

Chapter 6: Counselling and Reservation for Admission to MBBS, BAMS, BUMS, BSMS and BDS Course

6.1 Admission Procedure

6.1.1 Admissions to all seats of Undergraduate Medical / Dental Courses will be done through NEET (UG) - 2025. The following are the seats available under different quotas:

- All India Quota Seats
- State Government Quota Seats
- Seats available for admission in Central Institutions/Universities/Deemed Universities
- State/Management/NRI Quota Seats in Private Medical / Dental Colleges or any Private University
- Central Pool Quota Seats
- All seats including NRI Quota as well as Management Quota, are in private unaided/aided minority / non-minority medical colleges.
- Seats available for admission in AIIMS Institutes across India/JIPMER.
- The Counselling for successful candidates for Seats under 15% All India Quota and 100% including 85% State quota seats of Central Institutions (ABVIMS & RML Hospital/VMMC & Safdarjung Hospital/ESIC)/ Central Universities (including DU/ BHU /AMU)/ AIIMS/ JIPMER and Deemed Universities, will be conducted by the MCC/DGHS for **Undergraduate Medical / Dental Courses**. MCC only does the registration for AFMC and forwards the data of registered Candidates to AFMC Authorities for the admission process. **DU/BHU and other Universities may use the score for any other relevant courses being offered by them.**

6.1.2 The counselling for admission to the seats under the control of State Governments/ UT Administrations / State Universities/ Institutions shall be conducted by the designated authorities of the State Governments as per the notifications issued separately by the authorities concerned.

6.1.3 The Result of NEET (UG) - 2025 may be utilized by other Entities of Central and State Governments, in accordance with their respective eligibility criteria / other norms / applicable regulations/ guidelines/ rules. The result data will also be utilized for B.Sc. (H) Nursing courses in

accordance with their respective eligibility criteria / other norms /applicable regulations/guidelines/ rules. The NEET (UG) - 2025 data will also be used for admissions to BVSc & AH courses under the 15% quota of VCI in recognized Veterinary Colleges. However, the Council has to approach the MCC of DGHS, MoHFW in order to obtain the said data of results.

Note: MNS aspirants seeking admission to BSc Nursing Course being conducted at Armed Forces Medical Service Hospitals for the year 2025 are required to qualify NEET. The NEET score will be used for shortlisting for selection to the four year B.Sc Nursing course.

- 6.1.4** During counselling, the eligibility criteria, self-declarations, all the uploaded documents, etc. of the eligible candidates shall be verified as per norms specified by the respective authorities and/or Medical / Dental Colleges.
- 6.1.5** AACCC (All-India Ayush Central Counselling Committee) shall be the counselling authority for AIQ with respect to BAMS, BUMS and BSMS courses under NCISM. AACCC shall also be the Counselling Authority for AIQ with respect to BHMS under NCH.

NTA does not have any responsibility towards the correctness/genuinity of the uploaded information/documents during the application process.

- 6.1.6** An All India Merit List of the qualified candidates shall be prepared based on All India Rank in the Merit List of the NEET (UG) - 2025 and candidates shall be admitted to Undergraduate Medical Courses from the said list only, with existing reservation policy. NTA will only provide All India Rank to candidates while Admitting Authorities will invite applications for Counselling and a merit list shall be drawn based on All India Rank by the Admitting Authorities. Admission to Undergraduate Medical Courses within the respective categories shall be based solely on All India Rank as per merit list of NEET (UG) - 2025.

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a. Admission in State Medical Colleges / Universities / Institutions / private medical colleges for seats other than 15% All India Quota:

- i. Admission under State Quota Seats shall be subject to reservation policy and eligibility criteria prevailing in the State/Union Territory as notified by the respective State/Union Territory from time to time.
- ii. The reservation of the seats in medical colleges for respective categories shall be as per applicable laws prevailing in the State/Union Territory concerned.
- iii. Admission to **Undergraduate Medical Courses** in Private Medical Colleges shall be subject to policies of the Government of India/State/Union Territory.

b. Admission to AIIMS / JIPMER / Central Universities (DU/BHU/AMU) / AFMC / GGSIPU / ESIC Medical Colleges / Deemed Universities

- i. Counselling for admission to MBBS / BDS, etc. Courses in AIIMS / JIPMER / Central Universities [(including Medical Colleges under DU and Guru Govind Singh Indraprastha University (GGSIPU), BHU Medical College, AMU Medical College], ESIC Medical Colleges, PGIMER and Deemed Universities will be conducted by DGHS and reservation policy will be as per rules/regulations applicable to such Universities / Institutions. Candidates aspiring for admission to MBBS / BDS Courses in such Universities/ Institutions based upon their All India Rank (AIR) in NEET (UG) - 2025, shall have to register on the MCC website after the declaration of NEET (UG) - 2025 Result. The Candidate will have to register on the MCC Website. (www.mcc.nic.in). The list of registered candidates will be forwarded to AFMC authorities for conducting counselling at their end.
- ii. Admission to AFMC, Pune shall be subject to the norms prescribed by the Directorate General of Armed Forces Medical Services, Ministry of Defence, Government of India. Candidates who apply for **NEET (UG) - 2025** and/or for seeking admission in **AFMC** also need to apply to AFMC on <https://afmc.nic.in/> The shortlisted candidates will be required to appear for a second-stage Screening Test conducted by **AFMC**. Candidates are advised to contact **AFMC** for further and exact details. MCC of DGHS will do

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- only the registration part of the counselling. Further, allotment process will be done by AFMS authorities.
- iii. Admission to Medical Colleges under Central Universities (DU / BHU /AMU) /ESIC Medical Colleges /AFMC, shall be as per the provisions of the Statutory Regulations of NMC/DCI, Deemed Universities relevant judgments of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India, and the procedure prescribed by the Medical Counselling Committee (MCC) under the Directorate General of Health Services (DGHS).
- iv. Further, the common counselling for admission to MBBS /BDS Courses in the concerned INIs shall be conducted by the DGHS as per the time schedule specified in the relevant Graduate Medical Education Regulation (1997) as amended from time to time.
- c. For all institutions, wherein Counselling is conducted by MCC under the DGHS, the candidates may refer to the Counselling scheme uploaded on the MCC website, so as to determine their eligibility to appear in Counselling for subsequent rounds, including in respect of ineligibility on account of allotment of seats in the previous rounds of Counselling in terms of Regulation 5A(4) of the Regulations on Graduate Medical Education, 1997 which provides for preventing seat blocking in common Counselling for admission to MBBS course.
- d. For all institutions, wherein Counselling is conducted by the State/Union Govt. or its designated authority, the candidates may refer to the Counselling Notifications issued by the State/Union Govt. or its designated authority, so as to determine their eligibility to appear in Counselling for subsequent rounds, including in respect of ineligibility on account of allotment of seats in the previous rounds of Counselling in terms of Regulation 5A(4) of the Regulations on Graduate Medical Education, 1997 which provides for preventing seat blocking in common Counselling for admission to MBBS.
- e. The Security Deposit of candidates who DO NOT join the seats allotted to them by MCC in Round-2 or subsequent rounds will be forfeited.
- f. MCC does not change/ edit /modify/alter any information (name, DoB, category, caste, contact details etc.) entered by the candidates at the time of online submission of application/registration form for Counselling under any circumstances. The data entered by the

candidate at the time of registration on NTA portal will be prepopulated and will be used for counselling purposes.

6.2 Reservation Policy for Admission to MBBS and BDS Course

Indian nationals belonging to certain categories are admitted under the seats reserved for them in accordance with the rules prescribed by the Government of India. The categories and the extent of reservation are as follows:

- General category belonging to **Economically Weaker Section (GEN-EWS) – 10%** of seats in every course. The benefit of reservation will be given only to those General category candidates who satisfy the conditions given in the **OM No. 20013/01/2018-BCII dated 17 January 2019**, issued by the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment. The criteria for **GEN-EWS** will be as per the prevailing norms and/or notifications of the Government of India.
- Other Backward Classes belonging to the Non-Creamy Layer (OBC- NCL) – 27% of seats in every course.
 - i. OBC-NCL should be listed in the current updated central list of OBC-NCL (<http://www.ncbc.nic.in>).
 - ii. OBC-NCL present in the State list but not covered in the central list of OBC-NCL (as per the list in <http://www.ncbc.nic.in>) are NOT eligible to claim the reservation.
 - iii. The criteria for OBC-NCL will be as per the notification of the Government of India.
 - iv. **Candidates belonging to the creamy layer of OBC are NOT entitled to reservation. Such candidates are treated as belonging to the general (GEN), i.e. unreserved category, and they will be eligible only for the GEN seats – the seats for which all candidates are eligible.**
- **Scheduled Caste (SC) – 15%** of seats in every course.
- **Scheduled Tribe (ST) – 7.5%** of seats in every course.
- **Persons with Disability (PwBD) – 5%** seats in each of GEN, GEN-EWS, OBC-NCL, SC, and ST category seats (Horizontal reservation).
 - i. Candidates who want to avail the benefits of PwBD reservation in admission to Undergraduate Courses, it will be governed as per NMC guidelines (Appendix-VI) and subsequent amendments from time to time.

6.2.1 For Candidates claiming the GEN-EWS category

Candidate should possess valid GEN-EWS certificate (who satisfy the conditions given in the **OM No. 20013/01/2018-BC-II dated 17 January 2019**, issued by the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment) in consonance with the latest guidelines of the Government of India for claiming seats under GEN-EWS category.

6.2.2 For Candidates claiming the OBC-NCL category

Candidate should possess valid OBC-NCL certificate in consonance with the latest guidelines of the Government of India for claiming seats under OBC-NCL category. Visit <http://www.ncbc.nic.in> for the latest guidelines and updates on the Central List of State-wise OBCs.

6.2.3 For Candidates claiming the SC or ST category

Candidate should possess valid SC/ST certificate in consonance with the latest guidelines of the Government of India for claiming seats under SC/ST category.

6.3 Provisions relating to Persons with Disability (PwD)/ Persons with Benchmark Disability (PwBD) (For the purpose of appearing in the NEET Examination):

6.3.1 The Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016:

The Gazette of India, Extraordinary Part-II Section 1, Ministry of Law And Justice (Legislative Department) New Delhi dated 28 December 2016 on “The Rights of Persons With Disabilities Act, 2016. The relevant paragraphs of the above Gazette Notification for consideration are as under:

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Para 2 (r) “person with benchmark disability” means a person with not less than forty percent of a specified disability where specified disability has not been defined in measurable terms and includes a person with disability where specified disability has been defined in measurable terms, as certified by the certifying authority;

Para 2 (s) “person with disability” means a person with long term physical, mental, intellectual or sensory impairment which, in interaction with barriers, hinders his full and effective participation in society equally with others;

Para 2 (zc) “specified disability” means the disabilities as specified in the Schedule; (Annexure - I).

6.3.2 Office Memorandum dated 29 August 2018:

Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment, Govt. of India, Office Memorandum No. F. No. 34- 02/2015-DD-III dated 29 August 2018 for conducting written examination for persons with specified disabilities covered under the definition of Section 2(r) of the RPwD Act, 2016. The relevant paragraphs of the above Office Memorandum for consideration are as under : -

Para IV. The facility of Scribe/Reader/Lab Assistant should be allowed to any person with benchmark disability as defined under section 2(r) of the RPwD Act, 2016 and has limitation in writing including that of speed if so desired by him/her.

In case of persons with benchmark disabilities in the category of blindness, locomotor disability (both arm affected-BA) and cerebral palsy, the facility of scribe/reader/lab assistant shall be given, if so desired by the person.

In case of other category of persons with benchmark disabilities, the provision of scribe/reader/lab assistant can be allowed on production of a certificate to the effect that person concerned has physical limitation to write, and scribe is essential to write examination on his behalf, from the Chief Medical Officer/Civil Surgeon/Medical Superintendent of a Government health care institution as per proforma at Annexure - II.

In case the candidate is allowed to bring his own scribe, the qualification of the scribe should be one step below the qualification of the candidate taking examination. The person opting for own scribe should submit details of the own scribe as per proforma at Annexure-III.

6.3.3 Office Memorandum dated 10 August 2022:

Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment, Govt. of India, Office Memorandum No F. No. 29- 6/2019-DD-III dated 10 August 2022 for conducting written examination for persons with specified disabilities covered under the definition of Section 2(s) of the RPwD Act, 2016 but not covered under the definition of Section 2(r) of the said Act, i.e. person having less than 40% disability and having difficulty in writing. The relevant paragraphs of the above Office Memorandum for consideration are as under: -

Para 3 (b). The facility of scribe and/or compensatory time shall be granted solely to those having difficulty in writing subject to production of a certificate to the effect that person concerned has limitation to write and that scribe is essential to write examination on his/her behalf from the competent medical authority of a Government healthcare institution as per proforma at Annexure-IV.

Para 3 (c). The medical authority for the purpose of certification as mentioned above should be a multi-member authority comprising the following: -

- i. Chief Medical officer/Civil Surgeon /Chief District Medical Officer, Chairperson
- ii. Orthopaedic/PMR specialist
- iii. Neurologist, if available*
- iv. Clinical Psychologist/Rehabilitation Psychologist/
Psychiatrist/Special Educator
- v. Occupational therapist, if available*
- vi. Any other expert based on the condition of the candidate as may be nominated by the Chairperson.

(* the Chief Medical Officer/Civil Surgeon/Chief District Medical Officer may make full efforts for inclusion of neurologists, occupational therapist from the nearest District or the Medical College/Institute, if the same is not available in the District)”

The candidate should fill up the details of scribe as per undertaking proforma at Annexure-V.

6.3.4 Scribe and Compensatory Time

1. The candidate should have the discretion of opting for his own scribe / reader / lab assistant or request the Examination Body for the same. The examining body may also identify the scribe / reader / lab assistant to make panels at the District / Division / State level as per the requirements of the examination. In such instances the candidates should be allowed to meet the scribe two days before the examinations so that the candidates get a chance to check and verify whether the scribe is suitable or not.
2. The word “extra time or additional time” that is being currently used should be changed to “compensatory time” and the same should not be less than 20 minutes per hour of examination for persons who are allowed use of scribe / reader / lab assistant. All the candidates with benchmark disabilities who are eligible for availing the facility of scribe in terms of guidelines vide para IV of Para 2.2.2 above may be allowed additional time of minimum of one hour for examination of 3 hours duration whether they use the facility of scribe or not. In case the duration of the examination is less than an hour, then the duration of additional time should be allowed on pro-rata basis. Additional time should not be less than 5 minutes and should be in the multiple of 5”.

Note – Both the guidelines i.e. dated 29 August 2018 (for PwBDs) and dated 10 August 2022 (for PwDs) have other important aspects such as allowing use of assistive devices, proper seating arrangement, accessibility of examination centres etc. which will be followed.

The scribe will help the Candidate in reading the questions and / or keying in the answers as per the directions of the Candidate. A scribe will NEITHER explain the questions NOR suggest any solution to the Candidate.

It is to be noted that the Scribe will be provided by the National Testing Agency (NTA), if requested by the Candidate.

If it is found at any stage that a candidate has availed the services of a scribe and/or availed the compensatory time but does not

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possess the extent of disability that warrants the use of a scribe and/or grant of compensatory time, the candidate will be excluded from the process of evaluation, ranking, counselling and admission. In case such a candidate has already been admitted to any Institution, the admission of the candidate will be cancelled.

Physical Disability certificate (Unique Disability Identification (UDID)) issued by the notified medical authority needs to be uploaded in the Online Application Form of NEET (UG) – 2025.

Note – 6.1: The NTA does not guarantee any change in the category or sub-category (PwD/PwBD status) after the submission of the Online Application Form, and in any case, no change will be entertained by NTA after the declaration of NTA Score for NEET (UG) - 2025. Therefore, the candidates are advised to fill in the category/sub-category column very carefully.

Note – 6.2: The extent of “specified disability” in a person shall be assessed in accordance with the “Guidelines for the purpose of assessing the extent of specified disability in a person included under the Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016.

Note – 6.3: Candidates must note that the benefit of reservation will be given to them subject to verification of documents. If it is discovered at any stage that a candidate has used a false/fake/incorrect document or has furnished false, incorrect or incomplete information, in order to avail the benefit of reservation, then such a candidate shall be excluded from all admission processes. In case such a candidate has already been given admission, the admission shall stand cancelled.

Notes:

1. *The benefit of reservation for admission shall be given only to those classes/castes/tribes which are in the respective Central List published by the Government of India from time to time.*
2. *The benefit of reservation will be given only to those castes and tribes that are mentioned in the respective central list of corresponding states published by the Government of India (websites: <http://socialjustice.nic.in> and <https://ncst.nic.in/>).*

6.4 Reservation in Central Institutes / Universities

The reservation policy of the Government of India is applicable to NEET (UG) Examination. According to this, in the Central Universities and Institutions, 10% of the seats are reserved for the category General-Economically Weaker Section (GEN-EWS), 15% of the seats are reserved for the category Scheduled Caste (SC), 7.5% for the category Scheduled Tribe (ST), 27% for the category Other Backward Classes belonging to the Non-Creamy Layer (OBC-NCL) and 5% seats (**Horizontal Reservation**) for **PwBD candidates**.

Reservation in State Quota Seats/Universities/Institutions /Private Medical Colleges under State Governments: In case of seats filled by the State Medical Colleges/Universities/Institutions /Private Medical Colleges under State Quota Seats, the reservation policy of the concerned State Government shall apply.

6.5 Guidelines for PwBD Candidates (For Admission purpose)

- a. The candidates with a Disability shall be considered for admission in medical course against 5% of the total seats, in accordance with the criteria prescribed under the Regulation on Graduate Medical Education (1997) as amended from time to time (*Please see **Appendix-VI***).

List of the Designated Disability centres has been annexed (Appendix-VII-B).

- b. **For AIIMS:** In accordance with RPwD Act 2016, **PwBD Reservation** will be followed subject to evaluation by the Medical Board of Institute to determine eligibility.
- c. Candidates who consider themselves eligible for this category are advised to ensure their eligibility by getting themselves examined at any Government Medical College/District Hospital/Government Hospital. Such Government Medical College/District Hospital/Government Hospital shall issue a Disability Certificate in reference to Chapter-VII of the Rights of Persons with Disabilities Rules, 2017. Such a Disability Certificate is issued as per the Schedule to the Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016, and the Guidelines for the purpose of assessing the extent of specified disability in a person included under the Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016 notified in the Gazette of India by the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment [Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities (Divyangjan)] on 4th January 2018 and does not confer any right on any candidate to seek admission in a medical course under PwBD Quota. The aforesaid Certificate shall be to ascertain whether a

candidate can apply to NTA for appearing in NEET (UG) - 2025 under the PwBD Quota only.

- d. Thereafter, the candidates, upon selection under PwBD Category, shall have to produce a Disability Certificate issued by the Disability Assessment Board, which shall have assessed the candidate in reference to criteria prescribed under the Regulations on Graduate Medical Education, 1997 as amended up to 13.05.2019. Thus, it is relevant that the candidates after a declaration of the result have to appear before the Disability Assessment Board so as to determine whether they may register or participate in the common online Counselling towards admission to medical courses. In case candidates are found to be ineligible by the Disability Assessment Board, in reference to criteria prescribed under the Regulations on Graduate Medical Education, 1997 as amended on 14.05.2019, they **may not** register or participate in the common online Counselling and any online provisional allotment of the medical college shall be entirely fraudulent on the part of the candidate. It is relevant that physical verification of various certificates including academic as well as Disability Certificate is only upon reporting for admission to the medical college.
- e. It is further clarified that the certificates issued by the authorized Centres designated for the purpose by DGHS, shall only be considered for admission to the medical courses and no other certificate issued by any other Government Medical College/District Hospital/Government Hospital will be accepted.
- f. The Disability Certificate to be issued in the format given in Appendix-VII-A (vide DGHS Notice Ref. No. U-11011/04/2020/05-MEC dated 26.10.2020) has to be issued by the designated Centres, as per the criteria prescribed under the Regulations on Graduate Medical Education (1997) as amended upto 14.05.2019, w.r.t. common counselling conducted by MCC / DGHS for All India Quota seats and for Medical Institutions that are subject to common counselling of MCC/ DGHS.
- g. Likewise, the designated Counselling Authorities of State /UT Governments shall constitute Disability Assessment Boards/Centres for assessing the suitability of the candidate in reference to criteria prescribed under the Regulations on Graduate Medical Education (1997) as amended from time to time and shall notify the same on their respective websites.
- h. The reservation policy, as prescribed by the government from time to time will be followed by the admitting institutes. The candidates are advised to look for the details at the time of admission.
- i. **As per directions from NMC, the Disability type "Mental Illness" has been removed from the list of disabilities. A new guideline has been uploaded on the NMC portal under CBME Guideline, 2023 on 01.08.2023. Candidates may visit for further information.**

- j. The clauses related to PwD reservation in medical courses mentioned in RPwD Act 2016 are applicable for taking NEET UG examination. However, for admission to medical courses CBME guidelines dated 01.08.2023 issued by NMC will be applicable.

6.6 Instructions for Counselling by the MCC for MBBS and BDS Admission

- i. Online counselling would be conducted by the Medical Counselling Committee (MCC) of the Directorate General of Health Services for Undergraduate Medical Courses. Information for online counselling would only be available on the MCC website (<https://mcc.nic.in/UGCounselling/>) for Undergraduate Medical/Dental Courses. Qualified candidates are advised to read the counselling-related information carefully and understand the course of action to be taken by them for appearing in the Counselling.
- ii. MCC is conducting Counselling for:
- A. 15% All India Quota seats MBBS/ BDS Seats of States (as per the information provided by Jammu & Kashmir authorities, they will participate in the counselling from 2025-25)
 - B. 100% MBBS/ BDS Seats of BHU OPEN
 - C. AIIMS Open seats- 100% MBBS Seats of AIIMS across India
 - D. JIPMER Open (Puducherry/ Karaikal) & Internal seats (Domicile)
 - E. AMU Open & Internal seats
 - F. 85% Internal quota/domicile seats of DU/ I.P University (VMMC/ ABVIMS/ESIC Dental)
 - G. Jamia Open seats- Faculty of Dentistry (Jamia Milia Islamia) & Internal seats
 - H. 15% All India Quota Seats of ESIC & Insured Persons quota seats
 - I. AFMC – Only registration
 - J. 100% B.Sc (Nursing) of selected Central B.Sc. Nursing Institutes
- iii. Any query related to Counselling for admission to seats under 15% All India Quota and in Central Institutions / Universities, including AIIMS/JIPMER/AFMC/ESIC/DU/BHU/ AMU, and Deemed Universities, may be referred to the following address: For MBBS/BDS Courses: Office of MCC, Directorate General of Health Services, Nirman Bhawan, New Delhi- 110108, E-mail: aipmt-mcc@nic.in, <https://mcc.nic.in/UGCounselling/Home/ContactUs>

- iv. Reservation policy for 15% AIQ, Central Institutes (ABVIMS & RML and VMMC & SJH, ESIC) Universities (DU, AMU, BHU)/AIIMS/JIPMER is as follows:**

Reservation Policy of the Central Government for the NEET (UG) Counselling in All India Quota/Central Institutes (ABVIMS & RML and VMMC & SJH, ESIC) Universities (DU, AMU, BHU)/AIIMS/JIPMER is as follows:

- S.C- 15 %
- S.T- 7.5 %
- PwBD- 5 % Horizontal Reservation
- OBC (Non-Creamy Layer)- 27% as per Central List of OBC
- EWS- 10 % as per Central Government Norms (who satisfy the conditions given in the **OM No. 20013/01/2018-BC-II dated 17 January 2019**, issued by the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment)

Reservation Policy for Deemed University is as follows:

- **NRI Quota**
 - **Jain & Muslim Minority**
- v. Candidates from the creamy layer and those who do not come under the Central List of OBC are advised to mention their category as Unreserved/General.
- vi. The disability centres in the MCC chapter that “for participating in the MCC counselling, the disability certificate uploaded in MCC Information Bulletin may be referred which must be issued by one of the 15 designated disability issuing certificate boards”.

For MBBS/BDS Courses:

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<https://mcc.nic.in/UGCounselling/Home/ContactUs>