

**GOVERNMENT OF PUDUCHERRY**

**Abstract**

Health Secretariat – Conversion of unfilled Minority quota seats (Linguistic and Religious) in Post Graduate Medical courses in Private Self-Financing Medical Colleges to Management Quota seats and filled by students of Union Territory of Puducherry – Orders – Issued.

**CHIEF SECRETARIAT (HEALTH)**

**G.O. Ms. No. 10**

**Puducherry, dated: 04.04.2018**

Read: F. No. 27209/H5/Health/2016-17/PF-Vol. IV of Health Secretariat,  
Chief Secretariat, Puducherry.

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**ORDER :**

WHEREAS, clause 9A (3) of “Post Graduate Medical Education (Amendment) Regulations 2017”, lays down that, the counseling for admission to Diploma and MD/MS in all Medical Institutions in a State/Union Territory, including, Medical Educational Institutions established by the State Government, University established by an Act of State/Union Territory Legislature, Municipal Bodies, Trust, Society, Company or Minority Institutions, shall be conducted by the State/Union Territory Government.

2. AND WHEREAS, CENTAC has been designated for conduct of counseling for admission of students in Post Graduate Medical courses in the three Private Self-Financing Medical Colleges functioning in the Union Territory of Puducherry of which the two Private Self-Financing Medical Colleges viz. (i) The Pondicherry Institute of Medical Sciences, Puducherry, {Religious Minority (Christian)} and (ii) Sri Venkateshwaraa Medical College Hospital & Research Centre, Puducherry Linguistic Minority (Telugu) are minority institutions.

3. AND WHEREAS, the Minority status was conferred to Pondicherry Institute of Medical Sciences, Puducherry vide Letter No.1240/H4/Health/99, dated 04-03-2002 and Sri Venkateshwaraa Medical College Hospital & Research Centre, vide Letter No.3672/H5/2007/Health, dated 09-05-2015. These letters of the Government of Puducherry were issued on the basis of requests from these institutions, insisting providing of 50% of the seats in their institutions to their minority students.

4. AND WHEREAS, Sri Venkateshwaraa Medical College Hospital & Research Centre has executed a Memorandum of Agreement with the Government of Puducherry to this effect.

5. AND WHEREAS, the Hon'ble High Court of Madras in its interim Order, dated 25.07.2017, in Writ Petition No. 17467 of 2017 has ordered that the Minority Status of the Pondicherry Institute of Medical Science, Puducherry shall continue, till the disposal of the Writ Petition.

6. AND WHEREAS, the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India vide Judgment in TMA Pai case has ordered that the Minority status of educational institution is to be determined by treating the State in which the Institute is located as a unit.

7. AND WHEREAS, the Pondicherry Institute of Medical Sciences, Puducherry {Religious Minority (Christian)} has to fill up 50% of the total intake i.e. 25 seats out of total intake of 50 seats in various Post Graduate Medical Courses with the students of Religious Minority (Christian) of Union Territory of Puducherry. Likewise, Sri Venkateshwaraa Medical College Hospital & Research Institute, Puducherry {Linguistic Minority (Telugu)} has to fill up 50% of the total

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intake i.e. 19 seats out of total intake of 38 seats in various Post Graduate Medical Courses with the students of Linguistic Minority (Telugu) of Union Territory of Puducherry.

8. AND WHEREAS, the Puducherry students had access to 162 Post Graduate seats under Government quota during the year 2017-18, including the seats in Indira Gandhi Medical College and Research Institute, Puducherry, three Self-Financing Medical Colleges and the 4 Deemed University Medical Colleges in Puducherry.

9. AND WHEREAS, the number of seats available to Puducherry students under Government Quota in Private Self-Financing Medical Colleges and Indira Gandhi Medical College and Research Institute has been reduced to 84 due to change in Post Graduate Medical Education Regulations authorising counseling for Post Graduate seats in Deemed Universities by the Directorate General of Health Services, Govt. of India, New Delhi. This has substantially reduced the access of NEET qualified Puducherry students to Post Graduate seats which were hitherto available to them.

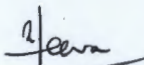
10. NOW THEREFORE, it is ordered that:

The Minority (Religious/Linguistic) quota seats in Post Graduate Medical courses remaining vacant in Pondicherry Institute of Medical Science, Puducherry, {Religious Minority (Christian)} and Sri Venkateshwaraa Medical College Hospital & Research Centre, Puducherry {Linguistic Minority (Telugu)}, after two rounds of counseling shall be filled up as open merit management quota seats during mop-up counseling based on NEET-PG 2018 rank from among the Puducherry domicile candidates and the fee structure for these seats will be that for Management Quota seats.

11 Any seats remaining vacant thereafter shall be filled up as management quota seats from the All India merit list.

12. This order will come into force with immediate effect.

//BY ORDER OF THE LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR//

  
1/17 (V. JEEVA)

UNDER SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT (HEALTH)

**To**

1. The Chairman, CENTAC, Chief Secretariat, Puducherry.
2. The Convenor, CENTAC, PEC Campus, Puducherry.
3. The Coordinator (Admission), CENTAC, Puducherry.
4. The Pondicherry Institute of Medical Science, Puducherry.
5. Sri Venkateshwaraa Medical College Hospital & Research Institute, Puducherry

**Copy submitted to:**

1. The Private Secretary to Hon'ble Chief Minister, Puducherry.
2. The Private Secretary to Hon'ble Health Minister, Puducherry.
3. The Secretary to Lt. Governor, Puducherry.
4. The Private Secretary to Chief Secretary to Govt., Puducherry.
5. The Secretary to Government (Health), Chief Secretariat, Puducherry.
6. The Director, Directorate of Health and Family Welfare Services, Puducherry.
7. The DHTE, PIPMATE Campus, Lawspet, Puducherry.
8. The Under Secretary to Government (Higher Education) Chief Secretary, Puducherry.