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National Medical Commission
(Post Graduate Medical Education Board)

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ADVISORY

Subject:- Relaxation in the Provision of Appointment of External Examiners in the Post Graduate Medical Education Regulations (PGMER), 2000

Postgraduate Medical Education Broad of the National Medical Commission considered various representations received from Colleges/Universities requesting extension of relaxations in appointment of External Examiners for the conduct of postgraduate University examinations issued by the Board of Governors in supersession of the erstwhile MCI in their Advisory dated 22.05.2020, even after the post COVID-19 re-opening of medical colleges in the country due to resurgence of COVID cases, and have decided as under:-

Appointment of Examiners:-

- A. Universities must in the first instance try to adhere to the existing norms regarding External examiners as provided for in Regulations for Post Graduate Medical Education, 2000.
- B. If option A is not feasible, Universities are advised to follow one of the following options with respect of external examiners for the postgraduate examinations considering the risk stratification of the areas where the Medical colleges/institutions are located, if external examiners are not available from outside the state due to the pandemic:-
 - i. External examiners to be selected from a different University in the State. These external examiners have to be physically present at the venue of the examination.
 - ii. In case of States having all the medical colleges under the same University i.e. State Health University, Medical Colleges may engage external examiners from any other college under the State Health University. Both of such external examiners should be physically present during the examination.


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