

**BOARD OF GOVERNORS
IN SUPERSESSION OF MEDICAL COUNCIL OF INDIA
SECTOR-8, POCKET-14, DWARKA PHASE-1, NEW DELHI-110077**

MINUTES

The Thirteenth meeting of the Board of Governors was held on 25th February, 2019 (Monday) 5.30 p.m. onward at ICMR, Ansari Nagar, New Delhi

The following members of the Board of Governors were present:-

Dr. V. K. Paul	-	Chairman
Dr. Randeep Guleria	-	Member
Dr. Nikhil Tandon	-	Member
Dr. B N Gangadhar	-	Member
Dr. S Venkatesh	-	Member
Dr. Balram Bhargava	-	Member

Leave of absence was received from Dr. Jagat Ram, Member, BoGs.

Dr. R.K. Vats, Secretary General, BoGs– MCI alongwith Prof.(Dr.) Siddarth Ramji, OSD/Sr.Adviser to BoGs also attended the meeting.

The Chair welcomed the members.

Following is the summary of proceedings and decisions of the meeting:

1. Confirmation of minutes of the 12th meeting of the Board of Governors held on 11.02.2019.

The Board of Governors noted that the minutes were circulated for approval on 11.02.2019 The BoG approved / confirmed the minutes.

2. Administrative matters of MCI for information of BoG.

- **Resignation of Dr. Sanjay Shrivastava, Former Secretary General, BoG, MCI dated 13.02.2019**

BoG was informed of the resignation of Dr. Sanjay Shrivastava from the post of Secretary General, Board of Governors in supersession of MCI w.e.f. 13.02.2019 and the same has been forwarded to Secretary (Health), Govt. of India, MOHFW, New Delhi for its acceptance. The BoG appreciated his contribution to MCI as Secretary General, BoG, MCI.

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- **Appointment of Secretary General, BoG, MCI**

BoG was informed that subsequent to resignation of Dr. Sanjay Shrivastava w.e.f. 13.02.2019, to ensure the work of Council/Board of Governors smoothly, Dr. Siddarth Ramji was functioning as Acting Secretary General with effect from 19.02.2019 to 22.02.2019 when Dr. R.K. Vats, IAS, Additional Secretary in Ministry of Health & FW assumed charge as Secretary General of Medical Council of India in addition to his normal duties consequent upon his appointment by the Appointments Committee of Cabinet.

- **Joining of Ms. Anita Tripathi, Deputy Secretary, Govt. of India to MCI w.e.f. 20.02.2019**

BoG noted that Ms. Anita Tripathi, Deputy Secretary had joined on 20.02.2019.

- The BoG noted the appointment of Dr. Dinesh Arora, IAS by Appointments Committee of Cabinet to assist Secretary General, Medical Council of India in addition to his normal duties.

3. **Approval of the minutes of the Postgraduate Monitoring Sub-Committee meeting held on 12.09.2018.**

The BoG ratified the decision of the Expert Group which was approved by the BoG Member Incharge PG regarding the minutes of the Postgraduate Monitoring Sub-Committee meeting held on 12.09.2018.

4. **GMCT- academic Recognition of DMRT Course- Retrospective request- regarding.**

The BoG considered the request dated 17.01.2019 received from Principal, Govt. Medical College, Thiruvanthapuram alongwith Court Order dated 24.10.2018 issued by Hon'ble High Court of Kerala, Ernakulam.

Decision:

The Board of Governors decided to accord approval for retrospective recognition of DMRT course from 1978 upto 2016.

5. **Consideration of the minutes of the PG Expert Group with regard to starting/increase of seats/recognition/renewal of recognition of postgraduate courses.**

The BoG ratified the recommendations of the PG Expert Group with regard to starting/increase of seats/recognition/renewal of recognition of postgraduate courses till 20.02.2019.

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Number of cases under 11(2) $\Rightarrow$ 106+28 = 134
Number of cases under 10(A) $\Rightarrow$ 11+09 = 20

6. **Consideration of proposal for amendment to draft notification relating to reservation for persons with disability in Postgraduate Medical Education Regulations, 2000.**

The BoG considered amendment to draft notification relating to reservation for persons with disability in Postgraduate Medical Education Regulations, 2000 as per the draft regulation.

The BoG also considered the letter from Dr. Sanjay Wadhwa, Member Expert Group for Physical Disability and also the opinion of Prof. Randeep Guleria, BoG Member and Chairman of Expert Group.

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Decision:

- (1) The Board of Governors decided to approve the insertion of the following note in the Guidelines for admitting students with specified disability:-

"Persons with more than 80% disability may be considered subject to their functional competency determination with the aid of assistive devices. If disability is brought down to the level of 80% or less with assistive devices then such person shall be allowed and shall be eligible for seats reserved for Persons with Disability."

- (2) The BoG also decided to have a workshop for the identified institutions for issue of disability certificate so as to ensure application of uniform criteria as per the proposed amendment in the notification.
- (3) The BoG also decided that a Committee should look into the eligibility for the specific PG courses that students with varying types and degrees of disability could pursue.

The minutes of the meeting were read and approved/confirmed in the meeting itself.

7. **Conversion of diploma to degree courses**

The BoG was informed that the recommendations of the Expert Group on conversion of diploma to postgraduate degree courses was nearly complete. The BoG opined that only those de-notified courses should be considered for conversion which do not have imposition of 8(3)(1)(c) for MBBS, have not been disapproved under section 10(A) or Section 11(2) and have submitted the required information with regard

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to the present faculty status as requested by the Council to all the concerned colleges. This task should be completed before the dead line of 28.02.2019 so as to ensure that the converted seat matrix can be communicated to the DGHS and the concerned college and State authorities.

8. Maharashtra University of Health Sciences, Nashik – Recognition of MS(General Surgery) qualification for 2 seats in respect of students being trained at Govt. Medical College, Latur.

The BoG considered the representation dated 20.02.2019 with regard to recognition of MS(General Surgery) in respect of students being trained at Govt. Medical College, Latur from retrospective dates i.e. 2014 instead of 2016.

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Decision:

The BoG decided to accord approval for recognition of MS (General Surgery) in respect of students being trained at Govt. Medical College, Latur from retrospective dates of 2014.

9. Consideration of proposal for amendment to notification dated 5.2.2019 relating to reservation for persons with disability in Regulations on Graduate Medical Education, 1997 in context of Ministry's letter dated 14.02.2019.

The BoG considered draft amendment to the Regulation on Graduate Medical Education, 1997.

The BoG also considered the letter from Dr. Sanjay Wadhwa, Member Expert Group for Physical Disability and also the opinion of Prof. Randeep Guleria, BoG Member and Chairman of Expert Group.

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The minutes of the meeting were read and approved/confirmed in the meeting itself.

10. Consideration of recommendations of the BoG Member Incharge (UG) in respect of UG cases for ratification by the Board of Governors.

The BoG ratified the recommendations of the UG Expert Group and recommended by BoG Member Incharge (UG). (21 cases)

11. Consideration of minutes of the Hearing Committee with regard to hearing granted to college authorities on 08.01.2019 and 16.01.2019

The BoG ratified the recommendations of the Hearing Committee (31 cases)

12. Recognition/Approval of ICARE Institute of Medical Sciences & Research, Haldia, West Bengal for the award of MBBS degree (100 seats) granted by The West Bengal University of Health Sciences, Kolkata u/s 11(2) of the IMC Act, 1956 for the batch admitted in the academic year 2013-2014 - Regarding

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Decision:

The matter was deferred with directions that the same may be put up after complete review of all previous inspections.

13. Grant permission to Hi-Tech Medical College, Rourkela to admit discharged 2015-16 batch students to the college in 2019-20 – Reg.

The BoG considered the matter with regard to Grant permission to Hi-Tech Medical College, Rourkela to admit discharged 2015-16 batch students to the college in 2019-20.

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The BoG also considered the letter from the Under Secretary, MoHFW dated 25.02.2019

Decision:

The BoG decided to concur with the suggestions of the Ministry of Health & F.W., that if Hi Tech Medical College, Rourkela qualifies for the Academic Year 2019-20 after the issue of approval of the competent authority, the college may be allowed to adjust those students from 2015-16 batch who have qualified NEET UG in any year upto 2019 and these seats will not be offered for common counseling and the remaining seats could be offered through common counseling by the State Government. This is subject to the prior approval of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India.

14. Consideration of proposal for setting up of a medical college on Private-Private Partnership.

The BoG considered the concept note for allowing Private-Private Partnership for setting up of medical colleges. It was decided to process the proposal as presented for further action.

15. Consideration for amendment in eligibility criteria regarding publications for faculty promotion.

The BoG considered the concept note for amendment in eligibility criteria regards publications for faculty promotions. It was decided to process the proposal as presented for further action.

16. Consideration for amendment in TEQ to allow individuals with degree in clinical specialities to teach in pre- and para- clinical subjects in circumstances where persons with prescribed qualifications are not available.

The BoG considered the concept note. It was decided to process the proposal as presented for further action.

17. Revising the cut off score for NEET (PG)

The BoG considered the minutes of the meeting held on 21.02.2019 under the Chairmanship of Dr. Nikhil Tandon, BoG Member.

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Decision:

The BoG decided to approve the recommendations of the Committee.

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“....In view of the already existing regulatory provision for lowering the minimum marks required if sufficient number of candidates in respective categories failed to secure minimum marks as prescribed in the NEET test for PG courses, the outcome of the first and second round of counseling (both AIQ & State Quota) for the Academic Year 2019-20 should be reviewed to decide the need for lowering the minimum marks.”

The minutes of the meeting were read and approved/confirmed in the meeting itself.

18. Recommendations for increasing 10% seats under EWS

The BoG considered the recommendations of the Sub Committee constituted to examine the issue of 10% increase for EWS separately for the Undergraduate and postgraduates.

In order to implement the 10% increase in EWS quota seats, there has to be an overall increase of 25% seats to ensure that the current number of unreserved seats do not decrease. Thus, college with 50 MBBS seats would have to increase to 62, 100 to 125, 150 to 187, 200 to 250 and 250 to 312. Since there are no Regulations for beyond 250 MBBS seats, we would have to make appropriate Regulations for the same.

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Decision:

- (1) The BoG decided to recommend to the Government to defer the increase in PG seats under quota from the AY 2019-20 to 2020-21.
- (2) The BoG decided to recommend to the Government to consider increase in EWS seats for UG for the AY 2019-20 in colleges with intake of less than 250 and is recognized for their current intake. The rest may be deferred to the AY 2020-21.

19. Grant of Registration of Certificate of completion of Training (CCT) in different branches u/s 26 of the IMC Act, 1956 in terms of notification dated 07/03/2008 issued by the Govt. of India, Ministry of Health & F.W.

The BoG considered in above matter.

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Decision:

The BoG decided to seek clarification from the General Medical Council, UK regards the details of this training before a final decision.

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20. **Revised Guidelines for availing CCL vide notification dated 11.12.2018**

The BoG considered the above notification.

The notification was read and approved.

21. **Regarding grant of Financial upgradation to the officials (8 Peons & 1 Electrician) of the Council under MACP Scheme.**

The BoG considered the minutes/recommendations of the Screening Committee meeting held on 01.02.2019 for grant of financial upgradation to the officials (8 peons and 1 Electrician) under MACP scheme.

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Decision recorded in the concerned file

The minutes/recommendations of the meeting were read and approved/confirmed in the meeting itself.

22. **Grant of financial up-gradation of Sh. Anupam Dhua, Computer Programmer under MACP Scheme – regarding.**

The BoG considered the matter of grant of financial upgradation to Shri Anupam Dhua, Computer Programmer w.e.f. 29.09.2014.

The decision was recorded in the concerned file.

23. **Review of Suspension of Dr. Davinder Kumar, Joint Secretary (u/s)**

The BoG considered the recommendations of the Suspension review committee w.r.t. Dr. Davinder Kumar, JS.

Decsion recorded in the concerned file.

24. **Review of Suspension of Dr. Anshu Sethi Bajaj, Deputy Secretary (u/s).**

The BoG considered the recommendations of the Suspension review committee w.r.t. Dr. Anshu Sethi Bajaj, DS.

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25. **Approval of the proceedings of the Ethics Committee meeting held on 16th November, 2018, 5th December, 2018 and 21st December, 2018.**

The Board of Governors considered the proceedings of the Ethics Committee meeting held on 16th November, 2018, 5th December, 2018 and 21st December, 2018.

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The BoG approved the above-mentioned minutes of Ethics committee.

26. **Constitution of Departmental Promotion Committee for considering filling up the post(s) of Assistant Secretary in MCI.**

The BoG approved a DPC of three BoG members – Dr. BN Gangadhar and Dr. S. Venkatesh under the chairmanship of Dr. V.K. Paul.

27. **Consideration of the minutes of Hearing Committee granted to college authorities on 23.02.2019 in respect of PG cases for ratification by the Board of Governors.**

The BoG considered and ratified the minutes of Hearing Committee granted to college authorities on 23.02.2019 in respect of PG cases.

28. **Amendment in Establishment of Medical College Regulations(Amendment), 2019 (Combined amendment)**

The BoG considered and approved the amendment in Establishment of Medical College Regulations (Amendment), 2019 at its meeting on 30.1.2019. Consequent to that there were minor corrections which were made and incorporated.

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Decision:

The BoG approved the corrections to the above amendment

29. **Assessment of F.H. Medical College, Agra, U.P. for permission for the the academic year 2019-2020 and compliance verification assessment to verify the compliance submitted by the college through the Central Govt. letter dated 05.12.2017 – Regarding.**

The BoG considered the matter with regard to assessments of FH Medical College, Agra, UP dated 20.02.2019 and 20/21 Feb.2019.

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Decision.

The BoG decided to grant permission for admission for the AY 2019-20 but the recognition of the college would be considered at the time of the final examination.

30. Regarding Extension of engagements of various Consultants appointed on contract basis in the Council Office.

The BoG considered the extension of the following consultants engaged by the Council – Dr. Rajalaxmi, Dr. Chandana Das and Dr. Rani Kumar. It was decided to extend their contracts for a period of three months.

The minutes of the meeting were read and approved/confirmed in the meeting itself.

31. Any other item with the permission of the Chair.

The BoG was informed that Dr. Rajendra Wable, Joint Secretary was to have been relieved on 26.2.2019. But in view of the current PG work, he had been requested to delay his relieving by 4-6 weeks, to which he had consented. Therefore, the BoG decided to extend his date of relieving to 30.4.2019 with directions to inform his joining institution accordingly.

The minutes of the meeting were read and approved/confirmed in the meeting itself.

The meeting ended with vote of thanks to the Chair.

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