

Pakistan Medical and Dental Council

NOTIFICATION

In exercise of the powers conferred by Sub-Section (2) of Section 33 of the Pakistan Medical and Dental Council Ordinance, 1962 (XXXII of 1962), the Pakistan Medical and Dental Council is pleased to make the following regulations, namely:-

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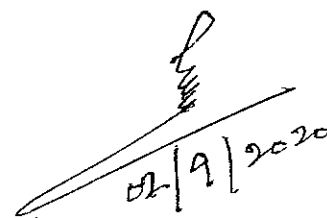
1. **Short title, application and commencement:** (1) These regulations may be called the MBBS and BDS (Admissions, Examinations, House job or Internship) Regulations, 2020.
- (2) These regulations shall apply to all medical and dental institutions, hospitals and institutions recognized under the Pakistan Medical and Dental Council Ordinance 1962 (XXXII of 1962) and all admissions into their MBBS and BDS courses, examinations, house job or internship undertaken at recognized hospitals.
- (3) These shall come into force at once.
2. **Definitions:** In these regulations, unless the context otherwise provides:-
 - (a) "Admitting University" means the Public Sector Medical university of the respective Province or the Region, notified by the respective government of the Province or the Region, as the case may be, to conduct a centralized provincial or regional medical and dental college admission test and determine merit for admissions in all public and private sector colleges of the respective Province or the Region;
 - (b) "Board" means the admission board constituted under these regulations;
 - (c) "Dental institution" shall have the same meanings as assigned to it in the Ordinance;
 - (d) "dropout student" means a student of the medical or dental institution, admitted after due process and who has left the institution without attending classes during first two years of MBBS or first year of BDS course or expelled or struck-off from the institution roll after failure to succeed in four chances in the university's professional examination;
 - (e) "Medical institution" shall have the same meaning as assigned to it in the Ordinance;
 - (f) "Ordinance" means the Pakistan Medical and Dental Council Ordinance, 1962 (XXXII of 1962);
 - (g) "Region" means any separate administrative territory which is not included in any Province;
 - (h) "Schedule" means the schedule to these regulations.
- (2) The words and expressions used but not defined herein shall have the same meaning as are assigned to them under the Ordinance.

PART-II

ADMISSIONS IN MBBS AND BDS

3. **Admission Board:**

- (1) There shall be an admission board comprising of the following members, namely:
 - (a) President of the Council shall be the Chairperson;
 - (b) Six members who shall be Vice Chancellors of all Admitting Universities of each province /


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region including Vice Chancellor of National University of Medical Sciences (NUMS);

- (c) Any other Vice Chancellor who is also member of the Council to be nominated by the President.
- (2) The Board constituted under Sub-Regulation (1) shall:
- (a) Determine, regulate and oversee the process of admission in MBBS and BDS in all provinces and regions;
 - (b) have powers to inspect any admission test conducted under these regulations;
 - (c) ensure implementation of these regulations and any other directions of the Council, issued from time to time, for transparent and merit based admissions under these regulations;
 - (d) issue directions and make recommendations to the concerned provincial and regional committee, for maintaining secrecy of papers and proper conduct of the admission test;
 - (e) cancel, annul admission tests and pass appropriate orders in case of any irregularity in the admission process and failure of the Admitting University to implement any direction / recommendation issued by the Admission Board.

4. Provincial or regional admission committee:

- (1) There shall be a provincial or regional admission committee for each province / region and NUMS admission committee for military medical and military dental constituent/affiliated colleges attached with military teaching hospitals, comprising of the following members:-
- (a) Vice Chancellor of the Admitting University who shall be the chairperson of the committee;
 - (b) Nominee of Secretary Health of respective province or, as the case may be, region, if any, not below the rank of Additional Secretary;
 - (c) a member nominated by the President from amongst Council members for each admission committee;
 - (d) a member of the Council of respective province or, as the case may be, region, if any;
 - (e) One of the Principal / Dean of public sector medical colleges / institutes and one of the Principal / Dean of public sector dental colleges / institutes to be nominated by the Vice Chancellor of the Admitting University and;
 - (f) One of the Principal / Dean of private sector medical colleges / institutes and one of the Principal / Dean of private sector dental colleges / institutes to be nominated by the Vice Chancellor of the Admitting University.
- (2) The NUMS, provincial or regional admission committee constituted under Sub-Regulation (1) shall oversee and monitor the entire admission process and ensure transparent conduct of admission test in area of its jurisdiction in accordance with these regulations.

5. Institutional admission committee:

- (1) Every institute shall notify an institutional admission committee comprising of the following, namely:
- (a) Principal / Dean of the institution shall be the Chairperson of the committee;

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- (b) Vice Principal / Senior most faculty member of the institution;
 - (c) A faculty member nominated by the academic council of the institution.
- (2) All logistic and secretarial support to the institutional admission committee shall be provided by governing body of the institute;
 - (3) The institutional admission committee constituted under sub-regulation (1) shall implement the decisions of the NUMS / provincial / regional admission committee in accordance with these regulations and shall report any discrepancy or irregularity immediately to the provincial or, as the case may be, the regional admission committee;
 - (4) The institutional admission committee shall submit an undertaking for transparent and merit based completion of admissions in accordance with these regulations.

6. Annual admissions in MBBS and BDS:

- (1) The maximum number of annual admissions in the medical and dental institutions shall be approved by the Council after evaluation of infrastructure and the teaching facilities in accordance with the regulations made under the Ordinance;
- (2) The total annual admissions in a MBBS course shall not exceed three hundred and fifty in a public sector medical institution and one hundred and fifty in a private sector medical institution;
- (3) The total annual admissions in the BDS course shall not exceed one hundred in a public sector dental institution. Total annual admissions in a BDS course shall not exceed eighty in a stand-alone private sector dental institution and seventy-five in a dental institution attached with a medical institution. and eighty in a private sector dental institution which is not a part of a medical institution and seventy-five BDS students in a dental institution attached with a medical institution;
- (4) The ceilings under these regulations are applicable even when facilities in the institution are more than that required by the Council as per its criteria for recognition of institutions;
- (5) The defined seats for military cadets in the military medical and dental colleges that are affiliated with military teaching hospitals shall be notified by the Federal Government and admission to such seats for military cadets shall be on the basis of nominations received by NUMS from the competent authority of each of the three Services:

Provided that term Military Cadets includes Medical Cadets, Dental Cadets and Welfare & Rehabilitation (W&R) Cadets in numbers per annum as determined by the Pakistan Army, Pakistan Navy and Pakistan Air Force, based on the national security situation and need of the country. The Military cadets will be admitted to the Military Medical and Dental Colleges that are administered and controlled by the Armed Forces and are attached with Military Teaching Hospitals.

7. Eligibility criteria for MBBS and BDS courses in Pakistan:

- (1) Notwithstanding anything contained in any other regulations of the Council, no Pakistani student shall be eligible for admission to medical and dental courses in Pakistan and shall not be registered with the Council as student unless he fulfills the following eligibility criteria, namely:
 - (a) he must have passed obtaining minimum sixty five percent marks, in higher secondary school certificate (HSSC) or F.Sc (Pre-medical) or equivalent examination having minimum twelve years of education; or

- (b) he must have passed, obtaining minimum sixty five percent marks in aggregate in, an examination of a course from a foreign university or examining body or foreign education system with at least three science subjects i.e. biology, chemistry and either physics or mathematics and such course must have been duly certified by the inter-boards committee of chairmen (IBCC) as equivalent to higher secondary school certificate (HSSC) or F.Sc or intermediate level of Pakistan.
- (2) Foreign, dual nationality holder or overseas Pakistani student desirous of taking admission in MBBS or BDS courses against open merit or foreign quota seat in any public or private institution of Pakistan must have passed, obtaining minimum sixty five percent marks in aggregate, in an examination of a course from a foreign university or its examining body or its education system in at least three subjects i.e biology, chemistry and either physics or mathematics and such course must have been duly certified by IBCC as equivalent to HSSC, F.Sc. or intermediate level of Pakistan;
- (3) Equivalence by IBCC under sub-regulations (1) and (2) shall be accepted in aggregate and the candidate shall be eligible to take the admission test for MBBS or BDS course with any study group irrespective of the recommendations of the IBCC;
- (4) Pakistani students having passed from foreign education system (i.e O levels, A levels etc) in Pakistan shall not be eligible for foreign quota seats;
- (5) Without prejudice to any other eligibility criteria under these regulations, a foreign or overseas Pakistani students desirous of taking admission to MBBS and BDS course against open merit or foreign quota or self-finance seats in any public or private institution of Pakistan shall have to meet the following additional eligibility criteria, namely:
- (a) The candidate must pass English language proficiency test e.g. valid TOEFL or IELTS with a minimum score of 500 or 5.5 or have a certification by National University of Modern Languages (NUML) after one year English language course, where medium of instructions for obtaining required academic qualifications for admission test is not English;
- (b) candidates having foreign or overseas Pakistani students and qualified from abroad may also apply if they have passed a foreign SAT II examination with minimum 550 marks in each of the three subjects i.e biology, chemistry and either physics or mathematics or a foreign MCAT with minimum score of 500.
- 8. Self-finance and foreign quota seats:**
- (1) Public sector medical and dental institutions may admit upto fifteen percent of their total annual seats allocated by the Council on foreign quota seats and self-finance basis on merit. Tuition fee charged from such students shall not exceed the fee approved by the Council under the Ordinance and regulations made there-under. Cumulative seats for admission against foreign quota seats plus self-finance seats in a public medical and dental institution shall not exceed fifteen percent of total allocated seats;
- (2) Private medical and dental institutions may admit students on foreign quota seats upto ten percent of their total annual seats allocated by the Council, on merit. Students admitted on foreign quota seat shall not be charged tuition fee in excess of fee approved by the Council, under the Ordinance and regulations made there-under;

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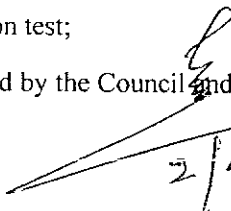
- (3) No candidate shall be eligible for foreign quota seats in the public and private medical and dental institutions under sub regulations (1) unless, he holds a permanent foreign nationality or dual nationality or is an overseas Pakistani student, and who has studied and passed HSSC 12th grade examination or equivalent from outside Pakistan and has studied in the foreign country for the whole duration of the above mentioned course and possess a certificate from the institution last attended to this effect;
- (4) Where any seat reserved for foreign quota or self-finance quota in any public sector medical or dental institution or foreign quota in a private medical and dental institution remains vacant, due to unavailability of eligible candidates or otherwise, it shall stand transferred to open merit seat and student admitted on such seat shall be charged fee and charges prescribed for open merit seat. No student shall be admitted on self-finance basis or against foreign quota seat unless he fulfils the eligibility criteria;
- (5) The seats reserved for foreign quota or self-finance quota in any given year shall not be carried forward to any subsequent year.

9. Medical and dental institutions admission test:

- (1) Ministry of National Health Services, Regulations and Coordination or, as the case may be, provincial department dealing with admissions in medical and dental institutions shall, each year by notification under intimation to the Council, authorize one recognized public sector medical university as Admitting University under sub regulation 2(a), to conduct a single test for admission in MBBS and BDS courses in that province or, region and prepare a result and order of merit under these regulations. This test result and order of merit shall be applicable to public and private sector medical and dental institutions of same province or region, as the case may be, unless otherwise provided in these regulations. For nomination of reserved seats of an inter province or inter regional or inter province and regional arrangement, result of the entry test of respective province or region shall be applicable to other provinces and regions:

Provided that the National University of Medical Sciences (NUMS) shall be the Admitting University responsible for conducting admission test and processing admissions for the military medical and military dental constituent/affiliated colleges attached with military teaching hospitals;

- (2) The respective Admitting University processing admission for private medical and dental institutions shall also process the admission on foreign quota seats for the foreign, dual national and overseas students fulfilling the eligibility criteria as laid down in these regulations;
- (3) For the purpose of admission in MBBS and BDS course, no public and private medical or dental institution shall hold its own admission test, aptitude test or interview, by whatever name called for;
Provided that medical college having academic, clinical and financial standards validated through audit by internationally reputable firms and having secured more than ninety percent on standardized performas as provided in the schedule, may conduct additional tests and interviews for admission to medical college and notwithstanding provisions of Regulation 12, may determine higher tuition fee, subject to supervision, control and approval of the Council;
- (4) The conduct of examination, maintaining secrecy and declaration of the results shall be the sole responsibility of the Admitting University conducting the admission test;
- (5) A uniform pattern and syllabus for admission test shall be approved by the Council and the syllabus


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of the admission test shall be commensurate with HSSC or F.Sc. curriculum level; (Annexure-I)

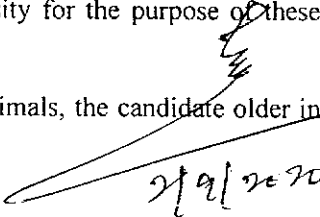
- (6) The pattern of admission test shall be based on multiple choice questions (MCQs). It shall be conducted in the subjects of Biology, Chemistry, Physics and English;
- (7) Entry test shall be valid for one year of the same session in the public and private medical and dental institutions. SAT and foreign MCAT scores from abroad, where applicable, shall be valid for two years from the date of passing of those examinations;
- (8) Save as otherwise provided in these regulations, no candidate shall be admitted to any public and private medical and dental institution unless, in addition to any other eligibility criteria under these regulations, the candidate provides valid admission test result of his/her own province/region. In case of admissions in military medical and military dental constituent / affiliated colleges attached with military teaching hospitals, the valid admission test result of NUMS:

Provided that students belonging to Islamabad region for the purposes of these regulations shall be eligible to appear in admission test for admission in public sector medical and dental college in the province of Punjab;

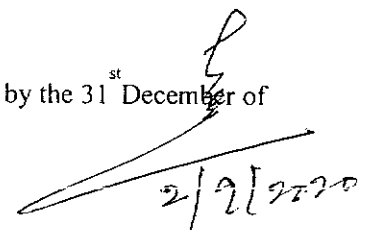
- (9) For admissions in private medical and dental institutions, first priority shall be given to the students who hold the domicile and appeared in the admission test of the same province/region. Vacant seats if any, shall be offered to the students of other provinces/region for admissions;
- (10) A candidate desirous of admission in MBBS and BDS course in a public and private medical and dental institution of a province or a region shall apply to the respective Admitting University. The Admitting University shall process the applications strictly on merit by preparing separate merit list for the concerned public and private medical and dental institutions;
- (11) The respective admitting university shall prepare a merit list by a weightage formula as under:-
- (a) SSC/Matriculation/Equivalent (10%)
 - (b) F.Sc (Pre Medical)/ HSSC/ Equivalent. (40%); and
 - (c) Admission test (50%).

Provided that no candidate shall be considered eligible on merit if the student has not acquired a minimum of 33% marks in the Admission Test and the minimum qualification standards set down under Regulation 7;

- (12) The candidates shall give preferences for all the colleges on the prescribed proforma. The order of preferences once given by the candidate in his/her application shall be final and cannot be changed subsequently unless he / she desires otherwise. Similarly, in case of occurrence of vacant seat, the candidate shall be upgraded in subsequent lists to an institution listed higher in his / her order of preference. However, under all circumstances merit shall not be defeated on account of technicalities;
- (13) A Hafiz-e-Qur'an certified as such by the appropriate body/authority shall be entitled to addition of twenty marks to his marks obtained in HSSC or, as the case may be, F.Sc./Equivalent, provided he/she passes Hifz-e-Quran test conducted by the Admitting University for the purpose of these regulations;
- (14) In case final merit of more than one candidate is equal up to four decimals, the candidate older in age shall stand higher in merit;


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- (15) The first merit list of public medical and dental institutions shall be displayed before 31st October of each year and the last merit list, whether it be for public or private medical and dental institutions for admissions held under these regulations shall be displayed before 31st December of each year:
- Provided that the Council may extend the deadline in the event of a delay in the announcement of results of F.Sc or HSSC in any province;
- (16) The concerned Admitting University under regulation 2(a) or, as the case may be, authority shall ensure display of merit lists prepared in accordance with these regulations on its own website and notice boards as well as that of each of the concerned medical and dental institutions;
- (17) The admissions in public-sector medical and dental institutions shall be completed before the 30th November of each year by displaying at least three consecutive merit lists by the concerned Admitting Authority University. Institution-wise list of all the successful candidates shall be displayed on the website and the notice board of the concerned Admitting University. In case of failure to deposit prescribed admission fee within seven days of display of merit list on website or notice board of the Admitting University, the defaulting candidates shall lose the right of admission in that year. The vacant seats occurring on account of non-deposit of prescribed admission fee within stipulated period by the selected candidates in first or second merit list shall be allocated to candidates who are next in merit, by displaying the third merit list. The candidates may be upgraded to another institution in subsequent merit list based on merit and preference and the fee deposited by upgraded candidates shall be transferred to new institution by the Admitting University without any deduction;
- (18) At least one week after the advertisement for admissions in public sector medical and dental institutions of respective province and region, the Admitting University of the respective province and region shall advertise process of admissions for private sector medical and dental colleges. No private medical and dental institution or its affiliating university shall advertise, interview or process admissions in any manner or admit students on any behalf;
- (19) Admission schedule for admissions in public and private medical and dental institutions, shall be advertised separately in the leading national newspapers of wide circulation as well as on the website of the Admitting University. Advertisement shall clearly mention the last date of submission of applications, dates of display of merit lists and date of deposit of fee for open merit and foreign quota seats or self finance seat;
- (20) After the display of final merit list by the Admitting University if there are any vacant seats in public sector medical or dental institution, top merit student of a private sector medical and dental institution shall be offered admission against such vacant seats in public sector medical or dental institution, who have also applied for public sector colleges, and consequent vacant seats in private sector medical or dental institution shall be offered to the students next in merit on the waiting list;
- (21) The admission to MBBS and BDS course in a medical and dental institution shall be made strictly on the basis of merit and in accordance with these regulations. Any admission made in violation of merit or on the basis of donations or kick back or unauthorized and unlawful payments in any form shall constitute grave violation of these regulations entailing penal action/criminal proceedings and withdrawal of recognition under the Ordinance/ Law;
- (22) All admissions in private medical and dental institutions shall be completed by the 31st December of


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each year except admissions under Regulation 12(9) & 12(10) of Part II. However, last date of admission in medical and dental institutions may, in extra ordinary circumstances, be extended by not more than one month by the Admission Board constituted under regulation 3. The eligible candidates shall deposit the prescribed tuition fee with the Admitting University;

- (23) The Admitting University, as soon as possible, but not later than 31st March of each year, shall forward the lists of admitted students in public and private medical and dental institutions to the Council, whereas each public and private medical and dental college, under intimation to its affiliating university, shall forward list showing particulars and details of its students, together with prescribed fee, for the purpose of student registration, to the Council. No student shall be registered by the Council after the said date;
- (24) All admissions shall be subject to due verification of the testimonials and academic certificates of the issuing authority.

10. Mandatory professional examinations for MBBS and BDS course:

- (1) For awarding MBBS degree, the respective university shall conduct professional examinations specified in column (2) of the Table-I below in the academic year as specified in column (3) thereof, namely:-

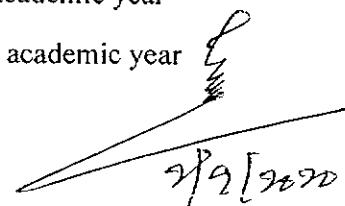
TABLE-I

S.No.	Name of professional examination	To be conducted
1	MBBS first professional examination	At the end of first academic year
2	MBBS second professional examination	At the end of second academic year
3	MBBS third professional examination	At the end of third academic year
4	MBBS fourth professional examination	At the end of fourth academic year
5	MBBS final professional examination	At the end of fifth academic year

- (2) For awarding BDS degree, the respective university shall conduct professional examinations specified in column (2) of the Table-II below in the academic year as specified in column (3) thereof, namely:-

TABLE-II

S.No.	Name of professional examination	To be conducted
1	BDS first professional examination	At the end of first academic year
2	BDS second professional examination	At the end of second academic year
3	BDS third professional examination	At the end of third academic year
4	BDS fourth professional examination	At the end of fourth academic year


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- (3) Mandatory attendance for eligibility of professional examinations shall be as prescribed by the Admitting University;
- (4) The respective university shall provide to the Council the schedule of examinations to be held under sub regulation (1) and (2) at least 90 days prior to the first of such examinations and shall provide to the Council the results of each of the examinations conducted under sub regulation (1) and (2) within 30 days of each result having been announced by the respective university:

Provided the Council shall have the power to obtain as a random sample, review and recheck any number of checked papers of students from any affiliated or constituent college to determine the reliability of the examinations held.

11. **Re-admission of students:** Any student who fails to clear first or second professional MBBS examination each in four consecutive chances availed or un-availed shall be debarred from continuing medical / dental education in the subsequent professional examinations and re-admission throughout Pakistan. Similarly, any student who fails to clear first professional BDS examination in four consecutive chances availed or un-availed shall be debarred from continuing dental / medical education in the subsequent professional examinations and re-admission throughout Pakistan.

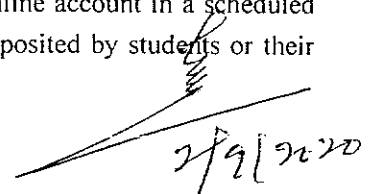
12. **Fee and refund thereof:**

- (1) The fee in respect of yearly session shall be charged on annual basis only, subject to eligibility for that session. There shall be no extra tuition fee for supplementary examination. The students repeating the year on account of being debarred from University examination shall be charged full yearly tuition fee. The detained students shall be charged tuition fee in proportion to number of failed subjects of that professional examination as prescribed by PM&DC;
- (2) A private medical and dental institution shall not charge in respect of training for MBBS or the case may be, BDS course, fee and charges specified in column (2) of the Table-III below, exceeding the limit as specified in column (3) thereof, namely:-

TABLE-III

S.No.	Fee and Charges	Amount
1	Annual Tuition fee per student all inclusive of university examination fee, university retention/affiliation fee or, academic/administrative fee or as the case may be, hostel fee, transport fee and Govt. taxes. However, students not availing hostel facility shall not be entitled to refund of hostel fee.	Not exceeding Rs. 950,000
2	One-time admission fee	Not exceeding Rs. 50,000
3	Prospectus fee	Not exceeding Rs. 3,000

- (3) All private medical and dental institutions shall maintain a separate online account in a scheduled bank and all fee and charges to be received from students shall be deposited by students or their


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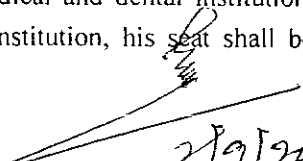
parents or guardians in the online account and no cash shall be demanded from students for any fee and charges. This account number must be mentioned in prospectus and website with fee and charges' structure;

- (4) Applicant desirous of admission in private medical and dental institution shall submit a wealth statement of either parent/guardian, equivalent to five years tuition fee, income tax return of either parent / guardian and shall also submit insurance certificate from a AAA rated insurance company duly selected by the Admitting University in accordance with the PPRA Rules, to ensure the payment of fees for the remaining duration the course in case of demise of parent/guardian;
- (5) A public and private medical and dental institution shall not charge from foreign students, dual nationality holder or overseas Pakistani students, admitted against foreign quota in respect of training for MBBS or, as the case may be BDS course, fee and charges, specified in column (2) of the Table -IV below, exceeding the limit as specified in column (3) thereof, namely:-

TABLE-IV

S.No.	Fee and Charges	Amount
1	Annual Tuition fee per student all inclusive of university examination fee, university retention/affiliation fee or, academic/administrative fee or as the case may be, hostel fee and transport fee, etc.	Not exceeding USD 18,000
2	One-time admission fee	Not exceeding Rs. 50,000
3	Prospectus fee	Not exceeding Rs. 3,000

- (6) In case the private medical or dental College decides to charge reduced tuition fee, below the maximum limit prescribed in the table IV, for admission against foreign quota seat in a given year, it shall provide in the prospectus the exact amount of the tuition fee to be charged and shall also inform the Admitting University accordingly, before the start of the admission process for the said given year. The Admitting university shall place the said information on its web site. The student admitted against foreign quota seat on a reduced tuition fee shall be charged the said reduced tuition fee through out the course of MBBS or BDS as the case may be;
- (7) The copy of deposit slips of fee and charges in respect of every registered student, duly signed and stamped by authorized officer of the bank, shall, by the concerned medical and dental institution, be submitted along with copy of student registration forms to the Council and affiliating university. The Council and the affiliating university shall keep record of such deposited slips and bank statements;
- (8) If a student is being overcharged or being asked for donation / bribery he/she may file a complaint to PM&DC under intimation to the Admitting University. Upon satisfaction that the college is guilty of misconduct, the college shall be liable to penalty under the Ordinance/ Law;
- (9) Where a student has deposited fee and joins or does not join classes but, within fifteen working days on the commencement of classes, informs in writing to the medical and dental institution, Admitting University and the Council that he wishes to leave the institution, his seat shall be


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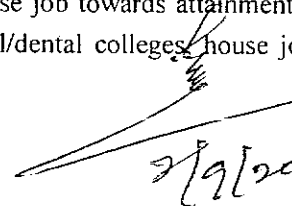
deemed to have become vacant upon furnishing of this information and he shall be entitled to hundred percent refund of all his deposited fees and charges, except one time admission fee and a student from waiting list may be admitted against this vacant seat in accordance with merit;

- (10) Where a student who has paid the fee and joins classes and thereafter leaves the medical or dental institution within three months of the admission, such student shall be entitled to refund of fee after deduction of fee for study period availed in terms of months in that medical or dental institution and the seat shall be considered as vacant. No fee shall be refunded after three months of admissions. A student from waiting list may be admitted against such vacant seat in accordance with merit. Such occurrence and subsequent admission is to be brought to the knowledge of the Council by the Admitting University;
- (11) Where a student gets migrated from one medical or dental institution to another medical or dental institution at any stage of the academic session, the medical or dental institution, as the case may be, shall be bound to refund all dues and fee charged proportionate to remaining period of academic session, to be counted from start of session.
- 13. Admissions against dropout students seat:** No institution shall be allowed admissions against drop out or vacant seats.
- 14. Cancellation of Admission:**
- (a). If any document/information provided by the candidate is found false/fake/ fabricated at any stage of MBBS/BDS admissions and /or during the course of studies, the admission of the candidate shall be cancelled and he/she will be debarred from admission for a period of seven (07) years besides initiation of any action under the law including criminal proceedings against him/her;
- (b). If the candidate is found medically unfit at any stage of MBBS/BDS course, the admission of the candidate shall be cancelled on the recommendation of the appropriate Medical Board to be constituted by the Admitting University on case to case basis;
- (c). If a candidate fails to report for admission and/or deposit the fee on due date, the admission of the candidate shall be cancelled.
- 15. Gap after discontinuation of study:** Where any student has qualified a professional examination and discontinues his/her studies and desires to re-join his/her studies of the MBBS or BDS, within five years of his/her discontinuation, he/she may as one-time dispensation be allowed to continue his/her studies from the stage he/she discontinued his/her studies. In no case a student shall be allowed to continue study of MBBS or BDS after a gap of more than five years. A student joining the MBBS or BDS course after a study gap of three years shall re-take his/her last professional examination.

PART- III

HOUSE JOB OR INTERNSHIP

- 16.** (1) A recognized medical or dental college shall be responsible to create house job vacancies annually in its teaching hospital equivalent to its approved annual intake;
- (2) Only persons provisionally registered with the Council as medical and dental practitioner shall be eligible for house job. The experience of house job or internship done prior to the provisional registration shall not be counted and accepted as experience of house job towards attainment of full registration. In Government teaching hospitals without medical/dental colleges, house jobs


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can be created on a bed strength as specified in institutions accreditation performa of PM&DC;

(3) House job or internship training shall be carried out only in a hospital recognized by the Council under the Ordinance;

(4) Before awarding house job or internship, the hospital shall ensure that the candidate possesses a valid provisional registration with the Council.

17. **House job structure for MBBS:** A house job or internship shall consist of residential, full time and structured modules specified in column (2) of the Table-V below for the duration as specified in column (3) thereof, namely:-

TABLE-V

S.No.	Modules	Amount
1	2	3
1	Module - I	Of three months duration in internal medicine is compulsory.
2	Module - II	In medical allied departments is optional and up to candidate or institute's choice/convenience. Total three months duration.
3	Module - III	Of three months in general surgery is compulsory.
4	Module - IV	In surgical allied departments is optional and up to candidate or institute's choice/convenience. Total three months duration.

Explanation.— Each main module (medicine and allied of six month's duration or surgery and allied of six month's duration) shall have to be completed separately and in the same hospital. Compulsory module (three months) of internal medicine and optional module (three months) of allied departments shall be accomplished separately and in same hospital and experience gained at two different hospitals for sub components of modules of medicine and allied shall not be accepted and experience gained for one module (three months) of general surgery and other module (three months) of medicine allied subject shall not be allowed. However, one module of three months duration at specialized hospitals of allied subjects like paediatrics medicine or cardiology or nephrology shall be accepted. The experience of house job or internship less than three months in any module shall not be accepted as experience.

Basic life support certification (BLS) course shall be mandatory during house job for full registration with the Council.

18. **House-job structure for BDS:** (1) A house job or internship for BDS shall consist of residential, full time and structured modules specified in column (2) of the Table-VI below for the duration as specified in column (3) thereof, namely:-

TABLE-VI

S.No.	Modules	Amount
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1	2	3
1	Prosthodontics and allied	Two and a half months

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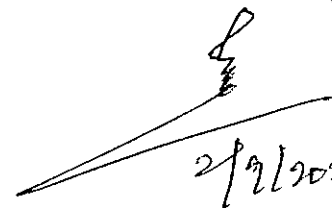
S.No.	Modules	Amount
2	Operative dentistry and allied	Two and a half months
3	Orthodontics and allied	Two and a half months
4	Oral and maxillofacial surgery and allied	Two and a half months
5	Oral Medicine and Periodontology	Two Months

- (2) A maximum of six months of house job or internship in one particular specialty may be allowed, rest of the six months shall be utilized by rotations to cover all disciplines of dentistry.
19. **House job or internship from abroad:** House job or internship or clinical training from abroad in all the teaching hospitals affiliated with accredited medical or dental schools recognized for house job or internship or clinical training by the medical regulatory authority of that country shall be accepted by the Council for the purpose of full registration with the Council.
20. **House job or internship for foreign medical or dental graduates:** The foreign medical and dental graduates shall have to first get the equivalence of their foreign qualification from the Council. After passing registration examination of National Examination Board of the Council foreign medical and dental graduates shall be registered provisionally for house job purposes after notification by the Ministry of National Health Services, Regulations and Coordination and will be required to complete one year mandatory house job or internship from within or outside Pakistan, in the hospitals approved for house job by the Council from the date of issuance of the Council's provisional registration.
21. **Stipend or salary for house job or internship:** All public and private institutions shall be responsible to provide a paid house job to their graduates and there shall be no house job/ internship in parent institute without honorarium. An institute may however provide house job / internship to graduates of other institutions depending upon its capacity but shall not be responsible for paying the graduates of other institutes. The amount of stipend or salary, by whatever name called, paid to house officer or interneer in private sector hospitals shall not be less than the highest amount paid in any public sector hospital of that province. Honorary house jobs in special circumstances shall also be allowed in approved public sector hospitals if an applicant and a hospital so desires but the institution shall not allow house job beyond the slots allocated by the Council for house job in relevant institution.
22. No institute shall allow clerkship / observer ship to a foreign medical or dental graduate or Pakistani student studying medicine or dentistry at foreign institute unless registered with PM&DC as foreign student for the period of clerkship / observer ship.


PART- IV
EXAMINATION

23. **INTERNAL EVALUATION:-**

- (1) Evaluation is an essential part of the education process. These should be regular internal evaluation. The students should be evaluated in all 3 domains – cognitive, affective and psychomotor. The principles of internal evaluations should be uniformly applied by all medical colleges. The Purpose of evaluation should be:


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- (a) To give feed back to the students about their understanding of the course material. This purpose can be achieved by regular internal evaluation of each assignment or course;
 - (b) To certify that the students have successfully completed the training and have achieved the objectives of the educational program as defined;
 - (c) To determine the success of the teaching program;
 - (d) To motivate and encourage students to direct their own learning.
- (2) In order to achieve the objective, it is mandatory to adopt the following process:
- (a) Continuous internal assessment consists of appropriate evaluation at the end of each assignment, term and stage of course of the curriculum. Proper record of internal evaluation should be maintained and the scores obtained in these tests should contribute 20% of final total score of the candidate. Final university examination of each subject should contribute 80% to the total score and the students should score passing marks on the aggregate of the total marks. This shall be applicable from academic session 2021. The examining university is required to monitor internal evaluation process to ensure transparency;
 - (b) The percentage of pass marks in each subject should not be less than 50% (50% in Theory and Practical each);
 - (c) All professional examinations shall be conducted by the respective examining university. Any student who fails to pass the first professional MBBS/BDS examination or second professional MBBS examination in four chances, availed or un-availed shall be debarred from continuing medical/dental education in Pakistan;
 - (d) No student can be promoted to the higher classes unless he passes all the subjects of the previous classes;
 - (e) No student should be eligible for a university examination without having attended 75% of each of the lectures, demonstrations, tutorials and practical or clinical work both in patients and out patients;
 - (f) No grace mark should be allowed in any examination or practical under any guise or name;
 - (g) There should be no more than two professional university examinations in an academic year;
 - (h) Maximum number of eligible examiners from amongst the teachers may be involved in the internal evaluation examinations;
 - (i) Written examination should consist of MCQs, Short structured essays, extended essays including OSCE/OSPE/long case/TOACS/short case;
 - (j) Clinical and practical examinations should include standardized multiple station examinations;
 - (k) The final MBBS Examination in Medicine, Surgery, Pediatrics, and Obstetrics & Gynecology should not be further sub divided;
 - (l) The clinical examination in medicine, Surgery, Obstetrics and Gynecology, Pediatrics, Ophthalmology and ENT should be held in PM&DC approved teaching hospitals;
 - (m) At least four academic years should intervene between the dates of passing the first


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professional examination and the final professional examinations;

- (n) The final professional examination is not to be taken before the close of the fifth academic year of medical students;
 - (o) At least 50 % of marks must be credited by external examiners/ assessors while assessment of written, oral and practical parts of university examinations;
 - (p) Examiners for all subjects should be appointed from a list of examiners not below the rank of Asst. Professor. The number of external examiners and internal examiners shall be equal. The number of internal and external examiners should at least be one for a group of 100 (one hundred) students;
 - (q) The external examiner should be a Professor or Associate professor of a recognized medical/dental college or at least an Assistant Professor with three years teaching experience in relevant subject;
 - (r) The internal examiners for various subjects should be professor and head of Department who have been involved in teaching of the class being examined for at least six months and have delivered 50% of the total lectures. Second preference is Associate Professor / Assistant Professor who is involved in teaching of the class and posted there for one year. Third preference is a recognized professor of the subject;
 - (s) Preparatory leave should not exceed one month in all professional examinations;
 - (t) The result of each examination should be declared within one month of the last practical examination.
- 24. Penalty for contravention (s) of regulations:** Whoever contravenes any provision of these regulations or registers or unlawfully admits students shall, in addition to any action that can be initiated under the applicable rules and regulations, etc. be punishable under the Ordinance / Law.
- 25. Repeal:** On commencement of these regulations, all previous regulations, notifications, orders, instructions and circulars, etc. which regulate any matter under these regulations, are hereby repealed.

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ANNEXURE- I:

1. Total number of Multiple Choice Questions for MDCAT or Entry Test in all the Provinces and Regions will be 200, each having 4 (four) options.
 - a. Breakup of 200 MCQs shall be as under:
 - i. Biology 80
 - ii. Chemistry 60
 - iii. Physics 40
 - iv. English 20
 - b. Difficulty Index for each subject shall be as under:
 - i. Very Easy: 15%
 - ii. Easy: 15%
 - iii. Moderate: 40%
 - iv. Hard: 20%
 - v. Very Hard: 10%
2. Time Duration to attempt the whole paper shall be 150 minutes (2 Hrs 30 Min).
3. Each question shall carry 01 (one) mark with NO negative marking.

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