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## GUIDELINES FOR INDIAN STUDENTS WISHING TO STUDY IN CHINA

1. China has, in recent years, become one of the preferred destinations of Indian students for pursuing higher studies, especially for M.B.B.S. courses, mainly due to the ease of admission and inexpensive tuition fees.
2. However it has been noticed that a large number of students come to China without enough information. There have also been instances of the students being misled by educational consultants /admission agents in the process.
3. Owing to these factors, it is essential that students wishing to come to China do as much research as possible to try and ensure a wise choice of institution and also understand as clearly as possible the kind of life that awaits them here, so that they enjoy a positive experience of studying and living in China, as indeed most Indian students do.

### Medical Education in China

#### Eligible Institutions

4. Every year, the PRC Ministry of Education (MOE) issues a list of Institutions and scale of enrolment in China that are authorised to enrol international students for undergraduate clinical medical programmes in English medium. This is a six year programme (including one year internship). This list is available at

<http://www.indianembassy.org.cn/DynamicContent.aspx?MenuId=48&SubMenuId=0>

The list is also available on the MOE and the Medical Council of India (MCI) websites.

5. MOE has informed that any college/university which is not included in the list is not entitled to enrol foreign Under-graduate students for Clinical & Oral Medicine *in English medium* to study in China.
6. The MCI will issue eligibility certificates to only those MBBS students who have studied in the MOE approved Universities. Only these students will be allowed to appear for the Foreign Medical Graduate Examination (FMGE) conducted by the MCI to be able to practise or do internship in India. **MCI has approved that Internship for such students can be done in India or in China.** However it may be noted that some universities insist on the students doing internship only at the same university-affiliated hospitals.
7. It is advisable to check the reputation of the institution as well as the facilities available, academic standards of the faculty etc. before enrolling into any institution.

8. Students being recruited through Agents in India are advised to thoroughly check the background and other details of the Agent before coming to China. The Agents also have contracts with the Universities. Students are advised to check with the Universities before making any financial commitments.

9. It may also be noted that the transfer (migration) to another university halfway through the MBBS course has been prohibited by the MCI. Its notifications No. MCI-203(9)/2010-Regn./3494 and 3495 dated 16/04/2010 clearly state that for a student to be eligible to appear for the FMGE, she/he must have completed the course from the same institution. Those students who would migrate to other universities after 16/04/2010 will not qualify to appear for the FMGE.