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**Department of Higher Education**  
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**NOTIFICATION**

Subject: Guidelines for Admission to vacant seats in 2<sup>nd</sup> Year (3<sup>rd</sup> Semester) in the Degree level Engineering, Technology and Pharmacy courses through **Decentralized Counseling** (Institution Level) process under **Lateral Entry Scheme** of AICTE in the academic year 2023-24.

Whereas after completion of Online counseling and allotment process for the Lateral Entry Scheme by the West Bengal Joint Entrance Examinations Board , it has been observed that a reasonable number of seats in the 2<sup>nd</sup> year are still vacant in different participating Universities and Institutes of the State offering Under Graduate Level Engineering, Technology and Pharmacy programs.

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Now, therefore on completion of the centralized counseling and admission process, it has been decided by the State Government. in the Higher Education Department to allow all the participating Universities and Institutes of the State offering Under Graduate Level Engineering, Technology and Pharmacy programs for admission of students through de-centralized counseling (Institution Level) and allotment process in strict compliance with the norms and guidelines as stated below:

- 1.0 **Norms and Guidelines for admission to vacant seats in 2<sup>nd</sup> year (3<sup>rd</sup> semester) in degree level Engineering / Technology courses through De-Centralized counseling (Institution Level) and allotment process in 2023-24:**
  - 1.1 Seats remaining vacant in the second year will be offered for admission in **any branch of Engineering and Technology** through decentralized counseling (Institution Level) for the diploma holder students who have passed Diploma examination with at least 45% marks (40% marks in case of candidates belonging to reserved category) in ANY BRANCH of Engineering and Technology programs as well as for the students who holds B.Sc degree from a recognized University, as defined by UGC with at least 45% marks (40% marks in case of candidates belonging to reserved category) and passed 10+2 examination with Mathematics as a subject following the guidelines issued by the West Bengal Joint Entrance Examinations Board in terms of eligibility criterion for different Universities and Institutes and Regulatory Authorities.
  - 1.2 Participating Universities and Institutes willing to admit students through such decentralized counseling process shall have to follow a complete transparent admission procedure by inviting application from the diploma holder students in Engineering, Technology programs from AICTE approved Institutions and B.Sc. passed students from UGC Recognized Institutions by posting



suitable notice with discipline wise vacancy position in their respective Notice Board and/or in the Institutional website.

**2.0 Norms and guidelines of admission to vacant seats in 2<sup>nd</sup> year (3<sup>rd</sup> semester) in Degree level Pharmacy course through Decentralized counseling (institution level) and allotment process in 2023-24:**

2.1 Seats remaining vacant in the 2<sup>nd</sup> year level will be offered for admission through Decentralized counseling (Institution level) for the students of Diploma holder in Pharmacy programs from an institute approved by the Pharmacy Council of India under Section 12 of the Pharmacy Act, 1948 following the guidelines issued by the West Bengal Joint Entrance Examinations Board in terms of eligibility criteria for different Universities and Institutes and Regulatory Authorities.

2.2 Participating Universities and institutes willing to admit students through such Decentralized counseling process shall have to follow a complete transparent admission procedure by inviting applications from the eligible Diploma holder students in Pharmacy programs by posting necessary notice with discipline-wise vacancy position in their respective notice board and/or in the institutional website.

**3.0 Candidates will be offered the said vacancies in the following order of preference:**

3.1 Candidates with diploma in Engineering, Technology and Pharmacy from AICTE/PCI approved institutions who are otherwise eligible for admission under the scheme will be given the first preference.

3.2 Candidates with B.Sc. degree from UGC Recognized Institutions who are otherwise eligible for admission under the scheme will be given the next preference. However, for B. Pharmacy Programme, B.Sc. degree holders will not be allowed to take admission as per PCI norms.

4.0 The cut-off date for completion of the decentralized counseling and admission under this scheme shall have to be in accordance to the academic calendar of the affiliating University concerned for the academic year 2023-24.

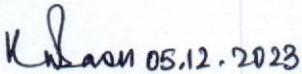
5.0 Individual affiliated Institution admitting students in decentralized counselling must maintain complete transparency in the admission procedure and accordingly shall communicate the following information positively to the affiliating University:

(a) Notice Published in Institutional website and/or Notice Board.

(b) Vacancy List published in a course-wise manner in Institutional website and/or Notice Board

(c) Merit List prepared in the Institutional website and/or Notice Board for admission from amongst applicant students.

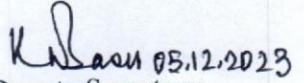
(d) The final list of students admitted.

  
Deputy Secretary



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1. The Chairman, West Bengal Joint Entrance Examinations Board (WBJEEB), DB-118, Sector-I Salt Lake City, Kolkata 700064
2. The Director of Technical Education, West Bengal, Bikash Bhavan, 10<sup>th</sup> Floor, Salt Lake, Kolkata -700 091 with request to inform all concerned..
3. The Registrar University of Calcutta/ Jadavpur University/ University of Kalyani / Maulana Abul Kalam Azad University of Technology / Vidyasagar University / Kazi Nazrul University /University of Burdwan/ Swami Vivekananda University/ Adamas University / JIS University /Techno India University / Sister Nivedita University / Seacom Skills University.
4. Private Secretary to Hon'ble MIC, Department of Higher Education.
5. The Nodal Officer, IT Cell, Department of Higher Education with request to upload in the Departmental website.
6. The Senior P.S. to the Principal Secretary to the Govt. of West Bengal, Department of Higher Education.
7. The General Secretary, Association of Professional Academic Institutions (APAI), West Bengal with a request to intimate all concerned.
8. General Secretary, Association of Private Universities.

  
Deputy Secretary