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National Medical Commission
(Under Graduate Medical Education Board)

No.U-15021/1/2024-UGMEB (8264469) 21st July, 2025

ALERT NOTE

Subject: Advisory for Indian Students Seeking Admission to Foreign Institutes/Universities for Undergraduate Medical Courses

Reference is invited to the National Medical Commission's (NMC) Public Notices dated 8th August 2023 and 22nd November 2024, wherein Indian students aspiring to obtain medical qualifications from foreign institutions and subsequently seeking registration to practice allopathy in India, were advised to ensure strict compliance with the Foreign Medical Graduate Licentiate (FMGL) Regulations, 2021 notified on 18.11.2021.

Students were specifically cautioned that any deviation in the following areas may result in disqualification from obtaining registration in India:

i. Duration of the course
ii. Medium of instruction
iii. Syllabus and curriculum
iv. Clinical training
v. Internship or clerkship arrangements.

2. Despite these advisories, it has been observed that Indian students continue to seek admission to foreign medical institutions which do not meet the required standards prescribed under FMGL Regulations, 2021. Recently, communications received from the Indian Embassy in Mexico and the Eurasia Division of the Ministry of External Affairs have highlighted serious concerns against the medical institutions in respect of the following:

i. Lack of compliance with Indian medical education standards
ii. Inadequate or non-existent university campus infrastructure
iii. Poor quality of educational and clinical training facilities
iv. Instances of harassment of Indian students
v. Excessive fees being charged
vi. Denial of fee refunds upon withdrawal from the course

3. In light of the advisories issued by the Indian Embassy in Mexico and Ministry of External Affairs (Eurasia Division), students are hereby strictly advised to avoid seeking admission in the below-listed institutions:

i. **Central American Health and Sciences University**, Belize

ii. **Columbus Central University**, Belize

iii. **Washington University of Health and Sciences**, Belize

iv. **Chirchik Branch of Tashkent State Medical University**, Uzbekistan

4. Failure to follow this advisory may result in ineligibility for medical registration in India. Further, it is also advised that before seeking admission to any foreign medical institute or university, the prospective students and their parents are strongly advised to carefully read the Alert/Advisory uploaded on the National Medical Commission (NMC) website dated 19th May 2025. The advisory contains critical information regarding recognized institutions, eligibility criteria, and other important guidelines.

5. All those students who are governed by FMGL Regulation, 2021 and undergo their studies in such institutes/universities; are advised that they may face disqualification from registration in India, due to non-compliance with the FMGL Regulations, 2021. The students need to consider and immediately evaluate, if their current university meets FMGL Regulations, 2021. Stay in touch with NMC updates in the dedicated website, consult the Indian Embassy of the concerned country for updates on recognition or blacklisting of institutions and immediately take corrective measure since FMGL Regulations are applied at the time of screening/registration.

6. This issues with the approval of Secretary, NMC.

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National Medical Commission
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New Delhi, dated the 8th August , 2023

PUBLIC NOTICE

Subject :Advisory/alert for Indian students seeking admission in foreign Institutes/Universities for Undergraduate Medical Courses – reg.

National Medical Commission published Foreign Medical Graduate Licentiates (FMGL)Regulations '2021 in the official gazette of India vide notification dated 18.11.2021 wherein the terms of duration of the study, medium of instructions, syllabus, clinical training or internship/clerkship etc. are prescribed. These conditions are mandatory for registration to practice allopathy in India.

2. It has been observed that the Institutes or Universities abroad are following the curriculum, time frame and training imparted to the students are not in consonance with NMC regulations being followed in India. Therefore, all the students who are desirous to obtain the medical qualification from any foreign medical institutions or universities and thereafter practice allopathy in India, are hereby advised to ensure that all conditions prescribed in FMGL are fulfilled before taking admission.

3. Any variation in duration, medium of instructions, syllabus, clinical training or internship/clerkship may lead to disqualification in grant of registration in India. In case of disqualification, the sole responsibility shall lie upon the candidate only.

This issues with the approval of President, UGMEB.

8/8/2023

(Shambhu Sharan Kumar)
Director, UGMEB

No.U-14021/01/2024-UGMEB
Government of India
National Medical Commission
(Under Graduate Medical Education Board)

Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav

New Delhi, dated the th November, 2024

PUBLIC NOTICE

Subject: Advisory/alert for Indian students seeking admission in foreign institutes/Universities for Undergraduate Medical Courses - reg.

Reference is invited to Public Notice of even number dated 08.08.2023 on the above cited subject. It has come to the notice of this Commission that in spite of Advisory and Alert issued by NMC, several Indian students are seeking admission to private medical colleges abroad which do not adhere to regulations laid by National Medical Commission and the Institutes or Universities abroad are following the curriculum, time frame and training imparted to the students are not in consonance with NMC regulations being followed in India. It has also come to the notice of this Commission that many students still taking admissions to such Institutes/Universities.

2. National Medical Commission published Foreign Medical Graduate Licentiates (FMGL) Regulations, 2021 in the official gazette of India vide notification dated 18.11.2021 wherein the terms of duration of the study, medium of instructions, syllabus, clinical training or internship/clerkship etc. are prescribed. These conditions are mandatory for registration to practice allopathy in India.

3. In view of the above, all the students who are desirous to obtain the medical qualification from any foreign medical institutions or universities and thereafter practice allopathy in India, are hereby again advised to ensure that all conditions prescribed in FMGL are

fulfilled before taking admission.

4. Any variation in duration, medium of instructions, syllabus, clinical training or internship/clerkship may lead to disqualification in grant of registration in India. In case of disqualification, the sole responsibility shall lie upon the candidate only.

5. This issues with the approval of Competent Authority, UGMEB.

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Date: 19-05-2025

ADVISORY

Subject: Alert regarding unauthorised medical colleges and off-shore medical programs- regarding.

Reference is invited to Advisory no. U-14021/UGMEB-2025/ dated 19-05-2025 (enclosed) to alert all concerned stakeholders against unauthorized medical colleges operating in the country without requisite approvals from NMC and misleading students and parents by claiming recognition and offering admissions in medical courses that are not legally sanctioned. The advisory lists some important points that need to be kept in mind while taking admission in a medical course in India & the rules to be followed by the students who intend to pursue medical education in foreign countries. All concerned stakeholders are requested to kindly take note of the same.

Encl.: As above

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To,

Medical Aspirants/Students, Parents and other stakeholders

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U-14021/UGMEB-2025/

Date: 19th May, 2025

ADVISORY

SUBJECT: ALERT REGARDING UNAUTHORISED MEDICAL COLLEGES AND OFF-SHORE MEDICAL PROGRAMS- Reg

The National Medical Commission (NMC) has observed few instances of unauthorized medical colleges operating in the country, without requisite approvals. These institutions are misleading students and parents by claiming recognition and offering admissions in medical courses that are not legally sanctioned.

The important points that need to be kept in mind while taking admission in a medical course are:

1. NMC APPROVAL IS MANDATORY

Only the medical colleges listed on the official NMC website (https://www.nmc.org.in/information-desk/college-and-course-search/) are legally permitted to offer MBBS and other medical degree programs in India. Institutions not appearing in the NMC's official list are **unauthorised** and are operating in **violation of NMC regulations.** The Commission ensures to update the list on regular basis.

2. INSTITUTIONS UNDER SCRUTINY

a. Singhania University, Rajasthan

The university has come under legal scrutiny for allegedly offering MBBS courses without NMC recognition. The issue is under challenge in a matter titled "Ranjana Jangra and ors v State of Rajasthan and ors, SBCWP NO 7682/2022, which is currently under adjudication before the Hon'ble Rajasthan High Court.

It is important to note that the former Board of Governors, through public notices dated 30.10.2019 and 03.08.2020, sought to alert the General Public about fraudulent practices by **Singhania University**, which invited applications for the MBBS course without obtaining the necessary permission or recognition from the Board.

Subsequently, the National Medical Commission (NMC), through a public

notice dated 28.10.2022, reiterated this warning and advised the public to verify the status of any medical college on the NMC website before seeking admission.

b. **Sanjiban Hospital and Medical College, Howrah, West Bengal**

The NMC has come to know about this institution running a medical course without authorisation from the Commission. Legal action against said college is being taken.

3. RULES TO BE FOLLOWED FOR THE STUDENTS WHO INTEND TO PURSUE MEDICAL EDUCATION IN FOREIGN COUNTRIES:

The NMC's Foreign Medical Graduate Licentiate (FMGL) Regulations, 2021, clearly define the standards for foreign medical education to become eligible to practise medicine in India.

Key Requirements:

a. Minimum 54 months of education in a single institution.
b. 12-month internship to be completed *at the same foreign university.*
c. Clinical training must not be done in parts or across different countries.
d. Medium of instruction must be English.
e. Studied the mandatory subjects specified in the Schedule-I.
f. Registered with the respective professional regulatory body or otherwise, competent to grant license to practise medicine in their respective jurisdiction of the country in which the medical degree is awarded and at par with the license to practise medicine given to citizen of that country.

It is firmly advised that for detailed requirements, Schedule I of **the Foreign Medical Graduate Licentiate Regulation, 2021 (FMGL Regulation 2021)** shall be complied with, to apply for a licence or permanent registration to practise in India.

Further, no Foreign Medical Graduate shall be granted permanent registration, unless he/she has undergone supervised internship in India for a minimum term of twelve months, after applying for the same to the Commission. Foreign Medical Graduates who fail to comply with these regulations may lead to disqualification for registration to practice medicine in India.

4. RISK OF DISQUALIFICATION

Students graduating from non-compliant institutions will be held **ineligible for licensing exams i.e. FMGE** in India. The onus of this disqualification lies solely with the student, as per the regulations of the Commission.

5. HOW TO VERIFY THE LEGITIMACY OF A MEDICAL INSTITUTION

a. Visit the NMC official website and check the list of recognised medical colleges in India.
b. Contact NMC directly for verification, especially if you're presented with recognition letters or direct admission offers.
c. Do not rely on college websites or advertisements alone.

d. The NMC **does not conduct direct admissions** to any medical college.

6. **IMPORTANT ADVICE FOR STUDENTS AND PARENTS**

a. **DO NOT FALL FOR FAKE OFFERS:** No college can guarantee admission outside of official channels, i.e., NEET Examination
b. **VERIFY BEFORE YOU PAY:** Confirm approvals before making any payments or committing to a program.
c. **REPORT SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY:** If you know any institution illegally offering medical admissions, report them to NMC.

7. **CONTACT THE NMC**

In case of any query regarding the recognition status of the institution, parents/students/stakeholders are requested to reach out on the following contact details:

Phone: +91-11-25367033

Website: www.nmc.org.in

8. The medical aspirants and their families are strongly advised to stay **vigilant, as the same** is essential to protect oneself and the integrity of the Indian medical education system.

9. This issues with the approval of Secretary, NMC.

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