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Government of India  
National Medical Commission**

Sector-8, Dwarka  
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15-12-2025

To,

The Principal/Dean,  
All the Medical Colleges/Medical Institutions of India

**Subject: Establishment of Sub-Committee under the Drugs and Therapeutics Committee (DTC) for Monitoring of Prescription Practices and Inclusion of “Importance of Legible and Clear Handwriting in Medical Prescriptions” in the curriculum - reg.**

Please find enclosed herewith Public Notice no. N-P016 (11)2/2023-PGMEB-NMC dated 11-12-2025 issued by the Post-Graduate Medical Education Board (PGMEB) of National Medical Commission (NMC) on the above-mentioned subject for necessary compliance by all medical colleges/institutions in India.

2. All institutions are therefore inter-alia instructed to constitute the Sub-Committee under the Drugs and Therapeutics Committee (DTC), for monitoring prescriptions and ensuring compliance with the statutory, regulatory, and ethical standards.

Encl.: As above

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**National Medical Commission**  
**Post Graduate Medical Education Board (PGMEB)**

**No.N-P016 (11)2/2023-PGMEB-NMC**

**Dated: 11.12.2025**

**To**

- 1. Secretaries/Principal Secretaries, Health & Family Welfare of all States/UTs Govt.**
- 2. Director Directorate of Medical Education & Training of all States/UTs**
- 3. Directors/Principals/Deans, All Medical Institutions imparting medical education under NMC**

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Sir/Madam,

In pursuance of the Order dated 27.08.2025 of the Hon'ble High Court of Punjab and Haryana in the matter of Yogesh vs. State of Haryana (CRM-M-30305-2024), the National Medical Commission (NMC) is required to ensure the inclusion and reinforcement of the importance of legible and clear handwriting in medical prescriptions in the curriculum of all medical colleges/institutions in India.

2. The Hon'ble Court has observed that a legible medical prescription/document is an essential component of the Right to Health under Article 21 of the Constitution of India. The Court has further referred to the provisions of the National Medical Commission Act, 2019, the Indian Medical Council (Professional Conduct, Etiquette and Ethics) Regulations, 2002, and the MCI Notification dated 21.09.2016, all of which mandate that every medical practitioner must *write prescriptions legibly and preferably in capital letters*. Reference has also been made to the Clinical Establishments (Registration and Regulation) Act, 2010 and corresponding Rules on electronic health records, emphasizing the need for *legibility and clarity in medical documentation*.

3. The National Medical Commission has observed the need for strengthened and structured monitoring of prescription practices across all medical colleges in accordance with the Regulations currently in force.

Therefore, every medical college shall establish a dedicated Sub-Committee, under the Drugs and Therapeutics Committee (DTC), for monitoring prescriptions and ensuring compliance with the statutory, regulatory, and ethical standards.

The Subcommittee shall:

- a. Develop a structured plan for systematic appraisal of prescriptions to assess compliance with applicable Regulations and guidelines.
  - b. Review and analyze prescription patterns, identify deviations, and recommend corrective measures for improving adherence.
  - c. Ensure that the findings of each appraisal are recorded in the minutes of the DTC meetings.
  - d. Make such records available to the National Medical Commission whenever called for.
  - e. Ensure timely implementation of all recommended measures to enhance compliance of the Court order.
4. All medical institutions are further reminded that, as per the prevailing Regulations:
- “Every physician should prescribe drugs with generic names legibly and preferably in capital letters, and he/she shall ensure rational prescription and use of drugs.” Compliance of these directions is mandatory. All institutions are instructed to constitute the Sub-Committee immediately, and operationalize the prescribed monitoring mechanisms without delay.
5. This issues with the approval of the competent authority.

Yours faithfully,  
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