# FET 2023

# Information Bulletin

- Fellowship Entrance Test
- Admission to Fellow of National Board (FNB) Courses
- Fellowship Programme for International Students (FPIS)

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# IMPORTANT DATES

| Processes | Timelines |
|---|---|
| **Online Application Submission** | 19th January 2024 (3 PM Onwards) to 8th February 2024 (Till 11:55PM) |
| **Edit Window for All Payment Success Applications** (Any information/documents can be edited except Name, Nationality, Email, Mobile number and Test City) | 9th February 2024 to 12th February 2024 |
| **Final Edit Window to rectify Deficient/Incorrect Images** (No further opportunity shall be given)<br>1. Photograph<br>2. Signatures<br>3. Thumb Impression | 19th February 2024 to 21st February 2024 |
| **Issue of Admit Card** | 27th February 2024 |
| **Examination Date** | 3rd March 2024 |
| **Cut Off Date for qualifying eligible PG qualification towards determination of eligibility for appearing in FET 2023** | 31st December 2023 |
| **Declaration of Result** | By 3rd April 2024 |

# CONTACT NBEMS:

- The information bulletin & website **(**https://natboard.edu.in**)** shall guide you through the entire process of application submission and help to answer most of your queries. In case you are still facing issues, then NBEMS Student Care Support is available by phone and email.

- For exam related queries, contact National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences at:

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| **Helpline Number** | +91-7996165333 |
| **Helpline Portal** | **For queries related to application form submission/ Refund of failed transactions/ Payment Gateway related issues etc:** Portal can be accessed through applicant login after registering an application for FET 2023 |
| | **For queries OTHER THAN application form submission/ Refund of failed transaction etc:** NBEMS Communication Web Portal accessible through NBEMS Website (Contact Us tab) |
| **Official Website** | https://natboard.edu.in |

- **Phone support** will be available during these times:
  - **19th January to 10th April 2024:** 9:30 AM to 6:00 PM from Monday to Friday
  - **3rd March 2024 (Examination day):** 7:00 AM to 7:00 PM
  - NBEMS Student Care will be closed on Saturday, Sunday & Gazetted holidays.

- **Availability of seats and counseling**:

Seat matrix of Fellowship (FNB) seats going to be offered to Indian and International Students for 2023 admission session shall be hosted on NBEMS website before conduct of counseling.

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# 1. Introduction

The Government of India established the National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences (NBEMS) in 1975 with the objective of improving the quality of the Medical Education by establishing high and uniform standards of postgraduate examinations in modern medicine on All India Basis and utilizing existing healthcare infrastructure for capacity building.

The prime objectives of NBEMS is to elevate the standards of post graduate medical education in modern medicine and conducting examinations of high standard on an all India basis.

NBEMS provides a common national standard for evaluation of minimum level of attainment of the knowledge and competencies of post graduate and post doctoral training.

NBEMS conducts post graduate and post-doctoral examinations in approved disciplines leading to the award of Diplomate of National Board (DNB), Doctorate of National Board (DrNB) and Fellow of National Board (FNB). NBEMS also conducts the following examinations on an All India basis on Computer Based Platform:

| Name of Examination | Remarks |
|---|---|
| **NEET - PG** | Single window entrance examination for admission to MD/MS/PG Diploma and DNB, Direct 6 Years DrNB & Diploma Courses of NBEMS |
| **NEET - MDS** | Single window entrance examination for admission to MDS Courses |
| **NEET - SS** | Single window entrance examination for admission to DM/MCh and (Post MD/MS/DNB) DrNB Superspecialty Courses |

| Name of Examination | Remarks |
|---|---|
| **PDCET (Post Diploma CET)** | Single window entrance examination for admission to Post Diploma DNB Broad specialty Courses |
| **FELLOWSHIP ENTRANCE TEST (FET)** | Single window entrance examination for admission to various Fellowship (FNB) Courses of NBEMS |
| **FMGE** | Screening Test for Foreign Medical Graduates conducted as per Screening Test Regulations, 2002 |
| **FDST** | Screening Test for Foreign Dental Graduates and Post Graduates |
| **MRE/DRE** | Medical Registration Examination/Dental Registration Examination for Republic of Mauritius |
| **FELLOWSHIP EXIT EXAMINATION (FEE)** | Exit Examination for award of FNB (Fellow of National Board) Qualifications in various sub-specialties |
| **DNB FINAL (Theory & Practical)** | Exit Examination for award of DNB Broad & DrNB Super Specialty Qualifications |

# 2. NBEMS Fellowship Programme

Well-equipped Centres have been identified and accredited by NBEMS in the concerned sub-specialties. Students with DNB/MD/MS/MCh/DM qualification in the concerned specialty are eligible for fellowship programme. Selection to the fellowship programme is based on an entrance test and admission to the courses will be through centralized merit-based counselling. The trainee will go through a structured training programme, maintain a performance record book and undergo an examination at the end of the training. Students will be awarded Fellow of National Board (FNB) qualification at the annual convocation of NBEMS.

NBEMS offers Post Graduate/Post-doctoral fellowship courses with following objectives:

- To facilitate and encourage post-graduates aspiring to learn skills and competencies in their area of interest.
- To provide highest quality of specialty services comparable to any country in the world.
- To recognize "Centre(s) of Excellence" and to identify experts in various sub-specialties and allied sciences.
- To create a forum for high level scientific interaction between expert groups.
- To facilitate and encourage our young post-graduates aspiring to provide for higher level of specialized services in own country.
- To prevent brain drain of qualified medical professionals leaving our country for further academic achievements.

- To improve and promote the existing medical institutions in India to perform high professional services in various fields.

- To promote medical research and Innovations adaptable to the socioeconomic status and culture of our country.

- To conduct evaluation by appropriate mechanism for assessment of training programme examination before certification as specialist by the National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences.

## RECOGNITION OF FNB QUALIFICATIONS

The Nomenclature of the FNB qualification awarded by the National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences is "Fellow of National Board". The FNB qualifications are recognized qualifications in terms of the Gazette notification dated 10th August 2016. (**Annexure A)**

## COURSES OFFERED BY NBEMS FOR FELLOWSHIP PROGRAMME:

**A. For Indian Students**

1. Arthroplasty
2. Bariatric Surgery
3. Breast Imaging
4. Cardiac Electrophysiology
5. Fetal Radiology
6. Hand and Micro Surgery
7. Head and Neck Oncology
8. Interventional Cardiology
9. Liver Transplantation
10. Maternal & Foetal Medicine
11. Minimal Access Surgery

12. Minimal Access Urology
13. Musculoskeletal Radiology
14. Neurovascular Intervention
15. Onco-Anaesthesia
16. Pain Medicine
17. Paediatric Anaesthesia
18. Paediatric Gastroenterology
19. Paediatric Nephrology
20. Pediatric Hemato Oncology
21. Paediatric Urology
22. Reproductive Medicine
23. Renal Transplant
24. Spine Surgery
25. Sports Medicine
26. Transplant Anaesthesia
27. Trauma & Acute Care Surgery
28. Trauma Anaesthesia and Critical Care
29. Vitreo Retinal Surgery

**B. For International Students (FPIS):**

1. Arthroplasty
2. Breast Imaging
3. Hand and Micro Surgery
4. Maternal & Foetal Medicine
5. Neurovascular Intervention
6. Minimal Access Surgery
7. Pediatric Hemato Oncology
8. Reproductive Medicine
9. Spine Surgery
10. Trauma & Acute Care Surgery
11. Vitreo Retinal Surgery

# 3. Information for Students

3.1. FET 2023 is a qualifying-cum-ranking examination for admission to Fellow of National Board (FNB) courses of 2023 admission session.

3.2. Student may kindly note that appearance in FET 2023 does not confer any automatic rights to secure a NBEMS Fellowship seat. The selection and admission to Fellowship Programme in any National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences Accredited institution running FNB courses is subject to fulfilling the admission criteria, eligibility, medical fitness and such criteria as may be detailed in the information bulletin. The eligibility shall be determined at the time of counseling/admission/registration to the programme. In an event, a student is later found not to fulfil the criteria prescribed, his/her candidature as well as the result for the FET shall deemed to be cancelled.

3.3. Students are advised to read the Information Bulletin carefully and go through the instructions regarding submission of online application form given in the information bulletin as well as on FET 2023 index page on NBEMS website https://natboard.edu.in before starting online submission process for FET 2023.

3.4. Students are deemed to have read, agreed and accepted the Information Bulletin and the terms and conditions in the information bulletin for FET 2023 on completing the online submission of application form.

3.5. A student can submit FET 2023 application form only once. If a student is found to have submitted more than one application form for FET 2023, NBEMS may issue admit card to the application bearing higher order Application number (application ID) and cancel other application(s) forfeiting the fee for them. In an event any unfair practice is detected by NBEMS at any stage of

examination/admission process, NBEMS may cancel the candidature of such candidates and debar them from appearing in any examinations conducted by NBEMS as per provisions of the Unfair Means Guidelines.

3.6. Students should ensure that all the information entered during the online submission of application form is correct and factual. Information provided by the students in the online application form shall be treated as correct and **NBEMS will not entertain, under any circumstances, any request for change in the information provided by the candidates**. The option of editing certain information entered in the application form shall be available to the students during the edit window. Please refer Chapter on Instructions to fill Application Form for details regarding Edit Window.

3.7. **NBEMS itself does not edit /modify/alter any information entered by the candidates at the time of online submission of application form under any circumstances**. There is no provision of accessing the application form to make any changes in the information provided in the application form after closure of edit window. Such requests to make any changes shall not be entertained. Candidates, however, shall be able to rectify the deficiencies in their application (if so communicated by NBEMS) regarding images uploaded by the prescribed cut-off dates.

3.8. Please refer Chapter on *Instructions to Fill FET Application Form*. Students are advised to review their applications submitted and rectify the deficiencies, if found any, within the window as detailed below. Students may note that deficiency in the application form pertaining to images uploaded may be communicated to them by NBEMS, however, **it shall be the sole responsibility of the applicant to ensure that the application submitted is complete in all aspects as per the information bulletin.** If any deficiency in the application which was not communicated by NBEMS to the applicant before conduct of the examination, is noted at any later

stage, this would not create any equity in favour of the candidate and confer any rights on to the candidates for grant of eligibility for the examination.

3.8.1. **Edit Window:** Students who have successfully submitted their payment for the application during Application Submission window shall only be allowed to edit their applications during **9th February 2024 to 12th February 2024.** No new application can be registered or payment can be made during edit window. Any information/document can be changed/corrected during the edit window except for Name, Test City, Nationality, Mobile Number and Email ID. Information can be edited any number of times before the closure of the window. The last submitted information will be saved in records.

3.8.2. **Selective/Final Edit Window: Deficiency related to images uploaded** (photograph, Signature, Thumb Impression) shall be intimated to the concerned students and same can be corrected during the selective edit window i.e. **19th February 2024 to 21st February 2024.** No further opportunity shall be given to make corrections. Students are advised to submit the images in their application as per prescribed image upload guidelines. **Failure to submit images as per guidelines and/or failure to rectify the images shall invite rejection of the application.**

3.9. Application for FET 2023 can only be submitted online through National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences website https://natboard.edu.in There is no other methodology for application submission. Application submitted through any other mode shall be summarily rejected.

3.10. Students who fail to submit duly completed applications with requisite documents and/or fail to rectify the deficiencies in the application by the last date prescribed for rectification shall be declared ineligible. **Admit Card shall not be issued to students**

**who are declared ineligible.** In such cases, the entire fees will be forfeited.

3.11. Applications of students producing false or fabricated records will not be considered and such students will be further debarred from appearing in the future examinations of NBEMS. Action as deemed appropriate by NBEMS will be taken if false or fabricated records/ information is submitted or any unfair means are used.

3.12. Students are advised to ensure that no mandatory column in the online application form is left blank. In the event of rejection of the application form, no correspondence/request for re-consideration will be entertained.

3.13. Students should ensure before applying for the examination that **they possess or likely to possess by 31st December 2023** the Degree/Provisional Pass Certificate of MD/MS/DM/MCh/DNB/ DrNB qualification in the eligible specialty duly recognized as per provisions of NMC Act 2019 and the First Schedule of the Indian Medical Council Act or an equivalent recognized qualification.

3.14. An International Student for Fellowship Programme (FPIS) should be duly registered with appropriate registering authority in his/ her own country where from he/she has obtained his/her PG Medical qualification which is duly recognized by the corresponding Medical Council or concerned authority and applicable provisions of the NMC Act, 2019 and the Indian Medical Council Act. If it is found at any stage that the PG Medical qualification of the student is not a recognized qualification, the candidature/result shall be cancelled/deemed to be cancelled.

3.15. Students should go through this bulletin carefully for eligibility criteria before applying. Queries pertaining to eligibility and other issues will only be entertained if the information requested is not given in the bulletin of information or on NBEMS website. No Queries of the Guardians/Parents/Spouse will be entertained on

telephone with regard to the eligibility and disclosure of the results.

3.16. Submission of incomplete online application form not in accordance with prescribed instructions shall invite rejection of applications. In such cases, the examination fee shall not be refunded.

3.17. Student found ineligible at any stage of FET 2023 Examination, will not be permitted to appear in the examination. In an unlikely event of any ineligible student appearing and/or passing the FET 2023 examination, the results/candidature of such student shall be cancelled and/or is deemed to be cancelled, even if result has been declared or Pass Certificate has been issued.

3.18. NBEMS reserves the right to withdraw permission, if any, granted inadvertently to any student who is not eligible to appear in the FET 2023 even though the admit card/roll number has been issued or name/roll number is displayed on NBEMS website.

3.19. Fee shall neither be carried forward to a future exams nor refunded under any circumstances.

3.20. Students' eligibility is purely provisional & is subjected to the fulfilment of eligibility criteria as prescribed in this Information Bulletin.

3.21. Instructions in the information bulletin are liable to change based on decisions taken by the NBEMS from time to time.

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these changes. Refer NBEMS website https://natboard.edu.in for latest updates or corrigendum.

3.23. NBEMS reserves its absolute right to alter, amend, modify or apply any or some of the instructions/ guidelines contained in this information bulletin.

3.24. The existing schedule, pattern, policy and guidelines are for ready reference only but in no way, they are or are ought to be treated as representative or acknowledgment of fact that NBEMS is bound to follow the same in future.

3.25. In case of any ambiguity in interpretation of any of the instructions/ terms/ rules/criteria regarding the determination of eligibility/conduct of examinations/ registration of students/ information contained herein, the interpretation of the National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences shall be final and binding in nature.

3.26. Request shall not be entertained for change in date/center of examination under any circumstances. Students are advised not to canvass for such representation.

3.27. Admit Cards for FET 2023 Examination shall be available to downloaded at NBEMS website https://natboard.edu.in on **27th February 2024**. Students found ineligible shall not be issued admit cards.

3.28. Result of FET 2023 shall be displayed on National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences website https://natboard.edu.in

3.29. FET 2023 shall be conducted by NBEMS at various exam centres engaged for the purpose. Students are advised to familiarise

themselves with the route and location of the exam centre. Please refer the chapter on Test Day Procedures for further details.

3.30. The examination test centre staff on duty is authorized to verify the identity of students and may take steps to verify and record the identity of students. Students are required to extend requisite cooperation.

3.31. Possession/Use of mobile phones/Electronic devices is strictly prohibited in the premises of NBEMS test Centres. Students shall be liable for penal action for Possession/ Use of Mobile phones/ Electronic devices. Please go through guidelines detailed in the chapter on unfair means in the examination.

3.32. **Demo Test:** A demo test shall be available for the benefit of students to familiarise themselves with the Computer Based Test format at website https://nbe.edu.in Students will be able to access the Demo test from **24th February 2024 onwards**.

3.33. The students should communicate with National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences regarding matters related to FET 2023 as per prescribed Protocols only, detailed under **Chapter on Communication Protocols**.

3.34. Students are encouraged to communicate through Communication Web Portal with National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences. All the correspondence through post should be addressed to the Executive Director, National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences, Medical Enclave, Mahatma Gandhi Marg, Ansari Nagar, New Delhi-110029. Students are requested to superscribe the envelope with the subject matter of the correspondence for expeditious processing.

**3.35. The jurisdiction for court cases/disputes shall be at New Delhi only.**

# 4. Examination Fee

## 4.1. Examination Fee for Indian Students

| Examination Fee |
| --- |
| Rs. 3500 |

*Excluding charges as may be applicable by various payment gateways.

## 4.2. Examination Fee for International Students

| Examination Fee* |
| --- |
| Rs. 44250 (Examination Fee of Rs. 37500 + 18% GST) |

*Excluding charges as may be applicable by various payment gateways

4.3. Applications forms once submitted cannot be withdrawn. Fee shall neither be carried forward to a future date nor refunded under any circumstances. Application once submitted cannot be withdrawn. Any claim for refund, adjustment or carrying forward of Application fee will not be entertained.

4.4. **How to pay:** The prescribed exam fee should be remitted through payment gateway provided using a Credit Card or a Debit Card issued by banks in India or other modes as may be made available and have been provided on the web page. Fee can not be deposited through any mode other than the payment gateway available while submitting online application form submission.

4.5. Examination fees in respect of students who are absent or have been declared ineligible due to any reason will be forfeited. Students are advised to read the information bulletin for FET 2023 carefully and satisfy the terms and conditions for fulfilment of eligibility criteria before proceeding for payment of fees.

4.6. Kindly ensure that the payment made for examination fee is successful and confirmation of the same can be seen in the application form under payment status reflected as "S" (for successful). In case the status is shown as pending, the payment might be stuck with your bank and might be cleared at a later date. The application submission process in not completed till such time the status of payment is reflected as "s" in application form. NBEMS shall not be responsible for rejection of your application due to delay in settlement of the payment by your bank to NBEMS.

4.7. It is at the discretion of the applicant to make another payment for completing the application submission process. In an event of receipt of duplicate/multiple examination fees towards the same application ID, NBEMS shall refund the excess fees received for an application retaining the prescribed examination fee, after closure of application window.

# 5. Eligibility Criteria

## A. For Indian Students:

The student must meet/fulfil the following criteria:

5.1. Students who are in possession of recognized post graduate medical Degree/Provisional Pass Certificate (MD/MS/DM/MCh/DNB/DrNB) or an equivalent recognized qualification or likely to be in possession of the same by **31st December 2023** in accordance with eligible feeder qualifications for Fellowship courses as mentioned in **Annexure B** of this Information Bulletin can apply for FET 2023.

5.2. Students found to be ineligible at any stage of FET 2023 will not be permitted to appear in the examination. In an unlikely event of any ineligible student appearing and/or being successful in FET 2023, the result/ candidature of such student shall be cancelled and/or is deemed to be cancelled as and when the ineligibility is detected.

5.3. The cutoff date for qualifying MD/MS/DM/MCh/DNB/DrNB qualification towards determination of eligibility for appearing in FET 2023 shall be **31st December 2023**.

5.4. Requests for appearing in FET 2023 from students who are qualifying and/or getting the results of their MD/MS/DM/MCh/DNB/DrNB qualifications after **31st December 2023** shall be summarily rejected.

5.5. Registration with NMC/State Medical Council is mandatory and its documentary proof should be furnished at the test Centre on the examination day.

5.6. Eligibility of students issued admit card for the examination shall be purely provisional and shall be determined at the time of admission/registration to the course. Appearing in FET 2023 does

not confer any automatic rights upon the student for admission to FNB courses.

5.7. There is no upper age limit for training in NBEMS Fellowship courses.

## B. For International Students:

The student must meet/fulfil the following criteria:

5.8. The student should possess post graduate medical qualification equivalent to the eligible feeder qualification as mentioned in the **Annexure B** of this Information Bulletin for the corresponding Fellowship course.

5.9. The cutoff date for qualifying the eligible feeder post graduate medical qualification towards determination of eligibility for appearing in FET 2023 shall be **31st December 2023**.

5.10. The qualification of the student should be a registered qualification in his /her own country. The qualification of the student should be a recognised qualification as per provisions of the NMC Act, 2019 and included in Second Schedule or Part II of Third Schedule of the Indian Medical Council Act, 1956 which can be seen at the official website of the NMC.

5.11. The student should be a registered medical practitioner in his/her own country.

5.12. Foreign Nationals desirous of appearing in FET and those, who are required to have security clearance as per the Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA) requirements, shall obtain the security clearance from Ministry of Home Affairs, Govt. of India. Such eligible students who would qualify the entrance examination shall have to produce the clearances so obtained from appropriate authorities

(Ministry of External Affairs, Ministry of Home Affairs, Local police) for seeking temporary registration with the National Medical Commission before they are permitted to join any FNB course.

5.13. The National Medical Commission may, on payment of the prescribed fee for registration, grant temporary registration for the duration of the Post Doctoral course limited to the medical college/institution to which he/she is admitted for the time being exclusively for pursuing postdoctoral studies. Provided further that temporary registration to such foreign national shall be subject to the condition that such person is duly registered with appropriate registering authority in his/her own country where from he/she has obtained his/her PG Medical qualification, and is duly recognized by the corresponding Medical Council or concerned authority.

5.14. A visa support letter shall be issued by NBEMS to facilitate appropriate and valid travel visa and travel medical insurance.

5.15. All international students are required to obtain a "No Objection Certificate" from their Medical council /Government for appearing in the examination and permission for working in India for the period of Fellowship based on valid travel document (passport) and valid permission (visa). The documents shall be required to be produced at the time of counseling.

5.16. Eligibility of students issued admit card for the examination shall be purely provisional and shall be determined at the time of admission/registration to the course. Appearing in FET 2023 does not confer any automatic rights upon the student for admission to FNB courses.

5.17. There is no upper age limit for training in Fellowship courses.

# 6. Scheme of FET 2023

6.1. The selection of a student will be through a MCQ based examination namely Fellowship Entrance Test.

6.2. The list of Fellowship courses offered to Indian and International Students through FET 2023 can be seen at **Chapter 2.** The prior entry qualifications i.e. feeder qualifications eligible for a particular fellowship course are detailed in **Annexure - B** to this information bulletin.

6.3. **Scheme of FET 2023**: A student can apply for the fellowship courses for which his/her broad or super specialty qualification/ equivalent qualification is eligible, at the time of online submission of the application form.

6.4. The total duration of the question paper will be 105 minutes (Part A - 45 minutes and Part B - 60 minutes).

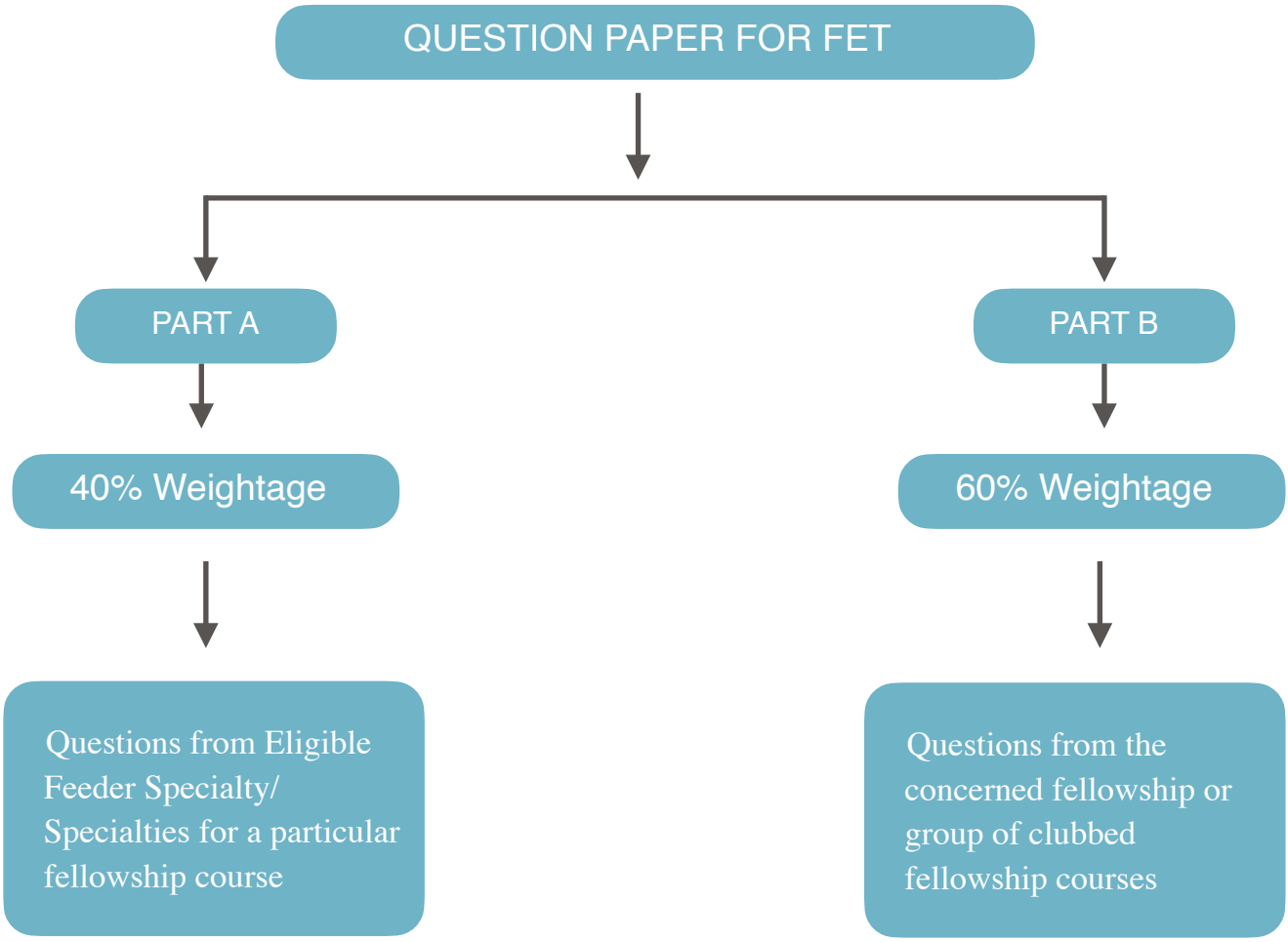
6.5. **Question Paper:** There shall be a separate question paper for each fellowship course /clubbed group. Total number of questions in each question paper shall be 100 which shall be divided into two Parts; Part A & Part B.

6.6. **Part-A of the question paper** for any fellowship course/clubbed group shall comprise of MCQs from the eligible feeder broad/ super specialty course(s). In case, there is only a single feeder broad specialty course for a particular super specialty, Part A in such a case will comprise of questions from only one broad specialty. For eg.MS/DNB General Surgery is the only feeder specialty for FNB Minimal Access Surgery, therefore Part A of FNB Minimal Access Surgery question paper will comprise of questions from General Surgery.

For Fellowship courses having multiple feeder specialty courses, Part-A will comprise of questions from all the eligible feeder

specialty courses. For eg. The eligible feeder specialties for Hand & Micro Surgery course are General Surgery, Orthopaedics and Plastic Surgery. Therefore, Part -A of Hand and Micro Surgery question paper shall comprise of questions from all the three feeder specialty courses i.e. General Surgery, Orthopaedics and Plastic Surgery.

6.7. **Part- B of the question paper:** It shall comprise of 60 questions pertaining to the concerned fellowship course. The questions shall shall cover topics from clinical practice and basic sciences as applied to the concerned Fellowship course at entrance/entry level.




6.8. **Clubbing:** Certain Fellowship Courses have been clubbed together and each clubbed group of Fellowship Courses shall be treated as one for the purpose of online submission of the application form and generation of the question paper. For eg. Spine Surgery, Sports

Medicine and Arthroplasty Fellowship Courses have been clubbed together and all these clubbed Fellowship courses will be treated as a single unit for the purpose of online submission of application form and examination. Therefore, part A of the question paper for the clubbed super specialties shall comprise of questions from the eligible feeder specialty(s) only and the part B shall comprise of equal number of questions from all the clubbed Fellowship Courses. A student can opt for only one Fellowship course/ clubbed group at the time of online submission of the application form based on his/her eligibility for the concerned Fellowship course.

6.9. **Fellowship courses which have been clubbed** together for the purpose of administering FET are tabulated below:

| S.No. | Fellowship Courses which have been clubbed together |
|---|---|
| 1 | a. Paediatric Hemato-Oncology<br>b. Pediatric Gastroenterology<br>c. Paediatric Nephrology |
| 2 | a. Reproductive Medicine<br>b. Maternal and Foetal Medicine |
| 3 | a. Spine Surgery<br>b. Sports Medicine<br>c. Arthroplasty |
| 4 | a. Paediatric Anaesthesia<br>b. Onco-Anaesthesia<br>c. Transplant Anaesthesia<br>d. Trauma Anaesthesia & Critical Care<br>e. Pain Medicine |
| 5 | a. Interventional Cardiology<br>b. Cardiac Electrophysiology |
| 6 | a. Minimal Access Surgery<br>b. Bariatric Surgery |
| 7 | a. Fetal Radiology<br>b. Breast Imaging<br>c. Musculoskeletal Radiology |

6.10. **Marking Scheme:** Allocation of marks for each MCQ shall be as follows:

| S.NO. | RESPONSE | MARKS |
|---|---|---|
| 1 | Correct Response | 4 Marks |
| 2 | Incorrect Response | 1 Mark shall be deducted |
| 3 | Unattempted Question | Zero |

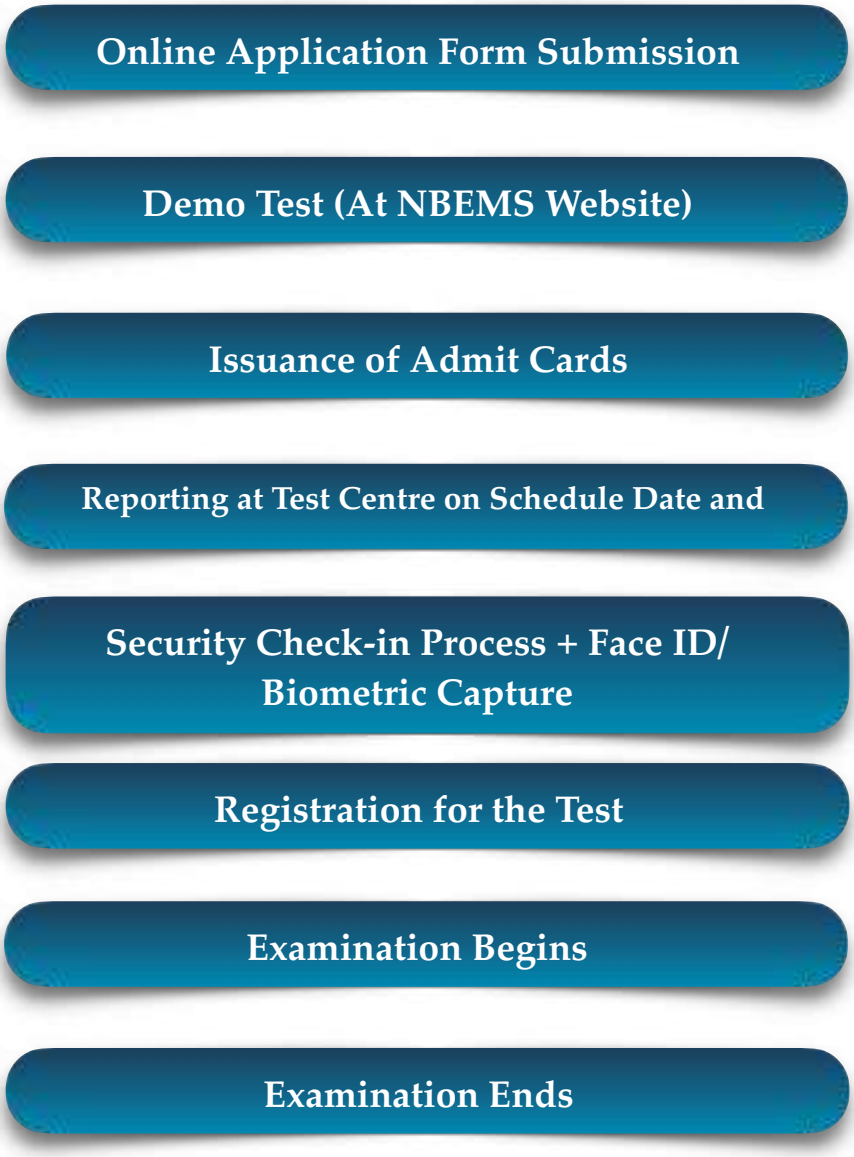
6.11. There shall be 25% negative marking for incorrect answers. No marks will be deducted for unattempted questions.

6.12. During the examination students are given an option to mark any question, whether attempted or not, for review which means that student has been given an option to go through these questions again before the examination time ends. ***Students may note that such questions which are marked for*** review shall be evaluated as per the marking scheme mentioned above.

6.13. Allocation of time for FET 2023 shall be as follows:

| **Activities** | **Time** (09:00 AM to 10:45 AM) |
|---|---|
| Allow Students to enter the examination centre and Commence Registration and Face ID Verification | 07:00 AM |
| Entry closes at Examination Center | 08:30 AM |
| Grant access for Student Login | 08:45 AM |
| Students log in to read instructions | 08:50 AM |
| Exam Start Time | 09:00 AM |
| Exam End Time | 10:45 AM |

## 6.14.Overview of Computer Based Test



# 7. Admit Card & Test Day Procedures

7.1. **Admit Card:** Admit cards shall be made live on National Board of Examination website https://nbe.edu.in on **27th February 2024**. **Admit cards will not be issued to students found ineligible.**

7.2. Students will be informed through SMS/Email alerts and website notice regarding availability of the admit card on National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences website. Admit card will not be sent to the students by Post/Email.

7.3. Students are required to download their admit card from the NBEMS website and affix firmly their **recent (not more than 3 months old)** passport size photograph in the space provided on the admit card. The photograph must meet following specifications:

- Size of photograph : Minimum 35x45 mm (and not larger than the box printed on admit card for pasting the photograph) with at least 75% area on the photograph should be occupied with the face & head of the candidate.
- It should be a Colour photograph with white background
- The photograph needs to display full front view of the face with a neutral expression. No Caps, Stethoscope, Goggles, Ornaments to be worn.
- The photograph should not have reflection or shadow on the face with red eyes.
- The photograph needs to be printed on a high quality paper with at least 600 dpi Resolutions.
- The photograph must not have kinks, scratches and stains.

7.4. **TEST DAY PROCEDURES:** National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences shall be conducting the **Computer Based Test** maintaining social distancing norms wherever needed. National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences reserves its rights to review the test day processes of conduct of CBT in wake of changing scenario of COVID-19 pandemic.

7.5. **Entry of Students as per Time Slots given in the Admit Cards:** Students are required to report at the 'Reporting Counter' of test venue at as per time indicated in their admit cards. To avoid crowding at the test venue entry, there will be staggered time slots for students to report. The reporting counter will close 30 minutes prior to the test start time. This will allow time for security checks, identity verification and checking in for examination.

7.6. Students reporting late or beyond the prescribed time shall not be allowed to appear in the exam under any circumstances. NBEMS shall not be responsible for any delayed arrival of the student in reaching the centre due to any reason.

7.7. **Test Centre Location:** Exact address and location of the test centres shall be indicated in the admit card. Students are advised to familiarise themselves with the test centre locations at least one day prior to the examination day and ensure that they report for the exam as per scheduled time only.

7.8. Please note that only the students who have been issued admit card will be allowed entry inside the examination centre premises subject to fulfilment of documentary requirements.

7.9. Friends or relatives accompanying the students will not be allowed entry in the examination centre premises under any circumstances and will not be allowed to contact the student while the examination process is ongoing.

7.10. **Barcode/QR Code Reader at Entry Points:** The student will flash the admit card and ID proof for verification to the exam functionary standing across the table with barcode/QR code reader. Student shall be informed about the assigned lab number. Alternatively, the list of Roll numbers and assigned labs shall be displayed outside the test venue.

7.11. Identity checks will be made upon arrival at the test centre to ensure that there are no unauthorized students appearing for the exam.

7.12. Students MUST bring to the test centre the following documents:

7.12.1. Printed copy of Admit card with his/her photograph pasted on it.

7.12.2. Photocopy of Permanent SMC/MCI/NMC registration, to be retained by the test centre &

7.12.3. Any one of the below mentioned Govt issued photo IDs** (must be **original** and **valid/non-expired):**

- PAN Card
- Driving License
- Voter ID
- Passport
- Aadhaar Card (with Photograph)

International Students shall carry their Govt issued Passport at Test Centres (must be **original** and **valid/non-expired).**

7.13. In case, any student reports to the test center with e-Aadhaar Card with Aadhaar number printed on it as proof of identity, the e-Aadhaar Card should be a good quality colour print out with clearly visible photograph. The photograph should not have kinks, scratches and stains, and should definitely match with the student

presenting the e-Aadhaar Card. Decision of NBEMS in this regard shall be final".

** *The name on the photo identification must match with the name as shown on the Admit Card. If name has changed due to marriage etc, student must show the relevant document to substantiate claim for change in name (Marriage Certificate/Divorcee Decree/ Legal Name Change Document/ Gazette notification for name change).*

7.14. Students without valid ID proof shall not be allowed to enter the examination premises.

7.15. Unfair means case shall be registered against the students producing false/forged documents/ID Proofs.

7.16. **SECURITY AT THE TEST CENTRE:** Students will **not be allowed** to take the following items **beyond security check point** in examination premises under any circumstances:

- Any stationery item like textual material (printed or written), notes, Plastic Pouch, Calculator, Pen, Writing Pad, Pen Drives, Eraser, etc..
- Any electronic device like Mobile Phone, Bluetooth, Earphones, Microphone, Pager, wrist watch/Health Band, Calculator, Electronic Pen/ Scanner etc.
- All ornaments like bracelets, Ring, Earrings, Nose-pin, Chain/ Necklace, Pendants, Necklace with pendants, Badge, Brooch etc.
- Other items like Wallet, Goggles, Handbags, Belt, Cap, Water bottle etc.
- Any eatable item opened or packed, soft drinks etc.

- Any other item which could be used for unfair means, for hiding communication devices like wireless/Bluetooth device, spy camera etc.

7.17. Students will be permitted to carry certain items with them to the examination lab:

- Admit Card
- Govt issued photo identification proof (Voter ID/ PAN Card/ Aadhaar Card/ Passport/Driving License)

Please read the admit card carefully for items permitted to carry inside the examination centres.

7.18. No arrangement will be made at the centres for keeping any articles/items belonging to the students. In case any student is found in possession of any of the barred items inside the centre beyond the security check point, it will be considered as use of unfair means and action will be taken against the student in accordance with the relevant provisions. To avoid any hardship students are advised not to bring prohibited items along with them at the test Centre.

7.19. Frisking (Body pat as well as HHMD) will be done at the entrance of the test centre secure zone.

7.20. **Finger Biometrics** of candidates **shall be captured** at the time of registration for the test at test venue in CBT. In addition, Photograph of the candidates shall also be captured on the exam day at the centre at the time of registration, at each bio-break and during the exam. **Face ID shall be verified** at the time of collection of FMGE Pass Certificate, against the photograph(s) captured on the exam day and photograph(s) uploaded in the application from. Therefore, it is **essential to upload a recent photograph** in the application as per image upload guidelines prescribed, in order to avoid mismatch in Face ID verification process. Candidates are requested to cooperate with this essential activity to avoid any

cases of impersonation. This is a security feature which will ensure that only genuine candidate appear for the exam. Any candidate not adhering to the aforementioned security measures will not be allowed to take the test. Manual Attendance with signature and manual thumb impression shall also be done.

7.21. After verification of ID and capture of Face ID, students will be escorted to the designated computer terminal at the test centre ensuring social distancing and a Invigilator will assist the student for check-in process of the test.

7.22. Students are required to keep their admit card and photo identification with them at all times during the conduct of examination.

7.23. Students are required to listen to the invigilator's instructions to begin the exam. Each workstation will be blocked from three sides – front, left and right. Students are advised not to look around at other students as there will be surveillance cameras also that will record video.

7.24. Any suspicious or disruptive behaviour on part of the student may lead to cancellation of candidature. For any issues during the exam, student may raise his or her hand to notify Invigilator.

7.25. Manual Attendance with signature and thumb impression shall be done during the examination.

7.26. In case of any technical disruption during the test, rest assured that a registered student will get complete allocated examination time. The technical issues, if any, shall be attended by the authorised staff on examination duty as detailed under:

| Case | Description of failure | Standard actions taken |
|---|---|---|
| 1 | Disruption happens (e.g Power Failure) during the exam time after the students have logged in (either for one or more students) | No action necessary. The timer will stop when the failure occurs and will resume when the failure is rectified.<br>There will be no time loss in allocated examination time due disruption/failure. |
| 2 | Student machine is locked during the exam. (e.g Loss of connectivity with the Primary Server) | IT Manager in each exam room verifies and unlocks the students account and the timer starts from the same point where the student had left.<br><br>There will be no time loss in allocated examination time due to this locking. |
| 3 | Student complains of any specific issues in the machine (e.g screen flickering, mouse issue, system getting locked/hanged repeatedly etc) | On reporting of the issue , IT Manager/Invigilator verifies and locks the student machine. The student is shifted from their allotted seat to buffer seat in same or other lab during the examination, if required. There will be no time loss in allocated examination time due to this shifting |

# 8. Centres for FET 2023

8.1. **TEST CENTRES:** The tentative list of cities where FET 2023 shall be conducted for Indian as well as International Students is as follows:

| S. No. | Test City | S. No. | Test City |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | Ajmer | 11 | Hyderabad |
| 2 | Ahmedabad | 12 | Jammu |
| 3 | Amritsar | 13 | Kolkata |
| 4 | Bengaluru | 14 | Lucknow |
| 5 | Bhopal | 15 | Mumbai |
| 6 | Bhubaneswar | 16 | Nagpur |
| 7 | Chennai | 17 | Patna |
| 8 | Delhi NCR | 18 | Raipur |
| 9 | Ernakulam | 19 | Visakhapatnam |
| 10 | Guwahati | | |

8.2. The exact venue will be informed to the students through admit cards. The Students shall make their own arrangement for travel/ boarding etc.

8.3. At the time of online submission of application form, the student will be required to choose the city in which he/she wants to take the test. The choice of city will depend on availability of the test centres in a particular city and **the allotment shall be done on first come first serve basis.**

8.4. During submission of online application form, student will be able to see only those cities where testing seats are available. While the city will be chosen by the student himself / herself at the time of online submission of application form, allotment of test centre/ venue in the chosen city shall be done by NBEMS.

8.5. **In case testing seat is not available in the State/UT in which the candidate prefers to appear in FET, he/she can choose the option OTHERS from the list of States/UTs at the time of selection of the State/UT during online submission of application form.** Candidate opting for OTHERS must note that though NBEMS will make all efforts to allot a testing centre in the State of correspondence address of the candidate, however, in case of unavailability of testing seat in the concerned State due to logistic, administrative or other reasons, testing centre anywhere in India may be allocated. Candidates opting for OTHERS option shall be informed about their testing city through email**.**

8.6. In case testing seat is not available in the State/UT in which the candidate prefers to appear in FET 2023, and the candidate choses some other available city instead of choosing the option "**OTHERS"**, the choice of city will not be changed at later stage and the candidate will be required to take the test in the city chosen by him/her.

8.7. The list of test cities is purely tentative. In an extraordinary situation where the particular city chosen by the candidates could not be considered for conduct of examination due to security audit issues at test centres or other logistic issues/unforeseen reasons, candidates who would have opted for such test cities shall be accommodated at test centres in nearby cities available. Such change of test cities, if any, shall be intimated through email in advance to concerned candidates. **NBEMS reserves its right to allocate test centre anywhere in the country irrespective of the test city chosen by the student to maintain the sanctity of examination.**

8.8. Students will be informed regarding their test venue through the admit card. Requests for change of testing centre / city shall not be entertained. Students are advised not to canvass for the same.

# 9. Instructions to Fill Online FET 2023 Application Form

9.1. **New User Registration:** All students desirous of applying for FET 2023 shall be required to create an online profile of themselves to generate a UserID and Password.

9.2. **Applicant Login:** This User ID and Password so created will allow the student to login as an applicant for FET 2023 and register an online application. The "Go To Application" link will allow the student to continue with the application submission immediately after user creation.

9.3. If the Login password is lost, it can be retrieved by clicking *"Forgot Your Password"*.

9.4. **Name of Student:** Please mention your full name as in **Post Graduate Medical Qualification Certificate**. Name as entered by the student while creating his/her User ID shall be reflected in a non-editable format in his/her examination application form. No change in the name shall be permissible under any circumstances after submission of an application. The student shall be required to produce his/her Govt issued ID proof bearing same name at the test centre on the test day to seek entry. It is strongly advised not to submit an application with an error in the student's name as it shall not be allowed to be edited after application submission. If the user has entered his/her name wrongly while registering the user, please create another user with correct name.

9.5. **Gender and Date of Birth:** Indicate your gender and Day, Month & Year of your birth. Please enter the correct date of birth carefully while registering the user..

9.6. **Nationality:** **Nationality:** Please choose your nationality amongst the options given: **Indian, Non-Resident Indian (NRI), Overseas Citizen of India (OCI) and Non OCI Foreign Nationals**. Indian Citizens who are not NRI should choose Indian. An Indian Citizen should choose Non-Resident Indian, if he/she is an NRI. **If you are a Foreign National but also an Overseas Citizen of India (OCI), please choose OCI**. Foreign Nationals who are not an OCI should choose **Non OCI Foreign National.**

9.7. **Email ID:** Email ID chosen by the student shall be verified through a system generated OTP for user creation. **Same email ID can not be used for registration of any other user concurrently.** Please note that all email correspondence with the student shall be done at this email ID only. *Email chosen by the student shall be the primary means to communicate with the student for examination purposes.* Information related to examinations shall be sent at this email ID. Students shall also be able to communicate with National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences through this registered email only. *Correspondence received from any other email ID of the student shall not be entertained. Therefore, students are advised to choose the email ID carefully.*

9.8. **Mobile No**: Please provide a unique mobile number for receiving Examinations related communications sent through SMS. Mobile number chosen by the student shall NOT be the primary means to communicate with the student for examination purposes.

9.9. The UserID/Application ID and password so generated shall be sent to the registered email ID of the student for future records.

9.10. The index page of FET 2023 at National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences website https://natboard.edu.in provides a quick link, "Applicant Login". The online application form for FET 2023 can be accessed through this quick link after successful login.

9.11. The student can login using his/her User ID and Password.

9.12. The application submission process can be completed either in a single sitting or in multiple sittings, as per the student's choice, during the application submission window. However, once an application is successfully completed & submitted, it shall be available for editing certain field only during the "edit window".

9.13. **Candidates are advised not to complete & submit their online application in a haste** so as to avoid any errors in providing information. Request for making any changes in date of birth, name or any other information provided in the application shall be summarily rejected. NBEMS does not edit/modify/change any information provided by the candidates in their applications of its own. Candidates has the option to make corrections in any information except name, nationality, test city, mobile number and email ID during the edit window.

9.14. The student shall be required to provide information as asked under various heads. It is strongly recommended to keep the required information handy before start filing the application. Some of the salient heads in the application form are as under:

9.15. **Upload of Prescribed Images (Photograph, Scanned Signatures and Thumb Impression)**: Please refer Image Upload Instructions available at NBEMS website https://natboard.edu.in and at the end of this information bulletin for details of specifications for uploading photograph, signatures and thumb impression. Images which are not as per prescribed specification shall not be considered and may lead to rejection of the application. **Please ensure that uploaded photograph is a RECENT photograph and in any case should have not been taken more than 3 months before the date of application submission.** Uploading a photograph which is not a recent one or which is not as per prescribed image upload guidelines as detailed in this information bulletin and/or failure to rectify the same in the final edit window shall invite rejection of the application.

9.16. The test city can be selected from available choices **on first come first serve basis.** While the city will be chosen by the student himself / herself at the time of online submission of application form, allotment of test centre/venue in the chosen city shall be done by NBEMS.

9.17. After selection of test city, the student shall be required to pay the prescribed examination fee online. The fee can not be paid through any mode other than the payment gateway available in online application form.

9.18. Students shall be prompted to preview the entire application before submission in order to make any corrections, if so required. They shall be required to submit the application after agreeing to the "declaration". This shall complete the entire process of application submission.

9.19. **Acknowledgement of Application Submission:** An acknowledgement email shall be sent to the registered email ID confirming submission of an application by the candidate. Submission of application shall be completed only after successful payment of examination fee. Candidate should confirm the status of payment in the application form PDF where 'S' would stand for "Successful" and "F" would stand for "Failed".

9.20. **Edit Window:** Candidates who have successfully submitted payment for their application during Application Submission window shall only be allowed to edit their applications during **9th February 2024 to 12th February 2024.** No new application can be registered during edit window or payment can be made during the window. Any information/document can be changed/corrected during the edit window except for Name, Test City, Nationality, mobile number and Email ID. Information can be edited any number of times before the closure of the window. The last submitted information will be saved in records.

9.21. All *editable fields* in the application form shall be open for the student to make any corrections, if so required. Details of field which can not be edited are mentioned below.

9.22. Information entered in the application form can be changed during the "Edit Window". **However, following fields in the application form shall remain non-editable:**

- Name of the Student
- Email ID
- Mobile Number
- Nationality
- Test City

9.23. No editing in information provided shall be permissible in the application form, once edit window is over. NBEMS disclaims any liability that may arise due to incorrect information provided by the student during online application form submission.

9.24. NBEMS does not edit /modify/alter any information on its own which is entered by the students at the time of online submission of application form, under any circumstances.

9.25. **Selective/Final Edit Window:** Subsequent to closure of edit window, deficiency, if any related to images uploaded, in the application form shall be communicated to concerned candidates. The corrections in images uploaded (i.e. Photographs, Signatures and Thumb impression), if required, shall be communicated through emails at registered email ID of concerned candidates only. and same can be corrected during the final edit window i.e. **19th February 2024 to 21st February 2024.** Only those images which require corrections shall be editable during this final edit window. No further opportunity shall be given to make corrections. Candidates are advised to submit the images in their application as per prescribed image upload guidelines. **Failure to submit images**

**as per guidelines and/or failure to rectify the images shall invite rejection of the application**.

9.26. Students who fail to submit duly completed applications with requisite documents and/or fail to rectify the deficiencies in their applications by the last date prescribed for rectification shall be declared ineligible. **Admit Card shall not be issued to students who are declared ineligible.** In such cases, the entire fees will be forfeited.

## Summary of Steps in Online Application Form Submission

9.27. The following sequence shall be observed while filing the online application form:

- *Fill the user registration form to generate User ID/Application ID and Password.*
- *User ID and Password will be sent through SMS and Email.*
- *Complete the application form and upload your Photograph, Scanned signature, Thumb impression & Prescribed documents.*
- *Choose your Test City and pay Examination Fee*
- *Agree to the declaration and Submit Application*
- *Take a print out of the filled Application form with Transaction ID printed on it and payment status mentioned as "S" (Successful) for records.*

# 10. Caution Notice, Non- Disclosure Agreement and Unfair Means

## A. Caution Notice

10.1. The official website of NBEMS are https://natboard.edu.in and https://nbe.edu.in Students are advised to refer for any information about NBEMS and Examinations conducted by NBEMS only through these websites links. Please refer FET 2023 index page on NBEMS website https://natboard.edu.in and Information Bulletin uploaded therein for authentic information and periodic updates about the FET 2023.

10.2. Students are hereby advised not to be allured or mislead by unscrupulous agents /touts making false and bogus claims of helping any student in any means by such spoofed emails/SMS or forged documents.

10.3. NBEMS does not send any email or SMS to students regarding securing good marks/merit position in any of the exams conducted by NBEMS.

10.4. Be aware when getting any email or SMS in the name of NBEMS, please cross verify information received through SMS in name of NBEMS with a corresponding Email/NBEMS Website update.

10.5. Students are also advised to use the email IDs/contact numbers for communication with NBEMS which are provided on the NBEMS websites time to time.

10.6. In case students are approached by any unscrupulous agents/touts promising any such undue favour through any spoofed emails/ SMS or telephone call or forged documents or personally the same

may be reported to NBEMS through its Communication Web Portal available under Contact us tab on NBEMS website or to the local police for further investigation.

## B.Non Disclosure Agreement

10.7. FET is a proprietary examination and is conducted only by National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences. The contents of this exam are confidential, proprietary and are owned by National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences. NBEMS explicitly prohibits the student, from reproducing, transmitting or publishing any or some contents of this exam, in whole or in part, in any form or by any means verbal or written, electronic or mechanical for any purpose whatsoever. NBEMS shall not entertain any request for sharing any content of the examination including answer keys/answer sheets.

10.8. No content of this exam must be shared with friends, acquaintances or third parties including sharing through online means or via social media. Social media includes but not limited to SMS, Whatsapp, Facebook, Twitter, Hangouts, Blogs etc. using either one's own account or proxy account(s).

10.9. By registering for and /or appearing in FET 2023 the student explicitly agrees to the above Non Disclosure Agreement and general terms of use for FET 2023 as contained in this Information Bulletin, FET 2023 webpage on National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences website.

10.10. Violation of any act or breach of the same shall be liable for penal action and cancellation of the candidature at the bare threshold.

## C. Unfair Means

If during the course of training/examination, a student is found indulging in any of the following, he/she shall be deemed to have used unfair means.

10.11. If a student is found to have made a wrong statement in his/her application form for appearance in the examinations /counseling / admission to the training or has attempted to secure or has secured admission to any of the examinations/courses of NBEMS or has obtained registration with any medical council, by making a false statement or by production of a false/forged document .

10.12. If at any stage a student has tampered with any entry in the certificate or statement of marks or any certificate issued by any governmental or non-governmental body or any other document that has been issued to him/ her by NBEMS.

10.13. Use/possession of any kind of electronic gadgets including mobile phones with or without internet (whether the gadgets are actually used or not).

10.14. A student found copying from notes written on any part of his/ her clothing, body, desk or table or instrument like setsquares, protractors, scales etc. or who is found guilty of concealing, disfiguring, rendering illegible, swallowing or destroying any notes or papers or material found with him/her or found exchanging answer book or question paper with solution or talking to a person or consulting notes or books outside the Examination Hall, while going to the toilet or in the toilet.

10.15. Giving or receiving assistance directly or indirectly of any kind or attempting to do so.

10.16. Having in possession of any note-book(s) or notes or chits or any other unauthorized material concerning the subject pertaining to the examination paper.

10.17. Change of seat/system without the permission of Examination Superintendent/ In charge Computer Laboratory.

10.18. Contacting or communicating or trying to do so with any person, other than the Examination Staff, during the examination time in the examination center/ Computer Laboratory.

10.19. Consulting notes, books or any other material or outside person while going out of the examination hall/Computer Laboratory to toilet or to any other place.

10.20. Impersonation.

10.21. Forgery in photo identification produced to seek entry in the test centre/producing false documents for the purpose.

10.22. Using or attempting to use any other undesirable method or means in connection with the examination.

10.23. Smuggling out Question Paper or its part; or smuggling out answer book/ supplementary answer sheet or part thereof.

10.24. Running away or swallowing or destroying any note or paper or material found with him/her.

10.25. If the answer books show that a student has received or given help to any other student through copying.

10.26. Threatening any of the officials connected with the conduct of the examinations or threatening of any of the students.

10.27. Found exchanging answer book or question paper with solution or copying from unauthorized material.

10.28.Peeping into the computer monitor screen of the other student.

10.29.Disclosing his/her identity or making distinctive mark in the answer book for that purpose or fails to deliver his/her answer book/continuation sheet before leaving the examination hall.

10.30.Hacking or attempting to hack or causing interference with the website of NBEMS or its Technology Partner(s) or their Information Technology systems.

10.31.Tampering with Information Technology systems of NBEMS or Technology Partner(s) or Computer Laboratory.

10.32.Damaging the computer systems of computer Laboratory.

10.33.Students found to have attempted or trying to attempt personally or through another person to influence or pressurize an examiner, or any officer or official connected with the examinations of the NBEMS or its technology partner, either at NBEMS or at the office of technology partner or their respective residence(s), in any matter concerned with the examinations.

10.34.Any student violating the NDA as detailed above will be treated as UMC.

10.35.If at any stage if it is found that the student has appeared multiple times in the same session of examination or has appeared in same or different examination of NBEMS with different names, unfair means case shall be registered against such student and dealt accordingly.

10.36.Any act of student/any person which is detrimental to safe, secure and smooth conduct of examination and the decision of EEC in this regard shall be final.

10.37. Student is found talking/peeping to another student during the examination hours in the examination room.

10.38. A student who refuses to obey the Superintendent of Examination center/Computer Lab and changes his/her seat with another student and/or creates disturbance of any kind during the examination and/or otherwise misbehaves in the examination hall.

10.39. Any student found guilty of having adopted anyone or more of the above Unfair means/misconduct is liable to be penalized with a penalty by the Examination Ethics Committee, which may vary from cancellation of the examination/ expulsion up to next 14 attempts or 7 yrs and/or cancellation of candidature as may be decided by Examinations Ethics Committee after considering each case.

10.40. **Disclaimer:** The above list is purely indicative. If any act of omission or commission attributed to the student/intent by the student to vitiate the sanctity of the examination, the decision of NBEMS shall be final and binding for declaration of any person/ student guilty of foregoing or such offence as shall be classified as UMC.

# 11. Result & Counseling

11.1. **QUALIFYING CRITERIA:**

Students who obtain minimum of **50th Percentile** in their respective question paper / specialty shall be declared as "Qualified".

11.2. **DATE OF DECLARATION OF RESULT:**

The result for FET 2023 will be declared by **3rd April 2024.** The result shall be available at NBEMS website https://natboard.edu.in

11.3. Before declaration of the result, any question asked in the FET 2023 can be challenged for technical errors, if any, with supportive medical literature, in not more than 2 calendar days after conduct of examination **(i.e till 5th March 2024)**. **No claims made beyond 2 days of conduct of examination shall be entertained under any circumstances.** No claims pertaining to the difficulty level of a question shall be entertained. Such challenge can only be raised by bonafide candidates who had appeared in the examination through their registered email ID at Communication Web Portal of NBEMS.

11.4. The score card shall be available for download to the students through applicant login using NBEMS ID and Password.

11.5. There will be **NO re-evaluation or rechecking or re-totaling**. Requests for re-evaluation/re-totaling shall not be entertained.

**11.6. VALIDITY OF FET 2023 RESULT**

The validity of the result of FET 2023 shall be only for the current admission session i.e. 2023 admission session for NBEMS

Fellowship (FNB) courses and cannot be carried forward for the next session of admissions for FNB courses.

11.7. **TIE BREAKER CRITERIA:** In the event of students obtaining the same score for a particular fellowship course, the following tie-breaking criteria will be applied to determine inter-se merit in descending order of application till a unique inter-se merit is determined for all such students:

A. Student having **lesser number of negative responses in the overall paper** will be placed at higher merit position.

B. Student obtaining **higher score in Part B of the question paper** will be placed at higher merit position.

C. Student having **lesser number of negative responses in Part B** of the question paper will be placed at higher merit position.

D. Older student will be placed at higher merit position.

E. Candidate securing **higher aggregate marks (in percentage) in all MBBS Professional Examinations** will be placed at a higher merit position

**11.8. PUBLICATION OF MERIT LIST:** NBEMS shall declare specialty wise merit list i.e. there will be a separate merit list for each fellowship course. There shall not be any equating/scaling and normalization. The merit shall be generated strictly on the basis of marks obtained by the student and application of the prescribed tie breaking criteria. **There shall be a separate merit list for Fellowship Programme for International Students (FPIS), in each specialty.**

**11.9. COUNSELING:** The admission to Fellowship courses in the accredited hospitals shall be undertaken solely on the basis of

merit based counselling conducted by NBEMS. Details of counselling process shall be notified in due course after result of the entrance examination has been declared.

## 11.10.AVAILABILITY OF FNB SEATS FOR 2023 ADMISSION SESSION

Students may visit website of National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences website https://natboard.edu.in for FNB seats accredited in various institutions across the country. However, the accredited seats shown on the website should not be treated as seat matrix for FET 2023 counseling. The final seat matrix of FNB seats going to be offered for 2023 admission session shall be published on NBEMS website before conduct of FET 2023 counseling.

The tentative list of institutions offering Fellowship Programme for International Students for 2023 admission session is placed at **Annexure - C.** The list is purely indicative. The final seat matrix shall be published on NBEMS website before conduct of counseling.

## 11.11.DOCUMENTS REQUIRED TO BE PRODUCED AT THE TIME OF COUNSELING

### Indian Students:

- MBBS Degree Certificate
- MD/MS/DNB/DM/MCh/DrNB Degree Certificate/Provisional Pass Certificate of eligible Post Graduate Medical Qualification issued on or before **31st December 2023.**
- Following documents supporting post graduate qualification being recognized as per the provisions of the NMC act, 2019/ IMC Act 1956:
  - **Self attested copy of print-out of NMC website** confirming to your additional PG Degree qualification being "Recognized" as per NMC/IMC Act.

- If additional PG degree qualification is **NOT listed as "Recognized"** on NMC website, please produce one of the following two documents:
    - Additional Qualification Registration Certificate **(AQRC) issued by NMC, OR**
    - Additional Qualification Registration Certificate **(AQRC) issued by State Medical Council + IMR Certificate issued by NMC** wherein said additional PG Degree qualification is registered

### International Students:

- MBBS/Primary Medical Qualification Degree Certificate
- Degree Certificate of eligible Post Graduate Medical Qualification issued on or before **31st December 2023.**
- Post Graduate Medical Qualification Registration Certificate issued by the Medical Council of respective country.
- No Objection Certificate issued by the Medical Council/Government for permission to work in India for the period of Fellowship
- Security Clearance obtained from the Ministry of Home Affairs, Govt of India (Applicable for all those who are required to have security clearance as per the Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA) requirements)
- Valid travel document (Passport) and valid permission (visa).
- "No Objection Certificate" from their Medical council /Government for appearing in the examination and permission for working in India for the period of Fellowship.

Temporary Registration with the National Medical Commission, New Delhi, India for the duration of FNB course shall be required to be obtained on allotment of a FNB seat.

# 12. Communication Protocols

12.1. Information in this information bulletin and NBEMS website https://natboard.edu.in will guide you through the entire process of application submission and help answer most of your queries.

12.2. In case you are still facing issues, then you can contact NBEMS through any of the following modes:

- **NBEMS Student Care helpline (Preferred mode):**

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| **Helpline Number** | +91-7996165333 |
| **Helpline Portal** | **For queries related to application form submission/ Refund of failed transactions/ Payment Gateway related issues etc:** Portal can be accessed through applicant login after registering an application for FET 2023 |
| | **For queries OTHER THAN application form submission/ Refund of failed transaction etc:** NBEMS Communication Web Portal accessible through NBEMS Website (Contact Us tab) |
| **Official Website** | https://natboard.edu.in |

- **By Post**:

  Executive Director
  National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences,
  Medical Enclave,
  Ansari Nagar,
  New Delhi -110029

12.3. The preferred mode for handling the FET 2023 related queries shall be by helpline portals. The queries may be sent to above mentioned portals as per details mentioned above.

12.4. Queries related to FET 2023 sent at any other email ID of NBEMS may be missed.

12.5. Queries shall only be processed if same are sent through email ID of candidate registered with NBEMS.

12.6. Following Information must be provided in emails addressed to NBEMS regarding FET 2023:

- *Name of Candidate*
- *Email ID*
- *Mobile Number*
- *Correspondence Address*
- *Application ID/Roll Number for FET 2023*
- *Session/Year of Examination*

✤ **Emails sent without aforesaid information may not be entertained.**

12.7. Do not send the same query multiple times, as it will delay the response process.

12.8. Queries shall not be entertained from persons claiming themselves to be representative, associates or officiates of the candidate.

# 13. TRAINING

13.1. **Selection of Students:**

- NBEMS conducts Centralized Merit Based Counseling for admission to FNB courses in every admission session as per time schedule notified by NBEMS at its website. Details of conduct of counseling viz mode (Online/Offline), eligibility, schedule, seat matrix, venue, fee, procedure etc are notified time to time on NBEMS website.

13.2. **Joining of Students**:

- Each selected student shall be given a prescribed time from the date of issuance of the allotment letter to report and join the allotted NBEMS accredited Medical College/Institution/Hospital.

- Student has to begin his/her Fellowship training as soon as he/she join the institute. Accredited hospital/institute is required to submit the joining report of each student to NBEMS in prescribed proforma.

- Joining of a student to NBEMS accredited institute through Centralized Merit Based Counseling is subject to medical fitness of the student as assessed/examined by the accredited hospital/ Institution. The medical examination of the student shall be done by the Medical Board of the concerned NBEMS accredited institute. Student found fit in the medical examination shall only be allowed to join FNB course. NBEMS reserves its rights to take a final decision in the matter of the student being found unfit in medical examination and may undertake medical examination of student at its sole discretion.

### 13.3. Academic Programme:

- Residency Guidelines: The institute will ensure that all the necessary training facilities and infrastructure is provided for implementation of FNB curriculum in the specialty.

- The FNB training is a residency based training cum employment programme wherein the FNB trainee discharges the duties of a Senior Resident and undergoes a rigorous academic programme to enhance his knowledge and skills.

- For performance of clinical /hospital duties the trainees are required to discharge duties as may be prescribed by the hospital / institute administration. NBEMS shall not ordinarily interfere in any dispute which is a work place dispute or an issue involving the accredited institute and the FNB trainee(s). However, in rare or exceptional cases NBEMS may consider the issue for necessary action or adjudication.

- NBEMS reserves its rights to critically review the work allocation to the FNB trainees especially in reference to the implementation of academic programme and professional responsibilities. Record of duty roster of FNB trainees should be maintained for verification by NBEMS if so required.

- **Academic programme for FNB trainees**: Each accredited hospital shall publish a comprehensive academic programme for the specialties accredited. The design of the programme should be such that the entire course curriculum especially the protocol and clinical aspects are covered by way of seminar, symposia, general discussions, case base discussions, clinical examinations, OSCEs, bedside vivas, ward rounds, mock theory examinations, mock tests, grand vivas, final examinations, CMEs, workshops, guest lectures, e-learning, quizzes, group discussions etc. The record of academic sessions so conducted by the hospital shall be maintained by the hospital for verification by National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences if so required.

- A copy of the academic programme so prepared and implemented by the accredited hospital shall be written in Log Book of the student that shall be duly authenticated by Head of Department /Head of Institution.

- **Logbook:** A log of academic activities indicating a daily record of academic work, thesis protocol, cases presented and procedures done under observation/independently, rotational postings undertaken etc shall be maintained by the trainee; signed and supervised by the designated guide of trainee and countersigned by Director/Medical Superintendent of the hospital. National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences reserves its right to verify the logbooks of FNB trainees at any time during their training for its completeness and authenticity of information entered.

- **Work Shops and CME:** The accredited hospital shall relieve the student for:
    - *Attending the workshops organised by NBEMS.*
    - *National conferences or state conferences of National Professional bodies in the concerned specialties.*
    - *International conferences in the concerned specialties.*
    - *Any other CME or workshop as may be deemed appropriate*

- It is not obligatory on part of hospital/institute to relieve the trainee if the exigency of hospital duties so warrants.

- Such period of deployment to the above mentioned workshop / conferences shall be part of training and shall be governed by the applicable leave guidelines for FNB trainees.

- Each consultant who has been shown as faculty for FNB programme will devote at least 10 hour per week for teaching/ training in terms of case discussion, seminar, ward round, journal club etc. for FNB

trainees. This is in addition to his/her assigned clinical & other hospital responsibilities.

- The minimum teaching programme per week shall comprise of 5 hours of didactic teaching (Seminars, Journal Clubs, Lectures etc) and 5 hours of clinical/bed side teaching. Each consultant will have to attend NBEMS CMEs or faculty development workshops as conducted by NBEMS time to time.

- The accredited hospital shall maintain details of its full time faculty for DNB/FNB programme on its official website indicating their designations and time period of availability in the hospital.

- **Training in Basic Sciences:** The applicant hospital is required to make provisions for training & teaching of FNB trainee in applied basic sciences as relevant to the applicant specialty.

- The applicant hospital is required to arrange appropriate number of lectures/demonstrations/group discussions/seminars in applied basic sciences as relevant to the applicant specialty.

- As per NBEMS criteria the hospital should have one of the following provisions for applied basic science teaching & training:
  - A team comprising of in-house faculty from relevant surgical disciplines (such as General Surgery, Obstetrics & Gynaecology, Orthopaedics, Surgical Super Specialty etc) to provide applied anatomy teaching/training and faculty from relevant medical disciplines (such as General Medicine, Paediatrics, Medical Super specialties etc) to provide applied physiology & pharmacology teaching/training to the FNB trainees as applicable to the applicant specialty may be constituted. The biochemist, microbiologist & pathologist with PG degree qualifications in the hospital shall supplement the above team for applied basic science training, **'OR'**

- Specialists in basic sciences can visit the applicant hospital as adjunct/guest faculty to impart the applied basic science teaching/training to FNB trainees of the applicant hospital as relevant to the applicant specialty, **'OR'**

- A tie up with other institution (e.g. a medical or dental college/ university/institute) may be undertaken to provide applied basic science teaching/training. A Memorandum of Understanding (MoU)/Permission letter from the Head of Institute of respective Medical or Dental College/University/ Institute should be submitted confirming to the said arrangement.

- Accredited hospitals should also rotate their FNB trainees for one month in each year (in addition to the routine duties) in their hospital's laboratory so as to enable them to gain knowledge in laboratory procedures related to Pathology, Histopathology, Biochemistry, Microbiology, Genetics etc.

- General Beds: The institute/hospital will earmark 30% of the beds in the specialty as "General (Teaching) Beds". General Beds are those 'earmarked' beds / cases whose patients shall be accessible at all times for supervised clinical work to FNB trainees. Data of patients admitted on such beds or such cases shall be accessible to FNB trainees for research purposes subject to applicable ethical guidelines and clearances from Institutional Ethics Committee & institutional policies. A certificate to this effect shall be furnished by the Head of Institute every year to NBEMS.

- Hands on Training: The accredited hospital /institution shall make use of a clinical skills lab /surgical skills lab in the state /city and arrange for such training as may be required for training of the students. The hospital shall provide such access to procedures (observed and supervised), assisted procedures to the FNB trainees as may be required for enhancing their competence and skills.

### 13.4.Formative Assessment Test (FAT)/ Appraisal of FNB Trainees:

- The hospital/institute shall ensure participation of FNB trainees in Formative Assessment Test organised by National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences or by the hospital itself as per guidelines notified time to time on National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences website https://natboard.edu.in

- The annual appraisal fee collected from FNB trainees shall be spent towards annual appraisal of FNB trainees only. The corpus cannot be re-appropriated/ utilized for any other kind of expenses. The fee applicable for Formative Assessment Test (FAT) organised by National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences shall be transferred to NBEMS within stipulated timelines from aforesaid collection only.

- In the event the hospital/institute is found not complying with the appraisal guidelines/not participating in the appraisals/failed to transfer the fee to NBEMS as applicable for FAT, the hospital/institute shall have to refund the appraisal fees for said academic year to the trainee and further that penal action shall be taken by NBEMS against the hospital/institute.

- The accredited hospital shall relieve the FNB trainees for participating in FAT organised by National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences. In his/her absence, the clinical duties may be assigned to the non-academic Junior/Senior residents in the department.

**13.5.Leave Guidelines:**

- FNB Trainee can avail a maximum of 30 days of leave in a year excluding regular duty off/ Gazetted holidays as per hospital/ institute calendar/policy. This leave shall be processed at the institutional level.

- Any kind of study leave is not permissible to FNB Trainees.

- Under normal circumstances leave of one year should not be carried forward to the next year. However, in exceptional cases such as prolonged illness, the leave across the FNB training program may be clubbed together with prior approval of NBEMS.

- Unauthorized absence from FNB training for more than 7 days may lead to cancellation of registration and discontinuation of the FNB training and rejoining shall not be permitted.

- Any Leave availed by the student other than the eligible leave (30 days per year) shall lead to extension of FNB training. The training institute has to forward such requests to NBEMS along with the leave records of the student since his/her joining and supporting documents (if any) through the Head of the Institute with their recommendation/comments. NBEMS shall consider such requests on merit provided the seat is not carried over and compromise with training of existing trainees in the Department.

- Any extension of FNB training beyond the scheduled completion date of training is permissible only under extra-ordinary circumstances with prior approval of NBEMS. Such extension is neither automatic nor shall be granted as a matter of routine.

- FNB trainees are required to complete their training by a prescribed cutoff date (as per information bulletin of Exit exam) for being eligible to FNB Exit examination.

- The eligibility for FNB Final Examination shall be determined strictly in accordance with the criteria prescribed in the respective information bulletin.

- Student shall be given a Training Completion Certificate after the prescribed training programme has been completed by the student in the accredited hospital. Obtaining Training Completion Certificate is a pre-requisite for appearing in the Exit Examination.

# 14. Course Fee and Stipend

## A. Course Fee:

14.1. The annual course fee for Indian and International students shall be as under:

| Indian Students | International Students from SAARC Nations | International Students from Non SAARC Nations |
|---|---|---|
| INR 1,25,000/- | INR 1,25,000/- | USD 5000 |

14.2. The fee shall be paid by the student only through Demand Draft/ Cheque/ electronic transfer and under no circumstances by cash.

14.3. The fee has to be paid after the selection of the student but before joining in the allotted training institute.

## B. Stipend:

14.4. The following minimum stipend shall be payable to the FNB trainees as per National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences Stipend Guidelines by the hospital where the trainee is undergoing Fellowship training:

| Year | Amount of Stipend (INR) |
|---|---|
| 1st year | Rs. 41,000/- |
| 2nd year | Rs. 43,000/- |

14.5. The FNB trainees shall be paid the basic stipend as mentioned above or the basic stipend according to the State Government policy (whichever is higher).

14.6. The trainees will be required to manage their boarding and lodging and other expenses by themselves.

# 15. Exit Examination

### 15.1. Theory Examination:

- The theory examination comprises of one question paper with maximum marks of 100.
- There are 10 short notes of 10 marks each in the theory paper.
- Maximum time permitted is 3 hours.
- Student must score 50/100 or more to qualify the theory exam.

### 15.2. Practical Examination:

- Maximum marks : 300
- Comprises of clinical examination and viva
- Centre for practical examination are communicated to all the students separately after the theory examination. The practical of Fellowship Exit Examination shall be conducted at the notified examination centre of the concerned specialty.
- The result of the theory and practical examination will be declared together. The student has to score a minimum of 50% marks in aggregate i.e. 200 out of total 400 marks (Theory & Practical) with at least 50% marks in theory examination to qualify in the Fellowship Exit Exam.
- Each student shall be individually informed by NBEMS regarding his/her examination centre.

### 15.3.Declaration of Results

- Fellowship Exit Examination is a qualifying examination & Results are declared as PASS/FAIL.

- Successful students in all respects shall be eligible for award of FNB qualification certificate.

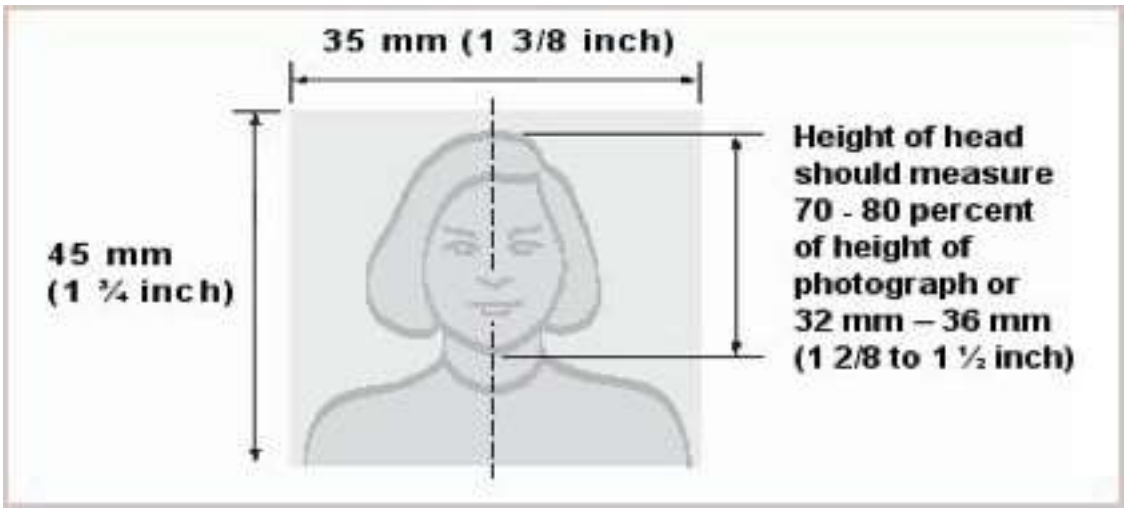
# Image Upload Instructions

**Note: Kindly go through the guidelines carefully. Images uploaded in the application form which are not in accordance with the guidelines or failure to rectify the images in the edit window/final edit window shall invite rejection of application.**

Before applying online, a candidate will be required to have a scanned (digital) image of his/her photograph, signature and thumb impression as per the specifications given below. Your online application will not be registered unless you upload your photograph, signature and thumb impression as specified.

## A. PHOTOGRAPH

**Processes for photo upload:**




The candidate shall be required to upload **TWO photographs:**

1. A **REAL TIME PHOTOGRAPH** taken by the webcam/in-built camera of the computer system while filling the online application form:

a. Confirm that the system used to fill the form has an in-built camera/webcam.
b. Be properly dressed in a formal attire.
c. Stand/sit against a **white background** (Avoid distracting backgrounds)

d. There should be bright light falling on your face but not on the webcam.
e. No objects should be behind you while capturing the photograph through web cam). The image **must not include other objects or additional people**. Ensure that you are only one person in picture.
f. The image must contain the full face, ears, neck, and shoulders of the entrant in frontal view with a neutral, non-smiling expression and with eyes open and directed at the camera.
g. The image must not contain any parts of the body below the entrant's shoulders.
h. Click on "Capture Photo" button in the application form.

9. Upload a **RECENT PHOTOGRAPH** **(Not more than 3 months old)** which can be prepared in following way:

## CLICKING YOUR RECENT PHOTO USING DIGITAL CAMERA:

- **DO NOT UPLOAD MORE THAN 3 MONTH OLD PRE-SAVED PHOTOGRAPH OF YOURS. Uploading a photograph which is not a recent one shall invite rejection of application.**

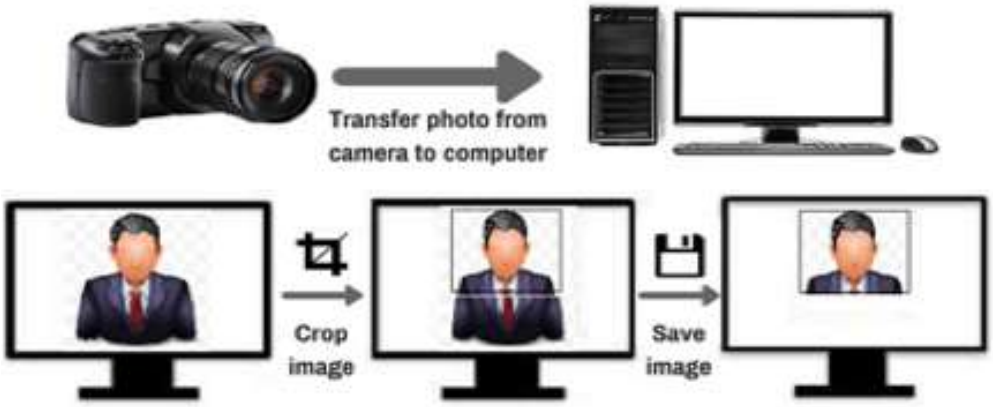


- **IN CASE OF GROSS DIFFERENCE IN YOUR APPEARANCE IN REAL TIME PHOTOGRAPH AND UPLOADED PHOTOGRAPH, THE APPLICATION WILL BE REJECTED.**

a. Preference to be given to upload a photograph taken in a photo-studio in last 3 months to avoid any likely error in photograph. If you decide to take the photograph at home, please follow the instructions mentioned below.
b. Be properly dressed in a formal attire.
c. Click colour photograph in **bright light** using any high resolution digital device (preferably with > 5-megapixel resolution). Avoid using flash as it tends to create a shadow on the white background. Images which are taken in with improper light shall be rejected.
d. Avoid selfie; ask someone else to take the picture for you. They might also help to direct you a bit, like telling you to straight your head or tuck your hair behind your ears. Selfies shall be rejected.
e. Do not wear spectacles (to avoid reflection in the glass), cap, goggles, stethoscope around neck, makeup, ornaments while getting the photo shot.
f. Stand/sit against a **white background** (Avoid distracting backgrounds)

g. No object should be in the background. The image must not include other objects or additional people. Ensure that you are only one person in picture. Images having any object in the background shall be rejected.
h. The image must contain the full face, ears, neck, and shoulders of the entrant in frontal view with a neutral, non-smiling expression and with eyes open and directed at the camera.
i. The image must not contain any parts of the body below the entrant's shoulders. Images having parts of body below the shoulder shall be rejected.

**Checklist for editing & uploading the digital photograph:**



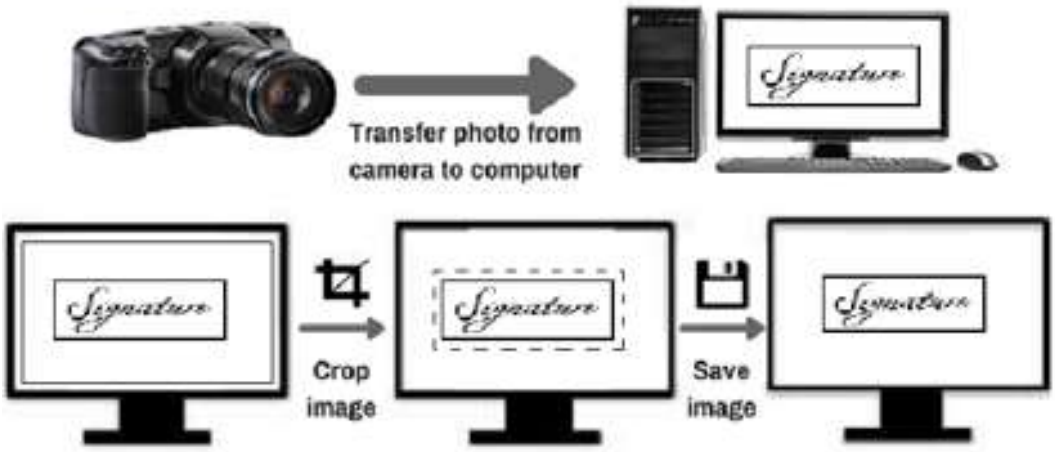

a. Transfer the photograph from the digital device to a computer/laptop.
b. Photograph is in colour with white background.
c. Your face is clearly visible.
d. The size of image should be less than 80kb. Size of the image can be checked by right click on the image and then go to "Properties" link. (Maintain aspect ratio, i.e. height and width ratio to avoid distortion of image)
e. Image is in .jpg/.jpeg format.
f. Image is not blurred in the process of editing.
g. Digital enhancement or other alterations or retouching are not permitted.
h. Make sure your face takes up at least 70-80% of the frame.

## B. SIGNATURE

**Digital image of your Signature can be made in two ways:**

- Using a digital device to directly image (i.e. camera)
- Scanning the signature

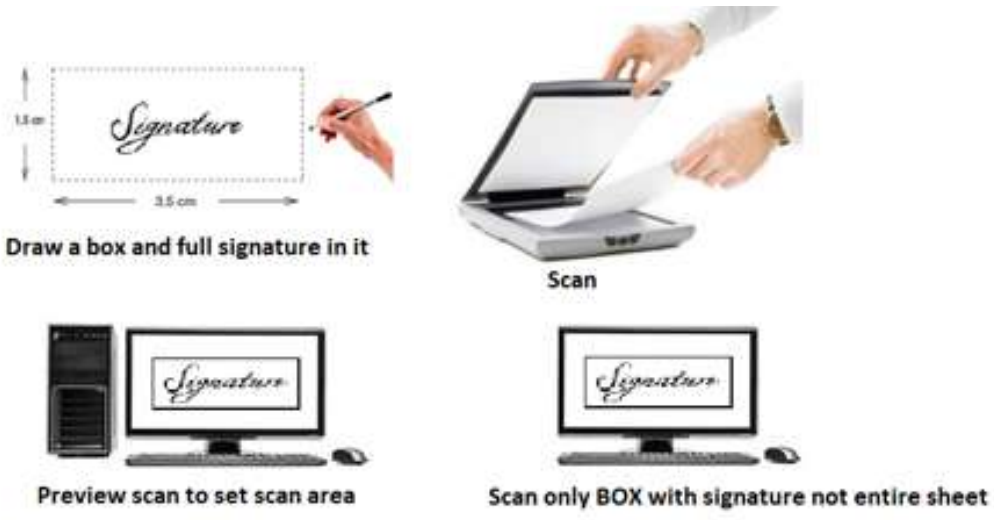
**I.**




## PREPARING DIGITAL IMAGE OF SIGNATURE USING A DIGITAL DEVICE (CAMERA)

**Clicking image of signature using a digital device:**

a. Draw a box of size 1.5 cm (height) x 3.5 cm (width). Use a black or dark blue ink pen to sign within this box.
b. Click the signature within the box in bright light conditions using any digital device (preferably with > 5-megapixel resolution). Avoid using flash.




c. Check the shadow of your hands/camera/smartphone etc. does not fall on the sheet.

**Editing digital image of the signature:**

a. Transfer the digital image to a computer/laptop.
b. If required, use **auto-correct feature** of image editing software so that the signature is clear against a white background.
c. **Crop** the image such that borders of box are reached.
d. **Resize** the image to 20 – 100 Kb (maintain aspect ratio, i.e. height and width ratio to avoid distortion of image)

## II. SCANNING THE SIGNATURE:

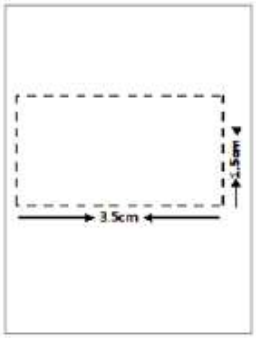
a. The candidate should provide his/her complete signatures and not just initials.
b. The signatures should be **done by the candidates only** as it may be checked any time frequently.
c. Signature done on the blank **white page without lines only** will be accepted
d. Take the white sheet and mark the box size of 3.5 x 1.5 cm (width x height)
e. Sign inside the box with **blue/black pen**.
f. If the Candidate's signature on the answer script, at the time of the examination, does not match the signature on the Attendance Sheet, the candidate will be disqualified.
g. Set the scanner to 200 dpi
h. The scanned image should be saved in .jpeg/.jpg format.
i. Crop only box area and not the complete white page.
j. The size of image should be less than 80kb.

# C. THUMB IMPRESSION

**Instruction for preparing digital image of thumb print**

*Taking a thumb-print*

a. Draw a box of 3.5 cm x 1.5 cm (width x height) on a white



Draw a box of 1.5cm x 3.5cm for Left thumb impresssion


Left thumb impression within the box

sheet of paper (you may draw more than 1 box to take multiple thumb print and select the best).

**b.** Use a fresh **blue/black colour ink pad.**

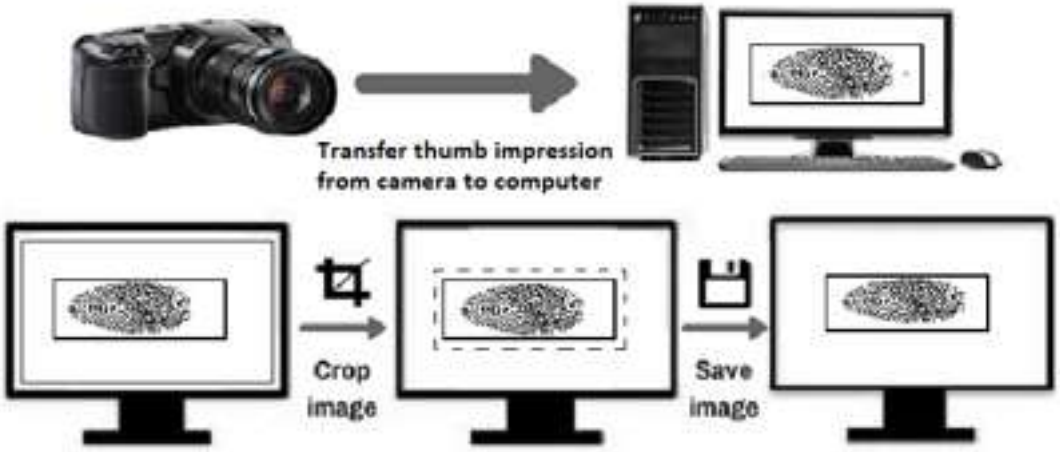
c. Practice on a sheet of paper to get the proper thumb-print especially the density or darkness of the colour. The impression of the print should be clear and readable; neither dark nor smudged or light.



d. Clean your hands and dry them before you begin (oil/dirt can obscure the prints)

e. Gently press your **LEFT THUMB** against the ink pad and take a horizontal print of your left thumb within the box. Do not press too much or wriggle as it may lead to smudging of print.

## I.PREPARING DIGITAL IMAGE OF THUMB IMPRESSION USING A DIGITAL DEVICE (CAMERA)




## II.SCANNING THE THUMB IMPRESSION

a. Set the scanner to 200 dpi.

b. Save the scanned image of thumb-print as .jpg/.jpeg format.

c. Crop only box area.

d. The size of image should be less than 80kb. Size of the image can be checked by right click on the image and then go to "Properties" link.





Scan



Preview scan to set scan area



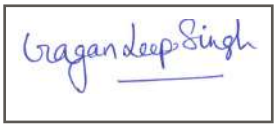
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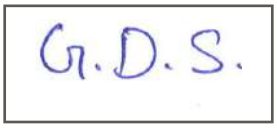
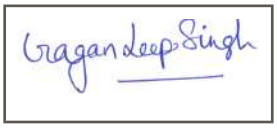
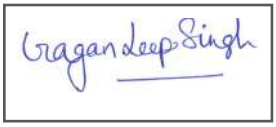
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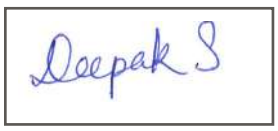
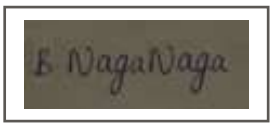
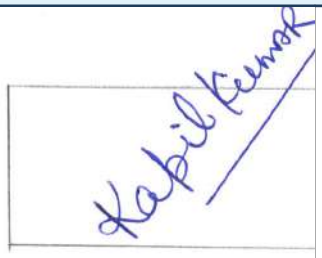
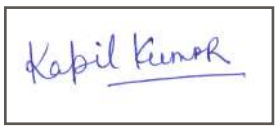
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|  | Improper flash or improper lighting |  |
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|  | Distortion due to enlargement of an original smaller image |  |
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|  | Improper Background or Sunglasses |  |

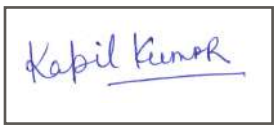
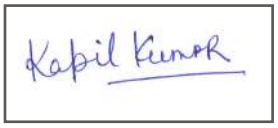
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|  | Spectacle rim over eyes |  |

## INSTRUCTIONS FOR ACCEPTABLE SIGNATURES

| Not Acceptable Signature | Reason for Rejection | Acceptable |
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|  | Signature not in rectangle box |  |

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|  | **Signature not in full** |  |
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## Annexure - A

**NATIONAL BOARD OF EXAMINATIONS IN MEDICAL SCIENCES**

(An Autonomous Organization under Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Govt of India)

**NOTIFICATION**

New Delhi, the 14th November 2022

F No. NBEMS/EDO/2022/3205 - The qualifications awarded by the National Board of Examinations have been inserted in the First schedule of the Indian Medical Council Act, 1956 and also notified in the Gazette of India vide notifications dated 19th September 1983 and 10th August 2016.

In exercise of the power conferred by sub-section (1) of section 37 of the National Medical Commission Act, 2019, the National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences, after consulting the National Medical Commission and with the approval of Government of India, makes the following amendments in the Nomenclature and Abbreviation of qualifications, namely;

i. The following Diplomate National Board (DNB), Broad Specialty Courses (three years courses at the Post MBBS level) shall be inserted, namely

| **Nomenclature of Qualification & Abbreviation** | **Recognition Status** |
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| Diplomate National Board (Anaesthesiology):<br>DNB (Anaesthesiology) | This shall be recognised medical qualification when granted by National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences, New Delhi on or after August 1982. |
| Diplomate National Board (Anatomy):<br>DNB (Anatomy) | This shall be recognised medical qualification when granted by National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences, New Delhi on or after August 1984. |
| Diplomate National Board (Biochemistry):<br>DNB (Biochemistry) | This shall be recognised medical qualification when granted by National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences, New Delhi on or after August 1982. |
| Diplomate National Board (Community Medicine):<br>DNB (Community Medicine) | This shall be recognised medical qualification when granted by National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences, New Delhi on or after August 2020; |
| Diplomate National Board (Social and Preventive Medicine):<br>DNB (Social and Preventive Medicine) | This shall be recognised medical qualification when granted by National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences, New Delhi on or after August 1982. |

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| Diplomate National Board (Dermatology, Venereology and Leprosy):<br>DNB (Dermatology, Venereology and Leprosy) | This shall be recognised medical qualification when granted by National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences, New Delhi on or after December 2013; |
| Diplomate National Board (Dermatology & Venereology):<br>DNB (Dermatology & Venereology) | This shall be recognised medical qualification when granted by National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences, New Delhi on or after August 1982. |
| Diplomate National Board (Emergency Medicine):<br>DNB (Emergency Medicine) | This shall be recognised medical qualification when granted by National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences, New Delhi on or after June 2013. |
| Diplomate National Board (Family Medicine):<br>DNB (Family Medicine) | This shall be recognised medical qualification when granted by National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences, New Delhi on or after August 1982. |
| Diplomate National Board (Field Epidemiology):<br>DNB (Field Epidemiology) | This shall be recognised medical qualification when granted by National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences, New Delhi on or after December 2012 till last batch registered in 2016 admission session. |
| Diplomate National Board (Forensic Medicine):<br>DNB (Forensic Medicine) | This shall be recognised medical qualification when granted by National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences, New Delhi on or after August 1982. |
| Diplomate National Board (General Medicine):<br>DNB (General Medicine) | This shall be recognised medical qualification when granted by National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences, New Delhi on or after August 1982. |
| Diplomate National Board (General Surgery):<br>DNB (General Surgery) | This shall be recognised medical qualification when granted by National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences, New Delhi on or after August 1982. |
| Diplomate National Board (Hospital Administration):<br>DNB (Hospital Administration) | This shall be recognised medical qualification when granted by National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences, New Delhi on or after August 2020; |
| Diplomate National Board (Health Administration including Hospital Administration):<br>DNB (Health Administration including Hospital Administration) | This shall be recognised medical qualification when granted by National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences, New Delhi on or after August 1982; |

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| Diplomate National Board (Immunohematology and Blood Transfusion):<br>DNB (Immunohematology and Blood Transfusion) | This shall be recognised medical qualification when granted by National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences, New Delhi on or after December 2013; |
| Diplomate National Board (Immunohematology and Transfusion Medicine):<br>DNB (Immunohematology and Transfusion Medicine) | This shall be recognised medical qualification when granted by National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences, New Delhi on or after December 2008. |
| Diplomate National Board (Maternal Child Health):<br>DNB (Maternal Child Health) | This shall be recognised medical qualification when granted by National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences, New Delhi on or after August 1982 till July 2007. |
| Diplomate National Board (Microbiology):<br>DNB (Microbiology) | This shall be recognised medical qualification when granted by National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences, New Delhi on or after August 1982. |
| Diplomate National Board (Nuclear Medicine):<br>DNB (Nuclear Medicine) | This shall be recognised medical qualification when granted by National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences, New Delhi on or after August 1982. |
| Diplomate National Board (Obstetrics and Gynaecology):<br>DNB (Obstetrics and Gynaecology) | This shall be recognised medical qualification when granted by National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences, New Delhi on or after August 1982. |
| Diplomate National Board (Ophthalmology):<br>DNB (Ophthalmology) | This shall be recognised medical qualification when granted by National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences, New Delhi on or after August 1982. |
| Diplomate National Board (Orthopaedics):<br>DNB (Orthopaedics) | This shall be recognised medical qualification when granted by National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences, New Delhi on or after August 1982. |
| Diplomate National Board (Otorhinolaryngology):<br>DNB (Otorhinolaryngology) | This shall be recognised medical qualification when granted by National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences, New Delhi on or after August 1982. |
| Diplomate National Board (Paediatrics):<br>DNB (Paediatrics) | This shall be recognised medical qualification when granted by National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences, New Delhi on or after August 1982. |
| Diplomate National Board (Pathology):<br>DNB (Pathology) | This shall be recognised medical qualification when granted by National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences, New Delhi on or after August 1982. |
| Diplomate National Board (Pharmacology):<br>DNB (Pharmacology) | This shall be recognised medical qualification when granted by National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences, New Delhi on or after August 1982. |

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| Diplomate National Board (Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation):<br>DNB (Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation) | This shall be recognised medical qualification when granted by National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences, New Delhi on or after August 1982. |
| Diplomate National Board (Physiology):<br>DNB (Physiology) | This shall be recognised medical qualification when granted by National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences, New Delhi on or after August 1982. |
| Diplomate National Board (Psychiatry):<br>DNB (Psychiatry) | This shall be recognised medical qualification when granted by National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences, New Delhi on or after August 1982. |
| Diplomate National Board (Radiation Oncology):<br>DNB (Radiation Oncology) | This shall be recognised medical qualification when granted by National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences, New Delhi on or after August 2020; |
| Diplomate National Board (Radio Therapy):<br>DNB (Radio Therapy) | This shall be recognised medical qualification when granted by National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences, New Delhi on or after August 1982. |
| Diplomate National Board (Radio Diagnosis):<br>DNB (Radio Diagnosis) | This shall be recognised medical qualification when granted by National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences, New Delhi on or after August 1982. |
| Diplomate National Board (Respiratory Medicine):<br>DNB (Respiratory Medicine) | This shall be recognised medical qualification when granted by National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences, New Delhi on or after December 2013; |
| Diplomate National Board (Respiratory Disease):<br>DNB (Respiratory Disease) | This shall be recognised medical qualification when granted by National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences, New Delhi on or after August 1982. |
| Diplomate National Board (Rural Surgery):<br>DNB (Rural Surgery) | This shall be recognised medical qualification when granted by National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences, New Delhi on or after December 2009 till last batch registered in 2020 admission session. |

ii. The following Doctorate National Board (DrNB), Super Specialty Courses (three years courses at the Post MD/MS/DNB level) shall be inserted, namely

| **Nomenclature of Qualification & Abbreviation** | **Recognition Status** |
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| Doctorate National Board (Cardiac Anaesthesia):<br>DrNB (Cardiac Anaesthesia) | This shall be recognised medical qualification when granted by National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences, New Delhi on or after August 2020. |

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| Doctorate National Board (Cardio Vascular & Thoracic Surgery):<br>DrNB (Cardio Vascular & Thoracic Surgery) | This shall be recognised medical qualification when granted by National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences, New Delhi on or after August 2020; |
| Diplomate National Board (Cardio Thoracic Surgery):<br>DNB (Cardio Thoracic Surgery) | This shall be recognised medical qualification when granted by National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences, New Delhi on or after August 1982. |
| Doctorate National Board (Cardiology):<br>DrNB (Cardiology) | This shall be recognised medical qualification when granted by National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences, New Delhi on or after August 2020; |
| Diplomate National Board (Cardiology):<br>DNB (Cardiology) | This shall be recognised medical qualification when granted by National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences, New Delhi on or after August 1982. |
| Doctorate National Board (Clinical Haematology):<br>DrNB (Clinical Haematology) | This shall be recognised medical qualification when granted by National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences, New Delhi on or after August 2020; |
| Diplomate National Board (Haematology):<br>DNB (Haematology) | This shall be recognised medical qualification when granted by National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences, New Delhi on or after December 2010. |
| Doctorate National Board (Clinical Immunology and Rheumatology):<br>DrNB (Clinical Immunology and Rheumatology) | This shall be recognised medical qualification when granted by National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences, New Delhi on or after August 2020; |
| Diplomate National Board (Rheumatology):<br>DNB (Rheumatology) | This shall be recognised medical qualification when granted by National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences, New Delhi on or after December 2008. |
| Doctorate National Board (Critical Care Medicine):<br>DrNB (Critical Care Medicine) | This shall be recognised medical qualification when granted by National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences, New Delhi on or after August 2020. |

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| Doctorate National Board (Endocrinology):<br>DrNB (Endocrinology) | This shall be recognised medical qualification when granted by National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences, New Delhi on or after August 2020; |
| Diplomate National Board (Endocrinology):<br>DNB (Endocrinology) | This shall be recognised medical qualification when granted by National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences, New Delhi on or after February 1989. |
| Doctorate National Board (Gynaecological Oncology):<br>DrNB (Gynaecological Oncology) | This shall be recognised medical qualification when granted by National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences, New Delhi on or after August 2020. |
| Doctorate National Board (Interventional Radiology):<br>DrNB (Interventional Radiology) | This shall be recognised medical qualification when granted by National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences, New Delhi on or after August 2020. |
| Doctorate National Board (Medical Gastroenterology):<br>DrNB (Medical Gastroenterology) | This shall be recognised medical qualification when granted by National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences, New Delhi on or after August 2020; |
| Diplomate National Board (Gastroenterology):<br>DNB (Gastroenterology) | This shall be recognised medical qualification when granted by National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences, New Delhi on or after August 1982. |
| Doctorate National Board (Medical Genetics):<br>DrNB (Medical Genetics) | This shall be recognised medical qualification when granted by National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences, New Delhi on or after August 2020; |
| Diplomate National Board (Medical Genetics):<br>DNB (Medical Genetics) | This shall be recognised medical qualification when granted by National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences, New Delhi on or after January 2015. |

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| Doctorate National Board (Medical Oncology): DrNB (Medical Oncology) | This shall be recognised medical qualification when granted by National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences, New Delhi on or after August 2020; |
| Diplomate National Board (Medical Oncology): DNB (Medical Oncology) | This shall be recognised medical qualification when granted by National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences, New Delhi on or after December 2002. |
| Doctorate National Board (Neonatology): DrNB (Neonatology) | This shall be recognised medical qualification when granted by National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences, New Delhi on or after August 2020; |
| Diplomate National Board (Neonatology): DNB (Neonatology) | This shall be recognised medical qualification when granted by National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences, New Delhi on or after June 2005. |
| Doctorate National Board (Nephrology): DrNB (Nephrology) | This shall be recognised medical qualification when granted by National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences, New Delhi on or after August 2020; |
| Diplomate National Board (Nephrology): DNB (Nephrology) | This shall be recognised medical qualification when granted by National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences, New Delhi on or after August 1982. |
| Doctorate National Board (Neuro Anaesthesia): DrNB (Neuro Anaesthesia) | This shall be recognised medical qualification when granted by National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences, New Delhi on or after August 2020. |
| Doctorate National Board (Neuro Surgery): DrNB (Neuro Surgery) | This shall be recognised medical qualification when granted by National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences, New Delhi on or after August 2020; |
| Diplomate National Board (Neuro Surgery): DNB (Neuro Surgery) | This shall be recognised medical qualification when granted by National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences, New Delhi on or after August 1982. |
| Doctorate National Board (Neurology): DrNB (Neurology) | This shall be recognised medical qualification when granted by National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences, New Delhi on or after August 2020; |
| Diplomate National Board (Neurology): DNB (Neurology) | This shall be recognised medical qualification when granted by National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences, New Delhi on or after August 1982. |

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| Doctorate National Board (Paediatric Cardiology): DrNB (Paediatric Cardiology) | This shall be recognised medical qualification when granted by National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences, New Delhi on or after August 2020. |
| Doctorate National Board (Paediatric Critical Care): DrNB (Paediatric Critical Care) | This shall be recognised medical qualification when granted by National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences, New Delhi on or after August 2020. |
| Doctorate National Board (Paediatric Surgery): DrNB (Paediatric Surgery)<br><br>Diplomate National Board (Paediatric Surgery): DNB (Paediatric Surgery) | This shall be recognised medical qualification when granted by National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences, New Delhi on or after August 2020;<br><br>This shall be recognised medical qualification when granted by National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences, New Delhi on or after August 1982. |
| Doctorate National Board (Plastic & Reconstructive Surgery): DrNB (Plastic & Reconstructive Surgery)<br><br>Diplomate National Board (Plastic Surgery): DNB (Plastic Surgery) | This shall be recognised medical qualification when granted by National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences, New Delhi on or after August 2020;<br><br>This shall be recognised medical qualification when granted by National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences, New Delhi on or after August 1982. |
| Doctorate National Board (Surgical Gastroenterology): DrNB (Surgical Gastroenterology)<br><br>Diplomate National Board (Surgical Gastroenterology): DNB (Surgical Gastroenterology) | This shall be recognised medical qualification when granted by National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences, New Delhi on or after August 2020;<br><br>This shall be recognised medical qualification when granted by National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences, New Delhi on or after January 2002. |

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| Doctorate National Board (Surgical Oncology): DrNB (Surgical Oncology) | This shall be recognised medical qualification when granted by National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences, New Delhi on or after August 2020; |
| Diplomate National Board (Surgical Oncology): DNB (Surgical Oncology) | This shall be recognised medical qualification when granted by National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences, New Delhi on or after December 2006. |
| Doctorate National Board (Thoracic Surgery): DrNB (Thoracic Surgery) | This shall be recognised medical qualification when granted by National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences, New Delhi on or after August 2020; |
| Diplomate National Board (Thoracic Surgery): DNB (Thoracic Surgery) | This shall be recognised medical qualification when granted by National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences, New Delhi on or after December 2014. |
| Doctorate National Board (Urology): DrNB (Urology) | This shall be recognised medical qualification when granted by National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences, New Delhi on or after August 2020; |
| Diplomate National Board (Genito Urinary Surgery): DNB (Genito Urinary Surgery) | This shall be recognised medical qualification when granted by National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences, New Delhi on or after December 1982. |
| Doctorate National Board (Vascular Surgery): DrNB (Vascular Surgery) | This shall be recognised medical qualification when granted by National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences, New Delhi on or after August 2020; |
| Diplomate National Board (Peripheral Vascular Surgery): DNB (Peripheral Vascular Surgery) | This shall be recognised medical qualification when granted by National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences, New Delhi on or after December 2009. |

iii. The following Fellowship National Board (FNB) Courses (two years courses at the Post MD/MS or DM/MCh level shall be inserted, namely,

| Nomenclature of Qualification & Abbreviation | Recognition Status |
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| Fellowship National Board (Arthroplasty):<br>FNB (Arthroplasty) | This shall be recognised medical qualification when granted by National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences, New Delhi on or after August 2020. |
| Fellowship National Board (Breast Imaging):<br>FNB (Breast Imaging) | This shall be recognised medical qualification when granted by National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences, New Delhi on or after August 2020. |
| Fellowship National Board (Cardiac Anaesthesia):<br>FNB (Cardiac Anaesthesia) | This shall be recognised medical qualification when granted by National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences, New Delhi on or after January 2001. |
| Fellowship National Board (Critical Care Medicine):<br>FNB (Critical Care Medicine) | This shall be recognised medical qualification when granted by National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences, New Delhi on or after March 2001. |
| Fellowship National Board (Dermatopathology):<br>FNB (Dermatopathology) | This shall be recognised medical qualification when granted by National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences, New Delhi on or after August 2020. |
| Fellowship National Board (Hand & Micro Surgery):<br>FNB (Hand & Micro Surgery) | This shall be recognised medical qualification when granted by National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences, New Delhi on or after February 2002. |
| Fellowship National Board (Infectious Disease):<br>FNB (Infectious Disease) | This shall be recognised medical qualification when granted by National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences, New Delhi on or after February 2008. |
| Fellowship National Board (Interventional Cardiology):<br>FNB (Interventional Cardiology) | This shall be recognised medical qualification when granted by National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences, New Delhi on or after February 2002. |
| Fellowship National Board (Laboratory Medicine):<br>FNB (Laboratory Medicine) | This shall be recognised medical qualification when granted by National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences, New Delhi on or after December 2006. |

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| Fellowship National Board (Liver Transplantation):<br>FNB (Liver Transplantation) | This shall be recognised medical qualification when granted by National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences, New Delhi on or after August 2020. |
| Fellowship National Board (Maternal and Foetal Medicine):<br>FNB (Maternal and Foetal Medicine) | This shall be recognised medical qualification when granted by National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences, New Delhi on or after August 2020; |
| Fellowship National Board (High Risk Pregnancy & Perinatology):<br>FNB (High Risk Pregnancy & Perinatology) | This shall be recognised medical qualification when granted by National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences, New Delhi on or after January 2001. |
| Fellowship National Board (Minimal Access Surgery):<br>FNB (Minimal Access Surgery) | This shall be recognised medical qualification when granted by National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences, New Delhi on or after December 2000. |
| Fellowship National Board (Neurovascular Intervention):<br>FNB (Neurovascular Intervention) | This shall be recognised medical qualification when granted by National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences, New Delhi on or after August 2020. |
| Fellowship National Board (Paediatric Cardiology):<br>FNB (Paediatric Cardiology) | This shall be recognised medical qualification when granted by National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences, New Delhi on or after March 2001. |
| Fellowship National Board (Paediatric Dermatology):<br>FNB (Paediatric Dermatology) | This shall be recognised medical qualification when granted by National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences, New Delhi on or after August 2020. |
| Fellowship National Board (Paediatric Gastroenterology):<br>FNB (Paediatric Gastroenterology) | This shall be recognised medical qualification when granted by National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences, New Delhi on or after January 2014. |
| Fellowship National Board (Paediatric Hemato Oncology):<br>FNB (Paediatric Hemato Oncology) | This shall be recognised medical qualification when granted by National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences, New Delhi on or after December 2006. |
| Fellowship National Board (Paediatric Intensive Care):<br>FNB (Paediatric Intensive Care) | This shall be recognised medical qualification when granted by National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences, New Delhi on or after December 2006. |

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| Fellowship National Board (Paediatric Nephrology):<br>FNB (Paediatric Nephrology) | This shall be recognised medical qualification when granted by National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences, New Delhi on or after August 2020. |
| Fellowship National Board (Pain Medicine):<br>FNB (Pain Medicine) | This shall be recognised medical qualification when granted by National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences, New Delhi on or after August 2020. |
| Fellowship National Board (Reproductive Medicine):<br>FNB (Reproductive Medicine) | This shall be recognised medical qualification when granted by National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences, New Delhi on or after May 2003. |
| Fellowship National Board (Spine Surgery):<br>FNB (Spine Surgery) | This shall be recognised medical qualification when granted by National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences, New Delhi on or after February 2001. |
| Fellowship National Board (Sports Medicine):<br>FNB (Sports Medicine) | This shall be recognised medical qualification when granted by National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences, New Delhi on or after January 2014. |
| Fellowship National Board (Trauma & Acute Care Surgery):<br>FNB (Trauma & Acute Care Surgery) | This shall be recognised medical qualification when granted by National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences, New Delhi on or after August 2020. |
| Fellowship National Board (Trauma Care):<br>FNB (Trauma Care) | This shall be recognised medical qualification when granted by National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences, New Delhi on or after May 2001. |
| Fellowship National Board (Vitreo Retinal Surgery):<br>FNB (Vitreo Retinal Surgery) | This shall be recognised medical qualification when granted by National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences, New Delhi on or after March 2001. |
| Fellowship National Board (Peripheral Vascular Surgery):<br>FNB (Peripheral Vascular Surgery) | This shall be recognised medical qualification when granted by National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences, New Delhi on or after April 2001. |

**Note:** The FNB qualifications shall not be treated as a recognized medical qualification for the purpose of teaching faculty.

**Prof. Minu Bajpai**
**Honorary Executive Director, NBEMS**

## MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

**(Department of Health and Family Welfare)**

## NOTIFICATION

**New Delhi, the 3rd August, 2016**

S.O. 2672(E),-In exercise of the power conferred by sub-section (2) of section 11 of the Indian Medical Council Act, 1956 (102 of 1956), the Central Government after consulting the Medical Council of India, Hereby Makes the following further amendments in the First Schedule of the Act, namely;

(i) The following diplomate National Board (DNB), Broad Specialty Courses (three years courses at the Post MBBS level) shall be inserted, namely,

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| Diplomate National Board (Anatomy) | This shall be recognised medical Qualification When granted by National Board of Examinations, New Delhi on or after August 1984. |
| Diplomate National Board (Emergency Medicine) | This shall be recognised medical Qualification When granted by National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences, New Delhi on or after June, 2013. |
| Diplomate National Board (Field Epidemiology) | This shall be recognised medical Qualification When granted by National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences, New Delhi on or after December 2012. |
| Diplomate National Board(Immunohematology & Transfusion Medicine) | This shall be recognised medical Qualification When granted by National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences, New Delhi on or after December 2008. |
| Diplomate National Board (Rural Surgery) | This shall be recognised medical Qualification When granted by National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences, New Delhi on or after December 2009. |

(ii) The following Diplomate National Board (DNB), Super Specialty Course (three years courses at the Post MD/MS level) shall be inserted, namely

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| Diplomate National Board (Endocrinology) | This shall be recognised medical Qualification When granted by National Board of Examinations, New Delhi on or after Feb 1989. |
| Diplomate National Board (Hematology) | This shall be recognised medical Qualification When granted by National Board of Examinations, New Delhi on or after December 2010. |
| Diplomate National Board (Medical Genetics) | This shall be recognised medical Qualification When granted by National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences, New Delhi on or after January, 2015. |
| Diplomate National Board (Medical Oncology) | This shall be recognised medical Qualification When granted by National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences, New Delhi on or after December 2002. |

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| Diplomate National Board (Neonatology) | This shall be recognised medical Qualification When granted by National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences, New Delhi on or after June 2005. |
| Diplomate National Board (Peripheral Vascular Surgery) | This shall be recognised medical Qualification When granted by National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences, New Delhi on or after December 2009. |
| Diplomate National Board (Rheumatology) | This shall be recognised medical Qualification When granted by National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences, New Delhi on or after December 2008. |
| Diplomate National Board (Surgical Gastroenterology) | This shall be recognised medical Qualification When granted by National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences, New Delhi on or after January, 2002. |
| Diplomate National Board (Surgical Oncology) | This shall be recognised medical Qualification When granted by National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences, New Delhi on or after December 2006. |
| Diplomate National Board (Thoracic Surgery) | This shall be recognised medical Qualification When granted by National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences, New Delhi on or after January 2014. |

(iii) The following Fellowship National Board (FNB), Courses (two years courses at the Post MD / MS level) Shall be inserted, namely,

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| Fellowship National Board (Pediatric Intensive Care) | This shall be recognised medical Qualification When granted by National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences, New Delhi on or after December 2006. |
| Fellowship National Board (Reproductive Medicine) | This shall be recognised medical Qualification When granted by National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences, New Delhi on or after May 2003. |
| Fellowship National Board (Spine Surgery) | This shall be recognised medical Qualification When granted by National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences, New Delhi on or after February 2001. |
| Fellowship National Board (Trauma Care) | This shall be recognised medical Qualification When granted by National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences, New Delhi on or after May 2001. |
| Fellowship National Board (Vitreo Retinal Surgery) | This shall be recognised medical Qualification When granted by National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences, New Delhi on or after March 2001. |
| Fellowship National Board (Paediatric Gastroenterology) | This shall be recognised medical Qualification When granted by National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences, New Delhi on or after January 2014. |
| Fellowship National Board (Sports Medicine) | This shall be recognised medical Qualification When granted by National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences, New Delhi on or after January 2014. |

**Note: -** The FNB qualifications shall not be treated as a recognised medical qualification for the purpose of teaching faculty.

[No. V.11025/19/2014-MEP]

ALIR. RIZVI, Jt. Secy.

**Annexure - B**

## LIST OF NBEMS FELLOWSHIP COURSES OFFERED IN FET 2023 WITH ELIGIBLE FEEDER QUALIFICATIONS

## FNB PROGRAMME OFFERED FOR INDIAN STUDENTS:

| S. No | Name of NBEMS Fellowship Course | Prior Requirement Qualifications |
|---|---|---|
| 1 | Arthroplasty | DNB/MS (Orthopaedics) |
| 2 | Bariatric Surgery* | MS/DNB General Surgery<br>**At least three year of experience in General Surgery/ Minimal Access Surgery after post graduation** |
| 3 | Breast Imaging | MD/DNB Radiodiagnosis |
| 4 | Cardiac Electrophysiology | DM/DNB/DrNB Cardiology |
| 5 | Fetal Radiology | MD/DNB Radiodiagnosis |
| 6 | Head and Neck Oncology | MS/DNB General Surgery<br>MD/DNB Otorhinolaryngology<br>MCh/DNB/DrNB Surgical Oncology<br>MCh Head and Neck Oncology |
| 7 | Hand & Micro Surgery | DrNB/MCh Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery<br>DNB/MS Orthopaedics<br>DNB/MS General Surgery |
| 8 | Interventional Cardiology | DrNB/DM (Cardiology) |
| 9 | Liver Transplantation | DrNB/MCh (G I Surgery) |
| 10 | Maternal & Foetal Medicine | DNB/MD/MS Obst. & Gynaecology |
| 11 | Minimal Access Surgery | DNB/MS General Surgery |
| 12 | Minimal Access Urology | MCh/DNB/DrNB Urology |
| 13 | Musculoskeletal Radiology | DNB/MD Radio Diagnosis |

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| 14 | Neurovascular Intervention | DrNB/MCh Neuro Surgery<br>DrNB/DM Neurology<br>DM Neuroradiology<br>DNB/MD Radiodiagnosis |
| 15 | Onco-Anaesthesia | DNB/MD Anaesthesia |
| 16 | Pain Medicine | DNB/MD Anaesthesia |
| 17 | Paediatric Anaesthesia | DNB/MD Anaesthesia |
| 18 | Paediatric Gastroenterology | DNB/MD Paediatrics |
| 19 | Paediatric Hemato-Oncology | DNB/MD Paediatrics |
| 20 | Paediatric Nephrology | DNB/MD Paediatrics |
| 21 | Paediatric Urology | MCh/DNB/DrNB Urology<br>MCh/DNB/DrNB Paediatric Surgery |
| 22 | Renal Transplant* | MCh/DNB/DrNB Urology<br>MS/DNB General Surgery **with three year of experience in a renal transplant centre (Only Renal Transplant Specialty Board Certified Centres approved for this experience)** |
| 23 | Reproductive Medicine | DNB/MD/MS Obst. & Gynaecology |
| 24 | Spine Surgery | DNB/MS Orthopaedics<br>DrNB/MCh Neuro Surgery |
| 25 | Sports Medicine | DNB/MS (Orthopaedics) |
| 26 | Transplant Anaesthesia | DNB/MD Anaesthesia |
| 27 | Trauma Anaesthesia & Critical Care | DNB/MD Anaesthesia |
| 28 | Trauma & Acute Care Surgery | DNB/MS (General Surgery)<br>DNB/MS (Orthopaedics)<br>DrNB/MCh (Neuro Surgery)<br>DNB/MD (Anaesthesiology) |
| 29 | Vitreo Retinal Surgery | DNB/MS (Ophthalmology) |

* Applicants must ensure before applying that they are in possession of requisite qualification and experience as prescribed.

## FNB PROGRAMME OFFERED FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS:

| S. No | Name of NBEMS Fellowship (FNB) Course | Prior Requirement Qualifications |
|---|---|---|
| 1 | Arthroplasty | DNB/MS (Orthopaedics) |
| 2 | Breast Imaging | MD/DNB Radiodiagnosis |
| 3 | Hand & Micro Surgery | DrNB/MCh Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery<br>DNB/MS Orthopaedics<br>DNB/MS General Surgery |
| 4 | Maternal & Foetal Medicine | DNB/MD/MS Obst. & Gynaecology |
| 5 | Minimal Access Surgery | DNB/MS General Surgery |
| 6 | Neurovascular Intervention | DrNB/MCh Neuro Surgery<br>DrNB/DM Neurology<br>DM Neuroradiology<br>MD/DNB Radiodiagnosis |
| 7 | Paediatric Hemato-Oncology | DNB/MD Paediatrics |
| 8 | Reproductive Medicine | DNB/MD/MS Obst. & Gynaecology |
| 9 | Spine Surgery | DNB/MS (Orthopaedics)<br>DrNB/MCh (Neuro Surgery) |
| 10 | Trauma & Acute Care Surgery | DNB/MS (General Surgery)<br>DNB/MS (Orthopaedics)<br>DrNB/MCh (Neuro Surgery)<br>DNB/MD (Anaesthesiology) |
| 11 | Vitreo Retinal Surgery | DNB/MS (Ophthalmology) |

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FET 2023 counseling. Inclusion of FNB seats in above mentioned specialties in the counseling shall be subject to the consent of participating institutions and compliance of the institutions to the prescribed accreditation criteria.

**Annexure - C**

# INSTITUTIONS OFFERING FNB PROGRAMME FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS#

| S.No | Speciality | Name of Hospital/ Institution | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | Arthroplasty | 1 | Sakra World Hospital<br>No. 52/2, 52/3, Devarabeesanahalli,<br>Varthur Hobli, Bangalore<br>Karnataka |
| | | 2 | Amandeep Hospital<br>G.T.Road, Model Town,<br>Amritsar, Punjab |
| | | 3 | Ganga Medical Centre & Hospital Pvt. Ltd.<br>313, Mettupalayam Road,<br>Coimbatore |
| | | 4 | Medica Superspecialty Hospital<br>127 Mukundapur, E M Bypass,<br>Kolkata, West Bengal |
| | | | |
| 2 | Breast Imaging | 1 | Kovai Medical Centre,<br>Post Box No. 3209,<br>Avinashi Road,<br>Civil Arodrom Post,<br>COIMBATORE, Tamil Nadu |
| | | | |
| 3 | Hand and Micro Surgery | 1 | Ganga Medical Centre & Hospital Pvt. Ltd. 313, Mettupalayam Road,Coimbatore |
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| 4 | Maternal & Foetal Medicine | 1 | Fernandez Hospital Pvt. Ltd.<br>4-1-1230, Bogulkunta,<br>Hyderabad, Andhra Pradesh |
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| | | 1 | GEM Hospital and Research Centre<br>45-A, Pankaja Mill Road,<br>Ramanathapuram,<br>COIMBATORE, Tamil Nadu |

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| 5 | Minimal Access Surgery | 2 | Apollo Hospital<br>159/11, Opp. I.I.M.,<br>Bannerghatta Road,<br>Bangalore, Karnataka |
| | | 3 | Galaxy Care Laproscopy Institute,<br>Rasthria Shiksan Mandal's, 25/A,<br>Karve Road, Pune |
| | | 4 | Fortis Memorial Research Institute<br>Sector-44, Opposite HUDA CITY<br>centre Metro Station,<br>Gurgaon, Haryana-122002 |
| | | 5 | Meenakshi Mission Hosp. & Res.<br>Centre<br>Lake Area, Melur Road,<br>MADURAI, Tamil Nadu |
| | | | |
| 6 | Neurovascular Intervention | 1 | Pacific Medical College & Hospital<br>Bhillo Ka Bedla, Amberi NH 76,<br>Udaipur |
| | | | |
| 7 | Pediatric Hemato Oncology | 1 | Rajiv Gandhi Cancer Institute and<br>Research Centre,<br>Sec-5, Rohini, New Delhi, Delhi |
| | | 2 | St. Johns Medical College Hospital<br>Sarjapur Road, Koramanagala<br>Bangalore, Karnataka |
| | | 3 | Apollo Hospital,<br>21, Greams lane, Off Greams Rd,<br>Thousand Lights,<br>Chennai., Tamil Nadu |
| | | 4 | Rainbow Children's Hospital &<br>Perinatal Centre,<br>22, Rd#10, Banjara Hills,<br>Hyderabad, Telangana |
| | | 5 | (NH-Narayana Health City,<br>Bangalore) #258/A, Bommasandra<br>Industrial Area, Anekal Taluk,<br>Bangalore Karnataka |
| | | 6 | Tata Medical Center<br>14 MAR (E-W), Newtown, Rajarhat,<br>Kolkata, West Bengal |

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| 8 | Reproductive Medicine $ | 1 | Bangalore Assisted Conception Centre (BACC)<br>No. 7, East park Road, Kumara Park East, High Grounds, Bangalore, Karnataka |
| | | 2 | Oasis Centre for Reproductive Medicine plot No. 8-2-269/3/4<br>Near NATCO Pharma,Banjara Hills, Road No. 1, Hyderabad, Telangana |
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| 9 | Spine Surgery | 1 | Ganga Medical Centre & Hospital Pvt. Ltd. 313, Mettupalayam Road, Coimbatore- 641043 |
| | | 2 | Indian Spinal Injuries Centre<br>Sector C, Vasant Kunj, Delhi |
| | | 3 | Manipal Hospital<br>98 Rustum Bagh,<br>Old Airport Road,<br>Bangalore, Karnataka |
| | | 4 | Sakra World Hospital<br>(A Unit of Takshasila Hospitals Operating Private Limited)<br>No. 52/2, 52/3, Devarabeesanahalli, Varthur Hobli, Bangalore, Karnataka |
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| 10 | Trauma & Acute Care Surgery | 1 | Ganga Medical Centre & Hospital Pvt. Ltd. 313, Mettupalayam Road, Coimbatore- 641043 |
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| 11 | Vitreo Retinal Surgery | 1 | Ahalia Foundation Eye Hospital<br>Palakkad, Kerala |
| | | 2 | Chaithanya Eye Hospital,<br>Kesavadasapuram,<br>TRIVANDRUM, Kerala |

# The list is provisional subject to decisions taken by National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences time to time and consent of participating institutions.

$ Inclusion of the seat in the counseling is subject to compliance of Assisted Reproductive Technology Rules, 2022 notified by the MoHFW, Govt of India vide Gazette notification dated 07.06.2022.

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