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REGIONAL INSTITUTE OF MEDICAL SCIENCES

## (An autonomous Institute under Ministry of Health & Family Welfare, Government of India)

LAMPHELPAT, IMPHAL - 795004: MANIPUR

## ORDER

Imphal, the 27<sup>th</sup> July, 2020

Ref: WP (C) No 417 of 2020 filed by Shri Ingudam Mahendra Singh and Ors Vs RIMS and 2 Ors before the Honorable High Court of Manipur.

No. B/3123/2017-RIMS(Pt): Whereas, the applicant No. 1 Shri Ingudam Mahendra Singh and Ors filed WP (C) No 417 of 2020 before the Honorable High Court of Manipur which directed the Director RIMS to consider and dispose of the representation dated July 13, 2020 (received by RIMS on July 20, 2020) by taking into consideration Rule-5 of the Rules and Regulations of the Admission to Post Graduate (MD/MS/Diploma) Courses 2020 by issuing a speaking order on or before July 27, 2020.

Whereas, the Regional Institute of Medical Sciences, Imphal, published the Rules and Regulations of the Admission to Post Graduate MD/MS/Diploma Courses 2020 on February 17, 2020 and was also made available on RIMS web portal.

Whereas, Rule-5 of the Rules and Regulations of the Admission to Post Graduate MD/MS/Diploma Courses 2020 states that "Vacant seats belonging to AIQ and Sponsored categories after counseling will be allotted to the waitlisted eligible candidates after making a common pool of merit list separately for Open and Sponsored Category respectively based on the merit of the NEET-PG examination in subsequent counseling". The selection will be based on a common pool of merit list of waitlisted eligible candidates separately for Sponsored category, and Open category for vacant AIQ seats, which are the reverted AIQ seats.

Whereas, **eligibility** criteria are defined in Rule-3 of the same Rules and Regulations, and it consists of three broad categories – (3a) Sponsored category, (3b) Open Category and (3c) Non-RIMS NE Graduates. Further, **(3b) Open Category** has only two sub-categories – RIMS Graduates of NE Region and RIMS-AIQ Graduates. Medical graduates from NE regions include beneficiary states of RIMS viz Arunachal Pradesh, Manipur, Meghalaya, Mizoram, Nagaland, Sikkim and Tripura. RIMS-AIQ Graduates are the medical graduates of the Regional Institute of Medical Sciences, Imphal, who graduated after admitting into (MBBS) course through All India Quota (AIQ).

Whereas, the Additional Director General, Medical Education (ADG, ME) under the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Government of India reclaimed the reverted AIQ PG seats of RIMS, Imphal on July 8, 2020 for Mop-up Counseling on All India Level. This decision of the Ministry was intensely contested by RIMS pleading that RIMS has been conducting counseling of the reverted AIQ PG seats in the past too since the beginning of NEET PG in 2013 and RIMS has its own Rules and Regulations. The ADG, ME through letter no U/2021/44/2020/62-MEC dated July 10, 2020 again reverted the AIQ PG seats to RIMS instructing that RIMS can continue the subsequent counseling following RIMS' own Rules and Regulations.

Whereas, the RIMS follows the above Rules and Regulation for counseling and selection of the students on the basis of NEET PG merit list.

Whereas, the First Round of State Counseling was conducted on May 11, 2020 and the Second Round cum Mop-up State Counseling is scheduled on July 28, 2020. The first State Counseling was held in accordance to the Rules and Regulations of the Admission to Post Graduate MD/MS/Diploma Courses 2020 and the Second Round cum Mop-up State Counseling will be held following the same Rules and Regulations.

Now, therefore, in compliance of the Honorable High Court's Order dated July 23, 2020 passed in Writ petition (C) No. 417 of 2020, the application/representation dated July 13, 2020 submitted by the Petitioners was considered in the light of the Rule 5 of the Information Bulletin for Admission to MD/MS/Diploma Courses 2020 and it cannot be acceded to as the Petitioners do not belong to the aforementioned "Open" Category of Rule 3(b) and the ADG ME also instructed RIMS to follow own Rules for counseling. Accordingly, the representation dated July 13, 2020 (Annexure A/6 to this writ Petition) is hereby disposed of in compliance of the Honorable High Court's Order dated July 23, 2020 passed in W.P (C) No. 417 of 2020.

This issues with the approval of the Director, RIMS, Imphal.

(K. Doungel)
Deputy Director (Admn.),
Regional Institute of Medical Sciences,
Imphal

Memo. No. B/3123/2017-RIMS(Pt): Copy to:-

Imphal, the 27<sup>th</sup> July, 2020

- 1. PS to Director, RIMS, Imphal-For kind information of Director, RIMS, Imphal.
- 2. Dean (Academic), RIMS, Imphal.
- 3. Sub-Dean (Academic), RIMS, Imphal.
- 4. Shri M. Devananda Singh, Legal Advisor, RIMS, Imphal.
- 5. Dr. Ingudam Mahendra Singh, S/o (L) Ingudam Nabachandra, Wangkhei Meihoupham Lampak, P.O. & P.S. Porompat, Imphal East, District, Manipur-795005.
- 6. Section Officer (Academic), RIMS, Imphal.

7. Concerned file.

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