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To

All State Governments/UTs

All the Institutions approved by PCI-
-u/s 12 of the Pharmacy Act
- conduct of course

Sub: Appointment of Laboratory Technician in the Laboratories in pharmacy institutions.

Ref: Council's Circular dt.21.05.2022 (S/58)

Sir/Madam,

With reference to the subject cited above, it is informed that-

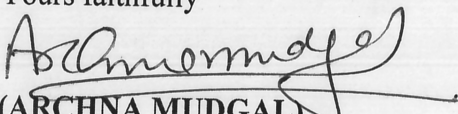
1. The Pharmacy Council of India (PCI) is a statutory body working under the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Government of India, New Delhi. It is constituted under the Pharmacy Act, 1948 and is responsible for regulation of –
 - pharmacy education for the purpose of registration as a pharmacist.
 - practice of profession of pharmacy in the country.
2. The Education Regulations are framed under section 10 of the Pharmacy Act and prescribe the minimum standard of education required for qualification as a pharmacist.

3. Accordingly, the following Education Regulations are applicable for following Courses.

Education Regulations/ Name of Course	Relevant portion of Education Regulations prescribing the requirement of Laboratory Technician
The Educations Regulations, 2020 D.Pharm	Laboratory Technician (Qualification-Diploma in Pharmacy)-2 position Regulation 8 (Appendix-A) Annexure-I.
The Pharm D Regulations, 2008 Pharm.D	Laboratory Technician (Qualification-Diploma in Pharmacy)-1 for each Dept. Regulation 9 (Appendix-B) Annexure-II.
The Master of Pharmacy (M.Pharm) Course Regulations, 2014 M.Pharm	Laboratory Technician (Qualification-Diploma in Pharmacy)-1 for each Dept. Regulation 20.2 (Appendix-D) Annexure-III.
The Bachelor of Pharmacy (B.Pharm) Course Regulations, 2014 B.Pharm	Laboratory Technician (Qualification-Diploma in Pharmacy)-1 for each Dept. Regulation 9 (Appendix-A) Annexure-IV.
The Bachelor of Pharmacy (Practice) Regulations, 2014 B.Pharm (Practice)	Laboratory Technician (Qualification-Diploma in Pharmacy)-1 for each Dept. Regulation 6(d) (Appendix-II) Annexure-V.

4. In view of above, it is requested to instruct the pharmacy Institutions under the purview of the State Government to strictly comply with the said statutory provisions of the Education Regulations regarding appointment of Laboratory Technician.

Yours faithfully


(ARCHNA MUDGAL)

Registrar-cum-Secretary

Wherever animal experimentations are prescribed in the curriculum, the required knowledge and skill should be imparted by using computer assisted modules. Animal hold area shall be as per the Committee for the Purpose of Control and Supervision of Experiments on Animals (CPCSEA) guidelines.

(B) STAFF

Principal/Director/Professor/Head of Institution /Head of the Department may be engaged in teaching upto eight hours a week, and the work load of other teaching staff should not be more than sixteen hours per week.

Staff student ratio should not exceed 1:60 in theory classes and 1:20 in practical classes. There should be two teachers for a batch of 30 students in practicals. According to the above norms, the following staff is required for an intake of 60 students:

1. Principal/Director/Professor/Head of Institution/Head of the Department	- One
2. Lecturer :	
• M.Pharm/Pharm.D	- Three
• B.Pharm with 3 years of professional experience	- Four

In addition to regular faculty, the institution can have Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery (M.B.B.S) faculty as visiting faculty for teaching Anatomy & Physiology and Biochemistry and Clinical Pathology.

The minimum qualification and experience of the teaching faculty including the Principal/ Director/ Professor/ Head of Institution/ Head of Department and their payscales shall be as prescribed in the Minimum Qualification for Teachers in Pharmacy Institutions Regulations, 2014.

The pay scale of teaching staff shall not be less than the scale of pay prescribed by the State Government/ University Grants Commission/ All India Council for Technical Education for similar category of posts.

Provided that the above qualifications shall not apply to the incumbents appointed under the repealed Education Regulations.

Non-Teaching Staff

List of Non-Teaching staff for the D.Pharm course:

1.	Laboratory Technician (Qualification-Diploma in Pharmacy)	2
2.	Laboratory Attendent	4
3.	Office Superintendent	1
4.	Clerk-cum-Accountant	1
5.	Store-Keeper	1
6.	Typist	1
7.	Asstt. Librarian	1
8.	Peons	2
9.	Cleaners/Sweepers	4
10.	Gardener	1

Museum

Every institution shall maintain a museum of crude drugs, herbarium sheets, botanical specimens of the drugs and plants mentioned in the course. In addition, the following are recommended:-

1. Coloured slides of medicinal plants:
2. Display of popular patent medicines; and
3. Containers of common usage in medicines.

v) Workload of Faculty :

Professor – 8 hrs. per week

Assistant Professor – 12 hrs. per week

Lecturers – 16 hrs. per week

vi) Training of Pharmacy Practice Faculty :

a) Teaching staff will be trained as per the module prescribed by the Central Council.

b) Duration of training – Minimum 3 months.

c) Training sites – Institutions running pharmacy practice or Programmes for atleast five years.

d) Trainer – Professor or Assistant Professor with minimum of five years of clinical pharmacy teaching and practice experience.

4) NON-TEACHING STAFF :

Sl.No.	Designation	Required (Minimum)	Required Qualification
1	Laboratory Technician	1 for each Dept	D. Pharm
2	Laboratory Assistants or Laboratory Attenders	1 for each Lab (minimum)	SSLC
3	Office Superintendent	1	Degree
4	Accountant	1	Degree
5	Store keeper	1	D.Pharm or a Bachelor degree recognized by a University or institution.
6	Computer Data Operator	1	BCA or Graduate with Computer Course
7	Office Staff I	1	Degree
8	Office Staff II	2	Degree
9	Peon	2	SSLC
10	Cleaning personnel	Adequate	---
11	Gardener	Adequate	---

Pharmaceutical Quality Assurance	Professor/Asso. Prof.	1
	Asst. Professor	2
	Lecturer	2
Department of Regulatory Affairs	Professor/Asso. Prof.	1
	Asst. Professor	2
	Lecturer	2
Department of Pharmaceutical Biotechnology	Professor/Asso. Prof.	1
	Asst. Professor	2
	Lecturer	2
Department of Phytopharmacy & Phytomedicine	Professor/Asso. Prof.	1
	Asst. Professor	2
	Lecturer	2

iii) Additional staff required, in addition to teaching faculty prescribed for B.Pharm course for conducting M.Pharm courses per department shall be as under: -

1. Asso. Professor - 2
2. Asstt. Prof/Lecturer - 2

iv) Workload of Faculty :

Professor – 8 hrs. per week

Assistant Professor – 12 hrs. per week

Lecturers – 16 hrs. per week

v) Training of Pharmacy Practice Faculty for M.Pharm (Pharmacy Practice):

- a) Teaching staff will be trained as per the module prescribed by the Pharmacy Council of India.
- b) Duration of training – Minimum 3 months.
- c) Training sites – Institutions running pharmacy practice Programmes for atleast five years.
- d) Trainer – Professor/Associate Professor or Assistant Professor with minimum of five years of clinical pharmacy teaching and practice experience.

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9	Peon	2	SSLC
10	Cleaning personnel	Adequate	---
11	Gardener	Adequate	---

APPENDIX- (A)

(See regulation 9)

CONDITIONS TO BE FULFILLED BY THE ACADEMIC TRAINING INSTITUTION

- 1) Any authority or institution in India applying to the Pharmacy Council of India for approval of courses of study for B. Pharm. under sub-section (1) of section 12 of the Pharmacy Act, 1948 shall comply with the infrastructural facilities as prescribed by the Pharmacy Council of India from time to time.
- 2) B. Pharm. programmes shall be conducted only in those institutions which are approved by the Pharmacy Council of India for B.Pharm course as provided under section 12 of the Pharmacy Act, 1948;
- 3) **TEACHING STAFF REQUIREMENT**
 - (i) Staff Pattern: All faculty shall be full time.
 - (ii) Director/Principal/HOI - 1
 - (iii) Department/Division-Wise Teaching Staff:

Department/Division	Name of the post	No.(for 60 admissions)	No.(for 100 admissions)
Department of Pharmaceutics	Professor/Associate Professor	1	1
	Asst. Professor	1	2
	Lecturer	2	3
Department of Pharmaceutical Chemistry (Including Pharmaceutical Analysis)	Professor/Associate Professor	1	1
	Asst. Professor	1	2
	Lecturer	3	3
Department of Pharmacology	Professor/Associate Professor	1	1
	Asst. Professor	1	1
	Lecturer	2	3
Department of Pharmacognosy	Professor/Associate Professor	1	1
	Asst. Professor	1	1
	Lecturer	1	1
Department of Pharmacy Practice & related subjects	Professor/Associate Professor	-	1
	Asst. Professor	1	1
	Lecturer	1	1

- iii) Qualification and experience for teaching faculty including Director/Principal/ Head of Instt./Head of Deptt. shall be as per the Minimum Qualification for Teachers in Pharmacy Institutions Regulations, 2014.
- iv) Workload of Faculty :
 - Professor/Associate Professor – 8 hrs. per week
 - Assistant Professor – 12 hrs. per week
 - Lecturers – 16 hrs. per week

4) **NON-TEACHING STAFF :**

Sl.No.	Designation	Required (Minimum)	Required Qualification
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10	Cleaning personnel	Adequate	---
11	Gardener	Adequate	---

Professor : Asst. Professor : Lecturer

Department / Division	Name of the post	For strength of 60 students of B.Pharm & 40 students of B.Pharm (Practice)
Department of Pharmaceutics	Professor	1
	Asst. Professor	1
	Lecturer	4
Department of Pharmaceutical Chemistry (including Pharmaceutical Analysis)	Professor	1
	Asst. Professor	1
	Lecturer	4
Department of Pharmacology	Professor	1
	Asst. Professor	1
	Lecturer	5
Department of Pharmacognosy	Professor	1
	Asst. Professor	1
	Lecturer	2
Department of Pharmacy Practice	Professor	1
	Asst. professor	2
	lecturer	2

4. Teaching Staff required year wise exclusively for B. Pharm (Practice) for intake of 40 Students.

	Staff required for I B. Pharm Practice	Staff required for II B. Pharm Practice
Principal	1	1
Pharmacology	1	1
Pharmaceutics	1	1
Pharmacy Practice	2	2
Part time teaching Staff For pathophysiology and pharmacotherapeutics	As required	As required

At least 2 teachers shall possess M.Pharm (Pharmacy Practice) or Pharm D. Qualification.

5. Number of non-teaching staff available for D. Pharm and B. Pharm course for intake of 60 students:

Sl. No.	Designation	Required Number	Required Qualification	Available		Remarks of the Inspection team
				Number	Qualification	
1	Laboratory Technician	1 for each Dept	D. Pharm			
2	Laboratory Assistants/ Attenders	1 for each Lab (minimum)	SSLC			
3	Office Superintendent	1	Degree			
4	Accountant	1	Degree			
5	Store keeper	1	D. Pharm/ Degree			