



No.Z/1/2024-PGMEB-NMC-Part(7)
Government of India
National Medical Commission
Post Graduate Medical Education Board
(PGMEB)



Pocket- 14, Sector- 8,
 Dwarka, Phase-1, New Delhi-77

Dated: August, 2026

PUBLIC NOTICE

Subject: Compliance with the directions of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in *Amit Kumar & Others vs. Union of India & Others* regarding reporting of student suicides/unnatural deaths, filling of faculty and administrative vacancies, maintenance of institutional records, and submission of updated information – reg.

In compliance with the aforesaid directions, the National Medical Commission had earlier issued a Public Notice dated 09.03.2026. Particular attention is invited to Paragraphs 45(iv), 45(vi) and 45(vii) of the Hon'ble Supreme Court's aforesaid Order. Accordingly, Annexure-A to the said Public Notice specifically prescribes reporting requirements as under:

- **Part B: Data Collection – Student Suicides/Unnatural Deaths**, and
- **Part D: Faculty and Administrative Positions**,

requiring Medical Institutions to maintain and periodically furnish updated information relating to student suicides/unnatural deaths, sanctioned and filled faculty positions, vacancies, recruitment status, and key administrative positions.

2. Further, the Ministry of Education, Department of Higher Education, vide its Office Memorandum No. 5-21/2026-PN.II dated 15.06.2026 and subsequent letter No. 5-21/2025-PN. II dated 30.07.2026 (copies enclosed), has requested all Regulatory Bodies to ensure strict compliance with the directions of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India. The Ministry has also requested that institutions maintain updated records and relevant data, as the matter is presently sub-judice before the Hon'ble Supreme Court, and an Action Taken Report (ATR) on compliance may be sought by the Hon'ble Court at any stage.

3. In view of the above and keeping in mind the binding directions of the Hon'ble Supreme Court, all Medical Colleges and Medical Institutions under the purview of the National Medical Commission are hereby *advised to take immediate and time-bound action to:*

- a. **Take necessary & time-bound steps for filling up vacant teaching, non-teaching and key administrative posts**, as per applicable rules, in

accordance with the directions of the Hon'ble Supreme Court.

- b. **Maintain updated records** relating to sanctioned strength, filled posts, vacancies, reserved-category vacancies, recruitment status, reasons for non-filling, and timelines for filling vacant posts;
 - c. **Maintain updated records of all cases of student suicides or unnatural deaths** and ensure timely reporting to the National Medical Commission
4. **Submit an Action Taken Report (ATR), duly certified by the Head of the Institution**, in the enclosed Reporting Format to the National Medical Commission at ***antiragging@nmc.org.in*** by the end of every month.
5. The information received from the institutions will be consolidated by the National Medical Commission for monitoring compliance with the directions of the Hon'ble Supreme Court and for submission to the Ministry of Education, Government of India, as and when required.
6. The matter may be treated as **MOST URGENT** and accorded **top priority**.

Dr. Raghav Langer
Secretary

National Medical Commission

Encl.: Reporting Format.

1. All Deans/Directors/Principals of Medical Colleges and Medical Institutions under the National Medical Commission.
2. All Directors of Medical Education (DMEs), States/UTs.
3. All Principal Secretaries (Health/Medical Education), Government of States/UT.

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Dr.Raghav Langer
Date: 23-08-2026
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REPORTING FORMAT

Reporting Format for Compliance with the Directions of the Hon'ble Supreme Court Orders dated 15.01.2026 and 27.05.2026 in Criminal Appeal No. 1425/2025 @ SLP (Crl) No. 13324/2024, titled Amit Kumar & Ors. Vs Union of India & Ors.

Reporting Period: _____

Name of Medical College/Institution: _____

State/UT: _____

Type of Institution:

☐ Government ☐ Government Society ☐ Autonomous ☐ Private ☐ Deemed University ☐ Others (Please specify)

Address: _____

Dean/Director/Principal: _____

Mobile: _____

Email: _____

PART-I Student Suicides / Unnatural Deaths

(As per Para 45(iv) of the Hon'ble Supreme Court Order)

S. No	Particulars	Information
1	Whether any student suicide/unnatural death occurred during the reporting period	Yes / No
2	If Yes, Number of cases	
3	Name of student (Initials only)	
4	Course & Year	
5	Date of Incident	
6	Place of occurrence (Hostel/Campus/Outside Campus). If outside –Occurrence Place	
7	Whether Police informed	Yes / No
8	Whether FIR registered	Yes / No
9	Whether Institutional Inquiry Committee constituted	Yes / No
10	Present status of inquiry	
11	Corrective and preventive measures initiated	

(Separate sheet may be attached for multiple cases.)

Part-II

a. Faculty Position

(As per Para 45(vi) of the Hon'ble Supreme Court Order)

Departments	Sanction Posts (Professor/Associate professor/Assistant Professor)	Minimum Post as per PGMSR	Current Status	Vacant Posts
1				
2				
3				
4				
5				
6				
7				
8				
9				
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Part-II,

b. Non-Teaching Staff Position

(As per Para 45(vi) of the Hon'ble Supreme Court Order)

Department	Sanction Posts	Current Status	Vacant Posts

PART-II Key Administrative Positions

c.Key Administrative Positions

(As per Para 45(vii)) of the Hon'ble Supreme Court Order)

Posts	Filled	Vacant date	Vacant recruitment initiated
Dean/Director/Principal			
Medical Superintendent			
Vice-Principal			
Vice Chancellor			

Registrar			
Hostel Wardens			
Counsellors			

PART–III Challenges Faced

Please indicate major challenges, if any:

PART–IV Institutional Action Plan

Brief Action Plan for **45(iv), 45(vi) and 45(vii)**

It is certified that:

1. The information furnished above is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.
2. The institution has complied with the directions issued by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India and the National Medical Commission.
3. Updated records relating to faculty vacancies and institutional support mechanisms are being maintained by the institution.

Signature of Dean/Director/Principal

No. 5-21/2026-PN.II
Government of India
Ministry of Education
Department of Higher Education
(PN.II Section)

Kartavya Bhawan-II, New Delhi

Dated: 15th June, 2026

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject:- Compliance of Hon'ble Supreme Court's Orders dated 15.01.2026 and 27.05.2026 - National Task Force constituted pursuant to Supreme Court Judgment in Criminal Appeal No. 1425/2025 @ SLP (Crl) No. 13324/2024 titled *Amit Kumar & Ors Vs. Union of India & Ors* - reg.

Reference is invited to the constitution of the National Task Force by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India, vide its order dated 24.03.2025 to discuss and deliberate the issues related to mental health concerns among students, prevention of commission of the suicides in educational institutions and recommend preventive measures.

2. Pursuant to extensive consultations with various stakeholders, the National Task Force has submitted its Interim Report to the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India. The Interim Report has also been made available at NTF Portal [https:// ntf.education.gov.in](https://ntf.education.gov.in).

3. In view of the large volume of stakeholder inputs received, the ongoing analysis of survey responses, consolidation of recommendations, and preparation of Standard Operating Procedures (SoPs), the Hon'ble Supreme Court, vide its Order dated 27.05.2026 (copy enclosed) **has granted an extension of four months, i.e., up to 31.10.2026**, for completion of the assigned tasks. Accordingly, all concerned are requested to extend necessary cooperation, support and assistance to the National Task Force and its members, as and when required, to facilitate timely completion of its mandate.

4. Attention is also invited to the Order dated 15.01.2026 of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India, whereby several directions were issued for compliance by Higher Educational Institutions. **These, inter alia, include expeditious filling up of vacant positions of Vice-Chancellors, Registrars and other key academic and administrative functionaries, as well as teaching and non-teaching faculty positions, within the stipulated timeframe, with due priority accorded to posts reserved for candidates belonging to marginalized and underrepresented communities, including Persons with Disabilities (PwDs).** A copy of the said Order is also enclosed for strict compliance.

5. As the matter is scheduled to be listed before the Hon'ble Supreme Court on 24.07.2026, all concerned institutions are requested to accord utmost priority to the implementation of the aforesaid directions and ensure timely compliance.

Encl: As Above.



(Rina Sonowal Kouli)

Joint Secretary to the Government of India

To,

1. All VCs/Directors of Centrally Funded Higher Education Institutions under MoE
2. All Higher Education Institutions through UGC

3. All Technical Institutions through AICTE
4. All Higher Education Institutions including INIs through respective Ministries/Departments
5. All Secretaries of Union Ministries of Government of India
6. All Chief Secretaries / Additional Chief Secretaries / Principal Secretaries of Higher & Technical Education of States / UTs
7. Nominated Nodal Officers from States/UTs
8. Secretary, National Medical Commission
9. Chairman, Pharmacy Council of India
10. Chairman, Dental Council of India
11. Chairman, Indian Nursing Council
12. Chairman, Bar Council of India
13. Vice Chairman, NITI Aayog
14. Chairman, National Council for Teacher Education

Copy to, with a request to circulate the information to all Educational Institutions / Organisations / Bodies under their control and publicise it on the respective websites of their Ministry/Department:-

1. Secretary, M/o Home Affairs
2. Secretary, Department of School Education & Literacy, M/o Education
3. Secretary, Department of Social Justice & Empowerment, M/o Social Justice & Empowerment
4. Secretary, Ministry of Women and Child Development, Government of India
5. Secretary, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare
6. Secretary, Department of Legal Affairs, Ministry of Law and Justice
7. Vice Chancellor, NIEPA
8. All Bureau Heads, Department of Higher Education – with a request to ensure wide dissemination among concerned institutions for compliance.
9. CMIS/NIC – for uploading this OM on Ministry's website, NTF's website and e-Office.

Copy for Information to:

1. PS to Hon'ble Education Minister
2. PS to Hon'ble MoS for Higher Education
3. PPS to Secretary (Higher Education)
4. PPS to Joint Secretary (Higher Education)
5. Guard File – PN.II Section

No. 5-21/2025-PN.II
Government of India
Ministry of Education
Department of Higher Education
(PN.II Section)

Room No. 21092, Kartavya Bhawan-2
New Delhi, Dated 30th July, 2026

To

Heads of Regulatory Bodies
(As per list attached)

Subject: - Compliance of Hon'ble Supreme Court's Order dated 15.01.2026 in in the matter of Amit Kumar & Ors. vs. Union of India & Ors., wherein Hon'ble Court has constituted a National Task Force (NTF) to address Mental Health concerns of students -reg.

Madam/Sir,

Reference is drawn to this Department OM of even no. dated 15.06.2026 and order dated 15.01.2026 of Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in the matter of Amit Kumar & Ors. vs. Union of India & Ors., wherein Hon'ble Court has constituted a National Task Force (NTF) to address Mental Health concerns of students and prevent the commission of suicides in HEIs. While taking cognizance of the Interim Report submitted by the National Task Force, the Hon'ble Court, inter-alia issued several directions including the following: -

"45 (iv)... an annual report of student suicides or unnatural deaths must also be submitted to the UGC & all other relevant regulatory bodies for professional courses (e.g. AICTE, NMC, DCI, BCI etc.). In case of Central Universities and Institutes of National Importance (for short, the "INIs"), or any HEI that does not fall within the above-mentioned framework, it must be reported to the Department of Higher Education, Ministry of Education, Government of India.

45 (vi) Keeping in mind the faculty shortages which have been reported in several HEIs, both public and private, it must be ensured that all vacant faculty positions (both teaching and non-teaching) be filled within a period of four months, with priority given to posts reserved for candidates from marginalized and underrepresented communities including those posts reserved for PwDs. Special recruitment drives may be held for faculty recruitment that come under various forms of reservations as per central and state government rules.

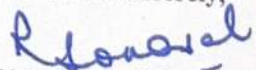
45 (vii) Appointment and filling of vacancies of the post of Vice-Chancellor, Registrars, and other key institutional/administrative positions, must also be made within a period of four months. Moreover, it must be ensured as a matter of practice that, these positions are filled within a period of one month from the date on which the vacancy arises, in order to ensure the smooth functioning of HEIs. Since the date of retirement is known much ahead in time, recruitment processes must begin well in advance to ensure that such posts do not remain vacant for more than a month. All HEIs must report on an annual basis to the Central and relevant State Governments, as to how many reserved posts are vacant, how many are filled, reasons for non-filling, time taken, etc., so that periodic accountability is ensured."

2. The matter is presently sub-judice before the Hon'ble Supreme Court and the Hon'ble Court may seek Action Taken Report at any stage.

3. In view of the above, it is requested to kindly accord priority to the matter and take necessary steps to ensure compliance with the directions issued by the Hon'ble Court and maintain updated records/data to facilitate timely submission of the requisite information to the Hon'ble Court.

Encl: As above.

Yours sincerely,


(Rina Sonowal Kouli)

Joint Secretary to Government of India

List of Regulatory Bodies

1. Secretary, UGC
2. Member Secretary, AICTE
3. Secretary, National Medical Commission
4. Registrar-cum-Secretary, Pharmacy Council of India
5. Secretary, Dental Council of India
6. Secretary, Indian Nursing Council
7. Secretary, Bar Council of India
8. Member Secretary, National Council for Teacher Education
9. Secretary (DARE) & DG (ICAR)
10. Member Secretary, Rehabilitation Council of India
11. Registrar, Council of Architecture
12. Secretary, Central Council of Indian Medicine (CCIM)

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GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF EDUCATION
DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION
KARTAVYA BHAVAN
NEW DELHI-110001
Date: 10th August, 2026

D.O. No. 5-21/2025-PN.II (Part-III)

Dear Ma'am / Sir,

As you are aware Hon'ble Supreme Court of India vide its judgment dated 24.03.2025 in the matter of Amit Kumar & Ors. vs. Union of India & Ors., has constituted a National Task Force (NTF) to address Mental Health concerns of students and prevent the commission of suicides in HEIs under the Chairmanship of Justice (Retd.) S. Ravindra Bhat, Former Judge, Supreme Court of India.

2. Vide its order dated 15.01.2026, Hon'ble Court had inter-alia issued a number of directions for appropriate and immediate action by all State/UT Government, **Regulatory Bodies**, Higher Educational Institutions and concerned Ministries/Departments. The order was circulated vide this Department's letter dated 05.02.2026, OM dated 15.06.2026, and letter dated 30.07.2026, for taking necessary action as per the court's directions.

3. Now, vide para 4 of its order dated 30.07.2026, Hon'ble Court has inter-alia directed **all the Union/States/Union Territories to file compliance/action taken reports** in enclosed format in form of compliance affidavit on or before 01.09.2026: -

Compliance / Action Taken Report as on 29.07.2026 as per the direction passed by Hon'ble Supreme Court in order dated 15.01.2026

Name of HEI	Reporting of Student Suicide / Unnatural Death To Police Authorities	Annual Report on Suicide/ Unnatural Death to UGC and other Regulatory Bodies	24x7 Access To Qualified Medical Assistance (On Campus/ Within 1 KM)	Filling of All Vacant Faculty Positions within 4 Months & Special Recruitment Drives for Reserved Posts	Filling of Key Administrative Posts within 4 Months and Reserved Posts Filled, Vacant and its Reasons, Time Taken, etc.	Backlog of Pending Scholarship Disbursements Cleared within 4 Months. If not, Notice with Reasons within 2 Months	Compliance with UGC Regulations

4. It has also been directed that once the compliance affidavits are filed by all the States/Union Territories/Union, one set of all such affidavits be provided to the learned Amicus Curiae well in advance, i.e., well before the matter is to come up on 01.09.2026.

5. In view of the above, I would request you to kindly follow-up with HEIs under your administrative jurisdiction for compliance of direction issued by Hon'ble Supreme Court and appropriate filing of affidavit as per para 45 (iv) of order dated 15.01.2026.

6. I would be grateful if the matter could kindly be accorded priority, as it is time-bound matter for filing reply affidavit in Hon'ble Supreme Court.

7. Copies of the Hon'ble Supreme Court's orders dated 15.01.2026 and 30.07.2026 are enclosed for reference.

With regards,

Encl: As above

Yours sincerely,

(Rina Sonowal Kouli)

Heads of Regulatory Bodies

(As per the list attached)

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9. Secretary (DARE) & DG (ICAR)
10. Member Secretary, Rehabilitation Council of India
11. Registrar, Council of Architecture
12. Secretary, Central Council of Indian Medicine (CCIM)

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National Medical Commission

Post Graduate Medical Education Board

No.N-P050(20)/30/2025-PGMEB-NMC-Part (1)

Dated:

To

- (i) Principal Secretaries/Secretaries, Department of Health & Medical Education of all States/Union Territories.
- (ii) Director, Medical Education & Training of all States/Union Territories.

Subject: Compliance/Action Taken Report pursuant to the directions of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India – reg.

Sir/Madam,

I am to refer to the D.O. letter No. 5-21/2025-PNII (Part-III) dated 10.08.2026, issued by the Joint Secretary (Higher Education), Ministry of Education, Department of Higher Education, Government of India, requesting compliance with the directions of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India vide Order dated 15.01.2026 in Criminal Appeal No. 1425 of 2025, *Amit Kumar & Ors. vs. Union of India & Ors.* concerning the mental health and well-being of students and prevention of suicides in Higher Educational Institutions (HEIs).

2. The Hon'ble Supreme Court, vide order dated 30.07.2026, has directed the **Union/State Governments and Union Territories to file Compliance Affidavits** on or before **01.09.2026**. Accordingly, the Compliance/Action Taken Report as on 29.07.2026 may kindly be filed in the **enclosed** prescribed format, after obtaining and duly verifying the requisite information from all HEIs under the respective administrative jurisdiction.

3. The report should be complete, accurate, duly verified and supported by relevant records, wherever applicable, and may file the Compliance Affidavit before the Hon'ble Supreme Court well within the stipulated timeline.

4. **Further**, in terms of paragraph 45 (iv) of the Hon'ble Supreme Court's Order dated 15.01.2026, one set of the Compliance Affidavit, along with all relevant annexures/documents, may kindly be provided to Ministry of Education (Email: rimasonowal.edu@nic.in) and the learned Amicus Curiae

well in advance (email: aparna.bhat@gmail.com), **before the matter is taken up by the Hon'ble Court on 01.09.2026.**

5. A **soft copy** of the Compliance/Action Taken Report and Compliance Affidavit, along with relevant supporting documents, may **also be** forwarded to the National Medical Commission (NMC) at antiragging@nmc.org.in for record, information and monitoring.

6. It may kindly be noted that **the matter is time-bound** and requires immediate attention, as the Compliance Affidavit is required to be filed before the Hon'ble Supreme Court within the stipulated timeline. The Union/State Governments and Union Territories are, therefore, requested to ensure that the requisite compliance is completed **well in advance of 01.09.2026**, without fail.

7. Copies of the Hon'ble Supreme Court's Orders dated 15.01.2026 and 30.07.2026 are **enclosed** for ready reference and necessary compliance.

8. The matter may kindly be accorded **TOP PRIORITY**, and the requisite compliance may be ensured well in advance of 01.09.2026, without fail.

Encl.:

1. Format for Compliance/Action Taken Report.
2. Copy of the Hon'ble Supreme Court's Order dated 15.01.2026.
3. Copy of the Hon'ble Supreme Court's Order dated 30.07.2026.

Yours faithfully,
Digitally signed by
C K Ramaswamy
Date: 21-08-2026
13:16:00
(C.K.Ramaswamy)
Director

1. Compliance/Action Taken Report format.

Name of HEI	Reporting of student suicides/un natural deaths to the Police Authorities;	Annual reporting of student suicides/un natural deaths to the UGC and other Regulatory Bodies,	24×7 access to qualified medical assistance (on campus/ within 1 km;	Filling of all vacant faculty positions within 4 months & special recruitment drives for reserved posts	Filling of key administrative posts within 4 months and Annual report. Reserved post filled Vacant and its reasons, time taken etc.;	Backlog of pending Scholarship Disbursement Cleared within 4 months. If not, Notice with reasons within 2 months	Compliance with UGC Regulations