

Government of West Bengal Department of Higher Education Technical Education Branch Bikash Bhaban, 6th Floor, Salt Lake, Kolkata-91

No. 511-Edn(T)/10M-86/15

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<u>NOTIFICATION</u>

Subject: Guidelines for admission to the vacant seats through Decentralized Counseling (Institute Level) in Degree Level Pharmacy course (B.Pharm) after completion of the e-counseling in 2024 for the academic year 2024-25.

The West Bengal Joint Entrance Examinations Board (WBJEEB) has been entrusted for conducting of examinations, e-counseling and allotment of seats for selection and admission of candidates to the Degree Level Engineering, Technology, Architecture and **Pharmacy** courses in the State.

The West Bengal Joint Entrance Examinations Board has already completed the 03(three) phases (including Mop-up round) of e-counseling and allotment process and accordingly has generated the allotment and admission status report as well as vacancy status report in respect of all the participating institutes for the academic session of 2024-25 in respect of Engineering, Technology, Architecture and Pharmacy institutes only.

Like previous years, a reasonable number of seats in such Professional Technical courses are lying vacant. Therefore, it has been decided by the State Govt. in the Higher Education Department to allow all the institutes recognized by the Regulatory Authorities/State Aided Autonomous University/Affiliating University/Private University, as the case may be, for admission of students through de-centralized counseling and allotment process.

- Now for admission to the B. Pharm. course in the 1st year through de-centralized counseling (Institution Level), the following conditions may be followed :
 - a. For Private and Self-financing colleges/University(s), admission may be allowed on the basis of (i) WBJEE rank, (ii) All India JEE Main rank and (iii) 10+2 Level results like last year (without any rank from WBJEE or All India JEE Main), fulfilling all the eligibility criteria of the Regulatory Authorities i.e. PCI;
 - b. For State Govt. Pharmacy Institute(Institute of Pharmacy, Jalpaiguri), admission may be allowed only for students domiciled in West Bengal only with WBJEE Merit rank, fulfilling all the eligibility criteria of the Regulatory Authorities;
 - c. For State Universities/ University Departments, admission may be allowed only with WBJEE Merit Rank along with their existing norms of percentage of domicile students and students from other States, fulfilling all the eligibility criteria of the Regulatory Authorities;

It has been further decided that for participating in Decentralized counseling, the candidates shall have to fulfill all the eligibility criteria as stipulated by the WBJEE/All India JEE, as the case may be, and where applicable along with the eligibility criteria stipulated by the Regulatory Authorities i.e. PCI, as applicable.

- 2. General Guidelines for conduct of de-centralized counseling in respect of the Govt. and Private Self-Financing Pharmacy Colleges as well as State Aided University Departments/Private University :
 - a. Every institute shall declare the list of vacant seats in the Institutional Notice Board as well as in the Institutional website inviting clear "Notice" seeking application from eligible candidates for admission through such system.
 - b. Institutes shall declare/publish the list of applicants eligible, shortlisted for admission as against the declared vacant seats along with list of ineligible candidates, if any, with proper justification for rejection there off.
 - c. Admission shall be made in order of merit and preference of candidates in a transparent manner in strict compliance to the eligibility criteria
 - d. Eligible institutes shall publish the list of finally admitted students along with their merit within the stipulated time frame, as may be defined by the respective Affiliating State Aided/Unitary/Private University. A list of such admitted students must be submitted to the Director of Technical Education, Govt. of West Bengal as well as to the Affiliating State Aided/Unitary/Private University, where necessary, within the said cut-off date.
- 3. For filling up the vacant EWS seats at the institute level, the institutes have to strictly follow the Gazette Notification bearing No. 628-Edn(CS) dated 18.09.2023 in the following manner :

"In continuation to this Department's Memo No. 339-Edn(CS)/OM-74L/2023 dated 26.05.2023 and published in the Kolkata Gazette, extraordinary, Part I, on 26.05.2023, after clause 3, insert the following clauses :

The District Magistrate and the District Reservation Commissioner shall be the authority in respect of Higher Educational Institutions within their administrative jurisdiction for approval of filling up of the unfilled reserved seats for Economically Weaker Sections (EWSs) category by the candidates from General Merit list, subject to fulfillment of conditions laid down in clause 3(e) of Memorandum No. 339-Edn(CS)/OM-74L/2023 dated 26.05.2023.

In respect of institutes situated in Kolkata as defined in the Kolkata Municipal Corporation Act, 1980, the Commissioner for Reservation and ex-officio Secretary in the Backward Classes Welfare Department and the Joint Commissioner for Reservation and ex-officio Joint Secretary, Backward Classes Welfare Department shall be the authorities for granting such permission for filling up the vacancies for such seats reserved for EWS category by the candidates from General Merit List, subject to fulfillment of conditions laid down in Clause 3(e) of Memo No. 339-Edn(CS)/OM-74L/2023 dated 26.05.2023.

Such filling up of vacant seats for EWS category shall be made only from those left out candidates in the General Merit List for admission prepared by the concerned institute and no new candidate outside the said panel shall be considered for such admission. Until and unless the separate merit list of Economically Weaker Section (EWSs) candidates is exhausted by filling up of available seats for Economically Weaker Section (EWSs) category as per Memo no. 339-Edn(CS)/OM-74L/2023 dated 26.05.2023, de-reservation proposal shall not be entertained."

4. The entire admission process shall be completed within cut-off date as notified/to be notified by the concerned Affiliating State Aided/Unitary/Private University, as the case may be.

asy 09/12/2024 **Deputy Secretary**

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Copy forwarded for information and necessary action to:

- 1. The Chairperson, West Bengal Joint Entrance Examinations Board (WBJEEB), DB-118, Sector-I, Salt Lake, Kolkata-700064;
- 2. The Registrar, Maulana Abul Kalam Azad University of Technology with request to communicate to all the affiliated institutes;
- 3. The Senior Special Secretary, Technical Education Branch, Bikash Bhavan, 6th Floor, Kolkata-700091;
- 4. The Director of Technical Education, West Bengal, Bikash Bhaban, 10th Floor, Salt Lake, Kolkata-700091 - with request to inform all concerned;
- 5. The Director of Technical Education & Training, West Bengal, Vocational Training Institutes, Action Area III, New Town, Kolkata for kind information and necessary action;
- 6. The Registrar, Jadavpur University/ West Bengal University of Health Sciences/ Adamas University, Barasat/ School of Pharmacy, Techno India University, Salt Lake/ JIS University;
- 7. Private Secretary of Hon'ble MIC, Department of Higher Education;
- 8. The Nodal Officer, IT Cell, Department of Higher Education with a request to upload in the departmental website;
- 9. Senior P.S to the Principal Secretary to the Govt. of West Bengal, Department of Higher Education, Bikash Bhaban, 6th Floor, Kolkata-91;
- 10. The President, Association of Professional Academic Institutes (APAI), West Bengal with request to intimate all concerned;
- 11. Guard File copy.

xu 09/12/2024 Deputy Secretary