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To

All the Deans/ Principals of Medical Colleges
Affiliated to this University.

Sir/Madam,

Sub: ACADEMIC - The T.N. Dr. MGR Medical University, Chennai -
Recommendation of the 53rd Standing Academic Board held on
27.04-2017 – Communicated - Reg.

- Ref: 1 Minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Studies in
Post Graduate Clinical Degree/Diploma Courses
held on 03.04.2017.
- 2 Minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Studies in
Post Graduate Non-clinical Degree/Diploma Courses
held on 04.04.2017
3. Minutes of the Meeting of the 53rd^t Standing Academic Board
held on 27.04-2017 and a Copy of Resolution No.25 Passed
at 253rd meeting of the Governing Council, held on
29.06.2017.

I am to inform that the Meeting of the Board of Studies Post Graduate Clinical and Non-clinical Degree/Diploma Courses was held on 03.04.2017 and 04.04.2017 respectively. The Boards discussed various academic matters. The recommendations of the Board of Studies in Post Graduate Clinical and Non-clinical Degree/Diploma Courses was placed before the 53rd Meeting of the Standing Academic Board, held on 27-04-2017 and passed in the 253rd meeting of the Governing Council, held on 29.06.2017 which are detailed as below:

The Board has reiterated the resolution of the 49th & 52nd Standing Academic Board regarding the topic of dissertation as follows:

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The topic for the dissertation should be registered and sent to the University after Ethical Committees' approval before 31st of December of the first Post Graduate Year. Only one change of topic with proper justification from the Head of the Department is permitted before 31st March of the first Post Graduate Year. The change of dissertation title will not be permitted after 31st March of the first Post Graduate Year. This modification in regulation will be scrupulously followed from the academic year 2015-16 admission onwards.

Further, 52nd Standing Academic Board has also reiterated that periodical evaluation of Dissertation/Log Book should be done by the Guide/HOD once in every 6 Months and it was also resolved that the evaluation report should be sent to the University once in every 6 Months. The HOD should ensure about the submission of dissertation within the stipulated time as per the existing Regulations.

The MD/MS Post Graduates should submit his/her dissertation online by uploading in the University website within the stipulated time as per the existing regulations. This will be implemented from the academic year 2015-16 admission onwards and for the candidates appearing for May 2018 Examination onwards.

The resolution passed at the 52nd Standing Academic Board dt 29.9.2016, the Institution should have an online access to the registered topics from the academic year 2016-17 onwards so as to avoid repetition of topics.

The University will upload the approved titles of dissertation in the website in a chronological order mentioning the dates of submission by the candidates. The last date for Registration of topics by the University will be on January 20th of every year. The GUIDE/HOD shall ensure that there is no duplication of previously registered topics. The second candidate, if found to have an identical topic to the previous one will be asked to make a change of thesis topic within 31st March of the first Post graduate year. This will be implemented from the Academic year 2017-18 admission onwards.

The Board has also resolved that all the MD/MS Candidates should compulsorily attend the Research Methodology workshop conducted by the University and it should be completed within first 6 months of their study and the HODs have to ensure about the completion certificate of the Research Methodology Workshop. This will be implemented from the Academic Year 2017-18 admission onwards.

Regarding submission of articles to the University journal of Medical Sciences for all the PG Degree/Diploma courses, the Board has resolved that, it is mandatory that the students have to submit at-least one research paper. Case Reports are not considered as Research Paper and this will be implemented from the Academic Year 2017-18 admission onwards.

The Board has also reiterated the resolution passed at the 50th Standing Academic Board to follow that all the PG Clinical courses, the distribution of marks for Viva is 80 Marks and Log Book is 20 marks, which was implemented from April 2016 Examination onwards.

For OSCE - It was resolved that one station should be Evidence based and the other station should be Problem based. New OSCE stations are to be kept in each and every day of University Practical Examination.

The Board has resolved that each teaching faculty should assess the students in their posting / unit and the competency assessment marks (20 Marks) to be submitted to the University forwarded through HOD once a year and the Competency Assessment marks should be displayed in the notice Board of the respective departments and also to be forwarded by HOD and the final summative competency assessment marks (20 marks) will be submitted on 15th February at their final year of study for MD/MS/Diploma candidate. The parent department should maintain the performance worksheet for competency assessment. This will be implemented from the academic year 2017-18 admission onwards.

COMPETENCY ASSESSMENT:

1 OVERALL:

a) Communication / commitment / Contribution / Compassion towards patients and Innovation	() ()	5 Marks
b) Implementation of newly learnt techniques/skills	()	
2 Number of cases presented in Clinical Meetings/ Journal clubs/seminars		- 5 marks
3 Number of Posters/Papers presented in Conferences/ Publications and Research Projects		- 5 marks
4 No. of Medals / Certificates won in the conference / Quiz competitions and other academic meetings with details.		- 5 marks
	Total	----- 20 Marks -----

PG CLINICAL COURSES

VIVA including Competency Assessment	- 80 Marks (60 + 20)
Log Book	- 20 marks

ASSESSMENT SCHEDULE IS AS FOLLOWS

Year of study	Period				Total Max.20 marks
I year	Upto Dec	10 marks	Upto June	10 marks	20 Marks
II year	Upto Dec	10 marks	Upto June	10 marks	20 Marks
III year	Upto Oct	10 marks	Upto Feb	10 marks	20 Marks
	AVERAGE				20 Marks

This will be implemented from the Academic Year 2017-18 admission onwards.

The Board has approved the revamped syllabus framed by the Expert Committee in respect of PG Degree/Diploma courses. This will be implemented from the academic year 2017-18 admission onwards.

The Board has also resolved to include Adolescent Gynecology as write short notes on (7 marks) in DGO and M.S. (OG) Course in University Theory Examination. This will be implemented from the Academic year 2017-18 admission onwards.

The Board has resolved that all the candidates/Faculties of the Medical Colleges affiliated to this University should compulsorily include the name of this University in their Posters/Oral Paper Presentations in CME's, State/National/International conferences & also in publications either in the column provided as "affiliated to" or in the "authors information". This will be implemented from the Academic year 2017-18 admission onwards.

The Board has resolved that the Head of the Departments of all the affiliated institutions should submit the list of publications from each Department, forwarded through Deans/Principals once in every six months to the University and this will be implemented from the Academic Year 2017-18 admission onwards.

The Board has resolved that all Postgraduate Students should be posted in the parent department for the entire first year and they will be posted in the peripheral/Specialty departments in the second year. During the last one year of their course the candidates will be posted in the parent department. This will be implemented from the Academic Year 2017-18 admission onwards.

The Board has also resolved that the students in II year are encouraged to undergo Special Postings for learning new advanced techniques/Procedures/skills in other Institutions of higher repute where the requisite facilities are available without affecting the duties of the parent department. This will be implemented from the Academic Year 2017-18 admission onwards.

The Board has resolved that to include Pediatric Surgery in the existing curriculum of M.S. General Surgery and recommended as follows:

1. One question on Paediatric Surgery topic will be asked as "write notes on" (7 marks) in Surgery Paper II in M.S. General Surgery.
2. To continue the existing posting schedule in Paediatric Surgery for one month in Second year of M.S. General Surgery.

This will be implemented from the academic year 2017-18 admission onwards.

It was resolved to approve the modifications made in the clinical examination scheme of the revamped syllabus and curriculum for PG clinical courses and this will be implemented from the Academic year 2017 -18 admission onwards.

The Board has also reiterated the resolution passed at the 50th SAB resolution, to follow that in all the PG Non Clinical courses, the distribution of marks for Viva is 60 Marks and Pedagogy is 40 marks, which was implemented from April 2016 Examination onwards.

PG NON CLINICAL COURSES

VIVA including Competency Assessment	- 60 Marks (40 + 20)
Pedagogy	- 40 marks

In the University Practical Examination scheme for PG (Non clinical courses), the distribution of marks for Pedagogy is 40 Marks. For M.D. Community Medicine the existing pattern of viva 60 marks and Pedagogy 40 marks to be continued.

PEDAGOGY Assessment (8 minutes Presentation and 2 Minutes Q & Ans)

1. Demeanour	- 10
2. Audio visual Aids usage, voice modulation and Attitude	- 10
3. Subject Content	- 10
4. Q & Ans /Interaction	- 10

Total	40 Marks

This will be implemented from the Academic year 2017-18 admission onwards.

Modified Theory Question Paper Pattern for MD Non clinical courses

Structured Essay Questions	- 2 x 15 Marks	= 30 Marks
Short Notes	- 10 x 5 Marks	= 50 Marks
Reasoning out	- 4 x 5 Marks	= 20 Marks

		100 Marks

This will be implemented from the Academic year 2017-18 admission onwards.

The Board has resolved that for all Post Graduate Non Clinical Courses, the following exercises should also be incorporated in the practical examination and this will be implemented from the Academic year 2017-18 admission onwards.

1. Techniques
2. Handling of Equipments
3. Good Laboratory Practices

The Board has resolved that the University Practical Examination for M.D. Forensic Medicine will be conducted in 2 days. This will be implemented from the Academic year 2017-18 admission onwards.

The Board has resolved that the University Practical Examination for M.D. Microbiology will be conducted in 2 days. This will be implemented from the Academic year 2017-18 admission onwards.

The Board has approved the revamped syllabus framed by the Expert Committee in respect of PG Non Clinical Degree/Diploma courses. This will be implemented from the academic year 2017-18 admission onwards.

Therefore, I request that the decision of the Standing Academic Board as mentioned above may be communicated to all the Professors and Heads of Departments for information and further follow up action in this regard. I am also to request that a copy may be displayed on the Notice Board of the College/Hostel for information to the students concerned.

The receipt of this letter may be acknowledged. by return of post.

Yours faithfully,

Sd/-

for REGISTRAR

Copy to:

1. The Academic Officer
2. The Controller of Examinations i/c.
3. The Assistant Registrar and Personal Secretary to Vice Chancellor
4. The System Analyst - With a request to publish in the University Website.
5. P.G.Section (Examination Wing)
6. Section Officer (Academic Section -I)