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# Health min bill proposes scrapping of NEET for PG

**New Delhi:** In a relief to medical students wanting to pursue PG courses, the Union health ministry has proposed to do away with NEET-PG and instead the final MBBS examination would be enough for admission to MD and MS programmes.

The amendment has been incorporated in the revised draft National Medical Commission (NMC) Bill which would be sent to the Cabinet soon, official sources told reporters. According to them, the changes have been incorporated in the bill on the directions of the Prime Minister's Office (PMO). "According to the amendments made in the fresh NMC Bill, entry into the PG programmes will be on the basis of the results of the National Exit Test (NEXT), which would be held as a common exam across the country. So the candidates would not have to appear in a separate exam after clearing the MBBS final exam for admission to PG courses," the source explained. The students would also not be re-



quired to appear in a separate exam after MBBS to obtain a license to practice.

However, for admission to PG programmes at AIIMS, clearing a separate exam will remain mandatory. Also, the NEET Super Speciality, which is a national-level entrance exam for admission in DM/MCh courses, will continue, sources said. Every year 80,000 students take admission into MBBS courses in about 480 medical colleges in the country, while 1.5 lakh students appear for entrance exams for admission to around 50,000 PG seats. The NMC Bill was introduced in Parliament in December 2017, but it lapsed with the dissolution of the 16th Lok Sabha.

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the Medical Council of India Act, 1956 and included the contentious provision of a "bridge course" to allow practitioners of alternative medicines to pursue allopathy, was referred to a Department-Related Parliamentary Standing Committee following massive protests from the medical fraternity.

The first version of the Bill also proposed a national-level licentiate exam for all MBBS graduates for getting licence to practice in India. But it was removed following protests by doctor bodies. The provision of the 'bridge course' was also opposed by health bodies, including the Indian Medical Association, which claimed that allowing AYUSH doctors to practice modern medicine would promote "quackery". PTI



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# ವೈದ್ಯ ಪಿಜಿಗೆ ಇನ್ನು ನೀಟ್ ಬೇಕಿಲ್ಲ

» ಮೊದಲ ಪುಟದಿಂದ

ಸದ್ಯವೇ ಸಂಪುಟದ ಅವಗಾಹನೆಗೆ ಹೋಗಲಿರುವ ಪರಿಷ್ಕೃತ ಕರಡು ರಾಷ್ಟ್ರೀಯ ವೈದ್ಯಕೀಯ ಆಯೋಗ (ಎನ್‌ಎಂಸಿ) ವಿಧೇಯಕದಲ್ಲಿ ಈ ತಿದ್ದುಪಡಿ ಅಂಶವನ್ನು ಸೇರಿಸಲಾಗಿದೆ. ಪ್ರಧಾನ ಮಂತ್ರಿ ಕಚೇರಿಯ ಸೂಚನೆಯಂತೆ ಈ ಕ್ರಮ ತೆಗೆದುಕೊಳ್ಳಲಾಗಿದೆ ಎಂದು ತಿಳಿದುಬಂದಿದೆ. **ಎಐಐಎಂಎಸ್‌ಗೆ ಪ್ರತ್ಯೇಕ:** ಆದರೆ, ದೇಶದ ಎಐಐಎಂಎಸ್‌ಗಳಿಗೆ ಪ್ರವೇಶ ಪಡೆಯಲು ಪ್ರತ್ಯೇಕ ಪರೀಕ್ಷೆ ಬರೆಯುವುದು ಕಡ್ಡಾಯ. ಮಾತ್ರವಲ್ಲ, ಡಿಎಂ/ಎಂಸಿಎಚ್ ಕೋರ್ಸ್‌ಗಳಿಗೆ ಪ್ರವೇಶ ಪಡೆಯಲು ನೀಟ್ ಸೂಪರ್ ಸ್ಪೆಷಾಲಿಟಿ ಪ್ರವೇಶ ಪರೀಕ್ಷೆ ಬರೆಯುವುದು ಅನಿವಾರ್ಯ.

## ಮುಂದೇನು?

- ರಾಷ್ಟ್ರಾದ್ಯಂತ ನಡೆಯುವ ರಾಷ್ಟ್ರೀಯ ನಿರ್ಗಮನ ಪರೀಕ್ಷೆ (ನೆಕ್ಸ್‌ಟ್) ಫಲಿತಾಂಶ ಆಧರಿಸಿ ಸ್ನಾತಕೋತ್ತರ ಪದವಿಗೆ ಪ್ರವೇಶ.
- ಹೀಗಾಗಿ ಎಂಬಿಬಿಎಸ್ ಅಂತಿಮ ಪರೀಕ್ಷೆಗೆ ಹಾಜರಾದವರು ಪಿ.ಜಿ. ಪ್ರವೇಶಕ್ಕೆ ಹೊಸದಾಗಿ ಪರೀಕ್ಷೆ ಬರೆಯಬೇಕಾಗಿಲ್ಲ.
- ಎಂಬಿಬಿಎಸ್ ಬಳಿಕ ಪ್ರಾಕ್ಟೀಸ್‌ಗೆ ಅನುಮತಿ ಪಡೆಯಲು ಪ್ರತ್ಯೇಕ ಪರೀಕ್ಷೆ ಬೇಕಾಗಿಲ್ಲ.