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NOTIFICATION

As mandated by Section 4 of the 'Karnataka Compulsory Service by Candidates Completed Medical Courses (Amendment) Act, 2023', and in accordance with the 'Karnataka Compulsory Service by Candidates Completed Medical Courses (Amendment) Ordinance, 2023' (HFW 363 HSH 2021, dated 11.06.2024, Rules Amendment 2024), all candidates who:

- 1. Were admitted in the academic year 2020-21,
- 2. Enrolled under any quota (Government, Private, Management, or NRI), and
- 3. Have successfully completed a postgraduate diploma or degree, are required to complete one year of compulsory service in Government hospitals in urban areas of Karnataka. Candidates will be selected and posted based on merit through an online counselling process."

1. Important Points to Note:

- i. Candidates who joined a postgraduate diploma or degree program in 2020-21 batch or earlier, and have not yet completed their one-year compulsory service in Karnataka, may fulfil their service obligation in a Government Hospital located in an urban area of their choice, subject to available vacancies. These vacancies will be displayed during the online counselling process."
- ii. The aforementioned candidates must participate in the online counselling process to select the Government Hospital/Institution where they wish to undergo their compulsory service. The selection should be based on the vacancies displayed during the counselling period.
- iii. The candidates will be paid stipend as per the post chosen by the candidate and according to Government orders issued by respective departments (Department of Health and Family Welfare Services, Directorate of Medical Education & guidelines of NHM).

2. Online Counselling:

- i. Online counselling will be conducted based on merit for the purpose of posting candidates to Government hospitals/Institutions.
- ii. The link for option/priority entry to select available vacancies will be shared on the Health and Family Welfare website https://hfwcom.karnataka.gov.in

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- iii. Every candidate belonging to Government, Private and Management quotas must register for counselling mandatorily.
- iv. Candidates selected for regular Central or State Government service shall be exempted from one year of compulsory service. Verification of supporting documents is mandatory for such candidates.
- v. Counselling will be conducted to fill the vacant posts available in Government hospitals and institutions. Additionally, candidates will have the option of seeking exemption from one-year compulsory service.
- vi. Candidates participating in online counseling will have the flexibility to either select a preferred location for one year of compulsory service or apply for a merit-based exemption from the same. The online counseling system will then allocate the chosen service location or exemption according to the candidate's merit. Therefore, it is advised that candidates also indicate a preferred location to prevent confusion, as choosing only the exemption option may not guarantee exemption if merit requirements are not met.
- vii. If a candidate is not granted an exemption from one year of compulsory service, they are obligated to fulfil this requirement at the location allotted to them during the counseling process.
- viii. If a candidate either fails to attend the counseling or neglect to select a location during the counseling session, or if the candidate opts for exemption from one year of compulsory service in counseling but is not granted the exemption, the candidate will be allotted a random place of work through computerized process. Failing which, the Competent Authority shall impose a penalty at the conclusion of counseling.
- ix. The Commissioner (Competent Authority) will levy penalties in following instances
 - Candidates who fail to attend counseling.
 - b. If the candidate fails to report to one-year compulsory duty without a genuine reason (if not approved by Grievance Committee) within stipulated time.
 - c. Candidates who, without a genuine reason (if not approved by Grievance Committee), interrupt their service for more than one month midway.

3. Process of Online Option Entry and Allotment:

- Candidates need to select the department (Medical Education or Health and Family Welfare), District, taluk, and then Hospitals (District Hospital/Medical Colleges, Community Health Centre & Taluk Hospital) of their choice from the displayed options during option entry.
- ii. The order of priority can be rearranged or deleted until the last date and time. After the last date, no modifications or deletions will be allowed.
- iii. Candidates are advised to enter their priority of options irrespective of the number of vacancies shown against a particular District/Institute.



- iv. Candidates can enter a maximum of 198 options from existing vacancies.
- v. The allotment process will be based on the candidate's merit and the entered options and priorities. An illustration of the same is attached as Annexure-I to this notification.

4. Priority for Counselling:

Priority for counselling will be given by the competent authority as follows (with valid certificates attached):

- i. Candidates or their spouse or children (or dependent parents facing and terminal ailments)
 with no available medical treatments at their place of posting;
- ii. Cases of individuals with more than 40% disability, as certified by the District Medical Board:
- iii. Cases of widows;
- iv. Cases of married couples where both spouses are government servants or on one-year compulsory service Residents or Post Graduates and their consideration aligns with the transfer guidelines issued by the State Government:
- v. Single parent; and
- vi. General cases.

5. General Exemptions:

- Students admitted to NMC/RGUHS recognized higher courses (Fellowship) will be permitted to pursue higher education after providing valid documentary proof. However, after completing Super speciality/Fellowship, candidates must undergo One-Year Compulsory Medical Service in Government Hospitals.
- Women under Maternity leave will be granted an exemption for late commencement of Compulsory Government Medical Service not beyond one year (with valid documentary proof).

6. Grievance Redressal:

Candidates facing genuine difficulties or administrative issues can approach the Grievance Committee through ecmsgrievance@karnataka.gov.in. The Grievance Committee will address issues within one month from the date of announcing results, and technical issues in the computerized counselling process will be addressed immediately.

7. Penalty:

Candidates who contravene any of the provisions specified in this Act shall be levied a penalty of Rs. 20,00,000 (Twenty Lakhs) for Postgraduate Diploma candidates and Rs. 25,00,000 (Twenty-five Lakhs) for MD/MS candidates.

8. Contact Information:

For counselling-related issues, contact the Assistant Administrative Officer (Bond Enforcement Cell) at spmbeckar@gmail.com or call the landline number 080-23295510.

9. Calendar of Events for Online Counselling:

SI. No.	Events	Dates
1	Date of Notification	12.07.2024
2	Announcement of Merit position	12.07.2024
3	Registration	15.07.2024 to 18.07.2024 5.00 PM
4	Publishing of vacancy position	19.07.2024
5	Option entry by candidates	19.07.2024 to 21.07.2024 5.00 PM
6	Processing & verification	22.07.2024 to 23.07.2024
7	Mock allotment	24.07.2024
8	Results	26.07.2024
9	Last day for Joining	31.07.2024

<u>Note:</u> Accommodation will not be provided by the Government/College. However, the Colleges or related District Health Officer/Administrative Medical Officer may consider accommodation requests, subject to availability.

Candidates are advised to regularly check the Health and Family Welfare website for updates and further instructions related to the online counselling process.

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ANNEXURE-I

For example: If candidate entered Options with the priorities as given below, then the system would check the vacancy availability as per the merit & priorities and allot the postings, if it is available.

Department: Health and Family Welfare.

Subject/Course Specialization: General Medicine

- Priority 1- District: Bengaluru Urban then Taluk Bengaluru East then hospital KR Puram General Hospital selected according to vacancy list.
- Priority 2- District: Bangalore Urban then Taluk Bengaluru South then Jayanagar General Hospital selected according to vacancy list.
- Priority 3- District: Kolar then taluk Kolar then SNR Hospital selected according to vacancy list.
- Priority 4 District: Chamarajanagar, then Chamarajanagar taluk then Chamarajanagar Institute of Medical Sciences Hospital selected according to vacancy list.

Scenario 1 (Higher merit): System would check the vacancy for the above four options one by one starting from priority No. 1 to 4 in order and would allot a place based on the availability. Assume that the candidate is having required merit to avail any vacancy of the above four priorities including the Priority no. 3 or 4. The system would allot only against option/priority No. 01 as vacancy is available as per their merit. This candidate will be allotted Priority 1. He will not be considered for the remaining priorities.

Scenario 2 (Medium merit): System would check the vacancy for the above four options one by one starting from priority No.1 to 4 in order and would allot based on the availability. Assume that the candidate is having medium merit. If the higher merit candidate has been allotted priority 1 and there are no further vacancies in that Institute/Hospital then the system would allot only against option/priority No. 02 as Exemption from one-year compulsory service. This candidate will be allotted Priority 2. He/she will not be considered for the remaining priorities.

ANNEXURE-II

- 1) Candidates must ensure that the e-mail Address and Phone Number provided in the Online registration form belong to themselves or their parents strictly as all the information/ communication will be sent by HFW through e-mail on the registered email address or SMS on registered Mobile Number only.
- 2) Upload scanned images of candidate's latest passport size photograph (jpg/jpeg file size: 10 kb to 200 kb); Final year marks/score card (pdf file size: 50 kb to 300kb); All these documents should be in the prescribed format/file of required size as mentioned above. For photography, the focus needs to be on face (80%face coverage, ears clearly visible.
- 3) Candidates are advised to regularly visit the HFW website and also check their e-mails/SMS for latest updates.
- 4) Candidates must ensure that all the information entered during the online registration process is correct. Online information provided by candidates like name of candidate, contact/address details, priorities, PWD status, educational qualification details, date of birth etc. shall be considered final. Any request for changes in information after the closure of registration period will not be considered by HFW under any circumstances.
- 5) Any candidate found to mislead by providing inaccurate information will lose the opportunity of option entry (selecting place of work), he/she will be penalised.
- 6) HFW disclaims any liability that may arise due to incorrect information provided by the candidates during the registration process. HFW department does not edit/modify/alter any information entered by the candidates after completion of registration process under any circumstances. HFW department does not guarantee that any request for change in information thereafter will be entertained. Therefore, candidates are advised to exercise utmost caution and care during the registration process.
- 7) If the candidates have the same percentage, then age will be considered and the senior will be given preference, in case they're of the same age then alphabetical order of the name shall be considered.

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Format for Husband-and-Wife priority cases

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