or progressive neurodegenerative conditions. 2. Severe motor, cognitive, or behavioral impairment limiting consistent participation.
Multiple Disabilities	Precision and endurance	—	Generally, not suitable.

Note: Above disciplines require **fine motor skills, endurance, depth perception, rapid decision making** and **stringent functional assessment**, disability percentage alone is insufficient.

B. ALL OTHER SPECIALITIES (EXCEPT PRE AND PARA CLINICAL BRANCHES)

(Dermatology, Venereology and Leprosy, Family Medicine, General Medicine, Geriatrics, Immuno Hematology and Blood Transfusion, Laboratory Medicine, Marine Medicine, Nuclear Medicine, Pediatrics, Palliative Medicine, Psychiatry, Radiation Oncology, Radio-diagnosis, Respiratory Medicine, Tropical Medicine, Community Medicine)

Disability Category	Essential Requirements (but limited to)	Functional not Reasonable Accommodation	Suitable Benchmark Disability (≥40%)
Locomotor Disability ULD/ LLD , acid attack victims ,leprosy cured	History taking, examination, CPR , basic procedures, documentation	Mobility modified instruments, Reasonable Workplace Aids	May be suitable provided the candidate possesses essential and demonstrable functional competencies including

Disability Category	Essential Requirements (but not limited to)	Functional not	Reasonable Accommodation	Suitable Benchmark Disability (≥40%)
person , cerebral palsy , dwarfism, muscular dystrophy			Facilitation	optimum use of both upper limbs as required.
Visual Impairment	Clinical observation, reading reports, monitoring		Use of Adaptive Devices and keeping both hands free for manipulations	Suitable, if Vision impairment can be brought down to less than 40 percent, by using Adaptive devices and keeping both hands free for manipulations.
Hearing Impairment	Patient & team communication, auscultation		Hearing aids, amplified stethoscope, cochlear implants, while having an acceptable speech function.	Yes, provided such a candidate is able to function with the help of Hearing aids, amplified stethoscope, cochlear implants, while having an acceptable and intelligible speech function.
Speech & Language Disability	Counseling, teaching, documentation		Assistive communication devices	Yes, if intelligible speech present.
• Mental Illness • ASD/SLD /ID	Judgment, continuity of care/ preserved communication, comprehension, and social reciprocity/ Ability to follow and give instructions, engage in structured learning, and function independently with supports if needed/ Intact intellectual functioning and adaptive behavior		Flexible schedules (not affecting the function of department), mentoring	Yes, if functional competency present
Blood Disorders (Thalassemia, Haemophilia, Sickle Cell	Sustained clinical work, emergency duties		Shift moderation, medical support	Yes.

Disability Category	Essential Requirements (but limited to)	Functional not	Reasonable Accommodation	Suitable Benchmark Disability (≥40%)
Disease)				
Chronic Neurological Conditions				Yes 1. Conditions such as epilepsy, cerebral palsy, neuromuscular disorders with stable disease course. 2. No frequent exacerbations; functional abilities compatible with participation Not included if: 1. Uncontrolled seizures, frequent relapses, or progressive neurodegenerative conditions. 2. Severe motor, cognitive, or behavioral impairment limiting consistent participation.
Multiple Disabilities	Combined performance	functional	Composite accommodation	Yes, with functional adequacy and keeping in view all above.

C. PRE-CLINICAL BRANCHES

(Anatomy, Physiology, Biochemistry, Biophysics)

Disability Category	Essential Requirements	Functional	Reasonable Accommodation	Suitable Benchmark Disability (≥40%)

Disability Category	Essential Requirements	Functional Reasonable Accommodation	Suitable Benchmark Disability ($\geq 40\%$)
Locomotor Disability Acid attack victims, leprosy cured person, cerebral palsy, dwarfism, muscular dystrophy	Teaching, lab demonstrations	Ramps, adjustable tables	Yes
Visual Impairment	Microscopy, slides, teaching	Digital microscopy, magnifiers	Yes, if Vision impairment can be brought down to less than 40 percent, by using a low vision aid.
Hearing Impairment	Teaching, viva, discussions	Hearing aids, cochlear implants	Yes, provided such a candidate is able to function with the help of hearing aids, cochlear implants etc. while having an acceptable and intelligible speech function.
Speech Disability	Teaching, academic interaction	Assistive Devices	No
• Mental Illness • ASD/SLD /ID	Academic reasoning Judgment, continuity of care/ preserved communication, comprehension, and social reciprocity/ Ability to follow and give instructions, engage in structured learning, and function independently with supports if needed/ Intact intellectual functioning and adaptive behavior	Structured workload	Yes, if functional competency present
Blood Disorders	Lab work, teaching	Flexible schedules(not affecting the	Yes

Disability Category	Essential Requirements	Functional	Reasonable Accommodation	Suitable Benchmark Disability ($\geq 40\%$)
			function of department)	
Chronic Neurological	Motor, cognitive and behavior is consistent with participation		Flexible schedules (not affecting the function of department)	Yes
Multiple Disabilities	Academic competence		Combined accommodation	Yes, if functional but keeping in view all above

D. PARA-CLINICAL BRANCHES

(Pharmacology, Pathology, Microbiology, Forensic Medicine and Toxicology)

Disability Category	Essential Requirements	Functional	Reasonable Accommodation	Suitable Benchmark Disability ($\geq 40\%$)
Locomotor Disability including Acid attack victims, leprosy cured person, cerebral palsy, dwarfism, muscular dystrophy	Lab work, teaching, field visits		Modified labs, mobility aids	Yes
Visual Impairment	Microscopy, interpretation	data	Digital aids	Yes, if Vision impairment can be brought down to less than 40 percent, by using a Digital aids.
Hearing Impairment	Teaching, coordination		Hearing aids, Cochlear implants	Yes, provided such a candidate is able to function with the help of hearing aids, cochlear implants etc. while having an acceptable and intelligible speech function.

Disability Category	Essential Functional Requirements	Reasonable Accommodation	Suitable Benchmark Disability (≥40%)
Speech Disability	Teaching, medico legal work	Assistive devices	Yes
• Mental Illness • ASD/SLD /ID	Analytical judgment preserved communication, comprehension, and social reciprocity/ Ability to follow and give instructions, engage in structured learning, and function independently with supports if needed/ Intact intellectual functioning and adaptive behavior	Flexible schedules(not affecting the function of department)	Yes, if stable
Blood Disorders	Sustained academic work	Medical support	Yes
Chronic Neurological	Motor, cognitive and behavior is consistent with participation	Flexible schedules(not affecting the function of department)	Yes
Multiple Disabilities	Integrated functional ability	Case specific accommodation	Yes, with competence

8.13 Final Eligibility shall be ascertained only after physical verification and functional assessment by the Designated Medical Board at the time of counseling/admission.

9. Medical Assessment Board

9.1. Every Medical Assessment Board shall discharge its functions fairly, objectively, transparently and in accordance with the principles of natural justice, equity and the rule of law.

9.2. Every candidate appearing before the Medical Assessment Board shall be treated with dignity, respect and fairness throughout the assessment process.

9.3. The Medical Assessment Board shall ensure that no candidate is subjected to physical, environmental, communication or attitudinal barriers during the assessment process.

9.4. The Medical Assessment Board shall undertake the assessment of candidates in accordance with—

- (a) 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;

(b) These Guidelines; and

(c) Any other applicable statutory provisions governing the assessment of Persons with Benchmark Disabilities.

9.5. Where the Medical Assessment Board considers it necessary for determining the functional competency of the candidate or the feasibility of providing reasonable accommodation, it may require the candidate to undergo such further clinical examination, functional evaluation or verification as it considers appropriate.

9.6. Every candidate shall submit a self-certified affidavit declaring his or her functional abilities in the format specified in **Schedule-I**, which shall be verified by the Medical Assessment Board during the course of assessment.

9.7. A candidate shall not be denied consideration under the PwBD category solely on account of a procedural defect or discrepancy in the UDID Card, provided that such defect which can be rectified and the specified disability is otherwise established in accordance with law.

10. Assessment Criteria and Principles

10.1. While assessing the eligibility of a candidate under these Guidelines, the Medical Assessment Board shall verify and evaluate, inter alia—

(a) The Unique Disability Identity (UDID) Card issued by the competent authority under the Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities (Divyangjan), Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment;

(b) The nature, extent and stability of the specified disability and the underlying medical condition;

(c) The candidate's functional abilities in relation to the essential competencies prescribed under the Competency Based Post Graduate Training Programme (CBPGT);

(d) The suitability and effectiveness of any assistive device, assistive technology or adaptive aid used by the candidate;

(e) The feasibility of providing reasonable accommodation to facilitate acquisition of the prescribed competencies;

(f) The impact, if any, of the disability upon patient safety; and

(g) Such other clinical, functional or educational factors as may be relevant for determining the candidate's eligibility under these Guidelines.

10.2. Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) and Mental Illness - A candidate with Autism Spectrum Disorder may be considered eligible where the Medical Assessment Board is satisfied, on the basis of individualised functional assessment, that the candidate:

- i. Possesses functional communication and comprehension adequate for the requirements of postgraduate medical education;

- ii. Is able to understand and follow instructions;
- iii. Is able to participate in structured academic and clinical activities;
- iv. Demonstrates sufficient social and professional interaction for the requirements of the relevant course;
- v. Is able to regulate behaviour in routine and reasonably foreseeable demanding or stressful situations;
- vi. Is capable of functioning independently or with reasonable accommodation and appropriate support; and
- vii. Does not present a demonstrable and un-mitigable risk to patient safety, self or others.
- viii. Provided that the diagnosis, severity classification or percentage of disability shall not, by itself, constitute a ground for exclusion.
- ix. However, exclusion may be considered where the Medical Assessment Board establishes that the candidate has:
 - a. Severe impairment in communication or comprehension, such that it precludes meaningful participation in the essential academic or clinical activities of the particular course, and impedes the acquisition of skills necessary for successful completion of the said course.
 - b. Severe behavioural dysregulation which prevents meaningful participation or creates a demonstrable and un-mitigable risk to self, patients or others; or
 - c. Inability to perform the essential competencies of the course despite reasonable accommodation and appropriate support.

10.3 Specific Learning Disorder (SLD) - A candidate with Specific Learning Disorder may be considered eligible where:

- i. The identified deficits are principally confined to specific academic skills, including reading, writing or arithmetic, as applicable;
- ii. The candidate demonstrates adequate intellectual and adaptive functioning relevant to the requirements of the course;
- iii. The candidate is capable of understanding and giving instructions and acquiring the essential competencies prescribed for the relevant postgraduate course;
- iv. The candidate can demonstrate the required competencies with reasonable accommodation, including additional time, accessible learning material, assistive technology or other appropriate tools;

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- v. Identified learning difficulty does not, even after reasonable accommodation, prevent the candidate from safely performing the essential academic or clinical functions of the course.
- vi. However, exclusion may be considered where the Medical Assessment Board establishes that the candidate has:
 - a. The apparent learning difficulty is secondary to a global intellectual impairment or major psychiatric condition and is not appropriately classifiable as an isolated Specific Learning Disorder; or
 - b. Despite reasonable accommodation and assistive measures, the candidate remains unable to acquire or demonstrate an essential competency required for safe postgraduate medical training.

10.4. Intellectual Disability (ID)

A candidate with Intellectual Disability may be considered eligible where the Medical Assessment Board, upon individualised functional assessment, is satisfied that the candidate:

- i. Is able to understand and follow instructions relevant to the course;
- ii. Is able to communicate needs, difficulties and safety concerns;
- iii. Demonstrates adequate adaptive functioning for the requirements of the course;
- iv. Is capable of performing relevant tasks independently or with reasonable support;
- v. Is capable of acquiring and demonstrating the essential competencies prescribed for the relevant postgraduate course; and
- vi. Does not present a demonstrable risk to self or patients or others which cannot be mitigated.
- vii. However, exclusion may be considered where the Medical Assessment Board establishes that the candidate has:
 - a. Significant deficits in adaptive functioning which prevent the candidate from performing essential academic or clinical responsibilities;
 - b. Inability to understand and follow essential instructions despite reasonable accommodation and support;
 - c. Inability to perform essential tasks with the degree of consistency and independence required for postgraduate medical training; or
 - d. Demonstrable risk to self or patients or others which cannot be mitigated.

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10.5. Chronic Neurological Disorders

A candidate with a chronic neurological disorder may be considered eligible where:

- i. The condition is clinically stable and adequately controlled;
- ii. There are no frequent exacerbations or relapses which materially interfere with regular participation;
- iii. The candidate's motor, cognitive, behavioural or communication abilities are compatible with participation in the relevant postgraduate course;
- iv. The candidate is capable of consistent participation in academic and clinical activities;
- v. Any limitations arising from the condition can be reasonably accommodated or which cannot be mitigated and
- vi. The condition does not create a demonstrable risk to self or patients or others which cannot be mitigated.
- vii. However, exclusion may be considered where the Medical Assessment Board establishes that the candidate has:
 - a. Uncontrolled seizure disorder or other recurrent unpredictable episodes materially affecting safe participation;
 - b. Frequent relapses or exacerbations which prevent consistent participation in the course;
 - c. A progressive neurodegenerative condition resulting in inability to perform essential competencies;
 - d. Severe motor, cognitive, behavioural or communication impairment which prevents consistent participation despite reasonable accommodation; or
 - e. Demonstrable risk to self or patients or others which cannot be mitigated.

10.6. Principles Governing Determination of Eligibility

The determination of eligibility by the Medical Assessment Board shall be guided by the following principles—

(a) Functional Competency

The primary consideration shall be whether the candidate possesses, or can reasonably acquire with appropriate support and reasonable accommodation, the essential competencies prescribed under the Competency Based Post Graduate Training Programme (CBPGT).

(b) Individualized Assessment

Every assessment shall be individualized, objective and evidence-based and for the course to be pursued. No candidate shall be declared eligible or ineligible solely on account of the category or percentage of disability.

(c) Scientific Assessment

Assessment shall be based upon objective medical findings, scientific evidence, functional evaluation, contemporary rehabilitation principles and evidence-based medical practice. The Medical Assessment Board shall avoid reliance upon outdated medical opinions, stereotypes or unsupported assumptions relating to disability. Where advances in rehabilitation medicine, assistive technology or adaptive devices substantially improve the functional abilities of the candidate, due consideration shall be given to such advancements while determining eligibility.

(d) Reasonable Accommodation

Prior to declaring a candidate ineligible, the Medical Assessment Board shall examine whether reasonable accommodation, assistive technology, adaptive devices or appropriate infrastructural support would enable the candidate to successfully pursue and complete the Post Graduate Medical Courses without compromising the acquisition of the prescribed competencies.

Provision of reasonable accommodation shall not be construed as dilution of academic standards but shall constitute a measure to ensure substantive equality of opportunity for Persons with Benchmark Disabilities.

Reasonable accommodation may include, inter alia—

- (i) Assistive devices;
- (ii) Adaptive equipment;
- (iii) Digital accessibility;
- (iv) Accessible teaching and learning material;
- (v) Communication support;
- (vi) Ergonomic modifications;
- (vii) Examination accommodations consistent with academic standards; and
- (viii) Accessible clinical learning environments.

(e) Patient Safety

Patient safety shall remain a very important consideration while determining eligibility. However, any conclusion relating to patient safety shall be based upon objective clinical and functional evidence and shall not rest upon generalized assumptions, stereotypes or preconceived notions regarding disability.

10.7. The Board shall assess whether the candidate can understand, retain and follow instructions appropriate to the academic and clinical responsibilities of the relevant postgraduate course. Where additional time, communication support or assistive technology is proposed, the Board shall assess whether such accommodation enables satisfactory performance without compromising the essential competency or patient safety.

10.8. The Board shall assess whether the candidate can communicate needs, difficulties, relevant information and safety concerns to supervisors, colleagues, patients and other members of the healthcare team. A communication difference shall not, by itself, be treated as an inability to communicate for the purposes of these Guidelines.

10.9. The Board shall assess whether the candidate can perform expected academic and clinical responsibilities independently and consistently, with reasonable support where appropriate. Relevant factors may include maintaining schedules, attending required activities, completing assigned tasks, following prescribed routines and seeking assistance appropriately when required. The need for reasonable support shall not, by itself, constitute a ground for ineligibility.

10.10. The Board shall assess acute deterioration, frequency and severity of exacerbations or relapses, duration and predictability of episodes, treatment-related limitations and any foreseeable interruption to training.

Chapter-III

Procedure for issuance of Certificate to the PwBD Candidate and Review Mechanism

11. Procedure for issuance of Certificate to the PwBD Candidate

11.1. Upon completion of the functional assessment, the Medical Assessment Board shall determine whether the candidate is Eligible; Eligible with Reasonable Accommodation, or Ineligible for admission to the Post Graduate Medical courses under the Persons with Benchmark Disabilities (PwBD) category in accordance with these Guidelines.

11.2. The determination of eligibility shall be based on—

(a) The candidate's demonstrated functional competency in relation to the essential competencies prescribed under the Competency Based Post Graduate Training Programme (CBPGT);

(b) The feasibility of providing reasonable accommodation, assistive technology or other support measures, wherever appropriate;

(c) The ability of the candidate to successfully complete the Post Graduate Medical Courses and acquire the prescribed competencies; and

(d) Considerations relating to patient safety, supported by objective medical and functional evidence.

11.3. No candidate shall be declared ineligible solely on the basis of—

- (a) The diagnosis or category of disability;
- (b) The percentage of benchmark disability recorded in the UDID Card or Disability Certificate; or
- (c) Generalized assumptions or stereotypes associated with any disability.

11.4. A candidate shall be declared ineligible only where the Medical Assessment Board, after due consideration of reasonable accommodation and assistive technology, records, by a reasoned and speaking order, that the candidate is unable to acquire the essential competencies prescribed under the Competency Based Post Graduate Training Programme (CBPGT) or that the disability would pose a demonstrable and unacceptable risk to patient safety which cannot be mitigated through reasonable accommodation.

11.5. Every determination of the Medical Assessment Board shall be recorded in writing and shall clearly specify—

- (a) The nature and extent of the disability;
- (b) The findings of the functional competency assessment;
- (c) The reasonable accommodation, if any, considered or recommended;
- (d) The reasons supporting the determination of eligibility or ineligibility; and
- (e) The final recommendation of the Board.

11.6. The Medical Assessment Board shall issue an **Eligibility Certificate**, in the format specified in **Schedule-II**, certifying whether the candidate is—

- (i) Eligible;
- (ii) Eligible with Reasonable Accommodation, specifying the accommodation(s) recommended; or
- (iii) Ineligible, together with the reasons recorded in accordance with clause 11.4.

11.7. The Eligibility Certificate shall record the material findings of the functional assessment, including the essential competency assessed, functional limitation identified, accommodation considered or provided, and the basis for the Board's conclusion.

11.8. Where the candidate is declared eligible with reasonable accommodation, the Eligibility Certificate shall specify the accommodation recommended and, where appropriate, the functional domain to which such accommodation relates.

11.9. No finding of ineligibility shall be based solely upon the diagnosis, disability category, percentage of benchmark disability or generalized assumption concerning a particular disability.

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11.10. Speaking Order in Cases of Exclusion - Where a candidate is determined to be ineligible under these Guidelines, the Medical Assessment Board shall issue a reasoned and speaking order setting out:

- i. The specific functional limitation identified;
- ii. The essential competency affected;
- iii. The objective medical/functional evidence supporting the conclusion;
- iv. The reasonable accommodation and support considered;
- v. The reasons why such accommodation or support is insufficient; and
- vi. The specific basis for concluding that the candidate cannot safely acquire or demonstrate the essential com

12. Appellate Mechanism

12.1. Any candidate aggrieved by the findings or decision of the Medical Assessment Board may prefer an appeal before the **Appellate Authority** constituted by the Directorate General of Health Services (DGHS), Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, within such time and in such manner as may be notified by the Medical Counseling Committee (MCC) from time to time.

12.2. The Appellate Authority shall independently examine the appeal and may, where considered necessary, call for the records of the Medical Assessment Board, direct a fresh medical assessment by an appropriate expert or specialist, seek additional medical opinion, or undertake such further examination as it deems fit in accordance with these Guidelines.

12.3. The Appellate Authority shall pass a reasoned and speaking order, clearly recording the basis for affirming, modifying, or setting aside the findings of the Medical Assessment Board.

12.4. The decision of the Appellate Authority shall be final for the purposes of counselling and admission under these Guidelines, subject to any order or direction of a court of competent jurisdiction.

CHAPTER IV MISCELLANEOUS

13. Institutional Responsibilities

13.1. Every Medical College, Medical Counseling Committee, State Counseling Authority and Medical Assessment Board shall ensure that the provisions of these Guidelines are implemented in letter and spirit.

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13.2. Every institution shall take appropriate measures to ensure that no PwBD candidate is denied admission or subjected to discrimination solely on the ground of disability, except in accordance with these Guidelines and the applicable statutory provisions.

13.3. Every institution shall endeavor to provide reasonable accommodation, barrier-free access and accessible learning environments in accordance with the Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016 and the applicable standards notified by the Government of India.

13.4. Medical Colleges are encouraged to undertake periodic sensitization and capacity-building programs for faculty members, administrative staff and students to promote an inclusive academic environment and eliminate physical, communication and attitudinal barriers.

13.5. Every Medical College shall designate a Nodal Officer or establish an appropriate institutional mechanism in the nature of an enabling unit to serve as a single point of contact to address the PwBD candidates seeking clinical accommodations and further to facilitate implementation of these Guidelines and to address various other issues concerning PwBD candidates. These measures reflect the institutional responsibilities emphasized under the Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016.

14. Grievance Redressal Mechanism

14.1. Every Medical College and Counseling Authority shall maintain an effective, accessible and time-bound grievance redressal mechanism for addressing complaints relating to disability assessment, denial of reasonable accommodation or any act of discrimination against PwBD candidates.

14.2. Every grievance shall be dealt with fairly, expeditiously and in accordance with the applicable provisions of law.

15. Compliance

15.1 Every admission to the Post Graduate Medical Courses under the Persons with Benchmark Disabilities category shall be governed by these Guidelines.

15.2 Every authority concerned with the admission process shall strictly comply with these Guidelines.

15.3 No Medical Assessment Board shall declare a candidate ineligible without recording reasons in writing based upon functional assessment, scientific evidence and the principles contained in these Guidelines.

15.4 Every recommendation of the Medical Assessment Board shall be made by a reasoned and speaking order.

16. Power to Issue Clarifications

The National Medical Commission may issue such clarifications, advisories, standard operating procedures or procedural instructions, consistent with these Guidelines and the

National Medical Commission Act, 2019, as may be necessary for their effective and uniform implementation.

17. Interpretation

If any question arises regarding the interpretation or implementation of these Guidelines, the matter shall be referred to the National Medical Commission whose decision thereon shall be final, subject to the provisions of the National Medical Commission Act, 2019, the Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016 and any judgment or direction of a competent Court.

18. Repeal and Saving Clause

18.1 These Guidelines shall supersede all previous guidelines, advisories and instructions issued by the National Medical Commission or the erstwhile Medical Council of India relating to the assessment of Persons with Benchmark Disabilities for admission to the Post Graduate Medical Courses, to the extent they are inconsistent with these Guidelines.

18.2 Notwithstanding such supersession, any action taken, assessment conducted or decision made under the earlier guidelines shall be deemed to have been validly taken or made insofar as it is not inconsistent with these Guidelines.

19. Overriding Principle

While implementing these Guidelines, every authority shall ensure that the assessment of a candidate is based upon functional competency, objective medical evidence and the possibility of reasonable accommodation. No candidate shall be denied consideration or declared ineligible solely on the basis of diagnosis, disability category or generalized assumptions regarding disability. The paramount considerations shall be equality of opportunity, maintenance of academic standards and patient safety, to be harmoniously applied in accordance with the National Medical Commission Act, 2019 and the Regulations and Guidelines framed there under and the Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016.

SCHEDULE-I

APPENDIX- A	SELF CERTIFICATION FORM- GENERAL
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APPENDIX-A

Self-Certification Affidavit

(To be filled by all applicants applying under PwBD Category)

I, _____, aged _____ years, son/daughter of _____, resident of _____, holding a valid UDID Card No. _____ issued by _____ on _____, do hereby solemnly affirm and declare as follows:

NEET-PG Roll No.: _____

NEET Score: _____

Disability Type:

1. Locomotor
2. Hearing
3. Visual
4. Cognitive/SLD/
5. *Others : _____ (Please specify)

Disability Percentage as per [UDID card]: _____ %

Assistive Devices Used (If any): _____

Essential Functional Competencies:

Competency Area	Description	Candidate Declaration (✓ / ✗)
A. Communication	1. I can communicate clearly and empathetically with people using assistive devices.	
B. Hearing	2. I can hear and respond to speech in both quiet and noisy environments, with or without hearing aids or cochlear implants. 3. I undertake to fulfill the eligibility criteria set under Form Appendix -B	
C. Dominant Hand Functionality	1. I can write and hold instruments using my dominant or aided	

	hand, effectively. 2. I undertake to fulfill the eligibility criteria set under Appendix –C and D	
D.Understanding/ Communication	3. I can follow and comprehend medical terminology and maintain social interaction. 4. I undertake to fulfill the eligibility set under Form Appendix –E	
E. Vision	5. My vision improves to the percentage lower than 40% 6. I can perform with the help of Low vision Aid 7. I undertake to fulfill the eligibility criteria set under Form Appendix –F	

- I hereby affirm that I possess the essential competencies and I am capable of successfully undertaking the following Post Graduate Medical courses that I intend to pursue.
 - 1.
 - 2.
 - 3.
- I am aware that any false declaration may result in revocation of admission.

Deponent Signature: _____

Date:

Place:

Notarized by:

***Note: Persons with benchmark disabilities other than Locomotor/Visual/Hearing/SLD/ASD/Mental Illness will have to submit the self-certified affidavit at Appendix-A only (eg.: Blood disorders - Haemophilia, Thalassemia and Sickle cell disease Chronic Neurological Conditions etc.)**

APPENDIX-B

AFFIDAVIT

(HEARING IMPAIRMENT)

I, _____, aged _____ years, son/daughter of _____, resident of _____, holding a valid UDID Card No. _____ issued by _____ on _____, do hereby solemnly affirm and declare as follows:

I have hearing loss in:

- ☐ Right Ear
- ☐ Left Ear
- ☐ Both Ears
- ☐ Neither

2. I use:

- ☐ Prescribed Hearing Aid
- ☐ Cochlear Implant
- ☐ None

3. I declare as under:

Sl. No.	Functional Ability regarding following Activities declared	Candidate Declaration (✓ / ✗)
1.	Communicate effectively using the above-mentioned assistive devices.	
2.	Engage in a conversation in a quiet room and in a noisy environment.	
3.	Understand and respond to verbal instructions.	
4.	Carry out phone conversations.	

4. I hereby affirm that I possess the essential competencies and am capable of successfully undertaking the following Post Graduate Medical courses that I intend to pursue.

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

5. I am aware that any false declaration may result in revocation of admission.

Deponent Signature: _____

Date: _____

Place: _____

Notarized by: _____

APPENDIX-C

AFFIDAVIT

(LOCOMOTOR DISABILITY)
{UPPER EXTREMITY- COORDINATED ACTIVITY}

I, _____, aged _____ years, son/daughter of _____, resident of _____, holding a valid UDID Card No. _____ issued by _____ on _____, do hereby solemnly affirm and declare as follows:

2. I declare that I am suffering from _____ Disability.
3. The condition causing this disability is diagnosed as _____
4. I am using/not using any assistive device/artificial limb etc.
5. I declare my functional ability in performing the basic Coordinated Activities as below:

Sl. No.	Functional Ability regarding following Activities declared	Candidate Declaration (✓ / ✗)
1.	Can you lift overhead objects and place them at the same place?	
2.	Can you touch tip of the nose with the tip of a finger?	
3.	Can you eat by yourself?	
4.	Can you groom, comb and lift plate by yourself?	
5.	Can you put on a shirt/kurta/upper garment on your own?	
6.	Can you clean yourself after toileting (Act of Ablution)?	
7.	Can you Drink water holding a Glass/tumbler?	
8.	Can you button/unbutton your clothes?	
9.	Can you put on trousers/pant/lower garment/Tie Nara, Dhoti, using the Zip as the case may be?	
10.	Can you hold a Pen/Pencil and write?	

6. I hereby affirm that I possess the essential competencies and am capable of successfully undertaking the following Post Graduate Medical courses that I intend to pursue.

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

7. I am aware that any false declaration may result in revocation of my admission.

Deponent Signature: _____

Date: _____

Place: _____

Notarized

by:

APPENDIX-D**AFFIDAVIT**

(LOCOMOTOR DISABILITY)
{LOWER EXTREMITY- STABILITY COMPONENTS}

I, _____, aged _____ years, son/daughter of _____, resident of _____, holding a valid UDID Card No. _____ issued by _____ on _____, do hereby solemnly affirm and declare as follows:

2. I declare that I am suffering from _____ Disability.

3. The condition causing this disability is diagnosed as
.....

4. I am using/not using any assistive device/artificial limb etc.

5. I declare my ability to perform the following functions as below:

Sl. No.	Functional Ability regarding following Activities declared	Candidate Declaration (✓ / ✕)
1.	Can you bear weight and stand on both legs?	
2.	Can you bear weight and stand on your affected leg?	
3.	Can you walk on plain surfaces?	
4.	Can you sit on a chair by yourself?	
5.	Can you take turn to the right and left sides?	

6. I hereby affirm that I possess the essential competencies and am capable of successfully undertaking the following Post Graduate Medical courses that I intend to pursue.

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

7. I am aware that any false declaration may result in revocation of my admission.

Deponent Signature: _____

Date: _____

Place: _____

Notarized by:

APPENDIX-E

AFFIDAVIT

• MENTAL ILLNESS

• SPEECH DISORDERS/SPECIFIC LEARNING DISORDER/AUTISM SPECTRUM DISORDER

I, _____, aged _____ years, son/daughter of _____, resident of _____, holding a valid UDID Card No. _____ issued by _____ on _____, do hereby solemnly affirm and declare as follows:

2. I declare that I am suffering from _____ Disability.

3. The condition causing this disability is diagnosed as _____

4. I am using/not using any assistive device/artificial limb etc.

5. I declare my ability to perform the following functions as below:

SL. NO.	Description	Candidate Declaration (✓/ ✕)
1.	I can communicate clearly and empathetically with families and colleagues.	
2.	I can listen and respond to speech in both quiet and noisy environments.	
3.	I can follow and give instructions, comprehend required medical terminology, and maintain social interaction.	
4.	I can understand and respond to verbal instructions and can carry out phone conversations.	

6. I hereby affirm that I possess the essential competencies and am capable of successfully undertaking the following Post Graduate Medical courses that I intend to pursue.

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

7. I am aware that any false declaration may result in revocation of my admission.

Deponent Signature: _____

Date: _____

Place: _____

Notarized by:

APPENDIX-F

AFFIDAVIT

(VISUAL IMPAIRMENT)

I, _____ aged, _____ years, son/daughter of _____, resident of _____, holding a valid UDID Card No. _____ issued by _____ on _____, do hereby solemnly affirm and declare as follows:

1. I have Visual Impairment in:

- Left Eye
- Right Eye
- Both Eye
- Neither

2. I am using Low Vision Aid(s) _____.

3. With the use of Low Vision Aid, I declare the fulfillment of following criteria:

SL. NO.	ALL MANDATORY CRITERIAS FULFILLED WITH THE LOW VISION AID	Candidate Declaration (✓ / ✗)
1.	Best corrected visual acuity improves such that the visual disability becomes less than 40%	
2.	The field of vision is > 40 degree in the eye which is using the LVA	
3.	The LVA is hands free and suitable for everyday use	

4. I hereby affirm that I can perform with the use of Low Vision Aid.

5. I hereby affirm that I possess the essential competencies and am capable of successfully undertaking the following Post Graduate Medical courses that I intend to pursue.

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

6. I am aware that any false declaration may result in revocation of my Post Graduate Medical admission.

Deponent Signature: _____

Date:

Place:

Notarized by:

APPENDIX-G

AFFIDAVIT

(Note: Submission of this Affidavit is mandatory for all applicants applying under the PwBD category.)

I, _____, aged _____ years, son/daughter of _____, resident of _____, holding a valid UDID Card No. _____ issued by _____ on _____, do hereby solemnly affirm and declare as follows:

1. I declare that I am suffering from _____ Disability.
2. The condition causing this disability is diagnosed as _____
3. I confirm that I have familiarized myself with the requirements of the specialty course, i.e., _____ for which I am seeking admission, and I believe, to the best of my knowledge, that I possess the competencies required for successful completion of the said course.
4. I understand the competency-based Post Graduate Training Program applicable to the specialty course, and I shall make every reasonable effort to fulfil the tasks and requirements assigned to me during the course, seeking guidance or reasonable accommodation from the institution wherever necessary.
5. I understand that certain tasks/competencies during the course may carry implications for patient safety and care, and may involve additional physical, mental, or professional effort. I undertake to exercise due diligence, act responsibly, and proactively communicate with the institution regarding any support or accommodation I may require in this regard.
6. I am aware of the competency-based curriculum and tasks assigned therein for the specialty course and I undertake and declare that I shall perform all tasks assigned to me/ necessary during the specialty course and I shall be solely responsible for completion of such tasks, assigned to me.
7. I affirm that the statements made in this Affidavit are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

8. I understand that any material misstatement made herein may be reviewed by the institution in accordance with applicable rules, and could have implications for my admission.

Deponent Signature_____

Date:

Place:

Notarized by:

SCHEDULE – II

[See Clause 11.6]

ELIGIBILITY CERTIFICATE

Issued by the Medical Assessment Board

1. Candidate Particulars

1. Name of Candidate: _____
2. Father's/Mother's/Guardian's Name: _____
3. Date of Birth: ____ / ____ / ____
4. Gender: _____
5. NEET Roll Number: _____
6. Application/Registration Number: _____
7. UDID Number _____
8. Disability Certificate Number and Date: _____

2. Medical Assessment Board

1. Name of Medical Assessment Board: _____
2. Institution/Hospital: _____
3. Date(s) of Assessment: ____ / ____ / ____
4. Place of Assessment: _____

3. Nature of Disability

1. Category of Disability: _____
2. Medical Diagnosis: _____
3. Nature and Extent of Disability: _____
4. Percentage of Benchmark Disability (where applicable): _____ %

Note: The determination of eligibility has not been made solely on the basis of the diagnosis, category of disability, or percentage of benchmark disability.

4. Functional Competency Assessment

The Medical Assessment Board has assessed the candidate with reference to the essential competencies prescribed under the Competency Based Post Graduate Training Programme n (CBPGT).

The Board records the following findings:

5. Assessment of Reasonable Accommodation

The Medical Assessment Board has considered the requirement and feasibility of providing reasonable accommodation, assistive technology, or other support measures.

Accommodation(s) considered:

Accommodation(s) recommended (if any):

If no accommodation is recommended, reasons:

6. Assessment of Ability to Complete the Post Graduate Medical Course

The Medical Assessment Board is satisfied that the candidate:

☐ Is capable of successfully completing the Post Graduate Medical Course and acquiring the essential competencies prescribed under the Competency Based Post Graduate Training Program. (CBPGT).

☐ Is capable of successfully completing the Post Graduate Medical Course subject to the reasonable accommodation(s) specified above.

☐ Is not capable of acquiring the essential competencies prescribed under the CBPGT despite consideration of reasonable accommodation.

Reasons:

7. Patient Safety Assessment

The Medical Assessment Board has evaluated whether the disability poses any demonstrable risk to patient safety.

Findings:

Where any risk has been identified, the Board records whether such risk can be mitigated through reasonable accommodation:

8. Final Determination

After considering—

- (a) the candidate's demonstrated functional competency;
- (b) the feasibility of reasonable accommodation and assistive technology;
- (c) the ability to successfully complete the Post Graduate Medical Course and acquire the prescribed competencies; and
- (d) considerations relating to patient safety,

the Medical Assessment Board hereby certifies that the candidate is:

☐ **Eligible**

☐ **Eligible with Reasonable Accommodation**

Recommended Accommodation(s):

☐ **Ineligible**

Reasons (to be recorded in accordance with Clause 12.4):

9. Declaration of the Medical Assessment Board

The Medical Assessment Board certifies that this determination has been made after conducting an individualized assessment based on objective medical and functional evidence, taking into account the essential competencies prescribed under the Competency Based Post Graduate Training Programme (CBPGT), the feasibility of reasonable accommodation and assistive technology, and considerations relating to patient safety. The determination has not been based solely on the diagnosis, category of disability, or percentage of benchmark disability.

10. Signatures

Name of Member Designation Signature

Chairperson

Member

Member

Member

Member

Date: ____ / ____ / ____

Place: _____

(Official Seal of the Medical Assessment Board)

PROFORMA FOR SCHEDULED CASTE AND SCHEDULED TRIBE CERTIFICATE

Form of certificate as prescribed in M.H.A., O.M., No. 42/21/49-N.G.S. dated the 28.1.1952, as revised in Dept. of Per- & A.R. letter No. 36012/6/76-Est. (S.CT), dated the 29.10.1977, to be produced by candidate belonging to a Scheduled Caste or a Scheduled Tribe in support of his/her claim.

CASTE CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that Shri/Smt./Kum.* ----- son/daughter* of ----- of village/town*-----in district/Division*-----of the State/Union Territory* ----- belongs to the ----- Caste/ Tribe which is recognized as a Scheduled Caste/Scheduled Tribe*under:

- The Constitution (Scheduled Caste) Order, 1950
- The Constitution (Scheduled Tribe) Order, 1950
- The Constitution (Scheduled Caste) (Union Territories) Order, 1951
- The Constitution (Scheduled Tribe) (Union Territories) Order, 1951

1. (as amended by the Scheduled Caste and Scheduled Tribe Lists (Modification) order, 1956, the Bombay Re-organization Act, 1960, the Punjab Re- organization Act, 1966, the State of Himachal Pradesh Act, 1970 the North Eastern Areas (Re-organization) Act, 1971 and the Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes Orders, (Amendment) Act, 1976).

- The Constitution (Jammu and Kashmir) Scheduled Caste Order, 1956.
- The Constitution (Andaman and Nicobar Islands) Scheduled Tribes Order, 1959.
- The Constitution (Dadra and Nagar Haveli) Scheduled Caste Order, 1962.
- The Constitution (Dadra and Nagar Haveli) Scheduled Tribes, Order, 1962.
- The Constitution (Puducherry) Scheduled Caste Order, 1964
- The Constitution (Uttar Pradesh) Scheduled Tribes, Order, 1967.
- The Constitution (Goa, Daman & Diu) Scheduled Caste Order, 1968.
- The Constitution (Goa, Daman & Diu) Scheduled Tribes, Order, 1968.
- The Constitution (Nagaland) Scheduled Tribes Order, 1970.
- The Constitution (Sikkim) Scheduled Caste Order, 1978.
- The Constitution (Sikkim) Scheduled Tribes Order, 1978.

2. Applicable in the case of Scheduled Caste/Schedule Tribe persons who have migrated from one State/Union Territory Administration:

This certificate is issued on the basis of the Scheduled Caste/Scheduled Tribe* certificate issued to Shri/Smt*-----
-----father/mother of Shri/Smt/Kum* ------of village/town*-----
----- in District/Division* -----of the State/Union Territory*----- who belongs to the ---
-----caste/tribe which is recognized as a Scheduled Caste/Scheduled Tribe* in the State/Union
Territory* -----issued by the ----- (name of prescribed authority) vide their No-----
- date

3. Shri*/Smt.*/Kum* -----and/or his/her* family ordinary reside (s) in village/town* -----of the State/Union Territory of-----.

Signature _____

Place----- State/Union Territory

** Designation-----

Date----- (With seal of Office)

* Please delete the words which are not applicable.

- Please quote specific Presidential Order.
- Delete the paragraph which is not applicable.

** Should be signed by the Authorities empowered to issue Scheduled Caste/Scheduled Tribe certificates as specified above.

ANNEXURE - 4

PROFORMA FOR OTHER BACKWARD CLASS (OBC-NCL) CERTIFICATE

(Certificate to be produced by Other Backward Class applying for admission to Central Educational Institute (CEIS) under the Government of India)

This is to certify that Shri/Smt./Kum./Dr. _____ Son/Daughter of Shri/Dr. _____ of Village/Town _____ District/Division _____ in the _____ State belongs to the _____ Community which is recognized as a backward class under:

- (i) Resolution No. 12011/68/93-BCC(C) dated 10/09/93 published in the Gazette of India Extraordinary part I Section I No. 186 dated 13/09/93.
- (ii) Resolution No. 12011/9/94-BCC dated 19/10/94 published in the Gazette of India Extraordinary part I Section I No. 163 dated 20/10/94.
- (iii) Resolution No. 12011/7/95-BCC dated 24/05/95 published in the Gazette of India Extraordinary part I Section I No. 88 dated 25/05/95.
- (iv) Resolution No. 12011/96/94-BCC dated 09/03/96.
- (v) Resolution No. 12011/44/96-BCC dated 06/12/96 published in the Gazette of India Extraordinary part I Section I No. 120 dated 11/12/96.
- (vi) Resolution No. 12011/13/97-BCC dated 03/12/97.
- (vii) Resolution No. 12011/99/94-BCC dated 11/12/97.
- (viii) Resolution No. 12011/68/98-BCC dated 27/10/99.
- (ix) Resolution No. 12011/88/98-BCC dated 06/12/99 published in the Gazette of India Extraordinary part I Section I No. 270 dated 06/12/99.
- (x) Resolution No. 12011/36/99-BCC dated 04/04/2000 published in the Gazette of India Extraordinary part I Section I No. 71 dated 04/04/2004.
- (xi) Resolution No. 12011/44/99-BCC dated 21/09/2000 published in the Gazette of India Extraordinary part I Section I No. 210 dated 21/09/2000.
- (xii) Resolution No. 12015/09/2000-BCC dated 06/09/2001.
- (xiii) Resolution No. 12011/01/2001-BCC dated 19/06/2003.
- (xiv) Resolution No. 12011/04/2002-BCC dated 13/01/2004.
- (xv) Resolution No. 12011/09/2004-BCC dated 16/01/2006 published in the Gazette of India Extraordinary part I Section I No. 210 dated 16/01/2006.
- (xvi) Resolution No. 20012/129/2009/-BC-II dated 04/03/2014 published in the Gazette of India Extraordinary Part I section I no. 63 dated 04/03/2014.
- (xvii) Resolution No. F.No.12015/05/2011-BC-II dated 17th February, 2014

Shri/Smt./Kum. _____ and/or his family ordinarily reside(s) in the _____ District/Division of _____ State.

This is also to certify that he/she does not belong to the persons/section (creamy layer) mentioned in Column 3 of the Scheduled to the Government of India. Department of Personnel & Training O.M. No. 36012/22/93-Estt. (SCT) dated 08/09/93 which is modified vide OM No. 36033/3/2004 Estt. (Res.) dated 09.03.2004 or the latest notification of the Government of India.

Dated:

District Magistrate/Competent Authority Seal

NOTE: Any Resolution Number not mentioned/ corrective Ness in above list (1-17) may be verified from central list at national commission for Backward classes website and be may accepted as valid after confirmation from site by verifying institutes.

- (a) *The Term Ordinarily used here will have the same meaning as in Section 20 of the Representation of the People Act, 1950.*
- (b) *The authorities competent to issue Caste Certificates are indicated below:*
 - ① *District Magistrate/Additional Magistrate/1st Class Stipendiary Magistrate/Sub-Divisional Magistrate/Taluka Magistrate/Executive Magistrate/Extra Assistant Commissioner (not below the rank of 1st Class Stipendiary Magistrate.)*
 - ② *Chief Presidency Magistrate/Additional Chief presidency Magistrate/Presidency magistrate.*
 - ③ *Revenue Officer not below the rank of Tehsildar.*
 - ④ *Sub-Divisional Officer of the area where the candidate and/or his family resides.*
- (c) *The annual income/status of the parents of the applicant should be based on financial year ending March 31, 2026.*

Performa for EWS Certificate

Government of
(Name & Address of the authority issuing the certificate)

INCOME & ASSEST CERTIFICATE TO BE PRODUCED BY ECONOMICALLY WEAKER SECTIONS

Certificate No. _____

Date: _____

VALID FOR THE YEAR _____

This is to certify that Shri/Smt./Kumari _____ son/daughter/wife of _____ permanent resident of _____, Village/Street _____ Post. Office _____ District _____ in the State/Union Territory _____ Pin Code _____ whose photograph is attested below belongs to Economically Weaker Sections, since the gross annual income* of his/her 'family'** is below Rs. 8 lakh (Rupees Eight Lakh only) for the financial year _____. His/her family does not own or possess any of the following assets*** :

- I. 5 acres of agricultural land and above;
- II. Residential flat of 1000 sq. ft. and above;
- III. Residential plot of 100 sq. yards and above in notified municipalities;
- IV. Residential plot of 200 sq. yards and above in areas other than the notified municipalities.

2. Shri/Smt./Kumari _____ belongs to the _____ caste which is not recognized as a Scheduled Caste, Scheduled Tribe and Other Backward Classes (Central List)

Signature with seal of Office _____
Name _____
Designation _____

Recent Passport size
attested photograph of
the applicant

*Note1: Income covered all sources i.e. salary, agriculture, business, profession, etc.

**Note 2: The term "Family" for this purpose include the person, who seeks benefit of reservation, his/her parents and siblings below the age of 18 years as also his/her spouse and children below the age of 18 years

***Note 3: The property held by a "Family" in different locations or different places/cities have been clubbed while applying the land or property holding test to determine EWS status.

RELEVANT COURT CASES

- 1.1 As per the directions of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in I.A. No. 16 of 2012 in Civil Appeal No. (s). 1944 of 1993 in the matter of 'Anand S. Biji V/s State of Kerala & Ors.', the Directorate General of Health Services, Government of India, New Delhi has been entrusted with the responsibility to conduct Online Counselling for allotment of Post Graduate (MD/MS/Diploma) seats to the eligible and qualified candidates in participating Government Medical Colleges of the country under 50% All India Quota every year. The allotment of seat to the candidates is made based on the NEET-PG conducted by National Board of Examinations, New Delhi.
- 1.2 The Hon'ble Supreme Court of India vide Order dated 09/05/2017 rendered in Writ Petition (Civil) No. 267 of 2017 in the matter of 'Dar-Us Slam Educational Trust and Others Vs. Medical Council of India and Others' the Directorate General of Health Services in Ministry of Health and Family Welfare is also conducting Online counselling for allotment of 100% Post Graduate (MD/MS/Diploma) with All India character in participating Deemed Universities across the country. The allotment of seats is being made to eligible and qualified candidates as per their merit and ranking based on the NEET Examinations conducted by National Board of Examinations (NBE) for P.G. NEET from the academic year 2017-18 onwards.
- 1.3 Vide Order dated 22.08.2017 the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in W.P. (C) No. 689 of 2017 in the matter of Consortium of Deemed Universities in Karnataka & Anr. v/s Union of India & Ors. had issued directions stating that, 15% seats have to be allotted to the NRI Candidates in respect of PG seats (Medical/Dental) in Deemed Universities.
- 1.4 **In supersession to previous AIQ scheme, it has been decided by competent authority (MoHFW) that upgradation will be upto 3rd round which was earlier known as mop up round. Accordingly, NMC will approach the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India for approval in this matter.**

1.5 The candidate was allowed to upgrade seat from second round to 3rd (mop up) round.

Candidates are advised to take an informed decision of continuing in Third round of AIQ/Deemed/Central Universities. If a candidate joins in 3rd round, they shall not be permitted to resign from 3rd round of AIQ/Deemed/Central Universities. They will not be allowed to participate in any further rounds of Counseling after joining in Third Round of AIQ.

1.6 As per the directions issued by Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in SLA(C) No. 10487 of 2021, the AIQ scheme has been modified and 04 rounds of AIQ counselling will be conducted by MCC of DGHS, MoHFW. Hence, 3rd round (earlier mop-up round) and fourth round i.e. stray vacancy round is being conducted in AIQ from 2021-22 onwards.

1.7 Vide Order dated 22/07/2022 in Contempt Petition No. 289 of 2022 before the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India it has been approved that MCC of DGHS has developed a software for all participating states and counselling authorities. Furthermore, it has been directed by Hon'ble Court that:

“8 The development of the above software should ensure that a uniform pattern is followed by all the States across India commencing from the academic year 2022- 2023. For the current academic year, since the students have already joined and the courses have commenced, we would, in the interest of justice, put an end to the contempt proceedings. However, we take on record the assurance which has been set out by the DGHS and direct that all the States and counselling authorities in the NEET- UG/PG shall scrupulously comply with the above directions from the academic year 2022-2023.”

1.8 As per the directions of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India dated **03.02.2023** passed in ***W.P (Civil) 891 of 2021 in the matter of 'Anushka Rengunthwar & Ors. Vs Union of India & Ors.'***,

“57. Hence, the notification being sustainable prospectively, we hereby declare that the impugned portion of the notification which provides for supersession of the notifications dated 11.04.2005, 05.01.2007 and 05.01.2009 and the clause 4(ii), its proviso and Explanation (1) thereto shall operate prospectively in respect of OCI cardholders who have secured the same subsequent to 04.03.2021.

58. We further hold that the petitioners in all these cases and all other similarly placed OCI cardholders will be entitled to the rights and privileges which had been conferred on them earlier to the notification dated 04.03.2021 and could be availed by them notwithstanding the exclusion carved out in the notification

dated 04.03.2021. The participation of the petitioners and similarly placed OCI cardholders in the selection process and the subsequent action based on 74 the interim orders passed herein or elsewhere shall stand regularized.”

Keeping in view of the directions passed hereinabove, the OCI cardholders will now be eligible to the rights which were provided to them earlier to the impugned notification dated 04.03.2021. They will be treated at par with Indian citizens and will be eligible for UR (General) category seats as well as NRI seats for the purpose of NEET (UG)-2025 and NEET (PG)-2025 for counselling conducted by MCC.

1.9 As per the directions of the Hon’ble Supreme Court of India vide **order dated 12.12.2022** passed in “I.A NO. 132614/2022 IN W.P (c) NO. 267/2017 in Dar-us Slam Educational trust and Ors. vs. Medical Council of India & Ors.”.

“2. Having heard Ms Aishwarya Bhati, Additional Solicitor General, we direct that for 100% deemed universities:

(i) There shall be four rounds of common counselling for the All-India Quota seats conducted by the Medical Counseling Committee; and

(ii) The Medical Counseling Committee is permitted to conduct an online counselling for the stray vacancy round.

In view of above directions 04 rounds of Deemed Universities are conducted as done for All India Quota seats.

3. The above directions shall take effect from the ensuing academic year 2022-23.”

In light of the above directions, as passed by the Hon’ble Supreme Court, the Medical Counselling Committee (MCC) of DGHS, MoHFW, shall conduct the counselling for the Stray Vacancy Round of 100% seats of Deemed Universities.

1.10 As per the directions of Hon’ble Supreme Court of India in “W.P (C) No. 443 of 1992 Sharwan Kumar Vs. Dir. General of Health Services & Anr.” the following order has been issued:

“If in implementation of the scheme any difficulties are felt by the Director General of Health Services or by any other person including the authorities in the States or by the Universities, they can approach this Court for necessary directions.”

**SURETY BOND FOR PRIORITY-V STUDENT SEEKING ADMISSION TO
POST GRADUATE (MD/MS/DNB) COURSE (2026 TO 2029 BATCH)**

1. I, _____ (Name of Student) Son/ Daughter/ Ward of _____ (Name of father) Resident of _____ (full address) hereinafter called the '**Post-Graduate student**' (PG Student) (which expression shall include his/her heirs, executors, administrators and representatives) _____ (Name of Surety) Son/Daughter/Ward of _____ (Name of father) Resident of _____ (Full Address) at presently employed at _____ (particulars of employment) in the _____ (address of the employer) herein after called the '**Surety**' (Which expression shall include his heir, executors, administrators and representatives) are jointly held and firmly bound into the President of India (hereinafter called the '**Government**' in the terms and conditions for admission to PG course at **AFMS Institutes** stated hereinafter and expenses that may have been incurred 'By occasioned to the Government be paid to the Government for which payment to be will and truly made we hereby bind ourselves, our heirs executors, administrators and representative few firmly by these presents as witness our hands this _____ day of _____ (Month & Year).

2. And whereas the PG Students has undertaken to join and continue PG studies in accordance with rules and regulations of the _____ (Institute Name & University Name) for obtaining MD/MS/DNB in _____ (Subject) of the _____ (Name of University) and join the Armed Forces Medical Services as a short service commissioned Officer on successful completion of the course if found medically fit for the same. And whereas in consideration of the government having agreed to sanction the admission to the said PG student, the candidate along with the surety has agreed to execute the above Bond with such conditions as hereunder written.

2.1 That in consideration of the PG students being admitted by the Govt. to _____ (Institute Name) for the purpose of obtaining PG degree the PG student and surety covenant with the Government that the said PG student will attend the _____ (Institute Name) for obtaining PG degree and such other training as Government may determine from time-to-time for the prescribed period until he/she successfully completes his/her PG degree course and is declared fit (as to which the decision of Director General Armed Forces Medical Services shall be final) to be granted Short Services Commission and that the PG student will be commissioned as a Medical Officer in the regular Indian Army or the Indian Navy or Indian Air Force as SSC Officer to serve for 05 years unless he/she, the PG student is prevented from doing so on account of ill health or some other reason over which he/she, the PG student has no control as determined by a service medical board (as to which the

Government shall be the sole judge) or by being removed on the ground that the student is considered by the appropriate authority to be unfit to continue as PG student, or on any other ground, to be granted a commission.

2.2 That in the event the PG student either attains the age of 35 years as on 31 December of the year of successful completion of his/her PG course or refuses to accept commission in the Armed Forces Medical Services on successful completion of his/her PG course the PG student and the Surety shall jointly be liable to pay and refund forthwith to the Government of India on demand and without demur an amount of **Rs 60.5 Lakhs (Rupees Sixty Lakhs and Fifty Thousand only)** as per Govt of India letter No 17436/DGAFMS/DG-1D dated 15 Mar 2021 and No. 3569/DGAFMS/DG-1B(i)/389/21/D (Med) dt 19 Apr 2021 together with interest on the said money, calculated at the rates in force then. The interest will be calculated after 30 days from date of successful completion of PG course or from the designated date of joining the Armed Forces unit as per the posting order issued whichever is later.

2.3 That the PG student shall on successful completion of his/her PG degree course will report within such period, as may be allowed by the Director General Armed Forces Medical Services as joining time to the unit or station as specified in this behalf by the Director General Armed Forces Medical Services for grant of Short Service Commission on terms and conditions set out in Army Instruction 75/78 and as amended from time-to-time.

2.4 That the PG student after grant of short service commission, if applies for release from service within **Five years** of grant said commission for any reason whatsoever and provided his/ her release is sanctioned by the Govt of India, as per rules in force, he/ she shall be relieved only after he/ she has refunded Bond money at the rate of **Rs. 12.1 Lakhs (Rupees Twelve Lakhs and Ten Thousand only)** per completed year or part thereof of unfulfilled liability limited to the Bond money as contained in the Bond agreement executed at the time of admission.

2.5 That if the PG student leaves the institution without completing the course due to any reason after the last date of admission to the PG course as specified by NMC/affiliated University, he/ she will be required to pay a sum of **Rs. 20,16,667/- (Rupees Twenty Lakhs Sixteen Thousand Six Hundred and Sixty Seven only)** per year or part thereof of the education at the institution based on extant rules subject to the conditions laid down in the subsequent paras.

2.6 That if the PG student will be declared to have become Non-Service Liability (NSL) on being rendered medically unfit for commission by a Medical Board due to any disease/disability detected at any stage during the training or prior to commissioning as under: -

2.6.1 The Medical Board will express their opinion on the circumstances under which the PG student acquired the diseases/ disability and whether or not he/she had any control over those circumstances. The three categories of PG student declared Non-Service Liability on medical grounds are as follows: -

2.6.1.1 Category- I

Declared medically unfit due to disease/ circumstances within their control like drug abuse, accidents, and injury in brawl/fights.

Such candidate will be liable to pay Bond Money as applicable to him/her before being allowed to continue further studies and will have to pay the cost of training as applicable for further period of study from the date declared NSL.

2.6.1.2 Category-II

Declared medically unfit due to disease/circumstances beyond their control, but are not related to service or training course he/she is undergoing. Such candidate will not be liable to pay Bond Money but will have to pay 50% of cost of training as applicable for further period of study from the date declared NSL.

2.6.1.3 Category-III

Declared medically unfit due to disease/circumstances beyond their control and are related to service or training course he/she is undergoing. In such cases Bond money and cost of training to be waived off. However, college/university fee and boarding and messing charges and hospital stoppage where applicable shall be levied.

2.6.2 Based on the above factors the Bond Money to be recovered is computed as under: -

2.6.2.1 No Bond Money will be recovered from the PG students who are declared unfit for Commissioning/ NSL on following medical grounds: -

2.6.2.1.1 Declared medically unfit due to disease/ circumstances beyond their control and are related to service or training course they are undergoing (**Category III**).

2.6.2.1.2 Declared medically unfit due to disease/ circumstances beyond their control, but are not related to service or training course they are undergoing (**Category-II**).

2.6.2.1.3 Due to disease/circumstances beyond their control and who do not refuse treatment but necessitating withdrawal from the College.

2.6.2.1.4 Due to death.

2.6.2.1.5 However, the PG students mentioned at Para 2.6.1.2 and 2.6.2.1.2 above (Category-II) may be permitted to continue their medical education on approval of Director General of Armed Forces Medical Services (DGAFMS). They have to pay 50% of cost of training as applicable for further period of study from the day they are declared NSL. In addition, they will also be levied tuition fee and other charges including college fees, university fees, boarding and messing charges and hospital stoppage where applicable from the day they are declared NSL.

The current cost of training is Rs **36,551/- per week** and it may be revised in future based on training cost approved by the Govt of India. The cost of training is to be paid half yearly. Delay in payment beyond 30 days will invite interest and penal charges. PG students who cannot pay the further cost of training and other charges as specified by the Government or who do not wish to continue their education, consequent to being declared unfit for commissioning/Non-Service Liability (NSL) on medical grounds or other circumstances, will be allowed to withdraw from the course.

2.6.2.2 PG students who are declared unfit for Commissioning/ NSL on Medical grounds/ circumstances other than those mentioned at Para 2.6.2.1 are liable to pay the Bond money as applicable to them before being allowed to continue further studies. These students may be allowed to continue their further medical education on approval of Director General of Armed Forces Medical Services (DGAFMS) and will have to pay the cost of training as applicable for further period of study from the date declared NSL. They will also be levied tuition fees and other charges including college fees, university fees boarding and messing charges and hospital stoppage whereas applicable from the day they are declared NSL.

2.7 That if the PG (**MD/MS/DNB**) student leaves the training institute voluntarily without completing the course due to any reason (other than medical grounds) after the permissible withdrawal period as governed by the prospectus, if any, will be liable to pay the amount of the Bond Money at a rate proportionate to the amount of time they have trained in the institute, limited to the total Bond money as contained in the Bond executed at the time of admission.

2.8 That if the PG (**MD/MS/DNB**) student rendered as Non-Service Liability (NSL) due to reasons other than medical grounds (viz. indiscipline, failure to adhere to the stipulated code of conduct, violation of medical ethics

etc.) will be removed from the College Rolls and will be liable to pay the Bond Money as applicable to student and will not be allowed to continue further studies.

2.9 Civilian students (Priority-V candidates of AFMS institutions) found to be medically unfit in the pre-commission medical examination due to any disease/disability/pregnancy, will be reviewed by a medical board within six months of initial medical examination or within six months of delivery (in case of pregnancy) and if found fit, will be offered SSC. The candidate will report to his/ her parent teaching institute for such medical examination within six months of initial medical examination or within six months of delivery. If the candidate fails to report to his/her parent teaching institute for medical examination within the stipulated time or fails to join on being declared fit and offered SSC, he/she will be liable to pay the full Bond money. If after review he/she is found medically unfit for commission due to disease/ circumstances within their control like drug abuse, accidents and injury in brawl/fights he/she would be liable to pay full Bond money as contained in bond executed at the time of admission, whereas, if after review he/she is found medically unfit for commission due to disease/ circumstances beyond their control, but are not related to service/ training course he/she is undergoing, he/she would be liable to pay 50 % Bond money as contained in the bond executed at the time of admission. However, if the candidate is medically unfit due to disease/ circumstances beyond their control which are related to the service or training course, on which the decision of the DGAFMS would be final, in such cases the entire bond money may be waived off.

2.10 That if the PG (**MD/MS/DNB**) Student who on completion of the course wants to be released from service liability before completion of the Liability period, provided the same is accepted by the Government, will be liable to pay the amount of the Bond Money at a rate proportionate to each complete year or part thereof of unfulfilled liability, limited to the total Bond Money as contained in the Bond or the total amount as contained in the undertaking executed at the time of admission.

2.11 That if the PG (**MD/MS/DNB**) student leaves the institution and refuses to fulfill any of the Bond conditions, his/her original documents will not be handed over until he/she pays the surety Bond money as applicable and any other dues decided by the Commandant of the AFMS PG (**MD/MS/DNB**) institution.

3. The Terms and conditions mentioned in the agreement may get revised/amended as per the directions of Govt of India as far as related to payment of Bond money in default of honoring this agreement. The SURETY will be liable to agree to the same. In case of dispute, the decision of Govt of India will be final and binding on the Sureties or either.

4. In the event of noncompliance of the aforesaid clauses or failure on the part of Sureties to comply with the Bond, the sum due hereunder will be liable to be recovered as an arrear of Land Revenue.

5. Under no circumstances does the clauses mentioned under section 133 & 135 of the Indian Contract Act, 1872 or any other rule of law or equity as applicable on that behalf, any indulgence of forbearances shown by the Govt of India to the candidates whether with or without consent of the sureties or either shall not operate as discharge of the sureties' obligations under the said Bond.

6. NOW THE CONDITION OF THE OBLIGATION is such that the PG student after grant of **Short Service Commission** serves for a period of **five years** or cause to be paid to the Government the amount due to his/ her in contravention of the Bond agreement then this Bond shall be void, otherwise the same shall be and remain in full force.

Date

Signed and delivered by the said student

(Signature of Parent)

Name _____ (In capital letters)

(Signature of Surety)

Name _____ (In capital letters)

Designation.....

Office address.....

In presence of:-

Witness 1

Signature _____

Name (in capital letters) _____

Designation _____

Office address _____

In presence of: -

Witness 2

Signature _____

Name (in capital letters) _____

Designation _____

Office address _____

Signed by

Director & Commandant/

Dean & Deputy Commandant of AFMS institution

For and on behalf of the

President of India Office Seal

In the presence of: -

1.

2.

Note: No cutting/ overwriting/ change in the text of Bond will be acceptable.