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ADVISORY

Subject: Advisory to students, parents and the general public regarding verification of the authenticity and regulatory approval of medical colleges and institutions before taking admission or making any payment – reg.

It has come to the notice of the National Medical Commission (NMC) that certain institutions are purportedly offering medical and allied courses without obtaining the requisite statutory recognition, approval or permission from the competent regulatory authorities. Students and parents may be misled by misleading advertisements, websites, social media promotions, unauthorized admission offers or false representations made by such institutions, agents or intermediaries.

2. The Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in an ongoing case titled*Ayesha Jain v. Amity University, Noida & Ors.*, has taken cognizance of the issue and directed all regulatory bodies including NMC to caution the stakeholders specifically students and parents against taking admission in, or dealing with, educational institutions without first verifying their authenticity. The direction was issued in the context of a reported instance of a purported fake medical college operating from a farmhouse and claiming to offer various courses.

3. In compliance with the aforesaid directions, and in the interest of protecting students, parents and the public at large from fraudulent practices, the National Medical Commission hereby advises all concerned to exercise due diligence and verify the authenticity and regulatory status of any institution before seeking admission to, enrolling in, or making any payment towards a medical course.

4. **Students, parents and the general public are advised to observe the following precautions:**

i. Verify the authenticity of the medical college: Before taking admission to an MBBS course, verify whether the concerned medical college is included in the official list of medical colleges published by the National Medical Commission and whether the requisite permission/approval has been granted for the relevant academic year.

ii. Verify the approved intake and academic year: The presence of a college in a list or its previous operation shall not, by itself, be treated as confirmation of permission to admit students for every subsequent academic year or beyond the approved intake. The permission status,

course and number of seats approved for the relevant academic year must be independently verified through official NMC/MARB records.

iii. Verify the authenticity of admission offers and documents: Do not rely solely on brochures, prospectuses, websites, advertisements, social media posts, purported Letters of Permission, approval letters, certificates or other documents circulated by an institution or its representatives. Any doubt regarding the authenticity of such documents should be verified directly with the concerned regulatory authority through its official communication channels.

iv. Use official counselling and admission channels: For admissions subject to prescribed counselling procedures, candidates should follow the applicable counselling process and verify the institution and seat allotted through the official counselling authority, including the Medical Counselling Committee (MCC), wherever applicable, or the competent State/UT counselling authority.

v. Verify the institutional premises and facilities: Students and parents are advised to exercise caution where an institution makes extraordinary claims regarding medical education, clinical training, hospital facilities or admission opportunities that appear inconsistent with the nature and scale of the proposed course. The existence of a building, office, website or advertisement does not, by itself, establish that the institution is legally authorized to impart medical education.

vi. Exercise caution before making payments: Do not make admission-related payments to unauthorized agents, personal bank accounts or unverified intermediaries. No representation by an agent or institution should be accepted as a substitute for verification of the requisite statutory permission and compliance with the applicable admission procedure.

vii. Distinguish between regulatory approvals: Approval, affiliation, registration or recognition granted by one authority for a particular purpose should not be construed as permission from the National Medical Commission to conduct an MBBS course. The applicable requirements of each competent regulatory authority must be independently satisfied.

viii. Report suspected fraudulent institutions: Any suspected fake medical college, unauthorized MBBS course, forged permission letter, fraudulent admission offer or misleading representation may be reported to the National Medical Commission through its official website/communication channels. Such instances may also be brought to the notice of the concerned State/UT Department of Medical Education, competent regulatory authority and local police, as appropriate. Complainants are advised to preserve relevant advertisements, payment receipts, correspondence, website details and other supporting material.

5. It is further clarified that institutions offering courses such as

pharmacy, nursing, Ayurveda, allied and healthcare programmes or other professional qualifications fall within the jurisdiction of different statutory or competent regulatory authorities. The regulatory status of such courses should, therefore, be verified with the authority competent to regulate the particular course. The present advisory does not constitute a determination by the NMC regarding the recognition or approval of courses falling exclusively within the jurisdiction of other authorities.

6. Students and parents are advised to refer to the official website of the National Medical Commission, **https://www.nmc.org.in/**, and the relevant official regulatory and counselling portals for authentic and updated information. Any discrepancy between information circulated through unofficial sources and the records of the competent authority should be clarified with that authority before proceeding with admission or payment.

7. The general public is requested to remain vigilant and not be misled by false claims, unauthorized institutions or forged regulatory documents. Timely verification and reporting of suspected fraudulent activities are essential to protect students from financial loss, prevent misuse of the name of statutory authorities and safeguard the standards and integrity of medical education.

8. This advisory is issued with the approval of the Competent Authority, National Medical Commission.

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