

Indian Nursing Council Act 1947

Act No. of Year: ACT NO. 48 OF 1947

Enactment Date: [31st December, 1947.]

Act Objective: An Act to constitute an Indian Nursing Council.. WHERE AS it is expedient to constitute an Indian Nursing Council in order to establish a uniform standard of training for nurses, midwives and health visitors; It is hereby enacted as follows: -

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Section Text:

1. Short title, extent and commencement.

- (1) This Act may be called the Indian Nursing Council Act,1947.
- (2) It extends to the whole of India except the State of Jammu and Kashmir.
- (3) It shall come into force at once.

2. Interpretation. In this Act, unless there is anything repugnant in the subject or context,-

- (a)" the Council " means the 3[Council] constituted under this Act
- (b)" prescribed means prescribed by regulations made under section 16
- (c)" State Council" means a Council (by whatever name called) constituted under the law of a State to regulate the registration of nurses, midwives or health visitors in the State ;
- (d) "State register" means a register of nurses, midwives or health visitors maintained under the law of a State.

3. Constitution and composition of the Council.

1 The Central Government shall as soon as may be constitute a Council consisting of the following members, namely:-

- (a) one nurse enrolled in a State register elected by each State Council.

1) The Act has been extended to Dadra and Nagar Haveli by Reg. 6 of 1963, s. 2 and Sch. I; Pondicherry by Reg. 7 of 1963, s. 3 and Sch. I, and Goa, Daman and Diu by Reg. 11 of 1963, s. 3 and Sch.

2) Subs. by Act 45 of 1957, s. 2, for the former sub-section (w.e.f. 1-12-1958).

3) Subs. by s. 3, ibid., for "Indian Council of Nursing" (w.e.f. 1-12-1958).

4) Cl. (e) omitted by s. 3, ibid. (w.e.f. 1-12-1958).

(b) two members elected from among themselves by the heads of institutions recognized by the Council for the purpose of this clause in which training is given-

(i) for obtaining a University degree in nursing; or

(ii) in respect of a post-certificate course in the teaching of nursing and in nursing administration;]

(c) one member elected from among themselves by the heads of institutions in which health visitors are trained;

(d) one member elected by the Medical Council of India

(e) one member elected by the Central Council of the Indian Medical Association

(f) one member elected by the Council of the Trained Nurses Association of India ;

(g) one midwife or auxiliary nurse-midwife enrolled in a State register, elected by each of the State Councils in the four groups of States mentioned below, each group of States being taken in rotation in the following order, namely: -

(i) Kerala, Madhya Pradesh, Uttar Pradesh and Haryana],

(ii) Andhra Pradesh, Bihar, Maharashtra and Rajasthan,

(iii) Karnataka, Punjab, Himachal Pradesh and West Bengal,

(iv) Assam, Gujrat, Tamil Nadu and Orissa

(h) the Director General of Health Services, ex-officio;

(i) the Chief Principal Matron, Medical Directorate, General Headquarters, ex officio ;

(j) the Chief Nursing Superintendent, office of the Director-General of Health Services, ex officio;

1. Subs. by Act 45 of 1957, s. 4, for the original clause (w.e.f. 1-12-1958).

2. Subs. by the Punjab Reorganisation and Delhi High Court (Adaptation of Laws on Union Subjects) Order, 1968, for "and Uttar Pradesh" (w.e.f. 1-11-1966).

3. Subs. by the Bombay Reorganisation (Adaptation of Laws on Union Subjects) Order, 1961, for "Bombay" (w.e.f. 1-5-1960).

4. Subs. by the Mysore State (Alteration of Name) (Adaptation of Laws on Union Subjects) Order, 1974, for "Mysore" (w.e.f. 1-11-1973).

5. Ins. by the State of Himachal Pradesh (Adaptation of Laws on Union Subjects) Order, 1973 (w.e.f. 25-1-1971).

6. Subs. by the Bombay Reorganisation (Adaptation of Laws on Union Subjects) Order, 1961, for "Madras and Orissa" (w.e.f. 1-5-1960).

7. Subs. by the Madras State (Alteration of Name) (Adaptation of Laws on Union

Subjects) Order, 1970, for "Madras" (w.e.f. 14-1-1969).

(k) the Director of Maternity and Child Welfare, Indian Red Cross Society, ex officio;

(l) the Chief Administrative Medical Officer (by whatever name called) of each State other than a Union territory, ex Officio;]

(m) the Superintendent of Nursing Services (by whatever name called), ex officio, from each of the States in the two groups mentioned below, each group of States being taken in rotation in the following order, namely :-

(i) Andhra Pradesh, Assam, 2[Maharashtra], Madhya Pradesh, 3[Tamil Nadu], Uttar Pradesh, 4[West Bengal and Haryana] ;

(ii) Bihar, 5[Gujrat] 6[Himachal Pradesh] Kerala, 7[Karnataka], Orissa, Punjab and Rajasthan];

(n) four members nominated by the Central Government, of whom at least two shall be nurses, midwives or health visitors enrolled in a State register and one shall be an experienced educationalist

(o) three members elected by Parliament, two by the House of the People from among its members and the other by the Council of States from among its members.

(2) The President of the Council shall be elected by the members of the Council from among themselves:

Provided that for five years from the first constitution of the Council the President shall be a person nominated from amongst the members of the Council by the Central Government, who shall hold office during the pleasure of the Central Government.

(3) No act done by the Council shall be questioned on the ground merely of the existence of any vacancy in, or any defect in the constitution of, the Council.

1. Subs. by Act 45 of 1957, s. 4, for the former clause (w.e.f. 1-12-1958).

2. Subs. by the Bombay Reorganisation (Adaptation of Laws on Union Subjects) Order, 1961, for "Bombay" (w.e.f. 1-5-1960).

3. Subs. by the Madras State (Alteration of Name) (Adaptation of Laws on Union Subjects) Order. 1970, for "Madras " (w.e.f. 14-1-1969).

4. Subs. by the Punjab Reorganisation and Delhi High Court (Adaptation of Laws on Union Subjects) Order, 1968, for "and West Bengal" (w.e.f. 1-11-1966).

5. Ins. by the Bombay Reorganisation (Adaptation of Laws on Union Subjects) Order, 1961 (w.e.f. 1-5-1960).

6. Ins. by the State of Himachal Pradesh (Adaptation of Laws on Union Subjects) Order, 1973 (w.e.f. 25-1-1971).

7. Subs. by the Mysore State (Alteration of Name) (Adaptation of Laws on Union Subjects) Order, 1974, for "Mysore" (w.e.f. 1-11-1973).

4. Incorporation of the Council. -

The Council constituted under section 3 shall be a body corporate by the name of the Indian Nursing Council having perpetual succession and a common seal, with power to acquire property both movable and immovable, and shall by the said name sue and be sued.

5. Mode of elections.

(1) Elections under sub-section (1) of section 3 by State Councils shall be conducted in accordance with rules made in this behalf by the respective State Governments, and where any dispute arises regarding any such election it shall be referred to the State Government concerned whose decision shall be final.

(2) Other elections under that sub-section shall be conducted in the prescribed manner, and where any dispute arises regarding any such election it shall be referred to the Central Government whose decision shall be final.

6. Term of office and casual vacancies.

(1) Subject to the provisions of this section, an elected or nominated member, other than a nominated President, shall hold office for a term of five years from the date of his election or nomination or until his successor has been duly elected or nominated, whichever is longer.

(2) An elected or nominated member may at any time resign his membership by writing under his hand addressed to the President, and the seat of such member shall thereupon become vacant.

(3) An elected or nominated member shall be deemed to have vacated his seat if he is absent without excuse sufficient in the opinion of the Council from three consecutive meetings of the Council where the interval between the first and third of the said meetings exceeds six months.

(4) A casual vacancy in the Council shall be filled by fresh election or nomination, as the case may be, and the person elected or nominated to fill the vacancy shall hold office only for the remainder of the term for which the member whose place he takes was elected or nominated.

(5) Members of the Council shall be eligible for re-election or renomination.

1 Sub-section (6) omitted by Act 45 of 1957, s. 5 (w.e.f. 1-12-1958).

8. Officers, Committees and servants of the Council.

(1) The Secretary of the Council (who may also, if it is deemed expedient by the Council, act as Treasurer) shall, for three years from the first constitution of the Council, be a person appointed by the Central Government and shall hold office during the pleasure of the Central Government.

(2) The Council shall-

(a) elect from among its members a Vice-President;

(b) constitute from among its members an Executive Committee and such other committees for general or special purposes as the Council deems necessary to carry out the purposes of this Act ;

(c) subject to the provisions of sub-section (1), appoint a Secretary, who may also, if deemed expedient, act as Treasurer;

(d) appoint or nominate such other officers and servants as the Council deems necessary to carry out the purposes of this Act ;

(e) require and take from the Secretary, or from any other officer or servant, such security for the due performance of his duties as the Council deems necessary;

(f) with the previous sanction of the Central Government, fix the fees and allowances to be paid to the President. Vice President and members and the pay and allowances of officers and servants of the Council.

9. The Executive Committee

(1) The Executive Committee shall consist of nine members, of whom seven shall be elected by the Council from among its members.

(2) The President and Vice-President of the Council shall be members ex officio of the Executive Committee, and shall be President and Vice-President, respectively, of that Committee.

(3) In addition to the powers and duties conferred and imposed upon it by this Act, the Executive Committee shall exercise and discharge such powers and duties as the Council may confer or impose upon it by any regulations which may be made in this behalf.

10. Recognition of qualifications.

(1) For the purposes of this Act, the qualifications included in 1[Part I of] the Schedule shall be recognised qualifications, and the qualifications included in Part II of the Schedule shall be recognised higher qualifications.

(2) Any authority within the States 2* * * which, being recognised by the State Government 1[in consultation with the State Council, if any] for the purpose of granting any qualification, grants a qualification in general nursing, midwifery, 1[auxiliary nursing midwifery], health visiting or public health nursing, not included in the Schedule may apply to the Council to have such qualification recognised, and the Council may declare that such qualification, or such qualification only when granted after a specified date, shall be a recognised qualification for the purposes of this Act.

(3) The Council may enter into negotiations with any authority 3[in any 4[territory of India to which this Act does not extend] or

1 Ins. by Act 45 of 1957, s. 6 (w.e.f. 1-12-1958).

2 The words "of India" omitted by the A.O. 1950.

3 Subs. by Act 75 of 1950, s. 2, for " in any State or country outside the States ".

4 Subs. by the Adaptation of Laws (No. 3) Order, 1956, for "Part B State".

foreign country] which by the law of 2[such territory] or country is entrusted with the maintenance of a register of nurses, midwives or health visitors, for the settling of a scheme of reciprocity for the recognition of qualifications, and in pursuance of any such scheme the Council may declare that a qualification granted by any authority in any 2[such territory] or country, or such qualification only when granted after a specified date, shall be a recognised qualification for the purposes of this Act:

Provided that no declaration shall be made under this sub-section in respect of any qualification unless by the law and practice 3[of the foreign country] in which the qualification is granted persons domiciled or originating 4[in India] and holding qualifications recognized under this Act are permitted to enter and practice the nursing profession 5[in that country]

Provided further that-

(i) any reciprocal arrangements subsisting at the date of the commencement of this Act between a State Council and any authority outside India for the recognition of qualifications shall, unless the Council decides otherwise, continue in force, and

6[(ii) any qualification granted by an authority in a territory of India to which this Act did not extend at the date of its commencement, and recognised on the said date by the State Council of a State to which this Act then extended, shall continue to be a recognised qualification for the purpose of registration in that State.]

(4) The provisions of sub-sections (2) and (3) and of sections 14 and 15 shall apply mutatis mutandis to the declaration by the Council of a qualification granted in respect of post-certificate nursing training as a recognised higher qualification.

11. Effect of recognition. 7[(1)] Notwithstanding anything contained in any other law,-

(a) any recognised qualification shall be a sufficient qualification for enrollment in any State register

1 The words "of India " omitted by the A.O. 1950.
2 Subs. by the Adaptation of Laws (No. 3) Order, 1956, for "such State".
3 Subs. by Act 75 of 1950, s. 2, for "of the State or country".
4 Subs. by s. 2, *ibid.*, for " in any State".
5 Subs. by s. 2, *ibid.*, for "in that State or country".
6 Subs. by Act 45 of 1957, s. 6, for the former clause (w.e.f. 1-12-1958).
7 S. 11 re-numbered as sub-section (1) of that section by s, 7, *ibid.*, (w.e.f. 1-12-1958).

(b) no person shall, after the date of the commencement of this Act, be entitled to be enrolled in any State register as a nurse, midwife, 1[auxiliary nurse-midwife,] health visitor, or public health nurse unless he or she holds a recognised qualification :

Provided that any person already enrolled in any State register before the said date may continue to be so enrolled notwithstanding that he or she may not hold a recognised qualification :

Provided further that any person who was immediately before the said date entitled to be enrolled in any State register but was not so enrolled shall, on application made in this behalf before the expiry of two years from the said date be entitled to be enrolled in that register ;

(c) any person holding a recognised higher qualification shall be entitled to have the qualification entered as a supplementary qualification in any State register in which he or she is enrolled, and after the said date no person shall be entitled to have entered as a supplementary qualification in any State register any qualification which is not a recognised higher qualification.

1[(2) Notwithstanding anything contained in clause (b) of sub-section (1)-

(a) a citizen of India holding a qualification which entitles him or her to be registered with any Council of Nursing or Midwifery (by whatever name called) in any foreign country, may, with the approval of the Council, be enrolled in any State register; and where approval has been accorded by the Council in respect of such qualification in one case, the approval of the Council for enrollment in a State register in the case of any other citizen of India holding the same qualification shall not be necessary ;

(b) a person not being a citizen of India who is employed as a nurse, midwife, auxiliary nurse-midwife, teacher or administrator in any hospital or institution situated in any State for purposes of teaching, research or charitable work may, with the approval of the President of the Council, be enrolled temporarily in the State register for

1 Ins. by Act 45 of 1957, s. 7 (w.e.f. 1-12-1958).

such period as may be specified in this behalf in the order issued by the said President: Provided that practice by such person shall be limited to the hospital or institution to which he or she is attached.]

12. Power to require information as to courses of study and training and examinations.

Every authority in any State 1* * * which grants a recognised qualification or a recognised higher qualification shall furnish such information as the Council may, from time to time, require as to the courses of study and training and examinations to be undergone in order to obtain such qualification, as to the ages at which such courses of study and examinations are required to be undergone and such qualifications conferred, and generally as to the requisites for obtaining such qualification.

13. Inspections.

(1) The Executive Committee may appoint such number of inspectors 2[, whether from among members of the Council or otherwise,] as it deems necessary to inspect any institution recognised as a training institution, and to attend examinations held for the purpose of granting any recognised qualification or recognised higher qualification.

(2) Inspectors appointed under this section shall report to the Executive Committee on the suitability of the institution for the purposes of training and on the adequacy of the training therein, or as the case may be, on the sufficiency of the examinations.

(3) The Executive Committee shall forward a copy of such report to the authority or institution concerned, and shall also forward copies, with the remarks, if any, of the authority or institution concerned thereon, to the Central Government and to the State Government and State Council of the State in which the authority or institution is situated.

14. Withdrawal of recognition.

(1) When, upon report by the Executive Committee, it appears to the Council-

(a) that the courses of study and training and the examinations to be gone through in order to obtain a recognised qualification from any authority in any State 1* * *, or the conditions for admission to such courses or the standards of proficiency required from the candidates at such examinations are not in conformity with the regulations

1 The words "of India" omitted by the A.O. 1950.

2 Ins. by Act 45 of 1957, s. 8 (w.e.f. 1-12-1958)

made under this Act or fall short of the standards required thereby, or

(b) that an institution recognised by a State Council for the training of nurses, midwives, 1[auxiliary nurse-midwives] or health visitors does not satisfy the requirements of the Council, the Council may send to the Government of the State in which the authority or institution, as the case may be, is situated a statement to such effect, and the State Government shall forward it, along with such remarks as it may think fit to the authority or institution concerned and, in a case referred to in clause (b) to the State Council also, with an intimation of the period within which the authority or institution may submit its explanation to the State Government.

(2) On the receipt of the explanation or, where no explanation is submitted within the period fixed, then on the expiry of the period, the State Government shall make its recommendations to the Council.

(3) The Council, after such further inquiry, if any, as it may think fit to make, and in a case referred to in clause (b) of sub-section (1), after considering any remarks which the State Council may have addressed to it, may declare,-

(a) in a case referred to in clause (a) of that sub- section, that the qualifications granted by the authority concerned shall be recognised qualifications only when granted before a specified date, or

(b) in a case referred to in the said clause (b), that with effect from a date specified in the declaration any person holding a recognised qualification whose period of training and study preparatory to the grant to him of the qualification was passed at the institution concerned shall be entitled to be registered only in the State in which the institution is situated.

(4) The Council may declare that any recognised qualification granted outside the States 2* * * shall be a recognised qualification only if granted before a specified date.

15. Mode of declarations.3[(1)]

All declarations under section 10 or section 14 shall be made by resolution passed at a meeting of the Council called for the declarations purpose, and shall forthwith be published in the Official Gazette.

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1 Ins, by Act 45 of 1957, s. 9 (w.e.f. 1-12-1958).

2 The words "of India " omitted by the A.O. 1950.

3 S. 15 re-numbered as sub-section (1) of that section by Act 45 of 1957, s. 10 (w.e.f. 1-12-1958).

1[(2) The Central Government shall, from time to time, by notification in the Official Gazette, amend the Schedule so as to bring it into accord with any declaration under section 10 or section 14.]

2[15A. Indian Nurses Register.(1) The Council shall cause to be maintained in the prescribed manner a register of nurses, midwives, auxiliary nurse midwives and health visitors to be known as the Indian Nurses Register, which shall contain the names of all persons who are for the time being enrolled on any State register.

(2) It shall be the duty of the Secretary of the Council to keep the Indian Nurses Register in accordance with the provisions of this Act, and from time to time, to revise the register and publish it in the Gazette of India and in such other manner as may be prescribed.

(3) Such register shall be deemed to be a public document with in the meaning of the Indian Evidence Act, 1872 (1 of 1872), and may be proved by a copy published in the Gazette of India.

15 (B). Supply of copies of State registers.

Each State Council shall supply to the Council twenty printed copies of the State register as soon as may be after the 1st day of April of each year and inform the Council without delay of all additions to, and other amendments in, the State register made from time to time.]

16. Power to make regulations.

(1) The Council may 3[by notification in the official gazette,] make regulations not inconsistent with this Act generally to carry out the provisions of this Act, and in particular and without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing power, such regulations may provide for-

(a) the management of the property of the Council and the maintenance and audit of its accounts ;

(b) the manner in which elections referred to in sub- section (2) of section 5 and in clause (a) of sub- section (2) of section 8 shall be conducted ;

(c) the summoning and holding of the meetings of the Council, the times and places at which such meetings shall be held, the conduct of business thereat and the number of members necessary to constitute a quorum ;

(d) prescribing the functions of the Executive Committee, the summoning and holding of meetings thereof, the times and places at which such meetings shall be held, and the number of members necessary to constitute a quorum ;

1 Ins. by-Act 45 of 1957, s. 10 (w.e.f. 1-12-1958),

2 Ins. by s. 11, ibid. (w.e.f. 1-12-1958).

3 Ins. by Act 4 of 1986, s.2 and sch. (w.e.f. 15.5.1986)

(e) prescribing the powers and duties of the President and the Vice-President ;

1[(f) prescribing the tenure of office and the powers and duties of the Secretary and other officers and servants of the Council ;

(ff) prescribing the powers and duties of inspectors;]

(g) prescribing the standard curricula for the training of nurses, midwives and health visitors, for training courses for teachers of nurses, midwives and health visitors, and for training in nursing administration

(h) prescribing the conditions for admission to courses of training as aforesaid ;

(i) prescribing the standards of examination and other requirements to be satisfied to secure for qualifications recognition under this Act ;

(j) any other matter which is to be or may be prescribed under this Act.

(2) To enable the Council to be first constituted, the President may, with the previous sanction of the Central Government, make regulations for the conduct of the elections referred to in sub- section (2) of section 5, and any regulations so made may be altered or rescinded by the Council in exercise of its powers under this section.

2[(3) Every regulation made under this Act shall be laid, as soon as may be after it is made, before each House of Parliament, while it is in session, for a total period of thirty days which may be comprised in one session or in two or more successive sessions, and if, before the expiry of the session immediately following the session or the successive sessions aforesaid, both Houses agree in making any modification in the regulation or both Houses agree that the regulation should not be made, the regulation shall thereafter have effect only in such modified form or be of no effect, as the case may be; so, however, that any such modification or annulment shall be without prejudice to the validity of anything previously done under that regulation.]

17. [Repeal of Ordinance 13 of 1947.1 Rep. by the Indian Nursing Council (Amendment) Act, 1957 (45 of 1957), s. 13 (w. e. f. 1-12- 1958).

PART I

Recognised qualifications

A.-General Nursing-Certificates (including senior and junior certificates), Diplomas or Degrees in Nursing issued by any of the following authorities, namely:

1. The Examination Board appointed by the 4[Government of Tamil Nadu].

1. Subs. by Act 45 of 1957, s. 12, for the original cl. (f) (w.e.f. 1-12-1958).

2 Ins. by Act 4 of 1986, s.2 and Sch. (w.e.f. 15.5.1986)

3 Subs. by Act 45 of 1957, s. 14, for the original Schedule (w.e.f. 1-12- 1958).

4 Subs. by the Madras State (Alteration of Name) (Adaptation of Laws on Union Subjects) Order, 1970, for "Govt. of Madras" (w.e.f. 14-1-1969).

2. The Bombay Nurses, Midwives and Health Visitors Council.

3. The Bombay Presidency Nursing Association (when issued before the 1st day of January, 1936).

4. The Bengal Nursing Council (when issued before the 15th day of August, 1947).

5.The Uttar Pradesh State Medical Faculty.

6. The Uttar Pradesh Nurses and Midwives Council.

7. The State Board of Medical Examinations, Uttar Pradesh (when issued before the 1st day of January, 1927).

8.

(a) The Punjab Nurses Registration Council (when issued before the 15th day of August, 1947 or after the 26th day of January, 1950).

(b) The East Punjab Nurses Registration Council (when issued before the 26th day of

January, 1950).

9. The Bihar Medical Examination Board (when issued before the 1st day of January, 1938).
10. The Bihar Nurses Registration Council.
11. The Madhya Pradesh Medical Examination Board (when issued before the 1st day of April, 1950).
12. The Assam Nurses, Midwives and Health Visitors Council.
13. The Orissa Medical Examination Board.
14. The Mid-India (United) Board of Examiners for Nurses (when issued before the 1st day of January, 1947).
15. The Joint Missionary Board for Examination of Nurses (Marathi area) (when issued before the 1st day of January, 1934).
16. The North-India United Board of Examiners for Mission and other Hospitals (when issued before the 1[1st day of January, 1942].
17. The Examining Board of the Nurses Auxiliary of the Christian Medical Association of Indian (South India Branch).
18. The Sind Nurses and Midwives Council (when issued before the 15th day of August, 1947).
19. The West Bengal Nursing Council.
20. The University of Delhi.
21. The University of Madras.
22. The Bengal State Medical Faculty (when issued before the 1st day of January, 1942).
23. The Mid-India Board of Examiners of Nurses Auxiliary of Christian Medical Association of India.
24. The Examination Board of Military Medical Services (when issued before the 18th day of August, 1955).
25. The Armed Forces Medical Services Examination Board.
26. The Madhya Pradesh State Nurses Registration Council.
27. The Board of Examiners appointed by the Government of Mysore.

28. The Board of Examiners appointed by the Government of Hyderabad (when issued before the 1st day of November, 1956).
29. The Board of Examiners appointed by the Government of Andhra (when issued before the 1st day of November, 1956, or by the Government of Andhra Pradesh (when issued on or after the 1st day of November, 1956).
30. The Travancore-Cochin Nurses and Midwives' Council.
31. The Vidarbha Nurses Registration Council (when issued before the 15th February, 1967).
32. The Orissa Nurses & Midwives Examination Board.
33. The Mahakoshal Nurses Council.
34. The Bombay Nursing Council.
35. The Board of Examiners appointed by the Government of Kerala.
36. Medical and Surgical School, Goa (when granted before the 30th day of April, 1963).
37. The Kerala Examination Board/Kerala Nurses and Midwives Council.
38. The Maharashtra Nursing Council (when granted on or after the 15th February, 1962).
39. The Gujarat Government.
40. (a) Travancore Government.
(b) Travancore Public Service Commission.
(c) Cochin Government.
the 31st December, 1953.
(d) Cochin Public Service Commission.
(e) Travancore-Cochin Government.
(f) Travancore-Cochin Public Service Commission.
41. The Osmania University.
42. The University of Indore (when issued on or after the 1st April, 1965).
43. The Examining Board of the Nurses League of the Christian Medical Association of India (South-India Branch) (when issued on or after the 28 October, 1965).

When granted on or before

44. The Mid India Board of Examiners of the Nurses League of Christian Medical Association of India (when issued on or after the 1st January, 1966).
45. The University of Bombay (when issued on or after the 1st April, 1964).
46. The Rajasthan Nursing Council (when issued in the year, 1964).
47. The Vikram University, Ujjan (when issued in the year, 1964).
48. The S.N.D.T. University, Bombay, (when issued on or after the 15th April, 1969).
49. The Poona University Poona, (when issued on or after the October, 1968).
50. The Haryana Nurses Registration Council, Chandigarh, (when granted on or after the 1st May, 1971).
51. University of Kerala, Trivandrum (when granted on or after the 21st March, 1972).
52. University of Punjab, Chandigarh, (when granted on or after the 1st August, 1983).
53. Sardar Patel University, Vallabh Vidyanagar (when issued on or after 1st August, 1983).
54. Board of Nursing Education of the Nurses League of C.M.A.I. (South India Branch) (when granted on or after 30th October, 1975).
55. All India Institute of Medical Sciences, New Delhi. (when granted on or after 16th August, 1979).
56. University of Calcutta. (when granted on or after 27th October, 1978).
57. University of Rajasthan, Jaipur, (when granted on or after 1st January, 1968).
58. The Board of Examiners appointed by the Govt. of Mysore (when granted on and after 17.11.1954 to 30.10.1973).
59. The Board of Examiners appointed by the Govt. of Karnataka (when granted on or after the 1st November, 1973).
60. Devi Ahilya Vishwavidyalaya, Indore, (when granted on or after the 26th January, 1983).
61. University of Calicut (Kerala) (when granted on or after 12th April, 1982).
62. University of Gujarat, Ahmedabad (when granted on or after 19-08-1993).
63. University of Kuvempu, Shimoga, Karnataka (when granted on or after 10-09-1990).

64. Rajiv Gandhi University of Health Sciences, Bangalore (when granted on or after 1996).

65. University of Bangalore (when granted on or after 01-10-1971).

66. Manipal Academy of Higher Education, Manipal (when granted on or after 03-07-1993).

67. Tripura Nursing Council (when granted on or after 29-09-1989).

Midwifery -

Certificates, Diplomas or Degrees in Midwifery issued by any of the following authorities, namely:

1. Any of the authorities mentioned in section A except the authority at item No. 17 there of.
2. The Punjab Central Midwives Board (when issued before the 15th day of August, 1947).
3. The Mid India (United) Board of Examiners for Midwifery (when issued before the 1st day of January, 1947).
4. The National Association for supplying female medical aid to the women of India (when issued before the 1st day of October, 1949).
5. The North - West Frontier Province Central Midwives Board (when issued before the 15th day of August, 1947).
6. The Orissa Nurses & Midwives Examination Board.
7. The Mahakoshal Nurses Council.
8. The Bombay Nursing Council.
9. The Board of Examiners appointed by the Government of Kerala.
10. The North-India Board of Examiners for Mission and other Hospitals (when issued before the 1st day on Jan., 1946).
11. Medical and Surgical School, Goa (when granted before the 30th day of April, 1963).
12. The Kerala Examination Board/Kerala Nurses and Midwives Council.
13. The Maharashtra Nursing Council (when granted on or after the 15th February, 1962).
14. (a) Travancore Government.

- (b) Travancore Public Service Commission.
 - (c) Cochin Government.
 - (d) Cochin Public Service Commission.
the 31st December, 1953.
 - (e) Travancore-Cochin Government.
 - (f) Travancore-Cochin Public Service Commission.
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15. The Gujarat Nursing Council.

16. The Examining Board of the Nurses League of the Christian Medical Association of India (South-India Branch) (when issued on or after the 28 October, 1965).

17. The Mid India Board of Examiners of the Nurses League of the Christian Medical Association of India (when issued on or after the 1st January, 1966).

18. The Rajasthan Nursing Council (when issued on or after the 1st April, 1964).

19. The Haryana Nurses Registration Council, Chandigarh, (when granted on or after the 1st May, 1971).

20. Sardar Patel University, Vallabh Vidyanagar (when issued on or after 1st August, 1983).

21. Board of Nursing Education of the Nurses League of C.M.A.I. (South India Branch) (when granted on or after 30th October, 1975).

22. The Board of Examiners appointed by the Govt. of Mysore (when granted on or after 31.10.1973).

23. The Board of Examiners appointed by the Govt. of Karnataka (when granted on after 01-11-1973).

24. Tripura Nursing Council, Agartala (when granted on or after 29-09-1989).

C-Auxiliary Nursing-Midwifery -

Certificates issued by any of the following authorities, namely:

1. Any of the authorities mentioned in section A except item Nos. 3, 4, 7, 9, 11, 14, 15, 16, 18, 20, 21, 22, 24 and 25.
2. The Examination Board appointed by the Himachal Pradesh Administration.
3. The Orissa Nurses & Midwives Examination Board.
4. The Mahakoshal Nurses Council.

5. The Bombay Nursing Council.
6. The Board of Examiners appointed by the Government of Kerala.
7. The Kerala Examination Board/Kerala Nurses and Midwives Council.
8. Kasturba Gandhi National Memorial Trust (when issued on or after the 1st January, 1955).
9. The Maharashtra Nursing Council (when issued on or after the 15th February, 1962).
10. The Gujarat Government.
11. The Examining Board of the Nurses League of the Christian Medical Association of India (South-India Branch) (when issued on or after the 1st January, 1966).
12. The Rajasthan Nursing Council (when on or after the 1st April, 1964).
13. The Andaman & Nicobar Islands and Administration (when issued on or after the 16th December, 1963)
14. The Haryana Nurses Registration Council, Chandigarh, (when granted on or after the 1st May, 1971).
15. Board of Nursing Education of the Nurses League of C.M.A.I. (South India Branch) (when granted on or after 30th October, 1975).
16. The Board of Examiners appointed by the Govt. of Mysore (when granted between 12.08.1957 to 31.10.1973 both dates inclusive).
17. The Board of Examiners appointed by the Govt. of Karnataka (when granted on or after 1st November, 1973).
18. Central Board of Secondary Education, Delhi (when granted on or after 01-04-1990).
19. Andaman & Nicobar Island Administration (when granted between 16-12-1963 to 06-02-1983 and on or after 07-02-1983).
20. Board of Examiners of Multi Purpose Health Worker (Female), Government of Tripura (when granted between 09-01-1987 to 29-09-1989).
21. Tripura Nursing Council Agartala (when granted on or after 29-09-1989).

D-Health Visitors-

Health Visitor Certificates or Diploma issued by any of the following authorities, namely: -

1. The Government Training School for Health Visitors, Madras.
2. The Sir John Anderson Health School, Calcutta.
3. The Uttar Pradesh State Medical Faculty.
4. The Uttar Pradesh Nurses and Midwives Council.
5. The Government Health School, Nagpur.
6. The Assam Nurses, Midwives and Health Visitors Council.
7. The Lady Reading Health School, Delhi.
8. The Bombay Nurses, Midwives and Health Visitors Council.
9. The Bengal Nursing Council (when issued before the 15th day of August, 1947).
10. The Punjab Health School (when issued before the 15th day of August, 1947).
11. The West Bengal Nursing Council.
12. The Punjab State Medical Faculty.
13. The Bengal State Medical Faculty (when issued before the 1st day of January, 1942).
14. The Bihar Nurses Registration Council.
15. The Mahakoshal Nursing Council.
16. The Bombay Nursing Council.
17. The Board of Examiners appointed by the Government of Kerala.
18. Dr. H. C. Mookerjee Memorial Health School, Singur.
19. Kerala Examination Board. Kerala Nurses and Midwives Council.
20. The Maharashtra Nursing Council (when issued on or after the 15th February, 1962).
21. The Gujarat Nursing Council.
22. The Rajasthan Nursing Council (when issued on or after the 1st April, 1964).
23. The Haryana Nurses Registration Council, Chandigarh (when granted on or after the 1st May, 1971).

17. PART II
Recognised higher qualifications

Name of the authority issuing the Qualification	Qualification
1. The Examination Board appointed by the Government of Madras. Sister Tutor Course	1. Diploma in Nursing
2. College of Nursing, New Delhi. course in Public Health Nursing (when issued before the December, 1953). Post-certificate course in Teaching and Nursing Administration issued before the 31st day of August, 1957). of Examination in Ward Sisters course.	1. Post-certificate 31st day of 2. Combined (when 3. Certificate 4. Certificate
of Examination in Nursing Administration Course. When granted on or before the 30th June, 1961.	
of Examination in Midwife Tutor Course.	5. Certificate
of Examination in Midwife Tutor Course.	6. Certificate
Nursing Administration When granted on or before 1980.	7. Diploma in
Tutors Diploma.	8. Nursing
Tutors Diploma.	9. Midwife
Nursing Education and When granted on or after	10. Diploma in
Administration. 1980.	
3. The (Missionary) Christian Medical College, School of Teaching and Supervision (Sister Tutor Course). Nursing, Vellore.	Diploma in
4. The School of Nursing, Christian Medical College, Vellore. and Supervision (Sister Tutor Course).	Diploma in Teaching

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| 5. The Indian Psychiatric Society.
Psychiatric Nursing. | Diploma in |
| 6. The all India Institute of Mental Health, Bangalore.
Psychiatric Nursing | Diploma in |
| 7. The All India Institute of Hygiene and Public Health, Calcutta
Health Nursing.

in Public Health Nursing" (when granted on or after
1975). | 1. Certificate in Public

2. "Diploma

the 15th September, |
| 8. The Public Health Department Madras.
Public Health Nursing. | Diploma in |
| 9. The Tuberculosis Association of India.
Tuberculosis Nursing. | Diploma in |
| 10. The Bombay Nursing Council
Paediatric Nursing.

Health Nursing. | (a) Diploma in

(b) Diploma in Public |
| 11. The Mid-India Board Graduate School for Nurses.
Sisters Course.

Tutors Course.

Administration Course.

Health Nursing. | (a) Diploma of Ward

(b) Diploma of Sister

(c) Diploma in Nursing

(d) Diploma in Public |
| 12. the Lady Reading Health School, Delhi
Health Nursing. | Certificate in Public |
| 13. University of Kerala.
and Administration in Nursing (when issued
October, 1961). | Diploma in Teaching

on or after the 1st |
| 14. Uttar Pradesh Nurses & Medical Faculty, Uttar Pradesh
ward Administration Course. | Certificate in |
| 15. Maharashtra Nursing Council.
Health Nursing. | Diploma in Public |

16. Maharashtra Nursing Council. Paediatric Nursing.	Diploma in
17. The Mysore State Board of Examiners for Nurses. Ward Administration Course.	Certificate in
18. The University of Kerala. Nursing.	B.Sc. Degree in
19. The Med-India Board of Examiners of the Nurses League Sister Course. of the Christian Medical Association of India. Tutor Course.	Diploma in ward Diploma in Sister
Nursing. When issued on or after the Course. 1st January 1966.	Diploma in Administration
20. The Director of Health and Medical Services, (Health) Health Nursing (when issued on or after the Gujarat.	Diploma in Public 18th May, 1964).
21. The Mysore State Board of Examination for Post-Basic Nursing Education (when issued on or after the Course in Nursing Education.	Diploma in 1st March, 1964)
22. The Holy Family Hospital, New Delhi. Diploma (when issued on or after the 1st July, 1965)	Ward Sisters
23. The Director of Health Services, Gujarat. Diploma (granted between the dates 1st June 1965 and	Sister Tutors 30th April, 1968).
24. University of Delhi. Nursing (on or after the 20th October 1959)	Degree in Master of
25. University of Chandigarh. Nursing (on or after the 1st December, 1966)	B.Sc. Degree in
26. The Lady Reading Health School, Delhi. Certificate followed by Ward Sisters Course	Sister Tutor

April, 1973).	(on or after the 1st
27. The Gujarat University, Ahmedabad, Gujarat. B.Sc. degree (on or after 15th May, 1970)	Post Certificate
28. Uttar Pradesh State Medical Faculty, Lucknow. Health Nursing (when granted on or	Diploma in Public after 1st April, 1968).
29. Director of Health Services, Kerala, Trivandrum. Public Health Nursing (when granted between the 23rd October, 1971) (both dates included).	Certificate in 1st August, 1961 and
30. Kerala Nurses and Midwives Council, Trivandrum. Nursing Certificate granted between 24th October, 1971 (both dates inclusive).	Public Health to 23rd October, 1972
31. Bombay University, Bombay. B.Sc. Degree in Nursing granted on or after 1971.	Post-Certificate the 1st day of April,
32. Armed Forces Medical Services Examination Board, Diploma in Orthopedic Nursing granted on or New Delhi. 1973.	Post-Certificate after 11th January
33. The College of Nursing, Christian Medical College and Diploma in Operating room Technique and Management Hospital, Vellore. July 1967.	Post-Certificate granted on or after
34. University of Poona, Poona. Degree in Nursing (when granted on or after June, 1984).	Post Basic B.Sc.
35. S.N.D.T. Women's University, Bombay. Degree (when granted on or after 24th November, 1978).	M.Sc. (Nursing)
36. Shivaji University, Kolhapur. Degree in Nursing (When granted on or after June, 1979).	Post Basic B.Sc.

37. Directorate of Health Services, Madhya Pradesh.
Health/Diploma in Nursing Education (when granted
1982).

Diploma in Public
on or after 1st June,

38. University of Bangalore
(Nursing) Degree (when granted on or

Post Certificate B.Sc.
after 10-09-1972).

39. Rajiv Gandhi University of Sciences Health, Bangalore
B.Sc. (Nursing) Degree (when granted on or after 1996).

Post Certificate