

**GOVERNMENT OF ASSAM
ORDERS BY THE GOVERNOR
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE**

NOTIFICATION

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Dated 25th April, 2007.

In supersession of the Medical Colleges of Assam, the Regional Dental College, Guwahati and the Government Ayurvedic College, Guwahati (Regulation of Admission of Under-Graduate Students Rule, 1996, except as in respect things done or omitted to be done before such supersession, the Governor of Assam is hereby pleased to make the following rules to regulate the admission of students to the MBBS/BDS/BAMS courses in the Medical Colleges of Assam, the Regional Dental College, Guwahati and the Government Ayurvedic College, Guwahati, namely:-

1. Short title and commencement .-

- (1) These rules may be called the Medical Colleges of Assam, Regional Dental College, Guwahati, and Government Ayurvedic College, Guwahati (Regulation of Admission of Under-Graduate Students) Rules, 2007.
- (2) They shall come into force on the date of their publication in the Official Gazette and shall be applicable from the academic session 2007 to regulate the admission of students to the MBBS/BDS/BAMS courses in the Medical Colleges of Assam, the Regional Dental College, Guwahati, and the Government Ayurvedic College, Guwahati respectively.

2. Definitions .- In these rules, unless the context otherwise requires .-

- (a) "Available seats" means the seats available for admission as per the Medical Council of India, Dental Council of India and the Central Council for Indian Medicine norms, excluding the seats allotted for the categories of candidates mentioned in Rule 5(a);
- (b) "College" means Gauhati Medical College, Guwahati, Assam Medical College, Dibrugarh, Silchar Medical College, Silchar, Regional Dental College, Guwahati and Government Ayurvedic College, Guwahati;
- (c) "Common Entrance Examination" means the test conducted by the Examination Conducting Authority for the purpose of selecting candidates for admission into 1st Year of MBBS course of the Medical Colleges of Assam, BDS course of the Regional Dental College, Guwahati and BAMS course of the Govt. Ayurvedic College, Guwahati;
- (d) "Controller of Examinations" means the person appointed by the government in the Office of the Director of Medical Education, Assam, for the purpose of performance of functions as such officers under these rules;

(e) "Examination Conducting Authority" means the Dibrugarh University or any other authority as may be decided by the Government from time to time;

(f) "General seats" means the available seats excluding those reserved for the candidates mentioned in Rule 6;

(g) "Government" means the Government of Assam;

(h) "Medical Examination Board" means the Medical Examination Board, constituted by the Principals of the Medical Colleges/Principal, Govt. Ayurvedic College for the determination of the medical fitness of the candidates seeking admission to the MBBS/BDS/BAMS courses;

(i) "Medical College" means Gauhati Medical College, Guwahati/Assam Medical College, Dibrugarh and Silchar Medical College, Silchar;

(j) "Merit list" means the merit list referred to in Rule 4.(2)(c) and prepared by the Examination Conducting Authority;

(k) "Qualifying examination" means the Higher Secondary School Leaving Certificate (HSSLC) examination or any other equivalent examination recognized by the Universities of Assam, with Physics, Chemistry, Biology & English, as the subjects;

(l) "Scheduled Castes, or Scheduled Tribes" means the Schedule Tribes of Assam as specified by the Constitution (Scheduled Caste) Order, 1950 or the Constitution (Scheduled Tribes) Order, 1950 as amended up to the last date of submitting the application for the Common Entrance Examination;

(m) "Selection Board" means the Selection Board constituted by the Government under Rule 4(3)(b);

(n) "Select list" means the list referred to in Rule 4(3)(a);

(o) "OBC/MOBC" means other backward classes and more other backward classes, as notified by the Government by an order which is in force on the date of advertisement, calling applications for admission to under-graduate courses;

(p) "TGL/Ex-TGL" means the tribe communities as notified by the Director of Tea Welfare, Govt. of Assam as at Schedule III appended to these rules.

3. Conditions for admission and eligibility for appearing in the Common Entrance Examination .-

(1) Subject to the provisions of Rule 5, all candidates seeking admission into the MBBS course in any of the medical colleges of Assam, BDS course in the Regional Dental College, Guwahati and BAMS course in the Government Ayurvedic College, Guwahati shall have to appear in the Common Entrance Examination.

(2) No candidate shall be eligible for appearing in the Common Entrance Examination and admission into any of the courses unless he/she:-

(a) is a citizen of India;

(b) is a permanent resident of Assam,

Provided that nothing contained in this clause shall be applicable to the sons and daughters of the employees of the Govt. of Assam.

(c) unless he/she has completed minimum of 4 years schooling either at (i) HSLC or equivalent stage or (ii) HSLC and HSSLC or equivalent stages combined from the recognized schools conducting regular classes situated within the State of Assam.

Provided if the candidate has not done 4 years of schooling in the State then their Father or Mother must have completed his/her schooling in the State for minimum 4 years in HSLC level and they must furnish the certificate listed in the Annexure-II whichever is applicable, in order for their son/daughter to be eligible to appear in the Common Entrance Examination for any of the Courses.

Provided further that nothing contained in the clause shall be applicable to the sons and daughters of the officers of All India Services allotted to Assam.

(3) Those candidates who have passed HSLC and HSSLC or equivalent examination from Assam shall attach mark sheets and pass certificates. They need not furnish the certificates of schooling.

(4) In case of admission into MBBS/BDS courses the candidates must pass the qualifying examination without any grace marks in the subjects of Physics, Chemistry, Biology and English individually in the same sitting and must have obtained a minimum of 60% marks taken together in Physics, Chemistry and Biology at the qualifying examination in case of candidates belonging to the general category. In respect of candidates belonging to Scheduled Caste/Scheduled Tribe/Other Backward Classes/More Other Backward Classes, the marks obtained in Physics, Chemistry and Biology taken together in the qualifying examination shall be 50%.

In case of admission into BAMS course the candidates must pass the qualifying examination without any grace marks in the subjects of Physics, Chemistry, Biology and English individually in the same sitting and must have obtained a minimum of 50% marks taken together in Physics, Chemistry and Biology at the qualifying examination in case of candidates belonging to the general category. In respect of candidates belonging to Scheduled Caste/Scheduled Tribe/Other Backward Classes/More Other Backward Classes, the marks obtained in Physics, Chemistry and Biology taken together in the qualifying examination shall be 40%.

(5) Candidate must be found physically fit by the Medical Examination Board at the time of admission if selected.

(6) Candidate's age should not be below 17 years and above 24 years of age on the 31st day of December of the year in which the admission is sought for:

Provided that the maximum age limit is relaxable by 3 years in case of candidates belonging to the Scheduled Castes or Scheduled Tribes, OBC and MOBC.

4. Method of selection

(1) (a) Applications for Common Entrance Examination, as prescribed in Form A shall be invited from the eligible candidates by the Examination Conducting Authority, through an advertisement in the leading newspapers published from Guwahati, Jorhat and Silchar, fixing the last date for submission of the same.

(b) All applications shall be scrutinized by the Examination Conducting Authority, and admit card shall be issued to those candidates whose applications are found correct and complete in all respects. No individual communication shall be made to those whose applications are rejected, for being incomplete or not fulfilling the eligibility criteria. However, the list of such candidates shall also be displayed in the office of the Examination Conducting Authority.

(2) (a) The Examination Conducting Authority shall set the question papers, fix the centers and shall take all other measures as may be necessary to conduct the Common Entrance Examination, in respect of the candidates holding the admit cards issued by the Examination Conducting Authority.

(b) (i) the Common Entrance Examination shall consist of three written papers, viz. Physics, Chemistry and Biology on the basis of the syllabus of the Higher Secondary School Leaving Certificate Examination (Science Stream) conducted by the Assam Higher Secondary Education Council.

(ii) each paper of Physics, Chemistry and Biology shall be of 100 marks (in case of Biology-Botany 50 marks, Zoology 50 marks). The duration of examination for each paper is of 2 hours. There shall be 100 nos. of multiple choice questions carrying 1 mark for each question in each paper. There shall be no negative marking for wrong answers. There shall be no marks in case the candidate selects more than one option in the answer sheet. Option once marked can not be changed and eraser can not be used.

(iii) the medium of examination shall be the same as adopted by the Assam Higher Secondary Education Council.

(c) the Examination Conducting Authority shall arrange for evaluation of answer sheets of each candidate and prepare thereafter, a merit list based on the total marks obtained by each candidate in all the subjects. The marks obtained by each candidate in each subject shall also be shown in the said list. Each page of the merit list shall be duly authenticated by the authority concerned.

If two or more candidates secure the same marks in the Common Entrance Examination, the *inter se* merit of such candidates shall be determined in order of preference as follows:

- (i) Candidates securing more marks in Biology in Common Entrance Examination.
 - (ii) Candidates securing more marks in Chemistry in Common Entrance Examination.
 - (iii) If it further tallies then marks obtained in Biology of qualifying examination shall be considered at the time of counseling.
 - (iv) If it further tallies then marks obtained in Chemistry of qualifying examination shall be considered at the time of counseling.
 - (v) If it further tallies then marks obtained in Physics of qualifying examination shall be considered at the time of counseling.
- (d) The merit list so prepared shall be sent to the Director of Medical Education, Assam by the Examination Conducting Authority and shall also be published by the Examination Conducting Authority in the leading newspapers published from Guwahati, Jorhat & Silchar.
- (3) (a) On receipt of the aforesaid merit list the Director of Medical Education, Assam along with the Controller of Examination shall prepare for each course separate select lists for the general seats available in each course and thereafter shall prepare separate select lists for the reserved seats as per Rule 6 from the remaining candidates in order of merit as per the merit list.
- (b) Selection Board.

There shall be Selection Board for the purpose of selection of candidates for admission into the under-graduate courses under these rules consisting of the following members:-

- (i) Director of Medical Education, Assam -- Chairman
- (ii) Principal, Assam Medical College, Dibrugarh -- Member
- (iii) Principal, Gauhati Medical College, Guwahati -- Member
- (iv) Principal, Silchar Medical College, Silchar -- Member
- (v) Representative of the Govt. of Assam, Health & F.W. Deptt. -- Member
(Not below the rank of Deputy Secretary)
- (vi) Controller of Examinations (Office of the DME) -- Member
Secretary
- (vii) Principal, Regional Dental College, Guwahati. -- Member
- (viii) Principal, Govt. Ayurvedic College, Assam -- Member
- (ix) Representative from the Examination Conducting Authority -- Member
- (x) Representative of Directorate of Forensic Science Laboratory -- Member
(Not below the rank of Deputy Director)

- (c) The Member Secretary of the Selection Board, with the approval of the Chairman shall convene any sitting of the Selection Board, as and when necessary.
- (d) The Selection Board shall require all the candidates who are called for counseling by Examination Conducting Authority to appear personally before them with original certificates, testimonials, and documents:

Provided that the candidates referred to in clause (a) of Rule 5, shall not be required to appear before the Selection Board.

- (e) The Selection Board, after verification of the certificates, testimonials and documents shall allot a seat to a candidate in the MBBS/BDS/BAMS courses according to the choice of the candidate as mentioned in his application and subject to availability of seat in that particular college at the point of time of his/her appearing before the board:

Provided that in case of non-availability of seats, in the college of his first choice, a candidate shall be allotted seat in the college of his next order of preference and so on.

- (f) No change of choice as given in the application by the candidate in respect of the college or the course shall be permitted at the time of appearing before the board under any circumstances.
- (g) The Selection Board shall examine whether the handwriting of the candidate as it appears in the Application Form and Admit Card are the same as that of the Attendance Sheet and OMR.

On prima-facie evidence if the Selection Board is of doubt that the handwriting in all the documents are not similar the results of the candidates shall be withheld and the documents shall be sent to a reputed Forensic Science Laboratory for verification and whose opinion shall be final for determining the eligibility of a candidate for admission.

If the Selection Board is satisfied prima-facie that any documents including PRC, age and schooling, caste certificate etc. produced by the candidate is of doubtful in nature the Board shall withheld the result and the documents shall be referred for further verification through Govt. of Assam to a Competent Authority. The views of the Competent Authority shall be final in determining the eligibility of the candidate.

- (h) As soon as the Selection Board has finalized the list of candidates for each course and the college the same shall be published in the leading newspapers published from Guwahati, Jorhat and Silchar directing the candidates to join the offered course at the allotted college within the stipulated date mentioned in the educational notice published by the Directorate of Medical Education, Assam.

(i) Counseling for BAMS course shall be done separately after completion of MBBS/BDS counseling. All candidates who were not selected for MBBS/BDS course including the candidates of waiting list prepared for MBBS/BDS courses shall be eligible to appear for counseling for BAMS course.

(4) (a) Any seat which is forfeited shall be offered to the candidates from the Waiting List recommended by the Selection Board. While doing so, no consideration shall be made of the choice mentioned regarding the college by the candidate, who shall have either to accept the seat which is available or forgo the offer.

(b) A candidate of any category once admitted in a particular Medical College shall not be allowed to change the College and Category.

(c) A candidate shall be required to deposit an amount of Rs. 200/- (Rupees Two hundred) only as counseling fee in cash to the Director of Medical Education, Assam, at the time of counseling. The Director of Medical Education, Assam shall utilize the amount so collected as counseling fee for conducting the admission procedure, provided he shall be required to submit the expenditure statement along with the utilization certificate to the Govt. for approval.

5. Exemption from Common Entrance Examination .-

The following categories of candidates are exempted from appearing in the entrance test:-

- (a) candidates nominated against 15% All India Quota seats/Central pool and N.E. States quota;
- (b) candidates ranked within the first ten positions in the HSSLC (Science) examination conducted by the Assam Higher Secondary Education Council, provided they get not less than 60% marks in aggregate. Such candidates must apply for direct admission to the Examination Conducting Authority/Director of Medical Education, Assam. But they shall have to appear before the Selection Board for counseling:

Provided that vacant seat under the aforesaid Rule 5(a) shall be filled up from amongst the candidates in the waiting list from General/SC/ST/OBC/MOBC categories on the basis of percentage of reservation on total vacant seats

6. Reservation of seats .-

Available seats shall be reserved for the following categories of candidates of the State of Assam:-

- (a) Scheduled Castes 7% of total available seats in MBBS/BDS/BAMS courses each
- (b) Scheduled Tribes (Plain) 10% do
- (c) Scheduled Tribes (Hills) 5% do
- (d) OBC/MOBC 15% do

- (e) Sons/daughters/brothers/
sisters/grandsons/grand-
daughters of freedom-fighters
of the State 2 seats in MBBS and 1 seat in BAMS
- (f) Sons/daughters/brothers/
sisters of the martyrs of the
Assam movement 2 seats in MBBS and 1 seat in BDS
- (g) Children of tea-garden/
Ex-tea garden communities/
tribes 2 seats in each of the 3 Medical Colleges
for MBBS and 1 seat in BDS and 2 seats in BAMS
- (h) Sons/daughters/brothers/
sisters of persons killed in
extremist violence in Assam 2 seats in MBBS and 1 seat in BAMS
- (i) Sons/Daughters of Socially,
Economically and Educationally
backward classes ordinarily
residing in areas covered
by the Assam State Char Areas
Development Authority 2 seat in MBBS and 2 seats in BAMS
- (j) Moran community 1 seat in MBBS
- (k) Motak community 1 seat in MBBS
- (l) Physically Handicapped 3% seats in MBBS and BAMS

Reservation of maximum of 3% of seats of MBBS and BAMS should be kept for the candidates with Physical Disability:

Provided that the aforesaid 3% reservation for Physically Handicapped Category in MBBS and BAMS Courses is not a separate reservation over and above other reservation. If the disabled candidate belongs to reserved categories such as SC/ST/OBC/MOBC or General and any other category, he/she shall be adjusted against the category to which he/she belongs. The MBBS seats allotted to this category shall be equally distributed amongst the three Medical Colleges of the State. Only the persons with locomotor disability of lower limbs and having between 50% to 70% of disability shall be eligible for this Quota:

(m) Reservation for Rural Candidates

Reservation of 15 seats in MBBS shall be kept for candidates who are permanent resident of the rural areas of Assam:-

- (i) who have studied and appeared in HSLC examination from a School situated in an area which falls within the jurisdiction of any Gaon Panchayat (GP) of the State.

- (ii) candidates who studied and appeared in HSLC examination from Autonomous Council Areas, but excluding the notified Municipality, Town Committee, Town Corporation that falls within the said council areas;
- (iii) the candidates applying seats under Rural Area Quota must produce the certificate as at Annexure-IX from the Inspector of Schools to be countersigned by the Deputy Commissioner/S.D.O.(Civil) certifying that the school from where the candidate has passed HSLC examination is situated under the area mentioned in (i) and (ii) above.
- (iv) the MBBS seats of these category shall be equally distributed amongst the three Medical Colleges;
- (v) the candidates who shall complete their courses under this quota shall have to serve compulsorily in rural areas for a period of 10 years. If such a candidate is selected for Post Graduate Courses after completion of the Graduation, the period of PG Course shall be considered as included in this compulsory 10 years of rural service:

Provided that a reserved category candidate as in Rule 6(a), (b), (c) and (d) entitled to admission on the basis of his merit shall have the option of taking admission in the college where a specified number of seats have been kept reserved for reserved category but while computing the percentage of reservation he shall be deemed to have been admitted as a General Category candidate and not as a reserved category candidate in the State.

Provided further that counseling and allotment of seats of category under Rule 6 (e) to (m) of Reservation category shall not be taken up till the counseling and allotment for all other categories are complete.

Provided also that if any of the seats mentioned in Rule 6 remaining unfilled for want of candidate, such seats shall be filled up by candidate of the general category.

Reshuffle of merit position from one category to another category shall not be allowed once a candidate is admitted in Medical Colleges.

7. Mode of Application .-

- (1) A candidate seeking admission and to appear in the Common Entrance Examination is required to submit his/her application in the Forms prescribed in Schedule I to these Rules for admission into First Year of MBBS/BDS/BAMS Courses in Medical Colleges/Regional Dental College, Assam/Government Ayurvedic College in accordance with the terms and conditions that may be specified in the advertisement to be published for the purpose, by the Examination Conducting Authority within the last date fixed and notified for the purpose.

- (2) The Form contains two parts "A" & "B" (bearing the same serial number). The "Form A" is to be submitted as the first Application Form for appearing in the Common Entrance Examination. "Form B" with all enclosures is to be submitted at the time of counseling if called for. Candidates are asked to submit 'Form A' at the time of applying for Common Entrance Examination (not "Form B" or both 'Form A & B' which will disqualify their candidature).
- (3) The candidate before filling up the Application Form shall satisfy his/her eligibility to appear in the Common Entrance Examination and is required to go through the rules and the instructions contained in the Application Form carefully and acquaint himself/herself with all requirements of the eligibility.
- (4) The candidate shall have to fill up the Application Form and the Admit Card (attached in the Application Form) in his/her own handwriting neatly and legibly in English, except Roll No & name of the Centre of Examination.
- (5) Candidate shall submit four copies of recent passport-sized, digital colour photographs or standard colour photographs.
 - (a) One copy of the photograph is to be pasted (not stapled) to the Application Form, and one copy is to be pasted (not stapled) to the Admit Card.
 - (b) The remaining two copies are to be sealed in an envelope, and stapled along with the Application Form.
 - (c) The photographs must indicate clearly, the name of the candidate along with the date on which the photograph was taken in a Board held by the candidate.
 - (d) All four photographs must be in colour, and identical. Mixing photographs or providing black-and-white ones may make the form liable to be rejected.
- (6) Candidate shall pay the prescribed fees in the form of Bank Draft in the manner prescribed in the Advertisement calling applications.
- (7) Application not accompanied by the attested copies of Photographs, Bank Draft and incomplete in any respect as per instructions given in the Application Form shall not be eligible for consideration.
- (8) A candidate who desires to be considered in respect of a particular reserved category (ref. Rule 6) shall be considered in respect of that particular category only, provided appropriate certificate is furnished in support thereof in the Form set out in Form B.
- (9) Candidate must indicate his preference/choice regarding the course (i.e. MBBS/BDS/BAMS) and the Medical College (i.e. Assam Medical College, Dibrugarh/Gauhati Medical College, Guwahati and Silchar Medical College, Silchar/Regional Dental College, Guwahati and Govt. Ayurvedic College, Guwahati) in the application "Form B" dully filled in and shall have to be brought at the time of counseling.