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10.03.2023

To

Respected Shri Narendra Modi Ji,
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Sub: - Medical Education Abroad

Ref: - Continued from my previous letters

Dear Respected Sir,

I am a Senior Citizen, aged 62 years, having a few health issues and expected to have more & more as I get aged.

For the last 22 years I am closely following the family business of Medical Education Abroad Consultancy, last few years I have been physically, mentally active in this trade not to earn Lakhs and Crores of money, but a single motive to just to keep my self busy in my life and Guide & Advice the students those are not able to make it to dream medical education in a Medical College in India.

I stopped sending students abroad immediately after the promulgation of "NMC (National Medical Commission) Gazette Notification - Foreign Medical Graduate Licentiate Regulations 2021" (FMGL - 2021); but continued to educate the aspiring medical students against going for Medical Education Abroad; as I had written emails to various Indian Embassies around the globe and could find that most of the countries are not following FMGL - 2021.

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While reiterating my huge support and gratitude to you for the NMC Gazette Notification FMGL - 2021, **this has reference to my previous letter dated 07.07.2022 received by your office on 08.07.2022;** that was forwarded by your office for necessary action to NMC (National Medical Commission), but unfortunately no resolution to query as desired by me was given by the NMC (National Medical Commission) as is stated in enclosed **ANNEXURE 01** status as **closed** and the SMS received on my mobile reads - **grievance with Registration Number PMOPG/D/2022/0158478 has been Disposed of.**
Sir, wish NMC (National Medical Commission) had replied my query in a simple language.

Respected Sir, The "NMC (National Medical Commission); Foreign Medical Graduate Licentiate Regulations 2021" will surely maintain the quality of Medical Education & Health System in India; but want to draw your attention towards TWO major things have arose due to "NMC (National Medical Commission); Foreign Medical Graduate Licentiate Regulations 2021" **that need to be considered for the welfare of Indian Foreign Medical Students.**

CONCERN NO 01

"NMC (National Medical Commission); Foreign Medical Graduate Licentiate Regulations 2021" - **FMGL 2021** plus further additions to rules and regulations; draft regulations and the FAQ's released by the "NMC (National Medical Commission).

PUBLIC NOTICE - (enclosed **ANNEXURE 02**) Dated the 23rd December, 2022 Sub: Seeking comments of the stake holders on the proposed draft regulations related to National Exit Test (NExT) as prescribed in the National Medical Commission (NMC) Act, 2019 - reg. that reads -

(2) NExT Step 2

(viii) There is no restriction to the number of attempts to appear in NExT Step 2 provided the candidate has passed both NExT Step 1 and NExT Step 2 Examination with in 10 years of joining the MBBS Course

Respected Sir, National Medical Commission needs to understand the calculations -

- a. Basic Course equivalent to MBBS in a foreign country is **(5 to 6 years)**.
- b. Required Internship of 12 months in a hospital associated to the institution (in certain countries the duration of internship or residency programme as required is of **2 to 3 years duration**).
- c. Registration as medical practitioner from the country awarding the degree **(1 year)**

a; b & c above costs a student in a foreign country between 7 to 8 years time.

After completing the whole education up to obtaining the License to practice from abroad, a student has to come to India and

- d. Qualify NExT Step 1 in India
- e. Internship of 12 months in India
- f. Qualify NExT Step 2 in India to get the license.

This way for any Foreign Medical Graduate total duration from joining the course till NExT Step 2 (a to f) costs more than 10 years duration as is existing requirement by the law in India.

In other words due to FMGL 2021 the total duration of course for any Foreign Medical Graduate has increased by 2 to 3 years depending upon the required duration of internship; Residency Programme & licensing procedures required abroad.

Respected Sir, This is a little risky and too harsh for any Foreign Medical student; Only Almighty God and the parents know how the parents of these students may have arranged for the expenses of their kids.

Respected Sir, I request you to kindly intervene and advise the concerned ministry & the National Medical Commission; to make necessary corrective changes in the duration for Foreign Medical Graduates to Qualify NEXT 2 in India within 12 or 13 years of Joining the MBBS or its equivalent course.

This is a humble request to you sir from an ordinary Indian citizen with the Hope that you will kindly advise the concerned for the resolution on the above.

CONCERN NO 02

This is regarding Aspiring Medical Students those joined 1st year of Medical Course Abroad (equivalent to MBBS Course in India) on or before 18.11.2021

This is in continuation to my letter dated 22.09.2022 (enclosed **ANNEXURE 03 -A**).

Respected Sir, I want to bring to your kind notice that the students those join medical education in India or abroad follow the same prescribed rules as mentioned in NEET - NTA Notification.

Respected Sir, economically weaker students not weak in education and NEET-UG qualified, choose to study medical education abroad as they can not afford costly fee in private Indian Medical institutions.

Deciding to study medical education abroad, many of their parents -

1. Parents take bank loan.
2. Parents sell their properties or land.
3. Mother sells her gold jewelry.

& much more we may not even think how they arrange funds for the dream of their child.

Respected Sir, the Gazette Notification dated 18.11.2021 was published on NMC website on 23.11.2021 but is said to be effective from 18.11.2021.

Respected Sir, like in India we follow a time consuming long process for Admission -

- a) Notification for NEET - UG from March April.
- b) Followed by examination.

- c) Followed by result.
- d) Followed by counseling.
- e) Followed by classes.

All this process takes months and in the year 2021 classes in Indian Medical Colleges too started very late as counseling did continue till late there by delaying the admissions abroad too.

All these students those joined MBBS in India or abroad are all NEET qualified -

- Students those join Indian Medical institutions - lowest cut off to highest marks.
- Students those join abroad Medical institutions - lowest cut off to +500 marks.
- **Students those join abroad are not poor NEET Scorers but economically poor.**

Sir, normally medical admission application process abroad starts from May - June every year & classes start in batches normally from 1st October onwards and last batch is allowed to reach there between 1st November to 15th November.

Last date of entry in most of these countries is normally 15th November which was delayed in 2021 up to 15 December **mainly due to delays in NEET UG examination and result.**

The students those did not get expect admissions in India; decided for abroad and they -

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| 1. Applied for a passport; | PROCESS TAKES TIME. |
| 2. Applied for admission; | PROCESS IS VERY FAST. |
| 3. Received scanned copy of admission letter; | PROCESS IS VERY FAST. |
| 4. Received scanned copy of Invitation letter | PROCESS TAKES TIME. |

BUT - Invitation letter is a government document that can not be obtained illegally nor can have dates altered at any level.

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| 5. Applied for visa | PROCESS TAKES LONGER TIME |
| is a government procedure and can not be fake or with an altered date | |
| 6. Transferred Fee payment by Bank Transfer | CAN NOT BE FAKE OR |
| WITH AN ALTERED DATE | |

All the above can not be done in one day, but takes lot more time than expected.

Respected Sir, the admission process in India for MBBS takes months and similarly the process takes months in Abroad too.

AS THE STUDENTS WERE BUSY IN ADMISSION PROCEDURES ABROAD AND REQUIRED PREPERATIONS -

On 18th November, 2021 **National Medical Commission** came up with the Gazette Notification that states -

5. Applicability of these regulations.--(1) Not with standing anything contained in regulation 4, these regulations shall not be applicable--
(b) to candidates who are pursuing their education in foreign institutions prior to the coming into force of these regulations; and

However later in FAQ's (enclosed **ANNEXURES 03 B & 03 C**) issued by National Medical Commission says that they will not accept any of the documents but date of joining the class.

- ❖ Sir most of those decided for admission abroad were busy in preparations for Abroad, so were not be able to see this notification as the notification was not given wide publicity through Media.

Students decided to go abroad as they felt that Screening Test Regulations 2022 was prevailing as on 18.11.2021. **Students sought admission abroad completely following the NMC Guidelines those were effective on or before 18.11.2021.**

- ❖ Parents too could not change their mind as they had spent huge money on everything on or before 18.11.2021
 - a. Admission Letter
 - b. Invitation letter
 - c. Visa and
 - d. Bank TT of fee

I kindly request your kind self to advise the **Ministry of Health & Family Welfare** and the **National Medical Commission** to consider the students those having the below documents dated 18.11.2021 or before under Screening Test Regulations 2002 and not under the Gazette Notification FMGL 2021.

- ❖ He or she has landed in a Foreign Country of study before 18.11.2021
- ❖ He or she has got Invitation Letter dated on or before 18.11.2021
- ❖ He or she has got visa dated on or before 18.11.2021
- ❖ He or she has Bank Fee Transfer Receipt dated on or before 18.11.2021
- ❖ He or she has got flight tickets dated on or before 18.11.2021

Few of such visas, invitation letters copies attached as ANNEXURES 04 to 24

All the documents mentioned are genuine and legal documents those can not be managed fraudulently or dates manipulated.

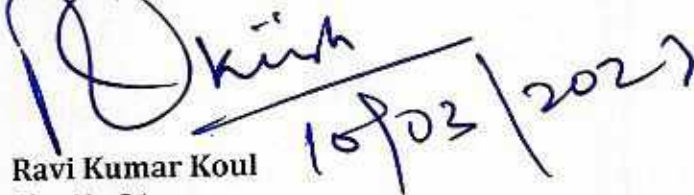
MOST IMPORTANT - After the batches of student's reach countries abroad; their follows further process and procedures on arrival and it takes minimum of 10 to 15 days (can vary in different countries) after arrival to complete the whole process.

Even if the students reached there before 18.11.2021; universities started their classes from October to December 2021 spread across multiple batches and **all in offline mode**.

Sir all the above facts mentioned about the government documents by me can be verified from **the Embassies of India in various countries**.

Hope I have been able to express things through my words properly and look forward to your kind support for these innocent students.

Sincerely Yours,



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Received By Ministry/Department

Prime Ministers Office

Grievance Description

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Grievance Document



Current Status

Case closed

Date of Action

14/10/2022

Remarks

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Public notice and FAQs have been uploaded on the website of the Commission. Kindly visit our website and go through the notice and FAQs for clarification.

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ONE EARTH - ONE FAMILY - ONE FUTURE

Pocket- 14, Sector- 8,
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Dated the 28th December, 2022

PUBLIC NOTICE

Sub: Seeking comments of the stakeholders on the proposed draft regulations related to National Exit Test (NExT) as prescribed in the National Medical Commission (NMC) Act, 2019 – reg.

Section 15 read with Section 57 of the NMC Act, 2019 prescribes a National Exit Test (NExT) for medical graduates. A draft regulation in this regard is being shared for public comments.

2. It is requested to share comments on the draft regulations at the following email ID – comments.regulations@nmc.org.in in MS Word (.docx) format or machine readable PDF format within 30 days of publication of this notice with a subject tagline 'Comments on draft regulations regarding National Exit Test (NExT)'
3. This issues with the approval of Chairman, NMC.


(Pankaj Agrawal)
Secretary (I/C), NMC

National Medical Commission

Notification

New Delhi, the December 2022

[To be published in Gazette of India (Extraordinary)]

F. No. xxx xxx xxx- In exercise of the power conferred by Section 15 read with Section 57 of the National Medical Commission Act, 2019, the National Medical Commission hereby make the following regulations, namely-

Chapter 1

Preliminary

1.1 Short Title and Commencement

- (A) These regulations shall be called the "National Medical Commission National Exit Test Regulations, 2022
- (B) These regulations shall come into force on the date of its' publication in the Official Gazette.

1.2 Definitions

In these definitions, the Sections refer to those of the National Medical Commission Act 2019, unless the context otherwise requires

- (a) "chairperson" means the Chairperson of the National Medical Commission appointed under Section 5
- (b) "Commission" or "NMC" means the National Medical Commission constituted under Section 3
- (c) "Council" or "MAC" means the Medical Advisory Council constituted under section 11
- (d) "Foreign Medical Graduate" shall mean a graduate with medical degree from a country other than India and recognized for registration to practice modern system of medicine in India subject to fulfilment of requirement and conditions as may be notified and applicable by the appropriate bodies and the Government of India
- (e) "Member" means a Member of the Commission appointed under Section 5 and includes the Chairperson thereof;
- (f) "NEXT": National Exit Test as specified in the National Medical Commission Act 2019.
- (g) "notification" means notification published in the Official Gazette of India and the expression "notify" shall be construed accordingly;
- (h) "prescribed" means prescribed by rules made under this Act;
- (i) "President" means the President of an Autonomous Board appointed under Section 18;
- (j) "Recognized medical qualification" means a medical qualification recognized under Section 35 or Section 36 or Section 37 of Section 40, as the case may be;
- (k) "Regulations" means the regulations made by the Commission under this Act;
- (l) "Schedule" means the Schedule of this Act

1.3 Objective

The objective of these regulations is to bring in uniformity in the summative evaluation across the country with reference to the minimum common standards of education and training of a medical graduate

1.4 General

- (1) The Commission or an appropriate body or authority or institution as approved by the commission shall conduct the National Exit Test as specified hereunder
- (2) The National Exit Test (NExT) shall form the basis of
 - (i) Certifying the eligibility of the medical graduate to register to practice modern system of medicine in India and therefore serve as a Licentiate Examination
 - (ii) Determine the eligibility and ranking for the purpose of admission of those desirous of pursuing further Postgraduate Medical Education in the country in broad medical specialities and therefore serve as an entrance Examination for admission to courses Postgraduate Medical Education
- (3) The National Exit Test (NExT) shall be applicable to
 - (i) All undergraduate medical students pursuing the degree of MBBS in all Medical Colleges as approved by the National Medical Commission through the Medical Assessment and Rating Board as well as the Undergraduate Medical Education Board
 - (ii) All Foreign Medical Graduates approved by the National Medical Commission for the purpose of obtaining licence to practice medicine as a registered medical practitioner in India and for enrolment in the State Register or the National Register, as the case may be in such manner as may be specified by regulations.
 - (iii) Any other person with a Medical Degree for purpose such as pursuing an academic course, observership or any other purposes as may be specified and approved by the National Medical Commission through due notification or regulations from time to time
- (4) The Commission shall specify, from time to time, by appropriate regulations and /or notification the applicable manner of utilizing the results of the NExT for the purpose of admission to Postgraduate Courses in broad medical specialties through mechanisms such as common counselling by designated authority
- (5) It is implied that whenever the NExT is in force, the corresponding equivalent existing Examinations shall be phased out/cease to be applicable for purpose for which the NExT shall be appropriate. However, if for previous batches the existing examinations are applicable as may be decided by the Commission Central Government, State Government, Universities, applicable laws, and rulings, then the existing examinations shall continue for such time as may be appropriate with the understanding that the NExT shall be eventually replace the corresponding equivalent existing examinations. The use of scores and normalization of different examinations and the NExT, when applicable concurrently, for such purpose as may be appropriate, shall be determined as the when necessary and notified by the Commission.

Chapter 2

Broad Outline

2.1 General Features of the National Exit Test

The NExT shall comprise of two separate of examination called as "Steps"

(1) NExT Step 1

- (i) NExT Step 1 shall be a Theoretical Examination
- (ii) The Questions shall be one or more than one type of the Multiple Choice Type

- (iii) The Examinations shall be delivered by a Computer Based /Online mode
- (iv) This shall be a Centralized Common All India Examination to be conducted by an authority/Body/ authority for the purpose by the commission
- (v) The Examination shall consist of Six papers covering subjects of III MBBS /Final MBBS , both Part 1 and Part 2:
 - a. Medicine and allied disciplines
 - b. Surgery and allied disciplines
 - c. Obstetrics and Gynaecology
 - d. Paediatrics
 - e. Otorhinolaryngology
 - f. Ophthalmology
 - g. Applied aspects of all subjects covered under I MBBS and II MBBS
 - h. Applied aspects of all subjects covered under III MBBS /Final MBBS Part 1
- (vi) All those students who have completed the III MBBS /Final MBBS course from a medical college recognized by the Commission shall be eligible to appear in the examination
- (vii) There shall be a regular NExT Step 1 Examinations held once a year prior to the University Practical Examination for the III MBBS (Part2)/Final MBBS preceding Compulsory Rotating Internship
- (viii) A NExT Step 1 Supplementary Examination shall be held once a year and is restricted to only those candidates who have failed in one or more of the six papers and are required to repeat those particular papers /subjects
- (ix) Those who do not pass both the NExT Step 1 Regular and the Supplementary Examination of a particular year shall be able to appear for the NExT Step 1 Regular Examination only in the following year
- (x) There is no restriction to the number of attempts to appear in NExT Step 1 provided the candidate has passed both NExT Step 1 and NExT Step 2 Examination within 10 years of joining the MBBS Course
- (xi) There is no restriction to number of attempts to appear in the NExT Step 1 Regular Examination to improve scores provided these examinations for improvement of scores are taken at least after one year of completion of NExT Step 2
- (xii) The NExT Step 1 shall replace the conventional university/institutional Theory Examinations of III MBBS /Final MBBS Part II. III MBBS /Final MBBS Part 1 and III MBBS/ Final MBBS Part II Practical/ clinical examinations shall continue to be held conventionally unless otherwise notified by the Commission

(2) NExT Step 2

- (i) NExT Step 2 shall be a Practical /Clinical and Viva Voce Examination covering seven clinical subjects/disciplines:

- a. Medicine and allied disciplines
 - b. Surgery and allied disciplines
 - c. Obstetrics and Gynaecology
 - d. Paediatrics
 - e. Otorhinolaryngology
 - f. Ophthalmology
 - g. Orthopaedics and PMR (Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation)
- (ii) The examination shall be Objective Structured, Clinical Case Based, Simulated Cases /Patients aimed at evaluating Practical /Clinical skills, clinical decision-making and communication skills expected of an Indian Medical Graduate
 - (iv) The examination shall be held in person /live and shall be conducted by the respective state Health Universities / Institutions following the standards and guidelines provided by the Commission. Where state Health Universities do not exist the Commission shall decide on the University/ Institution authorized to conduct NExT Step 2 for respective colleges.
 - (v) There shall be a Regular NExT Step 2 Examination once a year
 - (vi) A NExT Step 2 Supplementary Examination shall be held once a year and is restricted to only those candidates who have failed in one or more (upto 3 Subjects) of the seven subjects and are required to repeat particular subjects.
 - (vii) Those who do not pass both the NExT Step 2 Regular and the Supplementary Examination of a particular year shall be able to appear for the NExT Step 2 Regular Examination only in the following year
 - (viii) There is no restriction to the number of attempts to appear in NExT Step 2 provided the candidate has passed both NExT Step 1 and NExT Step 2 Examination within 10 years of joining the MBBS Course

2.2 NExT Scores

(1) Nature of Scoring

- i. The marks in NExT Step 1 shall be calculated as whole number which shall serve as the Raw Scores with appropriate decimals and subsequently corresponding Percentages [marks out of a maximum of 100] with appropriate decimals may be calculated if required
- ii. NExT 2 Examinations results shall be declared as only Pass / Fail based on the acquisition of appropriate competence that is being evaluated.

(2) Minimum scores for passing

- i. The minimum marks for passing shall be 50% [50out of 100] OR half of the maximum possible Raw for NExT Step 1
- ii. For the NExT Step 1, in each of the six papers a minimum of 50% [50 out of 100] OR half of the maximum possible Raw Scores r should be scored to pass the examination
- iii. The criteria for passing NExT Step 2 shall be satisfactory demonstration having acquired the competencies that are evaluated that shall be declared as a Pass /Fail result.

(3) Calculation of NExT Step 1 Scores for determining merit for the purpose of admission to Postgraduate courses in broad specialties

- i. The Total Marks for the purpose of determining merit especially for admission to broad specialty Postgraduate Course shall be calculated from the sum of raw scores obtained in each paper /subject

- ii. In the case of failure in one or more subjects, the Total Marks /Percentage of NExT Step 1 for a candidate shall be calculated from the sum of total of raw scores in each subject /paper obtained in both Regular and Supplementary Examination in which the candidate has secured pass –marks
- iii. The Total Marks Percentage of those candidates who have appeared in NExT Step Examination to improve their scores shall be calculated from the average /mean of last three consecutive scores
- iv. For the purpose of determining merit especially for admission to broad –specialty Postgraduate Course the NExT Step scores shall remain valid for three years.

(4) Utility of NExT Scores

i. **Eligibility for Provision Registration in an appropriate body to practice modern of medicine as an intern and eligibility to purpose Internship as governed by the Internship Regulations of the National Medical Commission by an Indian Medical Graduate.**

A Medical student from a college recognized by the Commission for imparting undergraduate medical education shall be eligible for Compulsory Rotating Internship provided all of the following criteria are met:

- (a) Pass in each of the six Theory Papers of NExT Step 1 as provided in Section 2.2 (ii) as indicated above

AND

- (b) Pass in III MBBS/ Final MBBS (Part 2) Practical / Clinical Examination as regulated by the concerned University /Institution

ii. **Eligibility for Provisional Registration to practice modern system of medicine as an intern in an appropriate body and eligibility to pursue Internship as governed by the Internship Regulations of the National Medical Commission by an Indian Medical Graduate.**

A medical student who has completed undergraduate medical education overseas from a college recognized by the Commission and has fulfilled the applicable requirements provided in the Foreign Medical Graduate Regulations of the Commission shall be eligible for Compulsory Rotating Internship as approved for such students provided the following criteria are met:

- (a) Pass in each of the six Theory Papers of NExT Step 1 as provided in Section 2.2 (2) (ii) as indicated above

iii. **Eligibility for grant of License to practice modern system of medicine in India and eligibility to the registered in the National Medical Register / State Medical Register /State Medical Registers for such practice**

A medical graduate who has qualified in India for overseas shall be eligible to be registered in the Indian Medical Register / State Medical Register and licenced to practice modern system of medicine in India provided the all of he following are met with

- (a) Has completed the appropriate duration of Internship as applicable, having fulfilled the requirements provided in Section 2.2 (4)(i) Subsection (a) and (b) as may be applicable
- (b) Has passed the NExT Step 2[Practical / Clinical] Examination provided in Section 2.2 (2) (ii) as may be applicable
- (c) Any other requirements as may be considered appropriate by the Commission, Concerned University / Institution and duly applicable at that time

iv. **Eligibility for admission to Postgraduate Medical Courses in Board specialty subjects in a college/institution approved by the Commission**

All those who have been granted Licence to practice and are Registered in the Indian Medical Register / State Medical Register for such practice having fulfilled the requirements in Section 2.2 (4)

Subsection (iii) above are eligible for admission to Postgraduate Medical Courses in broad specialty subjects in a college approved by the Commission provided all of the following criteria are met with

- (a) Has been eligible and granted licence to practice modern system of medicine in India having fulfilled the requirements provided under Section 2.1 (2) (iii) above
 - (b) Has participated in a process through mechanism such as common counselling by designated authority approved by the Commission /Central Government
 - (c) Only the actual raw marks or marks / percentages (scores out of a maximum of 100) with decimal fractions obtained in NExT Step 1 (all six papers) in Regular and Supplementary Examinations, as may be applicable, shall be utilized for the purpose of ranking / determining order merit of otherwise eligible candidate for the purpose of the appropriate subject and seat; as provided in Section 2.1 (2) (iii) (d) Subsection (ii) above
- v. **Utilization of NExT Scores for purposes other than above [Section 2.2 (4) Subsections (i) to (iv)]**
The Government of India, the State Governments, any organization of the Government of India, the State Governments, any autonomous or private body /institution may utilize the NExT Step 1 Scores for purpose such as employment, scholarship, fellowship etc. provided due permission has been sought and granted for specific use by the National Medical Commission or other competent authorities as may be decided.

Chapter 3

General Information

3.1 Information regarding NExT Step 1

(1) Objective of NExT Step 1

The NExT Step 1 will be a comprehensive computer based examination based on high-quality Multiple-choice Question (MCQs) ensuring objectivity and following nation-wide delivery and conduction with robust fidelity in a secure manner. The MCQ items would address higher domains of knowledge aligned to competencies expected of an Indian Medical Graduate or a graduate practicing modern system of medicine especially in India.

(2) Distribution of Items and knowledge level of Questions

- i. To ensure assessment of higher domains of medical learning, a majority of items shall test higher level comprehension, analytical skills clinical problem-solving that are aligned to competencies.
- ii. NExT Step 1 format is intended to discourage rote learning by the medical students.
- iii. Case vignettes / clinical case scenarios shall be the overwhelming Pattern of examination
- iv. MCQ items in all subjects shall be distributed approximately as follows:

• Problems-solving and analytical skills types	65%	clinical vignettes 15/ hr of exam
• Comprehension type	25%	
• Recall type	10%	

However, variations in the distribution may be expected

- v. The level of Knowledge related to the acquisition of competencies shall be approximately
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| • Must Know | :60% |
| • Nice to Know | :30% |
| • May Know | :10% |

(3) Papers and Distribution of Subjects

- The NExT Step 1 examination will have six subject papers with respective weightage in items and time allocation
- Applied aspects of all other subjects of MBBS including Forensic Medicine and Toxicology (FMT) and Community Medicine will be mainstreamed into the relevant clinical subjects
- In each paper 10% items will pertain to applied aspects of Anatomy, Physiology, Biochemistry, Microbiology, Pathology, Pharmacology, Forensic Medicine relevant to the subjects evaluated
- In each paper 10% items will pertain to applied aspects of Public health / Community Medicine relevant to the subjects evaluated
- The following Table 1 provides the subjects in each paper papers will respective weightage in items and time allocated with the provision of 20% of the items distributed according to Section 3.1 (3) Subsections (iii) and (iv) above

Papers	Subjects	No of Items	Duration
1.	Medicine & allied subjects	120 Items	3.0 hours
2.	Surgery & allied subjects	120 Items	3.0 hours
3.	Obstetrics & Gynaecology	120 Items	3.0 hours
4.	Paediatrics	60 Items	1.5 hours
5.	Otorhinolaryngology	60 Items	1.5 hours
6.	Ophthalmology	60 Items	1.5 hours

(4) Proposed Time Scheduled of Papers (Table 2)

Day	Subject	Duration	Break	Subject	Duration
1.	Medicine & allied subjects	3.0 hours	2.0 hours	Paediatrics	1.5 hours
2.	Rest Day No Examination				
3.	Surgery & allied subjects	3.0 hours	2.0 hours	Otorhinolaryngology	1.5 hours
4.	Rest Day: No Examination				
5.	Obstetrics & Gynaecology	3.0 hours	2.0 hours	Ophthalmology	1.5 hours

The above schedule is only indicative subject to feasibility and logistics

3.2 Information regarding NExT Step 2

(1) Objective regarding NExT Step 2

The NExT Step 2 shall be a comprehensive practical / clinical examination to be conducted after completion of Internship that evaluated competencies in clinical diagnosis, patient and clinical decision-making, practical and communication skills necessary for practice of modern system of medicine especially in India

(2) Evaluation methods

- Each examination would comprise of
- Actual cases
- Objective Structured Clinical Examination (OSCE)
- Simulations if possible

Depending on the ability of satisfactory performance or unsatisfactory performance there shall be only two level of grading "Competent or "Pass" / "Not Competent" of "Fail"

(3) Distribution of Subjects

- i. The following subjects shall be evaluated during NExT Step 2:
- ii. Medicine and allied subjects
- iii. Surgery and allied subjects
- iv. Obstetrics and Gynaecology
- v. Paediatrics
- vi. Otorhinolaryngology
- vii. Ophthalmology
- viii. Orthopaedics and Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation (PMR)

(4) Time Schedule

The time schedule and modalities of NExT Step 2 shall be decided by the National Medical Commission and the respective authorized Universities / Institutions after completions of internship and prior to the admission process for the Postgraduate Courses of that year

3.3 Time Schedule of NExT Examination and associated events

The time schedule of the entire process of NExT Examination, internship and admission to broad specialty Postgraduate courses shall be announced by the Commission and other bodies authorized by the Commission.

The proposed / likely time schedules are provided in the table below subject to changes as may be necessary from time to time and duly notified appropriately

Table 3: If Successful Supplementary Examination candidates are NOT allowed to continue with successful Regular Examination candidates

Sl No	Event	Date of Exam / Commencement	Date of Result / Completion
1.	NExT Step 1 Regular	2 nd Week December	2 nd Week January
2.	NExT Step Supplementary		
3.	III MBBS /FINAL MBBS PART 2 Practical / Clinical University Examination	1 st Week January	4 th Week January
4	Internship	1 st February	28 February following year
5.	NExT Step 2 Regular	2 nd Week March	1 st Week April
6.	NExT Step 2 Supplementary		
7.	Post Graduate Admission	May-June	30 th June
8	Postgraduate Course	1 st July	

ANNEXURE (03) - A.

To

22.09.2022

Shri Narendra Modi Ji,
Hon'ble Prime Minister of India,
152, South Block,
Raisina Hill,
New Delhi-110011

Subject - A HUMBLE REQUEST FOR YOUR SUPPORT FOR STUDENTS IN DISTRESS

Regarding - Students those joined 1st year of MD (equivalent to MBBS Course in India) in Ukraine.

Respected Prime Minister Shri Modi Ji,
Namaskar!

Sir, I want to bring to your kind notice that the students those join medical education in India or abroad follow the same prescribed rules as mentioned in NEET - NTA Notification.

All these students are NEET qualified and

- Students those join Indian Medical institutions are from the lowest cut off marks to highest marks in NEET conducted by NTA.
- Students those join abroad are between the lowest cutoff marks to even +500 marks in NEET conducted by NTA.
- Students those join abroad are not with poor NEET Scores.

Sir, in Ukraine admission application process starts from July - August every year & classes start on arrival of batches of 10 to 12 students from 1st October onwards.

Last date of entry is normally 30th November which was delayed up to 15 December in 2021 due to COVID restrictions, flight unavailability and Visa delays.

In India counseling for admissions to MBBS in India was still on and many of these students did not get expect it here in India and decided for abroad and they -

1. Applied for passport; **process takes time.**
2. Applied for admission; **process is normally fast.**
3. Received scanned copy of admission letter; **process is normally fast.**
4. Received scanned copy of Invitation letter **that takes time.** Invitation letter is a government document of Ukraine that can not be obtained illegally or with an altered date.
5. Applied for visa (**that takes longer time and is a government procedure and can not be fake or with an altered date**)
6. Transferred Fee payment by Bank Transfer (**can not be fake or with an altered date**)

All the above can not be done in one day, but takes lot more time than expected.

In November 2021 students were busy preparing for their admissions abroad, the process and procedures were on and on 18th November, 2021 **National Medical Commission** came up with the Gazette Notification that states -

5. Applicability of these regulations.—(1) Notwithstanding anything contained in regulation 4, these regulations shall not be applicable—
(b) to candidates who are pursuing their education in foreign institutions prior to the coming into force of these regulations; and

No where in the Gazette notification it was mentioned that classes must have started on or before.

Now recently in FAQ's issued by National Medical Commission say that they will not accept any of the documents but date of joining the class.

Sir, the Gazette Notification may have been published on 18.11.2021 but was posted on NMC website on 23.11.2021; how can it be effective from 18.11.2021?

1. Sir counseling in India for admissions was on and most of those decided for admission abroad were busy in preparations for Abroad, so were not be able to see this notification as it was not given wide publicity through Media.
2. How does **National Medical Commission** expect aspiring students to know that the Gazette has been published with almost no publicity through Media?
3. Since it was displayed on NMC website on 23.11.2021 reading it casually a **medical student** but (**not a law student**) will understand Section 5 (b) as -
 - a. He or she has applied for admission prior to 18.11.2021
 - b. He or she has landed there before 18.11.2021
 - c. He or she has taken invitation letter prior to 18.11.2021
 - d. He or she has got visa letter prior to 18.11.2021
 - e. He or she has got flight tickets booked prior to 18.11.2021

Students sought admission in Ukraine completely following the NMC Guidelines those were effective prior to 18.11.2021 and at the same time as per the law and procedures of Ukraine.

All the documents mentioned are genuine and legal documents of Ukraine can not be managed fraudulently.

- A. All the process of admission (invitation, bank transfer, Visa for Ukraine takes lot many days and can not be fake or dates altered) **takes long time and can not be procured in one day.**

B. MOST IMPORTANT TO KNOW - After the batches of students reaches / lands in Ukraine; further process of **admission & other procedures** with in the campus takes minimum of 15 days after arrival to join classes.

C. In Ukraine some universities started their classes from October to December 2021 spread across multiple batches and **all in offline mode**.

Sir, how can we say that students those did get Admission/ Invitation/ Visa/ Transfer of Fee/ Flew to Ukraine on or before 18.11.2022 that they did not follow the rules & regulations of **National Medical Commission** those were in force till 18.11.2021.

Sir all the above facts mentioned by me above can be verified from **the Embassy of India in Ukraine** and request you to kindly advise **National Medical Commission** to allow the students who got things done before 18.11.2022 to be treated as under previous **National Medical Commission** law that was prevailing before the 18.11.2021.

Look forward to your kind support to these innocent students.

Sincerely Yours,

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Name Of Complainant	Shri RAVI KUMAR KOUL
Date of Receipt	11/03/2023
Received By Ministry/Department	Prime Ministers Office
Grievance Description	
PG/SAT	
Current Status	Under process
Date of Action	16/03/2023
Officer Concerns To	
Officer Name	Shri Samsul Haque (Deputy Secretary)
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Current Status	Under process
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Officer Concerns To	
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Received By Ministry/Department	Prime Ministers Office
Grievance Description	
PG/SAT	
Current Status	Case closed
Date of Action	31/03/2023
Remarks	
Regulations framed after following of due procedure and exhaustive consultation. This is not the right platform to give suggestions. Kindly send the same separately addressed to the Chairman, NMC or President, UGMEB or higher authorities for consideration.	
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