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## Public Notice Regarding Temporary Suspension of Reciprocal Additional Qualification Registration in the Specialty of Psychiatry

Whereas it has come to the notice of the Jammu and Kashmir Medical Council through various representations, including those forwarded by government departments that certain de-addiction clinics/centres within the Union Territory of Jammu and Kashmir are allegedly engaged in unethical and unlawful practices relating to de-addiction treatment, including fraudulent declarations in applications seeking reciprocal registration of MD Psychiatry qualifications, particularly in connection with de-addiction treatment facilities;

And whereas such practices pose a grave threat to public health, patient safety, and the integrity of medical practice and undermining the credibility of regulatory authorities;

Now, therefore, in exercise of its statutory mandate to regulate the medical profession and to prevent misuse of narcotic and psychotropic substances, the Jammu and Kashmir Medical Council hereby orders that, with immediate effect, no applications for Reciprocal Additional Qualification Registration in the specialty of Psychiatry shall be entertained for the purpose of undertaking de-addiction treatment or prescribing/dispensing the aforesaid substances within the Union Territory of Jammu and Kashmir, until further orders. This decision has been taken after taking cognizance of formal complaints and concerns raised by various government departments and to enable the adoption of stricter verification and monitoring mechanisms.

Further, taking a note of patient care in the de-addiction clinics/centres in the Union Territory of Jammu & Kashmir & with reference to Minutes of Meeting dated 13-09-2025 and decision taken by council after taking cognizance of various complaints which have been brought into the notice of Jammu & Kashmir Medical Council, reciprocal registrations of Psychiatry is temporarily stopped till further notice of council.

It is clarified that applications for Provisional Registration and Additional Qualification Registration (other than Reciprocal Additional Qualification Registration) in the specialty of Psychiatry by domicile of UT of Jammu and Kashmir shall continue to be received and processed strictly in accordance with the extant rules and procedures. However, in case of any complaint received against the applicant, the Council may hold the application till clearance is received from investigation agencies.

This order is issued with the approval of the Competent Authority and shall remain in force until expressly revoked

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