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ALERT NOTE

Subject: Advisory for Indian Students Seeking Admission to Foreign Institutes/Universities for Undergraduate Medical Courses

Reference is invited to the National Medical Commission's (NMC) Public Notices dated 8th August 2023 and 22nd November 2024, wherein Indian students aspiring to obtain medical qualifications from foreign institutions and subsequently seeking registration to practice allopathy in India, were advised to ensure strict compliance with the Foreign Medical Graduate Licentiate (FMGL) Regulations, 2021 notified on 18.11.2021.

Students were specifically cautioned that any deviation in the following areas may result in disqualification from obtaining registration in India:

- i. Duration of the course
- ii. Medium of instruction
- iii. Syllabus and curriculum
- iv. Clinical training
- v. Internship or clerkship arrangements.

2. Despite these advisories, it has been observed that Indian students continue to seek admission to foreign medical institutions which do not meet the required standards prescribed under FMGL Regulations, 2021. Recently, communications received from the Indian Embassy in Mexico and the Eurasia Division of the Ministry of External Affairs have highlighted serious concerns against the medical institutions in respect of the following:

- i. Lack of compliance with Indian medical education standards
- ii. Inadequate or non-existent university campus infrastructure
- iii. Poor quality of educational and clinical training facilities
- iv. Instances of harassment of Indian students
- v. Excessive fees being charged
- vi. Denial of fee refunds upon withdrawal from the course

3. In light of the advisories issued by the Indian Embassy in Mexico and Ministry of External Affairs (Eurasia Division), students are hereby strictly advised to avoid seeking admission in the below-listed institutions:

i. Central American Health and Sciences University, Belize

- ii. Columbus Central University, Belize
- iii. Washington University of Health and Sciences, Belize

iv. Chirchik Branch of Tashkent State Medical University, Uzbekistan

4. Failure to follow this advisory may result in ineligibility for medical registration in India. Further, it is also advised that before seeking admission to any foreign medical institute or university, the prospective students and their parents are strongly advised to carefully read the Alert/Advisory uploaded on the National Medical Commission (NMC) website dated 19th May 2025. The advisory contains critical information regarding recognized institutions, eligibility criteria, and other important guidelines.

5. All those students who are governed by FMGL Regulation, 2021 and undergo their studies in such institutes/universities; are advised that they may face disqualification from registration in India, due to non-compliance with the FMGL Regulations, 2021. The students need to consider and immediately evaluate, if their current university meets FMGL Regulations, 2021. Stay in touch with NMC updates in the dedicated website, consult the Indian Embassy of the concerned country for updates on recognition or blacklisting of institutions and immediately take corrective measure since FMGL Regulations are applied at the time of screening/registration.

6. This issues with the approval of Secretary, NMC.

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