



GOVERNMENT OF KERALA

Abstract

Health & Family Welfare Department – MES – Academic – Procedure for Post Graduate Admission under Service Quota Rules framed - Orders issued.

HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE (S) DEPARTMENT

GO(MS)No. 93 /09/H&FWD

Dated, Thiruvananthapuram, 30.03.2009

Read:- The Kerala Medical Officers Admission to Post Graduate courses under Service Quota Act, 2008 (Act 29 of 2008)

ORDER

As per the Act read above the Kerala State Legislative Assembly has passed the Service Quota Act, 2008 for enabling the service candidates to get admission for Post Graduate Medical Courses without having Entrance Examination. The President of India gave assent to the Act and hence it became a Law now. As per the proviso 9 (i) of the Act, Government have power for make rules on the basis of this Act. Considering this Government here by make following rules to the Act.

1. Short title and commencement – (i) These rules may be called the Kerala Medical Officers' Admission to Post Graduate Medical courses under Service Quota Rules, 2009.

(ii) It shall come into force at once and will be applicable for admission to PG Medical/Speciality/Super Speciality Courses from the academic year 2009-10 onwards.

2. Definitions- (i) In these rules, unless the context otherwise requires,-

(a) 'Act' means the Kerala Medical Officers' admission to Post Graduate Medical courses under Service Quota Act, 2008 (29 of 2008).

(b) 'Government' means the Government of Kerala.

(c) 'Committee' means the Post graduate Medical Course Selection Committee constituted under section-4.

(d) 'Meeting' means any ordinary or extra ordinary meeting of the committee.

(e) 'Convener' means the convener of the committee selected under the Act.

(ii) Words and expressions used in these rules, but not defined shall have the respective meanings assigned to them in the Act.

3. The procedure for the functioning of the Committee – (i) The Director of Medical Education shall be the convener of the committee. It shall be the function of the convener to place the provisional Rank List along with such individual applications

and objections if any received before the post graduate selection committee constituted under the Act for the selection of the candidates.

(ii) The Committee will prepare and publish the final Rank list for admission to the post graduate Medical /Speciality/Super Speciality Courses under Service Quota.

4. The procedure for selection of candidates under Service Quota –

(i) The Selection of service candidates will be based on seniority in service. The total service will be reckoned as on the date of notification for inviting application.

(ii) The applicants should be regular staff under Health Services Department (HSD)/Medical Education Service (MES)/Insurance Medical Service (IMS)/Municipal Services.

(iii) The Minimum period of service under Government of Kerala to become eligible to apply shall be –

(a) 2 years for Lecturers in Medical Education Service in the concerned discipline; and

(b) 5 years for other State services:

Provided that unauthorized absence or absence due to Leave without allowances (including leave on Medical ground) will not be counted for the purpose of calculating the minimum service and for the seniority.

(iv) Interse seniority of actual physical service in the concerned department (concerned specialty in the case of Medical Education Service), excluding leave without allowance will be the criterion for selection. If more than one candidate applies for the course and if the difference in their length of service is below 90 days, the Public Service Commission seniority will be the criterion.

(v) In case sufficient number of service candidates having 2 years and 5 years of minimum service as stated in sub-rule (3) are not available in any category, the period of minimum service can be relaxed by the Government before the date of allotment.

5. The qualification, other than academic qualification for selection –

(i) The candidates belonging to MES/HSD/IMS/Municipal Service having minimum service as above are qualified to be selected for admission to the 40% of the total seats for PG degree/Super Speciality and Diploma set apart for them under service quota.

(ii) The upper age limit will be 47 years for Post Graduate Degree courses and 48 years for Post Graduate Diploma course as on the 30th day of April. Suitable changes in the upper age limit may be made by the Government as per the terms included in the Prospectus for the courses, notified from time to time.

6. The other criteria to be followed for selection.- (i) Lecturers who have post graduate Degree/DNB in the specialty concerned in which they are working will not be eligible for admission. to Postgraduate Diploma/Degree other than Superspeciality degrees under service quota

(ii) The candidates who have already undergone PG Degree/Diploma course under the service quota, will not be eligible for selection to another PG Degree/Diploma under such quota for a second time. However such candidates will be eligible for selection to superspeciality degree courses in the concerned discipline.

(iii) The candidates shall join the course to which they are selected and if they do not join the course or discontinue the course after joining they will not be considered for selection to such course under this quota in future.

7. The procedure for weightage in selection for rural service – (i) The candidates will be eligible for weightage for rural area service or difficult rural area service as per sec. 6 of the Act. This will be applicable for admission to Postgraduate Courses under the Health Service Quota only. A minimum of one year continuous service in Rural Area/ Difficult Rural Area service is necessary to get weightage. Those who have more than one-year service in such areas will get more weightage. The weightage will be decided by the Committee on the basis of the number of years of service in rural/difficult rural areas. The list of stations/hospitals eligible for weightage under Rural areas/Difficult Rural Areas will be notified by the Government from time to time. The list will be reviewed by the Government once in 5 years. The length of service done in the stations only after the date of Government Order notifying the stations will be considered for giving weightage. The candidates shall attach certificate in this regard in such format as decided by the Government, from time to time.

(ii) Notwithstanding the provisions as in 7 (i) above, there shall be separate sub quotas for admission to the candidates under Health Service Quota for the year 2009 as per the details given the sub clause (iii) below.

- (iii) The Director of Health Services shall prepare separate rank list for the sub quotas mentioned below.
- (a) Seniority in Service Quota (SSQ) – Rank will be reckoned according to the seniority assigned to them in the service seniority list prepared by Director of Health Services;
- (b) Rural Service Quota (RSQ) – Applicants under this category should have a minimum of 5 years services, out of which 3 years service should be in rural areas, designated by the Government for this purpose as in (7) above.
- (c). Difficult Rural Area Quota (DRAQ) – Minimum period of 5 years service out of which two years of effective service in Difficult Rural Areas to be designated by the Government for such purpose is fixed as eligibility to be considered for Difficult Rural Area Quota only the service rendered a Difficult Rural Area stations will be reckoned for calculating the seniority under this quota, with candidates having more years of DRA service getting higher rank irrespective of the total service including stations;
- (d) Leprosy Service Quota (LEPQ)-One seat for M.D. Dermatology is reserved for Doctors of Health Services Department having longest period of service in Leprosy Hospital/Leprosy unit. One year of service in a Leprosy hospital will be equivalent to two years of service in a leprosy unit under the Directorate of Health Services. The minimum service required for claiming this seat will be 5 years service in the department out of which either one year service in a leprosy Hospital or two years of service in a Leprosy unit. The selection will be made on the basis of seniority in service in Leprosy Service as decided by the Director of Health Services. If there are no candidates under the above category the seat will be added to Difficult Rural Area Quota (DRAQ);
- (e) Tuberculosis Service Quota (TBQ) – One seat each in M.D. TB & RD and Diploma in TB & RD is reserved under this quota. The minimum service required for claiming this seat will be 5 years service in the department out of which either one year service in a Tuberculosis Hospital or two years of service in a Tuberculosis unit. The selection will be made on the basis of seniority in service in TB Service as decided by the Director of Health

Services. If there are no candidates under the above category the seat will be added to Difficult Rural Area Quota (DRAQ);

(f) First Referral Unit Quota (FRUQ) – One seat in Diploma in Anaesthesia is earmarked as FRU quota to be allotted to a doctor who had undergone training in Anaesthesiology under the scheme of First Referral Unit (FRU). The eligibility for this will be decided by the Director of Health Services on the basis of interse seniority. If no eligible candidate is available the seat will be added to the DRAQ;

(g) Family Welfare Quota (FWQ) – One seat in DGO is reserved for Family Welfare Award Holders. If no eligible candidate is available the seat will be added to the DRAQ;

(h) Prison service quota (PRQ) – One seat in D.Ortho is reserved for Prison service quota. If no eligible candidate is available the seat will be added to the DRAQ.

- (iv) The Government will have power to continue the sub-quotas for P.G. admission under Health Service Quota as in 7 (iii) above for future years also if found necessary or to resort to admissions based on service seniority with suitable weightage given for service in Rural Areas /Difficult Rural Areas as the case may be as provided in 7(i) above.
- (v) The list of Difficult Rural Area stations eligible for weightage/admission under DRAQ as in iii (c) above will be as per the rules/Government orders to be issued by the Government from time to time and mentioned in the prospectus for the courses. For the calculation of seniority for admissions under RSQ as in iii (b) above, only the service rendered in (a) hospitals/stations designated as Rural stations in the list of Government allopathic medical institutions published by the Director of Health Services, and/or, (b) as casualty Medical Officer (CMO) in the approved casualty units in Government hospitals will be considered.
- (vi) The selection for Superspecialty degree courses under the service quota, will be based on interse seniority in service, subject to the conditions to be mentioned in the prospectus to be issued for course from time to time, apart from the provisions clause (4) above.

8. Allotment - (i) For the Post Graduate Diploma/Degree courses, candidates will be allowed to exercise their option for individual specialties/college as per their ranks in the order of priority given below -

First – Medical Education Service Quota (MESQ)

Second – General candidates

Third – Service Quota other than MESQ

(ii) The allotment list of Medical Education Service Quota candidates will be first published and these candidates will be intimated through allotment memo. The details of unavailed seats under this quota will be published in the web site of DME/Government. Other service quota candidates can opt for these unavailed seats also during counseling.

9. Delegation of Powers- The Government may, by general or special order, direct that any power exercisable by it or any head of department under these rules, shall subject to such conditions, if any, as may be specified in the order, be exercisable also by such officer or authority as may be specified in the order.

10. Interpretation- If any question arises relating to the interpretation of these rules it shall be referred to the Government whose decisions thereon shall be final.

11. State Government's power to modify the rules – Notwithstanding anything contained in these rules, the State Government may, on their own motion or otherwise, review/modify any of the provisos /clauses of the existing rules to incorporate new provisos/clauses in the rules.

By Order of the Governor

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