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5 Private Dental Colleges in Sindh Unlawfully Admitted Students into BDS Programs

Subsequent to the recent Order of the Honourable Sindh High Court rejecting the plea of dental colleges and students to lower the MDCAT passing marks for admission to dental colleges, the National Medical & Dental Authority referred cases of 5 private dental colleges to the Disciplinary Committee for taking cognizance of any irregular admissions undertaken by these colleges of students in violation of the mandatory condition prescribed under the PMC Act 2020 of having qualified the MDCAT.

In addition, some of these colleges appear to have admitted students into their respective BDS programs who had initially only applied for MBBS programs and hence being in violation of Admission Regulations 2020-2021.

The colleges will be asked to provide the complete record of admissions and any other evidence required before the Disciplinary Committee. The Committee has the right to also summon students who have been allegedly admitted in the colleges and any other witness if required. The violations if found to have been committed can result in imposition of penalties as well as reference of some violations to the Medical Tribunal which fall under the jurisdiction of the Tribunal.

The Disciplinary Committee has also been conducting hearings in the cases of irregularities in admissions by 26 other colleges which are likely to be concluded by next week. Students and colleges are both being heard at these hearings as directed by the Honourable Lahore High Court and the Medical Tribunal.





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PMC is steadfast in its resolve to implement just and meritorious practices for the purpose of inculcating higher standards of medical and dental education in Pakistan. To that end, PMC will take strict legal actions against any individuals or institutions found to be in violation of rules and regulations set forth for the purposes of transparency and meritocracy in the admissions processes.

