

**PROCEEDING OF THE MEETING OF THE PUNJAB MEDICAL COUNCIL
UNDER THE CHAIRMASHIP OF HON'BLE MRS. RAJINDER KAUR
BHATTAL, DEPUTY CHIEF MINISTER, PUNJAB HELD ON 13.10.2004 AT
11.00 A.M.**

The following attended the meeting :-

1. Sr. D.S. Guru, Principal Secretary, Deptt. Of Health & Family Welfare.
2. Sh. Satish Chandra, Secretary, Deptt. of Medical Education & Research, Punjab.
3. Sh. A.A. Saddiqui, Director General of Police, Punjab, Chandigarh.
4. Dr. J.S. Dalal, Director, Research & Medical Education, Punjab, Chandigarh.
5. Dr. G.R. Goel, Director, Health & Family Welfare, Punjab.
6. Dr. Manmohan Singh, President, Punjab Medical Council
7. Dr. Neeti Rajan Singh – Vice President, Punjab Medical Council
8. Dr. Gursharan Singh – Member, Punjab Medical Council
9. Dr. Yash Kumar Sharma – Member, Punjab Medical Council
10. Dr. Balraj Gupta – Member, Punjab Medical Council
11. Dr. Amrik Singh Bhatia – Member, Punjab Medical Council
12. Dr. A.S. Thind – Registrar, Punjab Medical Council

Item No. 1

Criminal cases against the Registered Medical Practitioners.

The agenda item was discussed in detail and the Hon'ble Deputy Chief Minister was of the view that innocent should not be touched and the negligent should be dealt firmly so that the people gets maximum benefit of the services of the doctors working in the State of Punjab. It was agreed that the District held committees will be constituted. Before taking any action against the practicing doctor/doctor posted in the Government Hospitals be referred to the committees. On the recommendations of the committee further action shall be taken by the authority concern. No action will be taken by the authority concern. No action will be taken without the recommendations of the district committee. The action taken by the authority will be notified in the media. The District level committee shall comprise of the following :

1. Deputy Commissioner / Additional Deputy
Commissioner - Chairperson
2. Civil Surgeon - Member
3. One of the Member of Punjab Medical Council - Member
4. One Senior /renowned Doctor of the specialty
Concerned (to be nominated by the President
Punjab Medical Council) - Member

Item No.2**Complaints against the doctors:**

Any complaint made to the Government regarding negligence will be forwarded to Punjab Medical council. The council will take appropriate action against the doctor on the recommendations of the Ethical Committee and the disciplinary committee. They should take steps according to the rule of the council should not desist even to take extreme step of removal of name from register maintained in the council. They should be given one or two chance to reform themselves.

Item No.3**Objectionable Advertisement:**

The Hon'ble Deputy Chief Minister took a serious view of the objectionable advertisements appearing in the press, which are misleading the general public.

All were of the view that strict action be taken against the culprits.

Council informed that they are taking action against the doctors who are inserting such type of advertisements in the Press. Proper procedure is being adopted.

The council also informed that the letters have been posted to all the newspapers/senior correspondents.

Item No.4**Unauthorized shops/Quackery:**

Sh. A.A. Saddiqui, Director General of Police assured that the full, cooperation shall be extended to the Punjab Medical Council in curbing the menace of quackery and unauthorised shops being run by the unqualified doctors in the State of Punjab.

In case of violation of the provisions of the various acts / rules especially the cases registered under PNDT Act the health authorities will inform the Punjab Medical Council to take action against the negligent doctors/officials.

The fee splitting should declared as offence. As the Punjab Medical Council has adopted the Indian Medical Council (Professional Etiquette and Ethics) Regulation 2002, action should be taken against the erring doctors indulging in the fee splitting. The council should informed about such cases for necessary action.

Item No.5**Registration of Nursing Home:**

Punjab Medical Council has decided to register the nursing homes/hospitals/clinics situated in the State of Punjab. The action of the council was well appreciated. The Council will work out the modalities. The council will device a simple Performa for the registration. The doctors running the nursing homes will be responsible to get themselves registered with the Punjab Medical Council. The council will issue a registration number for the nursing home. The nursing homes/clinics will inform the council about the number of beds available, number of doctors working in the nursing home and number of para medical officials.

Item No.6**Tenure of the members of the council:**

It was decided that the notification of the constitution of the council be issued under Section 7 of the Punjab Medical Registration Act, 1916. By doing this the tenure of the members shall be three year instead of two years (from the date of notification). Accordingly correction/ notification be issued by the Secretary Medical Education & Research.

Item No.7**Seminars**

The step taken by the council for organizing the seminars at different places and in the Medical Colleges was well appreciated. This will increase the awareness. It was also suggested that the public notices be inserted in the press for public awareness.

Item No.8**Awards:**

The resolve of the council to awards to eminent medical professionals in recognition of their services to the suffering humanity was well appreciated. The modalities are to be worked out by the council.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the chair.

President
Punjab Medical Council