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Ref.No.14-56/2025-PCI (Procedure file)

Dated. 25.8.2026

To all -

1. Existing Pharmacy Institutions.
2. New Institutions applying for the first time.
3. Examining Authorities (Universities/Boards)
4. State Governments.

**Sub: Requirement of Full Teaching Staff, Infrastructure and Other Prescribed Facilities from the Commencement/Inception of the Course – regarding.**

**Ref: PCI Circular No.14-56/2024-PCI (Approval Process for 2026-27 a.s.) dated 03.10.2025**

**124 CC (24.8.2026) under Item No.10.**

Sir/Madam

1. The Pharmacy Council of India (PCI) had earlier issued Circular No. 14-56/2024-PCI (Approval Process for 2026-27 a.s.) dated 03.10.2025, prescribing, inter alia, course-wise and year-wise requirements relating to teaching staff, infrastructure, laboratories, equipment and other facilities for institutions conducting various pharmacy courses. The said circular shall continue to apply in all other respects, subject to the following modifications contained herein.
2. The matter regarding the requirement of teaching staff, infrastructure and other prescribed facilities from the commencement/inception of the course was considered by the Central Council of the Pharmacy Council of India.
3. The Council having considered the matter in light of the Judgment dated 29.05.2026 passed by the Hon'ble High Court of Delhi in LPA No. 614/2024 and connected CM Applications, Pharmacy Council of India v. SLS College of Pharmacy, reviewed the earlier practice of prescribing / considering teaching staff and infrastructure on a year-wise basis.
4. Accordingly, it has been decided that every institution seeking approval shall ensure compliance with the full prescribed teaching-staff strength, infrastructure, laboratories, equipment, facilities and other requirements applicable to the respective course and approved intake from the commencement/inception of the course itself, and not progressively on a year-wise basis.
5. **Teaching Staff:**
  - i) The prescribed teaching-staff requirement applicable to the concerned course and intake shall be fulfilled in full from the commencement/inception of the course.
  - ii) Consented faculty shall not be considered for fulfilment of the prescribed teaching-staff requirement.

- iii) Only duly appointed regular/full-time faculty, possessing the qualifications and experience prescribed under the applicable statutory Regulations and norms of PCI, shall be counted for fulfilment of the teaching-staff requirement, wherever full-time / regular faculty is prescribed.
- iv) The qualifications, experience, designation, workload and other conditions applicable to teaching staff shall remain as prescribed under the relevant statutory Regulations and applicable PCI norms.
- v) The institution shall ensure mandatory compliance with the Aadhaar Enabled Biometric Attendance System (AEBAS) requirements in respect of all teaching faculty. All teaching faculty shall be duly registered and onboarded on the Central AEBAS Portal with valid BH-PI IDs, verified and activated through the prescribed process, and shall regularly record their attendance through the registered biometric devices. The institution shall ensure that the AEBAS registration, onboarding and regular attendance marking of all authorised teaching faculty are complete and maintained throughout the academic session. Failure to comply with the AEBAS registration, onboarding or attendance requirements shall be treated as non-compliance with the prescribed requirements of the Pharmacy Council of India.

**6. Infrastructure and Other Facilities:**

The institution shall have the complete infrastructure, laboratories, equipment, classrooms, administrative facilities, library, amenities and other facilities prescribed for the concerned course and intake from the commencement/inception of the course.

- 7. The institutions are accordingly advised to ensure that the complete prescribed teaching staff, infrastructure and other facilities are in place before commencement/inception of the respective course, so as to ensure compliance with the prescribed standards and to safeguard the academic interests of students.
- 8. The concerned institutions shall also ensure that all information/documents submitted to PCI through the SIF/online portal accurately reflect the actual position of the teaching staff, infrastructure and other facilities available in the institution. Any misrepresentation or submission of incorrect information shall attract action as per the Pharmacy Act, 1948, the applicable Regulations and the norms of the PCI.

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