

उत्तर प्रदेश राज्य सहबद्ध एवं स्वास्थ्य देख-रेख परिषद् UTTAR PRADESH STATE ALLIED AND HEALTHCARE COUNCIL

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To

1. The Directors/Heads of Institutions of National Importance (of the State of Uttar Pradesh) including AIIMS Raebareli & AIIMS Gorakhpur
2. The Heads of all Higher Educational Institutions (of the State of Uttar Pradesh) offering Allied and Healthcare Professional Programmes

Subject:-Regarding Admission and Supernumerary Seats of International Students in Diploma, Undergraduate and Postgraduate Allied and Healthcare Courses under NCAHP.

Respected Sir/ Madam,

In continuation of NCAHP Letter No. Z/103/2024-AHS-DOHFW DEPARTMENT, dated 15.05.2026 and 08.06.2026 (copy enclosed) & with reference to Letter No. Z/9/2025-AHS-DOHFWDEPARTMENT dated 10.07.2026 (copy enclosed) in order to provide clarity on supernumerary seats for foreign nationals, NCAHP has decided the following:-

1. The intake capacity for supernumerary seats over and above the "Approved Intake" per course issued vide letter no. F. No. Z/103/2024-AHS-DOHFW DEPARTMENT dated 15.05.2026 & 08.06.2026, may be set at 15% for Diploma, Undergraduate (UG) and Postgraduate (PG) allied and healthcare courses. In calculating supernumerary seats, any fractional value of 0.5 or greater shall be rounded up to the next whole number, fractional values of less than 0.5 shall be rounded down to the nearest whole number.
2. The Supernumerary seats shall be exclusively meant for the international students and shall not be allocated to anyone other than international students if remained vacant. International students in this context may be defined as the one who shall possess a foreign passport.
3. The supernumerary seats for international students will not include the international students under exchange courses or/and through Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between Government of India and other countries.
4. Supernumerary seats for Ph.D. programmes shall be governed by the Regulations notified by the University Grants Commission from time to time in this regard.
5. For such cases, UG/PG students after obtaining equivalence certificate of UGC can apply for UG/ PG admission.

6. The admission will be based on merit/test as decided by the admitting university/institute.
7. Other rules and regulations regarding international students will be as per the UGC regulations/ guidelines. (copy enclosed)

In view of the above, all Institutes/Universities offering Allied and Healthcare courses are hereby instructed to follow the above provisions with immediate effect from the Academic Year 2026-27.

Encl: as above



(Dr. Kamal Pant)
Chairperson

Copy to (for information):

1. Secretary, National Commission for Allied and Health Care Professions (NCAHP), New Delhi.
2. Director General, Medical Education and Training, Lucknow.
3. Registrar, Atal Bihari Vajpayee Medical University, Lucknow forwarded for necessary action and information.
4. Secretary, U.P. State Medical Faculty, with a request to circulate & get the letter uploaded on UPSMF website for the information of all allied & healthcare institutions of the state of Uttar Pradesh.
5. P.S (Additional Chief Secretary), Department of Medical Education, Government of Uttar Pradesh.



(Dr. Kamal Pant)
Chairperson

Z/9/2025-AHS-DOHFWDEPARTMENT(PartFile)
Government of India
Ministry of Health and Family Welfare
National Commission for Allied and Healthcare Professions

2nd Floor, Academic Block,
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New Delhi-110067
Dated:10.07.2026

To

1. The Secretaries of all the State Allied and Healthcare Councils
2. All Principal Secretary/Secretary, Health & Family Welfare, State Governments / Union Territories

Sub: Admission and Supernumerary Seats of International Students in Diploma, Undergraduate and Postgraduate Allied and Healthcare Courses under NCAHP.

Ref: (1). Letter No. Z/103/2024-AHS-DOHFW DEPARTMENT, dated 15.05.2026 and 08.06.2026.

Sir/Madam,

It is to inform that vide letter no. F. No. Z/103/2024-AHS-DOHFW DEPARTMENT dated 15.05.2026 & 08.06.2026, norms for Intake capacity in various diploma, undergraduate (UG) and post-graduate (PG) courses and clarity of eligibility for PG admission in approved Allied and Healthcare courses for Academic Year 2026-27 were conveyed.

2. Representations and request regarding the clarifications of supernumerary seats for foreign nationals have been received from various institutions running Allied and Healthcare courses and those intending to start such new courses. The matter has been examined by the NCAHP and to provide clarity to such institutions, the norms for Supernumerary Seats for all approved courses by NCAHP are as following:

- i. The intake capacity for supernumerary seats over and above the “Approved Intake” per course issued vide letter no. F. No. Z/103/2024-AHS-DOHFW DEPARTMENT dated 15.05.2026 & 08.06.2026, may be set at 15% for Diploma, Undergraduate (UG) and Postgraduate (PG) allied and healthcare courses. In calculating supernumerary seats, any fractional value of 0.5 or greater shall be rounded up to the next whole number, fractional values of less than 0.5 shall be rounded down to the nearest whole number.
- ii. The Supernumerary seats shall be exclusively meant for the international students and shall not be allocated to anyone other than international students if remained vacant. International students in this context may be defined as the one who shall possess a foreign passport.
- iii. The supernumerary seats for international students will not include the international students under exchange courses or/and through Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between Government of India and other countries.
- iv. Supernumerary seats for Ph.D. programmes shall be governed by the Regulations notified by the University Grants Commission from time to time in this regard.
- v. For such cases, UG/PG students after obtaining equivalence certificate of UGC can apply for UG/ PG admission.
- vi. The admission will be based on merit/test as decided by the admitting university/institute.

vii. Other rules and regulations regarding international students will be as per the UGC regulations/ guidelines.

3. This issues with the approval of the competent authority.

Yours faithfully,

(Rajender Singh Sidhu)

Under secretary to the Government of India

Copy for information to:

1. The Secretary, University Grants Commission (UGC), New Delhi
2. The Deputy Secretary (AHS), Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, New Delhi
3. All Allied and Healthcare Institutions (through website of the Commission)



UNIVERSITY GRANTS COMMISSION

Guidelines for Admission and Supernumerary seats of International Students in Undergraduate and Postgraduate Programmes in Higher Educational Institutions in India

Introduction

The National Education Policy (NEP) 2020 envisages a new and forward-looking vision for India's higher education system. It sets the foundation for the much-needed transformation and overhaul of the current education system through its focus on key issues like access, equity, multidisciplinary, holistic and value-based education. The Indian higher education system is one of the world's largest systems and transformation of such a vast system requires transforming the system or processes for all Higher Education spheres including areas of leadership, funding, quality of education delivery, accountability, management, teaching-learning & research, as well as internationalization.

Internationalisation of higher education is an essential aspect of the National Education Policy 2020. The need to internationalise certain aspects of higher education, while making all higher education relevant internationally has been a major area of focus. Internationalisation of higher education is the process of integrating an international and intercultural dimension in higher education. Opportunities to attract international students, academics and funding are growing and many Indian Higher Educational Institutions (HEIs) are now committed to increase their international outreach. In order to facilitate the internationalisation of Indian HEIs, the University Grants Commission has framed the guidelines for admission and creation of supernumerary seats for international students.

Objectives

1. To facilitate a smooth and simple admission of international students in higher educational institutions of India.
2. To create a favourable environment for attracting international students to Indian higher education system.
3. To make India a preferred destination for international students.

GUIDELINES

1. Indian HEIs may admit international students based on the equivalence of entry qualification held by them. The equivalence is to be determined by the University Grants Commission (UGC) or any other body recognised by UGC for such purpose or

the concerned regulatory bodies of the country. HEIs may adopt a transparent admission process for admitting the international students.

2. HEIs may create up to 25% supernumerary seats for international students, over and above of their total sanctioned enrolment for Undergraduate and Postgraduate programmes. The decision regarding 25% supernumerary seats has to be carried out by the concerned higher educational institutions as per specific guidelines/regulations issued by the regulatory bodies considering the infrastructure, faculty and other requirements.
- 3 The 25% of the supernumerary seats for international students will not include the international students under exchange programmes or/and through Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between institutions or between Government of India and other countries.
- 4 Depending on the availability of infrastructure and qualified faculty, efforts should be made to distribute these 25% seats among all departments, schools, centres or any other academic unit of the higher educational institution, wherever possible.
- 5 The supernumerary seats shall be exclusively meant for the international students both in the Undergraduate and Post-graduate programmes. A seat remained unfilled in the supernumerary category, shall not be allocated to anyone other than an international student. International students in this context shall be defined as the one who shall possess a foreign passport.
- 6 The provision of creating supernumerary seats for international students should be formalized by way of approval of statutory body/bodies of the HEIs in accordance with the guidelines/regulations issued by the regulatory bodies from time to time.
- 7 The supernumerary seats in professional and technical institutes shall be governed by the respective statutory bodies.
- 8 Supernumerary seats for Ph.D. programmes shall be governed by the Regulations notified by the University Grants Commission from time to time in this regard.
- 9 All HEIs shall have an 'Office for International Students'. Year-wise details, i.e., country, number, programme/subject, duration etc., regarding the international students in the HEI be maintained by it and be made available on their website.
- 10 All details regarding number of seats available for international students in each programme, fee prescribed for the same, admission process, eligibility conditions etc. shall be made available on the website of the HEI.
- 11 All existing rules/provisions notified by Government of India regarding visa/ Foreign Regional Registration Offices (FRRO) etc. shall be followed by the HEIs.