## F.No.C-20011/124//NMC/Coord\_-2023 Government of India National Medical Commission Coordination Division

Date: 1st March 2023

## Circular

Subject:- Registration of foreign students and Higher Education Institutions (HEIs) on EducationINdia Portal – regarding.

All Medical Colleges are informed that the Department of Higher Education(DoHE) in consultation with Ministry of Home(MHA) has developed the EducationINdia Portal, which is ready for use and will be made mandatory from the academic session 2023-24 for every international student who desires to take admission in Indian HEIs. The student will have to register on this portal. After registration on the portal, the student will get a unique ID(UID) which may be used for all purposes, including issue of student visa. The visa issuing authority will issue student visa only after checking/verifying the student's credentials on this portal. The above will be applicable for all students who desire student visa irrespective of duration of the course. The HEIs will also have to register on this portal and upload the offer of admission issued in favour of student on this portal.

- 2. A copy of the minutes of the Education India Portal meeting held on 07.02.2023 under the chairmanship of Secretatry(Higher Education) is enclosed.
- 3. All Medical HEIs/Medical colleges are directed to immediately register on the above portal and also sensitize the international students in this regard.
- 4. This issues with the approval of the Chairman, NMC.

(Ashok Kumar) Director

Deans/Principals
All Medical Colleges

No. V.11025/407/2022-MEP(FTS: 8193819)

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चिकित्सा शिक्षा नीति / Medical Education Policy

Room No. 514 A, Nirman Bhawan, New Delhi-110011 Dated 23-02-2023

To,

- The Secretary, National Medical Commission, Pocket-14, Sector-8, Dwarka, New Delhi-110077.
- 2. The Executive Director, National Board of Examinations, Ansari Nagar, Mahatma Gandhi Marg, New Delhi-110029
- 3. The Secretary,
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 The Registrar-cum-Secretary, Pharmacy Council of India, Email Id:- registrar@pci.nic.in

Sub: Meeting held on 07.02.2023 to discuss the implementation of EducationINdia Portal-Reg.

Madam/Sir,

I am directed to forward herewith a copy of minutes of the meeting held on 07.02.23 on the above mentioned subject wherein it may be observed that D/o Higher Education (DHE), M/o Education has developed a portal namely EducationINdia Portal which is ready for use and will be made mandatory for admissions from the academic session 2023-24 for every foreign student desirous of taking admission in India for higher education. Accordingly, all Higher Educational Institutions

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(HEIs) may be directed to immediately register on the portal and sensitize the international students about this. Moreover, a Nodal Officer has to be appointed by concerned Department/ Body for verification of contents/ details of HEIs on the portal and the details of nodal officer should be shared with DHE at the earliest.

You are requested to go through the minutes and take necessary action accordingly. You are also requested to appoint a Nodal Officer for verification of contents/ details of HEIs on the portal and share the details with DHE at the earliest under intimation to this Ministry.

> Yours faithfully Signed by Sunil Kumar

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Date: 23-02-2023 15:47:24

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Encl: As above

i. The US (DE Section)

ii. The US (AHS Section)

iii. The DD (Nursing Section)

iv. The ADG(ME) (with a request to make necessary amendments as per minutes of meeting while issuing the admission letter to foreign nationals/NRI/OCI etc.)

Copy for information to:-

Smt. Kirti (Deputy Director), D/o Higher Education (DHE), M/o Education, Room No. 535-C, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi-110001, Email Id:- kirti.15@gov.in

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Department of Higher Education
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Room No. 535-C Wing, Shastri Bhawan New Delhi, dated the 17<sup>th</sup> February, 2023

Subject: Minutes of the meeting held on 07.02.2023 to discuss the implementation of Education INdia Portal - reg.

The undersigned is directed to forward herewith copy of approved minutes of meeting held on 07.02.2023 at 11:00AM to discuss the implementation of EducationINdia Portal for information and further necessary action.

(Kirti)
Deputy Director
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- 1. The Secretaries of the Ministries/ Departments (Administering educational institutions) (as per list attached).
- 2. The Governor, Reserve Bank of India (w.r.t. IGIDR).
- 3. JS (Foreigners-I), MHA along with FRRO/ Immigration Authorities.
- 4. The CMD, EdCIL
- 5. All the BHs in D/o Higher Education.
- 6. The Director, INFLIBNET.
- 7. Shri Abhishek Kumar, Scientist-E(CS), INFLIBNET Centre, Gandhinagar.

Encl: Minutes of the meeting.

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Minutes of the Education India portal meeting held dated 07.02.2023 under the Chairmanship of Secretary (HE).

An Inter-Ministerial meeting was held on 07.02.2023, virtually, under the chairmanship of Secretary (HE) wherein all the Ministries/Departments including Reserve Bank of India which administers Higher Educational Institutions (HEIs), were invited to discuss the modalities for implementation of EducationINdia portal. The list of the participants is annexed.

- 2. At the outset, Additional Secretary (TE) briefed the participants about the EducationINdia Portal. He informed that the Department of Higher Education (DoHE) in consultation with Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA) has developed this portal and it will be made mandatory from the academic session 2023-24 for every international student who desires to take admission in Indian HEIs. The student will have to register on this portal. The HEIs will also have to register on this portal and upload the offer of admission issued in favour of student on this portal. The portal is being developed by INFLIBNET. After registration on the portal, the student will get a unique ID (UID) which may be used for all purposes, including issue of student visa. The visa issuing authority will issue student visa only after checking/verifying the student's credentials on this portal. This will be applicable for all students who desire student visa irrespective of duration of the course.
- 3. Secretary (HE) informed the participants that this portal is ready for use and will be made mandatory for admissions for the academic year 2023-24. The portal has undergone several updations in consultation with MHA and security audit as well. UIDs issued to students will be shared with FRRO, visa office and MHA for further processing. He further informed that Indian Council for Cultural Relations (ICCR) will also use this portal and sponsor scholarships only through it.
- 4. A detailed presentation of the portal was made by INFLIBNET, explaining the design and the information required for registering on the portal.
- 5. Joint Secretary (MHA) informed that based on the UID, Visa office/ FRRO will process the visa on the basis of information available on the portal. He emphasised the importance of every educational institution as well as every foreign student to register on this portal. He also clarified that the details of the students should be regularly updated by the compliance officers to be appointed by the HEIs offering courses to international students.
- 6. Additional Secretary (TE) informed that Form A of the portal expects certain inputs from Visa/FRRO office like Visa/RC number, issue date and expiry date and requested if API of both portals could interact and data may automatically be populated in the

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EducationINdia portal to avoid error and if API interaction is not possible then at least the respective Visa/ FRRO office could fill the details by logging in the portal.

- 7. A detailed discussion took place to address the doubts and queries of all participants. After detailed discussions, the following points emerged for further action:
- i. To circulate the UGC/MHA guidelines regarding designating a 'compliance officer'. UGC/AICTE may again write to all HEIs to designate a 'compliance officer'.
- ii. INFLIBNET will prepare an SoP for the portal, which may be circulated among all participants. The link of the portal may also be shared with all.
- iii. All HEIs may be directed to immediately register on the portal and sensitize the students about this. The offer of admission should specifically mention that student has to register on the portal and generate UID.
- iii. The portal to be made live within a day or two. The participants will share their views/suggestion thereafter within a week.
- iv. All Ministries/Departments will appoint a Nodal officer who will verify the contents/details of the HEIs submitted for registration on the portal. The details of nodal officer may be shared with this Department at the earliest.
- v. INFLIBNET will populate the details of around 1700 HEIs as available in database and start working for confirmation of the details.
- vi. A demo of the portal may be organized before Home Secretary shortly.
- vii. All participants may start publicity campaign through social media by tweets for wider dissemination of information and popularization of the portal.

Meeting ended with vote of thanks to the chair.

Annexure

List of Participants:

THE PERSON	S.No. Name of participant	Ministry Name	ł
	1 Shri K. Sanjay Murthy,	Ministry of Education	I