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1. To all institutions approved by PCI –
   i) u/s 12 of the Pharmacy Act.
   ii) for conduct of course.

2. To all Universities/Examining Authorities
3. To all State Pharmacy Councils / Registration Tribunals.

Sub: Clarification regarding supernumerary seats in various categories like Tuition Fee Waiver (TFW)/Economically Weaker Section (EWS)/J&K seats etc.

Ref: Council’s circular Nos.-
2. 14-11/2017-PCI/57950-60127 dt. 2.1.2018 regarding filling up of the vacant seats of 1st for B.Pharm course through lateral entry in the 2nd year B.Pharm.
3. Judgment dt. 5.3.2020 passed by Hon’ble Supreme Court of India in TRANSFER PETITIONS (CIVIL) NOS. 87-101 OF 2014 and Council’s circular dt. 14-56/2019-PCI (A)/9851-55 dt. 11.3.2020 pursuant to it.

Sir/Madam,

1. This has a reference to subject cited above. In this connection, I am directed to inform that 109 Central Council of the PCI in its meeting held on 8th and 9th April, 2020 noted that pharmacy institutions are admitting students in various categories like TFW / EWS/ J&K seats etc. over and above the sanctioned intake by the PCI.

2) Considering the information on record, the Central Council decided that if the State Government or the statutory admission making authority has allotted the said seats over and above the sanctioned intake by PCI, the PCI may consider such excess admissions over and above the sanctioned intake by PCI subject to submission of documentary evidence by the institution clearly indicating the category and number of students allotted in the said category by the concerned statutory authority.
3. Accordingly, the following category of supernumerary seats made by institutions approved u/s 12 of the Pharmacy Act, 1948 will be considered by the PCI.

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| 1     | Lateral entry seats in B.PharmIInd year course. | 10% of sanctioned intake of B.PharmIst year (For Example if the approved intake of B.PharmIst year is 60 seats, then lateral entry seats will be 6 seats) | Admission qualification for lateral entry to B.Pharm shall be a pass in D.Pharm course from an institution approved by the PCI u/s 12 of Pharmacy Act, 1948. Vacant seats of B.PharmIst year can also be filled through lateral entry in B.PharmIInd year for persons holding D.Pharm qualification from an institution approved u/s 12 of the Pharmacy Act, 1948 subject to the following conditions -

i) Such D.Pharm holders admitted directly to B.Pharm 2nd year shall pass those subjects of B.Pharm 1st year which are not covered under D.Pharm.

ii) At any given time the admission in B.Pharm 2nd year should not exceed the sanctioned intake of B.Pharm 1st year + 10% seats of sanctioned intake of 1st year B.Pharm.

iii) The vacant seats of 1st year filled in the 2nd year should be only those that remained vacant in the 1st year and not created by the failure of students or not permitting the students for examination etc. for lack of attendance. |
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<td>2.</td>
<td>Supernumerary seats for J &amp;K under Prime Minister’s Special Scholarship Scheme (PMSSS) subject to changes suggested by the inter-ministerial committee of MHRD from time to time.</td>
<td>2 seats per course</td>
<td>2 seats per Course shall be available for these admissions with the maximum of 10 seats per institution. These seats shall be supernumerary in nature. This category shall be mandatory for all Institutions approved by the PCI subject to, the changes suggested by the Inter-Ministerial Committee of MHRD from time to time.</td>
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<td>3.</td>
<td>EWS (Economic Weaker Section)</td>
<td>10% of “Approved Intake” (For Example if the approved intake of B.Pharm1st year is 60 seats, then EWS seats will be 6)</td>
<td>Scheme has been asked to implement to all the Central and State universities in consultation with the respective State Governments. It is still to be implemented to private institutions until the State Government directed through specific circular. A documentary evidence of the said circular needs to be uploaded.</td>
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<td>4.</td>
<td>Tuition Fee Waiver Scheme (TFW)</td>
<td>5% of “Approved Intake” (For Example if the approved intake of B.Pharm1st year is 60 seats, then TFW seats will be 3)</td>
<td>A) Under this Scheme, up to a maximum of 5% of “approved intake” per Course shall be available for this admission. These seats shall be supernumerary in nature. These supernumerary seats shall be available only to such Course(s) in an institution, where a minimum of 30% of “approved intake” are filled up.</td>
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<td>B) The Competent Authority to effect admission is the State Government/ UT or its designated authority.</td>
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<td>C) The State Admission Authority shall invite applications under this category, make a separate merit list for this category and effect admission on the basis of the merit list so generated.</td>
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<td>D) The Institutions shall publish in their Brochure and Web site the details of this scheme. The Institutions shall also display information regarding admitted candidates in its Web site for information to the students and other stakeholders.</td>
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**NOTE:** The seats in above categories shall be filled with only those candidates for whom the benefit is meant for by the competent authority and not by the institution.

In the event of such seats not being filled, the said seats shall remain vacant and not be filled by other category candidates.

This is for information and necessary action.

Yours faithfully

[Signature]

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Registrar-cum-Secretary