

Consideration of MS Programmes by PCI under the Pharmacy Act 1948.

It has been learnt by the PCI that some pharmacy institutions are offering 2 year full-time MS Programmes in Industrial Pharmacy, Pharmaceutics , Pharmaceutical Analysis & Quality Control to pharmacy graduates.

In this connection, it is clarified that only following qualifications acquired from an institution approved by PCI u/s 12 of the Pharmacy Act are approved for the purpose of registration as a pharmacist under the Pharmacy Act -

(a)D.Pharm.

(b)B.Pharm.

(c) Pharm.D.

In view of it, the said MS Programmes* are not approved by the PCI either for the purpose of registration as a pharmacist under the Pharmacy Act to practice the profession **OR** any other purpose like teaching in approved pharmacy institutions.

* except academic programmes offered by NIPER under the NIPER Act, 1998 where admission qualification / eligibility criteria to such academic programmes is Bachelor of Pharmacy (B.Pharm) from an institution approved by PCI u/s 12 of the Pharmacy Act, 1948.