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## **Compulsory Internship In India**

### **Amended Resolution**

The matter with regard to making it compulsory, the one-year internship in India for all foreign graduates for obtaining a final registration in Tamilnadu Medical Council was discussed in detail in the 'General Business meeting "of the Tamilnadu Medical Council which was held on 4<sup>th</sup> January 2020 and it was resolved that,

**"The medical practitioners with foreign degrees who have appeared for the screening test on or after 01.01.2020 has to complete one-year internship in any MCI recognized institution within India for getting permanent Registration in TNMC"**

The above resolution was based on the following facts. Given the rising costs of medical education, especially in private medical colleges of the country, many students planning to enter the medical field are now going abroad to pursue their MBBS courses. It is also noticed that there is considerable rise in Foreign MBBS aspirants flocking countries like Ukraine, China, Russia, Bangladesh, Philippines and other countries where MBBS is more affordable. However, the quality of education is not standardised in all countries, and while these courses are taught in English, patient treatment is still dependant on the local languages. The supervised training imparted after the completion of the undergraduate course is also not uniform and do not address the disease pattern prevailing in the Indian states. This invariably results in lack of skills and knowledge of dealing with diseases specific to India, as well as interacting with the Indian patients. Indian conditions are different in terms of environment, lifestyle, and tropical diseases, from that in other countries.

The Tamil Nadu Medical Council considered that, it is better that, the Foreign Medical Graduates instead of doing their internship in the countries they are studying, they should do it here in India to tune into the current problems faced by patients in India, so they are armed adequately to treat patients here in India and therefore one year internship in any MCI recognized institution within India should be made mandatory for getting permanent Registration in Tamil Nadu Medical Council.

On publication of this resolution in the website, the Tamilnadu Medical Council received numerous representations, stating that many candidates have completed eight months of internship in China, and are unable to continue in the present scenario. If the resolution is given effect, many students will be facing the hardship of wasting one more year, doing internship in India.

The Tamilnadu Medical Council considered and discussed the matter elaborately in the "General Business Meeting "held on 03.05.2020 by videoconferencing and decided to review the decision. Accordingly, it has been resolved that

**"Foreign Medical Graduates who have completed final examinations in the university in March- June 2019 and are undergoing internship from parent college are exempted from doing one-year internship in India".**

**"The Tamilnadu Medical Council further resolved that, students who complete their final MBBS examination after June 2019 from any foreign college/university outside India, except Nepal, has to undergo one-year internship in India, in any of the MCI recognized institutions for obtaining final registration from Tamilnadu Medical Council"**



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