

Medical Council of India
New Delhi

Minutes of the meeting of the Board of Governors held on 25.11.2011 at 10.00 am in the Council office at Sector -8, Pocket-14, Dwarka, New Delhi -110077.

Following members were present:

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| 1. | Dr. (Prof.) K.K. Talwar | Chairman, Board of Governors |
| 2. | Dr. (Prof.) K.S. Sharma | Member, Board of Governors |
| 3. | Dr. (Prof.) H.S. Rissam | Member, Board of Governors |
| 4. | Dr. Rajiv Chintaman Yeravdekar | Member, Board of Governors |
| 5. | Dr. Purshotam Lal | Member, Board of Governors |
| 6. | Dr. Ashok Kumar Gupta | Member, Board of Governors |
| 7. | Dr. (Prof.) K Mohandas | Member, Board of Governors |
| 8. | Dr. (Prof.) Sangeeta Sharma | Secretary, Member Secretary, BOG meeting. |

1. Minutes of the BOG's meetings dated 14.11.2011 – Confirmation of.

The Board of Governors confirmed the action taken on the minutes of the meeting of the BOGs held on 14.11.2011.

2. Personal hearing to the authorities of Indian Centre for Advancement of Research and Education, Haldia with regard to establishment of new medical college in the name of ICARE Institute of Medical Sciences & Research, Haldia.

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The Board of Governors considered the matter with regard to personal hearing to the authorities of Indian Centre for Advancement of Research and Education, Haldia for establishment of new medical college in the name of ICARE Institute of Medical Sciences & Research, Haldia and decided to revoke the LOP issued to the college. However, decided to get the speaking order vetted by the Legal retainer as well as Sh Nidesh Gupta. Detailed speaking order placed in the file.

3. Status of applications received with regard to Establishment of New Medical College & Increase of Seats for the academic year 2012-13 – reg.

Read: the matter with regard to applications received with regard to Establishment of New Medical College & Increase of Seats for the academic year 2012-13

The Board of Governors considered the matter with regard to establishment of new medical college & increase of seats for the academic year 2012-13 and directed the council office to put up these applications under different categories in the noting sheet for perusal and approval of the Board.

4. Continuance of recognition assessment – Regarding.

Read: the matter with regard to continuance of recognition assessment.

The item was deferred for the meeting on November 28, 2011.

5. Issuance of Show Cause Notices to Medical Colleges pursuant to the directions of the Board of Governors dated 09/08/2011.

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6. **Assessment of the infrastructure, teaching facilities & equipments available for MBBS course at Adesh Institute of Medical Sciences, Bathinda, Punjab.**

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7. **Sub-Group on Renewable Energy applications in other Ministries under Working Group on New and Renewable Energy for the 12th five year plan (2012-2017) – Suggestions reg.**

Read: the matter with regard to Sub-Group on Renewable Energy applications in other Ministries under Working Group on New and Renewable Energy for the 12th five year plan (2012-2017) – Suggestions.

The Board of Governors considered the matter with regard to Suggestions of the Sub-Group on Renewable Energy applications in other Ministries under Working Group on New and Renewable Energy for the 12th five year plan (2012-2017) –and decided to send circular to all the colleges in this regard.

8. **Approval of the minutes of the PG Committee meetings held on 27.9.2011, 14.10.2011 & 3-4.11.2011.**

Read: the matter with regard to approval of the minutes of the PG Committee meetings held on 27.9.2011, 14.10.2011 & 3-4.11.2011.

The Board of Governors approved the minutes of the Postgraduate Committee meetings held on 27.9.2011 and 14.10.2011 & minutes issued separately. Minutes of the PG committee meeting held on November 3 & 4, 2011 were deferred for BOG meeting to be held on 28.11.11.

9. **Applications received after last date and colleges which had requested for withdrawal of their applications.**

Read: the matter with regard to applications received after last date and colleges which had requested for withdrawal of their applications.

The Board of Governors considered the matter with regard to applications received after last date and colleges which had requested for withdrawal of their applications and decided to reject applications received after cut-off date. Also it was decided to allow withdrawal of applications as per request of the college and henceforth authorized Secretary to return such application with information to the BOG. Since fee is non-refundable and college is voluntarily withdrawing application, it was decided not to adjust fee.

10. **Applications where Consent of affiliation has not been submitted or consent of affiliation is after due date.**

Read: the matter with regard to applications where Consent of affiliation has not been submitted or consent of affiliation is after due date.

The Board of Governors considered the matter with regard to applications where Consent of affiliation has not been submitted or consent of affiliation has been issued after due date and decided to reject these applications. The Board authorized Secretary to reject such application with information to the BOG.

11. **Details of applications received for PG courses for the academic year 2012-13 from various medical college.**

Read: the matter with regard to details of applications received for PG courses for the academic year 2012-13 from various medical college.

The Board of Governors considered the matter with regard to details of applications received for PG courses for the academic year 2012-13 from various medical college and noted that the Council has received 1500 approx. (1300 Broad specialty and 200 Super Specialty) applications out of which 600 applications have been scrutinized. The process of appointing the assessors has not yet been started. It is also noted that there has already been a delay of 4 months in appointment of assessors. The Board of Governors noted the time schedule and activity flowchart and decided that in view of the large number of applications received this year it is not possible to give personal hearing in cases of negative decision which cannot be approved because of failure to meet the requirements of the PG Regulations. Compliance verification assessment itself would be considered to be an opportunity for hearing as followed earlier.

Regarding the last date of giving final decision and permission to the colleges as per time schedule prescribed in Postgraduate Regulations, 2000, the final decision for the applications under 10(A) including verification & personal hearing for negative decision needs to be communicated to college authorities by 28th Feb, 2012 for Broad specialties and 15th June, 2012 for the Super Specialties. After deliberation the Board decided to make a request to the Central Government to give extension up to March 31, 2012 for Broad Specialties.

12. Starting of M.Ch. in Head & Neck Oncology.

Read: the matter with regard to starting of M.Ch. in Head & Neck Oncology

The Board of Governors considered the matter with regard to starting of M.Ch. in Head & Neck Oncology and approved this PG course same and send it for approval of the MOHFW.

13. Consideration for Grant of Permanent Registration to Pakistani Migrant Doctors, who have migrated to India in year 2000.

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The Board of Governors considered the matter with regard to consideration of Grant of Permanent Registration to Pakistani Migrant Doctors, who have migrated to India in year 2000 and noted that due to civil unrest prevailing at that time and religious discrimination faced by them, these doctors had to flee for the safety of their life & family from Pakistan to India, therefore, could not complete one year internship. The Board also noted that MBBS Course duration is 5 years plus one year internship in Pakistan and have done house job in India, therefore in view of the difficult circumstances the Board decided to grant registration to these two candidates.

Regarding one candidate who had secured less than 50% marks it was decided as the same is acceptable to Pakistan Medical Council and moreover these people had done MBBS long ago, registration is granted to the candidate.

14. Issuance of Permanent Registration to Ms. K.Suma Nair and other such cases– reg.

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The Board of Governors considered the matter with regard to issuance of Permanent Registration to Ms. K. Suma Nair and other such cases and noted that as per regulation an MBBS degree is awarded only after completion of Internship to a medical student. The requirement, as to the period for which a student must do internship varies from nation to nation. For instance, in India the period of internship is 12 months and in Cuba it is 46 weeks. It was decided that she should be asked to do remaining 6 weeks internship in India. As regards other such cases considering that once a person has been awarded an MBBS degree and if it is a recognized medical qualification for enrolment in the Medical Register in that nation, then on

the same basis the registration to that person ought to be allowed in India, therefore, it was decided to consider such cases on case-to-case basis.

15. To include the name of SAARC Counties, i.e. Bangladesh, Nepal, Srilanka, etc. along with Mauritius in the list of five English countries to exempt there screening test for MCI registration to MBBS Doctor.

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16. Revised Budget Estimate for the year 2011-12 & Budget Estimate for the year 2012-13 of Medical Council of India – MCI (Own Resources) & Grant-in-aid (Plan Scheme).

Read: the matter with regard to Revised Budget Estimate for the year 2011-12 & Budget Estimate for the year 2012-13 of Medical Council of India – MCI (Own Resources) & Grant-in-aid (Plan Scheme).

The Board of Governors noted the Revised Budget Estimate for the year 2011-12 & Budget Estimate for the year 2012-13 of Medical Council of India – MCI (Own Resources) & Grant-in-aid (Plan Scheme) and decided to get the same examined by the Consultant (Admn) and put up in the next meeting.

Any other item

17. Appointment of assessors for UG and PG assessments

As regards appointment of assessors for all those applications which have been scrutinized, the matter had earlier been discussed in BOG meeting on 14/11/11, and it was decided that the assessors would be appointed by Computer Generated Randomization software and the same would be developed by Computer Section by 18/11/2011, for this the assessor panel is submitted to Computer section by concerned Postgraduate Section.

The Computer Randomization Scheme was tested and was found to be satisfactory by the Chairman, and Dr. Ashok Gupta, member BOG Medical Council of India on 21/11/2011.

The matter was again discussed in BOG meeting on 25/11/2011 and Board approved the Computer Generated Randomization software for appointment of assessors for both UG and PG assessments with following additions:

1. There should be audit Trail mechanism to capture the name of institute, course applied for, time and date of the entry for generating assessor.
2. The user should be limited to only one at a time in the respective section
3. All entries should be recorded in the server with details of application.
4. There should be linking of Assessor panels to main UG & PG software and appointment letters to be generated through the software. In addition, email alert and SMS alert will go to the assessor.

It was decided that this software will be used for appointment of assessors in both UG and PG section. Respective section with approval of the Secretary will confirm with the assessors regarding their availability and confirmation of the date of the assessment as per Standard Operating Procedure. If any assessor declines/regret, alternate name will also be generated by the software. In case of last minutes of dropout, Secretary with information to the

BOG will make the necessary appointment. All appointments made during the week will be placed before the BOGs for information in the next BOG meeting.

In case of newly approved PG courses for which there aren't enough assessors in the specialty, it was decided that the appointment of assessor would be done by Board of Governors. Also it was decided that as there is limited pool of Super Specialists, additional names of assessors would be suggested by BOG, MCI.

In case of UG assessments, the assessors as well as college will be informed about the exact name and place of the visit 3 days prior to the assessment. At the time of taking their consent only name of the state/airport will be communicated to the assessor. Thereafter, the respective section will make arrangements for travel, accommodation and the local transport which will be handled by the MCI authorized travel agency.

In case of PG assessment also it was decided that 3 alternate assessors names will be generated by the software, the section will confirm with the first name and in case first drawn name declines, section will check with the second and third name. If all three assessors selected decline then again names will be generated through the software and the same process will be followed. Preferably one assessor should not be appointed for more than 3 assessments. Assessor's appointment will be supervised by Monitoring Committee comprising of Dr. Ashok Gupta, Dr. (Prof.) HS Rissam and Dr. Rajeev C Yeravedekar.

The meeting ended with the vote of thanks by Dr. Sangeeta Sharma, Secretary, MCI.

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