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INFORMATION BULLETIN

National Eligibility Cum Entrance Test (UG)

NEET (UG) - 2020

FOR ADMISSION TO UNDERGRADUATE MEDICAL COURSES

NATIONAL TESTING AGENCY

Vision

- *To be a premier, specialist, autonomous and self-sustained National Testing Agency that will help India leverage her demographic dividend by helping her institutions of higher education and research in selecting the most competent applicants.*

Mission

- *To improve equity and quality in higher education and research in India by assessing the competence of candidates for admissions and recruitment using assessment tools meeting international standards of efficiency, transparency and error free delivery.*
- *To use the services of the best subject matter experts, psychometricians and IT delivery and security professionals to ensure that the gaps in the existing assessment systems are properly identified and bridged.*
- *To produce and disseminate information and research on education and professional development standards.*

Core Values

In carrying out its mission NTA will be guided by these core values:
- *Quality, efficiency, effectiveness, equity and security are central to its assessments.*
- *Engagement with stakeholders, viz. students, parents, teachers, experts and partner institutions preserves their trust in the system.*
- *Undertaking research in evaluation and updating its practices by constant innovation in assessment are key to fulfilling its mission.*
- *Scientifically designed and properly delivered assessments can improve teaching learning processes in class rooms.*

LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS

AACCC	AYUSH Admission Central Counselling Committee
AIIMS	All India Institute of Medical Sciences
AMU	Aligarh Muslim University
BAMS	Bachelor of Ayurvedic Medicine & Surgery
BDS	Bachelor of Dental Surgery
BHMS	Bachelor of Homeopathic Medicine & Surgery
BHU	Banaras Hindu University
BoGCCH	Board of Governors of Central Council of Homeopathy
BSMS	Bachelor of Siddha Medicine & Surgery
BUMS	Bachelor of Unani Medicine & Surgery
CCIM	Central Council of Indian Medicine
DCI	Dental Council of India
DGHS	Directorate General of Health Services, Govt. of India
DU	Delhi University
ESIC	Employees' State Insurance Corporation
EWS	Economically Weaker Section
INI	Institute of National Importance
JIPMER	Jawaharlal Nehru Institute of Medical Education & Research
MBBS	Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery
MCC	Medical Counselling Committee of Directorate General of Health Services, Govt. of India
MCI	Medical Council of India
MoH&FW	Ministry of Health and Family Welfare
MoA	Ministry of Ayush
NEET (UG)	National Eligibility Cum Entrance Test for admission to Undergraduate Course
NMC	National Medical Commission
OBC-NCL	Other Backward Classes-Non Creamy Layer
PwD	Persons with Disabilities
SC	Scheduled Castes
ST	Scheduled Tribes
UT	Union Territory

IMPORTANT INFORMATION AND DATES AT A GLANCE

(Please refer to Information Bulletin for details)

Important Dates and Fee Detail:

	02 December 2019 – 31 December 2019 (upto 11:50 pm)
Last date of successful transaction of fee through Credit/Debit Card/Net-banking/UPI	02 December 2019 to 01 January 2020 (upto 11:50 pm)
Fee Payable by Candidate — General	Rs. 1500/-
General-EWS/ OBC-NCL*	Rs. 1400/-
SC/ST/PwD/Transgender	Rs. 800/-
Processing charges & Goods and Services Tax (GST) are to be paid by the candidate, as applicable	
Correction in Particulars of Application Form on website only	15 January 2020 to 31 January 2020
Downloading of Admit Cards from NTA website	27.03.2020
Date of Examination	03.05.2020
Duration of Examination	180 minutes (03 hours)
Timing of Examination	02:00 pm to 05:00 pm
Centre of NEET(UG)-2020 Examination	As indicated on Admit Card
Display of Recorded Responses and Answer Keys	To be announced later on website
Website(s)	**www.nta.ac.in, ntaneet.nic.in**
Declaration of Result on NTA website by	04 June, 2020

*OBC-NCL (Other Backward Classes)-NCL (Non-Creamy Layer) as per the Central List of Other Backward Classes available on National Commission for Backward Classes. The candidates falling in this list may mention OBC-NCL in the Category Column.
State list OBC-NCL Candidates who are not in OBC-NCL (Central List) must choose General.

*The time schedule for admission to MBBS/BDS Course has been approved by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in Ashish Ranjan & Ors. Vs. Union of India & Ors. – (2016) 11 SCC 225, which has been subsequently further amended.

1. Candidates can apply for **NEET (UG)-2020 through "Online" mode only**.
2. Submission of Online Application Form may be done by accessing NTA website **ntaneet.nic.in. The Application Form in any other mode will not be accepted.**
3. **Only one application is to be submitted by a candidate.**
4. Candidates must follow the instructions given in the Information Bulletin and on NTA website strictly. Candidates not complying with the instructions shall be summarily disqualified.
5. Candidates must ensure that e-mail Address and Mobile Number provided **in the Online Application Form are their own or parents only** as all information/ communication will be sent by NTA through e-mail on the **registered e-mail address or SMS on registered Mobile Number only.**
6. **Instructions for filling Online Application Form:**
   - ❖ **Download Information Bulletin and Replica of Application Form. Read these carefully to ensure your eligibility. In case a candidate is found to fill in more than one application, the admit card will be cancelled/withheld and his/her candidature will be forfeited for this/future examination.**
   - ❖ **Follow the steps given below to Apply Online:**

Step-1: Apply for Online Registration using your or parents unique Email Id and Mobile No.

Step-2: Fill in the **Online Application Form** and **note down the system generated Application No.**

Step-3: Upload scanned images of Candidate's latest Passport size Photograph (size: 10 kb to 200 kb), Post Card size photograph (4"X6") (Size: 50 kb - 300 kb**)** and Candidate's Signature (file size: 4kb - 30kb), Left hand thumb impression (file size: 10 kb-50 kb) in JPG/JPEG format. (*In case of any eventuality of left thumb being unavailable, right hand thumb impression may be used.),* *Class X Passing Certificate (file size: 100 kb to 400 kb) in JPG/JPEG format.*
For photography, the focus needs to be on face (80% face coverage, ears clearly visible, on white background).

Step-4: Pay fee using **SBI/Syndicate/HDFC/ICICI/Paytm Payment Gateway** through **Debit Card/Credit Card/Net-banking/UPI** and keep proof of fee paid safely for future reference. In case the Confirmation Page is not generated after payment of fee then the transaction is cancelled, and amount will be refunded to the candidate's account. However, the candidate has to make another transaction of fee, in case the Confirmation Page is not generated.

❖ Download, save and print copies of Confirmation Page after successful remittance of fee and keep copies safely for future reference.

❖ **All the 4 Steps can be done together in one go or at different times.**

7. **Candidates are advised to regularly visit the NTA website and also check their e-mails/SMS for latest updates.**

8. **Candidate shall appear at their own cost at the Examination Centre on Date and Timing indicated on their Admit Card issued by the NTA.**

9. **Any request to change the Examination Centre, Date and Time provided on the Admit Card shall not be considered under any circumstances.**

10. **Candidates are advised to take 6-8 Passport size and 4-6 Post Card size (4"X6") colored photographs with white background.**
The photographs are to be used for uploading on Online Application Form, for examination and also for Counselling/Admission.

Note:
1. *The final submission of Online Application Form will remain incomplete if step-3 and step-4 under point 6 are not completed. Such forms will stand rejected and no correspondence on this account will be entertained*.
2. *No request for refund of fee once remitted by the candidate will be entertained by NTA under any circumstances.*
3. *The entire application process of **NEET (UG)-2020** is online, including uploading of scanned images, Payment of Fees, and Printing of Confirmation Page. **Therefore, candidates are not required to send/submit any document(s) including Confirmation Page to NTA through Post/ Fax/ by Hand/E-mail.***

Candidates are NOT allowed to carry any Instruments, Geometry or Pencil box, Handbag, Purse, any kind of Paper/ Stationery/ Textual material (printed or written material), Eatables and Water (loose or packed), Mobile Phone/ Ear Phone/ Microphone/ Pager, Calculator, DocuPen, Slide Rules, Log Tables, Camera, Tape Recorder, Electronic Watches with facilities of calculator, any metallic item or electronic gadgets/ devices in the Examination Hall/Room.

Diabetic students are allowed to carry eatables like sugar tablets/fruits (like banana/apple/ orange) and transparent water bottle to the Examination Hall. However, they will not be allowed to carry packed foods like chocolates/candy/sandwich etc. For detailed instruction refer to Chapter 8 and Chapter 9.

Candidates taking help of others (including Cyber Café etc.) should ensure that all the four steps mentioned above have been filled up correctly in their presence only. False/misleading information will lead to cancellation of candidature and/or criminal proceedings under laws of the country.

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1. Candidates are advised to read the Information Bulletin carefully and go through the instructions regarding filling of Online Application Form given on NEET (UG)-2020 website **www.nta.ac.in**, **ntaneet.nic.in** before starting online registration.

2. Candidate should ensure that all information entered during the online registration process is correct.

3. Online information provided by candidates like name of candidate, contact/ address details, category, PwD status, educational qualification details, date of birth, etc will be treated as correct/final. Any request for changes in information after the closure of correction period will not be considered by NTA under any circumstances. Any candidate found to mislead by providing inaccurate information will be debarred from taking the examination.

4. NTA disclaims any liability that may arise due to incorrect information provided by the candidate(s) during registration process.

5. NTA does not edit /modify/alter any information entered by the candidates after completion of application process under any circumstances. NTA does not guarantee that any request for change in information thereafter will be entertained. Therefore, candidates are advised to exercise utmost caution and care for filling up correct details in the Application Form.

Usage of Data and Information: NTA can use the data provided by the End User (test taker in this case) for internal purpose(s) including training, research and development, analysis and other permissible purpose(s).

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CHAPTER 1- INTRODUCTION

1.1) About National Testing Agency (NTA)

The Ministry of Human Resource Development (MHRD), Government of India (GOI), has established **National Testing Agency (NTA)** as an independent, autonomous and self-sustained premier testing organization registered under the Societies Registration Act, 1860.

The objectives of NTA, inter alia, include:

(i) To conduct efficient, transparent and international standard tests in order to assess the competency of candidates for admission.

(ii) To undertake research on educational, professional and testing system to identify gaps in the knowledge systems and take steps for bridging them.

(iii) To produce and disseminate information and research on education and professional development standards.

The National Eligibility-cum-Entrance Test (NEET-UG) 2020 for admission to the undergraduate medical education will be conducted by the NTA.

CHAPTER 2- NATIONAL ELIGIBILITY-CUM-ENTRANCE TEST NEET (UG) – 2020

2.1) About NEET (UG) – 2020

The National Medical Commission Act, 2019 received assent of the President on 08th August, 2019. Section 14 of the National Medical Commission Act, 2019 provides for holding of a common and uniform National Eligibility-cum-Entrance Test (NEET) for admission to the undergraduate medical courses in all medical institutions including those governed under any other law. Thus, the admission to MBBS course in AIIMS, New Delhi, JIPMER and all AIIMS like Institutions will also be made through NEET. **(NMC Act, 2019 at Appendix XIV)**

a) **Admissions to all seats of Undergraduate Medical Courses will be done through NEET (UG) - 2020. The following are the seats available under different quotas:**
   i. All India Quota Seats
   ii. State Government Quota Seats
   iii. Central Institutions/Universities/Deemed Universities
   iv. State/Management/NRI Quota Seats in Private Medical / Dental /Ayurveda /Siddha /Unani /Homeopathy Colleges or any Private University
   v. Central Pool Quota Seats
   vi. All seats including NRI Quota as well as Management Quota, in private unaided/aided minority / non- minority medical colleges shall also be filled on the basis of merit obtained in NEET(UG) – 2020.

b) Indian Citizens/Overseas Citizens of India intending to pursue **Undergraduate Medical Courses** from a foreign (Medical/Dental/Ayurveda/Siddha/Unani/Homeopathy) Institute need to qualify **NEET (UG) - 2020**.

c) The Counselling for successful candidates under 15% All India Quota seats and all seats of Deemed Universities/Central Universities/Seats of **ESIC** & **AFMC** including **Delhi University (DU), BHU, AMU, AIIMS & JIPMER** will be conducted by the **MCC/DGHS for Undergraduate Medical Courses**. The counselling for admission to the seats under the control of other States/Universities/Institutions shall be conducted as per the notifications issued separately by the authorities concerned.

d) The result of **NEET (UG) - 2020** may be utilized by other entities of Central/State Governments for admission purpose in accordance with their rules.

e) During counselling, the eligibility criteria, self-declaration, various documents, etc. of the eligible candidates shall be verified as per norms specified by the respective authorities and/or Medical/Dental/Ayurveda/Siddha/Unani/Homeopathy Colleges. NTA does not have any responsibility towards correctness/genuinity of the uploaded information/documents during the application process.

2.2) Role of NTA in NEET (UG)

The Central Government has established the National Testing Agency to conduct entrance examination for admission/ fellowship in higher educational institutions. The Department of Higher Education, Ministry of Human Resource Development, GOI vide their letter no. F. No. 19-5/2014-TS-I dated 6th July, 2018 has mandated the NTA to conduct the NEET (UG) – 2019 onwards.

The responsibility of **NTA** is limited to inviting online application, conduct of the entrance test, declaration of result and providing **All India Rank** to the **Directorate General of Health Services, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Government of India.**

2.3)   Date of Entrance Test

NEET (UG) - 2020 will be conducted on **3 May 2020 (Sunday) from 02:00 p.m. to 05:00 p.m.** The duration of test will be **three** (03) hours.

The schedule will remain unaltered even if the date of test is declared a public holiday.

2.4)   Important Websites

i.   The official website of the NTA for **NEET(UG)-2020** is ntaneet.nic.in. All the test related information, as amended from time-to-time (if any), will be available on this website only. Candidates must regularly view this website for latest updates.

ii.   The official websites for counselling of 15% All India seats, Central Institutions/University and Deemed Universities related information is as under:

For MBBS/BDS Courses:

● *Ministry of Health & Family Welfare***: www.mohfw.gov.in** and
● *Medical Counselling Committee***: www.mcc.nic.in**

For BAMS/BSMS/BUMS/BHMS Courses:

● ***Ministry of AYUSH****: **www.ayush.gov.in***
● ***AYUSH Admission Central Counselling Committee: www.aaccc.gov.in***

iii.   For remaining seats, kindly check the website(s) of concerned State(s)/ Institution(s).

iv.   Notwithstanding anything contained in the Information Bulletin, the decision of **NTA/MoH&FW/ NMC/ MCI/DGHS/DCI/MoA/CCIM/BoGCCH** shall be final and binding.

2.5)   Legal Jurisdiction

All disputes pertaining to the conduct of examination and allotment of seats shall fall within the jurisdiction of Delhi only. The Senior Director/Director (Administration) of the **NTA** shall be the legal person in whose name the **NTA** may sue or be sued.

Note:

(i)   Undergraduate Medical Courses refer to Medical/Dental/BAMS/BSMS/BUMS/BHMS courses.
(ii)   Advice received from various institutions/State Governments is appended for information at Appendix -XV.
(iii) Candidates are also advised to regularly visit the websites of the respective institutions/State Governments for latest updates.

CHAPTER 3-GENERAL INFORMATION

3.1) General Instructions

National Eligibility Cum Entrance Test **NEET (UG) - 2020** will be conducted **as per the regulations of the National Medical Commission Act-2019, Indian Medical Council Act-1956 and the Dentists Act-1948 and other relevant and applicable Acts, as amended from time to time.**

- Merely appearing and qualifying in **NEET (UG) - 2020** does not confer any right to the candidate for admission to **Undergraduate Medical Courses**. The selection and admission to **Undergraduate Medical Courses** seats in any Medical Institution recognized for offering **Undergraduate Medical Courses** is subject to fulfilling the admission criteria, eligibility, rank in merit list, medical fitness and such other criteria as may be prescribed by the Government of India, respective States, Universities, Institutions and Medical/Dental/Ayurveda/Siddha/Unani/Homeopathy Colleges.

- Applications of candidates submitting false and fabricated information will be rejected and such candidates will be further debarred from appearing in examinations conducted by **NTA**. Such candidates will also be prosecuted under applicable laws for criminal offence and suitably punished.

- Incomplete application and applications not in accordance with instructions are liable to be rejected without any further intimation.

- The examination fee once deposited will not be refunded. Fee will neither be carried forward to a future examination nor refunded.

- Applications once submitted cannot be withdrawn. Candidates must note that mere deduction of fee from the bank account is not a proof of fee payment. The payment should be supported by fee payment and **generation of Confirmation Page**.

- Instructions in the Information Bulletin may change /be updated based on decisions taken by the **NTA** and other authorities from time to time. Candidates are advised to regularly check the website ntaneet.nic.in for any further updates or information.

- **NTA** reserves the right to withdraw permission, granted inadvertently if any, to any candidate who is not eligible to appear in the **NEET (UG) - 2020** even though the Admit Card have been issued by the **NTA**.

- Candidate's eligibility for **NEET (UG) - 2020** is purely provisional and is subject to fulfilment of eligibility criteria prescribed by the **MoH&FW/MCI/NMC/DCI/NTA/MCC/ MoA/AACCC/CCIM/BoGCCH /other admitting Institutions as applicable**.

- In case of any ambiguity in interpretation of any of the instructions/ terms/ rules/criteria regarding determination of eligibility/conduct of examination/ registration of candidates/information contained therein, the interpretation of the **MoH&FW/MCI/NMC/DCI/NTA/MCC/other admitting Institution as applicable** shall be final and binding.

- The conduct of **NEET (UG) - 2020** Examination would be videographed. The candidates are required to keep their head in upright position and face the camera during the videography so that their identity could be clearly established. The candidates should agree to the videography during the examination.

3.2) Pattern of NEET(UG)-2020

Subject	Type of Question	Duration	Number of Questions	Marks
Physics	Multiple Choice Questions (MCQs) with four options and single correct answer/best option	02:00 p.m. to 05:00 p.m.	45	180
Chemistry			45	180
Biology (Botany & Zoology)			90	360
Total			180	720

Important Note:

I.   *Each question carries 04 (four) marks.*
II.   *For each correct answer/best option, candidate will get 04 (four) marks.*
III. *For each incorrect answer, 01(one) mark will be deducted from the total score.*
IV.   *To answer a question, the candidate has to find, for each question, the correct answer/ best option.*
V.   *However, after the process of challenge of key, if more than one option is found to be correct then all/any one of the multiple correct/best options marked will be given four marks (+4). Any incorrect option marked will be given minus one mark (-1). Unanswered/Unattempted questions will be given no marks. In case, a question is dropped/ ignored, all candidates will be given four marks (+4) irrespective of the fact whether the question has been attempted or not attempted by the candidate.*

3.3) Mode of Examination

NEET (UG) – 2020 is a Pen & Paper-based test, to be answered on the specially designed machine gradable sheet using Ball Point Pen.

3.4) Duration of Test

The duration of test would be three (03) hours.

3.5) Medium of the Question Papers: -

i.   **Candidates can opt for Question Paper in any one of the following 11 languages:**

English	Hindi	Assamese	Bengali	Gujarati	Kannada
Marathi	Odia	Tamil	Telugu	Urdu	-

ii. Option of **medium of Question Paper should be carefully chosen while filling in the Application Form. The option once chosen cannot be changed.**

iii. Candidates opting for English would be provided Test Booklet in English only.

iv. Candidates opting for Hindi would be provided Bilingual Test Booklet in English and Hindi.

v.   Candidates opting for Regional languages would also be provided Bilingual Test Booklet in selected Regional language and English.

vi. In case of any ambiguity in translation of a question in the test, **its English version shall be treated as final and the decision of NTA shall be final in this regard.**

vii. Option of Regional languages will be available as per the following table only: -

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S. No.	Medium of Question Paper	Examination Centres
1.	English	All Examination Centres
2.	Hindi	All Examination Centres
3.	English and Assamese	Examination Centres in Assam
4.	English and Bengali	Examination Centres in West Bengal and Tripura
5.	English and Gujarati	Examination Centres in Gujarat, Daman and Diu, Dadra and Nagar Haveli
6.	English and Kannada	Examination Centres in Karnataka
7.	English and Marathi	Examination Centres in Maharashtra
8.	English and Odia	Examination Centres in Odisha
9.	English and Tamil	Examination Centres in Tamil Nadu
10.	English and Telugu	Examination Centres in Andhra Pradesh and Telangana
11.	English and Urdu	All Examination Centres

viii. Candidates qualifying **NEET (UG) – 2020** would be eligible for All India Quota and other quotas under the State Governments/Institutes, irrespective of the medium of the examination, subject to other eligibility criteria.

3.6) Syllabus for the Test

The Question Papers for the test shall be based on a Common Syllabus notified by the Medical Council of India. It is also available at www.mciindia.org. Please see *Appendix- I* for details.

3.7) Centres / Cities for NEET (UG) - 2020 Examination

i. List of cities along with city codes where the **NEET (UG) - 2020** will be conducted is given at *Appendix- II.*

ii. While filling up Online Application Form, candidates should select **four Convenient City** Codes from *Appendix -II* as their choice of centre cities in order of their priority.

iii. For their convenience, the candidates may select the city codes for their own city or for neighboring cities in their state of Residence only and not for far away cities in other States. **NTA** will not be responsible for any inconvenience due to incorrect selection of city codes by the candidates.

iv. In case, the number of candidates opting for a city is less than a certain minimum, **NTA** reserves its right not to allot any centre in that City.

v. In case, the number of candidates opting for a city as centre with Regional language (other than English and Hindi) is less than certain minimum, candidates may be allotted Centre in another city irrespective of the city opted by the candidates for appearing in the examination.

vi. **Though, every effort will be made to allot a centre in one of the cities selected by the candidate, the NTA reserves its right to allot a centre in city other than the candidate's choice**.

vii. Allotment of centres will be done by the Computer and there will be no human intervention.

Note: All effort will be made by NTA to consider the comfort and convenience of candidates, including PwD Candidates, while allotting Centres.

CHAPTER 4- ELIGIBILITY AND QUALIFICATIONS

4.1) Eligibility to appear in NEET (UG) – 2020

Eligibility for appearing in **NEET (UG)** is as per related Regulations is as follows: -

i.   He/she has completed age of 17 years at the time of admission or will complete that age on or before 31 December of the year of his/her admission to the first year **Undergraduate Medical Courses .**

ii. The upper age limit for **NEET (UG)** is 25 years as on the date of examination with relaxation of 5 years for the candidates belonging to SC/ST/OBC-NCL category and PwD Candidates.

> **NOTE:** The upper age limit of 25 years as prescribed under the Regulations on Graduate Medical Education, 1997 vide amendment dated 22.01.2018, was challenged before the Hon'ble High Court of Delhi and the said upper age limit had been upheld vide judgement dated 11.05.2018 in W.P. No.1813/2018 & other connected matters. The said judgement dated 11.05.2018 was challenged before the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in SLP (C) No. 14320/2018 & other connected matters, when vide interim order dated 29.11.2018, candidates who are 25 years and above were provisionally permitted to appear in NEET-UG-2019 subject to the final outcome of the said matters. The Supreme Court thereafter, vide order dated 29.04.2019 had permitted the candidates to appear provisionally in the Counselling subject to the adjudication of the matters. The aforesaid matters are pending adjudication before the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India and the authorities shall abide by any order that may be passed for NEET-UG-2020.
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> Thus, the candidates above 25 years are provisionally permitted to appear and their candidature is subject to the outcome of pending Petitions before the Hon'ble Supreme Court.

Accordingly, the eligibility conditions regarding age limit have been revised as under:

For Candidates of General (UR)/General-EWS	**born on or before**
For Candidates of SC/ST/OBC-NCL/PwD Category	**31.12.2003**

iii. Indian Citizens/ Overseas Citizens of India intending to pursue Undergraduate Medical Courses from a foreign Medical/ Dental Institute also need to qualify **NEET (UG).**

4.2) Eligibility for seats under the control of States/Deemed Universities/Central Universities/ESIC and AFMC including Delhi University (DU), BHU & AMU/central pool quota, AIIMS, JIPMER.

i.   Indian Nationals, Non Resident Indians **(NRIs)**, Overseas Citizen of India **(OCI)**, Persons with Indian Origin **(PIO)** and Foreign Nationals are eligible for admission in Medical/Dental/Ayurveda/Siddha/Unani/Homeopathy Colleges subject to rules and regulations framed by the respective State Governments, Institutions and the Government of India as the case may be.

ii. Foreign nationals may confirm their eligibility from the concerned Medical/Dental/ Ayurveda/ Siddha/Unani/Homeopathy College/State.

iii. Notwithstanding anything stated above, the eligibility criteria to appear in NEET (UG) shall also be applicable to the candidates desirous to take admission in Undergraduate Medical Courses in concerned INIs like AIIMS.

4.3)   Eligibility for 15% All India Quota seats

a)   Indian Nationals, Non Resident Indians **(NRIs),** Overseas Citizen of India **(OCI),** Persons of Indian Origin **(PIO)** and Foreign Nationals are eligible for 15% All India Quota Seats.

b)   **Candidates from UT of J&K and Ladakh**

   i.   Students from UT of J&K and Ladakh are **not eligible** for 15% All India Quota seats as UT of J&K and Ladakh have opted out of All India Scheme since its inception. If they claim eligibility, they must submit **online Self Declaration** which will be generated and printed automatically alongwith confirmation page for the record and they need to present the same during counselling. The **Self-Declaration Form** is given in *Appendix- III.*

   ii.   *With regard to participation of UT of J&K and Ladakh in the All India Quota, it is informed that the erstwhile State of J&K had opted to stay out of the All India Quota Scheme since inception and as such the students of J&K were also not allowed to participate for admission in all India Quota seats. Now, with the coming into effect of the J&K Reorganization Act, 2019 and formation of UTs, the UT of J&K has been requested to consider for participation in the All India Quota. A decision is yet to be taken by the UT administration in this regard. However, the UT of Ladakh does not have any medical college. Therefore, the decision of participation of UT of J&K will be conveyed in due course.*

   iii.   The Self Declaration Form submitted by candidate will be verified at the time of counselling. If the declaration is found to be false at any time, the candidature/admission of such candidates shall be cancelled and **criminal proceedings** may be initiated against such candidates.

   iv.   Candidates from the UT of J&K and Ladakh can appear in **NEET (UG) 2020** for admission to Private Medical/Dental/Ayurveda/Siddha/Unani/Homeopathy Colleges or any Private/Deemed University and AFMC, AIIMS, JIPMER subject to the fulfilment of respective eligibility conditions.

4.4)   Qualifications and Qualifying Examination Codes

To be eligible for NEET (UG) – 2020, candidates need to refer to following table for qualifying examination criteria.

CODE: 01	A candidate who is appearing in the qualifying examination, i.e., 12th Standard in 2020, whose result is awaited, may apply and appear in the test but he/she shall not be eligible for admission to the **Undergraduate Medical Courses**, if he/she does not pass the qualifying examination with the required pass percentage at the time of first round of Counselling.
	Candidates who have appeared or are appearing at the qualifying Examination with English, Physics, Chemistry and Biology as main subject and expect to pass the Examination with required percentage of marks are also eligible to apply and appear in the Competitive Entrance Examination. However, their candidature will be considered only if they provide documentary evidence of having passed the qualifying Examination with the required subjects and percentage of marks.
OR	

CODE: 02	The Higher/Senior Secondary Examination or the Indian School Certificate Examination which is equivalent to 10+2 Higher/Senior Secondary Examination after a period of 12 years study, the last two years of such study comprising of Physics, Chemistry, Biology/Bio-technology (which shall include practical tests in these subjects) and Mathematics or any other elective subject with English at a level not less than the core course for English as prescribed by the National Council of Educational Research and Training after introduction of the 10+2+3 educational structure as recommended by the National Committee on Education.

Candidates who have passed 10+2 from Open School or as private candidates shall not be eligible to appear for 'National Eligibility Cum Entrance Test'. Furthermore, study of Biology/Biotechnology as an Additional Subject at 10+2 level also shall not be permissible.*

*The candidates who have passed 10+2 level with Biology as an additional subject will also be eligible for MBBS Entrance Examination (as per Hon'ble High Court Order No. 2341/-W/DHC/WRIT/D-1/2019 dated 24/09/2019 in the Writ Petition (C) No. 6773/2019.

If the institute has to consider an examination of an Indian University or of a foreign/university to be equivalent to the 12th Class under 10+2 scheme/intermediate science examination, the candidates shall have to produce a certificate from the concerned Indian University/Association of Indian Universities to the effect that the examination passed by him/her is considered to be equivalent to the 12th class under 10+2 scheme/intermediate science examination.

(NOTE: The proviso in italics has been subject matter of challenge before the Hon'ble High Court of Delhi, Hon'ble High Court of Allahabad, Lucknow Bench and Hon'ble High Court of Madhya Pradesh at Jabalpur. The provisions of the regulations disqualifying recognised Open School Board candidates and the candidates who have studied Biology/Biotechnology as an additional Subject has been struck down. The Medical Council of India has preferred Special Leave Petitions before the Hon'ble Supreme Court and Appeals in the Hon'ble High Courts. Therefore, the candidature of candidates in the NEET (UG)-2020 who have passed the qualifying examinations i.e. 10+2 from National Institute of Open Schooling or State Open Schools or as private candidates from recognised State Boards; or with Biology/Biotechnology as additional subject **shall be allowed but subject to the outcome of Special Leave Petitions/Appeals filed by the Medical Council of India)* |
OR	
CODE: 03	The Intermediate/Pre-degree Examination in Science of an Indian University/Board or other recognised examining body with Physics, Chemistry, Biology /Biotechnology (which shall include practical test in these subjects) and also English as a compulsory subject.
OR	
CODE: 04	The Pre-professional/Pre-medical Examination with Physics, Chemistry, Biology/Biotechnology and English after passing either the Higher Secondary Examination or the Pre-University or an equivalent examination. The Pre-professional/Pre-medical examination shall include practical tests in these subjects and also English as a compulsory subject.

OR
CODE: 05 The first year of the three years' degree course of a recognised University with Physics, Chemistry and Biology/Biotechnology including practical tests in these subjects provided the examination is a University Examination and candidate has passed the earlier qualifying examination with Physics, Chemistry, Biology/ Biotechnology with English at a level not less than a core course.
OR
CODE: 06 B.Sc. Examination of an Indian University provided that he/she has passed the B.Sc. Examination with not less than two of the subjects Physics, Chemistry, Biology (Botany, Zoology)/Biotechnology and further that he/ she has passed the earlier qualifying examination with Physics, Chemistry, Biology and English.
OR
CODE: 07 Any other examination which in scope and standard (Last 02 years of 10+2 Study comprising of Physics, Chemistry and Biology/Bio-technology; which shall include practical test in these subjects) is found to be equivalent to the Intermediate Science Examination of an Indian University/Board, taking Physics, Chemistry and Biology/Biotechnology including practical tests in each of these subjects and English.

- Provided also that to be eligible for **NEET (UG) - 2020,** the candidate must have passed in Physics, Chemistry, Biology/Biotechnology and English individually and must have obtained a minimum of 50% marks taken together in Physics, Chemistry and Biology/Bio-technology at the qualifying examination as mentioned in clause (2) of *Regulation 4 on Graduate Medical Education Regulations, 1997 as amended in 2018, in regulation 2 of Schedule 1, Schedule 2 & Schedule 3 of the Indian Medicine Central Council (Minimum Standards of Education in Indian Medicine) Regulations , 1986 as amended in 2018 and in Sub-regulation (i) of Regulation 4 of the Homeopathy (Degree Courses) Regulations , 1983 as amended in 2018. In addition, they* must have got a rank in the merit list of **NEET (UG) - 2020** for admission to **Undergraduate Medical Courses**.

- In respect of the candidates belonging to Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes or Other Backward classe (NCL) s, the minimum marks obtained in Physics, Chemistry and Biology/Biotechnology taken together in qualifying examination shall be 40% marks instead of 50% marks for Unreserved and General-EWS Candidates. In respect of PwD candidates as per NMC, CCIM and BoGCCH guidelines the minimum marks in qualifying examination in Physics, Chemistry and Biology (or Botany & Zoology)/Biotechnology taken together shall be 45% instead of 50%.

- Provided further that the students who have received education abroad and wish to seek admission into medical colleges in India must have passed in Physics, Chemistry, Biology/Biotechnology and English with 50% marks in class 12 and their equivalency determined by Association of Indian Universities **(AIU)** as per regulations of the Medical Council of India and the concerned University.

- The criteria for minimum qualifying marks to be eligible for admission to MBBS courses shall also be applicable to concerned INIs.

  Note: In all other cases, the States/Institutes who have cut offs for eligibility other than those mentioned above, may follow their own criteria.

- If a candidate does not fall within the qualifications prescribed as per Code number 01-07, he/she should furnish complete details to determine eligibility.

Note:

- *The Pre-medical course may be conducted either at a Medical College or at a Science College.*
- *Marks obtained in Mathematics are not to be considered for eligibility for admission to Undergraduate Medical Courses.*
- *The candidates who have studied from the Foreign/International Board should ensure that the qualifying examination passed by them are, in scope and standard, as explained in CODE: 07.*

CHAPTER 5 - ADMISSION AND RESERVATION

5.1) Admission Procedure

An All India Merit List of the qualified candidates shall be prepared on the basis of All India Rank in the Merit List of the **NEET (UG) - 2020** and candidates shall be admitted to **Undergraduate Medical Courses** from the said list only, with existing reservation policy. **NTA** will only provide All India Rank to candidates, while Admitting Authorities will invite applications for Counselling and merit list shall be drawn based on All India Rank by the Admitting Authorities. Admission to **Undergraduate Medical Courses** within the respective categories shall be based solely on All India Rank as per merit list of **NEET (UG) - 2020**.

Admission to 15% All India Quota, shall be as per the provisions of the Statutory Regulation of MCI/NMC/DCI, the judgments of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India and the procedure prescribed by the MCC under the DGHS. Similarly, for admission to 85% State Quota shall be also as per the provisions of the Statutory Regulations of MCI/NMC/DCI, the judgments of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India and the prescribed rules and regulations by the State/Union Govt. or its designated authority.

(a) **Admission in State Medical Colleges/Universities/Institutions/private medical colleges for seats other than 15% All India Quota:**

   I. Admission under State Quota Seats shall be subject to reservation policy and eligibility criteria prevailing in the State/Union Territory as notified by the respective State/Union Territory from time to time.

   II. The reservation of the seats in medical colleges for respective categories shall be as per applicable laws prevailing in the State/Union Territory concerned.

   III. Admission to **Undergraduate Medical Courses** in Private Medical Colleges shall be subject to policies of the Government of India/State/Union Territory.

(b) **Admission to AIIMS/JIPMER/Deemed Universities/Central Universities/Seats of ESIC and AFMC including BHU/AMU**

   i. Admission to AIIMS/JIPMER/Deemed Universities/Central Universities/ESIC including Delhi University (DU), BHU & AMU will be conducted by **DGHS/MoA/AACCC** and reservation policy will be as per rules and regulations of the concerned University or Institutions. Candidates should register on MCC website for admission to Deemed / Central University/ **ESIC** and **AFMC** for MBBS/BDS courses and AACCC website for admission to Deemed Universities/Central Universities/National Institutes for **Undergraduate Medical Courses**.

   ii. Admission to AFMC, Pune shall be subject to the norms prescribed by the Directorate General of Armed Forces Medical Services, Ministry of Defence, Government of India. Candidates who apply for **NEET (UG)** - **2020** and/or for seeking admission in **AFMC** also need to apply to AFMC on www.afmc.nic.in/www.afmcdg1d.gov.in. The short listed candidates will be required to appear for a second stage Screening Test conducted by **AFMC**. Candidates are advised to contact **AFMC** for further and exact details. The Counselling will be conducted by **DGHS**.

   iii. Admission to Deemed Universities /Central Universities / ESIC Medical Colleges /AFMC/ BHU /AMU, shall be as per the provisions of the Statutory Regulations of MCI/ NMC/ DCI, the judgments of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India and the procedure prescribed