ADVISORY

To,

1. The Principal/Dean of all the Dental Colleges in the Country.
2. The Registrar of all the universities affiliating dental institutions in the country.
3. The Principal Secretary (Medical Education/Health & Family Welfare) of all State/UT Governments.
4. The Directors of Medical Education Departments of all State/UTs.

Subject: Advisory on holding UG and PG Examination-2020 by the Dental Colleges/Universities and to appoint External Examiner.

In continuation of an advisory issued by the Dental Council of India vide its circular No. DE-14-ACADEMIC(MDS)-2020/344 dated 02.06.2020 on the subject cited above, the undersigned is directed to say that after issuance of advisory, DCI received certain representations from various quarters including Associations, Students, Colleges etc. in this regard. The Executive Committee of the DCI, in its meeting held on 10.06.2020, after considering the representations recommended to the Central Government for following modifications:-

2. (i) The word July, 2020 occurred in last line of para – 2 of the Advisory may be omitted without prescribing any time limit.

The following new para – 2A below the existing para -2 may be added

(a) The examination for final year BDS/MDS examination shall be conducted as per existing advisory at suitable time as and when the normalcy in the respective state/district is restored. No specific time frame may be prescribed.

(b) The examination for first/second/third year BDS Course may be conducted by the respective colleges/universities as and when the normalcy in the respective state/district is restored. No specific time frame may be prescribed. But the colleges are free to allow the students to commence their studies for next higher classes. However, the students shall have to pass their examination as and when it is conducted by the respective colleges/universities for their previous year of professional BDS Course.

(c) The other contents of the earlier advisory dated 02.06.2020 shall remain the same.*

2. The Dental Council of India, vide its letter dated 10.06.2020 (copy attached) taken up the matter with the Government of India. The Government of India, vide its letter No. V.12025/52/2020-DE [FTS:8061743] dated 29.06.2020 (copy attached) has informed that conduct of exam is University’s prerogative and rather than changing its earlier advisory, DCI may, if absolutely necessary, grant specific relaxation if any University asks for it on case to case basis.

3. Accordingly, all the Universities /State Governments, under their prerogative, after making comprehensive assessment of university location and diversity of the colleges, their level of preparedness, residential status of the students, status of COVID-19 pandemic spread in different regions / state and other factors, shall chart out a plan for the examinations.

4. However, as suggested by the Govt. of India, the respective University / State Govt. may take up the matter with the Dental Council of India only if it considers it absolutely necessary to grant specific relaxation on case to case basis. If any student, Association / Society, Colleges etc. desires to make a representation in this regard, they are hereby advise to make the same to the respective State / University.

Copy for information to:

The Secretary to the Govt. of India, Ministry of Health & Family Welfare, (Deptt. of Health – DE Section), Nirman Bhawan, Maulana Azad Road, New Delhi – 110 011, w.r.t. GOI letter No. V.12025/52/2020-DE [FTS:8061743] dated 29.06.2020. The input received from the State / University in the office of the DCI has already been informed to Govt. of India, and in case any other input is received the same will be informed to them.

(M.L.Meena)
Joint Secretary (L&A)
Dental Council of India
No. DE-14-ACADEMIC(MDS)-2020 / 235
Dated the 1st June, 2020

To,
The Secretary
Govt. of India,
Ministry of Health & Family Welfare,
(Deptt. of Health – PMS Section),
Nirman Bhawan, Maulana Azad Road,
New Delhi – 110 011

Subject: Advisory on holding UG and PG Examination-2020 by the Dental Colleges/Universities and to appoint External Examiner.

I am directed to refer to GOI letter No. V.12025/52/2020-DE (FTS:8061743) dated 02.06.2020 on the subject cited above and to say that after having accorded the approval of the Central Government, the DCI vide its letter No. DE-14-ACADEMIC(MDS)-2020/344 dated 02.06.2020 (copy enclosed) issued its advisory to all the stakeholders and uploaded on its website for the information and necessary action. This Council has received various representations from Students, Colleges, Universities, and Associations/Societies of the Specialities of the Dentistry indicating different type of difficulties in practically implementing the advisories during spread of Covid-19, particularly with regard to para – 2 of the Advisory issued by DCI.

2. The Executive Committee after considering the said various representations received in the office of DCI, in its meeting held on 10.06.2020 and decided to request the Central Government to accord its approval for suitably modification of para-2 of the advisory issued on 02.06.2020 as under:-

2. (i) The word July, 2020 occurred in last line of para – 2 of the Advisory may be omitted without prescribing any time limit.

The following new para 2A below the existing para -2 may be added

(a) The examination for final year BDS/MDS examination shall be conducted as per existing advisory at suitable time as and when the normalcy in the respective state/district is restored. No specific time frame may be prescribed.

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(c) The other contents of the earlier advisory dated 02.06.2020 shall remain the same.

Accordingly, I am directed to enclose herewith the revised draft advisory after incorporating the recommendations of the Executive Committee and request the Government of India to kindly accord its administrative approval to the same.

Yours faithfully,

(Dr. Sayyesha Saha)
Secretary
Dental Council of India

CC:
1. The President, DCI
2. The Server Section, Dental Council of India, New Delhi – for email
To

The Secretary
Dental Council of India
Aiwan-E-Ghalib Marg, Kotla Road,
New Delhi-110002.

Sub: Advisory on holding UG and PG examinations, 2020 by Dental Colleges/Universities and appointment of External Examiners.

Sir,

I am directed to refer to DCI's letter No. DE-14-Academic (MDS) 2020/586 dated 17.06.2020 on the subject mentioned above and to say that conduct of exam is University's prerogative and rather than changing its earlier advisory, DCI may, if absolutely necessary, grant specific relaxation if any University asks for it on case to case basis.

2. DCI may also inform this Ministry whether they have received any specific inputs from any States/Universities in the matter.

Yours faithfully,

(Vidyadhar Jha)
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