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To: All Bangladesh Missions Abroad (Except Honorary Consulates)
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For Head of Chancery from Director (IO)

Kindly be informed that the Directorate General of Health Services of the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare of Bangladesh has announced admission of foreign students in Government Medical and Dental Colleges for the academic year 2020-21. This year total 221 seats are reserved for the foreign students, of which 112 seats are allocated for SAARC countries and 109 seats are allocated for non-SAARC countries, under Bangladesh government's scholarship programme. Country-wise allocation of seats is as follows:

Serial No	Country	Seats reserved for SAARC Countries Candidates		Seats Reserved for Non-SAARC Countries Candidates (Note: no SAARC Country student will be given admission in the seats reserved for the non-SAARC candidates)	
		MBBS	BDS	MBBS	BDS
01	India	22	02	64 (sixty four)	22 (twenty two)
02	Pakistan	21	02		
03	Nepal	19	03		
04	Sri Lanka	13	02		
05	Bhutan	15	02	Under scholarship like SAARC countries	
06	Maldives	06	01	Myanmar - 05	02
07	Afghanistan	03	01	Palestine - 13	03
	Sum-total	99 (ninety nine)	13(thirteen)	82 (eighty two)	27 (twenty seven)
Total: 221 (Two hundred and twenty one)					

03. In addition to admission in Government Medical/Dental Colleges, the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare will consider applications of foreign students for admission in Private Medical/Dental Colleges in Bangladesh. List of Government and Private Medical and Dental Colleges and availability of seats as received from the Directorate General of Health Services are enclosed at **Annexure A and B** respectively.



04. Criteria and procedure of application for foreign students in the said courses are enclosed at **Annexure C**. A prescribed application form is also attached at **Annexure D**. **(Application Form is also available at: www.mofa.gov.bd)**.

05. Deadline for receiving applications at Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Dhaka for admission is **24 January 2021** for Government Medical/Dental Colleges and **25 January 2021** for Private Medical/ Dental Colleges. **No application will be considered after the deadline.** 03 (three) sets of photocopies of duly filled in application form, 03 (three) sets of photocopies of passport and original copy of telegraphic transfer/SWIFT for the mentioned fee must be enclosed with application.

06. In addition, the Missions are kindly requested to the agreed-upon guidelines (**Annexure-E**) which are prepared after an inter-ministerial meeting with the relevant stakeholders of the admission process. The steps (**described Annexure-E**) which are being mentioned to be followed upon are prescribed to prevent forgery and other illegal activates regarding the admission process. Hence, the Missions are requested to **accept only the certificates verified by the proper authorities (e.g: respective institution, education ministry, foreign ministry etc.)**. Also, the **applicants must submit his/her application in person to the Mission (For India). In time of final selection as well as issuance of visa.** The Mission should **take personal interview** of every applicant and **verify the mark-sheet online by themselves for (India & Nepal)**. Target of all these rules and procedures throughout these medical admission process is to ensure transparency in the mechanism and nullify the chances of wrongdoing by the agents and third parties.

07. Applications with aggregate GPA less than 8.0 for Government Medical College and GPA less than 7.0 for Private Medical College will not be considered for admission. Hence, Missions are requested not to forward such applications to the Ministry. The merit list prepared by the Equivalence Committee in Bangladesh will be considered as final. Missions are requested to send the list of applicants by fax/ e-mail in advance of the bag copy. Missions are requested to send the list of applicants in MS-Word format to the Ministry by e-mail io2@mofa.gov.bd/iowing@mofa.gov.bd (for India, Nepal and Pakistan only).

08. You are, therefore, requested to kindly disseminate the admission circular to concerned authorities (Ministry of Foreign Affairs/ Ministry of Education/ other relevant organization) of your host country and countries of concurrent accreditation. You are also requested to kindly upload the circular at the Mission's website and make necessary arrangements to popularize the programme among foreign students.

09. This is for kind information and appropriate necessary action at your end.

Enclosure: As stated


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