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National Medical Commission
Under Graduate Medical Education Board

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Dated:- 25.10.2021

To,
Shri Amit Biswas,
Under Secretary,
MEP Section, Room No. 526, A Wing,
Ministry of Health and Family Welfare,
Department of Health and Family Welfare,
Government of India,
Nirman Bhawan, New Delhi.

Subject: 126th Report Of Department Related Parliamentary Standing Committee (DRSC)
of The Health And Family Welfare On Demand Number 44-Department Of Health
And Family Welfare For 2021-22.

Ref.:- Letter number H.11029/16/2021-MEP dated 22.09.2021.

Sir,

In reference to letter number- H.11029/16/2021-MEP received regarding the subject cited above, this is to bring to your knowledge that an expert group committee was formed by the UGMEB consisting of the members from all across the country (Annexure 1). The committee has addressed to the issues in the demand number 44- Deptt. of H &FW, GOI, regarding 4.123.

1. *Apprehension of the students, who sought admission to MBBS course through NEET exam conducted in September, 2020. Course duration of 1st MBBS reduced from 12 months to 11 months in lieu of covid-19 pandemic:-to take effective measures to allay the concerns of students causing stress and mental agony due to additional hours of learning but without compromising on quality of education imparted and learning loss (2019, 2020 CBME batches – reduced duration from 12 to 11 months Effective measures):-*

Recommendation:-

- No change in schedule of examinations. The students must be oriented towards the schedule of examination (as prescribed by NMC – ref circular NMC 25.11.2020) on priority basis by respective university/institute.
- Focus on practical skills training.
- Focus on core curriculum.
- One time relaxation for the eligibility criteria to appear in university exam can be considered (Internal Assessment marks- 40% instead of 50%).
- One time 5% relaxation in Attendance for eligibility in appearing for University exam (70% theory and 75% practical).
- The University/Institutes/colleges should also take measures at their level to allay stress.

2. *Representation from students and parents' association to conduct 2nd supplementary examination for students who failed in supplementary examination of 1st MBBS, to save their year:-*

Recommendation:-

- Not to be considered
- Even if 2nd supplementary exam is conducted, the students will join Phase 2 much later & eventually will face the same problem for II MBBS. Hence should not be considered.
- Students will have to complete one year course of 2nd phase in six months. This may ultimately affect his/her learning & result in 2nd Phase exam.

3. *Suggestions regarding induction/foundation course in 1st MBBS and its redistribution:-*

Recommendation:-

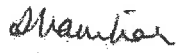
- The foundation course (as prescribed by NMC) can be split into one week of Foundation (orientation module) followed by spreading out of other modules/competencies over a period of first six months. A structured approach for the same must be prepared centrally.
- Charak Shapath, Yoga, wellness, humanities, and other extracurricular activities (cycling day, no fuel day, walkathon, marathons etc) should be implemented in a structured manner in all professional years prospectively (including foundation course), to ensure mental health and well being of students.

4. *Duration of 2nd MBBS and suggestions for modification:-*

Recommendation:-

- No modification suggested.
- Has already been adjusted to take care of COVID-19 based on suggestions from NMC.
- Colleges should be monitored for effective implementation of reduced duration of 2nd MBBS in new curriculum.
- Colleges have already been suggested in the new GMER to do appropriate integration of 2nd MBBS subjects during their later clinical phases and curriculum.
- Should take care of core curriculum suggested in teaching-learning and assessment.


The meeting was concluded with a note of thanks to Hon'ble Health Minister, Shri Mansukh Mandaviya, Ministry of Health & Family Welfare, Chairman, NMC, Presidents & all Board Members.


President, UGMEB

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1. List of Expert Group Committee (Annexure 1)

Copy to:-

1. Shri Mansukh Mandaviya, Hon'ble Health Minister, Ministry of Health & Family Welfare, Nirman Bhawan, C-Wing, New Delhi, 110001.
2. Dr. Bharati Pravin Pawar, Minister of State, Ministry of Health & Family Welfare, Nirman Bhawan, C-Wing, New Delhi, 110001.
3. Chairman, NMC.
4. All the NMC Members, Presidents and Board Members, MAC. 
5. Secretary, NMC.