

GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

The Andhra Pradesh Government Professional Institutions (Regulations of Admissions into Under Graduate Medical and Dental Professional Courses) Rules, 2004 – Amendment – Issued.

HEALTH MEDICAL AND FAMILY WELFARE (C1) DEPARTMENT

G.O.MS.No. 102

Dated: 30-07-2026

Read the following:

- 1.G.O.Ms.No.183, HM&FW (E1) Dept., Dt.30.06.2004.
- 2.G.O.Ms.No.205, HM&FW (E1) Dept., Dt.15.07.2004.
- 3.G.O.Ms.No.415, HM&FW (E1) Dept., Dt.02.12.2008.
- 4.G.O.Ms.No.140, HM&FW (E1) Dept., Dt.04.07.2009.
- 5.G.O.Ms.No.195, HM&FW(E1) Dept., Dt.07.07.2011.
- 6.G.O.Ms.No.126, HM&FW (C1) Dept., Dt.24.07.2017.
- 7.G.O.Rt. No. 187, HM&FW (C1) Dept., Dt. 13.03.2020.
- 8.G.O.Ms.No.151, HM&FW (C1) Dept., Dt:04.12.2020.
- 9.From the Vice Chancellor, Dr.NTRUHS, Vijayawada vide e-file No.3242403, dated:06.05.2026.

ORDER:

In the G.O 8th read above, the Government had issued orders to amend the Andhra Pradesh Government Professional Institutions (Regulation of Admissions into Undergraduate Medical and Dental Professional Courses) Rules, 2004, issued in the G.O.Ms.No.183, Health Medical & Family Welfare (E1) Department, Dt.30.06.2004 and as subsequently amended from time to time.

2. In the e-file 9th read above, the Vice Chancellor, Dr. NTR University of Health Sciences, has furnished a proposal to review the existing counselling policy of one-time web options for admissions into MBBS and BDS courses introduced under G.O.Ms.No.151, HM&FW (C1) Department, dated 04.12.2020. The policy mandates separate counselling for MBBS and BDS courses, one-time web options for all available seats, and debars candidates who fail to join an allotted seat from participating in subsequent counseling.

3. The Vice Chancellor has reported that while the policy functioned effectively from the academic years 2020-21 to 2024-25, practical difficulties arose during 2025-26 due to the National Medical Commission granting permissions for new medical colleges, renewal of permissions and enhancement of seats after the commencement of counseling. Consequently, additional seats became available only during later counseling phases, necessitating fresh notifications and web options, which is inconsistent with the existing one-time option policy. The University has also highlighted the writ petitions before the Hon'ble High Court of Andhra Pradesh challenging the policy, the Court's interim observations permitting candidates to participate without opting for all colleges, and the experience in Telangana where a similar policy was suspended and fresh web options are permitted at every phase. It has further been reported that there are no additional financial implications for either the students or the University.

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4. The Vice Chancellor, Dr. NTR University of Health Sciences, has therefore requested the Government to comprehensively review the existing counseling policy in view of the above administrative practical difficulties in implementing the existing provision during the counseling process and legal issues.

5. After careful examination of the proposal of the Vice Chancellor, Dr. NTR University of Health Sciences and reviewing the administrative and legal issues arising in the implementation of the existing counseling policy, Government hereby decide to amend the Andhra Pradesh Government Professional Institutions (Regulation of Admissions into Undergraduate Medical and Dental Professional Courses) Rules, 2004, issued in G.O.Ms.No.183, Health, Medical and Family Welfare (E1) Department, dated 30.06.2004, as subsequently amended from time to time, so as to provide greater administrative flexibility in the counseling process, facilitate filling of seats sanctioned during the course of counseling and enable eligible candidates to exercise web options for all seats made available before the commencement of each phase of counseling, thereby providing them with a wider choice of available colleges and courses and ensuring equitable access to newly sanctioned or subsequently notified seats.

6. Accordingly, the following notification will be published in an Extra-ordinary issue of the Andhra Pradesh Gazette dated:30-07-2026:

NOTIFICATION

In exercise of the powers conferred by sections 3 and 15 of the Andhra Pradesh Educational Institutions (Regulation of Admission and Prohibition of Capitation Fee) Act, 1983 (Andhra Pradesh Act No.5 of 1983), the Governor of Andhra Pradesh hereby makes the following amendments to the Andhra Pradesh Government Professional Institutions (Regulation of Admissions into Undergraduate Medical and Dental Professional Courses) Rules, 2004 issued in G.O.Ms.No.183, HM&FW(E1) Dept., Dt. 30.06.2004 and published in Rules Supplement to Part-I Extraordinary issue of the Andhra Pradesh Gazette No.23, dated the 2nd July, 2004 and as subsequently amended from time to time:-

AMENDMENT

In the said Rules,

In Rule 6, clause (ix),

For the items (b) and (c), the following shall be substituted namely,

For	Substituted as
Clause (ix) Under Rule 6: b) Only one-time options shall be exercised for all MBBS and BDS seats available in all the colleges.	b) Options shall be exercised for MBBS and BDS seats in the colleges of choice of candidates before commencement of each phase of counseling and sliding will be as per MCC Rules.

c) Any candidate allotted a seat and does not join he/she, shall not be considered for subsequent counseling.	c) If a candidate does not join in the allotted college, he/she shall not be eligible for opting for the same college in the next phase (s) of the counseling. NOTE: The Competent Authority shall notify the detailed procedure of counseling.
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(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

**G.VEERAPANDIAN
SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT**

To

The Commissioner, Printing, Stationery and Stores Purchase (Printing wing) Dept.,
Vijayawada (with a request to publish the notification in the AP Extra- ordinary
Gazette and supply 50 copies to the Government).

The Registrar, Dr. NTR University of Health Sciences, Vijayawada

The Director of Medical Education, AP, Vijayawada

The Principals of all Govt. Medical/Dental Colleges in the State through DME

The Education (EC) Dept.,

Copy to:

The Secretary, Government of India, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Dept of
Health, New Delhi.

The Secretary, National Medical Commission/Dental Council of India, New Delhi

The Law Dept., AP Secretariat.

The OSD to Hon'ble Minister (HFW&ME)

The PS to Secretary to Government, HM&FW Department.

Sf/Sc (E-file No.3242403)

// FORWARDED:: BY ORDER//

SECTION OFFICER