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Subject: Admissions of Foreign Students under Self-Finance Scheme in MBBS & BDS

The Higher Education Commission (HEC) administers admissions of foreigners as well as dual nationality holders of Pakistan in various public sector Universities/Colleges of Pakistan in the disciplines of Medicine (MBBS) and Dentistry (BDS) under the Self Finance Scheme (SFS), following the admission rules and regulations of Pakistan Medical Commission (PMC).

2. In this backdrop, this is to inform that as per the "Pakistan Medical Commission (PMC) Medical and Dental Undergraduate Education (Admission, Curriculum and Conduct) Regulations 2021" the dual nationality holders falls under the definition of "Pakistani Student" (relevant clause enclosed).

3. In this regard, it has been observed that the students, particularly the dual nationality holders of Pakistani origin have shown keen interest in the medical discipline offered under the scheme since its start and have filled most of the seats, however, keeping in view the above mentioned admission regulations, HEC is not in a position to administer the admissions of the dual nationality holders of Pakistan under the aforementioned scheme.

4. In view of the above, the competent authority has decided to handover the administration of foreign seats reserved under the scheme for MBBS/BDS programs to the concerned Universities/Colleges for admissions of foreigners as per PMC regulations for the session 2021-21 and onwards.


(Muhammad Raza Chohan)

Vice Chancellors/Heads

Medical & Dental Universities/Colleges associated with Self Finance Scheme (list attached)

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- i. Secretary, Ministry of Federal Education and Professional Training, Islamabad
- ii. Secretary, Ministry of Interprovincial Coordination, Islamabad.
- iii. President, Pakistan Medical Commission, Islamabad.
- iv. Director General (SSP), Foreign Secretary's Office, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Islamabad.
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LIST OF UNIVERSITIES AND COLLEGES ASSOCIATED WITH SELF FINANCE SCHEME FOR MBBS AND BDS**MBBS**

SN	Universities/Colleges
1.	Vice Chancellor Dow University of Health Sciences, Karachi
2.	Vice Chancellor Liaquat University of Medical & Health Sciences, Jamshoro
3.	Vice Chancellor Peoples University of Medical & Health Sciences for Women, Shaheed Benazirabad, Nawabshah
4.	Vice Chancellor Khyber Medical University, Peshawar <i>(With a request to disseminate information to the Medical Colleges of KP under KMU administration for centralized admissions)</i>
5.	Vice Chancellor Bolan University of Medical and Health Sciences, Quetta
6.	Principal Chandka Medical College, Larkana
7.	Principal Karachi Medical & Dental College, Karachi

BDS

SN	Universities/Colleges
1.	Vice Chancellor Liaquat University of Medical and Health Sciences, Jamshoro
2.	Vice Chancellor Khyber Medical University, Peshawar <i>(With a request to disseminate the information to Dental Colleges of KP under KMU administration for centralized admissions)</i>
3.	Vice Chancellor Bolan University of Medical and Health Sciences, Quetta
4.	Principal Karachi Medical & Dental College, Karachi

PAKISTAN MEDICAL COMMISSION
PMC MEDICAL AND DENTAL UNDERGRADUATE EDUCATION
{ADMISSIONS, CURRICULUM AND CONDUCT} REGULATIONS 2021

Islamabad, the June 4, 2021

NOTIFICATION

In exercise of the powers conferred section 40 and sub-section 2(j) of section 8 of the Pakistan Medical Commission Act, 2020 (XXXIII of 2020), the Medical and Dental Council is pleased to make the following regulations, namely:-

Medical and Dental Undergraduate Education (Admissions, Curriculum and Conduct) Regulations 2021

1. **Short title, application and commencement.**-(1) These regulations may be called the Medical and Dental Undergraduate Education (Admissions, Curriculum and Conduct) Regulations 2021.

(2) These regulations shall apply to all medical and dental undergraduate programs recognized by the Commission in Pakistan and all registered medical and dental colleges and accredited teaching hospitals for imparting undergraduate education and house jobs.

(3) These regulations shall come into at once.

2. **Definitions.**-In these regulations, unless the context otherwise provides;

(a) "Act" means the Pakistan and Medical Commission Act, 2020;

(b) "Authority" means the National Medical Authority established under the Act;

(c) "Board" means the National Medical and Dental Academic Board constituted under the Act;

(d) "Council" means the Medical and Dental Council constituted under the Act;

(e) "foreign student" means a student who is not a Pakistani Student and holds only a foreign nationality;

(f) "full license" means a permanent license to practice granted under the Act, subject to continuing validity of the license under the Act and applicable rules and regulations;

(g) "Medical and Dental Colleges Admissions Test" or "MDCAT" means the medical and dental colleges admissions test as described in section 18 of the Act;



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(h) "National Licensing Examination" or "NLE" means national licensing examination as described in section 20 of the Act;

(i) "Pakistani student" means a student who is a Pakistani national or defined as an Overseas Pakistani under applicable law and may hold dual nationality and may be resident or non-resident in Pakistan; and

(a) "Student Fee" means student fee as described in regulation 8;

(2) The words and expressions used in these regulations, but not defined herein shall have the same meaning as are assigned to them in the Act.

CHAPTER II ADMISSIONS

3. **Eligibility for Admission.**-Any person seeking admission in any undergraduate medical or dental college in Pakistan shall be eligible having fulfilled the following mandatory criteria;

- a) have passed the MDCAT examination conducted by the National Medical Authority;
- b) obtained a Higher Secondary School Certificate qualification ("HSSC") or an equivalent 12th grade qualification recognized in Pakistan and having obtained more than sixty five percent marks therein, or a higher percentage as may be notified by the Medical and Dental Council; and
- c) passed the subjects of biology and chemistry and either physics or mathematics in the examination of the Higher Secondary School Certificate or an equivalent 12th grade qualification recognized in Pakistan;

Provided that the mandatory eligibility requirements shall not apply to a student admitted on a special program seat pre-defined exclusively for a Federal Government program for foreign students under bilateral agreements with other countries. Such students shall also not be entitled to apply for a Full License to practice in Pakistan after having obtained their degree and will have to apply as foreign graduates subject to applicable licensing pathways.

4. **Admissions Process for Public Colleges.**-(1) Admissions to public colleges shall be conducted and completed by the respective government or authority under whose control the public college is established, operates and administered or any entity authorized by such government or authority for purposes of conducting admissions.

(2) The government shall formulate the merit and admission criteria for the public colleges subject to at least fifty percent weightage given to the MDCAT score of an applicant for purposes of forming the final merit.

