To

The Principal Secretary/Secretary (Health)/Commissioner AYUSH of all States/UTs.

Sub: Comprehensive Revised Guidelines for Central Government Nomination (CGN) to MD (Ayurveda/Unani/Siddha and Homoeopathy) Courses for the session 2020-21—regarding.

Sir,

As you are aware that to meet the resurgence of interest in Ayurveda, Siddha, Unani & Homoeopathy (ASU&H) medicines in India & abroad and also in pursuance of the 55th Report of the Department Related Parliamentary Standing Committee on Demand for Grants, few seats in ASU&H PG/MD courses are reserved under ‘Central Pool’ in few donor institutes of the country for the students/candidates of the States/UTs, where the colleges of the respective system/speciality is not available, for studying Post Graduate (PG) Courses. The same is in implementation through existing PG/MD Scheme Guidelines (A.Y.2019-20) bearing F.No.R.14016/2/2019-EP-II dated 24.4.2019 for Central Government Nomination (CGN).

1. In this regard, I am directed to state that the above mentioned PG Guidelines have been reviewed by this Ministry and it has accordingly been decided that in supersession of all previous guidelines on the subject, the following Comprehensive Revised Guidelines for Central Government Nomination (CGN) to MD (Ayurveda/Unani/Siddha and Homoeopathy) Courses shall take effect from the academic session 2020-21. For the purpose of this Scheme Guidelines, the meaning of the following words is as under:

a) Deficient State/UT – means in which State/UT no Government-run college of the respective system/speciality of MD/PG courses for study is existent.

b) Eligible candidates – means candidates belonging to deficient States/UTs, where the colleges of the respective system/speciality is not available for studying MD/PG Courses, are only eligible for nomination/admission under the ‘Central Pool’ reserved seats in donor institutes of this Scheme.

c) Donor Institutes – means in which institutes seats under ‘Central Pool’ are reserved for Central Govt. Nomination (CGN) of candidates.

d) Sponsored candidates – means nominated candidates, who are employees of any deficient State/UT Govt.-run medical institutions, for Central Govt. Nomination(CGN) whose emoluments would be borne during study period of the course by the concerned sponsoring deficient State/UT Govt., as per their existing rules in this regard and not by any donor institute or by this nominating Ministry.

e) Private candidates – means aspirants/interested candidates who are not in service of any Govt.-run medical institution of the deficient States/UTs and nominated by such States/UTs for admission under ‘Central Pool’ reserved seats in donor institutes.

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2.1 Eligible sponsored candidates i.e. Teachers/Medical Officers (Doctors), Researchers ("Research Officers") are to be recommended/nominated by the deficient State/UT Governments for nomination as Central Government Nominees (CGN) for admission in M.D/PG Courses against the seats earmarked under 'Central Pool' by the donor institutes/colleges as Government of India’s nominees.

2.2 Eligible Private candidates are to be nominated as Central Govt. Nominees by the deficient States/UTs for admission in MD/PG courses (i.e Ayurveda, Unani, Siddha and Homoeopathy) against seats earmarked under 'Central Pool' by the donor institutes/colleges under this Scheme.

2.3 While making recommendation/nomination against Government of India’s Nominees; preference will be given to regular teaching staff with 3 years’ regular service of any Government-run medical institution. If no eligible teaching staff with 3 years’ regular service of State Government-run medical institution is available for nomination, Medical Officers(M.Os) and Research Officers (R.Os) working on regular basis and have rendered 3 years’ regular service in the Government will be nominated as Government of India nominees. However, only one eligible ‘Research Officer (R.O)’ would be nominated by this Ministry in each stream per year (academic session) for admission in MD/PG Course under this Scheme (i.e Ayurveda, Unani, Siddha and Homoeopathy) against reserved seats under Central Pool. If neither a Teacher nor a Medical Officer or a Research Officer working in the Government is available for nomination; the vacant seats under ‘Central pool’ in donor institutions will be filled up by the eligible private candidates recommended/nominated by deficient States/UTs. In case, no Central Government Nominee (i.e. either Teacher or Medical Officer or Research Officer) or Private candidate recommended/nominated by deficient States/UTs is still available, the vacant seat under ‘Central Pool’ will be filled up by open category candidates by the donor institute according to the merit of the All India Ayush Post Graduate Entrance Test (AIAPGET) conducted by NTA.

2.4 The Government Teachers/Medical Officers (Doctors)/Research Officers shall not be subjected to the above entrance test (AIAPGET). However, the private candidates recommended/nominated by the deficient States/UTs shall be admitted on the basis of marks obtained by them in the above entrance test (AIAPGET). They will have to apply to the concerned donor institute, in pursuance to the notification/prospectus published by the respective donor institute in each academic session, through their respective deficient State/UT Govt. by recommending/nominating their candidatures for admission.

2.5 No sponsored candidate will be paid any emoluments by the donor institution or by this Ministry during such study period. Payment of any remuneration in this regard is the responsibility/liability of the recommending/sponsoring deficient State/UT Govt. concerned as per their existing rules in this regard. While recommending/sponsoring the nomination of the in-service applicant, the concerned deficient State/U.T. Govt. will have to certify the deficiency in the concerned discipline (speciality) in their State/UT. The concerned deficient State Govt. /UT shall also give an undertaking in this regard and also provide a certificate that the nominated candidate in the event of his/her selection shall be released from his/her duty at the time of commencement of the academic session.

3. Details of donor institutes and seats made available in this Scheme under ‘Central Pool’ for Central Govt. Nomination(CGN) to MD/PG courses have been listed out in enclosed Annexure-I.

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4. In addition to the above, for sponsoring/nominating candidates against the Central Pool, all the
deficient State/UT Governments may also follow the below mentioned provisions:-

4.1 All the deficient State/UT Governments are requested to take steps to nominate/sponsor their
eligible candidates in time.

4.2 While nominating/sponsoring the candidates, the deficient State Governments and Union
Territory Administrations are required to give priority to the regular teaching staff with 3 years'
service in Government-run medical institutions. In case, no teaching staff of Government-run medical
institution is available for sponsoring/nominating, Medical Officer and Research Officers working on
a regular basis for 3 years in Government may be sponsored/nominated. Further, following points may
also be kept in mind while nominating/sponsoring candidates:-

(a) The deficient State Governments and the Union Territory Administrations may invariably
inform their nominating/sponsoring candidate(s) that once his/her candidature(s) is/are
recommended to this Ministry for CG Nomination under ‘Central Pool’, he/she should not be
allowed to withdraw his/her nomination under any circumstances. In case, any nominated
candidate (CG Nominee) is still compelled to withdraw his/her nomination for admission as
CG Nominee, he/she would be barred at least for 2 years from future nomination as CG
Nominee (CGN).

(b) Similarly, the deficient State Governments and the Union Territory Administrations may
invariably inform their nominating/sponsoring candidate(s) that once the nominated/sponsored
candidate is nominated by this Ministry as Central Government Nominee (CGN) at his/her
preferred Institute with preferred subject, he/she is not usually permitted to change his/her
nominated institute/subject on personal ground.

(c) Further, the nominating/sponsoring deficient State/UT Govts. need to issue required relieving
order in time and also to provide required deficiency certificate etc. early in respect of their
nominees for Central Govt. Nomination (CGN) against ‘Central Pool’ to facilitate their
admission in time in respective donor institutions. Deficient State/UT Govts. are to
nominate/sponsor only the name(s)/candidature(s) of such number of their official(s), whom
they would be able to relieve immediately on their final selection/nomination by this Ministry
as ‘Central Govt. Nominee (CGN)’. Any delaying practice in issuing the relieving order or
providing deficiency certificate to Central Gov. Nominees (CGN) would jeopardize the very
purpose of this Scheme.

4.3 Applications of sponsored/in-service Government Teachers/Medical Officers-
Doctors/Research Officers may only be forwarded by the deficient State/UT Govts. to this
Ministry. The forwarding letter should be addressed to the Secretary, Ministry of AYUSH and should
reach this Ministry latest by 14th August, 2020 and for North Eastern States, the last date will be 31st
August, 2020, for the academic year 2020-21. Applications received after the closing dates are liable
to be rejected.

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4.4 Applications of eligible private candidates from deficient States/UTs should be forwarded to the concerned donor institutes directly by the nominating deficient States/UTs Govts. for admission, as per Prospectus/Notifications of the donor institute in this regard and under no circumstances to this Ministry.

4.5 Applications of sponsored/in-service Government Teachers/Medical Officers (Doctors)/Research Officers shall only be scrutinized by this Ministry keeping in view their seniority, subject of teaching etc. and also date of birth (D.o.B), if necessary, while nominating them as Government of India’s Nominees (CGNs). The Central Govt. reserved seats of MD/PG courses under ‘Central Pool’ in the donor institutions should be allotted to the Central Government Nominees (CGNs) by the respective donor institute strictly on the basis of the seniority and choice of institute/subject opted by the Central Govt. Nominees (CGN) and also on availability of seat in the institution. Other private candidates, nominated by the deficient States/UTs, shall have to appear in the entrance test (AIAPGET) for this purpose. They will be admitted on the basis of marks obtained by them in the above entrance test (AIAPGET) subject to obtaining qualifying marks in the test as specified in PG Regulations of concerned System. For admission of such Private candidates or open Category candidates against Central Pool seat or seat fall vacant due to non-acceptance of nomination by any Central Govt. Nominee (CGN), the donor institutes shall give admission to such candidates without referring to this Ministry seeking further direction/approval.

4.6 All the applications of in-service sponsored candidates may be sent simultaneously and not separately in the enclosed proforma (Annexure-II) duly filled in within the above stipulated date(s). Incomplete application will be rejected and no further correspondence in this regard shall be entertained.

4.7 It may also be certified by the deficient State/UT Government that the specialities for which the sponsored/nominated candidate has applied for does not exist in any Govt. Institute/College in their State/UT. It should also invariably be mentioned in the recommendation letter that the approval of State Health Secretary has been obtained in respect of all the sponsored in-service applicants. However, the list of private nominated candidates may be forwarded for admission directly to the donor institute by the competent authority of the deficient State/UT, as per their rules/norms.

4.8 The Government Teachers/M.O (Doctors)/Research Officers (R.Os) having rendered minimum three(3) years’ regular service as on 1st June of concerned academic year may only be recommended for Central Government Nomination (CGN). While there is no maximum age limit for nominations, it is required to be ensured that only such Government employees, whether a Teacher or a Medical Officer or a Research Officer, are nominated who shall be able to serve the Government for at least 05 (five) years after completion of the MD/PG course under this Scheme.

5. The donor institute shall also prepare a separate merit list for admission of private candidates nominated and forwarded by the deficient States/UTs. They shall, however, be admitted against the vacant seats available, if any, after admitting the Government Teachers/Medical Officers (Doctors)/Research Officers nominated by this Ministry. Teaching institutions (donor institutions), which have earmarked seats for utilization by this Ministry, will send Prospectus/Information Bulletin Contd…5
to this Ministry immediately on its publication and also provide to the private candidates from deficient states seeking admission under ‘Central Pool’ seats to M.D/PG courses. The teaching institutions will fill up the seats earmarked for Central Government Nominee (CGN) only after getting the direction from this Ministry. The donor institutes/colleges shall account for these seats provided under Central Pool for the purpose of reservation for SC/ ST/ OBC etc.

6. The Medical Colleges/Institutions (donor institutions), mentioned in Annexure-I, are required to conform to the requirements of the Indian Medicine Central Council Act, 1970 and Homoeopathic Central Council Act, 1973, as amended from time to time, and the Regulations of the Central Council of Indian Medicine and Central Council of Homoeopathy. The candidate who applies for being nominated/sponsored by deficient State/UT must be informed upfront in writing that his/her actual admission in the college/institution or the course concerned shall depend upon and be subject to the college/institution concerned having received the requisite permission for the MD/PG courses offered for that relevant academic year including this year 2020-21 of the Central Government as the Administrative Divisions of this Ministry are yet to finalize grant or denial of permission to the ASU/Homoeo Colleges/Institutions for the academic session 2020-21.

7. The above instructions and guidelines shall remain valid for subsequent academic years unless modified or amended.

8. This issues with the approval of the competent authority

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4. The Director, IPGTRA, Jamnagar, Gujarat.
5. The Director, National Institute of Ayurveda, Jaipur, Rajasthan.
6. The Director, National Institute of Unani Medicine, Bangalore, Karnataka.
7. The Principal, Govt. Ayurveda, College, Guwahati, Assam.
8. The Principal, Govt. Nizamia Tibbia College, Hyderabad.
9. The Principal, Govt. Siddha Medical College, Palayamkottai, Tamil Nadu.
10. The Principal, National Institute of Homoeopathy, Kolkata, W.Bengal.

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