# **Information Brochure, 2024**

for

#### Registration, Procedure for Selection, Counselling and Admission at

## UNDERGRADUATE (UG) Level COURSES (MBBS/BDS/BAMS/BUMS/BPT/DDH/DDM)

in

Government/Private Medical, Dental, Ayurvedic, Unani and Physiotherapy Colleges of the UT of Jammu and Kashmir

#### **NEET-UG 2024**

#### 1. National Eligibility Cum Entrance Test (NEET) UG-2024:

As per regulations framed under the Indian Medical Council Act-1956 and the Dentists Act-1948 as both amended in 2016, NATIONAL ELIGIBILITY CUM ENTRANCE TEST (UG)-2024 was conducted by the NTA, for admission to **MBBS/BDS/BAMS/BUMS/DTH/BPT/AYUSH etc.** Courses in India in Medical/Dental Colleges run with the approval of MCI/DCI under the M/O of Health and Family Welfare, GOI except for the institutions established through an Act of Parliament.

The below noted Express conditions of regulations are as under:-

There shall be a single eligibility cum entrance examination namely 'National Eligibility-cum-Entrance Test for admission to MBBS/BDS courses' in each academic year.

In order to be eligible for admission to MBBS/BDS/BAMS/BUMS/DDH/DDM Courses for a particular academic year, it shall be necessary for a candidate to obtain minimum prescribed marks at the qualifying examination in NEET held for the said academic year besides obtaining minimum prescribed marks at the qualifying examination. The reservation of seats in Medical/Dental colleges for respective categories shall be as per applicable laws/Rules prevailing in States/Union Territories. An all India merit list of the eligible candidates shall be prepared on the basis of the marks obtained in NEET for admission in MBBS/BDS/BAMS/BUMS/DDH/DDM etc. courses from the said lists.

The candidates, who have failed to obtain the minimum eligibility marks as prescribed by the MCI/DCI, shall not be admitted to MBBS/BDS/BAMS/BUMS Courses in the said academic year. All admissions to MBBS/BDS courses within the respective categories shall be based solely

on marks obtained in NEET. Presently the NTA is the organization to conduct NEET for admission to MBBS/BDS courses.

#### NEET UG Examination, 2024:

1. NTA invites online applications from eligible candidates applying for MBBS/BDS courses. In accordance with the details contained in the NTA Information Brochure, the said Agency conducted the examination on 05-05-2024, at different established centre across the country. The candidates from Jammu and Kashmir, who had applied in pursuance of the said Notification, also appeared in various centres as notified by the NTA. The result of the NEET Examination was declared by the NTA on 26-07-2024.'Provisional UT Merit Lists' are now required to be drawn by the Competent Authority of State/UT Government, which shall generate the final merit list/category-wise merit list for state/UT quota seats as per the qualifying/eligibility criteria, applicable guidelines/regulations and the UT reservation policy in vogue.

As a follow up the J&K Board of Professional Entrance Examinations, after declaration of NEET result as a sequel for NEET UG 2024 have taken prompt actions by way of publishing/ uploading few Notifications or Notices already for information of concerned and hope that the stake holders might have gone through the same very carefully.

J&K is contributing towards 15% national quota, therefore, all the seats left after 15% quota, available in the medical/dental colleges in the UT of J&K are to be filled up from amongst the eligible candidates belonging to the UTs of J&K/Ladakh during the year 2024-25 session.

2. Besides, the M/O AYUSH vide communication No. R-13040/33/2016-HD(tech)Part dated 25-01-2017 advised that no separate examination shall be conducted for AYUSH and the merit shall be drawn out of the NEET UG merit list. This was reiterated by the M/O,AYUSH, GOI vide their communication dated 26-04-2017. Accordingly, the BOPEE utilized the NEET (UG) merit list for purposes of filling up of the seats in AYUSH during 2017 onwards and as well as during the year 2024 i.e. the same arrangements shall be in place.

## 4. Role of BOPEE after conduct of NEET by the NTA:

The BOPEE, being a Conducting Body, have to conduct counseling of the successful candidates as per the mandatory threshold fixed by the NTA for allotment of seats in Professional Institutions in terms of Section 9 of the BOPEE Act 2002. Since the NTA is an examination conducting body and the UT merit list is to be drawn by the Competent Authority i.e. (BOPEE) of the UT Government of J&K after the declaration of the result by the NTA.

## The Board shall now undertake the following mandatory exercises: -

## a) Online Registration/uploading of documents:

Since at the time of inviting applications by the NTA, no documents were required to be produced/uploaded, therefore, after declaration of the result, Board is required to update all records of the candidates who have appeared and qualified the examination. The candidates shall, therefore, be required to upload the following documents for verification before the Board as per schedule notified by the Board:-

- ✓ Date of Birth Certificate as per matriculation certificate
- ✓ 10+2 or equivalent Examination Marks Card
- ✓ Domicile Certificate of candidates belonging to UTs of J&K/Ladakh(for the candidates of UT of Ladakh, ST certificate be treated as Domicile certificate).
- ✓ Category certificate; (wherever applicable)
- ✓ NEET score card 2024
- ✓ Poor &Backward Certificate, if any.
- ✓ For candidates belonging to UT of Ladakh, an undertaking

attached as Annexure IX.

b) As mentioned under preceding paras, reservation has to be as per the J&K Reservation Policy of UT of J&K and the category of the candidates

will be updated by the Board during online registration on the basis of documents uploaded by them after declaration of result by the NTA;

- c) The cutoff date for validity of the category certificates shall be the last date of online registration and online uploading of documents as and when notified by the Board;
- d) After online verification and scrutiny of the documents, the Board is required to publish the list of candidates who have registered at BOPEE website for seeking admission/selection. This shall include the updated status of the category of the candidates in light of the documents produced during the scrutiny of records;
- e) It is once again reiterated that the qualifying/eligibility criteria shall be applicable as per the existing guidelines/regulations and reservation policy;
- f) No under process certificates shall be entertained at all.
- g) Board shall not be responsible for the genuineness of certificates such as D.O.B, 12<sup>th</sup> Class Marks Card, Domicile, Category Certificates including EWS issued by various Competent Authority and uploaded by the candidates during online registration process. It is the sole responsibility of the candidates to upload genuine certificates during registration process. If Any complaint received by the Board/College(s) against the candidate(s), provisionally selected on the basis of certificates uploaded by the candidates during registration process or submitted in the respective college during admission process, then the College Authority at which candidates provisionally admitted shall verify on their own from respective Competent Authority. If certificate(s) found to be fake or ingenuine, then their admission shall be cancelled by the Board at any stage.

#### Rules and Procedures to be followed by BOPEE:

The Board shall take into consideration the following rules /regulations for counseling of the candidates:-

- I) MCI/DCI Regulations;
- II) BOPEE Act, 2002;
- III) All J&K UT Rules on the subject issued from time to time.
- IV) Reservation Act, 2004;
- V) Reservation Rules, 2005 as amended from time to time;
- VI) SRO 168 of 2014;
- VII) BOPEE Regulations 2016;
- VIII) SRO 518 of 2019 dated 02-09-2019
- IX) S.O 69 dated 28-02-2020
- X) S.O 176 dated 15-03-2024.
- XI) S.O.305 dated 21-05-2024
- XII) All other rules and regulations including reservation policy not specified above but otherwise applicable in the selection process and mentioned, if any, amended elsewhere.

# 5. Policy of the UT of J&K for NEET UG (2024):

- NEET-UG is single window eligibility cum ranking entrance examination for Medical UG courses. No other Entrance Examination, either at UT or institution level, in UT of J&K / Ladakh shall be valid for entry to MBBS/BDS and other courses as per section 10 of Indian Medical Council Act, 1956 for admission session 2024;
- ii. As already stated, the AYUSH courses (BUMS, BAMS & BPT courses) have also been brought under the Ambit of the NEET as communicated by Central Council of Indian Medicine vide their letter No. 12-18/2016-NEET dated 31-05-2016 read with F.No. Z. 16011/04/2018-EB(M-I) Part I dated 12-04-2019,Govt. Order No.-634-HME of 2019 dated 04-07-2019 issued by the Health& Medical Education Department, Civil Secretariat J&K, the Board has decided to utilize NEET merit also for selection of candidates for admission to BPT.

## 6. Scope of NEET-UG 2024:

- i. J&K is participating in All India quota from 2022-23 onwards as per communication received from Health and Medical Education Department of J&K and shall contribute 15% seats in All India Quota so remaining seats for MBBS/BDS/BAMS/BUMS/BPT/DDH/DDM in the UT of J&K shall be filled through the NEET examination only. 50% seats in MBBS/BDS will be reserved for females as per the Government rules on the basis of NEET score for academic session 2024-25 in accordance with Section 9 of the J&K Reservation Act, 2004.
- **ii.** For better appreciation Section 9 of J&K Reservation Act-2004 is reproduced as under:-

# 9. Reservation in professional institutions.

(1) The Government shall reserve seats in the Professional Institutions for candidates belonging to reserved categories and such other classes and categories as may be notified from time to time;

• Provided that the total percentage of reservation shall in no case exceed 50%;

(2) The Government shall prescribe the percentage for each category in admission in the Professional Institutions;

- Provided that different percentages may be prescribed for different courses;
- Provided further that 50% of the seats in each category including open category for admission in MBBS and BDS shall be selected from amongst female candidates belonging to such category;
- Provided also that the seats in any reserved category, which cannot be filled for want of candidates belonging to that category, shall be filled from amongst the candidates belonging to open merit category.
- iii. The allocation of seats for MBBS/BDS/DDH/DDM Courses for academic year 2024-25 in various medical Institutions/Colleges under the ambit of UG Course Regulations shall be undertaken as per procedure prescribed in Undergraduate Medical Education Regulations published by MCI/SMC/DCI/SDC read with reservation policy and or orders of UT Government as applicable& amended from time to time to such selections.
- iv. For admission to medical Undergraduate courses at Government/Private colleges in the UT of Jammu and Kashmir, a Provisional Merit List (PML) of eligible candidates belonging to the UT of J&K /Ladakh shall be drawn on

the basis of the NEET UG 2024 result. This PML will be used by the BOPEE for selection and admission to medical UG courses at Government/Private run Medical Colleges for which examination was held through the NEET-UG in 2024. This list shall be applicable only to the seats at the disposal of the J&K BOPEE, for Government/Private Colleges admissions for the year 2024. No promissory is implied therein for subsequent years or no expectations should be based on this procedure for future selections.

The necessary rules/regulations and guidelines etc. are annexed with the brochure.

# 7. Competent Authority:

i. The Competent Authority shall be such as may be notified by the Government from time to time and shall include the BOPEE & the Regulating Bodies. BOPEE, being the Competent Authority to make admissions to medical colleges in the UT of J&K for MBBS/BDS/BAMS/BUMS/BPT/DDH/DDM etc. Courses, various instructions through notices/notifications will be issued by the Board to keep candidates up-dated with regard to various developments taking place after declaration of NEET UG (2024) result. A step by step procedure will be followed. The schedule will also be notified by the Board for filling the seats in accordance with the UT of J&K rules/MCI/DCI regulations and other rules, if any, on the subject.

The Board has taken up with concerned medical colleges/institutions to designate a team of officers to facilitate candidates at the time of admissions in colleges/institutions who have been asked to nominate senior faculty members also for the purpose to supervise such admissions and provide necessary guidance to the candidates. The designated authority of the Colleges/Institutions shall interact with the BOPEE, and monitor submission of requisite registration returns to the BOPEE, as may be required.

## ii. Clarification:

- i. Candidates are advised to address any query to COE/Secretary/Chairman, BOPEE with full details enabling Board to examine these and take further action as may be required in accordance with the rules and procedures.
- ii. The clarifications/queries can be sought on the following email: <u>helpdeskjakbopee@gmail.com</u>

Only such queries shall be entertained which have not been reflected /addressed in the Information Brochure(IB) and are genuine w.r.t. admission process.

## 8. Duration of NEET UG Program:

- ✓ Duration of UG Medical/Dental Courses Degree shall be 4½ academic years comprising of 09 semesters with each semester of 6 months duration as notified by MCI/DCI/UT Govt./any other State/UT or Central Regulating body. However, for details the intending candidates can seek details or check up from the Medical / Dental Colleges in detail if they wish so.
- ✓ The duration of the DDH/DDM Course shall be as prescribed by the Dental Council of India.
- ✓ The duration of AYUSH Courses shall be as notified by the M/O AYUSH GOI.
- ✓ The duration for BPT courses shall be as prescribed by the competent regulatory authority.

## 9. Eligibility of Candidate:

- 1) A candidate must:
  - a) be a domicile of UT of J&K /Ladakh as the case may be;
  - b) have passed Hr. Sec. Part II (12<sup>th</sup> / 10+2) or an equivalent examination from a recognized statutory Board/University with English, Physics, Chemistry and Biology;
  - c) have obtained 50% marks in aggregate in 10+2 examination in case of OM category (including EWS/P&B) and 40% in aggregate for reserved categories(SC/ST-i/ST-ii/RBA/OBC/ALC /IB);
  - d) should have born on or before 31-12-2007, if he/she belongs to OM/SC/STi/ST-ii/RBA/ALC/OBC categories as notified in NTA information bulletin;
  - e) The candidate must have attained the age of 17 years at the time of admission or will complete the age on or before 31<sup>st</sup> December of the year of his/her admission to the 1<sup>st</sup> year MBBS/BDS Course.
- 2) Further:
  - a) The candidates applying under P&B category in ASCOMS are open merit candidates. They must fulfill eligibility conditions meant for open merit candidates;
  - b) Candidates for admission to MBBS, BDS and other courses must have passed in the subjects of Physics, Chemistry, Biology and English individually and must have obtained a minimum of 50% marks taken together in Physics, Chemistry and Biology at the qualifying examination as mentioned in NEET UG 2024 Bulletin and in addition must have come in the merit list prepared as per result of NEET UG (2024) notified by NTA or MCI/DCI guidelines as the case may be.

## Note:

Only candidates shall be considered for admission such for MBBS/BDS/DDH/DDM courses as have qualified NEET UG (2024), as declared, to have been qualified by National Testing Agency (NTA) and figure in the UT Merit List. Similarly, for being eligible for admission to BAMS/BUMS/BPT courses, the candidates necessarily have obtained a minimum of 50% marks taken together in Physics, Chemistry & Biology at the qualifying examination and in addition must have come in the merit list prepared as per result of NEET UG 2024 notified by NTA/ MCI/DCI guidelines as the case may be.

Mere appearing in the NEET UG 2024examination and having scored the cutoff marks shall not make a candidate eligible for admission. All other conditions of eligibility as laid down in the rules shall have to be fulfilled by the candidates to claim admission for the courses.

# **Procedure for Admission:**

The Board shall adopt the following procedure for Counseling/admissions:-

a) Online Counseling;ORb) Offline/Physical Counselling

For Online Counselling, the following procedure shall be adopted:

i) Filling up of Online Preference Forms

ii) After filling in the online preferences, the Board may, on the basis of merit of the candidate and his/her preference for course/college, subject to availability of seats, and reservation rules in vogue, allot the seats through online mode.

For Offline/Physical Counselling, the following procedure shall be adopted:

i) The candidates shall have to report at BOPEE Office Jammu/Srinagar physically in person on counseling dates notified in advance during which process seats shall be allotted on the basis of merit cum preferences/reservation rules, subject to the availability of seat, and through a process of video conferencing between Srinagar and Jammu.

ii) Candidates cannot claim seats, if he or she doesn't reach for counseling on notified dates/ time and if Board takes a lenient view the candidate report for counseling either late or on next day he/ she have to be contended for the seat/ college available to him/ her at that point of time/ date and not for earlier seats which have been allotted to the candidates who have been Counseling earlier,

irrespective of his/her high merit.