

Medical Council of India
New Delhi

Minutes of the Board of Governors held on 16th March, 2012 at 9.30 a.m. 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. Ashok Kumar Gupta | Member, Board of Governors |
| 5. | Dr. (Prof.) Sangeeta Sharma | Secretary, Member Secretary, BOG meeting. |
| 6. | Dr. P.Prasannaraj | Additional Secretary |

Leave of absence were received from Dr. Purshotam Lal, Dr. Rajiv Chintaman Yeravdekar & Dr. (Prof.) K Mohandas, Members, Board of Governors

1. Approval of P.G. Committee minutes dated 13th and 14th March, 2012, referred back items and Chettinad Medical College & collective decision.

The Board of Governors considered the matter with regard to assessment report and observation of the Postgraduate Committee pertaining to respective postgraduate courses assessed and the decision taken are minuted & approved.

2. Approval of P.G. Committee minutes of refer back items held on 7th March, 2012.

The Board of Governors considered the matter with regard to assessment report and observation of the Postgraduate Committee pertaining to respective postgraduate courses assessed and the decision taken are minuted & approved.

3. Minutes of the Expert Committee - eligibility of physically challenged medical graduates for postgraduate medical course constituted by the Board of Governors held on 27th January, 2012.

Read: the matter with regard to minutes of the Expert Committee - eligibility of physically challenged medical graduate for postgraduate medical course - constituted by the Board of Governors held on 27th January, 2012.

The Board of Governors considered the minutes of the meeting of the Expert Committee - eligibility of physically challenged medical graduate for postgraduate medical course - (namely Dr. B.D. Athani, Chairperson, Dr. Upender pal Singh, Co-Chairperson, Dr. Ratnesh Kumar, Member, Dr. S.Hariharan, Member, Dr. S.K. Jain,

Member) constituted by the Board of Governors held on 27th January, 2012 and took note of the report submitted by the Expert Committee and decided to accord its approval for placement of this report before the Hon'ble Supreme Court in the matter captioned as Dr. Kumar Saurav vs. Union of India in Writ Petition (C)No.184/2005. The Board of Governors vide their earlier decision had nominated Prof.(Dr.) Ashok Gupta to chair/co-ordinate the Expert Committee constituted for this purpose. In that capacity Dr. (Prof.) Ashok Gupta made the following observations during the board meeting.

Prof. (Dr.) Ashok Gupta, Member, BOG, MCI explained that the Graduate/Postgraduate Medical Education Regulation prescribed as under:-

Graduate Medical Education Regulations

"3. 3% seats of the annual sanctioned intake capacity shall be filled up by candidates with locomotor disability of lower limbs between 50% to 70%.

Provided that in case any seat in this 3% quota remains unfilled on account of unavailability of candidates with locomotors disability of lower limbs between 50% to 70% then any such unfilled seat in this 3% quota shall be filled up by persons with locomotors disability of lower limbs between 40% to 50% - before they are included in the annual sanctioned seats for General Category candidates.

Provided further that this entire exercise shall be completed by each medical college / institution as per the statutory time schedule for admissions and in no case any admission will be made in the MBBS course after 30th of September."

Postgraduate Medical Education Regulations

"1(a). 3% seats of the annual sanctioned intake capacity shall be filled up by candidates with locomotory disability of lower limbs between 50% to 70%.

Provided that in case any seat in this 3% quota remains unfilled on account of unavailability of candidates with locomotory disability of lower limbs between 50% to 70% then any such unfilled seat in this 3% quota shall be filled up by persons with locomotory disability of lower limbs between 40% to 50% - before they are included in the annual sanctioned seats for General Category candidates.

Provided further that this entire exercise shall be completed by each medical college / institution as per the statutory time schedule for admissions and in no case any admission will be made in the Postgraduate Medical course after 31st of May."

Dr. (Prof.) Ashok Gupta stated that all locomotor disability were correctable with appliances and therefore a disabled person with locomotor disability was entitled to pursue any postgraduate discipline of Medicine or Surgery.

Prof. (Dr.) Ashok Gupta further stated that there was a requirement to revisit the disability clause both the GME/PGME Regulations in consultation with experts from ENT, Ophthalmology & Orthopaedics as there was possibility of enrolling students who were having disability of vision or hearing or for taxing the criteria for locomotor disability. In addition, there was a requirement to prescribe what kind /extent of disability were not permissible for admission in medical education both at UG and PG levels.

The Board accorded its approval to the proposal of Prof. (Dr.) Ashok Gupta to revisit the disability clause in both the graduate and postgraduate medical education regulations and give his suggestion to the board.

4. Approval of Minutes of the meeting of the Academic Council held on 14th February, 2012.

Read: the matter with regard to approval of Minutes of the meeting of the Academic Council held on 14th February, 2012.

The Board of Governors considered the Minutes of the meeting of the Academic Council held on 14th February, 2012 and decided to put up the matter on file.

5. Approval of minutes of the meeting of the Bachelor of Rural Health Care (BRHC) course held on 6th & 7th February, 2012.

Read: the matter with regard to Approval of minutes of the meeting of the Bachelor of Rural Health Care (BRHC) course held on 6th & 7th February, 2012.

The Board of Governors considered the minutes of the meeting of the Bachelor of Rural Health Care (BRHC) course held on 6th & 7th February, 2012 and decided to defer the matter for its subsequent meeting.

(Dr. P.Prasannaraj)
Addl.Secretary

(Dr. (Prof.) Sangeeta Sharma)
Secretary

(Dr.(Prof.) K.S. Sharma)
Member

(Dr. (Prof.) H S Rissam)
Member

(Dr. Rajiv C Yeravdekar)
Member

(Dr. Purshotam Lal)
Member

(Dr. Ashok Gupta)
Member

(Dr. (Prof.) K Mohandas)
Member

(Dr. (Prof.) K.K. Talwar)
Chairman