MINUTES
(Meeting No. 28)

An Ordinary meeting of the Board of studies of the Department of Radiotherapy was held on 01.09.2012 in the Chamber of the Chairman, Deptt. of Radiotherapy.

The following Members attended the meeting:

1. Prof. Amanullah Khan
2. Dr. Seema Devi
3. Mr. M.A.Blial Hussain
4. Dr. Shadab Alam
5. Prof. S.A. Siddiqui – (In Chair)

In the beginning the Chairperson welcomed the members of the Board of Studies and then the items of the agenda were discussed.

Item No.1

The Minutes of the last meetings of Board of Studies held on 12.04.2012 (Meeting no.27) were confirmed.

Item No.2

i. The teaching schedule for MBBS and BRIT was prepared in consultation with all the teachers involved and assigned accordingly. Practical classes for BRIT students are assigned to the Senior Radiographers.

ii. Training schedule (OPD, Ward, Brachytherapy, Planning) and Seminar schedule for MD, DMRT & BRIT students were prepared and accepted by all members.

Item No.3

The chairperson informed the members that the BRIT course run by the faculty of Medicine conducted in the department of Radiotherapy is recognized by the Atomic Energy Regulatory Board, Govt. of India, Mumbai.

The following amendments were suggested by the members and unanimously agreed upon.

i. With the demand for the course and increased number of applicants every year the number of seats should be increased to 4(3+1); One seat being reserved for lateral entry in to the second year for Diploma holders in Radiology or Radiotherapy or equivalent. In the absence of candidates in this reserved category the seat will be filled by general category.
ii. The eligibility criteria for admission to the course should be modified in line with the other courses like MBBS/BDS & Paramedical Diploma as under:
   - Senior Secondary school certificate from this University or Institution/Board recognized by the University or its equivalent with Physics, Chemistry, Biology with minimum of 50% marks in aggregate in P,C,B.

iii. The members also urged that multiple admission tests cause much inconvenience to the candidates as most of the aspirants for BRTT also appear for the admission test for MBBS/BDS and Common Entrance Test conducted by Centre for Professional Courses. So they requested the chairman to write to the controller of Exams to combine the Admission Test of BRTT with the MMBBS/BDS Admission Test and candidates should be allowed to give a third choice of BRTT. The members also requested the chairman to work out the modalities for the same.

iv. The following corrections need to be made in the application form.
   - The course duration is 3 ½ yrs (including 6 months internship)
   - The no. of seats should be advertised as 3+1* (*lateral entry for Diploma holders in Radiology/Radiotherapy or equivalent).
   - Necessary correction in the application form to include a column to opt for lateral entry. Those candidates who wish to apply under lateral entry category should make their claim by submitting the Diploma Certificate/Course Completion Certificate /Course to be completed certificate from the institute attending the course. The candidates should have completed the diploma before the admission to the BRTT course, if selected.

Item No.4

The annual report of the department for the year 2011-2012 was read out to the members and all members approved it.

Any other Item

i. The syllabi for Admission Test (Departmental) for admission to BRTT is prepared and approved by the Board of Studies.

ii. The Chairperson of the Board of Studies informed the members that as per the Residency rules of the Ministry of H & FW (1992), the age limit for Senior Residency is 33 years and the term of appointment is for 3 years. But due to non availability of the residents in some specialties, some State Governments have changed the rule and modified the age limit to 40 years and the appointment term extendable by 1 year (Total of 4 years) in order to cope up with the shortage and workload.

Other members also deliberated on the same and requested the chairman to take up the matter with the Dean, in the Faculty meeting to change the Residency rule.

(Prof. Shahid Ali Siddiqui)
Chairman
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