

# MAHARASHTRA MEDICAL COUNCIL, MUMBAI

(Established by Govt. of Maharashtra under MMC Act, 1965)

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#### **CIRCULAR**

**Sub:-** Regarding provisional registration.

#### Preamble: -

The second wave of COVID-19 is affecting India at Present. The scenario is very grim in India where the daily count itself is double of the first peak. The epidemic evolution is quite complex due to regional inhomogeneities.

The spread of the second wave is much faster than the first wave. Hence, quick and effective administrative intervention is needed to arrest the rapid growth of the epidemic. The infection is spreading at a faster pace in every age group.

In a crisis situation, when faced with a shortage of healthcare workers and lacking the capacity to produce more doctors on short notice, fast tracking registration of students of medical education seems like the next best option.

Council has considered need of the hour to provide provisional registration to interns so that, almost 5000 medical students who had passed final MBBS from all medical Colleges in state of Maharashtra can be fast-tracked into the healthcare system.

I would like to bring your attention towards section 25(2) of Indian Medical Council Act, 1956 which states that, "A person who has passed the qualifying examination of any University of medical institution in India for the grant of recognized medical qualification shall be entitled to be registered provisionally in a state medical register for the purpose of enabling him to be engaged in employment in resident medical capacity in any approved institution or in the Medical service of the Armed Forces of the Union, and for no other purpose, on production of proper evidence that he has been selected for such employment."

In order to make available provisional registration at the earliest to interns, Maharashtra Medical Council has taken following decision: -

- a. Council shall give immediate registration to students who have completed online application formalities including payment with foot note that registration shall be subject to verification by MMC.
- b. Council has decided to provide 3 months timespan to submit online application to Maharashtra Medical Council so that interns can simultaneously resume duties and their internship period shall be considered from date of joining of internship.
- c. Council has also decided to call results from respective Universities so that verification process time can be curtailed and provisional registration shall be made available on fast-track.

All the Deans/Principals are requested to give wide publicity and inform students to make online applications with all formalities including payment at the earliest.

It is sole responsibility of college authority to forward application within stipulated period. The above measures will help in introducing interns with official provisional registration immediately into the health care system to augment the health force/health care persons to tackle the Covid problem.

## **Applicability / Interpretation:-**

This circular shall come into force with immediate effect. If any issue arises regarding interpretation of the circular, Hon'ble President has authority to deal with these issues.

Sanjay Deshmukh

Registrar

Maharashtra Medical Council

#### To.

Dean/Principals of all recognized medical colleges in state of Maharashtra

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