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Press Release

The Central Bureau of Investigation had reported in the month of May that the agency has arrested a Senior doctor working as Assessor with the National Medical Commission, immediately after he received a bribe of Rs 10 Lakhs allegedly in exchange of a positive assessment report w.r.t a private medical college in Karnataka. An FIR in this regard was lodged by the CBI against some of the Assessors, college authorities and unknown persons and the matter is currently under investigation.

The Commission has viewed the matter very seriously and has decided to blacklist the said Assessor, pending investigation and final verdict in the matter. As an exemplary action, it has been decided that the renewal of existing number of seats of the said college in Under-graduate and Postgraduate courses shall not be done for the AY 2025-26. Further, the application for increase of seats and starting of new courses for both UG & PG received by the Medical Assessment & Rating Board for AY 2025-26 shall be cancelled and not processed further.

The National Medical Commission delegates senior faculty members from various government medical colleges across the country, who volunteer to conduct periodic inspections in the Medical Institutions on behalf of the Commission. As such, the Assessors are not employed by the Commission but are pooled in from nation-wide government medical colleges and assigned for inspections through a randomisation process.

The National Medical Commission is committed to uphold utmost integrity in all its work and maintain transparency at all levels. The Commission has a no tolerance policy towards corruption and any such untoward incident by any person or medical institution is being dealt by the Commission as per relevant penal provisions of the NMC Act and the Regulations made therein under. Under the relevant penal provisions of the Act, the Commission may take such actions against the violators as deemed fit viz; imposition of monetary penalty, withholding processing of application for any new scheme(s) for that academic year or for such number of years, reducing the number of students in the next or subsequent academic years to be admitted by the medical institution, stoppage of admission to one or more of the courses in the next or subsequent academic years, recommending action to the competent authority against the concerned assessor under Government Servants Conduct Rules and/or to the Ethics and Medical Registration Board of the Commission, etc.

All medical colleges/stakeholders are advised to conform strictly to the NMC Rules and Regulations & uphold the ethos of quality medical education, professionalism and public trust.
