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SSLC, PUC exams, CET as per schedule: Sait

BENGALURU: There will be no change in the dates for SSLC, PUC exams and CET this academic year.

Primary and Secondary Education Minister Tanvir Sait told *DH* that examination would be held as per the schedule. Once Karnataka Secondary Education Examination Board (KSEEB), Department of Pre-University Education (DPUE) and Karnataka Examinations Authority (KEA) finalise the timetable, the department will submit the same to the Election Commission to prevent a clash of dates.

Meanwhile, KEA's executive council meeting held on Monday decided to take sometime for the announcement of CET-2018 dates. CET will be held in April or May 2018 as per schedule. "We have decided to finalise CET 2018 dates only after the announcement of the timetable by DPUE and NEET

Ayush: final round seat allotment

Karnataka Examinations Authority (KEA) has announced seat allotment of final round of counseling of Ayush (Ayurveda, Yoga and Naturopathy, Unani, Siddha and Homoeopathy) courses. Candidates should pay the fee before October 26. Visit (<http://kea.kar.nic.in>) for details.

by CBSE," one of the members said.

Students need not worry as there would be a 30-day gap between the last paper of II PUC examination and the first paper of CET, he added.

The CBSE is planning to conduct NEET on May 10, 2018. However, the date is yet to be announced officially.

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No Docs at guillotine

IMA: Doctors should not be part of execution process

NEW DELHI, DHNS: India's largest body of doctors has written to the Medical Council of India, opposing the involvement of doctors in the hanging process, as mandated by jail manuals.

"Indian Medical Association (IMA) holds the view that no doctor should be present during the process of execution. This is a violation of medical ethics and therefore a professional misconduct," K K Agarwal, national president of IMA, and R N Tandon, its secre-

tary general, wrote.

The IMA's letter comes in the wake of a similar resolution adopted by the World Medical Association (WMA) earlier this month.

The global body of medical professionals were approached last year by a section of Bangladeshi doctors who resented their participation in the capital punishment process.

After multiple rounds of internal discussions, the global body had adopted a resolution which states, "It

is unethical for physicians to participate in capital punishment, in any way, or during any step of the execution process, including its planning and the instruction and/or training of persons to perform executions."

In their letter to MCI president Jaushree Mehta, the IMA office-bearers cited the WMA resolution to argue against the practice mandated by many prison manuals. Nearly three lakh doctors are members of the IMA. "Doctors are

required to monitor vital signs during the process of execution and look for signs of life and then pronounce death. This is against the core tenets of medical ethics of "do no harm" (non-maleficence) and "do good" (beneficence)," Agarwal and Tandon wrote.

Jail doctors also certify whether a convict is fit for hanging. In 2014, on the basis of the medical reports of Sikh militant Devinderpal Singh Bhullar, his sentence to death was converted

to a life sentence.

"We are not opposed to capital punishment per se, but only against the involvement of doctors. Jail manual can't decide on medical ethics. We are for a debate on this issue," Agarwal told *DH*.

The debate is not a new one. The WMA in 1981 came out with the "Resolution on Physician Participation in Capital Punishment", which was amended in 2008. Closer home, the National Human Rights Commission, too, had opposed the

involvement of doctors in the hanging process.

"The WMA requests firmly its constituent members to advise all physicians that any participation in capital punishment as stated above is unethical," stated the WMA resolution. "One must understand the serious implications of this because if doctors withdraw from their tasks they currently fulfill, there can't be any legal hanging," G S Grewal, former president of Punjab Medical Council said.