

NMC clears 450 addl PG medical seats for '25-'26

New Delhi: The National Medical Commission has so far cleared around 450 additional postgraduate medical seats for the 2025-26 academic year through the appeal process. It has also introduced a non-refundable one-time registration fee of Rs 2 lakh plus 18% GST and removed the earlier cap that limited applications for an increase of up to 100 MBBS seats at a time, reports Anuja Jaiswal.

On PG admissions, Dr M KRamesh, president of Medical Assessment & Rating Board, said PG seat approvals by the first appeal panel are cumulative and ongoing.

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Most of extra PG seats to pvt med colleges

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While earlier notices cited 171 and later 262 additional seats, the total cleared through appeals so far is around 450, with further additions possible.

The additional PG seats — mostly incremental increases of one to four seats per programme — span high-demand specialties, including general medicine, radiodiagnosis, dermatology, paediatrics, orthopaedics, obstetrics and gynaecology, psychiatry and general surgery, across medical colleges. Most of these seats have gone to private medical colleges, though some govt institutions are also included, as per the available list.

MARB has directed counselling authorities to include the newly sanctioned PG seats without waiting for individual Letters of Permission (LoPs), treating the consolidated list uploaded on the NMC website as a valid document for counselling.

Officials said publishing consolidated appeal approvals online was introduced to speed up admissions and improve transparency.