



# Rank holders in CET keen on MBBS, wait for NEET results

**BENGALURU:** Top rank holders in CET for Homeopathy, agriculture and veterinary science are all keen on MBBS degrees and are anxiously waiting for the results of NEET.

Rakshita Ramesh of SB Mahaveer Jain PU College, VV Puram, Bengaluru, secured first rank in Indian Systems of Medicine (ISM) & Homeopathy with a score of 96.667% in the CET. She also secured first rank in CET for BSc (Agriculture).

Though she could now get easy entry to these courses, Rakshita is keen on securing a seat for MBBS, preferably in the Bangalore Medical College and Research Institute.

"I want to become a neurologist as I am interested in the human brain and its functioning. My grandmother passed away due to a stroke when I was six years old and there is an in-



Students of Expert Pre-university College, Mangaluru, lift CET topper Prathik S Nayak on the college premises in Mangaluru on Tuesday.

crease in stroke cases. So I want to do research in this field," Rakshita said. She secured the 21st rank in engineering, but says if she does not get an MBBS seat, she wants to study Biology in the Indian Institute of Science (IISc). Rakshita got the 136th rank in the exam for Kishore

Vaigyanik Protsahan Yojana fellowship of IISc.

Sankeerth Sadananda of Delhi Public School (South) secured second rank in CET for BSc (Agriculture). However, he has no intention of applying for the course as he wants to pursue MBBS and is awaiting the



Sumanth and Sankeerth

results of NEET.

"I wrote the CET just to practice for NEET and I am resting all my hopes on the exam. I considered pure science, but I am more inclined to clinical biology. So, I want to become a doctor," he said. He secured 18th rank in CET (engineering), but wants to get into Kasturba Medical College, Manipal.

Victor V Thomas, who came first in CET for Bachelor of Veterinary Science and second in CET for ISM and Homeopathy, will not be pursuing these courses. The student of Vaishnavi Chethana Pre-university College in Davangere wants to

## Mark the dates

- Document verification - June 1, 2 and 3: For special categories (Physically disabled, NCC, sports)
- June 5 to 21: For others
- Number of candidates who applied: 1,85,418
- Number of candidates who appeared: 1,80,508

## Rank holders

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# HRD ministry for making father's name optional on degrees

**NEW DELHI:** The Human Resource Development (HRD) ministry has favoured Union Minister Maneka Gandhi's request for scrapping the rule stipulating the compulsory mention of the father's name on academic certificates.

It, however, needs to find out if mentioning the student's father's name for his/her academic certificates is mandatory in higher education.

"That's a good suggestion. If somebody wants to mention his/her mother's name, it's his/her choice. We will look into it to see if mentioning the father's name is

mandatory," HRD Minister Prakash Javadekar said.

The ministry will ask the University Grants Commission (UGC) to look into the matter.

"So far we understand that mentioning the father's name in a student's certificate should not be mandatory. I know some cases where students submitted the name of their mother for the academic records with their educational institutions, instead of giving the name of their father. The issue brought to the notice of the ministry by Maneka Gandhi, however, needs to be examined," an official

said.

In case of any ambiguity in the rules, the UGC and other regulatory bodies can issue a notification to the higher educational institutions, clarifying that a student can mention the name of his/her mother, instead of the name of the father, for his/her academic records and certificates, the official added.

Last month, Maneka wrote to Javadekar, requesting him to consider changing the rules to enable single mothers put their names on the academic certificates of their wards.

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# 350 medical seats added to State's kitty

1.25 lakh students to vie for about 55,000 seats

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On a day when the Common Entrance Test results were declared, the State government announced that 350 medical seats have been added to Karnataka's kitty.

This year, medical and dental seat aspirants will obtain seats based on their National Eligibility-cum-Entrance Test (NEET) scores.

Medical Education Minister Sharanprakash R. Patil on Tuesday said there were around 8,680 seats (including the 350 new seats) in 56 medical colleges across the State.

Sources in the Medical Education Department said the 350 additional seats were in the seven existing government college.

After the NEET ranks are announced, the Karnataka Examinations Authority would prepare a rank list and allot seats based on

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them. Meanwhile, nearly 1.25 lakh students who have been allotted ranks will be vying for about 55,000 seats in engineering colleges across the State.

The results of the CET, for which 1.8 lakh appeared,

were announced on Tuesday by Higher Education Minister Basavaraj Rayaraddi and Dr. Patil.

The number of candidates who were eligible to obtain engineering seats in 2016 was 1.27 lakh. Compared with this year, 1,716 candidates more candidates were eligible to obtain engineering seats last year.

Sources, however, said although the competition was tough this time also, many engineering seats would still remain unfilled as many seats maybe from engineering colleges that are of "poor quality" and as a result would have no takers.

Mr. Rayaraddi said the candidates who have bagged the top five ranks in all streams were eligible for free seats.

He said the top-five candidates from Hyderabad Karnataka region would also be given free seats this year.



# NEET may become must for foreign medical courses

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**Chennai:** The Union health ministry may soon make the National Eligibility Entrance Test mandatory for students who travel abroad for undergraduate medical courses, Medical Council of India officials have said.

A ministry has suggested that students who do not clear NEET should not be given the 'no objection certificate' to study in foreign universities.

"Without the no-objection certificate it will be impossible for students to practice in India. They will neither be allowed to sit for the screening examination nor be registered by medical councils as doctors," said MCI vice-president Dr CV Bhirmanandham. The council, the Chennai-based cardiologist said, was waiting for orders from the ministry on whether it should be imple-



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mented this academic year.

The move will also make the entry level qualification for medical education equal for all candidates. In April 2016, the Supreme Court made NEET mandatory for undergraduate medical and postgraduate medical and dental admissions. "As of now we feel the quality of students who go abroad is not great because less than a quarter of students clear the screening

test every year," he said.

The Indian Medical Council Act, 2001, mandates citizens with undergraduate degrees from outside India to clear the screening test conducted every June and December, with a 50% score, before doing a one-year internship in an MCI-recognised medical college. The number of students taking the test has doubled, but the pass percentage dropped from 50.12 in 2005 to 10.7 in 2015.

In this period, the pass rate fluctuated around 20%, dropping to an all-time low of 4.93% in June 2014, when only 293 students passed. While most students claim the test is tough and questions are from PG medical tests, National Board of Examination officials say the question paper is similar to the one given to Indian students appearing for NEET PG. There is no negative marking.





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# ಪದವಿ ಪ್ರಮಾಣಪತ್ರಕ್ಕೆ ತಂದೆ ಹೆಸರು ಐಚ್ಛಿಕ

■ ಪಿಟಿಐ ಹೊಸದಿಲ್ಲಿ

ಪದವಿ ಪತ್ರದಲ್ಲಿ ತಂದೆಯ ಹೆಸರು ನಮೂದಿಸುವುದನ್ನು ಐಚ್ಛಿಕವಾಗಿಸಲು ಮಾನವ ಸಂಪನ್ಮೂಲ ಅಭಿವೃದ್ಧಿ ಸಚಿವಾಲಯ ನಿರ್ಧರಿಸಿದೆ. ಈ ಬಗ್ಗೆ ಮಹಿಳಾ ಹಾಗೂ ಮಕ್ಕಳ ಕಲ್ಯಾಣ ಸಚಿವೆ ಮನೇಕಾ ಗಾಂಧಿ ನೀಡಿದ್ದ ಸಲಹೆಗೆ ಅದು ಗ್ರೀನ್ ಸಿಗ್ನಲ್ ನೀಡಿದೆ.

“ತಾಯಿಯ ಹೆಸರು ನಮೂದಿಸಬೇಕೋ ಅಥವಾ ತಂದೆಯದ್ದೋ ಎನ್ನು

ವುದು ವಿದ್ಯಾರ್ಥಿಯ ಇಚ್ಛೆಗೆ ಬಿಟ್ಟಿದ್ದು. ಈ ಚಿಂತನೆ ನಮಗೆ ಇಷ್ಟವಾಗಿದೆ. ಈ ಸಂಬಂಧ ಯುಜಿಸಿ ಶೀಘ್ರ ಕ್ರಮ ಕೈಗೊಳ್ಳಲಿದೆ,” ಎಂದು ಸಚಿವ ಪ್ರಕಾಶ್ ಜಾವಡೇಕರ್ ಪಿಟಿಐಗೆ ನೀಡಿದ ಸಂದರ್ಶನದಲ್ಲಿ ಮಂಗಳವಾರ ಹೇಳಿದ್ದಾರೆ.

ಸಿಂಗಲ್ ಮದರ್‌ಗಳ ಕೋರಿಕೆ ಮೇರೆಗೆ ಪದವಿ ಪ್ರಮಾಣಪತ್ರ ಪಡೆಯಲು ತಂದೆಯ ಹೆಸರು ಕಡ್ಡಾಯಗೊಳಿಸಿರುವುದನ್ನು ಪ್ರಶ್ನಿಸಿ ಜಾವಡೇಕರ್ ಅವರಿಗೆ ಮೇನಕಾ ಕಳೆದ

ತಿಂಗಳು ಪತ್ರ ಬರೆದಿದ್ದರು.

ವಿಚ್ಛೇದನಗಳು ಹೆಚ್ಚಿರುವ ಈ ದಿನಗಳಲ್ಲಿ ನಿಯಮಗಳು ಅದಕ್ಕನುಕೂಲವಾದಾಗಬೇಕು ಎಂದು ಅವರು ಪ್ರತಿಪಾದಿಸಿದ್ದರು.

ಕಳೆದ ವರ್ಷವೂ ಮೇನಕಾ ಅವರ ಕೋರಿಕೆಯಂತೆ, ವಿದೇಶಾಂಗ ಸಚಿವಾಲಯವು ಪಾಸ್‌ಪೋರ್ಟ್ ನಿಯಮಾವಳಿಗಳನ್ನು ಸಡಿಲಗೊಳಿಸಿ, ಪಾಸ್‌ಪೋರ್ಟ್‌ನಲ್ಲಿ ಒಬ್ಬರು ಪೋಷಕರ ಹೆಸರು ನಮೂದಿಸಿದರೆ ಸಾಕು ಎಂದು ಘೋಷಿಸಿತ್ತು.



