

GOVERNMENT OF KERALA

DIRECTORATE OF MEDICAL EDUCATION, THIRUVANANTHAPURAM

PROSPECTUS FOR POST GRADUATE DEGREE IN PHARMACY (M. PHARM) 2008

No. B6/ 16016/ 2008/ DME

- I. **B. Pharm** course is conducted in the College of Pharmaceutical Sciences, Medical College, Thiruvananthapuram, Kozhikode and Al-Shifa, Perinthalmanna with 51 sanctioned seats in various branches as detailed below.

Sl. No	Name of Course	MCT	MCC	Al-Shifa	Total no of seats	General Merit	SC/ST	Service Quota	Sponsored seats
1	Pharmaceutical Analysis	2	-	-	2	1	1	-	-
2	Pharmacognosy & Phyto-Chemistry	2	-	-	2	1	-	1	-
3	Pharmaceutics	2	10	5	17	14	1	2	-
4	Pharmacology	2	-	-	2	2	-	-	-
5	Pharmacy Practice	8	10	-	18	13	1	1	3
6	Pharmaceutical Chemistry	10	-	-	10	4	2	1	3
Total		26	20	5	51	35	5	5	6

II. Eligibility for admission. –

- (a) The candidates who have passed the B.Pharm Degree of any of the Universities in Kerala or of any other Universities recognised by any of the Universities in Kerala as equivalent thereto from an institution recognised by the All India Council of Technical Education, New Delhi, with a minimum of 50% marks for all the four years of B. Pharm Examination taken together, will be eligible for admission. For Lecturer in pharmacy who seeks admission against the reserved quota, the minimum marks will be 50% except in the case of Pharmacy Practice for which minimum 55% is required. Candidates who have passed their B.Pharm Course from Universities outside Kerala will be eligible for admission only if their qualifying examination is recognised by the Universities of Kerala on the date of counselling by the Director of Medical Education.

In addition to the above, candidates applying for the sponsored seats in Pharmacy Practice and Pharmaceutical Chemistry should possess a minimum of two years of full-time work experience in a registered firm/company/industry/educational and research institution /any Government departments or Government autonomous organisation in any field of pharmacy after obtaining the minimum educational qualification for admission. In the absence of candidates with 2 years experience candidates with less experience will be considered.

- (b) Only Indian Citizens of Kerala origin are eligible for admission to the course. They have to provide the certificate along with the application form. For Sponsored seat all Indian citizens are eligible.

III. Duration The course of study including the Thesis work shall extend over a period of 2 years.

IV. Selection of candidates except for the seats reserved for Lecturer in Pharmacy, nominee of Drugs Control Department, and sponsored candidates (for M. Pharm in Pharmacy Practice & Pharmaceutical Chemistry) will be made through an entrance examination conducted by the Commissioner for Entrance Examinations, Thiruvananthapuram. The Commissioner for Entrance Examination will prepare and forward the select and wait list to the Director of Medical Education.

V. Entrance Examination The entrance examination will consist of one paper of three hours duration. The examination shall be of the standard of B.Pharm. Examination and will contain questions on all subjects covered in the B. Pharm. Course of Kerala University. All questions will be of objective type. Answer should be marked in a separate answer sheet (OMR sheet) provided and all entries in the OMR sheet, including filling of bubbles should be done using ball point pen only (Blue or Black). Each answer with correct response will be awarded three marks. Negative marking will be adopted for incorrect response. One mark will be deducted for each negative response and zero mark will be given for the questions not answered. More than one answer indicated against a question will be deemed as incorrect response and will be negatively marked. The applications for admission will be invited by the Commissioner for Entrance Examinations, Thiruvananthapuram and the date and schedule of entrance examination will be notified in due course.

A candidate who fulfils the conditions of eligibility for admission will be eligible to appear for the Entrance Examination. However those students of Final year B. Pharm who have appeared or appearing for the Final year B. Pharm Examination will also be eligible to appear for the entrance examination provided they pass the examination as on the date of declaration of the Entrance examination result.

In case more than one candidate obtains equal marks in the entrance examination, the tie will be resolved as follows :

The age of the candidate is taken into account the older being given preference.

VI. Reservation of seats

- (a) Seats are reserved for Lecturers in Pharmacy in Medical Education Service in the following specialities:
- (1) Pharmaceutics - 2 seats
 - (2) Pharmaceutical Chemistry - 1 seat
 - (3) Pharmacy Practice - 1 seat
- (b) One seat in Pharmacognosy is reserved for B.Pharm Degree holders in the Drugs Control Department. In the absence of qualified hands from the drugs control department this seat will be filled by the staff from DHS and DME on rotation basis.
- (c) Three seats each in M. Pharm Pharmacy practice and Pharmaceutical Chemistry are reserved for sponsored candidates as per the guidelines of the AICTE.
- (d) Four seats (one seat each in the speciality of Pharmaceutical Analysis and Pharmaceutics and 2 seats in Pharmaceutical Chemistry) are reserved for SC candidates and one seat in Pharmacy Practice is reserved for ST candidates. Selection to these seats will be made according to merit as mentioned under Clause IV.

Selection under Service Quota

The selection under the service quota will be on the basis of seniority in service with respect to the earliest effective advice of the Kerala Public Service Commission. The candidate selected should have at least five years service for superannuation after completion of the course.

The candidates admitted under service quota will have to execute a bond in the prescribed format the time of admission to the effect that he/she shall serve the Government continuously for a period of not less than five years immediately after the completion of the course and shall not be eligible for LWA during that period for taking up employment elsewhere and that in the event of any violation of this condition he/she will have to pay Rs. Five lakh as penalty to Government.

Service candidates who are selected for M. Pharm course under Lecturer Quota who fail to join the course/ discontinue the course after joining other than on medical grounds will not be eligible for applying to the course under Lecturer reservation quota for 3 consecutive years after the year of selection.

SC/ST Quota

The candidates who apply under this category should produce certificate from the Tahsildar of the Taluk concerned that he/she belongs to SC/ST in the form appended in the application form. Other forms of community certificate will not be considered on any account.

i. Claim for Reservation under Scheduled Castes / Scheduled Tribes quota

- a. Candidates claiming reservation under Scheduled Castes / Scheduled Tribes quota should obtain the Caste / Community Certificate from a Revenue Officer not below the rank of a Tahsildar, in the application form. The Christian converts who have subsequently embraced Hinduism should produce Caste / Community Certificate in the proforma given in the application form. The following certificate should also be got recorded by the Revenue Official below the certificates. "The Certificate is issued after observing the guidelines issued in Government Circular No. 18421/E2/SC/ST/ DD dated 15-12-1987"
- b. The applications for the reserved seats of Scheduled Castes / Scheduled Tribes candidates which do not contain SC / ST Certificates (Community Certificate) from the Tahsildar in the prescribed form provided on the body of the application will not be considered on any account for claiming community reservation against the seats reserved for SC / ST candidates - vide G.O. (MS) 31/90/SC/ST/DD dated 25-05-1990. The community certificate should clearly specify that the candidate himself / herself (not the father or mother) belongs to the Scheduled Castes / Tribes. The Community Certificates obtained earlier for other purposes will not be accepted. The candidates who are reconverted to Hinduism from Christianity of Scheduled Caste origin should produce community certificate from the Tahsildar concerned along with a copy of Gazette Notification regarding re-conversion.
- c. The claim for reservation under Schedule Caste / Schedule Tribes quota will also be subject to verification and clearance by the Screening committee constituted for the purpose by Government vide G.O. (MS) No. 23/89 SC/ST/DD dated 22-05-1989 and as authorised by section 6 of the Kerala (Scheduled Castes & Scheduled Tribes) Regulation of issue of Community Certificates Act - 1996 (Act 11 of 1996).
- d. The SC/ST claims in respect of those who have migrated from one State to another will be subject to the provisions of GO (MS) 10/86/SC/ST/DD. Dated 12-02-1986. Only the children of those who had migrated to this State before the promulgation of the Constitution (Scheduled Castes) Order 1950 and the constitution (Scheduled Tribes) Order 1950, and ordinarily reside in this State can claim SC/ST benefits from the State of Kerala. They must be able to prove this if required.
- e. Children of inter-caste marriage who claim reservation under SC/ST quota should produce necessary certificates to this effect from the Revenue Authorities.

Their SC/ST claim will be subject to verification and clearance by the Screening Committee constituted by the Government vide G.O. (MS). 23/89/SC/ST/DD dated, 22-05-1989. The application of such candidates for the reserved seats of SC/ST which do not contain Certificate from the Tahsildar concerned in the prescribed form provided in the body of the application will not be considered on any account (vide. G.O. (MS) 31/90/SC/ST/DD dated 25-05-1990.). The Community Certificate should clearly specify that the candidate himself / herself (not the father / mother) belongs to the Scheduled Castes / Tribes. There is no separate reservation quota for the children born of Inter caste married Couples of whom one is a Scheduled Castes / Scheduled Tribe.

WARNING

Those who produce false SC/ST certificate for claiming reservation under SC/ST quota shall be liable for the penalties stipulated in section 15 of the act referred to in the clause (c). Candidates and their guardians who make such applications are warned that in addition to prosecution they will have to suffer the following consequences in case the SC/ST certificate produced is found to be false and the candidate does not belong to any SC/ST Communities under Section 16 of the Act: “16 – Benefits secured on the basis of false community certificates to be withdrawn”

Whoever not being a person belonging to any of the Scheduled Tribes secured admission in any education institutions against a seat reserved for such castes or tribes or secures any appointment in the Government, Government undertakings, Local Authority or in any other Company or Corporation owned or controlled by the Government or in any aided institutions against a post reserved for such castes or tribes or enjoys any other benefits intended exclusively for such castes or tribes by producing a false Community Certificate shall, on cancellation of the false Community Certificate, be removed by cancelling the irregular admission in the concerned educational institutions, or as the case may be removed from the said service forthwith and any benefit enjoyed by him as aforesaid shall be withdrawn forthwith.

1. Any amount paid to such person by Government or any other agency by way of scholarship, grant, allowance, stipend or any other financial benefit shall be recovered as if it is an arrear of public revenue due as land.
2. Any Degree, Diploma or any other educational qualifications acquired by such person after securing admission in any educational institution on the basis of a false community certificate shall also stand cancelled on cancellation of the community certificate obtained by him.

ii. Un availed seats of Scheduled Caste/Scheduled Tribe

If a vacancy occurs due to the non-joining of a Scheduled Caste candidate, the same will be filled up by the Scheduled Caste candidate in the wait list. The same is applicable to the vacancies caused due to the non-joining of a Scheduled Tribe candidate. If there are no candidates in the wait list of Scheduled Tribe candidates, a vacancy due to the non-joining of a Scheduled Tribe candidate will go to the Scheduled Caste candidate and vice versa. If there are no candidates in the wait list of either of the category the same will be filled up by the eligible candidates included in the wait list of General Merit candidates.

Sponsored Quota

Selection to these seats shall be made on the basis of total marks obtained in the I, II, III and IV B.Pharm examination taken together. The candidates seeking admission under the sponsored seat category must submit a letter along with the application form from the employer stating that the candidate is being sponsored to get admission. The employer should also indicate that the candidate will not be withdrawn midway till the completion of the course. Application not supported by the sponsoring letter will be primarily rejected. Sponsored candidates will not be eligible for any stipend from the Government.

- *The allotment of seats under reservation category will be made every year on rotation basis*
- *Service Quota candidates and Sponsored Quota candidates need not undergo the Entrance Exam for admission to the reserved seats.*
- *Selection to the remaining seats will be made according to merit as detailed under Clause IV.*

VII. The applicants should satisfy the minimum requirements for admission as specified in clause II (a) before the last date fixed for receipt of application.

VIII. <u>Payment of fees.</u>	<i>(Except for sponsored Seats) Rs.</i>	<i>(For Sponsored seats) Rs.</i>
(a) Tuition fee (Annual)	25000/-	125000/-
(b) Misc. fee	1,500/-	1,500/-
(c) Caution Deposit	5,000/-	5,000/- *
(d) University registration fee	<i>As applicable</i>	
(e) Van fee	1,500/-	1,500/-

* *(For recovery towards breakages or loss of laboratory equipments, books etc)*

The fees once paid except the caution deposit will not be refunded on any account, after closing of admission

IX. Every candidate admitted to the course except sponsored candidate shall execute a bond on Rs. 50 Kerala Stamp Paper at the time of admission to the course that he/she shall pay to Government the stipend if any received during the course together with a sum of Rs. 1,00,000/- as liquidated damages in the event of his/her interrupting or discontinuing the course at any time after expiry of the select list. In the case of sponsored candidates, they shall execute a bond that they shall pay to the Government a sum of Rs.1,00,000/- as

liquidated damages in the event of his/her interrupting or discontinuing the course at any time after one month from the date of admission to the course.

- X. (a) The Commissioner for Entrance Examinations will prepare and publish the select and wait list of candidates whose selection is purely on the basis of the entrance examination and forward the list to the Director of Medical Education.
- (b) The selection list will be valid for three months from the date of publication of the select list/wait list. Additional seats if any sanctioned during the validity of the select list will be filled up from that list.

XI. Application Form : The application forms are common for all candidates appearing for the entrance examination. The candidate seeking admission to the course can apply in the specific format after downloading it from the website at “cee-kerala.org” of the Commissioner for Entrance Examination, along with a Demand Draft of Rs 800/- drawn in favour of the Commissioner for Entrance Examinations, Thiruvananthapuram payable at Thiruvananthapuram. In case of Service candidates/ Sponsored candidates, application fee should be remitted in the Treasury under the Head of Account “0210-03-105-99” and the Chelan receipt should be attached with the application form. The Prospectus can also be downloaded from this website. The application forms and the prospectus will not be available from the Medical Colleges and from the office of the Commissioner for Entrance Examinations.

- XII. How and when to apply : (a) Application form correctly filled up together with the following documents should be sent by registered post to the Commissioner for Entrance Examinations, V Floor, Upper Zone, Housing Board Buildings, Santhi Nagar, Thiruvananthapuram - 695001 with the superscription “*Application for Admission to M. Pharm Course, 2008*” before the time and date notified by the Commissioner for Entrance Examinations except in the case of candidates applying for sponsored seats, seats under Lecturer Quota and seats under Drugs Control Department/ Health Service Department. Candidates applying under these three categories shall submit their application to the Director of Medical Education, Medical College Campus, Thiruvananthapuram through their Heads of Departments. Date of receipt of applications will be same as that of the General category. The candidates who applied for both the entrance exam and under the service/ sponsored quota need to submit only the photocopy of the application form to the Director of Medical Education, but separate fees should be remitted for the purpose.

(b) Documents to be submitted along with the application In all cases true copies/Photostats duly attested of the following documents:

- (1) Statement of marks in all the subjects of the B. Pharm Examination
- (2) Pass certificate of B. Pharm Examination.
- (3) Service certificate in case of Lecturers/ nominee of Drugs Control Department as on the last date of submission of application

- (4) Community certificate obtained from Tahsildar in the form appended to the application for SC/ST applicants.
- (5) Passport size photograph to be affixed at the space provided.
- (6) Any other certificate required along with the application.
- (7) Nativity certificate required under Clause II (b)
- (8) Experience Certificate in the case of Sponsored candidates.
- (9) Sponsorship letter from the employer for the Sponsored candidates as shown in appendix I.

Note: 1) Candidate who have passed their Degree from Universities other than Kerala University, will have to produce the Recognition Certificate from the Kerala University at the time of counselling to the Director of Medical Education.

2) Documents / certificates furnished after the submission of the application will not be entertained under any circumstance. No opportunity will be given to incorporate any details after the submission of the application.
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- XIII. All certificates in original are to be produced at the time of counselling. In case of any doubt about any certificate furnished by the candidates, such certificate will be accepted only if found correct on further verification. Admission given will be cancelled if it is found later that false certificates have been produced or that the admission has been secured by fraudulent means.
- XIV. A selection committee consisting of the Director of Medical Education (Chairman), Joint Director of Medical Education (M), (Convenor) Joint Director of Medical Education (G), Principal, Medical College, Thiruvananthapuram, and Professor and Head of Pharmacy, College of Pharmaceutical Science, Medical College, Thiruvananthapuram (Members) will prepare the Select List/Wait List of candidates, for seats reserved for Lecturers in Pharmacy, Nominees of Drug Control Department/ Health Service and Sponsored candidates. The Director of Medical Education will publish the list.
- XV. The Prospectus is subject to modification/addition as may be considered necessary by the Government and will be issued as executive orders/notification.

Thiruvananthapuram

Director of Medical Education

Appendix - I**CERTIFICATE**

Certified that Sri./ Smt.
 is holding appointment as in the institution
 from onwards till date and that he/she had continuous service/ research
 experience of years, months and days as on
 2008.

This institution has the privilege to sponsor Sri./ Smt.....
 to be sponsored candidate for seeking admission to M. Pharm
 Degree course in Pharmacy Practice and also agrees that the candidate will not be withdrawn
 from the course of study by this Institution.

	(Seal)	Signature
Place		Name
Date		Designation and Address