

Medical Council of India New Delhi

Minutes of the meeting of the Board of Governors dated 23.7.2013

The 21st Meeting of the Board of Governors was held on 23rd July, 2013, at 1.00 P.M. in the Council office at Sector-8, Pocket-14, Dwarka, New Delhi-110077. The following members of the Board of Governors attended the meeting :-

- 1) Dr. R.K. Srivastava, Chairman, BOG; - In Chair
- 2) Dr. K. Mohandas, Member, BOG;
- 3) Dr. Raja Babu Panwar, Member, BOG;
- 4) Dr. A.K. Bardhan, Member, BOG;
- 5) Dr. Manoj K. Singh, Member, BOG;
- 6) Dr. Brijendra Kumar Rao, Member, BOG
and Dr. P. Prasannanaraj, Additional Secretary, MCI.

Leave of absence was granted to Dr. K. S.Sharma, Member, BOG.

2. The following items, as per Agenda circulated, were considered by the Board of Governors and decision taken thereon as under :

2.1 **Supreme Court Judgment on NEET** : The contents of the Hon'ble Supreme Court's Judgment on NEET was explained. After detailed discussion, the BOGs have come to the conclusion that NEET is the only solution for the present multitude of examinations as also for maintenance of merit based admissions in medical education. Further, the NEET is also considered very much essential from the point of view of overcoming the menace of capitation

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related corrupt practices in the process of admission to both at the Undergraduate and PG Courses. In order to maintain the Minimum Standard of Medical Education and evolve a more transparent mechanism for admissions into medical profession at various levels, the Board of Governors unanimously decided to request the Central Government, Ministry of Health & Family Welfare, to take all necessary steps, on priority basis, for ensuring that NEET is implemented in the country.

2.2 Pending Court Cases : As regards cases pending in various Hon'ble High Courts & Hon'ble Supreme Court, the status position in relation to grant of permission u/s 10A for the Academic Year 2013-14 for UG & PG Courses was explained by the Law Officer.

2.3 Proposal of Public Health Foundation for holding Pre-Conference Workshop during the International Conference on Public Health priorities in the 21st Century: The Endgame for Tobacco : After detailed discussion it was noted that this being a national level programme, MCI should participate. It was unanimously decided by the BOGs that necessary approval letter to be sent to the Organizers of the Conference.

2.4 Notification regarding enhancement of seats in Undergraduate Course Regulation 2013 : The Board of Governors took stock of the applications received for enhancement of seats following issue of the Notification. 26th July, 2013, being the last date, it was decided that complete applications from the Government Medical Colleges, received be processed and placed before the BOGs on 30.7.2013 for decision and rest of the applications received be returned with fee as per Regulation.

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2.5 **Status of Smart Card Project for monitoring of faculty strength/regularity in Medical Colleges :** After discussion, it was unanimously decided to refer the matter for an in-depth study by the Consultant(IT).

2.6 **CBI Cases concerning Medical Colleges :** The Board of Governors noted the status position presented by the Deputy Secretary (UG) and for status of CBI cases concerning PG Courses, the concerned Deputy Secretary was advised to present the position in the next meeting of the Board of Governors.

2.7 **Stopping of dissection in medical education – reference from Mrs. Maneka Gandhi, MP :** After detailed discussion, the Board of Governors approved carrying out modification -

- (i) to the Establishment of Medical College Regulation, 1999, in 3. FORM AND PROCEDURE, clause part II(8) Building programme (g), under the heading “Animal House” thereof, as under :

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and

- (ii) to the Minimum Requirement for 50/100/150/200/250 MBBS Admissions Annually Regulations, 1999, in clause A.1.9 under the heading “Animal House” thereof, as under :

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2.8 Secretary, MoH&FW’s DO Letter for making provisions in the Regulations for admission into Central pool of UG & PG medical seats allotted to Ministry of External affairs for fulfillment of bilateral commitments of Govt. of India with friendly foreign nations and for wards of Indian staff posted abroad : The matter regarding exemption of some “Central Pool Seats” from NEET was discussed. In the light of justifications given in various letters received from MoH&FW and the latest being the DO letter dated 24.7.2013 from JS(MoH&FW) and that the NEET now stands quashed by the Order of Hon’ble Supreme Court, it was unanimously decided by the Board of Governors that for the MBBS Seats, during the Academic Year 2013-14, meant for wards of Indian Missions staff as provided in the list under MEA (4 Seats), can be filled based on the merit, provided their children have studied and passed 10+2 exam abroad.

2.9 Secretary, MoH&FW’s DO Letter regarding consideration of proposal to introduce single exit exam for students passing final MBBS : After detailed discussion, the Board of Governors have unanimously accepted the need to have an exit examination at the national level in order to further improve the quality of medical education . It was brought to the notice of BOGs that a comprehensive report in this matter had been prepared by a team of experts comprising Dr. Ranjit Rai Chowdhury ,and Dr. R.K. Srivastava (former DGHS). It was decided that a copy of the said report be obtained and placed before the BOGs for detailed discussion.

2.10 Delay in getting Registration Certificate from MCI : Deferred

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2.11 **Decision regarding communication to be sent to MoH&FW regarding Mangalore University/Manipal Academy of Higher Education (Deemed University) – Restoration of seats & Recognition of DM(Neurology) in respect of students being trained at Kasturba Medical College, Manipal :** The Board of Governors approved the Course for recognition with effect from 1995 when the first batch took examination. However, it was noted by the BOGs that the Course started in 1992 and that despite many inspections having been carried out, only in 2012 the MCI had recommended to the Central Government for recognition of Course in respect of the batch admitted on or after 2009. The BOGs felt that there has been a long delay in the matter of grant of recognition and it was unanimously decided to conduct an inquiry into this delay aspect.

2.12 **Decision regarding communication to be sent to MoH&FW regarding Mangalore University/Manipal Academy of Higher Education (Deemed University) – Restoration of seats & Recognition of DM(Neuro Surgery) in respect of students being trained at Kasturba Medical College, Manipal :** The Board of Governors approved the Course for recognition with effect from 1995 when the first batch took examination. However, it was noted by the BOGs that the Course started in 1992 and that despite many inspections having been carried out, only in 2012 the MCI had recommended to the Central Government for recognition of Course in respect of the batch admitted on or after 2009. The BOGs felt that there has been a long delay in the matter of grant of recognition and it was unanimously decided to conduct an inquiry into this delay aspect.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the Chair.

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