

Proceedings of the Meeting held on 04.10.2012 at 10.00 AM in Room No. 406, 4th Floor, Vikasa Soudha, Bangalore.

Present:

Shri S.A. Ramadass, Minister for Medical Education, Karnataka, Bangalore.
 Shri Siddaiah, IAS, Prl. Secretary, Higher Education, Bangalore.
 Shri K.S. Prabhakar, IAS, Secretary, Medical Education, Bangalore.
 Shri Chakravarthi Mohan, IAS, Executive Director, KEA, Bangalore.
 Dr. G.S. Venkatesh, DME, Bangalore,
 Shri Saibaba, I/c. Deputy Secretary, Medical Education Dept, Bangalore.
 Shri Mehaboob Khan, Under Secretary, Medical Education Dept., Bangalore.
 Shri S.P. Kulkarni, Administrative Officer, KEA, Bangalore.
 Shri Yellappa Dashavantar, DD, PU Board, Bangalore.

Dr. G.S. Venkatesh welcomed all Members and requested Hon'ble Minister for Medical Education to Chair the meeting. He briefly outlined the turn of events that has occurred so far with regards to NEET -2013. Shri Chakravarthi Mohan, Executive Director, KEA briefly outlined the steps taken by the KEA with regard to NEET-2013.

After detailed discussions amongst members present the following decisions were taken:

1. It was unanimously agreed to provide following support to ensure optimal participation of students from rural and urban areas of Karnataka in NEET (Medical) Examination to be held on 12.05.2013 :
 - a) Capacity build all PUC teachers to address all students to fill NEET Applications, Schedule of NEET pre- examination activity and conduct of NEET (Medical) mock examination.
 - b) Identify competent Resource Persons to deliver talks on NEET(Medical) syllabi to particularly ensure
 - i) Conceptual teaching
 - ii) Memory Skill improvement and problem solving approaches
 - iii) hands on training on Mock Examinations.

through programmes on Chandana TV, through KEA and PU Department Websites on an interactive mode and through pre calendered contact programmes all over Karnataka to promote awareness. Executive Director, KEA agreed to prepare Plan of Action with time lines and budget and have the same approved by the Vice Chairman KEA, and ensure implementation in the interest of optimising NEET (Medical) results in Karnataka.

Regarding the level of questions in NEET (Medical) Examination in view of CBSE syllabus still being adapted in all PU Colleges, it was agreed that it would be in the best interest of the PU students particularly from Rural Karnataka that the CET level/standards of questions are

maintained in NEET examination and a letter to this effect shall be addressed to the Chairman and President COBSE, CBSE Board, New Delhi.

Further it was also felt imperative that centers for holding NEET (Medical) examination in Karnataka State should not be confined only to Bangalore, Hubli and Mangalore but examination centres should also be approved to be at Shimoga, Belgaum, Gulbarga and Mysore. It was felt that if this was not done, then, the number of students taking NEET examination would go down in Karnataka.

In the interest of ensuring NEET(Medical) examination to be taken by Rural students of Karnataka it was necessary that the examination paper shall also have Kannada version of the questions. A letter seeking NEET question paper in Kannada was agreed to be sent to Chairman and President COBSE , CBSE Board, New Delhi.

In order to communicate these decisions to the concerned, it was approved to host these proceedings on KEA and PU websites.

S.A. Ramadass,
Minister for Medical Education