



**KALOJI NARAYANA RAO UNIVERSITY OF HEALTH SCIENCES
TELANGANA : WARANGAL**

Rejoinder/Clarification on News article on KNRUHS:

- Government has sanctioned 82 regular posts to KNRUHS. Majority of the posts cannot be filled up by direct recruitment. University has represented several times to the Government with regard to the shortage of staff and increased workload in view of increase in number of colleges, courses and intake of students. Staff from other Universities/Government Organizations have not shown any interest for deputation to KNRUHS, Warangal.
- University had recruited 14 Junior Assistants through direct recruitment and 04 Assistant Registrars, 01 Statistical Officer through TSPSC. Controller of Examinations is working on FAC basis. In addition, 03 Senior Assistants, 02 Office Superintendents are working on FSD basis and 02 retired faculty members are working as Joint Registrar and Deputy Registrar along with 01 retired Senior Assistant working on contract basis. At present, out of the sanctioned 82 regular posts, 28 members are in position. 06 Data Entry Operators, 14 Office Subordinates, 04 Drivers, 01 Plumber, 01 Electrician are employed on outsourcing basis.
- In spite of shortage of staff, the University is able to conduct all activities almost normally as most of the activities of the University are Digitalized. The University is the 1st University in the state to digitalize all activities and function effectively in spite of more than 100% increase in workload.
- **UGC - Ombudsman** - State Health Universities function in accordance with National Medical Commission (Statutory Body as per NMC Act under Government of India) guidelines and regulations. Health Universities and Medical Colleges are not under UGC administration. UGC does not provide any funds to Health Universities and is not the Statutory Body for regulation of Medical Education in the country.
- Ombudsman for KNRUHS was appointed (one EC member) in response to UGC letter and uploaded online. Principals of all affiliated colleges were asked to appoint a member and upload on portal provided by UGC. University received a mail that the appointment is not made. The University once again uploaded the same details of Ombudsmen on 2nd February, 2024. There is nothing like inclusion in default list.
- **Appointment of new VC:** The process has been initiated by the Government.
- **Finance Officer: Deputy Registrar** of Cooperative Societies was on deputation to KNRUHS from 25.08.2023 and was I/c FO. He was transferred and posted to Khammam by Government on 14.02.2024. As there was no regular officer of FO grade, the Controller of Examinations was designated as incharge FO for office purpose. University has addressed letters to Government for posting a regular Finance Officer.

- **Allegation of irregularities in Seat Allotment & Seat Blocking:** The University has taken steps to prevent seat blocking and is in no way involved or facilitated seat blocking. No irregularities in allotments of seats have taken place since the inception of University. The University has lodged an FIR with Police Department to prevent seat blocking by unscrupulous agencies. The Enforcement Directorate and Income Tax Department are also investigating the same. The investigation is in progress and the ED/Police department has not found any fault of KNRUHS.
- **Delay in Admissions:** All admissions are completed as per the schedule notified by the Statutory Bodies of Government of India like NMC/DCI/NCISM/NCH/INC etc. There has never been any delay or deviation in the admissions schedule from 2016 onwards.
- **Delay in conduct of Examinations:** The examinations are conducted as per the period of completion of the syllabus and course in consultation with Principals of the colleges. The academic calendar of examinations is notified on website for 2024.
- **Delay in publication of Results:** On some occasions there is a delay in publication of results due to delay in evaluations by the faculty of colleges and not due to any shortage of staff in the University. The University has conducted several VCs with Principals of the colleges in this regard. The University has also brought this matter to the notice of DME and Government.
- **Delay in issue of certificates:** Thousands of certificates are issued every year without any delay. The University has put up a notice on website in this regard asking the students to take necessary action on their part for delay (Delay in approvals by the Principals, Invalid DDs, Incorrect postal address, etc)

Rejoinder/Clarification on B.Sc (Nursing) Admissions:

- B.Sc (Nursing) admissions for the year 2023-24 have been conducted as per the notified schedule for counseling by Indian Nursing Council (INC)/GOI. Original cut-off date was 31.10.2023. The revised cut-off date was 30-11-2023 in all the Nursing Colleges of the country.
- The schedules for admissions into all Health Sciences courses (UG &PG courses in Modern Medicine/Dentistry/ayush/Nursing) are notified by NMC/DCI/NCISM/NCH/INC which are the Statutory Authorities of Government of India which has to be followed mandatorily by the State Counselling Authorities. University has not conducted/approved any admissions contrary to the schedules of counseling notified by the above authorities till now. No deviations in the schedule of counseling by the State Counseling Authorities are permitted by Government of India and Hon'ble Supreme Court.
- KNRUHS has completed B.Sc (Nursing) admissions under Competent Authority Quota as per the revised schedule of counseling notified by INC by conducting five (5) phases of counseling.

- The admissions were conducted in-accordance with Government Orders issued (G.O. Ms. No. 39) which was issued as per INC Regulations.
- KNRUHS has addressed several letters to INC and obtained the relaxation in eligibility conditions for admissions in entrance tests (EAMCET/NEET) from 50 percentile to mere appearance in the entrance exam which was implemented for Competent Authority Quota admissions by issuing a second notification for online registration after 3rd phase of Counseling.
- The admissions under Management Quota are conducted by individual Private Nursing Colleges (89) following the Orders issued by Government/INC Regulations at the college level. There is no Centralized Counseling for Management Quota admissions for Nursing.
- The Managements of Private Nursing Institutions have filed two Writ Petitions in the Hon'ble High Court against G.O.Ms.No. 39 which were unilaterally withdrawn subsequent to filing of counter affidavits by the University.
- Government of Telangana issued Memo dated 23.02.2024 to apply relaxation in eligibility criteria for admissions for 2023-24 as per the relaxed eligibility criteria of the academic year 2022-23 as per feasibility of the University.
- Accordingly the Admission/Scrutiny Committee of the University verified the Original Certificates of admitted candidates as submitted by Principals of all Nursing colleges (110) by following due procedure of verification of certificates as is done every year. The Committee after completion of verification has approved the list of 1119 admitted candidates submitted by Principals of all the Nursing Colleges which were completed within the schedule notified by INC i.e., 30-11-2023 in-accordance with the relaxation in eligibility criteria granted by Government vide Memo dated 23.02.2023.
- There are several vacancies in B.Sc (Nursing), Post Basic B.Sc (Nursing) and M.Sc (Nursing) courses which are observed every year. This feature is observed in many Private Nursing Colleges across the country as the number of Nursing Colleges has increased significantly in the state and across the country.
- Government of Telangana has started 16 new Nursing colleges taking the total number of Government Nursing colleges to 21 (1400 seats) which has an impact on admissions in Private Nursing Colleges. Government also sanctioned monthly stipend to nursing students (Rs. 5000/- in I year, Rs. 6000/- in II year, Rs. 7000/- in III year & Rs. 8000/- in Final year) in Government Nursing Colleges. This also has an impact on admissions in Private Nursing Colleges.
- The students also choose to get admitted in Private Nursing Colleges with better infrastructure, hostel facilities, faculty and hospital facility for training.
- 98 candidates have discontinued from the B.Sc (Nursing) course after admission in the last year (January 2023 onwards).

- It is also pertinent to state that unless the permission is granted by Indian Nursing Council and Ministry of Health, Government of India, it is not feasible for the University to conduct fresh Counselling for admissions (as 03 months have elapsed after the last date of closure of admissions). It may also lead to the cancellation of admissions at a later date by INC/Government of India and also may lead to significant legal problems involving the career of many students. The same was brought to the notice of Government and INC for guidance and further course of action.



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