

स्वास्थ्य एवं परिवार कल्याण मंत्रालय के तहत सांविधिक निकाय
Statutory Body under the Ministry of Health & Family Welfare

F.No. 28-02/2019-INC

Dated: 19 DEC 2020

To whomsoever it may concern

It is clarified that the power to grant recognition to nursing institutions vests with State Nursing Councils. The Hon'ble High Court of Karnataka, in W.P. No. 25355-25357/2017, vide judgment dated 24.07.2017 had held:

"16. In the circumstances, I am of the clear view that the petitions (W P Nos.25355-57/2017) are entitled to succeed. In the result, these petitions (W P Nos.25355-57/2017) are allowed. It is declared that the Indian Nursing Council, Respondent No.2 herein, has no authority to grant recognition to the Institutions imparting Nursing courses. The respondent No.2 is further restrained from publishing on its website, materials indicating that the institutions imparting Nursing courses have to obtain recognition from Respondent No.2 and all such materials from which it could infer recognition is to be obtained from Indian Nursing Council stand withdrawn from its website forthwith. W P Nos.28383-28385/2017 which is also for the similar relief is accordingly disposed of. Rule issued and made absolute accordingly."

It is further clarified that INC had filed an affidavit in Hon'ble High Court of Karnataka in CCC. 1167/2017 abiding by the aforesaid and stating:

"12. It is most respectfully submitted as per oral direction of Hon'ble Court, I.N.C. issued a letter of clarification to Rajiv Gandhi University on 15.10.2020, filed with a memo on 16.10.2020; wherein I.N.C clarified saying that I.N.C. has no power to grant recognition to Nursing Institutions and in fact it is state nursing council/ state government which is empowered to do so."

Yours faithfully



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Secretary